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GOVERNOR  
MANDERA  
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# MANIFESTO

Envisioning Mandera County's transformation together



## When I am elected the Governor of Mandera County, my administration promises to do the following:



### **Security:**

Build relationship with neighboring counties and border communities.



### **Social Protection**

Support 20,000 vulnerable citizens through a cash transfer programme.



### **Employment:**

Create 10,000 Jobs over five years.



### **Gender Equity:**

Implement the two-thirds gender rule.



### **Health care:**

Provide health care cover for 20,000 households.



### **Climate and Environment:**

Plant one million trees across the County.



### **Road Network:**

Upgrade roads in sub-county headquarters to bitumen standard.



### **Education:**

Subsidize parents' contributions to boarding school fees to maximum of 20,000 Kshs.



### **Water:**

Expand provision of clean water to all towns and villages.



### **Devolution**

Devolve county government functions to ward level.



### **Enterprises that adds value**

Prioritise investment in enterprises that add value to Mandera County products and create jobs.



### **Food security**

Provide agricultural input such as seeds, fertilisers & equipment.



### **Unity and cohesiveness**

Equitable employment opportunities for all the residents of Mandera.



### **Transparency and accountability**

Establish an effective and efficient project delivery monitoring unit.



### **Youth Empowerment**

Create at least 2,000 jobs for the youth every year.



### **Women Empowerment**

Establish Mandera County Women Economic Development Fund.



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# MOHAMED ADAN KHALIF: THE MAN, THE LEADER AND THE UPCOMING GOVERNOR.

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## **Khalif the man**

**W**ho is Mohamed Adan Khalif? Why is he Mandera County's choice for Governor, and what makes him stand out from the crowd? Khalif has a wealth of experience in public administration and public-policy implementation.

A seasoned manager with more than two decades of professional experience, Khalif is currently the Speaker at Mandera County Assembly.

As Speaker, he wields responsibility for enforcing adherence to the constitution, standing orders and relevant statutes. The role of ensuring loyalty to County Assembly traditions, procedures and practices and organizing the business of the house falls in his domain.

Between 2005 and 2017, he served as Managing Director of Frontier Engineering, a limited-liability company based in Mandera.

In this role, he successfully secured and implemented many National and regional construction projects, including roads, rural electrification, building works and a waterworks project valued at close to half a billion shillings. His duties also involved engaging with a diverse portfolio of stakeholders, for instance government officials, community groups and businesses.

Before that, Khalif was the Chairman at Mandera Town Council. In his capacity as Chairman, he planned and surveyed the entire town, allocated 7,000 new plots and solved more than 2,000 land disputes, some of which had been pending for 20 years.

Besides, he helped to improve land allocation procedures and, in the process, provided a voice to vulnerable community members. Other achievements under his belt were the establishment of more than 11 schools, relocation of KWS and setting up of the bus park to improve the livelihoods of neighboring communities.



Over the course of his career, Khalif has been closely involved in financial management, which makes him ideal to ensure that the finances generated under the County Government are properly managed. Khalif has a wealth of professional experience in managing people, projects and finances—just what Mandera County needs.

He is a graduate of Kampala University where, in 2011, he was awarded the degree of Business and Management Studies. His key professional skills include strategic planning, appraisal of key performance indicators, public speaking, policy formulation and implementation,

project design, and programme planning and evaluation.

Under the able governorship of Mohamed Adan Khalif, Mandera County would, without a doubt, prosper. Mandera would especially benefit from Khalif's leadership because he understands this County not just from a geographical point of view, but also its history, economy, politics and culture.

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### **Khalif's Able Running Mate.**

**A**s a testimony to his leadership proficiency, Khalif has chosen as his running mate, a man with equally powerful credentials. This is none other than Dr. Ali Mohamud, who is an accomplished Board Director with more than 15 years of leadership experience in senior level positions, in profit and non- profit outfits, and in government.

Currently, Ali is co-founder and Director of US-Kenya Business Council. For 13 years now, he has been Chairperson and Board Director of the Generation for Change and Growth. He is also Chief Executive Officer of Jambostar Properties Ltd, Board Director of the Green Blue Foundation Africa (GBFA), as well as Board Director of Kenya Environmental and Forestry Research Institute (KEFRI). He is also a conservationist with a passion for protecting natural resources, including forests and water catchments.





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Able to juggle competing roles, Ali has served as International Customer Relations Director (Middle East and other parts of Asia) at Allina Healthcare.

He possesses a doctorate degree in Pharmacy, and has the following additional academic credentials: Master of Business Administration (MBA), a Bachelor of Science degree in Medical Technology Engineering, as well as a diploma in pharmacy from the Kenya Medical Training College (KMTTC).

Here, then, is a crew of two team leaders and team players who, if elected to the positions of Governor and Deputy Governor of Mandera County, will help to transform the County into a resourceful geographical location that will surely achieve tremendous growth and prosperity. With your vote and support, the two will be in a position to reach out to the Mandera community and all stakeholders, to formulate synergies that will help transform Mandera into a County where residents blossom and invest not just in the present but also in prosperity.

***Together we can!***



# ENVISIONING MANDERA COUNTY'S TRANSFORMATION TOGETHER



## My Message to the Communities of Mandera

Mandera is a resourceful county that, if properly managed, could achieve tremendous growth and prosperity to meet the needs of all residents. Together we can work to secure our collective aims and build on the existing foundation, to transform Mandera into a vibrant and Modern county. There is no better way for us residents to meet our potential.

Our communities, particularly the youth, continue to experience difficulties. Meaningful jobs and opportunities for self-employment are hard to come by. This is why job creation will be the primary priority of my administration.

My Government will commit to creating at least 10,000 jobs over five years to enable our people, particularly the youth, secure suitable and meaningful employment to support themselves and their families. To achieve this, my Government will invest in growth-oriented, job-creating sectors.

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Essentially, this means prioritizing key productive ministries such as Trade, Industry and Cooperative Development, Livestock and Agriculture and ICT.

In collaboration with the National Government, my administration will invest in secondary education to enhance education provision and performance. We shall invest in technical training colleges and develop apprenticeship programmes for school leavers within the Government (National and County) and the private sector.

My Government will optimize efforts to build a cohesive Mandera community to enhance

security and economic stability, while expanding opportunities for all, the primary focus being on the vulnerable members of our society.

We shall achieve these by employing efficient and effective resource allocation, by way of a modernized County public services as well as devolution of responsibilities to sub-county and ward levels.

My Government will place special emphasis on the expansion of social protection programmes. These include affordable health care for all and free services for the elderly, Persons Living with Disability (PWDs) and the poor.

Towards this aim, my Government commits to providing NHIF cover for at least 20,000 households in our County. Also key among my Government's commitments is the provision of support for up to 20,000 ultra- poor and disadvantaged households through a cash transfer programme to reduce the impact of poverty and spur economic activities in all sub-counties.



## **A Declaration of Intent**

I hereby offer myself to serve as Governor of our great County. I have the vision, experience, skills and trust to deliver a stable, responsive and forward- looking government that our County needs to secure the next generations' future.

## **My Aspirations for Mandera**

My foremost commitment is this: I will work with you all to build a prosperous, peaceful and just Government that will create jobs, raise the standards of living for all, drastically reduce inequality and lift as many of our people as possible out of poverty.

My Government will ensure sustainable development and increased prosperity for all the people in Mandera. So let us





## **“I humbly ask for your vote on August 9, 2022. I will deliver! Together we can.”**

join hands in the journey to transform our County and build a better future for our people. My record as the Mayor of Mandera Town Council and, in the past four years, as the Speaker of Mandera County Assembly, demonstrates the kind of leader I am, the kind of Governor I will be for Mandera. I am confident that Together We Can achieve our dreams In Sha Allah.

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## VISION

A prosperous Mandera County where fairness prevails,  
and where the residents' needs lie at the heart of decision making.

## MISSION

Build an accountable, cohesive and flourishing county whose resources  
are shared equitably amongst its residents.





# Summary: My Commitment to the Great People of Mandera County.

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When I am elected the Governor of Mandera, my Government shall:

1. Support 20,000 vulnerable citizens through a cash transfer programme.
2. Create 2,000 jobs annually in the informal and formal sectors.
3. Establish a Youth and Women Development Fund, specifically targeting youth and women- owned businesses.
4. Ensure every health center has a clinical officer and other relevant staff.
5. Provide free health care cover for 20,000 households comprising PWDs, the elderly and the ultra-poor who are not covered by National Government programmes.
6. Equip all ECD centers appropriately and introduce a feeding programme for pupils attending ECD centers.
7. In partnership with CDF and development partners, establish/ equip one secondary school according to National School standards in every constituency.
8. Provide a decentralized bursary allocation and disbursement scheme to improve targeting and fairness.
9. Invest in technical training colleges' infrastructure and expand course provision.
10. Ensure sustainable investment in cottage industries for value addition.
11. Expand food and agricultural production through fertilizer subsidies, market linkages, and introduction of a County Government purchase programme.
12. Expand veterinary and agricultural extension services by investment in human capital and physical infrastructure.
13. Expand provision of clean water to all towns and villages and ensure adequate water for livestock across the County.
14. Construct six large-scale dams to support small holder farmers and large scale private farmers to enhance food security.
15. Devolve County Government functions to ward level.
16. Entrench community involvement in development planning to reduce the negative impact on their livelihoods.



# PILLAR 1

## TRANSFORMING LIVES AND LIVELIHOODS



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## Providing Social Protection for vulnerable residents

*Creating a caring society*

In the next five years, my Government shall focus on social protection programmes in the following areas:

- ✓ Support for 20,000 vulnerable households through a cash transfer programme.
- ✓ Provision of health care cover for 20,000 households comprising PWDs, the elderly and ultra-poor who are not covered by the National Government programmes.
- ✓ Provision of adequate shelter and basic sanitation for 2,000 vulnerable households.
- ✓ Establishment of a specific department responsible for PWDs and orphans, and identification and documentation of all PWDs and organizations (Both formal and informal), currently existing in the County.



- ✓ Regularization of all orphanages in the County plus provision of adequate resources to ensure quality service provision and sustainability.



## Transforming Health Care provision

*A healthy community is a strong community*

In the next five years, my Government shall:

- ✓ Ensure Mandera County Referral Hospital operates optimally with all key departments fully operational.
- ✓ Ensure the County's patient referral system operates efficiently and effectively, and is fully resourced.
- ✓ Ensure every location has access to a fully equipped health center with a clinical officer and other qualified health personnel.
- ✓ Ensure all hospitals and health centers are adequately staffed, equipped and supplied with essential drugs and medicine.
- ✓ Decentralize health care management to sub-county and build the management capacities of health care workers.
- ✓ Incentivize health care workers through timely promotions, training and improved work environment.

- ✓ In consultation with County health management, introduce targeted recruitment of health workers to address capacity gaps.
- ✓ Introduce affordable Universal Health Care scheme to improve access to quality health services for our County residents.
- ✓ Ensure that primary health care provisions across the county are of high standards.
- ✓ Partner with KEMRI to provide regular training for health care staff to address new diseases.
- ✓ Invest in maternal, newborn and child health services.
- ✓ Provide comprehensive health care cover for county employees.







## Expanding and improving education access & quality

*Investing in our children's future*

In the next five years, my Government shall:

### ECDE

- ✓ Adequately invest in the infrastructure, learning and teaching resources for early childhood education.
- ✓ In consultation with parents and other stakeholders, consider the possibility of integrating DUKSI education into County managed ECDE centers.
- ✓ Initiate and implement feeding programme for pupils in early childhood education.
- ✓ Employ ECD teachers and managers, and separate the management of ECDE centers from primary schools.

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## Primary & Secondary Education

- ✓ Decentralize education bursary allocation to improve fairness and reduce double allocation.
- ✓ Seek partnership between County and National Government, Development Partners and NG-CDF to improve school infrastructure and capacity building of teachers and schools' boards of management

✓ Promote health education in our schools, such as de- worming school children and improving sanitation.

✓ In partnership with the MOE and TSC, recruit up to 1,000 qualified youth for school-based teacher training programmes to address teacher shortages in primary and secondary schools.

✓ In partnership with NG-CDF and development partners, establish/ equip one secondary school according to National School standards in every constituency.

✓ Subsidize parents' contributions to boarding school fees for 10,000 students to a maximum of Sh20,000 per student.

## Technical colleges & adult literacy

✓ Launch a countywide adult literacy and continuing education programme to empower communities to play their role in our county's political, social and economic development.

✓ Invest in technical colleges' Infrastructure, equipment and expansion of courses.





A close-up photograph of a young boy with dark skin and short, curly hair, wearing a blue shirt. He is leaning forward, cupping his hands together and drinking water. Water is dripping from his hands and chin. The background is blurred, showing other people in a crowd.

## Ensuring access to potable water for all

*Clean water is a human right, not a privilege*

In the next five years, my Government shall:

- ✓ Build at least six large-scale dams to improve water availability for human and livestock consumption and irrigation.
- ✓ Increase the proportion of people with access to potable water by 20% by 2027.
- ✓ Scale up and popularise water harvesting techniques and watershed management strategies in the County.

✓ Ensure every learning institution in the County has clean water for its learners.

✓ Set up an independent study on inter-basin water transfers between the Dawa River and Laga Sure catchments/basin.

✓ Implement flood control measures and prepare a hazard map and evacuation plan for towns like Mandera and Rhamu.

✓ Ensure all sub-county HQs have clean and accessible water for their residents.



## Improving food security for our people

*Food insecurity diminishes our development*

In the next five years, my Government shall:

- ✓ Provide agricultural input (seed, fertilizers and equipment) as well as subsidies to improve productivity and farm income.
- ✓ Increase the area under irrigation to 30,000 acres through expansion and rehabilitation of old schemes.
- ✓ Introduce a County Government purchase programme for cereals and other staple crops to incentivize farmers.
- ✓ Deliver sharia-compliant credit facilities for private investors interested in establishing modern agricultural and livestock farming enterprises that support value addition.
- ✓ Expand veterinary and agricultural extension services through investment in human capital and physical infrastructure.
- ✓ Reduce food insecurity by improving food storage to reduce post-harvest losses.
- ✓ Intensify research and create more demonstration plots for purposes of building the capacity of farming communities.







## Empowering Youth

*Harnessing the power and creativity of our County's future*

In the next five years, my Government shall:

- ✓ Expand the participation of young people in County development and guarantee that 30% of all appointments, projects and budgets specifically target them.
- ✓ Provide structured support for youth talents development in areas such as the creative arts and sports sectors.
- ✓ Create at least 2,000 jobs for the youth every year in the informal and formal sectors.
- ✓ Establish Mandera County Youth Empowerment and Development Fund to Support youth-led enterprises and specialized technical skills training opportunities.

✓ Establish ICT/Tech hubs in each sub-county to provide opportunities for the youth to access the tech industry.

✓ Establish a partnership with the National Youth Service to provide technical training for our youth to fill identified skills Gaps.







## Empowering Women

*Equitable Development for Women*

In the next five years, my Government shall:

- ✓ Fully implement the two-thirds gender rule to ensure that at least thirty-three per cent (33%) of County Government appointments are women.
- ✓ Establish Mandera County Women Economic Development Fund to provide repayable, sharia-compliant business development loans for women-led and owned small and medium enterprises.
- ✓ Promote girls' study of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) in our schools through partnership with the national government and development organizations.
- ✓ Empower and capacity-build women-led organizations and religious groups to address harmful traditional practices.







# PILLAR 2

## TRANSFORMING COMMUNITIES

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### Building a united and cohesive County

*Unity in diversity is our strength*

In the next five years, my Government shall:

- ✓ Strengthen the traditional conflict resolutions mechanisms in our County.
- ✓ Ensure equitable resource allocation in all sub-counties.
- ✓ Build a shared Mandera identity whilst appreciating the differences in diversity.
- ✓ Ensure equitable employment opportunities for all residents of Mandera.

### Entrenching and devolving Government services

*Devolution is our pride*

In the next five years, my Government shall:

- ✓ Devolve County Government functions to ward level.
- ✓ Entrench community involvement in development planning and implementation.







✓ Build staff capacities and provide the necessary resources, authority and responsibility to execute county operations at all levels.

✓ Build the capacities of social and community groups to hold County Government staff accountable.

✓ Promote the use of *Prosopis juliflora* as an alternative source of charcoal production to reduce deforestation of local trees.

✓ Promote the recycling of plastic waste and enforce the ban on plastic carrier bags.

✓ Pilot aerial seeding of dryland adapted indigenous grass and sudan grass to improve fodder availability and reduce soil erosion.

✓ Establish large-scale strategic fodder production farms and storage facilities through a public-private partnership to address pasture shortages during drought.

## Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation

*Climate change is a threat to our survival*

In the next five years, my Government shall:

✓ Plant 1,000,000 trees across the County to counter the negative impact of climate change.

✓ Introduce sustainable agro forestry practices to support food security and job creation while protecting the environment.



# PILLAR 3

## TRANSFORMING MANDERA COUNTY



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#### Investing in growth-oriented industries for wealth creation

In the next five years, my Government shall:

✓ Establish a directorate under the Ministry of Trade and Industry exclusively responsible for researching, collating, and disseminating information related to agricultural and livestock products value addition.

✓ Provide training and study visits opportunities for community groups (especially women and youth) to learn agricultural and livestock value addition.

✓ Prioritise investment in enterprises with the potential to add value to Mandera County products and create jobs.

✓ Establish Mandera County Development Authority, to mobilize resources locally, nationally and internationally, and invest in growth-oriented industries in the County.

✓ Develop a Public-Private Partnerships Framework and engage local, national and international companies, institutions and individuals to invest in County infrastructure and specific growth-oriented industries with job creation potential.



## Building and maintaining transport infrastructure

*A Connected county is a connected community*

In the next five years, my Government shall:

- ✓ Upgrade all roads in the subcounty headquarters to bitumen standard.
- ✓ Ensure all roads under the County Government function are regularly maintained.
- ✓ Establish the County Roads Maintenance Board to involve the youth in road maintenance and public works to create employment.

## Improving security to reap the fruits of devolution

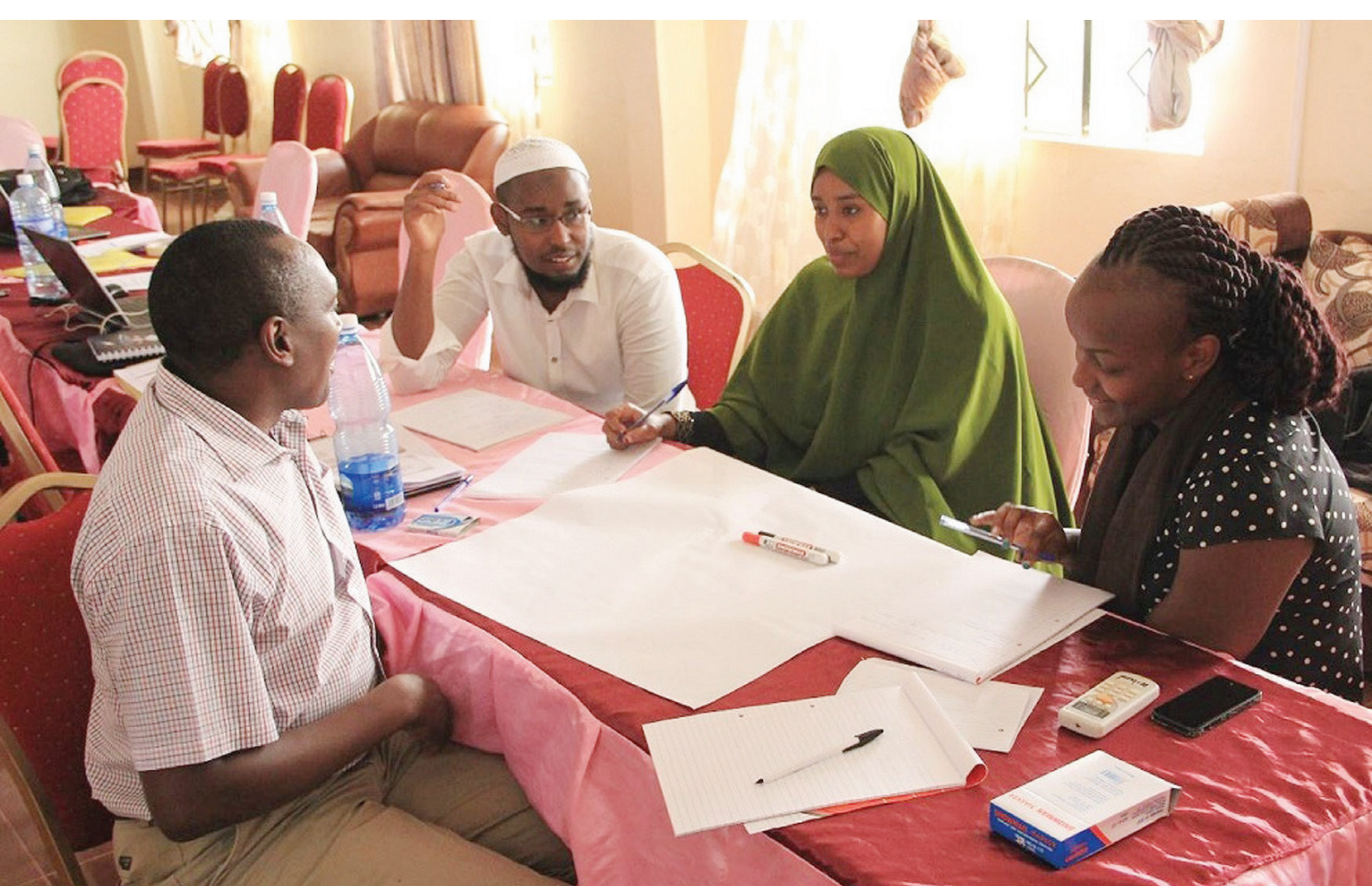
*Building a secure county*

In the next five years, my Government shall:

- ✓ Work collaboratively with the national security agencies to maintain peace.
- ✓ Build trust between our communities and the security agencies to ensure flow of quality information.







✓ Build collaborative relationship with neighboring counties and border communities to maintain peace and develop early response systems.

✓ Provide training and employment opportunities for the youth to avert radicalization.

✓ Provide health care cover for National Police Reservists (NPR) employed by the County Government.

✓ Facilitate full bursary allocation for NPR's children in secondary schools and colleges.

## Building an accountable and transparent government


*Transparency is not a choice*

In the next five years, my Government shall:

✓ Establish an online development projects monitoring platform to ensure quality and timely project implementation.

✓ Establish an effective and efficient project delivery monitoring unit under the Governor's office to ensure development projects meet a value-for-money consideration.





- ✓ Ensure meritocracy in government appointments and promotions.

- ✓ Ensure efficient and effective government operations at all levels by introducing regular staff performance appraisals.

- ✓ Establish partnerships with stakeholders such as community groups, elected representatives and business leaders to ensure priority development projects are considered for implementation.

## **Building sustainable Towns & Urban Centers**

- ✓ Fast-track the processing of title deeds for already surveyed towns.

- ✓ Conduct spatial planning for all sub-county HQs and open up access roads.

- ✓ Ensure effective refuse collection and disposal systems are in place in all towns and villages.

- ✓ Initiate capacity building and adequate resourcing of existing municipalities like Elwak and Mandera.

- ✓ Ensure all sub-county HQs have fully operational fire service.

- ✓ Facilitate digitization of land records and automation of revenue collection services.





# **#TogetherWeCan #MarkTheMak**

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