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In this week's issue, we spotlight key activities undertaken by the State Department for Children Welfare Services, with a special focus on a case load summary highlighting trends and insights from the national Child Protection System. Stay informed on our ongoing efforts to safeguard and promote the rights and welfare of every child.

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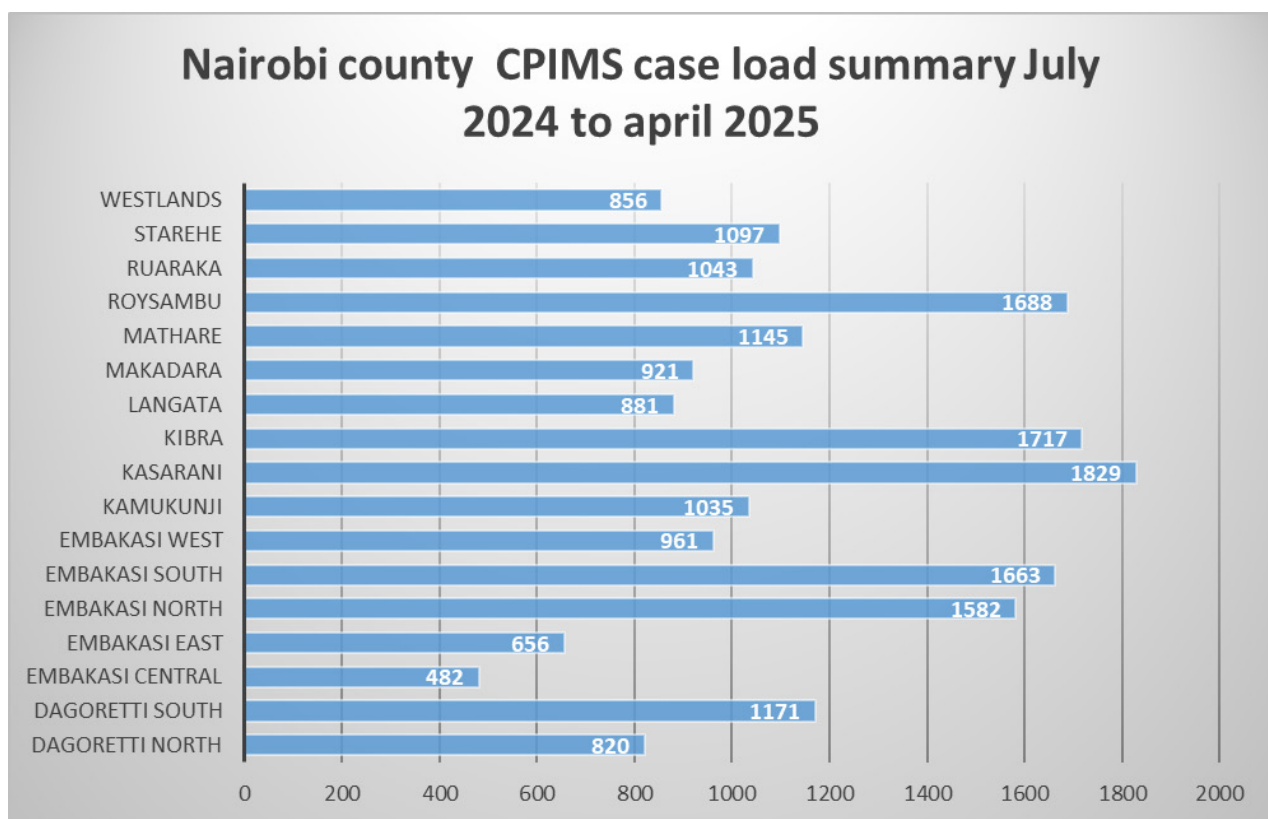
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A CHILD PROTECTION SYSTEM; NAIROBI COUNTY CPIMS CASE LOAD SUMMARY

As Kenya advances its child protection agenda, strengthening and scaling up CPIMS remains essential for ensuring that no child is left behind.

The Child Protection Information Management System (CPIMS) is a critical digital tool used by the State Department for Children Welfare Services in Kenya to support the effective management, coordination, and monitoring of child protection cases. It enables children officers, and partner organizations to document, track, and follow up on cases involving children in need of care and protection and those in conflict with the law, ensuring timely interventions and improved service delivery. CPIMS enhances data-driven decision-making by providing accurate, real-time information on trends, risks, and response outcomes. The system also facilitates inter-agency collaboration and accountability, helping to safeguard children's rights and promote their well-being through a structured and confidential case management approach.



“With over 19,000 child protection cases logged in Nairobi alone, CPIMS is not just a tool—it’s the backbone of Kenya’s coordinated response to child vulnerability.”

The data represents a total count of 19,547 cases distributed across 17 sub-counties within Nairobi. The distribution highlights significant variations in the numbers, indicating differing levels of activity, demand, or reporting across the regions.

Notably, all Embakasi sub-counties (Central, East, North, South, and West) together contribute a combined total of 6,344, reflecting a significant geographic cluster that may require targeted interventions or deeper analysis. This data is instrumental in guiding strategic planning, resource allocation, and targeted programming within the Nairobi region. Sub-counties with high figures may need increased staffing, funding, or programmatic support, while those with lower numbers may benefit from improved outreach, awareness campaigns, or system strengthening to enhance reporting and service utilization.

STRENGTHENING CHILD PROTECTION SYSTEMS IN UASIN GISHU AND KISUMU

This week, the State Department for Children Welfare Services undertook strategic visits to key statutory child care and protection institutions in Uasin Gishu and Kisumu counties.

Led by departmental leadership, the visits aimed to:

- Assess the current state of child care and protection facilities
- Engage with institutional heads and frontline caregivers

- Identify priority areas for improvement, capacity building, and resource support

These visits are part of a broader commitment to ensuring that every child in Kenya is safe, protected, and has access to the services they need to thrive. By engaging directly with institutions and the communities they serve, we reaffirm our mission to build a stronger, more responsive child protection system across the country.



PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FORUMS HELD IN ELDORET AND KISUMU

In compliance with Section 8 of the Statutory Instruments Act, the State Department for Children Welfare Services opened up Public Participation forums on Regulatory Impact Statements as the department plans to operationalize various regulations developed to support implementation of the Children Act 2022.

The events held both in Eldoret at the Pioneer Home Craft Center and Mama Grace Hall in Kisumu provided an opportunity for the public to submit their views on the regulations and children policy hence fostering an inclusive engagement in the regulatory process.



KEY DATES TO OBSERVE IN JUNE

The month of June is marked by significant national and international days that align closely with our child protection and welfare mandate. These dates offer us opportunities to reflect, engage, and take action to uphold the rights and dignity of every child.

June 1st – Madaraka Day (Kenya)

A national holiday commemorating the day Kenya attained internal self-rule. A moment to reflect on our journey toward inclusive governance and the role of children in nation-building.

June 4th – International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression

This day highlights the impact of violence and conflict on children worldwide. It's a solemn reminder of our duty to protect the most vulnerable in times of unrest.

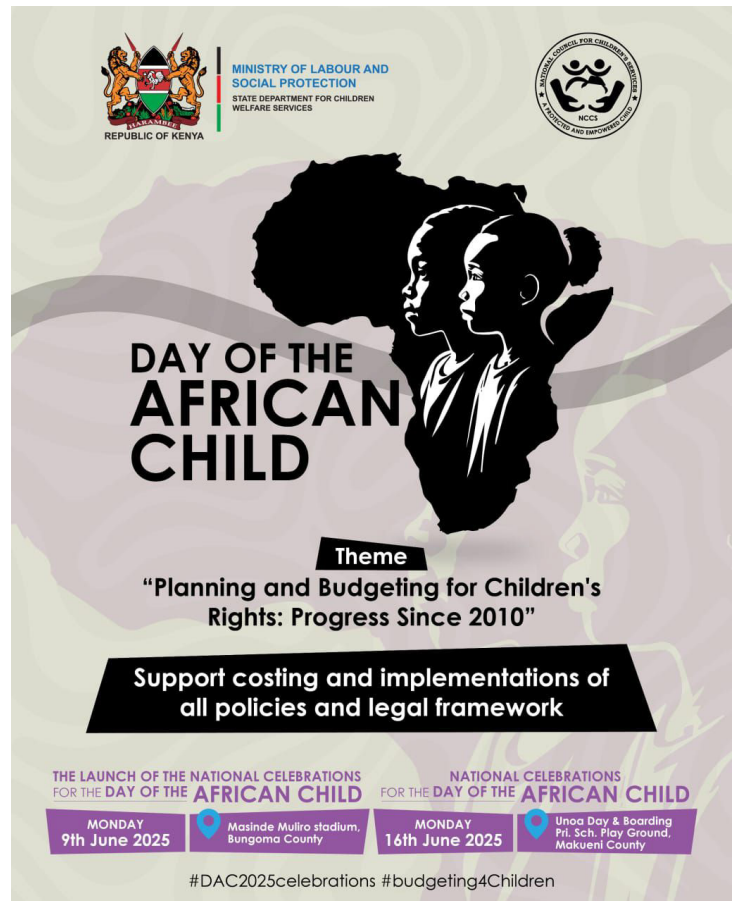
June 12th – World Day Against Child Labour

An urgent call to end child labour in all its forms.

This year's focus aligns with creating sustainable, child-friendly work environments and promoting access to quality education.

June 16th – Day of the African Child

Celebrated under the theme "Planning and Budgeting for Children's Rights: Progress Since 2010", this day emphasizes the importance of financing child rights and implementing policy frameworks that uplift African children.



Got a story to share?

We're always looking for inspiring stories, reports, or reflections! Send your contributions to sdcs.newsletter@gmail.com and be part of the next issue of Children Welfare Weekly.

BACKGROUND

- The state department of Children Welfare Services is domiciled in the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection. The Ministry of Labour has three State Departments, that is, Labour and Skills Development, Social Protection & Senior Citizen Affairs & Children Welfare Services.
- The Directorate draws its mandate from Articles 27, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51 and 53 of the Constitution of Kenya, the Children Act 2022, the Counter-Trafficking in Persons Act, 2010 and the Executive Order No. 2 of 2023 that establishes the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection.
- In 2021, Child Protection Service was gazetted as a Critical and Essential Services Provider. (Kenya Gazette Notice No. 59 of 12th April 2021).

VISION

A society where children enjoy their rights responsibly

MISSION

To safeguard the rights of all children in Kenya through effective implementation of relevant policies, coordination and partnerships for delivery of quality services.