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AT THE MOI GARDEN GROUNDS, LODWAR.**

**Deputy Governor, Turkana County,  
Hon. Senator,  
Rt. Hon. Speaker of Turkana County Assembly,  
Hon. Woman Member of Parliament,  
Honourable Members of Parliament,  
Honourable Members of the County Assembly of Turkana,  
The County Commissioner,  
The County Attorney,  
Officials of the County Government and National Government,  
Religious Leaders,  
Distinguished Council of Elders,  
Sovereign people of Turkana County,**

**Ladies and Gentlemen**

Today, I am honoured to address my last public holiday as your Governor, on this 59th Madaraka Day.

Allow me to begin by saluting you and wishing you all a Happy 59th Madaraka Day. June 1st is the day on which our founding fathers won the right to self-government. This day is commemorated with joyful recollections of the struggles for independence, the creation of the Kenyan nation, and the Kenyan vision.

On this day, we remember that day, 59 years ago, when our country attained internal self-rule, after a brutal struggle for independence. Once again, we pay tribute to all the heroes of independence; national and local; whose blood and sweat made the dream of Madaraka a reality. Let us always remember that, whatever we achieved as a country, none of it would have been possible without the initial sacrifice they made to free us from the bondage of the colonialist.

Here at home, we must remind ourselves of the struggles that culminated in making it a closed district and set grounds for our then and current marginalization and underdevelopment. The resistance to the British colonialists started with Count Samuel Teleki's expedition in 1888. Subsequent expeditions of 1898 and 1901, 1910, 1918 up to the 1950s were fought and resisted fiercely. The forced collection of hat tax by British colonialists in the form of livestock was viewed as raiding, hence it gave birth and bred the culture of cattle rustling as those whose livestock was forcefully taken, raided their neighbours to recoup their losses.

We, therefore, pay homage to our heroes General Ebei Lowoyaris, General Nathura, Aunomeri, Echakan Ebei, Nadima, great diviners (Ngimurok) Lokorijem, Kokoi Loolel, Kolitieng Atol, Lobwin Aseneng'imoe, just to mention a few who defied, refused to recognize and fiercely fought colonial administration, making Turkana the target of huge punitive military expeditions. To honour these men and the sacrifices they made to our land, our people and

country, we will inscribe their names in the county public institutions.

### **Fellow residents,**

When I took over as Governor in 2013, I inherited a county which had numerous marginalization and under development challenges. These challenges range from chronic water shortages, poor health infrastructure, dilapidated road infrastructure, limited presence of government, to mention but a few.

During the 10 years of my administration, we have made tremendous progress to address these challenges by embarking on programmes that gave the residents hope, and in laying the foundation for a new paradigm shift in Turkana County. We have invested in taking government closer to the people, on development projects that have improved the quality of life for residents and developing stronger partnerships with our neighbours, development partners and more recently with the private sector.

Despite investment by the County Government since 2013, totalling Sh154.3billion, into critical sectors to date, this has not been enough to bring us to be at par with much of the rest of Kenya. Our County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) estimate that we require an injection of over Sh30billion every year for Turkana to catch up with the most developed counties in the country.

In our quest to close this resource gap, my administration has strengthened partnerships with development organisations, the private sector and civil societies. Under my leadership, through Kalobeyei Integrated Socio-Economic Development Program (KISDEP), we were able to mobilize over Sh58billion in the last 10 years, where Sh44 billion benefitted the refugee population whereas Sh14 billion benefitted Turkana host community. This has been through joint programming, especially in critical sectors; health, water, food and nutrition security, education, peace-building, governance and enterprise development.

In the sector of Health Services and Sanitation, my government has made tremendous achievements during the 10-year period through proper planning and deliberate allocation of resources, and the effort and hard work of our committed health workforce.

Our health facilities have increased from 78 health facilities in 2013 to 288 currently and growing. The increase in facilities has significantly reduced the distance from one health facility to another, from 55 km in 2013, to 15 km today. Our bed capacity is now at 1400 from a paltry 300 in 2013.

Our health workforce is now at 1800 from 272 in 2013. In addition, we deployed 2,068 Community Health Volunteers to improve healthcare at the grassroots level. The doctor-patient ratio has reduced from 1: 70,000 in 2013 to 1: 20,000 in 2021, while the nurse-patient ratio has reduced from 1: 5,200 in 2013 to 1:232 currently.

The Lodwar County Referral Hospital has undergone major infrastructural development in an effort to upgrade it to a level 5 facility. These include installation of an oxygen production plant, construction of a 66-body mortuary, establishment of a large incinerator to handle medical wastes, 128 Axial Citi-Scan, Ultra-sound, Gene X-pert machine, a 12 ICU building, accident and emergency unit, orthopaedic theatre, dialysis unit and doctors houses. The development has improved quality of services and ensured that referrals outside the county have been reduced by 80%. We have installed a power generator to address the issues of power shortages as plans are underway to permanently address perennial water shortages.

To boost capacity for emergency response, my administration has increased the number of emergency ambulances from 4 in 2013 to the current 28. In a bid to reduce referral of cases from the sub-counties, we constructed and equipped five operating theatres in Lopiding, Katilu, Elelea, Lorugum and Lokitaung' Health Centres. Lokitaung Eye Theatre launched last year is the second best-equipped facility in the country and benefits not only the Turkana but also the Dassanach and Nyangatom of Ethiopia.

My administration prioritized provision of medical supplies and technologies to realize good health outcomes. Over a period of 10 years, Sh2.5billion have been invested in the purchase of drugs to cover all facilities.

Our immunization coverage has improved from 45.2 percent in 2013 to 84.2 percent in 2021; while the HIV/AIDS prevalence rate has dropped from 6.9% in 2013 to 2.2% in 2021, malaria prevalence from 40% to 3% and skilled deliveries has risen from 25.2% to 65.1%.

Access to antenatal care services has tremendously increased, despite the challenge of defaulters caused by lack of awareness. Utilization of these services- at least fourth-antenatal care visits, has increased from 33.4% to 66.5%.

Despite these milestones, more needs to be done to improve nutrition situation in the County. The Global Acute Malnutrition falls between 15% and 30%, there is still need to offer health education to mothers, improve availability of nutrition supplements in our health facilities and ECDE centres and invest in better food and nutrition security.

The Turkana Community Health Services Act (2018) established the Community Health Units and provided for the appointment of Community Health Volunteers (CHVs). We have therefore trained 2068 CHVs on basic diagnosis and treatment, which has boosted disease prevention and access to general healthcare.

The Covid-19 pandemic tested our resilience as a county. My administration established a Covid-19 fund, procured special equipments, and rallied partners to support prevention and management of the pandemic. Cumulatively, we were able to screen over 900,000 people. The total infected numbers stood at

2647 with 2578 recoveries and 69 deaths. The County positivity rate is four percent. Our intergovernmental partnership with the National Government in the covid-19 vaccination programme has yielded success with over 107,000 people vaccinated out of which 80,036 are fully vaccinated against Covid-19. I urge more residents to get vaccinated against Covid-19, as this disease remains a grave risk, especially with infection and emergence of new variants.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

In the sector of water, we have increased the number of boreholes across the county from 511 in 2013 to 1,967. The number of functional solar water pumping systems has also increased from 200 in 2013 to 564 currently. Water pans have also been increased from 64 in 2013 to 230 currently.

The investments into these water projects, has reduced the distance residents have to cover to access water from 12km to 5km, while the number of households accessing safe and clean drinking water have also increased from 33,237 in 2013 to 97,600 currently. Access is however challenged by persistent droughts that result in dried up ground water sources, low water table and increased breakages of hand pumps leading to long distance travel by pastoralists.

The Turkana County Water Act 2019 provided for the establishment of water governance structures. Namely: Turkana County Water Sector Coordination Committee, Sub-County Water Sector Coordination Committees, Turkana County Urban Water Company Limited and Turkana County Rural Water Company.

The operationalization of the Water Fund and water governance structures are expected to improve provision of water services and management of water infrastructure in the county.

Fellow residents,

In the sector of Lands, Energy, Housing and Urban Areas Management, my Government elevated Lodwar Town to a municipality in order to accelerate urban infrastructural development, improve service delivery, increase own-source revenue and attract investments. These will go a long way in creating a conducive environment for business, creating order in transport sector, increasing the status and value of Lodwar town.

We are also on course to confer a municipality status to Kakuma/Kalobeyei. Additionally, Kalokol, Lokichar and Lokichoggio are being considered for conferment to town status.

To address the challenge of waste management in our urban centres, we have established dumpsites in Lodwar, Kalokol, Kakuma, Lokichoggio, Katilu and Lokichar. We are working with GIZ to establish a Decentralized Treatment

Facility (DTF) for liquid waste management.

The County Government has a functional Fire Services for prompt response of fire disasters in Lodwar Municipality. In the current financial year, the department has responded and put off 25 fire incidents which could have resulted to loss of properties and lives of the highest magnitude to the residents.

My administration is keen on empowering residents of Lodwar municipality through the regularisation of land ownership. We intend to process 7,200 title deeds and fast-track community land registration so that communities can determine their land registration unit. We are waiting for staff from the Surveys of Kenya (SOK) and National Land Commission to finalize the regularization of the title deeds. This will help reduce land-related conflicts and enhance access to credit facilities among residents.

### **Ladies and Gentlemen,**

Through strategic partnerships, I am happy to report that the Turkana County Government and the Ministry of Defence recently in public and witnessed by Turkana leaders and elders, signed a Framework Agreement for the allocation of land for military use in different parts of the county.

In accordance with the Community Land Act, the community has consented to allocation of land in Kanamkemer, in Kaputir, Kapedo/Napeitom, Lapur, Kibish, Lokichoggio, Nanam and Letea Wards; and access to military training in Kapedo/Napeitom when need arises.

The agreement provides opportunities for the people of Turkana including infrastructure improvement, improved security and local content. This engagement has now become the best model of allocating community land for use in project of public national significance. I urge other stakeholders especially in the oil, minerals, solar, wind and geothermal industry to emulate this approach in land acquisition.

It is my hope that the presence of the military in the county will address the perennial challenges of insecurity along our international border and contribute to development in those areas.

The Kenya Revenue Authority has also been allocated three parcels of land in Lodwar, Kainuk, Kakuma and in Lomokori in Lokirama/Lorenggippi. We implore KRA to move with speed to establish facilities in these areas to boost movement of people and goods to foster trade.

Fellow residents,

In the sector of Tourism, Culture and Natural Resources, we have entrenched

culture as the rallying call for our consciousness, unity and re-awakening among the Turkana community and Ateker communities. We have managed to institutionalise the Turkana, Cultural and Tourism Festival Tobong’u Lore, as a flagship project to foster regional peace, diplomacy, trade, culture and development. The Turkana educated lot now appreciate their culture more as they are fully engaged in various cultural activities.

To this day, we have held six editions of the Tourism and Cultural Festival, Tobong’u Lore, which have been attended by cultural and government delegations from Uganda, South Sudan and Ethiopia as well as visitors from across Kenya. I look forward to my hope that my successor will continue to leverage on this festival, to further tourism, boost trade, peace and development objectives for the benefit of not only the Turkana but also the entire region.

The place of culture in promoting peace and development cannot be understated. Commemoration of Ata Nayece and Lokiriama Peace Accords have facilitated inter-communal interactions and access to cross-border resources in the region. This has contributed to peaceful coexistence and stability in the borderlands of Kenya, Uganda, South Sudan and Ethiopia. This effort requires deliberate support and sustenance for it to bear more fruits.

Our partnership with the National Government through the Ushanga Initiative Program saw 330 women and youth master beaders trained on improved beading practices. In support of this activity, my administration distributed start-up kits to trained women and youth, to boost making of bead products. This has helped put money into the pockets of women and youth.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

To improve our forest cover, more effort is still required to raise the county’s forest cover to the recommended 10%. To this effect, my administration has set up tree nurseries in Lapur, Kibish, Kakuma, Turkwel, Kanamkemer, Lodwar Township, Lokichar and Lokori/Kochodin Wards. A collaborative effort between government, partners and local residents to foster tree planting practice and discourage deforestation is work in progress and requires sustenance.

Since 2015, we have undertaken 468 environmental inspections, and taken action on non-compliant proprietors. The focus of these inspections have been on oil fields in South Turkana basin, road construction, quarries, borrow pits among others.

To mitigate effects of climate change, my administration is implementing the Turkana County Climate Change Policy Act and regulation 2021. The process of setting up Turkana County Climate Change Fund is ongoing and will facilitate

the 30 ward climate change committees, charged with the responsibility of implementing local climate interventions at the ward level. Our County is now 100 percent compliant to the World Bank Financing Locally-led Climate Change Action (FLOCCA). The Act also provides for the mainstreaming of climate change in our sectoral programmes, beginning with the CIDP.

**Fellow residents,**

To this day, the work of solar lighting our urban areas has progressed. My administration has installed street lights in 13 major towns and urban centres, namely; Lodwar, Kalokol, Kakuma, Lokichoggio, Oropoi, Lokichar, Lokori, Katilu, Kapedo, Kaeris, Lokitaung, Lowoarengak, Kaaleng/Kaikor. The street lights boosted security and enhanced trade, thus increasing income for local businesses and revenue collection.

**Ladies and gentlemen,**

To grow the potential of the artisanal mining sector, the county has supported artisanal miners to join formal groups to make it easy for government and other partners to offer support.

My administration supported formation of enterprise associations for the artisanal miners, who are now registered under the Turkana County Association of Miners currently with membership of 23 supported by the Turkana County Artisanal Mining Committee. The committee spearheads licensing of artisanal mining sites across the county and help in guiding land use.

**Fellow residents,**

In the sector of Food and Nutrition Security, we have increased the size of land under crop production from 8,900 acres in 2013 to 51,000 acres. This has led to an increase in annual crop production from 82.8 metric tonnes to 38,018 metric tonnes of maize and sorghum. We have established 51 irrigation schemes with a total area of 16,176 acres benefitting 27,485 households.

To build the capacity for agricultural production among our people, 6,500 farmers and 40 youths have been trained on agronomic practices, agribusiness, agri-nutrition and climate-smart agriculture. Another 5,600 farmers have been trained on the use of technologies in enhancing high yield in crop production.

Farmers have been supported with supplies including assorted seeds, amounting to 65.4 metric tonnes provided by the Turkana County Government up from the one metric tonne provided by the National Government in 2013. Agricultural mechanization and technology adoption to boost production is picking in earnest. 13 tractors have been availed in the sub counties to aid farmers in creating more arable land and preparing land for farming.

To boost production, we have embraced innovative technology, including flood based farming system and drip irrigation at Lokwaliwa, Kachoda, and Nakot. Over 800 Hectares of land is under spate irrigation and 280 Ha through

utilization of rainwater harvesting and management technologies at Lomidat, Kakongu, Kajukjuk, Lochoremeyan, Naroebei, Nawountos, Nakinomet, Kibish, Kalemng'orok, Nasinyono, Loupwala, Urum, Natiir, Kalopusia, Loya, Ng'isurumanyang, Nakalei, Loyal, Lokamarinyang, Nadunga, Kalemngorok, Naipa and Nadunga.

We have partnered with the Kenya Devolution Support Program to establish an agriculture training centre in Naotin with an initial investment of 72Million. The establishment of the training centre has commenced this month with the handing over of the project site to a contractor.

To build the technical expertise needed to achieve our food security objectives, the county government through support from the Israeli Embassy, last year sponsored eight agriculture students from Turkana to undertake training in Israel. Ten more students will join the first group in Israel next month, to undertake the same training.

### **Ladies and Gentlemen,**

The pastoral economy remains the main economic cornerstone of our county's economy and whose potential remains untapped. With 247,145 heads of cattle, 2,429,224 shoats, 237,237 camels, 93,816 donkeys which support the livelihoods of 80% of the county population. This is an industry worth Sh50.7billion, and with the potential to grow its value more than 10 times, this sector requires deliberate attention and investments that put more money into the household economy.

My administration began laying the foundation that unlocks the potential of pastoralism with an objective to gradually shift from subsistence to commercial livestock production. We have invested in infrastructure development projects which include: County Veterinary Laboratory in Lodwar, three cold chain storage facilities in Lodwar, Lokitaung' and Lokichar; 21 mobile crashes, multiplication and breeding centre in Lomosogol, Kerio Ward and a holding ground in Napeililim.

To improve local market access, we have constructed 18 livestock market sale yards, bringing the number to 38 currently benefiting 240,000 people.

We have established livestock feed stores in Kakuma, Lokichar, Kanamkemer, and Kaaleng/Kaikor to conserve feeds for use during drought season. These are supplied through the strategic feed reserve store at Lodwar which has a capacity to benefit approximately 10,000 pastoralists.

We have increased our veterinary human resource. The number of veterinary doctors in the county has risen from five in 2013 to 15, animal health technicians from 7 in 2013 to 14 currently, and 4 veterinary technologists whom we did not

have before. We have increased the number of community disease reporters from 87 in 2013 to the current 297. The reporters are critical in livestock disease detection and prevention.

These efforts along with partnership that have enabled supply of veterinary drugs has enabled us to grow vaccination coverage from 20% of the livestock population in 2013 to now over 50%.

In effort to help pastoralist households recover from drought and insecurity related livestock losses, my administration has carried restocking exercises with 5,410 shoats distributed to 937 households in different worst affected areas. They include Kaputir, Lobokat, Kapedo/Napeitom, Lokori/Kochodin and Katilia, Kerio Delta and Turkwel wards.

In the fisheries sector, we have made strides in helping the fisher folk. We have given 17 thousand fishing nets to 25 BMUs and 28 fibreglass distributed to 56 rafts owners from Lakezone, Kalokol, Kangatotha and Kerio. My administration is in the process of procuring 200 locally made wooden boats. So far 50 boats for Lakezone ward was delivered to 13 BMUs and 15 youth and women groups. In addition, 3 motorized fibreglass boats for security surveillance and emergency rescue services have been deployed and its being currently managed by the fisheries department in Lake Turkana.

To enhance fish trade and marketing, three dry fish stores have been constructed in Lowarengak, Nachukui and Kerio along with five fish drying racks at Choro Island and Kaitio. The number of Beach Management Units (BMUs) has increased from six to 30. We have supported the BMUs through capacity building, which has helped enforce a notable increase in responsible fishing, and boosted income and safety among the fisher-folk.

In a report that was launched last month on Economic analysis of Lake Turkana done by the Embassy of Netherlands, our fish output is estimated at 16100 metric tonnes which has the potential to inject Sh5.3billion in our economy. We are committed to install more cold-chain facilities along the shores of Lake Turkana to boost market value of the fish, employ sustainable fishing practices and use the Lake's resources sustainably.

Fellow residents,

We have made tremendous progress in peacebuilding and cross-border initiatives. Prior to my administration, the prevalence of resource-based conflict among pastoral groups was high internally and along international borders. Appreciating that peace is a function of development, my administration is conscious of this fact. It has invested hugely in peacebuilding and conflict

management programmes and even established a dedicated office to coordinate the programmes.

Commemoration of Lokiriama Peace Accord, Ata Nayece Memorial, Tobong'u Lore Cultural Festival, has helped pacify previously volatile areas of our county. Our active role in the regional peace processes and intergovernmental engagements with Karamoja Districts of Uganda, Eastern Equatoria of South Sudan and the South Omo region government of Ethiopia has been established and maintained. These efforts for example resulted in the signing of the Kenya-Uganda Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Peace and Development in 2019. The agreement aims to achieve peace and socio-economic development for Turkana, West Pokot and Karamoja Districts of Uganda. Some of the key dividends of this MoU include booming cross-border trade between Lodwar and Moroto, ease of access to water and pasture by our pastoralists, who often migrate into Uganda during drought seasons. I expect the Kenya and Uganda government along with the local governments will fast-track the conclusion of the 10-year regional peace and development plan so that its fruits can begin to benefit the people

I fully appreciate the efforts by development partners that are contributing to the peace and development in conflict-prone areas.

To address the plight of Internally Displaced Persons who are victims of cattle rustling and land encroachment induced insecurity, my administration has resettled 520 households in 26 settlements in Kasarani, Kakiteitei, Nadome, Lomaro and Kapedo camps in Kapedo/Napeitom ward; Naakot and Namambu in Lobokat; Moruongor and Locher a Elim in Lobei/Kotaruk; Lorokon, Nadome in Kaputir; Kaloporor in Kalapata Ward; Kachalang'a, Kangipetain in Lokori/Kochodin; Lodwat in Lokiriama/Lorengippi; Loteteleit in Lokichoggio; Lokaabuk in Kalobeyei; Loruth in Kaleng/Kaikor; Liwan in Lapur; Todonyang A and B in Lakezone; Natodomeri and Napus Junction, Kibish camps in Kibish; Kapetadie in Nanam; Nakitong'o in Letea wards.

In future, there is need to extend the resettlement programme to other areas also affected, including Koolok in Katilu, Nariwomoru in Kaputir; Lomokori and Kaemanik in Lokiriama/Lorengippi; expansion in Nadome and Kasarani in Kapedo; Lochwaakula in Lokori; Ngikengoi and Riet Katilia; Napus in Kibish; Kapetadie in Nanam; Namambu and Naakot in Lobokat.

In order to establish, enhance and operationalize peacebuilding governance structures for effective management of conflicts, the Turkana Peace-building Bill (2022) is now under consideration in the County Assembly. I urge the esteemed house to approve this bill before the end of its current term.

## **Fellow residents,**

In the sector of Public Service, Administration and Disaster Management, progress has been made. The county workforce currently stands at 3,698 discharging duties and services in different sectors. While this is notable progress, there is a need to recruit more technical staff in specific areas, including more specialized health personnel, nurses and doctors, experts in the infrastructure sector, geologists and water hydrologists, and ECDE teachers among others.

Recently, my administration carried out a Human Resource Audit to review staff establishment against service delivery objectives. The findings and recommendations of the audit will be implemented to streamline service delivery.

We now have a Turkana County Village Administration Act 2019 that devolves government structures to the bottom of the administrative structure at the village level. 155 village administrators have been recruited and deployed to all the village units. These officers are critical in the achievement of service delivery and development at the village level.

The process of selection and appointment of 780 village council members, is ongoing. When appointed, they are expected to increase citizen participation in government programs.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

To respond to the drought in the county, my administration has spent a total of Sh3.7billion and procured 44,414.2 metric tons of assorted food commodities, which have benefited over 600,000 people every year.

Drought in Kenya was declared a national disaster on September 8th, 2021 by His Excellency President Uhuru Kenyatta. However, response efforts by the national government have been very limited, if any. This is wanting.

To mitigate the current food shortages, my administration is procuring a total of 2,500 metric tons of assorted food commodities to be distributed as soon as sufficient quantities are received.

I wish to commend the partners working in the County, in their efforts to support the relief interventions and disbursement of cash transfers to the vulnerable households and equally appeal to them to scale up their response.

As part of implementing the Turkana County Emergency and Disaster Management Act 2016, we have established the 11-member County Disaster Risk Management Committee. The County Emergency Operation Centre is supporting information collection and response action, relating to disasters in the county. I call upon partners to support the strengthening of the Centre as a key early warning structure.

The ongoing construction of the County Enforcement Training Institute at Nameturana, Lapur Ward will facilitate the development of enforcement unit.

This will strengthen implementation of county laws and regulations.  
Fellow residents,

Progress has also been made in the sector of Trade, Gender and Youth Affairs. To facilitate trade and access to markets in the county, 16 modern fresh produce and retail markets have been constructed in Lokitaung', Lodwar, Lokirama, Kakuma, Towokayen, Natukobenyo, Tumaini, Kalokol, Nakurio, Loya, Turkwel, Lokori, Lokichar. This is a tremendous increase from just two markets in 2013.

Following establishment of the Turkana County Biashara Fund Act (2015, I oversaw, in March this year, the disbursement of KES 185million to over 3,000 MSMEs from across the county. This fund will go a long way to increase access to low-interest credit which is 3% and stimulate local investment. My intention is to have this fund grow as the primary source of credit for local businesses in Turkana. So your choice of the administration, particularly the person whom you will elect to take over from me will be critical in taking this noble initiative forward.

I am happy to report that the number of licenced businesses has increased to 7,300 currently from 2,100 in 2013. This progress is an indication of growth in the local private sector and has contributed to more revenue for the county government.

My government has so far trained 2,000 MSMEs on Business Management and Financial Literacy. The training was geared towards equipping the groups with better management skills to increase profitability of their enterprises.

The two Biashara Centres in Lodwar and Kakuma are nearing completion. On completion, the centres will offer business development services and training to youth, women and PLWD-led MSMEs. The centre in Kakuma will act as a one-stop shop for government services, current biashara and huduma services, to support the business community and the public.

In promotion of cooperative development, my administration has overseen registration of 51 new cooperative societies, up from 33 in 2013. Financial cooperatives (SACCOs) have enabled members to mobilize savings, access credit facilities and collective marketing of products.

### **Ladies and gentlemen,**

In the sector of Infrastructure, Transport and Public Works, my administration has in partnership with the Kenya Roads Board, through Roads Maintenance Levy Fund, constructed and made routine maintenance of 12,000Kms of murram roads across the county at a cost of Sh1.7 billion. It has also constructed 10

kilometres of tarmac roads within Lodwar Municipality. To improve security, we have constructed the following security and rural access roads in Kibish and Turkana East; Lokori-Kamuge road, Ngilukia-Kangibilae-Parkati road, Kibish-Dume road, Lokwamosing-Lochakula road among others.

To ensure continued service delivery, transport of goods and services to residents of Turkana County, we have constructed 31 drifts across the county, including Lopeduru which is the longest in Katilia ward. We have built two bridges; Nawoyaregae bridge in Kaputir, serving a population of 50,000 people and Kotome bridge in Kaikor/Kaaleng is serving a population of 24,000 people.

The Lodwar Municipality is undergoing a further facelift which includes; Construction of market stalls in Kanamkemer, opening of access roads in Township and Kanamkemer, routine maintenance of streets lights and flood lights in Lodwar Township, routine maintenance of streets lights and floodlights in Kanamkemer, construction of public toilets in Kambi-Mawe, Kambi Moto, and Nadiirkonyen, rehabilitation of Lodwar Dumpsite at Nayanaeangikalalio in Township, Rehabilitation of Lodwar Town Arboretum and beautification of Lodwar Town.

Through Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) projects realized through savings accrued from waived levies on the A1 road, KeNHA and Turkana County Government will inject Sh. 2.8 Billion into infrastructural development in Turkana. The projects which include: water piping, state of the art Primary and Secondary schools, Hospitals and Markets; are now at procurement stage. They are being managed by KeNHA and a joint KeNHA and county team will oversight execution.

My administration has completed Lokichar and Lokichoggio river protection works, which have helped prevent flooding during heavy rains. We have appealed to KenHA to include Kainuk, Kawalase and Turkwel rivers protection in their civil works as they could not be included in the CSR project for the A-1 road and I am still following it up.

Last month together with NTSA, I constituted a County Transport and Safety Committee to oversee the issues affecting transport. The Chair of this Committee is the CECM in charge of Transport. This committee plays an oversight role on county transport including street lighting, parking and public roads among other duties.

### **Fellow residents,**

In the sector of Education, Sports and Social Protection where we have had various challenges of high illiteracy levels, low access to schooling, and inadequate skills, we have made progress in ECDs and vocational skills development, and tuition fees provision to students in high school and colleges.

In Early Childhood Development Education, the number of ECDE centres has grown from 243 in 2013 to 937. The pupil enrolment stands at 137,000 with 71,000 boys and over 66,000 girls. The number of ECDE trained teachers stands at 570 since 2013.

To ensure better retention of pupils in the centres, my administration began the ECD feeding programme. And from 2014, we have distributed a total of 42,078 metric tonnes at a cost of Sh1.64billion. This has contributed to the improved retention rate of 76 per cent in all public ECDEs.

The number of Vocational Training Centres (VTC) has increased from just two in 2013 to eight currently. These are Lodwar, Kalokol, Lokichoggio, Kataboi, Lorugum, Kaaleng, Lokori and Lokichar. The centres provide youth in the county an opportunity to acquire critical technical skills to meet the demands of the job market. Enrolment of students to these institutions is up from about 100 trainees in 2014, to the current 2,000. The number of instructors has equally risen to 80 from an initial 24.

Six years ago, my administration launched the Skills Development Programme to support students pursuing secondary and higher education. Since then, the County Government has disbursed over Sh1.9billion to over 212,000 students in different levels of their education.

The Child Protection Strategy, enacted in 2019, is a coordination framework for partnership between government and partners to provide care to children.

My administration has established two children rescue centres in Kakuma and Lodwar. These centres are providing care to vulnerable children and those at risk of abuse. Since July 2020, a total of 93 children have been rescued at the Lodwar centre. Out of these, 58 children (39 boys and 19 girls) have been successfully reunited with their families.

There is need for additional centres in other major urban centres to spearhead prevention of abuse, neglect and violence against children.

### **Fellow residents,**

My administration has invested in our youth in sports activities while creating opportunities for talent development. This includes support through the distribution of sporting equipments, and sponsorship to participate in regional and national competitions. Such competitions include the annual Inter-Counties Championships organized by the Kenya Youth Inter-Counties Sports Association, the Desert Wheel Race, Boxing competitions, regional Cross-Country championships and KENPO Karate tournaments.

We have also supported People Living with Disability (PLWDs) to take part in championships including the 2021 football Inter-County Championships for the deaf held in Nakuru, the Volleyball tournament for the deaf held in Nyayo

National Stadium-Nairobi, the Basketball tournament for the deaf held in Nairobi, and Athletics championships held in Nairobi.

I am pleased to note that our athletes have participated and been successive champions of the Nondo bicycle desert race since 2013

Since its first edition in 2018, the Tobong'u Lore Cultural Festival marathon has grown, with more participation from established international and national athletes from the region. Every year, budding athletes have an opportunity to compete against the best athletes, while we establish the marathon as a mainstay in the annual athletics calendar.

Establishment of sporting infrastructure is a core component of support to sports. The architectural and engineering designs for a new modern stadium in Lodwar have been completed and is estimated to cost Sh2.7billion. The 20,000-seat stadium will be the home of sports and talent development and will allow us to comfortably host national sporting and other events.

The Kakuma/Kalobeyei sports complex whose construction was funded by UNHCR is complete and ready for handover. The facility will further boost the integration programme of refugees and host communities.

### **Fellow residents,**

In the sector of Finance and Economic Planning, the total revenue received from national treasury and development partners from FY 13/14 to FY 21/22 amounts to Sh154.25 billion (Sh95.65 billion national treasury and Sh58.5 billion from development partners) against a total resource requirement of about Sh297.34 billion. This translates to an estimated resource gap of around 143.1 billion meant to fully finance CIDP I & CIDP II, which is 48% of resources required.

In the same period, the cumulative own source revenue now stands at Sh1.385 billion against a cumulative target of Sh1.48 billion, translating to 94% performance. The development partners, including NGOs, UN and CBOs and civil society groups have contributed a total of Sh58.49 billion, for a period between FY 13/14 to date. However, Sh44 billion was invested to improve the standards and wellbeing of the refugee population in Kakuma/Kalobeyei as Sh14 billion benefitted the Turkana community.

As a result of overlaps in project implementation and delayed disbursement of funds in previous financial year, the County had accumulated Sh417million as eligible pending bills. We have already paid Sh313million which is 75 percent of the total pending bills.

We would like to reiterate our resolve and commitment to ensure that all the remaining budgeted pending bills will be settled by the end of this financial year.

However, they must meet the threshold, be authentic and properly supported by the necessary documentation required for payments. My government will present to the Office of Auditor General (OAG) pending bills worth Sh3billion for review and verification to warrant payment.

**Fellow residents,**

As I conclude, my term ends immediately after the August elections and the swearing into office of a new Governor. As your first ever Governor of Turkana County, I wish to state that I am proud of the development record and the foundation that I will leave behind. I have hope that the next administration will take this forward and achieve more.

It is due to my resolute effort and gradual investment by the County Government and our strategic partners, we have changed the face of Turkana. Development projects in all sectors spread across our county, means the next administration will inherit a firm foundation on which to build upon.

The Kalobeyei Integrated Socio-economic Development Programme (KISDEP) implemented since 2016 seeks to enhance the socio-economic conditions of both the refugee and host communities in Turkana West. Total resource requirement for the programme was Sh58billion, and so far implementation by partners translates to Sh12.5billion.

KISDEP has established a Kids Operating Room at the Ammusait Hospital Kakuma, Turkana West Education Hub, a higher learning institution which is partially operationalized with blended learning for teachers and a Girls Boarding Secondary School at Kalobeyei.

The program through the UN-Habitat supported the development of Kalobeyei Spatial plan, which will support the establishment of urban infrastructure for the proposed Kakuma/Kalobeyei municipality.

On food security, the partnership has achieved the construction of Kangura Earth Dam with a capacity of 100,000 cubic meters and Pelekech Dam (50,000 cubic meters) through support from FAO and WFP. We also appreciate the completion of animal feeds production units by NCKK.

A web portal is being developed with the technical support of the International Finance Corporation (IFC). Turkana County Government will regularly update the website with statistics and analytical data on the county's socio-economic development and an investor's roadmap with the information needed for one to start a business venture in Turkana.

Senior Trade Development Officers, County ICT and e-Government Officers and Public Communication Officers have also undergone training on effective Business Communication for Investment Promotion as well as a specialized course on the International Certificate of Digital Literacy (ICDL).

IFC, the investment arm of the World Bank Group, is also supporting the County Government of Turkana in the construction of an integrated Biashara/Huduma Centre, a one-stop-shop for business development services both for the refugees and host community in Kakuma.

It is important to remind ourselves that despite the efforts we have put in place over these last 10 years, the challenges remain many. But in there, there is a lot of opportunities that remain unexploited and would be instrumental in tackling the lack of income and unemployment. A more deliberate effort targeting households, investments into livestock, fishing, irrigated agriculture, trade value chains is required. As a resident of Turkana and a political leader and elder, I commit to continue contributing towards this effort from wherever I will be.

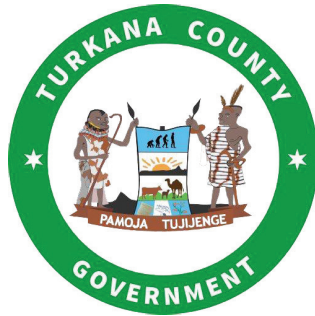
It is my hope and prayers that the electorate will elect a new Governor, with the vision, ability and commitment to take Turkana to the next level. I pledge to offer the wealth of my experience, on our successes and failures to ensure the next administration succeeds in its undertakings.

In the remaining period of my administration and during the political campaign period that has just officially begun, I assure you that service delivery and the implementation of ongoing projects will continue until I hand over to my successor.

I believe I have served you with distinctions and to my best. Thank you for giving me your confidence and electing me twice as your first Governor.

Once again, I wish you, my fellow residents and fellow Kenyans of Turkana County, a Happy Madaraka Day and a peaceful campaign period and election. Kenya kwanza, and let Kenya be.

**Asante. God bless you, God bless Turkan and God bless Kenya.**



## **AFISI YA GAVANA**

**HOTUBA YA MHESHIMIWA JOSPHAT KOLI  
NANOK,  
EGH, GAVANA WA KAUNTI YA TURKANA, WAKATI  
WA MAADHIMISHO YA 59 YA SHEREHE ZA  
SIKUKUU YA MADARAKA, JUMATANO TAREHE  
MOSI MWEZI JUNI MWAKA 2022 KATIKA BUSTANI  
YA MOI MJINI LODWAR**

**Naibu Gavana, Kaunti ya Turkana,  
Mheshimiwa Seneta,  
Mheshimiwa Spika wa Bunge la Kaunti ya Turkana,  
Mheshimiwa Mwakilishi wa Wanawake Bungeni Kanti ya Turkana,  
Waheshimiwa Wabunge,  
Waheshimiwa Wabunge wa Kaunti ya Turkana,  
Kamishna wa Kaunti,  
Mkuu wa Sheria wa Kaunti,  
Maafisa wa Serikali ya Kaunti na Serikali ya Kitaifa,  
Viongozi wa Kidini,  
Mabaraza ya Wazee,  
Wananchi watukufu wa Turkana,**

**Mabibi na Mabwana,**

Baada ya kuwahudumia kwa kipindi cha miaka 10 kama Gavana wenu ninayo furaha kubwa leo kupata fursa ya kutoa hotuba yangu ya mwisho katika sherehe hizo 59 za siku ya Madaraka.

Ningependa mniruhusu nianze kwa kuwatambua kwa heshima na niwatakie nyote sikukuu ya 59 ya Madaraka. Tarehe Mosi Juni ni siku ambayo waanzilishi wa taifa hili walijishindia haki ya kujitawala. Siku hii inaadhimishwa kwa kukumbuka jitihada za vita vya kupigania uhuru, kubuniwa kwa Taifa la Kenya na ruwaza ya Kenya.

Siku ya leo, tunaikumbuka miaka 59 iliyopita wakati nchi yetu ilijipatia haki ya kujitawala baada ya mapambano ya umwagikaji damu ya kutafuta uhuru. Kwa mara nyingine tena tunawakumbuka mashujaa wetu wa uhuru; wa kitaifa n awa hapa kwetu; ambao damu ambao damu na jasho lao liliifanya ndoto ya Madaraka kuwa ya kweli. Daima tuweze kukumbuka kwamba chochoto tulichofaulu kupata kama nchi, hakuna chochote kingewezekana bila kujitolea kulikofanyika awali ili tuwe huru kutoka kwa minyororo ya mkoloni.

Hapa kwetu nyumbani ni sharti tujikumbushe mapambano ambayo yalisababisha wilaya yetu kutengwa na ilianza na maandamano yaliyofanywa na Caunt Samuel Teleki mwaka 1888. Maandamano mengine yalifuatia mwaka 1898na 1901, 1910, 1918 hadi miaka ya 1950 na utawala wa Muingereza ukapingwa vikali. Kodi ya lazima ya vibanda iliyoanzishwa na wakoloni kwa mfumo wa mifugo ilionekana kama uvamizi na hapo ndipo desturi ya wizi wa mifugo ilianza kwani wale waliopokonywa mifugo wao ilibidi waende kwa majirani kuiba mifugo ili kufidia mifugo walioibwa.

Hivyo basi tunawakumbuka na kuwaenzi mashujaa wetu, Jenerali Ebei, Jenerali

Nathura Aunomeri, Echan Ebei, Nadima, wakongwe wa itikadi (Ngimurok) Lokorijem, Kokoi Looel, Lobwin Aseneng'moe, hao wakiwa ni baadhi tu ya mashujaa waliokaidi na kukataa kuutambua utawala wa Mkoloni na kuifanya Turkana eneo la mashambulizi ya kijeshi. Ili kuwapa heshima na kuwaenzi mashujaa hawa tutaandika majina yao katika taasisi za umma katika kaunti yetu.

### **Mabibi na Mabwana,**

Nilipochukua uongozi kama Gavana mwaka 2013, Nilirithi Kaunti hii kutoka kwa Serikali ya Wilaya iliyokuwa na changamoto si haba. Changamoto hizo zilikuwa ni Pamoja na uhaba mkubwa wa maji, miundomsingi ya afya iliyodorora na nyingine nyingi.

Katika kipindi cha miaka 10 ya utawala wangu, tumepiga hatua kubwa kukabiliana na changamoto hizo kwa kuwekeza katika miradi ya maendeleo ambayo imewapa wakaazi matumaini na kuweka mzingi wa wa mabadiliko katika Kaunti yetu. Tumewekeza katika kupeleka serikali karibu na nyumbani kwa kuanzisha miradi ambayo imeboresha hali ya maisha ya atu wetu na kujenga ushirikiano imara na majirani zetu, washirika wa kimaendeleo na sekta ya kibinafsi.

Licha ya uwekezaji wa jumla ya Shilingi Bilioni 154.3 ambao umefanywa na serikali ya Kaunti tangu mwaka 2013 katika sekta muhimu kufikia sasa hii hajatosha kuileta Kaunti hii kuwa kiwango saw ana Kaunti nyingine nchini Kenya.

Makadirio katika Mpango wetu wa Maendeleo (County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) yanaonyesha kwamba katika kipindi cha miaka mitano iliyopita zaidi ya Shilingi Bilioni 30 zingehitajika kila mwaka ili Turkana iweze kuwa sawa na Kaunti nyingine zilizoendelea humu nchini.

Katika juhudi za kuziba pengo hili la rasilimali, utawala wangu umeimarisha ushirikiano na mashirika ya kimaendeleo, sekta ya kibinafsi na mashirika ya kijamii. Chini ya utawala wangu kupitia Mpango wa Ustawi wa Kiuchumi na Kijamii wa Kalobeyei tuliweza kushirikisha shilingi Bilioni 58 katika kipindi cha miaka 10 iliyopita ambapo Shilingi Bilioni 44 ziliwanufaisha wakimbizi ambapo Shilingi Bilioni 14 ziliwanufaisha Wenyeji wa Turkana. Hii ni kupitia ushirikiano katika kuratibu mipango, hasa katika sekta muhimu za Aya, Maji, Utoshelevu wa Chakula na Lisheboru, na kuweka Amani, maongozi na ustawi wa kibiashara

Katika sekta ya Huduma za Afya na Usafi, Serikali yangu imepiga hatua kubwa katika kipindi cha miaka 10 iliyopita kupitia uratibu kabambe wa mipango, kutenga rasilimali na kujitolea kwa wahudumu wetu wa Afya kufanya kazi kwa bidii.

Taasisi zetu za afya zimeongezeka kutoka 78 mwaka 2013 hadi taasisi 288 kwa sasana zinaendelea kuongezeka. Ongezeko la taasisi hizi limepunguza kwa kiwango kikubwa umbali wa taasisi moja hadi nyingine kutoka Kilomita 55 mwaka 2013 hadi kilomita 15 leo hii. Idadi ya vitanda vya wagonja imeongezeka hadi vitanda 1400 kutoka vitanda 300 mwaka 2013.

Idadi ya wahudumu wetu wa afya sasa ni 1800 kutoka 272 mwaka 2013. Zaidi yah apo tumesajili wahudumu wa afya ya jamii wa kujitolea 2068 kuboresha huduma za afya mashinani. Uwiano wa Daktari kwa mgonjwa umepungua kutoka Daktari mmoja kwa wagonjwa 70,000 mwaka 2013 hadi Daktari mmoja kwa wagonjwa 20,000 mwaka 2021, huku uwiano wa muuguzi kwa mgonjwa ukipungua kutoka muuguzi mmoja kwa wagonjwa 5,200 mwaka 2013 hadi muuguzi mmoja kwa wagonjwa 232 wakati huu.

Hospitali ya Rufaa ya Kaunti ya Lodwar imeshuhudia ustawi mkubwa wa miundimsingi katika juhudi za kuipandisha hadhi kufikia kiwango cha Level 5. Juhudi hizi ni pamoja na kuweka mtambo wa kutengeneza Gesi ya Oxygen , ujenzi wa chumba cha kuhifadhi maiti chenye uwezo wa kuhifadhi miili 66 na ujenzi wa tanuri ya kuteketeza taka za kimatibabu ya gharama ya shilingi Milioni 20. Mashine ya Citi Scan, Ultra Sound, Gene X-pet, Jengo la vitanda 12 vya ICU, kitengo cha matibabu ya dharura na ajali, chumba cha upasuaji na kitengo cha usafishaji damu (Dialysis) na nyumba za madaktari. Ustawi huu umeboresha huduma na kuhakikisha rufaa za nje ya kaunti zinapungua kwa asilimia 80

Tumeweka mtambo wa jenereta kushughulikia swala la kupotea kwa nguvu za umeme huku mipango ikifanywa kushughulikia tatizo la maji la mara kwa mara.

Ili kuongeza uwezo wa kukabiliana na mikasa ya dharura, Serikali ya Kaunti imeongeza idadi ya Magari ya kubeba wagonjwa kutoka manne mwaka 2013 hadi 28 wakati huu. Katika juhudi za kupunguza rufaa kutoka Kaunti Ndogo hadi Hospitali Kuu ya Lodwar, tumejenga na kuweka vifaa vyumba vitano vya upasuaji katika vituo vya afya vya Lopiding', Katilu, Elelea, Lorugum na Lokitaung. Chumba cha upasuaji wa macho cha Lokitaung kilichoinduliwa mwaka jana ndicho cha pili kwa ubora wa vifaa katika Kaunti na sio tu kinawanufaisha raia wa Turkana bali pia wakaaji wa Dassanach na Nyangatom nchini Ethiopia.

Utawala wangu umeweka msitari wa mbele usambazaji wa vifaa vya matibabu na teknolojia ili kuhakikisha matokeo bora ya kiafya. Katika kipindi cha miaka 10 iliyopita, Shilingi Bilioni 2.5 zimewekezwa katika kununua madawa kwa taasisi zote za kaunti

Shughuli zetu za chanjo zimeimarika kutoka asilimia 45 nukta 2 mwaka 2013 hadi ailimia 84 nukta 2 mwaka 2021; huku kiwango cha maambukizi ya Virusi

vya UKIMWI yakipungua kutoka asilimia 6 nukta 9 mwaka 2013 hadi asilimia 2 nukta 2 mwaka 2021. Maambukizi ya maradhi ya Malaria nayo yamepungua kutoka asilimia 40 hadi asilimia 3 nazo huduma za uzazi zikiongezeka kutoka asilimia 25 nukta 2 hadi asilimia 65 nukta 1

Huduma za kliniki za kina mama waja-wazito zimeongezeka licha ya changamoto ya wengine kukosa kliniki kutokana na ukosefu wa hamasisho. Utumizi wa huduma hizi angalau kliniki nne za kwanza umeongezeka kutoka asilimia 33 nukta 4 hadi asilimia 66 nukta 5.

Licha ya ufanisi huu wote, mengi yanahitaji kufanywa ili kuboresha hali ya lishe katika kaunti. Hali ya utapiamlo duniani ni kati ya asilimia 15 na 30 na ipo haja ya elimu ya afya kutolewa kwa kina mama ili kuboresha upatikanaji wa virutubisho vya lishe katika taasisi zetu za afya na vituo vya masomo ya chekechea na kuwekeza katika utoshelevu wa chakula na lishebora.

Sheria ya Huduma za Afya ya Jamii ya Turkana iliyobuniwa mwaka 2018 ilianzisha Vituo vha Afya ya Jamii na kuwezesha kuteuliwa kwa Wahudumu wa Afya ya Jamii wa kujitolea. Tumewapa wahudumu 2068 wa Afya wa kujitolea mafunzo kuhusu ukaguzi wa kimsingi na matibabu na hii imeimarisha kuzuia magonjwa na haja ya kwenda kutafuta matibabu.

Janga la Covid-19 lilitupatia mihani mkubwa kama kaunti. Utawala wangu ulianzisha hazina ya Covid-19, tukanunua vifaa maalum, tukawashirikisha washirika wetu wa kimaendeleo kusaidia kuzuia na kudhibiti janga hilo. Kwa ujumla tuliweza kupima zaidi ya watu 900,000. Wale walioambukizwa kufikia sasa ni 2,647 na tumerekodi huku 2578 wakipona na kurekodi vifo 69. Kiwango cha maambukizi katika kaunti yetu sasa ni asilimia 4. Ushirikiano wetu na serikali ya kitaifa katika mpango wa chanjo za Covid-19 umeleta mafanikio ambapo Zaidi ya watu 107,000 wamechanjwa huku 80,036 wakiwa wamepata chanjo kamili ya Covid-19. Nawasihi wakaazi kuhakikisha wamepata chanjo ya Covid, hii ni kwa sababu hatari ya maambukizi na kuibuka kwa aina mpya za ugonjwa huo bado iko juu.

### **Mabibi na Mabwana,**

Katika sekta ya maji tumeongeza idadi ya visima katika kaunti yetu kutoka 511 mwaka 2013 hadi 1,967 wakati huu. Idadi ya mifumo ya pampu za maji kutumia umeme wa miale ya jua imeongezeka kutoka 200 mwaka 2013 hadi 564 saa hii. Tumechimba silanga za maji na kuongeza idadi kutoka 64 mwaka 2013 hadi 230 wakati huu.

Uwekezaji katika miradi hii ya maji umepunguza umbali ambao wakaazi wamekuwa wakitembea kutafuta maji kutoka kilomita 12 hadi kilomita 5 huku idadi ya familia zinazopata maji safi ikiongezeka kutoka 33,237 mwaka 2013 hadi 97,600 kwa sasa. Kupatikana kwa maji hata hivyo kunakumbwa

na changamoto ya ukame wa mara kwa mara unaosababisha vyanzo vya maji vya chini ya arhi kukauka, mito ya maji ya chini ya ardhi iliyo mbali Zaidi na kuvunjika kwa pampu za maji za mkono hivyo kuwafanya wafugaji kutembea mwendo mrefu kutafuta maji.

Sheria ya Maji ya Turkana ya mwaka 2019 iliwezesha kubumiwa kwa mifumo ya usimamizi wa maji zikiwemo: Kamati ya Ushirikishi wa Sekta ya Maji Kaunti ya Turkana, Kampuni ya Maji ya Turkana Mjini na Kampuni ya Maji ya Turkana Mashinani. Utendajikazi wa Hazina ya Maji na Mifumo ya Usimamizi wa Maji inatarajiwa kuboresha utoaji wa huduma za maji na usimamizi wa miundomsingi ya maji katika kaunti.

### **Wakaazi wenzangu,**

Katika Sekta ya Ardhi, Kawi, Nyumba na usimamizi wa sehemu za miji, Serikali yangu imepandisha hadhi Mji wa Lodwar na kuwa Manispaa ili kuharakisha ustawi wa miundombinu ya mijini, kuboresha utoaji huduma, kuongeza mapato na kuvutia uwekezaji. Haya yote yatabuni mazingira bora kwa biashara na kuweka utaratibu murua katika sekta ya usafiri na hivyo kupandisha hadhi na thamani ya mji wa Lodwar.

Pia tuko katika harakati ya kupandisha hadhi Mji wa Kakuma/Kalobeyi. Vile vile vituo vya kibiashara vya Kalokol, Lokichar na Lokichoggio vinapangiwa kuidhinishwa kuwa miji.

Ili kukabiliana na changamoto ya uzoaji wa taka katika miji yetu, tumebuni majaa katika vitongoji vya miji ya Lodwar, Kalokol, Kakuma, Lokichoggio, Katilu na Lokichar. Tunashirikiana na Shirika la Ujerumani la GIZ kuweka kituo cha kusafisha majitaka.

Serikali ya Kaunti ina huduma za zimamoto za kukabiliana na mkasa wowote wa moto unapozuka katika Manispaa ya Lodwar. Katika kipindi cha mwaka huu cha matumizi ya fedha za serikali, idara hiyo imeshughulikia na kuzima visa 25 vya moto ambao ungeleta hasara kubwa ya maafa na kuteketea kwa mali ya jamii.

Utawala wangu una nia ya kuwawezesha wakaazi wa Manispaa ya Lodwar kupitia kuhalalisha umiliki wa ardhi. Tunanuia kushughulikia hati 7,200 za umiliki wa ardhi na kuharakisha usajili wa ardhi ya jamii ili jamii ziweze kubaini kitengo chao cha usajili wa ardhi. Tunasubiri maafisa kutoka Idara ya Usorovea na Tume ya Ardhi nchini kukamilisha utoaji wa hati miliki hizo za ardhi. Hii itasaidia kupunguza migogoro inayohusiana na ardhi na kurahisisha upatikanaji wa mikopo miongoni mwa wakaazi.

## **Mabibi na Mwabwana,**

Kupitia ushirikiano wa kimkakati, nina furaha kuripoti kwamba Serikali ya Kaunti ya Turkana na Wizara ya Ulinzi hivi majuzi zilitia saini Makubaliano ya Mfumo wa ugawaji wa ardhi kwa matumizi ya kijeshi katika maeneo tofauti ya kaunti..

Kuambatana na Sheria ya Ardhi ya Jamii, jamii imetoa idhini ya kutenga kutenga ardhi huko katika wadi za Kanamkemar huko Kaputir, Kapedo/Napeitom, Lapur, Kibish, Lokichoggio, Nanam na Letea; na kutoa ruhusa ya matumizi ya Hekta 50,000 za ardhi huko Kapedo/Napeitom kwa mafunzo ya kijeshi endapo itatokea haja.

Mikataba hiyo inatoa nafasi kwa watu wa Turkana kupata maendeleo ikiwemo kuboreshwa kwa miundombinu, kuimarishwa kwa usalama na rasilimali za nyumbani. Ushirikiano huu umekuwa mtindo bora zaidi wa kutenga ardhi ya jamii kwa matumizi katika mradi huu muhimu wa kitaifa. Ninawaomba wadau wengine hasa waekezaji katika sekta za mafuta, kawi ya miale ya jua, upepo na mvunke wa ardhini kuiga mfumo huu wa kujipatia ardhi.

Ni matumaini yangu kwamba kuwepo kwa wanajeshi katika kaunti kutashughulikia changamoto za kila mara za ukosefu wa usalama katika mipaka yetu ya kimataifa na kuchangia maendeleo katika maeneo hayo.

Halmashauri ya ukusanyaji ushuru nayo pia imetengewa vipande vitatu vya ardhi huko Lodwar, Kainuk na Kakuma na Lomokori huko Lokiriama/Lorenggippi. Tunaiomba Halmashauri hiyo ya Ukusanyaji Ushuru kuharakisha ujenzi wa ofisi zao na kuweka vifaa ili kuimarisha usafirishaji wa watu na bidha na kuboresha biashara.

## **Wakaazi wenzangu,**

Katika Sekta ya Utalii, Utamaduni na Maliasili tumeweka utamaduni kama nguzo ya kuleta amani na muamko mpya miongoni mwa jamii za Waturkana na Ateker.

Tumeweza kuasisi Tamasha la Turkana la Utamaduni na Utalii linalojulikana kama Tobong'u Lore, huu ukiwa mradi wetu mkuu wa kukuza Amani ya Kikanda, Diplomasia, Biashara, Utamaduni na Maendeleo. Jamii ya Waturkana waliosoma sasa inatambua utamaduni wao Zaidi huku wakijihusisha kikamilifu na shughuli za kitamaduni.

Kufikia sasa tumeweza kuandaa awamu sita za Tamasha la Utalii na Utamaduni, linalojulikana kama Tobong'u Lore, ambalo lilihudhuriwa na wajumbe kutoka Uganda, Sudan Kusini na Ethiopia pamoja na wageni kutoka kote nchini Kenya. Ni matumaini yangu kwamba Gavana atakayeingia muhula ujao ataendeleza

tamasha hili ili kuboresha utalii, kuinua uchumi na kudumisha malengo ya amani na maendeleo kwa manufaa, sio tu ya watu wa Turkana bali kwa eneo zima.

Hatuwezi kuusahau umuhimu wa utamaduni katika kudumisha amani na maendeleo. Kuadhimishwa kwa mikataba ya amani ya Ata Nayece na Lokiriama kumewezesha muingiliano wa kijumuia na kupatikana kwa rasilimali za nchi jirani katika eneo hili. Hii imewezesha utangamano na ustawi katika mipaka ya Kenya, Uganda, Sudan Kusini na Ethiopia. Tukio hili linahitaji kuungwa mkono na kuendelezwa ili liweze kuzaa matunda zaidi

Ushirikiano wetu na Serikali ya Kitaifa kupitia Mpango wa Ushanga, umefaidi washonaji shanga 330 ambao wamepewa mafunzo ya ushonaji ulioboreshwa. Utawala wangu umetoa vifaa vya ushonaji kwa kina mama na vijana waliopewa mafunzo hayo ili kuboresha bidhaa wanazoshona. Hii imawaletea kina mama na vijana hao kipato mfukoni.

### **Mabibi na Mabwana,**

Ili kuboresha viwango vya misitu, juhudi zaidi zinahitajika kufanywa kuongeza maeneo ya misitu kufikia asilimia 10 iliyopendekezwa. Kutokana na hayo, utawala wangu umebuni nasari za miche ya miti katika Wadi za Lapur, Kibish, Kakuma, Turkwel, Kanamkemer, Lodwar Township, Lokichar na Lokori/Kochodin. Bado kuna kazi ambayo inahitaji kufanywa ili kuongeza eneo la misitu kufikia kiwango kinachohitajika cha asilimia 10. Hii inahitaji ushirikiano kati ya serikali, wadau na wakaazi ili kuhimiza desturi ya upanzi wa miti na kukomesha ukataji miti.

Tangu mwaka 2015, tumefanya kaguzi 468 za kimazingira, na kuwachukulia hatua wafanyibishara wasiotimiza kanuni. Kaguzi hizo zimefanyiwa viwanja vya mafuta huko Kusini mwa Turkana, Ujenzi wa Barabara na chimbo za mawe na mchnga miongoni mwa nyingine.

Ili kukabiliana na mabadiliko ya tabianchi, Utawala wangu unatekeleza Sheria ya Sera ya Mabadiliko ya Tabianchi ya Kaunti ya Turkana ya mwaka 2021.

Mchakato wa kubuni Hazina ya Kukabiliana na Tabianchi Kaunti ya Turkana unaendelea na utaziwezesha Kamati za Wadi 30 zilizopewa jukumu la kutekeleza mikakati ya kubaniliana na mabadiliko ya tabianchi katika ngazi za wadi.

Kaunti yetu sasa imetimiza asilimia 100 ya masharti ya mpango wa Ufadhili wa Benki ya Dunia juu ya hatua ya kukabiliana na mabadiliko ya tabianchi.

Sheria hiyo inatoa nafasi ya kujumuishwa kwa mabadiliko ya tabianchi katika mipango ya kisekta.

### **Wakaazi wenzangu,**

Kufikia leo hii, kazi ya kuweka taa za kawi ya miale ya jua imeendelea. Utawala

wangu umeweka taa za barabarani katika maeneo 13 ya miji mikubwa na vituo vya kibiashara mjini Lodwar, Kalokol, Kakuma, Lokichoggio, Oropoi, Lokichar, Lokori, Katilu, Kapedo, Kaeris, Lokitaung, Lowoarengak, na Kaaleng/Kaikor. Taa hizo za barabarani zimeimarisha usalama, kuboresha uchumi na kuongeza mapato kwa biashara na ukusanyaji ushuru

### **Mabibi na Mabwana,**

Ili kukuza uwezo wa sekta ya uchimbaji madini, kaunti hii imewasaidia wachimbani madini wa kibinafsi kubuni vikundi ili kurahisisha utoaji usaidizi kutoka kwa serikali na washirika wake.

Serikali yangu imesaidia kubuniwa kwa vyama vya kibiashara kwa wachimba migodi ambao sasa wamesajiliwa chini ya Chama cha Wachimba Migodi Kaunti ya Turkana ambacho kufikia sasa kina wanachama 23 ambao wanafadhiliwa na kamati ya Wachimba Migodi ya Kaunti ya Turkana. Kamati hiyo inasimamia utoaji leseni kwa migodi kote katika kaunti na kusaidia kutoa muongozo wa matumizi bora ya ardhi.

### **Wakaazi Wenzangu,**

Katika Sekta ya Utoshelevu wa Chakula na Lishe tumeongeza kiwango cha ardhi inayokuzwa mazao kimeongezeka kutoka ekari 8,900 mwaka 2013 hadi ekari 51,000. Hii imeongeza kiwango cha mazao ya kila mwaka hadi Tani 82.1 kutoka Tano 38.8. za mahindi na mtama.

Tumeanzia mifumo 51 ya kilimo cha umwagiliaji katika eneo la jumla ya ekari 16,176 inayonufaisha familia 27,485.

Ili kuwajengea uwezo wa uzalishaji wa kilimo watu wetu, wakulima 6,500 na vijana 40 wamepewa mafunzo ya kilimobiashara, lishebiashara na kilimo kinachotunza mazingira. Wakulima wengine 5,600 wamepewa mafunzo ya matumizi ya teknolojia ya kuboresha mavuno ya mimea.

Serikali ya Kaunti imewekeza katika kilimo cha kutumia mashine ili kuboresha uzalishaji. Kufikia sasa tunazo Tingatinga 13 zinazowasaidia wakulima kutayarisha ardhi kwa upanzi. Mashine hizi zimepelekwa katika kaunti ndogo. Wakulima wamesaidiwa na pembejeo za kilimo zikiwemo tani 65.4 za mbegu zilizotolewa na serikali ya kaunti ya Turkana ikilinganishwa na tani moja iliyotolewa na serikali ya kitaifa mwaka 2013.

Utawala wangu umeshirikiana na Mpango wa Ufadhili wa Ugatuzi kujenga kituo cha mafunzo ya kilimo huko Naotin kwa gharama ya Shilingi Milioni 72. Ili kuimarisha uzalishaji tumeanza matumizi ya teknolojia bunifu ikiwemo kilimo cha umwagiliaji wa mafuriko na matone katika maeneo ya Lokwalia, Kachoda na Nakot. Zaidi ya Hekta 800 za ardhi ziko chini ya kilimo cha umwagiliaji na Hekta 280 zikiwa chini ya kulimo kinachotumia maji ya mvua yaliyotegwa na teknolojia za usimamizi katika maeneo ya Lomidat, Kakongu, Kajukjuk,

Lochoremeyan, Naroebai, Nawantos, Nakimomet, Kibish, Kalamng'orok, Nasinyono, Loupwala, Urum, Natiir, Kalopusia, Loya, Ng'isurumanyang, Nakalei, Loyal, Lokamarinyang, Nadunga, Kalemngorok, Naipa na Nadunga.

Tumeungana na Mpango wa Ufadhili wa Ugatuzi nchini kuanzisha kituo cha mafunzo huko Naotin kwa gharama ya awali ya Shilingi Milioni 72. Ujenzi wa kituo hicho unanza mwezi huu huku mwanakandarasi akikabidhiwa mradi huo.

Ili kujenga ujuzi wa kiufundi unaohitajika kuweza kutimiza malengo ya utoshelevu wa chakula, serikali ya kaunti kupitia msaada wa kiufundi kutoka Ubalozzi wa Israeli mwaka uliopita iliwapa wanafunzi wanane wa kilimo kutoka Turkana msaada wa masomo kwenda nchini Israel kujifunza.

Wanafunzi wengine 10 watajiunga na kundi la kwanza nchini Israel kwa mafunzo hayo.

### **Mabibi na mabwana,**

Uchumi wa ufugaji umebaki kuwa nguzo ya kiuchumi ya uchumi wa Kaunti yetu na ambao haujatumiwa kikamilifu huku ngombe 247,145, mbuzi 2,429,224, ngamia 237,237 na punda 93,816 wakisimamia Maisha ya asilimia 80 ya idadi ya watu katika kaunti.

Utawala wangu umeweka msingi ambao unafunguo uwezo wa ufugaji wa kuhamahama kwa lengo la kuondokea ufugaji wa matumizi ya chakula hadi ufugaji wa kibiashara.

Tumewekeza katika miradi ya ustawi wa miundombinu ambayo ni Pamoja na Maabara ya Mifugo mjini Lodwar, majokovu matatu mjini Lodwar, Lokitaung' na Lokichar; vizimba 21 vya kuhamishwa vya ngo'mbe, vituo vya uzalishaji mifugo huko Lomosogol, Wadi ya Kerio na uwanja wa kuzuilia mifugo katika eneo la Napeililim.

Ili kuboresha urahisi wa kufikia masoko, tumejenga masoko 18 ya mifugo na kufikisha jumla ya idadi ya masoko kuwa 38 kwa wakati huu na hivyo kuwafaidi watu 240,000

Tumejenga mabohari ya kuhifadhi lishe ya mifugo huko Kakuma, Lokichar, Kanamkemer, na Kaaleng/Kaikor kuhifadhi lishe inayotumika wakati wa msimu wa kiangazi. Lishe hiyo husambazwa kupitia hifadhi kuu ya lishe iliyoko Lodwar iliyo na uwezo wa kuwanufaisha takriban wafugaji 10,000.

Tumeongeza idadi ya maafisa wetu wa mifugo. Idadi ya Madktari wa mifugo katika kaunti imeongezeka kutoka Madktari watano mwaka 2013 hadi 15 wakati huu, Wahudumu wa Afya ya Mifugo nao wamkiongezeka kutoka saba mwaka

2013 hadi 14 wakati huu, huku kauti hii ikiwa wanateknolojia 4 wa Mifugo ambapo kaunti hii haikuwa na hata mmoja mwaka 2013.

Pia tumeongeza maripota wa magonjwa ya mifugo katika jamii kutoka 87 mwaka 2013 hadi 297 wakati huu. Maripota hao ni muhimu katika kutambua na kuzuia magonjwa ya mifugo.

Juhudi hizi Pamoja na ushirikiano ambao umewezesha usambazaji wa dawa za mifugo na kuongeza idadi ya mifugo waliochanjwa kutoka asilimia 20 hadi asilimia 50 kufikia sasa.

Ili kuwafidia wafugaji dhidi ya hasara ya kupoteza mifugo kutokana na ukame na ukosefu wa usalama, utawala wangu umeanzisha shughuli ya kurejesha mifugo katika Wadi zilizoathiriwa zikiwemo Kaputir, Lobokat, Kapedo/Napeitom, Lokori/Kochodin, Katilia, Kerio Delta na Turkwel.

Katika Sekta ya Uvuvi tumepiga hatua ya kuwasaidia wavuvi. Tumetoa neti alfu 17 kwa vituo 25 vya wavuvi na mashua 28 za fibreglass kwa wavuvi 56 wanaotumia ngalawa kutoka Kalokol, Kangatotha na Kerio.

Utawala wangu uko katika harakati za kununua mashua 200 zinazotengezwa na mafundi wetu wenyewe. Kufikia sasa mashua 50 za Wadi ya Lakezone ziliwasilishwa kwa vituo 15 vya usimamizi wa fuo za ziwa na makundi 15 ya vijana na kina mama. Zaidi ya hayo, Boti 3 za Fibreglass zitakazotumika kushika doria za usalama na uokoaji zimewasilishwa na kwa wakati huu zinasimamiwa na idara ya uvuvi Kaunti ya Turkana.

Ili kuimarisha biashara ya samaki na soko lake, kaunti imejenga masoko matatu ya Samaki wa kukaushwa huko Lowarengak, Nachukui na Kerio na kujengwa kwa majukwaa matano ya kukaushia Samaki katika Kisiwa cha Choro na Kaitio.

Kwenye ripoti iliyozinduliwa mwezi uliopita kuhusu tathmini ya kiuchumi katika Ziwa Turkana iliyofanywa na Ubalozi wa Uholanzi, uzalishaji wetu wa Samaki unakadiriwa kuwa tani 16,100 ambao una uwezo wa kuingiza Shilingi Bilioni 5.3 katika uchumi wetu. Tumejitolea kuweka majokovu Zaidi kandokando mwa ziwa Turkana ili kuimarisha soko la Samaki, kutumia mbinu endelevu za uvuvi na matumizi bora ya rasilimali za ziwa.

### **Wakenya Wenzangu,**

Tumepiga hatua kubwa katika kukabiliana na ukosefu wa usalama. Kabla nishike hatamu za uongozi mizozo ya kuzozania rasilimali miongoni mwa makundi ya wafugaji ilikuwa imekithiri ndani na kwenye mipaka yan chi Jirani, Kwa kutambua kwamba Amani na kigezo cha maendeleo, utawala wangu unatambua hilo. Serikali yangu imewekeza kwa kiasi kikubwa katika juhudi za kujenga amani na mipango ya usimamizi wa mizozo na kubuni ofisi ya kushirikisha mipango hiyo.

Maadhimisho ya Mkataba wa Amani wa Lokiriyama, Kumbukumbu ya Ata Nayece na Tamasha la Kitamaduni la Tobong'u Lore, imesaidia kutuliza maeneo ambayo awali yalikuwa na uhasama. Kujitolea kwetu kuwa msitari wa mbele katika michakato ya amani ya kieneo huku utawala wangu ukishiriki katika mazungumzo ya ushirikiano wa kiserikali na Wilaya za Karamoja nchini Uganda, Equatoria Mashariki ya Sudan Kusini na Omo Kusini nchini Ethiopia kumbainika na kudumushishwa. Juhudi hizi ndizo zilizopelekea kutiwa Saini kwa Mwafaka wa Makubaliano kuhusu Amani na Maendeleo kati ya Kenya na Uganda mwaka 2019. Mkataba huo umelenga kuleta amani na ustawi wa kiuchumi na kijamii kwa

kwa Turkana, Pokot Magharibi na Wilaya za Karamoja nchini Uganda.

Baadhi ya manufaa ya mkataba huo ni Pamoja na kuimarika kwa biashara ya mpakani kati ya Lodwar na Moroto, urahisi kwa wafugaji kupata maji na lishe, ambapo nyakati za kiangazi wamekuwa wakihamia nchini Uganda. Ninatarajia kwamba serikali za Kenya na Uganda kwa ushirikiano na serikali za kaunti zitaharakisha kuratibiwa rasmi kwa mkataba huo wa miaka 10 wa amani na mpango wa maendeleo ili matunda yake yaweze kuonekana kwa raia wa wananchi

Ninatambua kikamilifu juhudi za washirika wetu wa kimaendeleo ambazo zinachangia amani na maendeleo katika maeneo yanayokabiliwa na mizozo.

Ili kushughulikia swala la wakimbizi wa ndani kwa ndani ambao ni waathiriwa wa wizi wa mifugo na uvamizi wa ardhi, serikali yangu imewapa hifadhi familia 520 katika kambi za Kasarani, Kakiteitei, Nadome, Lomoro na Kapedokatika Wadi ya Kapedo/Napeitom, Naakot na Namambu huko Lobokat; Kaloporor katika Wadi ya Kalapata; Kachalang'a, Kangipetain huko Lokori/Kochodin; Lodwat huko Lokoriyama/Lorenggipin; Loteteleit huko Lokichoggio; Lokaabuk huko Kalabeyei; Loruth sehemu ya Kaleng/Kaikor; Liwan huko Lapur, Todonyang A na B huko Lakezone; Makutano ya Natodomeri na Napus, kambi za Kibish; Kapetadie huko Nanm na Nakitong'o katika wadi ya Letea.

Katika siku za usoni kuna haja ya kupanua mpango wa kuwapa makao wakimbizi hadi maeneo mengine yaliyoathiriwa ikiwa ni Pamoja na Koolok huko Katilu, Nariwomoru huko Kaputir, Lomokori na Kaemanic huko Lokiriyama/Lorenggipi. Kupanuliwa hadi Nadome na Kasarani huko Kapedo na Nnam; Namambu na Naakot huko Lobokat.

Ili kubuni mifumo ya usuluhishaji mizozo, usimamizi na kujenga amani Mswaada wa Kutafuta Amani wa Kaunti ya Turkana mwaka 2022 unajadiliwa katika Bunge la Kaunti. Nalihimiza Bunge hilo kuidhinishwa mswaada huo kambla mwishoni mwa muhula wake.

**Mabibi na Mabwana,**

Ufanisi mkubwa umepatikana Katika Sekta ya huduma kwa Umma, Utawala na Usimamizi wa Majanga. Idadi ya wafanyikazi wa kaunti saa hii inafikia watu 3,698 wanaotoa huduma katika sekta mbali mbali. Huku hii ikionekana kuwa ufanisi, kuna haja ya kuajiri maafisa zaidi wa kiufundi katika maeneo maalumwakiwemo maafisa wa afya waliosomea taaluma spesheli, wauguzi, madaktari, wataalam katika sekta za ujenzi wa miundombinu, wataalam wa majabali na maji na walimu wa chekechea miongoni mwa wengine. Hivi majuzi, utawala wangu ulifanya ukaguzi wa Wafanyikazi ili kujua ni wafanyikazi wangapi na ni huduma zipi wanazotoa. Matokeo na mapendekezo yake yatatekelezwa ili kulainisha utoaji huduma.

Sasa tunayo Sheria ya Kaunti ya Turkana ya mwaka 2019 ya Utawala wa Vijiji ambayo inagatua mifumo ya serikali hadi sehemu ya chini ya utawala kufikia ngazi ya Kijiji. Maafisa 155 wa vijiji tayari wameajiriwa na kupelekwa katika vitengo vya vijijini.

Shughuli ya kuwateua wanachama 780 wa baraza la vijiji inaendelea na watakapoteuliwa wanatarajiwa kuongeza ushiriki wa raia katika mipango ya serikali.

### **Mabibi na Mabwana,**

Katika juhudi za kukabiliana na ukame, utawala wangu umetumia jumla ya shilingi Bilioni 3.7 na kununua tani 44,414.2 za bidhaa za vyakula ambazo zinawanufaisha watu laki sita kila mwaka.

Ukame ulitangazwa kuwa janga la kitaifa mnamo tarehe 8 mwezi Septemba mwaka 2021 na Rais Uhuru Kenyatta. Hata hivyo juhudi za serikali ya kitaifa za kukabiliana na athari za ukame huo zimekuwa haba na hii inatia wasiwasi.

Ili kukabiliana na uhaba uliopo wa chakula, serikali yangu inanunua tani 2, 500 za bidhaa aina mbali mbali za vyakula ili kusambazwa punde tu kiwango kitakapokusanywa cha kutosha.

Ningependa kuwapongeza washirika wetu wanaofanya kazi katika Kaunti katika juhudi zao za kusaidia mikakati ya kukabiliana na ukame na mipango ya kutoa pesa kwa waathiriwa ili kuendeleza mpango huo.

Kama sehemu ya kutekeleza Sheria ya Mwaka 2016 ya Kushughulikia Dharura na Usimamizi wa Mikasa ya Kaunti ya Turkana, tumeanzisha kamati 11 za Usimamizi wa Mikasa ya Dharura. Kituo cha Kaunti cha Shughuli za Dharura kinasaidia ukusanyaji Habari na hatua za dharura zinazohusiana na majanga katika kaunti. Ninatoa mwito kwa washirika wetu kusaidia kuimarisha kituo hicho kama sehemu ya mfumo wa tahadhari ya mapema. Kituo hicho kinasaidia ukusanyaji Habari kuhusiana na Mikasa katika Kaunti. Ningependa kutoa wito kwa washirika kusaidia kuimarisha kituo hicho kwama kiungo cha tahadhari za mapema

## **Wakaazi wenzangu,**

Hatua pia imepigwa katika Sekta ya Biashara, Jinsia na Maswala ya Vijana. Ili kuhimiza biashara katika kaunti, serikali yangu imejenga masoko 16 mapya ya kisasa katika miji na vituo vya kibishara vya Lokitaung', Lodwar, Lokiriana, Kakuma, Towokayen, Natukobenyo, Tumaini, Kalokol, Nakurio, Loya, Turkwel, Lokori, Lokichar. Hili ni ongezeko kubwa kutoka masoko mawili mwaka 2013.

Kufuatia kubuniwa kwa sheria ya mwaka 2015 ya Hazina ya Biashara ya Kaunti, mwezi Machi mwaka huu nilizindua utoaji wa Shilingi Milioni 185 kwa Biashara 3,000 ndogongo na za kadri kote katika kaunti.

Hazina hii itawasaidia wafanyibiashara kupata mikopo ya riba ya chini na kuhimiza uwekezaji wa ndani ya kaunti. Lengo kuu ni kukuza hazina hii iwe chanzo cha kimsingi cha mikopo kwa wafanyiniashara kutoka ndani ya Kaunti ya Turkana. Kwa hiyo chaguo lenu la utawala hasa mtu mtakayemchagua kuchukua nafasi yangu itakuwa ni jambo la muhimu katika kuhakikisha mpango huu unaendelezwa.

Nina furaha kuripoti kwamba idadi ya leseni za biashara imeongezeka hadi 7,300 wakati huu. Kutoka 2100 mwaka 2013. Ongezeko hili ni dalili ya ukuaji wa kibiashara na umeongeza kiwango cha ushuru kwa serikali ya kaunti.

Kufikia sasa serikali yangu imewapa mafunzo wafanyibiashara 2000 wa biashara ndogongo na za kadri juu ya usimamizi wa biashara na elimu ya kiuchumi. Mafunzo hayo yalinuiwa kuyapa makundi hayo mbinu na ujuzi wa usimamizi ili kuongeza faida kwa biashara zao.

Vituo viwili vya Biashara mjini Lodwar na Kakuma vinakaribia kukamilika. Vitakapokamilika vituo hivyo vitatoa huduma za ustawi wa bishara na mafunzo kwa vijana, wanawake na Walemavu. Kituo cha Kakuma kitatoa huduma zote za serikali kusaidia jamii ya kibiashara na umma.

Katika juhudi za kuimarisha ustawi wa ushirika, serikali yangu imesajili vyama vipya vya ushirika 51 kutoka vyama 33 mwaka 2013. Vyama vya ushirika vya akiba na mikopo vimewezesha wanachama kuweka akiba na kupata mikopo na nafasi ya kuuza mazao yao kwa Pamoja.

Mabibi na Mabwana,

Katika Sekta ya Miundombinu, Usafiri na Ujenzi, utawala wangu kwa kushirikiana na Halmashari ya Barabara Nchini kupitia Hazina ya Ushuru wa Barabara tumejenga na kukarabati kilomita 12,000 za barabara za Maram kote katika kauti kwa gharama ya Shilingi Bilioni 1.7. tumejenga kilomita 10 za barabara za lami ndani ya Manispaa ya Lodwar. Ili kuimarisha usalama, tumejenga barabara za mashinani zifuatazo, Kibish na Turkana Mashariki;

Lokoru Kamuge, Ngilukia-Kangibilae-Parkati, Kibish-Dume, Lokwamosing-Lochakula miongozi mwa nyingine.

Ili kuhakikisha utoaji huduma, usafiri wa bidhaa na huduma kwa watu wa Kaunti ya Turkana, tumejenga madaraja ya mafuriko 31kote katika Kaunti ikiwemo Lopeduru ambalo ndilo refu Zaidi katika Wadi ya Katilia.

Tumejenga madaraja mawili; Daraja la Nawoyaregae huko Kaputir linalohudumia watu 50,000 na lile la Kotome huko Kaikor/Kaaleng linalohudumia watu 24,000.

Kwa wakati huu Manispaa ya Lodwar inafanyiwa ambao ni Pamoja na ujenzi wa vibanda vya soko katika sehemu ya Kamamkemer, na taa kubwa za ulinzi katika mji wa Kanamkemer, ujenzi wa vyoo vya umma katika Kambi Mawe, Kambi Moto na Nadiirkonyen, kuhamishwa kwatika eneo la Nayanaeangikalalio mjini humo, kufanyiwa ukarabati Msitu wa Lodwa mjini na urembeshaji wa mji wa Lodwar.

Kupitia Uwajibikaji wa Kijamii wa Mashirika Miradi iliyoanzishwa kupitia akiba za kodi ya barabara za kiwango cha A1, Shirika la Barabara Kuu nchini Kenya KeNHA na serikali ya kaunti ya Turkana itaweka Bilioni 2.8 kwa ustawi wa miundombinu Kauti ya Turkana. Miradi hiyo inayojumuisha mabomba ya maji, kujenga shule za kisasa za msingi na sekondari, Hospitali na Masoko inafanyiwa utaratibu wa kutolewa zabuni. Miradi hiyo inasimamiwa na KeNHA na timu ya Pamoja ya shirika hilo na Kaunti litasimamia ujenzi wa miradi hiyo. Utawala wangu umekamilisha kazi ya kukinga mito Lokichar na Lokichoggio ambayo inasaidia kuzuia mafuriko wakati wa mvua nyingi. Tumetoa mwito kwa KeNHA kujumuisha mito ya Kainuk, Kawalase na Turkwel iweze kushirikishwa katika ujenzi wa kingo zake kwani haiwezi kujumuishwa katika mpango wa Uwajibikaji wa Kijamii wa Mashirika kwa barabara kuu ya A1 na bado ninafuatilia.

Mwezi uliopita Pamoja na Halmashauri ya kitaifa ya Usalama wa Usafiri NTSA nilibuni kamati ya Usalama kusimamia maswala yanayoathiri usafiri. Mwenyekiti wa kamati hiini Mwanachama wa Kamati Kuu ya Kaunti anayesimamia Uchukuzi. Kamati ina jukumu la kusimamia usafiri katika kaunti Pamoja na taa barabarani, sehemu za kuegesha magari na barabara za umma miongoni mwa majukumu mengine.

Wakaazi wenzangu,

Katika sekta ya Elimu, Michezo na Ulinzi wa Jamii, ambako tuna changamo kadhaa za viwango vya juu vya kutojua kusoma na kuandika, ukosefu wa kujiunga na shule na ukosefu wa ujuzi, tumepiga hatua katika masomo ya chekechea na kiufundi kwa kutoa karo kwa wanafunzi wa shule za upili na vyuo.

Katika elimu ya Chekechea, utawala wangu umejenga vituo 243 ambavyo vitaongeza vituo vya elimu ya Chekeche kufikia 937.

Leo hii idadi ya wanafunzi wanaosajiliwa kujiunga na masomo ni 137,000; wavulana wakiwa 71,000 na washichana 66,000. Idadi ya walimu waliopata mafunzo ya kufunza chekechea pia imeongezeka hadi 570 tangu mwaka 2013..

Ili kuhakikisha wanafunzi wanabaki katika vituo hivyo, Serikali ya Kaunti kwa ushirikiano na wadau wa kimaendeleo imeanzisha mpango wa lishe ambapo kila mwaka tunatenga Shilingi Milioni 130 kusambaza vyakula aina mbali mbali katika vituo cha Chekechea, hatua ambayo tunakadiria kwamba imechangia asilimia 76 ya wanafunzi kubaki shuleni.

Idadi ya vyuo vya Kiufundi imeongezeka kutoka viwili mwaka 2013 hadi vinane wakati huu. Vituo hivyo ni Lodwar, Kalokol, Lokichoggio, Kataboi, Lorugum, Kaelang, Lokori na Lokichar. Vituo hivyo vinawapa vijana katika kaunti nafasi ya kujipatia maarifa na ujuzi muhimu ya kukidhi mahitaji ya ajira. Usajili wa wanafunzi katika vyuo hivi umeongezeka kutoka 100 mwaka 2016 hadi 2,000 wakati huu. Idadi ya wakufunzi nayo imeongezeka hadi 80 kutoka 24 awali.

Miaka sita iliyopita serikali yangu ilizindua Mpango wa Kuboresha ujuzi kusaidia wanafunzi wanaojiunga na shule za sekondari na vyuo vya masomo ya juu. Tangu wakati huo serikali ya Kaunti imetoa shilingi Bilioni 1,9 kwa Zaidi ya wanafunzi 212,000 katika ngazi mbali mbali za kielimu.

Mkakati wa Ulinzi wa Watoto ulioanza kutekelewa mwaka 2019 ni mfumo wa ushirikishi kati ya serikali na wadau kutoa ulinzi kwa Watoto.

Utawala wangu umeanzisha vituo viwili vya kuwanusuru watoto katika miji ya Kamuma na Lodwar Vituo hivi vinatoa msaada wa matunzo kwa watoto walio katika hatari ya kutelekezwa. Tangu mwezi Julai mwaka 2020, jumla ya Watoto 98 wamenusuriwa katika kituo cha Lodwar. Kati ya hao 58(Wavulana 39 na Wasichana 19) wameunganishwa na familia zao.

Kuna haja ya vituo Zaidi kubuniwa katika sehemu za miji ili kuendeleza ulinzi dhidi ya dhuluma na utelekezaji wa watoto.

### **Wakaazi wenzangu,**

Utawala wangu umeongeza uwekezaji kuhakikisha ushirikishi wa vijana katika michezo huku tukibuni nafasi kwa ustawi wa talanta. Hii ni Pamoja na msaada kupitia usambazaji wa vifaa vya michezo, ufadhili wa kushiriki katika mashindano ya kieneo na kimataifa. Mashindano kama hayo ni pamoja na yale ya kila mwaka baina ya kaunti yanayoandaliwa na Chama cha Michezo cha Vijana Nchini Kenya, mashindano ya walemavu ya kuendesha viti vya magurudumu nyikani, masumbwi, mbio za nyika na mashindano ya Karate. Pia tumesaidia walemavu kushiriki katika mashindano yakiwemo yale ya

mwaka jana ya kandanda, mashindano baina ya Kaunti ya Viziwi yaliyofanyika mjini Nakuru na mashindano ya Voleboli yaliyofanyika katika uwanja wa Nyayo mjini Nairobi, mashindano ya Mpira wa Vikapu kwa viziwi yaliyofanyika Nairobi na mashindano ya riadha yaliyofanyika Nairobi vilevile.

Nina furaha kukariri kwamba wanariadha wetu wameshiriki kwenye mbio za baiskeli za viti kwa magurudumu tangu mwaka 2013.

Tangu awamu yake ya kwanza mwaka 2018, Mbio za nyika za Tobong'u Lore zimeimarika huku wanariadha tajika katika kanda hii wakishiriki. Kila mwaka wanariadha chipukizi hupata fursa ya kushindana na wakimbiaji magwiji huku tukizifanya mbio hizo kuwa sehemu ya kalenda ya mashindano ya riadha ya kila mwaka.

Kuanzishwa kwa miundimsingi ya michezo ni muhimu katika kufadhili michezo. Michoro ya uwanja wa kisasa wa michezo uliopangwa kujengwa mjini Lodwar imekamilika na ujenzi wa uwanja huo unakadiriwa kugharimu Shilingi Bilioni 2.7. Uwanja huo utakaokuwa na uwezo wa kuketi watu alfu 20 utakuwa ngome ya michezo na ustawi wa talanta na utaturuhusu kuandaa mashindano ya kitaifa ya michezo mbali mbali.

Uwanja wa michezo wa Kakuma/Kalobeyi ambao ujenzi wake ulifadhiliwa na Shirika la Wakimbizi UNHCR umekamilika na uko tayari kukabidhiwa serikali ya Kaunti. Uwanja huo utaimarisha mipango ya utangamano wa jamii za wakimbizi na wenyeji.

### **Wakaazi wenzangu,**

Katika sekta ya Fedha na Mipango ya kiuchumi, jumla ya fedha za maendeleo tulizopokea kutoka kwa hazina kuu ya serikali ya kitaifa katika kipindi cha fedha FY13/14 hadi FY 21/22 ni shilingi Bilioni 154.25(Sh Bilioni 95.5 kutoka serikali kuu na Sh Bilioni 58.5 kutoka kwa washirika wetu wa kimaendeleo) dhidi ya nakisi ya rasilimali ya Shilingi Bilioni 143.1 zilizonuiwa kufadhili kikamilifu CIDP I na CIDP II ambayo ni asilimia 48 ya rasilimali zilizohitajika. Katika kipindi saw ana hicho, mapato yetu ya jumla kutoka kwa ushuru tunaotoza ni Shilingi Bilioni 1.385 dhidi ya shabaha yetu ya Shilingi Bilioni 1.48 hiyo ikiwa ni asilimia 94 ya utendajikazi. Washirika wetu wa kimaendeleo yakiwemo mashirika yasiyo ya kiserikali, Umoja wa Mataifa na Mashirika ya kijamii yamechangia shilingi Bilioni 58 kes kipindi cha **fedha cha mwaka 2013/2014** hadi sasa. Hata hivyo shilingi Bilioni 44 ziliwekezwa kuboresha viwango na hali ya Maisha ya wakimbizi katika kambi ya Kakuma/Kalobeyi. Huku shilingi Bilioni 14 zikinufaisha Jamii ya Turkana.

Kutokana na kupandana kwa utekelezaji wa miradi na kuchelewa kutolewa kwa fedha kutoka serikali kuu katika kipindi cha matumizi ya fedha za serikali

mwaka uliopita, Kaunti ililimbikiza madeni ya shilingi Milioni 417. Tayari tumelipa Shilingi Milioni 313 ambazo ni asilimia 75 ya jumla ya madeni ambayo hayakuwa yamelipwa.

Tungependa kukariri nia yetu na kujitolea kwetu kuhakikisha madeni yote yaliyosalia yanalipwa kufikia mwisho wa kipindi cha matumizi ya serikali mwaka huu. Hata hivyo ni sharti zitimize kanuni ziwe zina ukweli na kuambatana na stakabadhi muhimu zinazoonyesha hitaji la malipo. Serikali yangu itawasilisha katika ofisi ya Mkaguzi Mkuu wa Hesabu madeni yote ya jumla ya Shilingi Bilioni 3 kufanyiwa uchunguzi na kuidhinishwa ili malipo yaweze kufanyika.

### **Wakaazi wenzangu**

Ninapohitimisha kipindi changu cha uongozi kinakamilika baada ya uchaguzi mkuu wa tarehe tisa mwezi Agosti na kuapishwa kwa Gavana mpya kuchukua hatamu za uongozi, ningependa kusema kwamba ninayo ninajivunia rekodi ya maendeleo na msingi ambao nimeuacha nyuma. Ni matumaini yangu kwamba utawala ujao utasukuma mbele ufanisi tuliopata.

Ni kutokana na uwekezaji wa hatua kwa hatua wa Serikali ya Kaunti **na** washirika wetu wa kimaendeleo tumeweza kubadili sura ya Turkana. Miradi ya maendeleo katika sekta zote imesambaa kote katika kaunti, hiyo ikimaanisha kwamba serikali ijayo ya kaunti itarithi msingi thabiti wa kueleza maendeleo hayo. Mpango Shirikishi wa Maendeleo wa Kalobeyei ulioanza kutekelwa mwaka 2016 unanua kuboresha hali ya kiuchumi na kijamii ya wakimbizi na Jamii za wenyeji wa Turkana Magharibi. Jumla ya hitaji la mradi huo lilikuwa Shilingi Bilioni 58 na kufikia sasa utekelezaji wake kutoka kwa washirika wa kimaendeleo ulifika shilingi Bilioni 12.5

Mradi wa KISDEP umeanzisha Chumba cha Watoto na Hospitali ya Ammusait huko Kakuma, Kituo cha Elimu cha Turkana Magharibi, Kituo cha elimu ya juu kinachojumuisha mafunzo kwa walimu na Shule ya Mabweni ya wasichana huko Kalobeyei.

Mpango huo kupitia Shirika la Makaazi la UN Habitat ulifadhili mpango wa wa miundombinu kwa ujenzi wa Manispaa ya Kakuma/Kalobeyei.

Kuhusu utoshelevu wa chakula ushirika wetu umepata kujengewa Bwawa la Kangura lenye uwezo wa kuweka cubic mita 1000,000 za maji na Bwawa la Pelekech la Cubic Mita 50,000 kupitia ufadhili wa mashirika ya FAO na WFP. Pia tungependa kutambua ufadhili wa ujenzi wa kiwanda cha kutengeneza chakula cha mifugo uliofadhiliwa na Baraza la Makanisa NCKC

Pia tunajengewa mtandao wa internet utakaofadhiliwa na Shirika la Kimataifa la Fedha IFC. Serikali ya Kaunti ya Turkana itakuwa na uwezo wa kuhifadhi takwimu za maendeleo kupitia mtandao huo.

Aafisa wetu wa serikali wakiwemo wa Biashara na Ufunzi wamepata mafunzo kuhusu mawasiliano ya kibiashara kwa ajili ya kuimarisha uwekezaji.

Shirika la Fedha la Kimataifa ambalo ni tawi la Benki ya Dunia linasaidia ujenzi wa kituo cha Huduma na Biashara mjini Kakuma.

Ni muhimu tujikumbushe ya kwamba licha ya juhudi ambazo tumeweka katika kipindi cha miaka 10 iliyopita, changamoto bado tunazo. Lakini mbali na hayo kunazo nafasi nzuri ambazo hazijatumiwa kikamilifu ambazo zinaweza kutumiwa kukabiliana na ukosefu wa mapato na ajira, Juhudi kabambe zinahitaji kufanywa kulenga uwekezaji wa kinyumbani katika mifugo, uvuvi, kilimo cha umwagiliaji na biashara. Kama mkaazi wa Turkana na kiongozi wa kisiasa na mzee, ninajitolea kuendelea kuchangia juhudi hizi kutoka mahali popote nitakapokuwa.

Ni matumaini yangu kwamba wewe mpiga kura utamchagua Gavana aliye na maono, uwezo na kujitolea kuipeleka Turkana katika ngazi nyingine ya juu zaidi.

Ninaahidi kutoa ujuzi wangu kuhusu ufanishi na mapungufu tuliyoyashuhudia ili kuhakikisha utawala ujao unapata vifaa bora vya kuleta ufanisi.

Katika muda huu uliosalia wa utawala wangu na wakati wa kipindi hiki cha kampeni ambazo tayari zimeanza nawahakikishia kwamba utoaji huduma na utekelezaji wa miradi utaendelea hadi nitakapomkabidhi usukani Gavana atakayechukua nafasi yangu.

Ninaamini kwamba nimewahudumia kwa uadilifu na kwa juhudi kadri ya uwezo wangu. Asanteni kwa kunipa Imani yenu na kunichagua mara mbili kama Gavana wenu.

Kwa mara nyingine tena ningependa kuwatakia wakaazi wa Turkana Sikukuu ya Madaraka yenye furaha na kipindi cha amani cha kampeni na uchaguzi.

**Mungu awabariki, Mungu aibariki Turkana, Mungu aibariki Kenya!**





**Ee Mungu nguvu yetu  
Ilete baraka kwetu  
Haki iwe ngao na mlinzi  
Natukae na undugu  
Amani na uhuru  
Raha tupate na ustawi.**

**Amkeni ndugu zetu  
Tufanye sote bidii  
Nasi tujitoe kwa nguvu  
Nchi yetu ya Kenya  
Tunayoipenda  
Tuwe tayari kuilinda**

**Natujenge taifa letu  
Ee, ndio wajibu wetu  
Kenya istahili heshima  
Tuungane mikono  
Pamoja kazini  
Kila siku tuwe na shukrani**

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Viwe msingi wa Umoja wetu  
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