



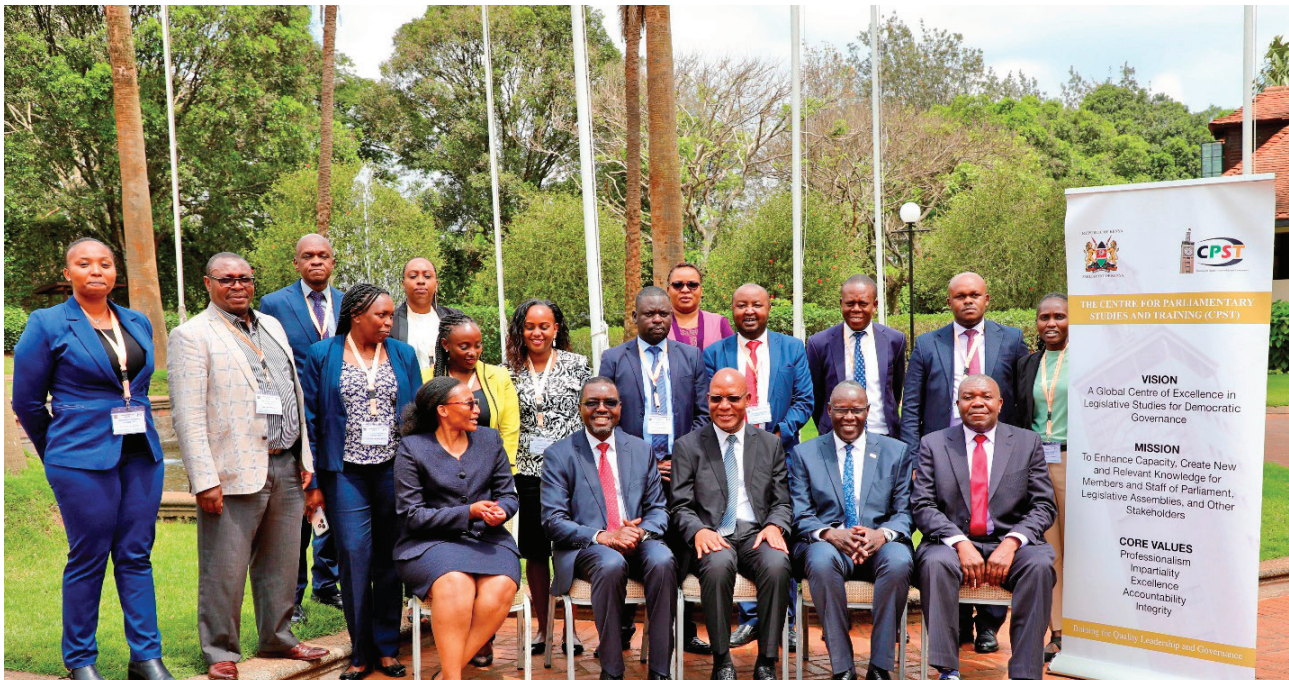
# The CPST Connect

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## CPST mounts annual Training of Trainers



Trainees pose for a photo with the Director General PJS (Centre, Seated) and the Director Administration, Finance and Corporate Affairs CPST (Second from right, seated) during the Annual CPST Training of Trainers Course

### HIGHLIGHTS

1. The CPST Annual Training of Trainers
2. The Second Cohort of the Parliamentary Service Commission Mandatory Course III: Legislative Supervisory Course
3. Enhancing Legislative Excellence: The CPST Hosts a Delegation from the Parliamentary Training Institute of Ghana.
4. Scrutiny of Statutory Instruments: A training for the Members of the Kenya National Assembly's Committee on Delegated Legislation.
5. The CPST Training Calendar-FY 2024/2025
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**T**he Centre for Parliamentary Studies and Training mounted a Training of Trainers (T.o.T) Program that was meant to offers expertise on how best to deliver training programs for adult learners. The annual programmes sought to equip parliamentary officers and other professionals with adult learning training methodologies to enable them become more effective presenters and trainers in their respective field.

The ED, CPST in her opening remarks, noted that the CPST TOT programme had enabled the CPST to stand out as a provider of quality training in the legislative space. This is primarily because of the caliber of trainers that facilitate the programmes. The practical approach of the programme is indeed one that gives participants opportunity to exercise and practice training methodologies in real time and receive feedback. The participants upon graduating with a CPST T.o.T certificate are set to add on to the database of trainers for the core clients of the CPST. All participants, further

to the knowledge acquired in the training sessions were accorded an opportunity to undertake a micro teaching exercise to practically display the techniques learned.

The 5-day programme was facilitated by CPST Master Trainers whom have been equipped with contemporary training approaches relevant to the 21st century adult learner. The Programme attracted 38 participants from various sectors including Parliament, county assemblies, EALA, national Government ministries and constitutional and Independent Offices. The participants were grouped into three

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Trainees pose for a photo with the Executive Director CPST (Centre, Seated) after completing the CPST Annual Training of Trainers programme

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clusters to further improve the training experience.

The Director General, Parliamentary Joint Services, Mr. Clement Nyandiere thanked the participants for choosing the Centre for their capacity building solutions and urged them to utilize the skills acquired in their various assignments. He further urged

the staffers of the Service to utilize the CPST for all their training needs.

The programme was coordinated by Mr. Peter Muchira, a Training Officer at the CPST who assured the participants that their feedback would be taken into consideration while mounting future courses

## The Second Cohort of the Parliamentary Service Commission Mandatory Course III: Legislative Supervisory Course



Dr. Wakah the Director Administration Finance and Corporate Affairs at CPST (3rd from Left, seated) leads the second cohort of participants in posing for a photo during the PSC training for the Legislative Supervisory Course III

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**T**he CPST conducted the second cohort of the Mandatory Course III dubbed Legislative Supervisory Course. This course is espoused in the Parliamentary Service Commission schemes of service and is a prerequisite for career advancement within the Commission.

This follows the inaugural cohort in December 2021. This course drew 42 participants from different directorates from the Commission. The purpose of the course was to equip the participants with skills in public finance management practices in legislatures,

the administration and supervision practices in legislatures, discuss the critical aspects of Parliamentary Practice and Procedures and examine the fundamentals of good governance. Over the three weeks of the course, the participants were engaged in practical Continuous Assessment Tests and a final sitting assessment. In his closing remarks, Mr. Mohammed Ali, MBS, Deputy Clerk of the Senate, highlighted the importance of the course, emphasizing that its foundational content on Parliamentary Procedures would be essential for participants' future roles within the Commission.



Participants listening in during a session at the training for the Second Cohort of the PSC Legislative Supervisory Course organized by the CPST

## Enhancing Legislative Excellence: The CPST Hosts a Delegation from the Ghana Parliamentary Training Institute.

**T**he CPST under Section 34 (b) of the Parliamentary Service Act, 2019 mandates the Centre to develop linkages and collaborations with other institutions of learning and professional organizations.

Accordingly, the Centre's strategic pillar IV on Partnerships and Collaborations is a hallmark for effective training. This strategic pillar is aimed at ensuring that the CPST partners with institutions of higher learning and international institutions specializing in continuous professional training to provide high-quality local and international training to its clients.

Ghana's Parliamentary Training Institute (PTI) is trying to strategically position itself to sustain the ongoing reforms by the Parliamentary Service of Ghana towards effective and efficient services in Parliament. As part of this strategic initiative, the PTI focuses on development of effective training programmes for Members and Staff of Parliament. The Ghana PTI chose to undertake the visit at the CPST due to the Centre's established track record of training Members and Staff of Parliaments, County Assemblies and other interested stakeholders. The main purpose of the visit was to understand the Cen-

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## Enhancing Legislative Excellence: The CPST Hosts a Delegation from the Ghana Parliamentary Training Institute. (Continued)

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tre's administrative structures, human resource management and financial oversight mechanisms to improve the Ghana PTI institutional management, to establish partnership and collaborations between the two training institutions, to gain knowledge and experience sharing on training methodologies, curriculum design and operational strategies and to understand the CPST's programmes and identify elements that can enhance training offerings at the Ghana PTI in order to improve the quality and relevance of the training programmes.

During their one-week study visit, the members of the PTI of Ghana had the opportunity to have a courtesy call with the Clerk of the Senate, Mr. Jeremiah Nyegenye CBS, the Execu-

tive Director CPST, Prof Nyokabi Kamau EBS and the Director General Parliamentary Joint Services, Mr. Clement Nyandiere MBS, who further explained the structure of the CPST and its legal anchorage in the Parliamentary Service Act, 2009. The Executive Director welcomed the officers to the CPST and made a presentation on the structure and programmes of the CPST. Further, the Clerk was keen to note the support that the CPST gets from the Parliamentary Service Commission and the CPST Board of Senior Management in advancing their Strategic Plan. He further urged the Ghana PTI to grow their budget by identifying those programmes that can be fully funded and those which clients can meet the costs half-way.



Staff from the CPST led by the Executive Director, Prof. Nyakabi Kamau (Fourth from Right), pose for a photo with officers from Ghana PTI during their study visit to the Centre.



The Clerk of the Senate, Mr. Jeremiah Nyegenye CBS, addressing the officers from the Ghana Parliamentary Training Institute who paid him a courtesy call during their study visit to the CPST.



## Scrutiny of Statutory Instruments: A training for the Members of the Kenya National Assembly's Committee on Delegated Legislation.

**T**he Constitution of Kenya gives authority to Parliament, to on behalf of the people, make laws that have a legal and binding effect. Parliament can nevertheless delegate this authority to regulatory bodies. The Committee on Delegated Legislation is in turn mandated to oversight this process of law making. They do so by scrutinizing the proposed laws to ensure that they conform to their parent acts, requisite laws and the constitution.

It is in view of this critical mandate of the Committee that the CPST in collaboration with the Kenya National Assembly mounted a four-day capacity building programme on scrutiny of statutory instruments for seven Members of the Committee on Delegated Legislation. This is a second training of its kind. The main objective of the training was to upskill the Members of the Committee with the requisite skills necessary to enable them scrutinize statutory instruments that are developed by regulatory bodies and submitted to the Committee for either approval, annulment or revocation.

In specific, the Members of the Committee were taken through the legal framework underpinning the development of

statutory instruments and its purpose in addition to the correlation between statutory instruments and their parent acts. They also discussed the general provisions regarding publication, commencement and exercise of powers of statutory instruments. Additionally, the Members of the Committee had an opportunity to share experiences in terms of the successes and challenges that the Committee has faced in the course of executing their mandate since they were constituted.

Members were able to flag out inconsistencies, typographical errors, overlapping requirements and unclear sections of the Statutory Instruments Act. They proposed amendments that would make the Act effective. They were also able to deliberate their role in pre-publication scrutiny and the extent to which the public should be involved in the whole process.

The participants noted that had been interacting with the Statutory Instruments Act without noticing its flaws. Furthermore, they appreciated the need for developing regulatory impact assessment tools, ex-ante and ex-post, for both primary and secondary legislations.

More of such trainings are essential in order to build the capacity of Members of Parliament while they execute their constitutional mandate in an effective and more efficient manner



Participants pose for a photo led by Hon. Robert Gichimu Githinji ( 4th from Left, Seated), Vice Chair of the National Assembly's Committee on Delegated Legislation.



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**WEBINAR CALENDAR-FINANCIAL YEAR 2024/2025**

<b>S/ No.</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Target Audience</b>
1.	Effective framework towards efficient urban areas and cities	March 2025	City managers, Members of County Assemblies and the Public
2.	The role of legislatures in Public Debt Management: local and global perspectives	May 2025	Legislators, staff of legislatures and the Public



**PARLIAMENTARY SERVICE COMMISSION  
CPST TRAINING CALENDAR 2024 / 2025 FINANCIAL YEAR**



CODE	COURSE	DATES	TARGET	VENUE	COORDINATOR
<b>PSC STAFF</b>					
CPST/HRM/P/500/1-2/25	Legislative Senior Management Course	12 <sup>th</sup> January to 8 <sup>th</sup> February, 2025	PSC Staff (Scale 11-13)	TBC	<b>Dr. George Wakah</b> <b>+254722600228</b>
<b>MEMBERS OF COUNTY ASSEMBLY</b>					
CPST/PFM/CA/400/2/25	Budget Scrutiny	10 <sup>th</sup> to 13 <sup>th</sup> February, 2025	Chairpersons of Sectoral Committees in County Assemblies.	CPST, Nairobi	<b>Ms. Faith Kibathi</b> <b>+254720909600</b>
CPST/LPM/CA/200/4/25	Legislative Committees Presidium	21 <sup>st</sup> to 24 <sup>th</sup> April, 2025	Deputy Speakers and Chairpersons of Liaison Committees.	CPST, Nairobi	<b>Mr. Peter Muchira</b> <b>+254716634667</b>
<b>COUNTY ASSEMBLY STAFF</b>					
CPST/CCI/CA/600/3/25	Protocol and Events Management in the Legislature	3 <sup>rd</sup> to 7 <sup>th</sup> March, 2025	Protocol Officers, Public Relations Personnel, Event Coordinators.	CPST, County House	<b>Ms. Pauline Kigera</b> <b>+254720339472</b>
CPST/LPM/CA/200/3/25	Speakers' Rules and Enforcement	17 <sup>th</sup> to 21 <sup>st</sup> March, 2025	Serjeant-at-arms	CPST, County House	<b>Mr. Anthony Ngugi</b> <b>+254720885196</b>
CPST/ LPM /CA/200/5/25	Parliamentary Practices and Procedure for Hansard Officers	5 <sup>th</sup> to 9 <sup>th</sup> May, 2025	Hansard Officers	CPST, County House	<b>Mr. Brian Mwambu</b> <b>+254724684491</b>
<b>ON REQUEST</b>					
CPST/ICCP/OR/300	Training on Public Participation and Stakeholder Engagement	TBC	staffers involved in Legislative Committees that are involved in stakeholder engagement meetings.	CPST, County House	<b>Mr. Peter Muchira</b> <b>+254716634667</b>
CPST/PFM/OR/400	Foundations for Budget Document Analysis, Interpretation & Reporting	TBC in Consultation with PBO	Fiscal Analysts from legislatures (County Assemblies and National Legislatures)	TBC	<b>Dr. Martin Mbewa</b> <b>+254 712313215</b>

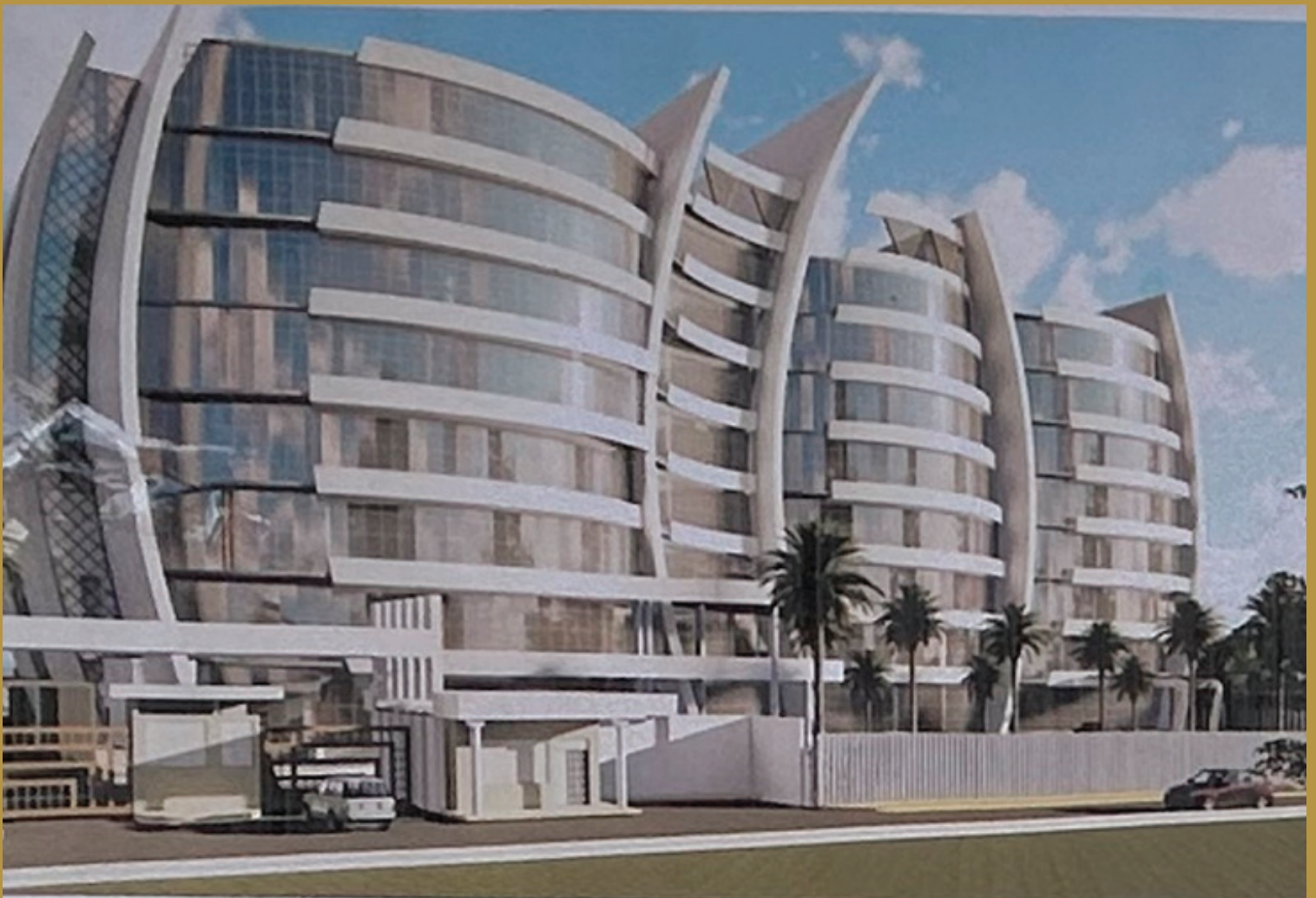
Please Take note that Bespoke Programmes are available throughout as long as they meet the minimum number of Participants. All inquiries to be sent [cpst@parliament.go.ke](mailto:cpst@parliament.go.ke) or Telephone No **+254 20 210 2540**

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