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NSUNSU, MS. MANYAGA YVONNE BOYANI, MR. MUTUA FIDELIS KIETI
AND MR. MORRIS PUTITA KAAKA FOR APPOINTMENT AS DIRECTORS
TO THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT CONSTITUENCIES DEVELOPMENT
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ABBREVIATIONS

CBS	-	Chief of the Order of the Burning Spear
DCI	-	Directorate of Criminal Investigations
EACC	-	Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission
HELB	-	Higher Education Loans Board
HR	-	Human Resource
KRA	-	Kenya Revenue Authority
MP	-	Member of Parliament
NG-CDF	-	National Government Constituencies Development Fund
ORPP	-	Office of the Registrar of Political Parties

CHAIRPERSON'S FOREWORD


Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 42 of the National Assembly, the Hon. Speaker of the National Assembly conveyed a Message on Thursday, 28th May 2026, from the Cabinet Secretary, the National Treasury and Economic Planning on the nomination of the four (4) persons for appointment to the Board of Directors of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund:

1. Ms. Komora Yvonne Nsunsu
2. Ms. Manyaga Yvonne Boyani
3. Mr. Mutua Fidelis Kieti
4. Mr. Morris Putita Kaaka

The names were committed to the Select Committee on National Government Constituencies Development Fund for vetting. The Committee conducted the approval hearing on Monday, 15th June 2026 in compliance with the Constitution, the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act, Cap. 414A, the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F, the Leadership and Integrity Act, Cap. 185C and the National Assembly Standing Orders.

I take this opportunity to appreciate the Members of the Committee for their dedication to duty, the offices of the Speaker and that of the Clerk of the National Assembly for according the Committee the necessary logistical and technical support during the approval hearings. Further, the Committee wishes to thank all those who facilitated the approval hearings.

On behalf of Members of the Select Committee on National Government Constituencies Development Fund and pursuant to National Assembly Standing Order No. 199 and section 50(5) (d) of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act, Cap. 414A. It is my pleasure and duty to table in the House the Committee's Report on the approval hearings of Ms. Komora Yvonne Nsunsu, Ms. Manyaga Yvonne Boyani, Mr. Mutua Fidelis Kieti and Mr. Morris Putita Kaaka as Board of Directors to the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Board.

Signature.......... Date *17/6/2026*.....

Hon. Musa Sirma Cherutich, CBS, M.P.

Chairperson

Select Committee on National Government Constituencies Development Fund

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In line with the provisions of section 15 and 19A of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act, Cap. 414A, and sections 3 and 5(1) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F, the Cabinet Secretary for the National Treasury and Economic Planning, vide a letter reference TNTEP/SDEP/SAG/5/4A/(4) dated 18th May 2026 notified the Speaker of the National Assembly of his nomination of the following persons for appointment as directors to the Board of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund:

5. Ms. Komora Yvonne Nsunsu;
6. Ms. Manyaga Yvonne Boyani;
7. Mr. Mutua Fidelis Kieti; and
8. Mr. Morris Putita Kaaka.

The Hon. Speaker conveyed the message to the House on Thursday, 28th May 2026, and subsequently, committed the names of the nominees to the Select Committee on National Government Constituencies Development Fund for approval hearing.

The Committee undertook the approval hearings in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act, Cap. 414A, the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F, the Leadership and Integrity Act Cap. 185C, and the National Assembly Standing Orders.

In compliance with Article 118(1)(b) of the Constitution and section 6(4) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary approval) Act, Cap. 7F, the Clerk of the National Assembly placed an advertisement in the Nation and Standard newspapers on Friday, 5th June 2026.

The advertisement notified the general public of the nomination, submission of memoranda on the suitability of the nominees pursuant to section 6(9) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F and the approval hearing that was undertaken on Monday, 15th June 2026 in the Mini-Chamber, County Hall, Parliament Buildings starting from 9.00 a.m.

The nominees were also notified through the same advertisement to submit clearance certificates from the following agencies: the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission, the Kenya Revenue Authority, the Higher Education Loans Board, the Directorate of Criminal Investigations, the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties and a Credit Reference Bureau.

By close of business on Friday, 12th June 2026, the Committee had only received one memorandum in support of the suitability of the nominee, Ms. Yvonne Manyaga Boyani.

The Committee undertook the approval hearings on Monday, 15th June 2026 for the four nominees and observed that they met the threshold for appointment as directors to the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Board as stipulated in section 15(1)(e) of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act, Cap. 414A and section 8(2) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F.

The Committee, thus, recommends that the House **APPROVES** the nomination of Ms. Komora Yvonne Nsunsu, Ms. Manyaga Yvonne Boyani, Mr. Mutua Fidelis Kieti and Mr. Morris Putita Kaaka for appointment as Board of Directors of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund.

PREFACE

1.1 Establishment and Mandate of the Committee

9. The Select Committee on National Government Constituencies Development Fund (“the Committee”) is a statutory committee established in accordance with the provisions of section 50 of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act, Cap. 414A whose functions include:
- (a) overseeing the implementation of the National Government-Constituencies Development Fund Act, Cap. 414A and in this respect, shall after every two years submit a report to the National Assembly and where necessary, propose any amendments to the Act, in particular, with respect to the quantum of funds repayable into the Fund in accordance with section 4 of the Act;
 - (b) overseeing the policy framework and legislative matters that may arise in relation to the Fund;
 - (c) continually reviewing the framework set out for the efficient delivery of development programmes financed through the Fund;
 - (d) considering and reporting to the National Assembly, with recommendations, names of persons required to be approved by the National Assembly under the Act; and
 - (e) carrying out any other functions relevant to the work of the Fund.

1.2 Membership of the Select Committee

10. The 13th Parliament National Government Constituencies Development Fund Committee was constituted in October, 2022 pursuant to the provisions of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act, Cap. 414A. The Committee comprises of the following Members:

Hon. Musa Sirma Cherutich, EGH, MP

Chairperson

Hon. Tandaza Kassim Sawa, CBS, MP (Vice Chairperson –Matuga – ANC)

Hon. Elachi Beatrice Kadeversia, CBS, MP (Dagoretti North- ODM)

Hon. Mwalyo Joshua Mbithi, MP (Masinga- Independent)

Hon. Oyula Joseph H. Maero, MP (Butula – ODM)

Hon. Gideon Ogolla Ochanda, MP (Bondo – ODM)

Hon. Wainaina Antony Njoroge, MP (Kieni – UDA)

Hon. Mukhwana Titus Khamala, MP (Lurambi – ODM)

Hon. Owuor Joshua Aduma, MP (Nyakach – ODM)

Hon. Gisairo Clive Ombane, MP (Kitutu Masaba – ODM)

Hon. Owino John Walter, MP (Awendo – ODM)
Hon. Nduyo Susan Ngugi, MP (Tharaka Nithi – CWR- UDA)
Hon. Maingi Mary, MP (Mwea – UDA)
Hon. Akuja Protus Ewesit, MP (Loima – UDA)
Hon. Machele Mohamed Soud, MP (Mvita – ODM)
Hon. Lelmengit Josses Kiptoo Kosgey, MP (Emgwen – UDA)
Hon. Nyamita Mark Ogolla, MP (Uriri – ODM)
Hon. Kiprono Mutai Alfred, MP (Kuresoi – UDA)
Hon. Wambilianga Catherine Nanjala, MP (Bungoma – CWR – FORD-K)

1.3 Committee Secretariat

Mr. Abdiaziz Shobay	Clerk Assistant I
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CHAPTER ONE

1.1 BACKGROUND

1.2 The National Government Constituencies Development Fund Board

11. The National Government Constituencies Development Fund Board (the “Board”) is established pursuant to section 14 of National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act, Cap. 414A (“the Act”).

1.3 Composition of the Board

12. Section 15 of the Act provides for the composition of Board of Directors which comprises of–

- (i) the Principal Secretary in the Ministry for the time being responsible for matters relating to national economic policy and planning or a designated alternate, not being below the level of Director of Planning;
- (ii) the Principal Secretary in the Ministry for the time being responsible for matters relating to finance or a designated alternate not being below the level of Deputy Director of Budget;
- (iii) the Attorney-General or a designated alternate not being below the level of Senior State Counsel;
- (iv) the Principal Secretary in the Ministry responsible for matters relating to education or a designated alternate not being below the level of Director;
- (v) seven other persons, three of whom shall be of the opposite gender and at least one shall be a person with disability, qualified in matters relating to finance, accounting, engineering, economics, community development, public affairs, project management, education, security or law appointed by the Cabinet Secretary with the approval of the National Assembly; and
- (vi) the Chief Executive Officer who shall be an ex-officio member without a right to vote.

1.4 Functions of the Board

13. Section 16 of the Act provides for the functions of the Board which include to:

- a) consider project proposals submitted by various constituencies in accordance with the Act, approve for funding proposals that are consistent with the Act and disburse funds to the respective constituencies with respect to the approved projects;
- b) ensure timely and efficient disbursements of funds to every Constituency;
- c) ensure efficient management of the fund;
- d) co-ordinate the implementation of inter-constituency projects;

- e) receive and address complaints that may arise from the implementation of the Fund;
- f) encourage best practices in the implementation of projects;
- g) administer the funds and assets of the Board in such a manner and for such purpose as shall promote the best interest of the Board in accordance with the Act to ensure efficient management of the fund; and
- h) perform such other duties as the Board may deem necessary from time to time for the proper management of the Fund.

CHAPTER TWO

2.0 LEGAL FRAMEWORK OF THE APPROVAL HEARINGS

14. In considering the nominees for appointment as Board Directors of the NG-CDF Board, the Committee took into account the provisions of the Constitution, the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act, Cap. 414A, the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F and the Leadership and Integrity Act, Cap. 185C.

2.1 Constitutional and statutory requirements in Parliamentary Approval of Public Appointments

15. Chapter 6, Articles 10, 118 and 124(4) of the Constitution, the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act, Cap. 414A, the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F, and the Leadership and Integrity Act, Cap. 185C, provide a framework for the conduct of parliamentary approval of public appointments.

2.2 Constitutional Provisions

16. The Constitution of Kenya, in addition, sets out certain requirements regarding the appointment of persons to public office which include:

2.2.1 Chapter Six on Leadership and Integrity

17. The Committee, in determining the suitability of the nominees, took into consideration the provisions on leadership and integrity as outlined under Chapter Six of the Constitution. In particular, the Committee took cognizance of the following provisions—

- (i) Article 73(2) of the Constitution provides for the guiding principles of leadership and integrity which include-
 - (a) selection on the basis of personal integrity, competence and suitability, or election in free and fair elections;
 - (b) objectivity and impartiality in decision making, and in ensuring that decisions are not influenced by nepotism, favoritism, other improper motives or corrupt practices;
 - (c) selfless service based solely on the public interest, demonstrated by —
 - (i) *honesty in the execution of public duties; and*
 - (ii) *the declaration of any personal interest that may conflict with public duties;*
 - (d) accountability to the public for decisions and actions; and
 - (e) discipline and commitment to service to the people.”

- (ii) Article 75(1) of the Constitution requires a State Officer, whether in public and official life or private life, or in association with other persons, to behave in a manner that avoids—
 - (a) conflict between personal interest and public or official duties;
 - (b) *compromising any public or official interest in favour of a personal interest;*
or
 - (c) *demeaning the office the officer holds.*”
- (iii) Article 75(3) of the Constitution prohibits a State Officer who has been removed from office under that Article from holding any other State office.
- (iv) Article 77(1) of the Constitution prohibits a full-time State Officer from participating in any other gainful employment.
- (v) Article 77(2) of the Constitution prohibits an appointed State Officer from holding office in a political party.
- (vi) Article 78 (1) of the Constitution disqualifies persons who are not Kenyan citizens and persons holding dual citizenship from appointment as State officers.

2.2.2 Article 10(2) of the Constitution on national values and principles of governance

18. Article 10(2) of the Constitution provides for—

19. “The national values and principles of governance include –

- (a) patriotism, national unity, sharing and devolution of power, the rule of law, democracy and participation of the people;
- (b) human dignity, equity, social justice, inclusiveness, equality, human rights, non-discrimination and protection of the marginalised;
- (c) good governance, integrity, transparency and accountability; and
- (d) sustainable development.”

2.2.3 Article 118 of the Constitution on public participation

20. Article 118 of the Constitution provides that—

(1) Parliament shall—

- (a) conduct its business in an open manner, and its sittings and those of its committee shall be open to the public; and
- (b) facilitate public participation and involvement in the legislative and other business of Parliament and its committees.

(2) Parliament may not exclude the public, or any media, from any sitting unless in exceptional circumstances the relevant Speaker has determined that there are justifiable reasons for the exclusion.”

2.2.4 Article 124(4) of the Constitution on parliamentary approval of public appointments

21. Article 124(4) of the Constitution provides that—

“(4) When a House of Parliament considers any appointment for which its approval is required under this Constitution or an Act of Parliament—

- (a) the appointment shall be considered by a committee of the relevant House;*
- (b) the committee’s recommendation shall be tabled in the House for approval; and*
- (c) the proceedings of the committee and the House shall be open to the public.”*

2.3 Notification of Nominations

22. Sections 3 and 5 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F stipulate as follows-

"3. Exercise of powers of appointment

An appointment under the Constitution or any other law for which the approval of Parliament is required shall not be made unless the appointment is approved or deemed to have been approved by Parliament in accordance with this Act.

5. Notification of nomination

- (1) An appointing authority shall, upon nominating a person for an appointment to which this Act applies, notify the relevant House of Parliament accordingly.*
- (2) A notification under subsection (1) shall be -*
 - (a) in writing;*
 - (b) be lodged with the Clerk of the relevant House of Parliament.*
- (3) A notification of appointment shall be accompanied by information concerning the nominee, having regard to the issues mentioned in section 7.*
- (4) For purposes of this Act, a notification of nomination shall be deemed to be duly given on the day on which it complies fully.”*

23. Pursuant to section 19A(2) of the Act and as read with sections 3 and 5 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F the Cabinet Secretary of the National Treasury and Economic Planning forwarded to the Speaker of the National Assembly a letter dated 18th May 2026 forwarding the names and curricula vitae of Ms. Komora Yvonne Nsunsu, Ms. Manyaga Yvonne Boyani , Mr. Mutua Fidelis Kieti and Mr. Morris Putita Kaaka for appointment as Board of Directors of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund.

2.4 Notification to the House and Referral to the Select Committee on National Government Constituencies Development Fund

24. Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 42(4) of the National Assembly Standing Orders, the Hon. Speaker conveyed the message to the House on Thursday, 28th May 2026, and in accordance with section 19A (3) of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act, Cap. 414A and section 8(1) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F committed the names and curricula vitae of the nominees to the Select Committee on National Government Constituencies Development Fund for approval hearing and reporting to the House by close of business on 17th June 2026.

2.5 Notification to the Public

25. Article 118 of the Constitution provides that Parliament shall facilitate public participation and involvement in its legislative and other business, as well as in the business of its Committees.

26. Section 6(4) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F provides that the Clerk shall notify the public of the time and place for holding an approval hearing at least seven (7) days before the hearing.

27. Consequently, and in accordance with Article 118 of the Constitution, section 6(4) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F and Standing Order 45(3) of the National Assembly Standing Orders, the Clerk of the National Assembly placed an advertisement in Nation and Standard newspapers on Friday, 5th June 2026 (*Appendix 3*) notifying the public that the approval hearings of the nominees would be conducted on 15th June 2026 at the Mini Chamber, 1st Floor, County Hall, Parliament Buildings and invitation to submit memoranda.

2.6 Notification to the Nominees

28. The Clerk of the National Assembly vide letters dated 5th June 2026 (*Appendix 4*) invited the nominees for the approval hearings in accordance with section 6(3) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act.

2.7 Clearance and Compliance Requirements

29. The Clerk of the National Assembly, through letters dated 5th June 2026, wrote to the Commission for University Education (CUE), the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI), the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC), the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB), the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), the Office of the Director of Public

- Prosecutions (ODPP), and the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP) (*Appendix 5*), requesting reports regarding the nominees on the following matters-
- (a) CUE on the recognition and equation of academic credentials;
 - (b) DCI on criminal records;
 - (c) EACC on ethics and integrity;
 - (d) HELB on higher education loan repayments;
 - (e) KRA on tax compliance;
 - (f) ODPP on criminal proceedings; and
 - (g) ORPP on holding office in a political party.
30. Relating to the recognition of the nominees' academic credentials, by the time of the approval hearings, the CUE, had not responded to the Clerk of the National Assembly, confirming whether the qualifications submitted by the nominees were awarded by duly accredited universities and whether they were recognised in Kenya.
31. Regarding criminal records, the DCI responded via a letter dated 12th June 2026 stating that forensic fingerprint analysis of the four nominees had been conducted and had not revealed any previous criminal records.
32. In matters of ethics and integrity, the EACC responded in a letter dated 10th June 2026 stating that the Commission had not undertaken any investigation or recommended prosecution pursuant to its mandate against the four nominees.
33. Concerning higher education loan repayments, HELB responded vide a letter dated 10th June 2026, and stated that none of the four nominees had been a beneficiary of a higher education loan.
34. Concerning the request for the nominees' tax compliance status, KRA had not responded to the Clerk of the National Assembly by the time of the approval hearings on whether the four nominees were tax compliant.
35. On matters of criminal proceedings, the ODPP responded in a letter dated 10th June 2026 stating that it had not instituted or undertaken criminal proceedings concerning the character, work, or any other dealings whatsoever touching on the integrity or otherwise of the four nominees.
36. Regarding whether the nominees hold offices in political parties, the ORPP responded in a letter dated 9th June 2026 and stated that, pursuant to Article 77(2) of the Constitution and

according to the records held by the Office as at 9th June 2026, the two nominees were not officials of any registered political party in Kenya.

2.8 The Leadership and Integrity Act, Cap. 185C

37. Section 10 of the Leadership and Integrity Act, Cap. 185C in particular provides that a State Officer shall, to the best of their ability—

- (a) carry out the duties of the office efficiently and honestly;*
- (b) carry out the duties in a transparent and accountable manner;*
- (c) keep accurate records and documents relating to the functions of the office; and*
- (d) report truthfully on all matters of the organization which they represent.*

38. Suitability of the nominees for the proposed appointment

39. The suitability of the nominees was evaluated through an examination of their academic credentials, professional training and experience, personal integrity, background, and qualities, as well as their performance during the approval hearings conducted on 15th June 2026.

2.9 The Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F

40. Section 7 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F provides for—
“The issues for consideration by the relevant House of Parliament in relation to any nomination shall be—

- (a) the procedure used to arrive at the nominee;*
- (b) any constitutional or statutory requirements relating to the office in question; and*
- (c) the suitability of the nominee for the appointment proposed having regard to whether the nominee’s abilities, experience and qualities meet the needs of the body to which the nomination is being made.”*

41. Section 6 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F provides direction on the conduct of approval hearings. These include:

- (a) An approval hearing shall focus on a candidate’s academic credentials, professional training and experience, personal integrity and background (section 6(7));
- (b) The criteria specified in the Schedule shall be used by a Committee during an approval hearing for the purposes of vetting a candidate (section 6(8));
- (c) Any person may, prior to the approval hearing, and by written statement on oath, provide the Clerk with evidence contesting the suitability of a candidate to hold the office to which the candidate has been nominated (section 6(9));

(d) A candidate may, at any time, by notice in writing addressed to the Clerk, withdraw from the approval process and the candidate's nomination shall end (section 6(10)).

42. Section 19A (3) of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act provides that the National Assembly shall, within twenty-one days of the day it next sits after receipt of the name of an applicant under subsection (2), vet and consider the applicant, and may approve or reject applicants for any or all vacancies in the Board.

43. Further, section 6(8) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F, provides for the criteria for vetting which is comprehensively contained in the Questionnaire in the Schedule to the Act. The Questionnaire allows the Committee to obtain information on, among other things—

- a) Name of the nominee to enable the Committee to ascertain the regional background and ethnicity of the nominee;
- b) Gender of the nominee to enable the Committee to ascertain the gender of the nominee. This is to ensure compliance with Article 27(8) that requires the State to take measures to ensure that not more than two-thirds of members of appointive bodies shall be of the same gender;
- c) Age of the nominee to enable the Committee to ascertain compliance with the provisions of Article 55 of the Constitution on the inclusion of the youth in public appointments;
- d) Nationality of the nominee to enable the Committee to ascertain the nationality of the nominee. This is to ensure compliance with Article 78 and 80 of the Constitution which requires certain State Officers or Public Officers to be Kenyan Citizens.
- e) Educational background of the nominee;
- f) The employment record of the nominee;
- g) Honours or awards given to the nominees;
- h) Membership of the nominee to professional bodies;
- i) Public office and political affiliations held by the nominee —to enable the Committee to ascertain whether the nominee holds office in a political party. This is to ensure compliance with Article 77(2) of the Constitution which precludes appointed State Officers from holding office in a political party;
- j) Information on whether the nominee has been removed from office under Article 75 of the Constitution which prohibits a State Officer who has been removed from office under Article 75 (3) of the Constitution from holding any other State office;

- k) Nominee's finances;
- l) Outside commitments that the nominee intends to undertake while in office (if appointed). Article 77(1) of the Constitution prohibits a full-time State Officer from participating in any other gainful employment;
- m) Tax compliance status of the nominee;
- n) Potential conflict of interest—Article 75(1) of the Constitution bars State Officers from engagements or associations that may give rise to conflict between official or public duties and personal interests;
- o) Whether a nominee has been charged in a court of law in the past three years; and
- p) Whether a nominee has been adversely mentioned in a report of Parliament or a Commission of Inquiry in the past three years.

44. The Questionnaire is largely formulated based on Constitutional and statutory requirements for State Officers and other considerations that are of importance to make a determination on the suitability of a nominee.

2.10 National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act, Cap. 414A

45. Section 15 (1) (e) of the Act provides that the Board shall consist of seven persons, three of whom shall be of the opposite gender and at least one shall be a person with disability, qualified in matters relating to finance, accounting, engineering, economics, community development, public affairs, project management, education, security or law.

46. Pursuant to section 15(1) (e) of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act and as read together with section 6(8) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F the Committee was able to infer that;

Age

- (a) in terms of age, all nominees are above the youth bracket and as such the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Board does not have a youth member.

Two-thirds Gender Rule

- (b) in terms of gender, section 15 (1) (e) of the Act requires that the Cabinet Secretary shall ensure that three of the seven persons appointed by the Cabinet Secretary shall be of the opposite gender. Therefore, out of the seven persons provided for in section 15(1)(e) of the Act the Board currently comprises of 2 members and in addition to the nominees, the Board will have an equal number of both males and females.

Professional Qualifications

- (c) in terms of professional qualifications, section 15 (1) (e) of the Act provides for qualifications in matters; finance, accounting, engineering, economics, community development, public affairs, project management, education, security or law.
- (i) Ms. Yvonne Nsunsu Komora holds a Bachelor of Arts- Project Planning and Management and a Diploma in Business Management and as such meets the professional requirements.
 - (ii) Ms. Yvonne Boyani Manyaga holds a Bachelor of Laws and as such meets the professional requirements.
 - (iii) Mr. Fidelis Kieti Mutua holds a Bachelor of Commerce in Accounting and as such meets the professional requirements.
 - (iv) Mr. Morris Putita Kaaka is currently doing his Ph.D in Strategic Management, holds a Master's in Business Administration in Corporate Management and Bachelor of Commerce and as such meets the professional requirements.

Representation of Persons with Disability

- (d) in terms of disability, section 15 (1) (e) of the Act provides that out of the seven people one shall be a person with disability. Mr. Fidelis Kieti Mutua is a registered persons with disability as such the Board will be properly constituted.

Representation of Regional and Ethnic Diversity

47. Further, section 15(2) of the Act provides that in nominating or approving the appointment of a person as a member of the Board under subsection (1), the Cabinet Secretary, the Public Service Commission and the National Assembly shall take into account gender equity and the regional diversities of the people of Kenya.
48. In terms of regional diversity, the four nominees represent different regional diversities of the people of Kenya. Ms. Yvonne Nsunsu Komora hails from Tana River County, Ms. Yvonne Boyani Manyaga hails from Nyamira County, Mr. Fidelis Kieti Mutua hails from Machakos County and Mr. Morris Putita hails from Kajiado County.

CHAPTER THREE

3.0 THE APPROVAL HEARING PROCESS

49. The Committee held the approval hearings on 15th June 2026 and noted the following-

- (1) The nominees had not notified the Clerk of the National Assembly of their withdrawal from the approval process as outlined in section 6(10) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act.
- (2) The Committee had received one memorandum from the public in support of Ms. Yvonne Boyani Manyaga.

50. The Committee, therefore, proceeded to examine the nominees on the areas set out in sections 6(7), 6(8) and 7 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F as follows –

3.1 Nominee Ms. Yvonne Nsunsu Komora For Appointment as Board of Director to the National Government Constituency Development Fund Board

51. **Ms. Komora Yvonne Nsunsu** appeared before the Select Committee on National Government Constituencies Development Fund on Monday, 15th June 2026 at 9.00 am for the approval hearing. She informed the Committee that:-

The Nominee's background

52. The Nominee stated that she is a Kenyan citizen by birth with National Identification No. 26635628, born on 1st January, 1987 in Garsen, Tana River County and does not hold any dual citizenship.

Academic and Professional qualifications

53. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Project Planning & Management from the University of Nairobi and a Diploma in Business Administration from Mombasa Technical Training Institute.

Employment Record, Work Experience and Suitability for Appointment

54. The nominee stated that she is currently working as a freelance advisor with Community Based Organizations in Tana River County, having served as a project advisor with the VSO Kenya. The nominee further noted that she had ten-year cumulative work experience as a project administrator of South Tana farmers' Cooperative society; supported with the administration and coordination of non-governmental organizations within the Tana Delta region.

55. The nominee stated that she had further been actively involved in youth and women led empowerment activities buttressing her community work experience and value she will bring to her role as the Director of NG-CDF Board. Ms. Komora's experience as a Project

Administrator in a farmers' cooperative, coupled with her extensive involvement in the administration and coordination of projects under the Voluntary Service Overseas (VSO) and the Youth Enterprise Development Fund, had provided her with a strong background in community development.

56. Further, the nominee informed the Committee that she is not currently employed and works on a freelance basis. As such, she does files nil returns with the Kenya Revenue Authority.

Integrity and Leadership

57. The nominee noted that she had not never been adversely mentioned in an investigatory report of Parliament or any other Commission of Inquiry in the last three years.

Financial Net Worth

58. The nominee informed the Committee that her net worth was estimated at two million one hundred and seventy thousand Kenya Shillings (Kshs. 2,170,000), comprising of assets of Kshs. 2,250,000 and liabilities of Kshs. 80,000.

Professional Qualifications and Memberships

59. The nominee mentioned that she does not hold any professional qualifications or memberships in any professional association.

Conflict of Interest

60. She submitted that having reviewed her professional relationship with past work environment and future activities; she contents they do not present any conflict of interest in her new responsibilities as a non-executive director of the NG-CDF Board. The nominee further noted that she does not intend to vie for any political party in the future and as such does not foresee any situation that could cause a conflict of interest in the execution of his duties.

Political Affiliations

61. The nominee indicated that she does not hold any public office and is not a member of any political party.

Knowledge in topical, policy, technical issues

62. The nominee was examined on her general understanding of sector issues and information contained in The Questionnaire as provided in the Schedule of the Public Appointment (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F. She responded as follows:

Key Issues Arising from the Vetting Process

63. The Committee posed several questions to the nominee on her knowledge of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund and other cross-cutting issues that would affect the performance of the Fund.

On value addition to the NG-CDF Board

64. The nominee acknowledged that there exists a gap between the communities and the Fund due to inadequate information and limited public awareness. She explained that Her vision is to bridge the gap by creating platforms through which people can engage with and provide feedback to the fund thus enhancing the Fund's impact and successes.

On understanding on the establishment and structure of the Fund

65. The nominee highlighted to the committee the legislative history of the Fund and correctly outlined the administrative structure of the NG-CDF. She demonstrated competence in understanding the role of each level in the hierarchy of the Fund including the Cabinet Secretary responsible for Economic Planning, the NG-CDF Board, the Constituency Development Fund Committee and the Project management Committees.

On her vision for the Fund

66. The nominee informed the Committee that if approved for appointment she will focus more on training and capacity development in data collection and project management to enhance compliance while ensuring that the Fund remains people driven and support local development.

Awareness and participation in NG-CDF Programmes

67. The nominee indicated that she had neither attended NG-CDF meetings nor benefited from the bursary programme. However, she acknowledged the important role played by the Fund in supporting students through building infrastructure for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) institutions, and Technical Training Institutes (TTIs) and provision of bursaries towards school fees for the needy and vulnerable students in the constituencies.

Understanding of Project Management Committees and Community Participation

68. The nominee clarified that the information gap she referred to in her vision for NG-CDF is not a management issue but rather a result of inadequate sensitization and dissemination of information to the public.

On the ongoing cases against NG-CDF and the possible abolition of the Fund

69. The nominee contended that while appreciating the role of each institution it was important to understand the role of the Fund and the impact it had made to the local communities since inception. The nominee cited the ongoing court case regarding the management of the Fund under the Act and noted that the ruling on the case was expected in August and September. She observed that abolishing the Fund would negatively affect communities through stalled

projects, reduced education support and loss of employment opportunities generated by Fund-supported projects.

On training and capacity development

70. The nominee reiterated that if approved for appointment; her principal focus will be to develop a board training tool that will guide in ensuring that where capacity is lacking in the management can be addressed through requisite training.

On merging education bursaries under the Ministry of Education

71. The nominee opposed the proposal, arguing that NG-CDF bursaries effectively reach vulnerable groups at the grassroot level and many beneficiaries would be left out under a centralized system.

On managing public trust and citizen engagement

72. The nominee acknowledged that the Fund currently has a poor public image which focuses on allegations of corruption and misappropriation of funds. She noted the need for promoting the Fund's positive achievements through wider dissemination of achievements through social media and other platforms.
73. The nominee further observed that showcasing completed projects and incorporating feedback from beneficiaries would improve public appreciation of the impact of the Fund.

On the matters of stalled projects

74. The nominee noted the increased number of stalled projects associated with the fund due to various reasons that include inadequate funding and lack of oversight. To reverse this the nominee recommended prioritisation of funding to incomplete projects and structured monitoring and evaluation to review milestones as the Community conceive more projects through targeted identification.

On the understanding of the role of the National Assembly Select Committee

75. The nominee demonstrated her knowledge of the Select Committee's functions, stating that they include scrutinizing allocation to constituencies, exercising oversight over the Board and constituency committees and making legislation relating to the Fund.

On the functional assignment between the two levels of government

76. The nominee underscored the importance of understanding the provisions of the 4th schedule of the Constitution on allocation of functions and where such functions are not expressly provided, they are treated as national functions and eligible for funding from the NG-CDF. She further, noted that there must be a framework for determining such functions to avoid duplication of functions with the County governments. She noted that functions as sports can be funded concurrently through a supportive mechanism not to disadvantage the need to develop talent and sporting capacity in the country.

On the Fund's Prudent Management and Audit Compliance

77. The nominee submitted that to ensure the Board adheres to relevant legislation regarding financial reporting to prevent the recurrence of unfavourable audit opinions, there is a need for training Fund managers on reporting requirements and audit expectations to improve the quality of financial reporting and reduce audit queries.

On the definition of a complete classroom

78. On the question of what constitutes a complete classroom project, the nominee stated that completion is assessed by reference to the applicable quality standards for the project and safe environment accessible by students.

On the possible conflict of interest with Constituencies Committees

79. The nominee acknowledged the potential for conflict of interest in dealings with CDFCs and committed to working with them in a manner that mitigates such risks, maintaining a clear distinction between Board oversight and constituency-level project implementation.

On the general knowledge of the Fund

80. The nominee correctly stated the allocation to the NG-CDF for the previous financial year was Kshs. 58.3 billion. She also identified the current legislative framework as the NG-CDF Act which was amended in 2023 and acknowledged a pending case relating to the Act. She also identified the flagship constituency project for Garsen as the establishment of a Teachers Training College (TTC) at Minijila.

3.2 Nominee Ms. Manyaga Yvonne Boyani For Appointment as Board of Director to the National Government Constituency Development Fund Board

81. **Ms. Mayanga Yvonne Boyani**, the nominee for appointment to the position of a Board of Director of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund, appeared before the Select Committee on National Government Constituencies Development Fund on Monday, 15th June 2026 at 10.30 a.m and was vetted under oath to examine her suitability and the Committee noted the following: -

The Nominee's background

82. The nominee is a Kenyan citizen by birth with National Identification No. 27220104. She was born on 11th June 1989 in Kisii North sub-county in Nyamira County and does not hold any dual citizenship.

Academic and Professional qualifications

83. The nominee holds a Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of Nairobi and Diploma in Law from the Kenya School of Law. She is an Advocate of the High Court of Kenya and East Africa Law Society.

Employment Record and Work Experience

84. She currently works as a Legal Officer at Dawa Life Sciences Group. The nominee has sufficient experience in legal practice across private and public institutions having previously volunteered in the Kenya Tea Development Authority, Department of Justice, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Commission of Jurists, Kenya.

Integrity and Leadership

85. The Committee observed that the nominee has not been adversely mentioned in any investigatory report of Parliament or any other investigative agency during the last three years. Further, clearance certificates issued by the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission, the Higher Education Loans Board, the Directorate of Criminal Investigations, the Kenya Revenue Authority and the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties disclosed no information that would raise questions regarding her integrity.

Financial Net Worth

86. The net worth of Ms. Manyaga was estimated at five million Kenya Shillings (Kshs.5,000,000), comprising SACCO savings, land, T-Bonds, Car, Pension, stocks and cash at bank.

87. The nominee clarified that the income disclosed under paragraph 23 of her questionnaire referred to a monthly salary of KShs. 250,000, and not an annual income for the calendar year.

Professional Qualifications and Memberships

88. The nominee stated that she is a member of the Association of Pro Bono Criminal Lawyers, the Law Society of Kenya and the East Africa Law Society.

Conflict of Interest

89. The nominee indicated to the Committee that she does not foresee any conflict of interest; but where such conflict presents itself, she will be duty bound to declare and also, seek recusal from the matter under consideration.
90. Ms. Manyaga indicated that she does not intend to vie for any elective political office in the future and, therefore, does not foresee any circumstances that would give rise to a conflict of interest in the discharge of her duties.

Political Affiliations

91. Ms. Manyaga indicated that she does not hold any public office and she is not a member of any political party.
92. The nominee was examined on her general understanding of sector issues and information contained in *the Questionnaire*. She responded as follows:

Key Issues Arising from the Vetting Process

93. The Committee posed several questions to the nominee on her suitability for appointment as follows-

On her suitability for appointment

94. The nominee submitted that legal background equips her with the requisite knowledge to understand the policy and legal framework governing the NG-CDF and to contribute effectively in the preparation and collation of evidence in defense of the Fund in court proceedings.

On the establishment and structure of the NG-CDF

95. The nominee acknowledged amendment progress in the NG-CDF Act, governance with focus on project identification and implementation. She noted that administrative structure as currently established is robust and cuts across the executive and legislative oversight. The Fund is administered by Secretariat, which is headquartered in Nairobi and headed by a Chief Executive Officer, the Constituency Committees at the constituency level, and the Project Management Committees as principal implementing organs.

On her responsibilities as a Board Member

96. The nominee informed the Committee that the responsibilities of a Board member included overseeing the management of the Fund, considering project proposals and overseeing the implementation of approved projects.

On strategy to mitigate court cases

97. The nominee noted that litigation is an impediment to the stability and effective implementation of the fund. That if considered for appointment she will render advisory on smoothing the process through mediation with parties and arbitration as provided for in the NG-CDF Act, Cap. 414A.

On interactions with the NG-CDF programmes

98. The nominee stated that she had not actively participated in NG-CDF programmes nor directly benefited from the bursary programme. She had, however, interacted with beneficiaries in her constituency, particularly in education and infrastructure-related projects.

On eligibility criteria for community projects

99. The nominee stated that community projects are expected to have widespread benefits to the people and therefore; to qualify for funding under the fund it should meet the above criteria. However, she informed the committee that where such projects are identified by community there must be guidance from the Fund Accounts manager on the impact and establishment of Project management committee to support implementation and reporting.

100. She further submitted that if approved for appointment to the Board of NG-CDF she will ensure that community projects must meet the threshold of population coverage and address felt needs of the people.

On the role of Constituency Committee and funding framework

101. The nominee informed the committee on the role of the Constituency Committee that include project identification, financial oversight and monitoring and evaluation of funded projects. She informed the committee on the sharing of the allocation to the Fund among constituencies in accordance with the formula provided in the Act.

102. The nominee further stated that the current formula involves allocation depending on the number of wards per constituency. She emphasized the need for the allocation formula to comply with principles of equality and equity to ensure there is fairness in resource distribution.

On Prudent Financial Reporting and Audit Compliance

103. The nominee submitted that to ensure the Fund managers comply with prudent financial reporting and prevent unfavourable audit reports, there is a need to build the capacity of the fund managers through continuous training and strengthening policies to prevent misappropriation of funds and promote sound financial reporting to improve audit outcomes.
104. She submitted that audit reports are a measure of performance and they form basis of determining actual benefits to the public. She informed the Committee that as a Board Director it is key to implement internal audit support and ensure timely reporting.

On public participation and suggested legal review of the NG-CDF Act, Cap. 414A

105. The nominee informed the Committee of the importance of public participation and citizen participation recognizing its place in national principles and values of governance. She will ensure that all projects and programs are realizable through targeted public participation for greater ownership.
106. The nominee recommended that the Act should be amended to provide for PWD-friendly projects and measures to tighten reporting structures to improve accountability and financial oversight.

On overlapping functions of the Fund and County Government functions

107. The nominee submitted that the Board determines eligibility thresholds through active assessment of proposed projects and stakeholder engagement to avoid encroachment on County Government functions.

On the legislative and policy history of the Fund

108. The nominee correctly placed the origin of the Fund in 2003 and identified the current operative legislation as the NG-CDF Act Cap. 414A, as amended in 2023. She noted that the 2015 version of the Act remained subject to ongoing court proceedings.
109. She also drew the Committee's attention to Sessional Paper No. 10 of 1965 as historical background to the regional inequalities that the Fund has sought to address.

On the proposed merger of Bursaries

110. The nominee opposed any amalgamation of the various bursary funds. She argued that each bursary scheme has a distinct focus and that the multiplicity of funds creates a broader pool of resources capable of supporting a wider range of beneficiaries, including the most vulnerable. She recommended that all bursary funds be retained.

On Contribution of the fund to inclusion and support for marginalized groups

111. The Committee sought the nominee's views on the extent to which the Fund had contributed to addressing the needs of marginalized groups and persons with disabilities. In response, the nominee acknowledged that the Fund had played an important role in extending development interventions to the grassroots and in promoting inclusivity. The nominee expressed the view that the existing framework had contributed to improving access to opportunities for vulnerable and marginalized groups.

Memoranda

112. The Committee received only one memorandum in support of the nominee's nomination as a Director of the NG-CDF Board.

3.3 Nominee Mr. Mutua Fidelis Kieti for Appointment as Board of Director to the National Government Constituency Development Fund Board

113. **Mr. Mutua Fidelis Kieti**, appeared before the Select Committee on National Government Constituencies Development Fund on Monday, 15th June 2026 at 12.30 p.m. and was vetted under oath to examine his suitability for appointment to the position of a Board of Director of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund and the committee was informed as follows;

Nominee's background

114. The nominee is a Kenyan citizen by birth with National Identification No. 22524052 born on 5th April 1980 in Kathiani Sub-County, Machakos County and does not hold any dual citizenship.

115. The nominee stated that he is a person living with disability having submitted a disability registration card from the National Council for persons living with disability (NCPWD).

Academic and Professional qualifications

116. Mr. Mutua holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree, accounting option from KCA University and Certified Public Accountant of Kenya from Kenya Accountant and Secretaries Examination Board (KASNEB).

Employment Record and Work Experience

117. The nominee currently works with Safaricom Plc in the Enterprise Business Unit as a customer experience executive within the Care Centre department.

118. He has served in the institution for over ten years gaining requisite experience in communication and strategic public relations deemed necessary for the Board.

119. The nominee stated that he has leverage in a mix of skills having done rotational deployment spanning procurement, and logistics at Safaricom PLC.

120. Further, the nominee mentioned he has worked as a procurement and logistics assistant for the Catholic Diocese of Kitui (CARITAS) and as a warehouse assistant at World food program- a USAID funded Program in the Catholic Diocese of Kitui. This experience he noted will be catalytic in his new role as a Director of the NG-CDF Board.

Integrity and Leadership

121. The Committee observed that the nominee has not been adversely mentioned in any investigatory report of Parliament or any other investigative agency during the last three years. Further, clearance certificates issued by the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission, the Higher Education Loans Board, the Directorate of Criminal Investigations, the Kenya Revenue Authority and the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties disclosed no information that would raise questions regarding his integrity.

Financial Net Worth

122. The net worth of Mr. Mutua was estimated at four million, six hundred and nine thousand, three hundred and thirty-three Kenya Shillings (Kshs,4,609,333) comprising of assets of Kshs 6,362,300 and liabilities of Kshs 1,752,967.

Professional Qualifications and Memberships

123. The nominee stated that he is Certified Public Accountant of Kenya (CPA (K)).

Conflict of Interest

124. The nominee notified the Committee that he does not foresee any situation that could cause a conflict of interest in the execution of his duties.

Political Affiliations

125. Mr. Mutua indicated that he does not hold any public office and he is not a member of any political party.

126. The nominee was examined on his general understanding of sector issues and information contained in *The Questionnaire*. He responded as follows: THAT –

Key Issues Arising from the Vetting Process

127. In order to assess the nominee's overall suitability on the position, the Committee examined the nominee on general and specific thematic areas of the fund which he responded as follows-

On his opinion on matters of the NG-CDF bursaries and if he has been a beneficiary of the same

128. The nominee stated that he is not a direct beneficiary of NG-CDF bursaries. However, he acknowledged that the Fund has had a significant positive impact and has transformed many lives through education, largely attributed to the issuance of bursaries.

On his value addition to the Fund

129. The nominee informed the Committee that NG-CDF is one of the decentralized funds whose mandate is to address socio-economic development of the people at the constituency level in order to reduce poverty and enhance regional equity. He noted that his vision will be to ensure that the aspirations of the Fund is realized through projects that respond to the societal needs and guided by an effective monitoring and evaluation.

On areas he will recommend the NG-CDF Board to improve for effective service delivery

130. The nominee recommended that the Board should strengthen its quality assurance mechanisms through enhanced monitoring and evaluation of projects. He further emphasized that all NG-CDF projects should be designed and implemented in a manner that is inclusive and accessible to Persons with Disabilities (PWDs).

131. The nominee observed that, based on his own observations, some projects in certain areas did not fully meet the expected standards and emphasized the need for stronger oversight

and enhanced collaboration with technical agencies responsible for project design and quality assurance.

On what accounting experience he brings to the NG-CDF Board

132. The nominee stated that his more than ten years of service in corporate functions had equipped him with extensive expertise in financial management, compliance, and accountability. He emphasized that this background would enable him to strengthen the Board's oversight role, ensure adherence to established financial regulations, and promote prudent utilization of resources in the implementation of NG-CDF projects.

Ability to Balance Board Responsibilities with Current Employment

133. The Committee noted that the nominee was currently employed in a large private-sector organization and sought to establish whether he would be able to effectively discharge the responsibilities of a member of the NG-CDF Board, given that the position would require considerable commitment of time and attention. Members observed that whereas his current employment was full-time, service on the Board would entail regular participation in meetings and other official engagements and sought clarification on whether the two responsibilities would create competing demands.

134. In response, the nominee expressed confidence that he would be able to effectively manage both responsibilities and be able to organize his time in a manner that would enable him to discharge his duties diligently without compromising either responsibility. He further stated that he would be guided by the need to avoid conflicts of interest and to ensure that his professional obligations did not interfere with the effective discharge of his responsibilities as a member of the Board.

On cross-cutting issues such as equity and inclusivity

135. The nominee reiterated that to realize inclusive growth in the society there is need for the Fund to prioritize fair distribution of resources guided by the NG-CDF (Amendment) Act, 2023. Additionally, undertake adequate public participation on projects for implementation to ascertain the overall outcome and impact to the wellbeing of the constituents.

136. He noted that persons living with disability are to be considered in the allocation process and projects should be disability friendly. He stated that he will leverage on the current vision of the Board by ensuring that projects and programmes implemented by the Fund across all the constituencies are disability conscious and undertake to reduce the level of

marginalization of vulnerable groups such as persons living with disability, women and youth.

Memoranda

137. The Committee had received no written memoranda against the nominee's nomination as a Director of the NG-CD Board.

3.4 Nominee Mr. Morris Putita Kaaka for Appointment as Board of Director to the National Government Constituency Development Fund Board

138. Mr. Morris Putita Kaaka, appeared before the Select Committee on National Government Constituencies Development Fund on Monday, 15th June 2026 at 2.30 p.m. and was vetted under oath to examine his suitability for appointment to the position of a Board of Director of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund and the committee observed the following;

The Nominee's background

139. He is a citizen of Kenya by birth, with National Identification No. 12655655, born on the 1st of January 1973 in Kajiado County. He does not hold dual citizenship.

Academic and Professional qualifications

140. Mr. Morris Kaaka holds Masters of Business Administration in Corporate Management and Bachelors of Commerce, Finance option, both from Kenya College of Accountancy University (KCA). Mr. Morris is a member of the Institute of Certified Administrators and is currently pursuing Doctor of Philosophy in Strategic Management at Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture & Technology.

Employment Record and Work Experience

141. Mr. Ole Kaaka currently serves as a trustee and Board Chairman of KIPETO Development Trust a community livelihood program on renewable energy that support energy resilience among constituents of three constituencies- Kajiado East, West and North in Kajiado county.

142. The nominee has vast experience in public service. He has previously held the position of Chief Officer in the department of County Treasury and Water department in Kajiado County. In the County Council of Olkejuado, he rose through the ranks to become the County Treasurer. Further, he is a member of the Board of Governance of three schools and

a director of a school. This extensive experience will be useful in his capacity as a Director in the Board.

Integrity and Leadership

143. The Nominee has never been adversely mentioned in an investigatory report of Parliament or any other Commission of Inquiry in the last three years. His clearance certificates from the EACC, HELB, DCI, KRA and the ORPP have shown no information that may be questioned about his integrity. He does not foresee any situation that could cause a conflict of interest in the execution of his duties.

Financial Net Worth

144. His net worth was estimated at one hundred and seventeen million, seven hundred and twenty thousand Kenya shillings (Kshs. 117, 720,000).

Professional Qualifications and Memberships

145. Mr. Kaaka is a member of the Institute of Certified Administrators (ICA).

Conflict of Interest

146. The nominee notified the Committee that he does not foresee any situation that could cause a conflict of interest in the execution of his duties.

Political Affiliations

147. Mr. Kaaka indicated that he does not hold any public office and he is not a member of any political party.

Key Issues Arising from the Vetting Process

148. In order to assess the nominee's overall suitability on the position, the Committee examined the nominee on general and specific thematic areas of the fund which he responded as follows-

On Differences Between County and National Government on NG-CDF Projects

149. The nominee acknowledged that differences exist between County Governments and the National Government regarding NG-CDF projects. He noted that County Governments are of the view that NG-CDF funds should be channeled to them for more devolved projects. However, he emphasized his strong opinion that each level of government has its own

mandate and clearly outlined functions, which should not give rise to conflicts between the two levels.

On the role of NG-CDF in local development

150. The nominee, borrowing from his experience in the County Council and the public service, has adequately outlined the impact of decentralized funding such as NG-CDF. For instance, he noted that the Fund allocates a substantial portion of its resources to education through construction and rehabilitation of classrooms, laboratories, libraries and dormitories and other school infrastructure; provision of bursaries and scholarships for needy students. This investment, he noted, helps improve school enrolment, retention and learning environments, particularly in underserved areas.

On functions between the two levels of Government

151. The nominee addressed the Board's role in deciding if a project falls in the devolved functions when approving project proposals from constituencies including community projects. He clarified that the implementation of NG-CDF projects must be understood within the framework of Kenya's devolved system of government.

152. He further submitted that the NG-CDF resources may only be used for projects that fall within the functions of the National Government. Accordingly, NG-CDF is intended to complement local development by financing constituency projects that support National Government functions, while County Governments are responsible for projects relating to devolved county functions.

Stalled Projects Initiated Before the New Constitution and Now Under County Governments

153. The nominee informed the Committee that he would recommend structured engagements between Governors, the relevant Ministry, and Members of Parliament to address stalled projects that have since been devolved to County Governments. He emphasized that such consultations would be aimed at reaching amicable solutions on resource allocation to ensure the completion of these projects, thereby enabling them to serve their intended purpose and safeguard taxpayers' money.

154. The nominee suggested that the Board should establish clear policies to guide the management of stalled projects, particularly those transferred to County Government mandates. He emphasized that such policies would define responsibility, resource allocation,

and timelines for completion, thereby preventing wastage of public resources and loss of community trust.

155. To complete projects that were started at the transition to the governance framework under the Constitution 2010, he vouched for a stakeholder engagement involving the National Treasury, the Select Committee on NG-CDF and the Council of Governors or specific counties concerned to deliberate and reach a memorandum of understanding, where conditional grant is given for the county governments to complete the stalled projects.

Project identification and Approval process

156. The nominee demonstrated knowledge of the project identification and approval Process. He highlighted that to ensure projects are demand-driven and responsive to the actual needs of constituents, the process begins at the grassroots level through public participation where community members identify priority development needs during public forums and consultations organized within wards, locations, and sub-locations. Then, projects are screened for priority and adherence to the role of the National Government. Next, the CDFC prepares project proposals with a budget and priority listing, which they submit to the Board for review and Approval. The Board, if satisfied with the project after checking against the approval criteria will disburse funds for the implementation.

On Assessment of NG-CDF Projects

157. The nominee acknowledged that NG-CDF projects have had a positive impact on various communities. He attributed this success to effective management of resources through budgeting, public participation, and the establishment of strong frameworks that ensure project completion, even across political cycles

On establishment of the Fund & Structure of NG-CDF Board

158. The nominee provided the committee with the sequencing of the fund; he submitted that the NG-CDF was first legislated in 2003 and is currently governed under the NG-CDF Act, 2015, as amended in 2023. On the administrative structure, he listed the administrative hierarchy from the National Treasury, the Board, the Constituency Committee to the Project Management Committee.

The Role of Non-Executive Director

159. The nominee highlighted the roles of the Board including the review and approval of eligible project proposals submitted by CDFCs, disbursing funds to approved projects and ensuring the proper management of the Fund.

160. He added that the Board also coordinates joint projects, attends to complaints on the activities of the Fund and promotes best practices in project execution as well as managing the Board's assets and resources in accordance with the NG-CDF Act and other finance and procurement related legislation.

On the Fund's Prudent Management and Zero-fault Audit

161. The nominee demonstrated understanding of the Fund's processes including feedback to the stakeholders of the Fund. He voiced that to progressively mitigate adverse audit queries and improve the audit outcomes, the Board should act on a number of steps such as enforcing proper documentation, capacity building, requiring quarterly reporting, performance contracting and rewards/sanctions as a strategy of enforcing compliance to audit requirements.

162. The nominee informed the Committee that he would prioritize prudent financial reporting and strict audit compliance to safeguard the integrity of the NG-CDF Fund. He emphasized that, to reduce the incidence of qualified, adverse, or disclaimer opinions by the Auditor-General, he would ensure that Fund Managers receive comprehensive training on proper documentation and financial reporting standards.

163. He further proposed the adoption of continuous financial reporting practices to instill a culture of regular updates and accountability. The nominee underscored the importance of setting clear deliverables across constituencies, whereby constituencies would be encouraged to compete in producing clean financial statements. To reinforce this culture, he recommended the introduction of a system of rewards for compliance and sanctions for lapses.

Transparency and accountability as a Board Member

164. The nominee highlighted on communication and giving feedback as a way of enhancing openness. To prevent misuse of funds, he suggested on releasing funds on a project basis and further carrying out random impromptu visits as a way of monitoring the utilization of funds as intended. He further recommended public access to key project information.

The role of the fund in improving education infrastructure

165. He appreciated the critical role the Fund plays in infrastructure development in schools. He noted the schools in his constituency are mostly funded for classes, laboratories and dining halls through NG-CDF projects.

166. The nominee informed the Committee that, having served on Boards of Management for various schools and witnessed firsthand the infrastructural challenges faced at the grassroots level, he would recommend measures to enhance the sustainability of the NG-CDF Fund through complementary funding interventions to support more projects. He further proposed the incorporation of technology across NG-CDF programmes to improve efficiency and service delivery.

167. The nominee emphasized the need to empower communities to make informed decisions through policy training, and to strengthen capacity building for Constituency NG-CDF staff. He underscored the importance of improving governance structures, beginning with the Board and cascading down to constituency-level staff, to ensure that the Fund remains impactful, contributes to poverty alleviation, and continues to improve the lives of citizens.

Mechanism of allocation of funds to the Constituencies

168. The nominee submitted that the Fund is currently allocated based on a prorated formula taking consideration of wards per constituency. Additionally, the disbursement is based on a three-quarter of the Fund equally distributed to the constituencies while a quarter is distributed based on the number of wards in a constituency. He suggested that a re-introduction of an equity factor may be needed.

On the overlap in the NG-CDF and County Government functions

169. The nominee acknowledged concerns regarding overlap between NG-CDF and County Government functions. He expressed the view that, where necessary, structured engagements between NG-CDF and County Governments should be convened to develop amicable funding solutions in the interest of the community. He emphasized that such collaboration would minimize duplication, enhance resource utilization, and ensure that projects are responsive to grassroots needs.

On avoidance of conflict of interest and political neutrality

170. The Committee sought the nominee's views on the possibility of using his position as a member of the Board to influence the allocation of resources to his home constituency or to advance political interests. In response, the nominee stated that he would not use his position to favour any particular constituency or undermine elected leaders.

171. The nominee further stated that, if appointed, he would be guided by the law, the approved allocation criteria, established policies, and the principles governing the operations of the Board. He emphasized that decisions relating to projects and allocation of resources should

be undertaken in accordance with the applicable legal and policy frameworks and not be influenced by personal or political considerations.

172. The nominee reiterated that he would uphold the highest standards of integrity and adhere to the code of conduct governing members of the Board in the discharge of his responsibilities.

Community Service and Development Experience

173. In his closing remarks, the nominee informed the Committee that he had previously participated in the management of public resources and had acquired considerable experience in community development initiatives. He stated that, through various community-based programmes and organizations, he had contributed to the implementation of educational and livelihood projects aimed at complementing government efforts.

174. The nominee further stated that a number of classroom projects and community empowerment initiatives had been undertaken under his leadership and that such experience had strengthened his commitment to public service and community development.

Memoranda

175. There was no written memoranda submitted against the nominee's nomination as a Director to the NG-CDF Board.

CHAPTER FOUR

4.0 COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS

176. Having considered the nominees filled questionnaires pursuant to section 6(8) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F curricula vitae and oral submissions during the approval hearing. The Committee made various observations regarding the suitability of the nominees for appointment as Board of Directors of NG-CDF Board.

177. The Committee observed that, no memoranda was received from the public contesting the nomination of Ms. Yvonne Nsunsu Komora, Ms. Yvonne Boyani Manyaga, Mr. Fidelis Kieti Mutua and Mr. Morris Putita. The Committee only received one memorandum in support of Ms. Yvonne Boayani Manyaga.

4.1 Ms. Yvonne Nsunsu Komora

178. **That**, in accordance with Article 78(1) and (2) of the Constitution, the nominee is eligible for appointment to State Office since she is a Kenyan citizen born in 1987 in Tana River County and does not hold dual citizenship;

179. **That**, the nominee holds a Bachelor of Arts in Project Management degree from the University of Nairobi and a Diploma in Business Management from the Mombasa Technical Training Institute. Her academic credentials, professional experience thus make her compliant with section 6(7) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F and section 15(1) (e) of the NG-CDF Act, Cap. 414A.

180. **That**, the nominee meets the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution on Leadership and Integrity having obtained clearances from Ethics and Anti-corruption Commission (EACC), the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), the Directorate of Criminal Investigation (DCI), the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB) and the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP);

181. **That**, the nominee has never been dismissed from office under Article 75 of the Constitution for contravention of the provisions of 75(1) (Conflict of interest), Article 76 (Financial probity), Article 77 (Restriction on activities of State Officers) and Article 78(2) (Dual Citizenship) of the Constitution;

182. The nominee demonstrated knowledge on topical, policy and technical issues touching on the NG-CDF Fund.

4.2 Ms. Yvonne Boyani Manyaga

183. **That**, in accordance with Article 78(1) and (2) of the Constitution, the nominee is eligible for appointment to State Office since she is a Kenyan citizen born in 1989 and from Nyamira County and does not hold dual citizenship;
184. **That**, the nominee has 10 years' experience in legal matters. She holds a Bachelor of Laws from the University of Nairobi and a Post Graduate Diploma in Law from the Kenya School of Law. Her academic credentials, professional experience thus make her compliant with section 6(7) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F and section 15(1) (e) of the NG-CDF Act, Cap. 414A;
185. **That**, the nominee meets the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution on Leadership and Integrity having obtained clearances from Ethics and Anti-corruption Commission (EACC), the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), the Directorate of Criminal Investigation (DCI), the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB) and the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP);
186. **That**, the nominee has never been dismissed from office under Article 75 of the Constitution for contravention of the provisions of 75(1) (Conflict of interest), Article 76 (Financial probity), Article 77 (Restriction on activities of State Officers) and Article 78(2) (Dual Citizenship) of the Constitution;
187. The nominee demonstrated knowledge on topical, policy and technical issues touching on the NG-CDF Fund.

4.3 Mr. Fidelis Kieti Mutua

188. **That**, in accordance with Article 78(1) and (2) of the Constitution, the nominee is eligible for appointment to State Office since he is a Kenyan citizen born in 1980 in Machakos County and does not hold dual citizenship;
189. **That**, the nominee holds a Bachelor of Commerce in Accounting from KCA University. His academic credentials, professional experience thus make him compliant with section 6(7) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F and section 15(1) (e) of the NG-CDF Act, Cap. 414A;
190. **That**, the nominee meets the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution on Leadership and Integrity having obtained clearances from Ethics and Anti-corruption Commission (EACC), the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), the Directorate of Criminal Investigation

(DCI), the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB) and the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP);

191. **That**, the nominee has never been dismissed from office under Article 75 of the Constitution for contravention of the provisions of 75(1) (Conflict of interest), Article 76 (Financial probity), Article 77 (Restriction on activities of State Officers) and Article 78(2) (Dual Citizenship) of the Constitution;

192. The nominee demonstrated knowledge on topical, policy and technical issues touching on the Fund.

4.4 Mr. Morris Putita Kaaka

193. **That**, in accordance with Article 78(1) and (2) of the Constitution, the nominee is eligible for appointment to State Office since he is a Kenyan citizen born in 1973 in Kajiado County and does not hold dual citizenship;

194. **That**, the nominee holds a Bachelor of Commerce and a Master's in Business Administration in Corporate Management from KCA University and is currently doing his Ph.D in Strategic Management from JKUAT. His academic credentials, professional experience thus make him compliant with section 6(7) of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F and section 15(1) (e) of the NG-CDF Act, Cap. 414A;

195. **That**, the nominee meets the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution on Leadership and Integrity having obtained clearances from Ethics and Anti-corruption Commission (EACC), the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), the Directorate of Criminal Investigation (DCI), the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB) and the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP);


196. That, the nominee has never been dismissed from office under Article 75 of the Constitution for contravention of the provisions of 75(1) (Conflict of interest), Article 76 (Financial probity), Article 77 (Restriction on activities of State Officers) and Article 78(2) (Dual Citizenship) of the Constitution;

197. The nominee demonstrated knowledge on topical, policy and technical issues touching on the NG-CDF Fund.

5.0 COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION


198. Having complied with the Constitution, the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act, Cap. 414A, the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, Cap. 7F, Leadership and Integrity Act, Cap. 185C the Committee recommends **that the House APPROVES the nomination of the following nominees** for appointment as Board of Directors of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund;

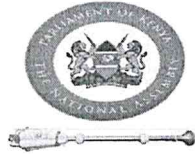
1. Ms. Komora Yvonne Nsunsu;
2. Ms. Manyaga Yvonne Boyani;
3. Mr. Mutua Fidelis Kieti; and
4. Mr. Morris Putita Kaaka.

Sign.....  Date..... 17/6/2028

Hon. Musa Sirma Cherutich, CBS

Chairman, Select Committee on National Government Constituencies Development Fund

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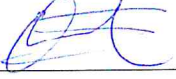
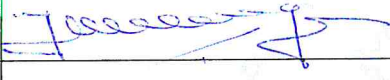
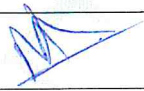
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**SELECT COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL GOVERNMENT CONSTITUENCIES
DEVELOPMENT FUND (NG-CDF)
Adoption Schedule**

We, the undersigned Members of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund (NG-CDF) Committee, have pursuant to Standing Order 199 adopted today, TUESDAY, 16th JUNE, 2026, and do hereby affix our signatures to this **REPORT OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL GOVERNMENT CONSTITUENCIES DEVELOPMENT FUND ON THE VETTING OF THE NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENT AS MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT CONSTITUENCIES DEVELOPMENT FUND BOARD** to affirm our approval and confirm its accuracy, validity, and authenticity: -

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