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Staff undergoes a wellness checkup

NEMA staff at the headquarters and neighboring counties had the opportunity to undergo a wellness checkup on Friday, 23rd March 2018 courtesy of the Authority's Human Resources section.

While making her remarks, the Deputy Director Human Resource and Administration, Ms Esther Chege urged the staff to undergo through the wellness checkup as it is critical for one's wellbeing hence contribute to the overall performance of the Authority.



Deputy Director Human Resource and Administration, Ms Esther Chege making her remarks during the health awareness talk [PHOTO: S. IRUNGU/NEMA]

The aim of the medical camp is to allow the staff to utilize the wellness benefit and encourage a culture of healthy living. The staff had the opportunity to undergo various tests such as blood sugar check-up, breast examination, cervical cancer checkup, prostate cancer checkup, vital signs, dental checkup, HIV testing, Urinalysis, optical checkup among others.

NEAP Stakeholders validation workshop

NEMA invited stakeholders to a validation workshop for the National Environmental Action Plan (NEAP) at Weston Hotel on 27th March 2018.



NEMA Staff and stakeholders during the NEAP validation workshop at Weston Hotel, Nairobi [PHOTO: S. IRUNGU/NEMA]

The workshop was opened by Deputy Director Research and Planning, Dr. Charles Lange who highlighted the importance of NEAP in integrating environmental concerns into the social and economic development planning process of the country with particular reference to the government agenda on the 'big four'

Stakeholders gave their input from their respective sectors which will inform the completion of the Action Plans.

NEAP is a critical tool in addressing environmental interventions at the County and National levels as well as providing the basis for monitoring the State of Environment in the country.

NEMA to host Adaptation Fund board

NEMA will be hosting the Adaptation Fund Board secretariat readiness package workshop from 4th - 6th April 2018. This is after NEMA successfully expressed interest to host the board and was selected among the five NIEs that had expressed their interests. This puts NEMA and Kenya on the map with regards to Adaptation Funds confidence with NEMA as an NIE.

The purpose of the Readiness Package workshop is to build a common understanding of the challenges and gaps in attaining accreditation with the Fund as provided by entities seeking accreditation. In addition to capacity building such entities through South-South cooperation grants as well as provide peer support for accreditation.

As part of the Climate Finance Readiness Programme of the Adaptation Fund Board's South South Grants, NEMA is a beneficiary of the grant to mentor Malawi and Zimbabwe who are in the process of seeking accreditation with AF Board.

NEMA has held a high level engagement with the two countries that enlisted their governments support and secured commitment to execute the AF South to South grant towards achieving accreditation for Environmental Management Agency (EMA) and Malawi Environment Trust Fund (MEET) in Zimbabwe and Malawi respectively.

The workshop participants will include representatives of entities not yet accredited and those under review by the Accreditation Panel, but actively in the process of obtaining accreditation, representatives of accredited NIEs listed on the Fund website as eligible to provide peer support through South-South cooperation grants, accreditation experts, and staff from the secretariat. Countries that will be represented include Antigua and Barbuda, Burundi, Cameroon, Chile, Costa Rica, Guinea, Guyana, Honduras,

India, Jamaica, Kyrgyzstan, Maldives, Mali, Moldova, Peru, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, USA, and Kenya.

WED 2018 preparatory meeting begins

The preparatory meetings for World Environment Day (WED) 2018 have begun in earnest. WED is an annual event celebrated every June 5th to create awareness and action for protection of the environment.



Deputy Director EEIPP, Mamo Boru chairing the first WED National Steering Committee meeting at NEMA boardroom [PHOTO: A. MWANGI/NEMA]

The global theme for this year's WED is "Beat Plastic Pollution" where governments, industry, communities as well as individuals are encouraged to come together and explore sustainable alternatives and urgently reduce the production and access use of single-use plastic polluting oceans, damaging marine life and threatening human health.



Environmental Quote

"Forget yourself. Become one with eternity. Become part of your environment" - Yayoi Kusama

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