



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK, FISHERIES AND COOPERATIVES

NATIONAL STAKEHOLDER VALIDATION OF THE DRAFT KENYA AGRICULTURAL SECTOR EXTENSION POLICY, 2022

The Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Cooperatives, (MoALF&C), the County Governments and stakeholders have jointly developed a draft Kenya Agricultural Sector Extension Policy (KASEP), 2022 to review and replace the current Sessional Paper No. 4 of 2013 on the National Agricultural Sector Extension Policy.

The proposed draft Policy has been developed to increase efficiency and effectiveness in provision of Agricultural Extension and Advisory Services (AEAS) for increased productivity of the Kenyan food system and assure food and nutrition security while providing employment, improved incomes and welfare of agricultural value chain actors.

The draft KASEP, 2022 is intended to achieve the following specific objectives;

- i. Establish a framework for developing and managing human resources, and infrastructure to facilitate efficient capacity utilization in agricultural extension provision
- ii. Enhance knowledge management system for efficient and effective extension service delivery.
- iii. Strengthen Research Extension Client Linkages in agricultural sector
- iv. Ensure a pluralistic and coordinated approach for the provision of extension and advisory services by public, private and non-profit organizations
- v. Create a conducive legal, regulatory and institutional framework that facilitates coordination and regulation of agricultural extension services
- vi. Promote professionalism and ensure quality in the delivery of Agricultural Extension Services.
- vii. Ensure effective, efficient and sustainable technology transfer to agricultural extension to meet the needs of clientele in order to improve production and productivity
- viii. Mainstream cross-cutting issues in provision of extension services.

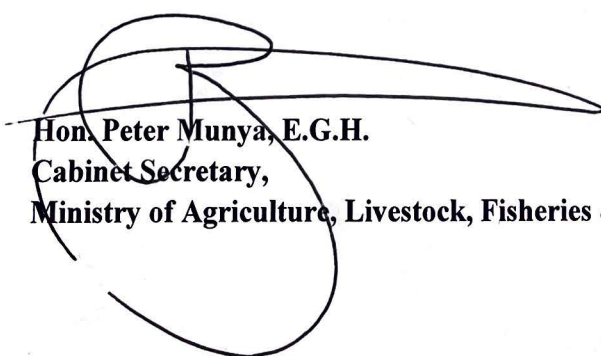
The key highlights of the new policy include promotion of youth involvement in agricultural development, private sector engagement, digitization of extension services and alignment to the Constitution of Kenya.

In order to facilitate public participation and receive views from interested parties and the general public, MoALF&C has planned to undertake a National Validation Workshop on 17th March, 2022. The exercise will be a virtual meeting with select participants invited. The link will be available for access through the Ministry website: www.kilimo.ke/advertisement prior to the meeting.

The public is invited to submit written comments and Memoranda on the draft Policy for consideration and all interested persons should submit written comments on the draft KASEP Policy using prescribed **Public Comments/Feedback Form**, to reach the undersigned not later than seven (7) days from the date of publication of this notice. Soft copies of the **Draft Kenya Agricultural Sector Extension Policy 2022, Public Comments/Feedback Form** are available and can be accessed through the Ministry website: www.kilimo.go.ke/downloads

Duly filled Public Comments/Feedback Forms or written memoranda may be submitted back via the following **email**; psagriculture.research@kilimo.go.ke or via clearly labeled envelopes reading **“Comments on draft KASEP, 2022”** delivered by post to;

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