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1.0 INTRODUCTION

The NG-Constituency Development Act 2015 requires in part 5 section 27 subsection 1 and 2 that the chairperson of the NG-CDFC shall, within the first year of the commencement of a new Parliament and at least once every two years thereafter, convene open forum public meetings in every ward in the constituency to deliberate on development issues in the ward and in the constituency.

The NG-CDFC shall then deliberate on project proposals from all the wards in the constituency and any other projects which the Constituency Committee deems beneficial to the constituency, including mutual projects with other constituencies, consider the national development plans and policies and the constituency strategic development plan, and categorize a list of priority projects, both immediate and long term, out of which the list of projects to be submitted in accordance with the Act shall be drawn from.

Resident participation in project planning, management and implementation requires the contribution of concerned stakeholders. This includes identifying public concerns and values then developing a consensus on planned initiatives. It is also about utilizing the immense amount of information and knowledge that stakeholders hold to find workable, efficient and sustainable solutions.

Public participation includes a variety of procedures and methods intended to consult, engage, and inform the public to allow those that would be possibly affected by a decision or policy to have input into the process. Community participation inspires the stakeholders to labor in unison, recognize the benefits of their involvement and own the projects in their localities.

Stakeholders play a vital part in setting up priorities and objectives of development initiatives in order to ensure relevance and appropriateness. It is essential that all stakeholders are involved in the development of projects and not just direct beneficiaries of an initiative.

1.1 ABOUT NG-CDF

The Constituency Development Fund (CDF) was established under the Constituencies Development Fund (CDF) Act, 2003, amended in 2007 and repealed by the CDF Act of 2013. In 2015, the CDF Act of 2013 was declared unconstitutional and a new Act was enacted in 2015, being the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act, NG-CDF Act, 2015. The National Government Constituencies Development Fund (NG-CDF) is under the Ministry of Devolution and Planning.

The Constituency Development Fund (CDF) was introduced in Kenya in 2003 with the passage of the CDF Act 2003 by the 9th Parliament of Kenya which was repealed in 2013 by the CDF Act 2013. The NGCDF Act provides that the government set aside at least 2.5% of its ordinary revenue for disbursement under the CDF program.

The fund was intended to support constituency-level, grass-root development projects. It was designed to realize equitable distribution of development resources across regions and to control imbalances in regional development brought about by partisan politics. It targeted all constituency-level development projects, particularly those aiming to combat poverty at the grassroots and entrench equitable distribution of development.

The objective of the Fund is to provide mechanisms for supplementing implementation of the National Government development Agenda at the constituency level.

The NGCDF program has facilitated the putting up of new water systems, health and education facilities in all parts of the country, including remote areas that were usually overlooked during funds allocation in national budgets.

1.2 ABOUT KIHARU NG-CDF

Kiharu Constituency is one of the seven constituencies of Murang'a County in the republic of Kenya. It borders six constituencies namely: Maragwa, Kigumo, Kangema, Mathioya, Mukurwe-ini and Ndia constituency. The Constituency has six electoral wards with a population of over 181,076 people. The main economic activity is farming majorly tea, coffee and dairy farming.



Vision

To be a distinguished Constituency in promoting an all-round socio-economic development and sustainability.

Mission

To encompass all the stakeholders in the growth process of the Constituency so as to attain the threshold of development standards.

Core Values

- Transparency and accountability
- Professionalism and integrity
- Commitment and teamwork
- Neutrality and Objectivity
- Timeless and excellence
- Advocacy for citizen participation.

1.2.1 OVERVIEW OF FUNDABLE PROJECTS UNDER NG-CDF BY KIHARU CONSTITUENCY

Eligibility of the projects

The eligible projects fundable by NG-CDF as specified in section 24 of the NG-CDF (Amendment) Act, 2016 as those that are in:

- Respect of works and services falling within the functions of the National Government under the constitution.
- Must be community based to ensure that the prospective benefits are available to a widespread cross-section of the inhabitants of a particular area.

Ineligible projects include:

- Projects supporting political bodies or political activities
- Recurrent costs of a completed project
- Personal awards
- Projects targeting a specific club or group of people to the exclusion of others
- Projects addressing devolved functions as outlined in the fourth schedule of the constitution of Kenya.

2.0 DOCUMENTATION OF THE WARD REPORTS

The full lists of documents used during the ward meetings are in the NG-CDFC Public Forums file.

3.0 WARD MEETINGS

3.1 WARD I: GATURI WARD

The Gaturi Ward open public forum was carried out on 13th September 2021 at Mugeka A.C.C's office grounds starting at 10 a.m as earlier scheduled.

3.1.1 MEMBERS PRESENT:

NG-CDFC representatives

- ◆ Mr. Peter Manyeki Kirocho - Chairman
- ◆ Mr. Anthony Kariuki Warui - Secretary
- ◆ Mr. Masika B. Barasa, DCC rep - Member
- ◆ Ms. Elizabeth Wandia Chege - Member
- ◆ Mr. Andrew Munene - Member
- ◆ Ms. Catherine Wachera - Member
- ◆ Mr. Geoffrey Mburu - Member
- ◆ Mr. Jeniffer Wanjiku Nyambura - Member
- ◆ Mr. Kennedy Kamau, FAM - Member
- ◆ Ms. Hannah Wairimu Kamau - CoC

The occasion was also graced by the area M.P, Hon. Ndindi Nyoro, Ms. Esther Kamau – MCA Mr. Masika B. Barasa – ACC Gaturi Division, area chiefs, assistant chiefs, local leaders and **Gaturi ward residents** (*see photos*)



Wananchi during the Ward forum



Wananchi and Area Leaders making presentations

3.1.2 PRELIMINARIES

The area chief called the meeting to order and called upon one volunteer to lead in opening prayers.

3.1.3 COMMENTS BY THE ACC

The ACC appreciated the residents for turning up for the important meeting to deliberate on the area's development agenda as announced. He castigated those who choose to remain at home when such forums are organized only to complain later that they are not aware of development projects being undertaken in the area.

3.1.4 COMMENTS BY THE AREA CHIEFS

The chiefs jointly thanked the NG-CDF for organizing a forum where the public have the opportunity to front the projects that they would like NG-CDF to implement within their framework.

3.1.5 COMMENTS BY THE FUND ACCOUNT MANAGER

The Fund Account Manager informed the meeting on the nature of projects eligible for funding by NGCDF stating that they must be community based to ensure that the prospective benefits are available to a widespread cross-section of the inhabitants of a particular area and those in respect of works and services falling within the functions of the National Government under the constitution

Further to this he also highlighted the ineligible projects which include: Projects supporting religious bodies or religious activities, projects supporting political bodies or political activities, recurrent costs of a completed projects, personal projects, private projects and projects targeting a specific club or group of people to the exclusion of others

3.1.6 COMMENTS BY THE NG-CDFC CHAIRMAN

The NG-CDFC Chair assured the residents that the NG-CDFC was working with the MP to ensure the people's development agenda is addressed. He too thanked the constituents for attending the meeting; he explained the relevance of the meeting and the need for NG-CDFC to convene open forum public meetings at in every ward in the constituency to deliberate on development matters and project priorities in the ward and the constituency.

3.1.7 COMMENTS BY THE AREA MEMBER OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

The MP on his part reiterated that he was committed to the transformative agenda to bring change in the education, security, roads, health and water sectors as expressed by the people by giving him the mantle to champion their development agenda. He added that though some functions had been devolved to county governments, he will continue working with NG-CDFC and following up with county governments to ensure projects that are key and beneficial to the people are implemented to completion.

3.1.8 PROJECTS PRIORITIES IDENTIFIED IN THE WARD

Residents then split into locations, deliberated on priorities before coming together as a Ward with a final summary of proposed projects as below:

EDUCATION SECTOR – PRIMARY SCHOOLS

	PROPOSED PROJECT	ACTIVITY
1	Kaigwa Primary School	NGCDF to complete renovation of the remaining 2 classrooms
2	Gakurwe Primary School	NGCDF to complete renovation of the remaining 4 classrooms
3	Gathukeini Primary School	NGCDF to complete renovation of the remaining 7 classrooms
4	Kiamuri Primary School	NGCDF to complete renovation of the remaining 2 classrooms

5	Githanga Primary School	NGCDF to complete renovation of the remaining 2 classrooms
6	Gaturi Primary School	NGCDF to complete renovation of the remaining 2 classrooms
7	Muringa Primary School	NGCDF to complete renovation of the remaining 2 classrooms
8	Nyakihai Primary School	NGCDF to complete renovation of the remaining 5 classrooms
9	Gatitu Primary School	NGCDF to complete renovation of the remaining 3 classrooms
10	Rurii Primary School	NGCDF to complete renovation of the remaining 3 classrooms
11	Kangure Primary School	NGCDF to complete renovation of the remaining 4 classrooms
12	Kibuu Primary School	NGCDFC to complete construction of the ongoing two storeyed classrooms block and basement
13	Kiambu Primary School	NGCDF to complete renovation of the remaining 2 classrooms
14	Githundi Primary School	NGCDF to complete renovation of the remaining 2 classrooms

EDUCATION SECTOR – SECONDARY SCHOOLS

1	Ititu Secondary School	Completion of parents project - one classroom
2	Mukurwe Wa Nyagathanga Sec Sch	Construction of 2 classrooms
3	Githanga Secondary School	Completion of parents project - two classrooms at roofing stage
4	Gaitheri Secondary School	Renovation of 4 classrooms
5	St. Paul's Boys Sec Sch Gathuki-Ini	Completion of CDF dormitory project at ring beam

SECURITY SECTOR

1	Mugeka A.Ps Camp	Power connection and renovation of A.Ps residential houses
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OTHER PROJECTS

1	Gaturi Education Office	Completion of offices block started by CDF currently at gambles level
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3.1.9 CHALLENGES

The residents urged the NG-CDFC to increase the allocation set aside for project management committee as administration funds for administering the project. The chair person responded that this was a policy issue since the Act sets out the administration allocation to projects at 5% though the matter had been forwarded for consideration during open forums for amendment of the NG-CDF Act 2013.

3.1.10 WAY-FORWARD

The Chair informed the residents that the NG-CDFC would then sit for priority listing from the needs presented and notify them of projects that would be funded and whether they would be given full funding at once or the funding would be in installments over the years.

3.1.11 ADJOURNMENT

The ACC Gaturi Division once again thanked all residents for turning up and participating well by boldly expressing their wishes. He then requested a volunteer to close the meeting with prayers.

3.2 WARD II: MBIRI WARD

Mbiri Ward open public forum was carried out on 15th September 2021 at Kambirwa Chief's office grounds starting at 10 a.m as earlier scheduled.

3.2.1 MEMBERS PRESENT:

NG-CDFC representatives

- ◆ Mr. Peter Manyeki Kirocho ~ Chairman
- ◆ Mr. Anthony Kariuki Warui ~ Secretary
- ◆ Mr. Masika B. Barasa, DCC rep ~ Member
- ◆ Ms. Elizabeth Wandia Chege ~ Member
- ◆ Mr. Andrew Munene ~ Member
- ◆ Ms. Catherine Wachera ~ Member
- ◆ Mr. Geoffrey Mburu ~ Member
- ◆ Mr. Jeniffer Wanjiku Nyambura ~ Member
- ◆ Mr. Kennedy Kamau, FAM ~ Member
- ◆ Ms. Hannah Wairimu Kamau ~ CoC

The occasion was also graced by the area M.P, Hon. Ndindi Nyoro, Mbiri Ward MCA Hon. Muturi, ACC Gikindu Division, area chiefs, assistant chiefs, local leaders and **Mbiri ward residents** (*see photos*)



Wananchi during the Ward forum



Wananchi and Area Leaders making presentations



3.2.2 PRELIMINARIES

The area chief welcomed members to the meeting after an opening prayer; he thanked the NG-CDFC for presenting the constituents with an opportunity of identifying projects to be funded by NG-CDF, for this was going to promote ownership of the projects before, during and after implementation.

3.2.3 COMMENTS BY THE ACC

The ACC Stella appreciated the residents for turning up for the important meeting to deliberate on the area's development agenda as announced. He also appreciated the MP and the NG-CDFC for organizing a forum that would result to people driven development projects which the community owns up because they are the originators of the projects.

3.2.4 COMMENTS BY THE FUND ACCOUNT MANAGER

The Fund Account Manager explained that projects proposed should be community based meaning not a project of a few individuals or group, must not be for support to political bodies or activities and must not also be for support to religious bodies or activities. He assured residents that all ongoing projects already being undertaken by NG-CDFC would be funded to completion but were at liberty to propose new projects within institutions already being funded for different projects.

3.2.5 COMMENTS BY THE NG-CDFC CHAIRMAN

The NG-CDFC Chair assured the residents that the NG-CDFC was working with the MP to ensure the people's development agenda is addressed.

3.2.6 COMMENTS BY THE AREA MEMBER OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

The MP on his part echoed that he was committed to the transformative agenda to bring change in the education, security, roads, health and water sectors as expressed by the people by giving him the mantle to champion their development agenda. He added that though some functions had been devolved to county governments, he will continue working with NG-CDFC and following up with county governments to ensure projects that are key and beneficial to the people are implemented to completion.

3.2.7 PROJECTS PRIORITIES IDENTIFIED IN THE WARD

Residents then grouped into locations, deliberated on priorities before coming together as a Ward with a final summary as below:

EDUCATION SECTOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS

	PROPOSED PROJECT	ACTIVITY
1	Muchungucha Primary School	Renovation of remaining 6 classrooms
2	Maragi Primary School	Renovation of remaining 6 classrooms
3	Kiangochi Primary School	Renovation of remaining 1 classrooms
4	Gaitega Primary School	Renovation of remaining 1 classrooms
5	Ndikwe Primary School	Renovation of remaining 1 classrooms
6	Upendo Primary School	Completion of administration block started by CDF (Steel doors and windows already installed by parents)
7	Kayuyu Primary School	Renovation of remaining 2 classrooms
8	Gikuu Primary School	Renovation of remaining 3 classrooms
9	Kambirwa Primary School	Renovation of remaining 4 classrooms
10	Marewa Primary School	Renovation of remaining 2 classrooms
11	Matithi Primary School	Renovation of remaining 3 classrooms
12	Gitungano Primary School	Renovation of remaining 2 classrooms
13	Thangathi Primary School	Renovation of remaining 5 classrooms

EDUCATION SECTOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS

1	St. Luke's Gituri Sec School	Renovation of 8 classrooms
2	Gikandu Secondary School	Renovation of 6 classrooms
3	Mirira Secondary School	Renovation of 7 classrooms

4	Karemaini Secondary School	Renovation of 6 classrooms
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SECURITY PROJECTS

1	Gikindu D.O's Office	Power connection, wiring and purchase of furniture
2	Gaitega Chief's Office	Power connection, wiring and purchase of furniture
3	Gacharu Chief's Office	Power connection

OTHER PROJECTS

1	Gikindu Division Education Office	Completion of offices block currently at gables level (started by community)
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3.2.8 CHALLENGES

The residents urged the NG-CDFC to increase the allocation set aside for project management committee as administration funds for administering the project. The chair person responded that that was a policy issue since the Act sets out the administration allocation to projects at 5% though the matter had been forwarded for consideration during open forums for amendment of the CDF Act 2013.

3.2.9 WAY-FORWARD

The Chair informed the residents that the NG-CDFC would then sit for priority listing from the needs presented and notify them of projects that would be funded and whether they would be given full funding at once or the funding would be in installments over the years.

3.2.10 ADJOURNMENT

The Chief once again thanked all residents for turning up and participating well by boldly expressing their wishes. He then requested a volunteer to close the meeting with prayers.

3.3 WARD III: WANGU WARD

The Wangu ward open public forum was carried out on 17th September 2021 at Weithaga open grounds starting at 1 p.m as earlier scheduled.

3.3.1 MEMBERS PRESENT:

NG-CDFC representatives

- ◆ Mr. Peter Manyeki Kirocho - Chairman
- ◆ Mr. Anthony Kariuki Warui - Secretary
- ◆ Mr. Masika B. Barasa, DCC rep - Member
- ◆ Ms. Elizabeth Wandia Chege - Member
- ◆ Mr. Andrew Munene - Member
- ◆ Ms. Catherine Wachera - Member
- ◆ Mr. Geoffrey Mburu - Member
- ◆ Mr. Jeniffer Wanjiku Nyambura - Member
- ◆ Mr. Kennedy Kamau, FAM - Member
- ◆ Ms. Hannah Wairimu Kamau - CoC
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The occasion was also graced by the area M.P, Hon. Ndindi Nyoro, Wangu Ward MCA Hon. Kamote, ACC Wangu Division, area chiefs, assistant chiefs, local leaders and **Wangu ward residents** (*see photos*)



Wananchi during the Ward forum



Wananchi and Area Leaders making presentations



3.3.2 PRELIMINARIES

The area Chief Kahuhia Location, welcomed members to the meeting after an opening prayer. She thanked the people present for attending the important development forum. She introduced other Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs in the area and appreciated their efforts towards development on the area.

3.3.3 COMMENTS BY THE ACC

The ACC Wangu Division appreciated the residents for turning up for the important meeting to deliberate on the area's development agenda as announced. He castigated those who choose to remain at home when such forums are organized only to later complain that they are not aware of development projects being undertaken in the area.

3.3.4 COMMENTS BY THE FUND ACCOUNT MANAGER

He enlightened the members about the eligible projects fundable by NG-CDF and ineligible projects which are fundable by devolved systems, and also briefed the meeting on the statutory ceilings specified in the NG-CDF Act 2015 which guide the NG-CDFC during projects funding. She also stressed that after the exercise in all the wards the NG-CDFC will rank the projects in order of priority and that the on-going projects shall take precedence over all other projects.

3.3.5 COMMENTS BY THE NG-CDFC CHAIRMAN

The chairman appreciated the members concern for development, he highlighted that NG-CDF has achieved a lot towards development in the constituency, and the overall aim of this is to ensure active participation of people in the achievement of sustainable development.

3.3.6 COMMENTS BY THE AREA MEMBER OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

He mentioned that if the public is involved in the full decision making process during projects identification, their concerns may be met early on in the planning process when changes may be easier to make, rather than late in the process when even small changes may cost both time and money.

He drew the meetings attention that NG-CDF was established with the aim of improving service delivery, alleviating poverty, enhancing economic governance, and ultimately to spur development in the constituencies thereby contributing to socio-economic development of all the constituencies.

3.3.7 PROJECTS PRIORITIES IDENTIFIED IN THE WARD

Residents then grouped into locations, deliberated on priorities before coming together as a Ward with a final summary as below:

EDUCATION SECTOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS

1	Gitige Primary School	Renovation of remaining 3 classrooms
2	Ithiki Primary School	Renovation of remaining 2 classrooms
3	Kirogo Primary School	Renovation of remaining 4 classrooms
4	Mukangu Primary School	Renovation of remaining 4 classrooms
5	Mumbi Primary School	Renovation of remaining 4 classrooms
6	Gatheru Primary School	Renovation of remaining 2 classrooms

EDUCATION SECTOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS

1	Gitige Secondary School	Renovation of 7 classrooms
2	Gitui Mixed Secondary School	Renovation of 8 classrooms
3	Gitweku Mixed Secondary School	Renovation of 6 classrooms
4	Kahuhia Mixed Secondary School	Renovation of 7 classrooms
5	Karingu Mixed Secondary School	Renovation of 7 classrooms
6	Mukangu Mixed Secondary School	Renovation of 8 classrooms and staffroom
7	Weithaga Mixed Secondary School	Construction of dining hall

EDUCATION SECTOR TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS

1	Kenneth Matiba Technical And Vocational College	Establishment of a new Technical college
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SECURITY PROJECTS

1	Gitui Chief's Office	Power connection
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OTHER PROJECTS

1	Wangu Education Office	Renovation of offices block
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3.3.8 CHALLENGES

Late disbursement of project funds leads to projects not being implemented in time which lead to rise in project costs due to factors like inflation due to time value for money and bursaries not awarded to students when the schools open, hence students and pupils retention in learning institutions is greatly affected negatively.

3.3.9 WAY-FORWARD

The Board (NG-CDF) should facilitate timely disbursement of funds to constituencies in order to fast track development initiatives.

3.3.10 ADJOURNMENT

The Chief once again thanked all residents for turning up and participating well by boldly expressing their wishes. He then requested a volunteer to close the meeting with prayers.

3.4 WARD IV: MURARANDIA WARD

The Murarandia ward open public forum was carried out on 20th September 2021 at Gathaithi shopping centre starting at 10 a.m as earlier scheduled.

3.4.1 MEMBERS PRESENT:

NG~CDFC representatives

- ◆ Mr. Peter Manyeki Kirocho ~ Chairman
- ◆ Mr. Anthony Kariuki Warui ~ Secretary
- ◆ Mr. Masika B. Barasa, DCC rep ~ Member
- ◆ Ms. Elizabeth Wandia Chege ~ Member
- ◆ Mr. Andrew Munene ~ Member
- ◆ Ms. Catherine Wachera ~ Member
- ◆ Mr. Geoffrey Mburu ~ Member
- ◆ Mr. Jeniffer Wanjiku Nyambura ~ Member
- ◆ Mr. Kennedy Kamau, FAM ~ Member
- ◆ Ms. Hannah Wairimu Kamau ~ CoC

The occasion was also graced by the area M.P, Hon. Ndindi Nyoro, Area MCA Hon. Kiiru, ACC Murarandia Division, area chiefs, assistant chiefs, local leaders and **Murarandia ward residents** (*see photos*)



Wananchi during the Ward forum



Wananchi and Area Leaders making presentations

3.4.2 PRELIMINARIES

The area senior chief called the meeting into order and requested a volunteer to open the meeting with a word of prayer.

3.4.3 COMMENTS BY THE SENIOR CHIEF

The Senior Chief Mbogo welcomed residents of the area to the meeting and introduced the other two Assistant Chiefs of the area. He then handed over the programme to the NG-CDF office to highlight the day's agenda.

3.4.4 COMMENTS BY THE FUND ACCOUNT MANAGER

The Fund Account Manager explained that projects proposed should be community based meaning not a project of a few individuals or group, must not be for support to political bodies or activities and must not also be for support to religious bodies or activities. He assured residents that all ongoing projects already being undertaken by NG-CDFC would be funded to completion but were at liberty to propose new projects within institutions already being funded for different projects.

3.4.5 COMMENTS BY THE NG-CDFC CHAIRMAN

He asserted that, decentralized funds are established based on the belief that implementing bodies at the local level have a better understanding of community needs. Decentralized funds are established to increase community participation in local decision making, enhance government transparency, speed up government responsiveness, and improve quality of service delivery.

3.4.6 COMMENTS BY THE AREA MEMBER OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

He pointed out that the impact of NG-CDF cannot be underrated in transforming people's lives in the country. In the education sector, NG-CDF has facilitated construction and improvement/face lifting of various infrastructural developments in schools which has created conducive learning environment hence increasing student enrolment and boosting performance. The NG-CDF bursary has helped retain in schools students from low income families.

3.4.7 PROJECTS PRIORITIES IDENTIFIED IN THE WARD

Residents then split into locations, deliberated on priorities before coming together as a Ward with a final summary as below:

EDUCATION SECTOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS

1	Gaichangere Primary School	Renovation of remaining 2 classrooms
2	Kaganda Primary School	Renovation of remaining 4 classrooms
3	Kahithe Primary School	Renovation of remaining 2 classrooms
4	Kairichi Primary School	Renovation of remaining 2 classrooms
5	Kionjoini Primary School	Renovation of remaining 3 classrooms
6	Mukumu Primary School	Renovation of remaining 2 classrooms

EDUCATION SECTOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS

1	Kaganda Secondary School	Renovation of 8 classrooms
2	Mukumu Secondary School	Renovation of 4 classrooms
3	Theri Secondary School	Completion of dining hall

SECURITY PROJECTS

1	Yamugwe Police Post	Power connection, wiring and purchase of furniture
2	Kahatia Chief's Office	Purchase of computer/ computer table
3	Theri Chief's Office	Power connection, wiring and purchase of furniture
4	Matharite Chief's Office	Power connection, wiring and purchase of furniture

3.4.8 CHALLENGES

Entrenching NG-CDF in the new constitutional dispensation, since it is facing a lot of legal challenges and currently there is an ongoing case at the Supreme Court.

3.4.9 WAY FORWARD

The meeting resolved that funding of projects that have been devolved should be avoided as per the NG-CDF Act 2015; hence the area Member of County Assembly should also organize a forum where the constituents will propose the projects that the county government can implement in their areas.

3.4.10 ADJOURNMENT

The Chief once again thanked all residents for turning up and participating well by boldly expressing their wishes. He then requested a volunteer to close the meeting with prayers.

3.5 WARD V: MUGOIRI WARD

Mugoiri Ward open public forum was carried out on 22nd September 2021 at Kahuro stadium starting at 10 a.m as scheduled.

3.5.1 MEMBERS PRESENT:

NG-CDFC representatives

- ◆ Mr. Peter Manyeki Kirocho ~ Chairman
- ◆ Mr. Anthony Kariuki Warui ~ Secretary
- ◆ Mr. Masika B. Barasa, DCC rep ~ Member
- ◆ Ms. Elizabeth Wandia Chege ~ Member
- ◆ Mr. Andrew Munene ~ Member
- ◆ Ms. Catherine Wachera ~ Member
- ◆ Mr. Geoffrey Mburu ~ Member
- ◆ Mr. Jeniffer Wanjiku Nyambura ~ Member
- ◆ Mr. Kennedy Kamau, FAM ~ Member
- ◆ Ms. Hannah Wairimu Kamau ~ CoC

The occasion was also graced by the area M.P, Hon. Ndindi Nyoro, Area MCA Hon. Nyoko, Mr. Vincent Kirui – ACC Mugoiri Division, area chiefs, assistant chiefs, local leaders and **Mugoiri ward residents** (*see photos*)



Wananchi during the Ward forum



Wananchi and Area Leaders making presentations

3.5.2 PRELIMINARIES

The meeting began with a word of prayer from one of the resident in the area appointed by the ACC.

3.5.3 COMMENTS BY THE ACC

The Assistant County Commissioner appreciated the residents for turning up for the all-important meeting to deliberate on the area's development agenda as announced. He also appreciated the MP and the NG-CDFC for organizing a forum that would result to people driven development projects which the community owns up because they are the originators of the projects.

3.5.4 COMMENTS BY THE FUND ACCOUNT MANAGER

The Fund Account Manager explained that projects proposed should be community based meaning not a project of a few individuals or group, must not be for support to political bodies or activities and must not be in support to religious bodies or activities. He assured residents that all ongoing projects already being undertaken by NG-CDFC would be funded to completion but were at liberty to propose new projects within institutions already being funded for different projects.

3.5.5 COMMENTS BY THE NG-CDFC CHAIRMAN

The NG-CDFC Chair assured the residents that the NG-CDFC was working with the MP to ensure the people's development agenda is addressed. She cited a number of projects proposed during the previous ward forum some which were already complete and others nearing completion for instance Electricity among others.

3.5.6 COMMENTS BY THE AREA MEMBER OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

The MP Kiharu on his part reiterated that he was committed to the transformative agenda to bring change in the education, security, roads, health and water sectors as expressed by the people by giving him the mantle to champion their development plan. He added that though some functions were devolved to county governments, he will continue working with NG-CDFC and following up with county governments to ensure key and beneficial projects to the people are implemented to completion.

3.5.7 PROJECTS PRIORITIES IDENTIFIED IN THE WARD

Residents then grouped into locations, deliberated on priorities before coming together as a Ward with a final summary as below:

EDUCATION SECTOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS

1	Githagara Primary School	Renovation of remaining 7 classrooms
2	Kagumo Primary School	Renovation of remaining 4 classrooms
3	Kiaguthu Primary School	Renovation of remaining 5 classrooms
4	Kiumu Primary School	Renovation of remaining 4 classrooms
5	Mirichu Primary School	Renovation of remaining 6 classrooms
6	Murai Primary School	Renovation of remaining 4 classrooms
7	Muthiria Primary School	Renovation of remaining 4 classrooms
8	Kiboi Primary School	Renovation of remaining 2 classrooms
9	Kiumba Primary School	Renovation of remaining 2 classrooms
10	Gitiri Primary School	Renovation of remaining 3 classrooms
11	Mbari Ya Hiti Primary School	Renovation of remaining 4 classrooms
12	Mwara Primary School	Renovation of remaining 2 classrooms
13	Ndutumi Primary School	Renovation of remaining 2 classrooms
14	Ngaru Primary School	Renovation of remaining 2 classrooms
15	Gachiku Primary School	Renovation of remaining 2 classrooms
16	Gitaro Primary School	Renovation of remaining 2 classrooms
17	Yamugwe Primary School	Renovation of remaining 2 classrooms

EDUCATION SECTOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS

1	Kahuro Secondary School	Renovation of science laboratory
2	Yamugwe Secondary School	Completion of hall currently at roofing stage
3	Gitaro Secondary School	Construction of a classroom
4	Mbari Ya Hiti Secondary School	Purchase of students lockers with chairs and teachers furniture
5	Kamaguta Secondary School	Renovation of 4 classrooms
6	Kiboi Secondary School	Renovation of 8 classrooms and staffroom
7	Mugoiri Secondary School	Renovation of 4 classrooms
8	Kagaa Secondary School	Renovation of 4 classrooms

SECURITY PROJECTS

1	Ngaru Chief's Office	Power connection
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3.5.8 CHALLENGES

The residents urged the NG-CDFC to increase the allocation set aside for Project Management Committee as administration funds for administering the project. The chair person responded saying that was a policy issue since the Act sets the administration allocation to projects at 5% though the matter had been forwarded for consideration during open forums for amendment of the CDF Act 2013.

3.5.9 WAY-FORWARD

The Chair NG-CDF informed the residents that the NG-CDFC would then sit for priority listing from the needs presented and notify them of projects that would be funded and whether they would be given full funding at once or the funding would be in installments over the years.

3.5.10 ADJOURNMENT

The ACC once again thanked all residents for turning up, participating and clearly articulating their development agenda. He then requested a volunteer to close the meeting with a word of prayer.

3.6 WARD VI: TOWNSHIP WARD

The Township Ward open public forum was carried out on 24th September 2021 at Mumbi stadium starting at 10 a.m as scheduled.

3.6.1 MEMBERS PRESENT:

NG~CDFC representatives

- ◆ Mr. Peter Manyeki Kirocho ~ Chairman
- ◆ Mr. Anthony Kariuki Warui ~ Secretary
- ◆ Mr. Masika B. Barasa, DCC rep ~ Member
- ◆ Ms. Elizabeth Wandia Chege ~ Member
- ◆ Mr. Andrew Munene ~ Member
- ◆ Ms. Catherine Wachera ~ Member
- ◆ Mr. Geoffrey Mburu ~ Member
- ◆ Mr. Jeniffer Wanjiku Nyambura ~ Member
- ◆ Mr. Kennedy Kamau, FAM ~ Member
- ◆ Ms. Hannah Wairimu Kamau ~ CoC

The occasion was also graced by the area M.P, Hon. Ndindi Nyoro, Area MCA Hon. Jecinta Ng'ang'a, ACC Township, area chiefs, assistant chiefs, local leaders and **Township ward residents** (*see photos*)



Wananchi during the Ward forum



Wananchi and Area Leaders making presentations

3.6.2 PRELIMINARIES

The area chief called the meeting into order and called upon one member to lead opening prayers. He welcomed members to the meeting and took the opportunity of introducing fellow chiefs and assistant chiefs.

3.6.3 COMMENTS BY THE ACC

The Assistant County Commissioner applauded NG-CDF efforts in development in the area and the constituency at large, since all the initiated projects have been implemented satisfactorily. He however appealed that NG-CDF should fund more projects in the area since it is the only government fund being felt by the constituents, and he impressed upon the area member of parliament to rally other members in the national assembly in order to enhance the constituency allocation.

3.6.4 COMMENTS BY THE FUND ACCOUNT MANAGER

He alluded that NG-CDF only funds community-based projects meant to serve community needs in the constituency and have long-term positive effects on people's wellbeing and also gave a briefing on the ineligible projects. She further asserted Cofounding is also allowed where a project can be financed jointly with neighboring constituency or from sources other than the Fund so long as the other financiers or donors of that project have no objection, and provided that the part funding for the project availed pursuant to the NG-CDF Act 2015 shall go to a defined unit or any part thereof or phase of the project in order to ensure that the particular portion defined in the allocation is completed with the funds allocated under this Act.

3.6.5 COMMENTS BY THE NG-CDFC CHAIRMAN

He stated that the office will undertake a continuous awareness exercise of the citizens to encourage them participate in NG-CDF affairs through M&E, budget tracking and social audits. This will increase efficiency and effectiveness in NG-CDF projects management by the people and enhance ownership of the projects by the community.

3.6.6 COMMENTS BY THE AREA MEMBER OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

He affirmed to the participants that he will be on the front line to promote development in the constituency. He called upon the stakeholders to undertake constructive development activities that would spur socio economic growth in the region. He promised to propel equitable distribution of resources in line with other national government agencies hand in hand with the county government.

3.6.7 PROJECTS PRIORITIES IDENTIFIED IN THE WARD

Residents then grouped into locations, deliberated on priorities before coming together as a Ward with a final summary as below:

EDUCATION SECTOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS

1	Technology Primary School	Renovation of hall
2	Vidhu Ramji Primary School	Renovation of remaining 6 classrooms
3	Mbiri Primary School	Renovation of remaining 8 classrooms
5	Kiangage Primary School	Renovation of remaining 7 classrooms
7	Mjini Primary School	Renovation of remaining 8 classrooms
8	Konguini Primary School	Construction of kitchen

EDUCATION SECTOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS

1	Vidhu Ramji Secondary School	Renovation of 6 classrooms
2	Murang'a High School	Construction of gate walls/ house
3	St. Joseph Kiangage Sec School	Renovation of 7 classrooms

SECURITY PROJECTS

1	Njoguini Chief's Office	Power connection, wiring and purchase of furniture
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3.6.8 CHALLENGES

Overreliance on NG-CDF funds by the public and the restrictive nature of the NG-CDF Act in terms of the scope of projects to be funded.

3.6.9 WAY FORWARD

The area Member of County Assembly to hold consultative meeting with all the stakeholders to avoid duplication/ double funding or concentration of similar of projects in one locality.

3.6.10 ADJOURNMENT

The area chief appreciated all present for their patience before inviting a volunteer to close the meeting with a word of prayer.

3.7 CONCLUSION

- The area member of national assembly was tasked to move a motion in the National Assembly for allocation of funds to constituencies based on population rather than equal share since Kiharu is double the size of her neighbors and was receiving an equal portion of developments funds with them hence the pressure on allocation of funds to projects and bursary.
- Frequent development forums should be held to give the public information concerning the development initiatives being undertaken by all the development partners and the various funding agencies.
- There should be a joint forum where NG-CDF, County Government and other development stakeholders plan together to avoid duplication of projects.
- Ongoing projects to be given top priority so that the community may enjoy the intended benefit as well as realize value for money.

SIGNED:



SECRETARY, NGCDFC

27/09/2021

DATE



CHAIRMAN, NGCDFC

27th Sept 2021

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DEPUTY COUNTY COMMISSIONER

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