



COUNTY REVENUE FUND

County Government of Kitui

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2023

Prepared in accordance with the Cash Basis of Accounting Method under the International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS)

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1. Acronyms and glossary of terms

a) Acronyms

CA	County Assembly
COB	Controller of Budget
CRF	County Revenue Fund
FY	Financial Year
IPSAS	International Public Sector Accounting Standards
NT	National Treasury
OSR	Own Source Revenue
PFMA	Public Finance Management Act
PSASB	Public Sector Accounting Standards Board
ROR	Receiver of Revenue
Kshs	Kenya Shillings
b) glossary of terms	
Comparative FY	Comparative Prior Financial Year

Fiduciary Management The key management personnel who had financial responsibility

(Entity to insert all the relevant acronyms and key terms used in the annual report and financial *statements*)

2. Key Entity Information and Management

a) Background information

Article 207 of the Constitution of Kenya provides for the establishment of the County Revenue Fund into which shall be paid all money raised or received by or on behalf of the County Government.

b) Key Management Team

The County Revenue Funds day-to-day management is under the following key organs:

No.	Designation	Name
1.	CECM Finance, Economic Planning and Revenue	Peter Mwikya Kilonzo
	Management	
2.	C.O Finance and Revenue Management	CPA John Kimwele Makau
3.	Director Accounting Services/Finance	CPA Joel Mwinzi Muyanga

c) Fiduciary Management

The key management personnel who held office during the financial year ended 30th June 20xx and who had direct fiduciary responsibility were:

No.	Designation	Name
1	CECM Finance, Economic Planning and	Peter Mwikya Kilonzo
1.	Revenue Management	
2.	Accounting Officer in charge of Finance	CPA John Kimwele Makau
3.	Director Accounting Services/Finance	CPA Joel Mwinzi Muyanga

d) Fiduciary Oversight Arrangements

The key fiduciary oversight bodies at the County for the year ended 30th June 2023 were:

a. **County Assembly of Kitui** - the Constitution confers the county's legislative authority to the County Assembly. The County Assembly make laws that are necessary to ensure county governments perform their functions under the Fourth Schedule of the constitution. A County Assembly exercises oversight on the county executive committee. County Assembly receives and approves plans and policies that affect the management and exploitation of the county's resources. County Assembly approves development and management of county infrastructure, resources and institutions.

- b. **Kitui County Assembly Public Investment and Accounts Committee** Examine accounts showing appropriations by the County assembly to meet public expenditure and reports on the workings of the County public investments.
- c. **Kitui County Assembly Budget and Appropriation Committee** Investigate inquire into and report on all matters related to the budget and county budget policy statement. The committee also review the county budget estimates and make recommendations to the County Assembly.
- d. Kitui County Assembly Finance and Economic Planning Committee investigate reports on the implementation of County budget.
- e. **Kitui County Budget and Economic Forum** coordinate and collect views from the public during the budgeting process and the forum act as a think-tank for the County government in terms of financial and economic management. Assist the county to analyses and identify its priorities as they budget for programs. The forum improves coordination between the citizens and government as they bring about harmonisation of project implementation and funding.
- f. Audit Committee promote the integrity and quality of internal and external reports by providing a high level of assurance and check. The audit committee also foster and promotes a more effective and efficient audit process by providing an independent review of the internal audit annual work plan and reports.
- g. **Controller of Budget** oversees the implementation of the budgets of both national and county governments. The Controller of budget monitors the use of public funds in-year and reports to Parliament on how the funds have been utilised. The office authorises withdrawals from county revenue fund as per the County Appropriation Act.
- h. **National Treasury** Formulate, implement, and monitor macroeconomic policies involving expenditure and revenue. National treasury also assists county governments to develop their capacity for efficient, effective, and transparent financial management.
- i. The Senate Committee on Public Investments and Accounts investigate on the reports and accounts of the public investments. They also examine the reports, if any, of the Auditor General on the public investments; and check the context of the autonomy and efficiency of the public investments, whether the affairs of the public investments, are being managed in accordance with sound financial practices.
- j. **Donor Appointed Auditors for the various grants** promote the integrity and quality of internal and external reports by providing a high level of assurance and check. They ensure the county spending is in agreement with donor conditions and guidelines.

County Government of Kitui County Revenue Fund For the financial year ended 30th June 2023

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i) Principal Legal Adviser

The Attorney General State Law Office and Department of Justice Harambee Avenue P.O. Box 40112 City Square 00200 NAIROBI, KENYA

3. Statement by the CECM Finance

Performance of the County Revenue Fund

Analysis of Revenues

During the Financial year under review July 2022 to June 2023, the County Government of Kitui had a total of budget of Kshs 12.305 billion, comprising of Kshs 10.393 billion being equitable share; Kshs 374.080 million from conditional grants, Kshs 420 million local revenues and a revote of Kshs 1.118 billion.

The County received a total of Kshs 12.374 billion comprising of Equitable share amounting to 10.393 billion, grants and donor funds Kshs 369.573 million while local revenues amounted to Kshs 462.593 million and Kshs 1.118 billion being amount brought forward as revote, total receipts amounted to Kshs 12.057 billion. Donor funds were received as per budget apart from National Agricultural Value Chain Development Project and Emergency Locust Response Project which recorded 96% and 98% respectively. The amount revoted during the period included Kshs 831,517,634 equitable share for the June 2022, which was not disbursed during 2021-22 financial year.

Revenue Streams	FY	FY	FY	FY	FY
	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
Equitable share	8,729	8,830	9,589	10,393	10,393
Local Revenue	760	600	600	800	420
Conditional grants	1,005	1,599	831	967	374
Revote	1,193	765	818	307	1118
Total	11,688	11,795	11,839	12,468	12,305

Table 1: Budget Analysis by Revenue Streams (Kshs. Millions)

Source: Kitui County Treasury

An analysis of the composition of County revenue reveals that the equitable share accounts for about 83.96% of total revenue while grants accounted for 3.04%, local revenues accounted for 3.41% and revote brought forward accounted for 9.03% of the Budget. Both local and foreign grants have grown over time to replace a portion of equitable share, reducing its percentage from over 90% at the inception of devolution in 2013 to about 84.96% in 2022-2023 financial years. Over the years conditional grants from National Government and National Government entities have also grown in numerical terms as well as a percentage of the overall budget.

County Government of Kitui County Revenue Fund For the financial year ended 30th June 2023

Disbursement of County Revenue Fund for the Year

The table below shows how the total CRF receipts for the financial year ended 30 June 2023 were disbursed.

Period (2021/22)	Quarter 1. (Kshs.)	Quarter 2 (Kshs.)	Quarter 3 (Kshs.)	Quarter 4 (Kshs.)	Total (Kshs.)
County Executive - Recurrent	1,312,750,609	1,833,190,697	1,856,202,936	2,338,382,708	7,340,526,950
County Executive - Development	9,335,105	69,114,285	164,100,173	1,400,751,071	1,643,300,834
County Assembly - Recurrent	97,245,530	174,816,111	325,688,970	432,186,087	1,029,936,698
County Assembly - Development	-	-	-	-	-
Urban Development Grant (UDG)	-	-	-	2,339,914,85	2,339,914.85
Agricultural Sector Development Support Program (ASDSP)		5,500,000	11,636,683	5,500,000	22,636,683
Primary Health Care	-	-	10,044,000	28,405,688	38,449,688
Climate Change	-	-	-	22,000,000	22,000,000
Emergency Locust Response Program			27,584,884.60	40,937,643.00	68,522,528
Value Chain				67,192,729	67,192,729
National Agriculture and Rural Inclusive Growth Project (NARIGP)	57,625,486	27,997,816	158, 923,008	17,052,215	261,598,525
Total	1,476,956,730	2,110,618,909	2,395,257,647	4,352,408,141	10,496,504,550

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CECM- Finance, Economic Planning and Revenue Management

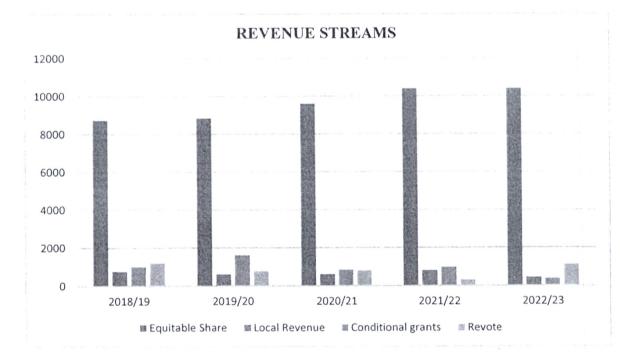
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4. Management Discussion and Analysis

A trend wise analysis of the County Revenue Fund (CRF) per item classification as a proportion of the total revenue over the last five years reveals that of all the major sources, equitable share has increased by 11% through the FY 2022/23, own source revenue has remained at an average of 636 million per year while conditional grants decreased between the FY 2018/19 and 2022/23.

A comparison of revenue streams to the CRF account over a period of five years in Millions

Revenue Streams	FY	FY	FY	FY	FY
	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
Equitable share	8,729	8,830	9,589	10,393	10,393
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Conditional grants	1,005	1,599	831	967	374
Revote	1,193	765	818	307	1,118
Total	11,687	11,794	11,838	12,467	12,305



Source; Kitui County Treasury 2023

The revote has reduced between the financial year 2018/19 and 2021/22 but increased in the current Financial Year (2022/23) up to Kshs 1.118B. This indicates that the absorption rate for the current year has reduced as compared to previous years. The revote amount has remained significant only for a period when equitable share for the month of June is delayed and disbursed in the following financial year.

5. Overview of the County Revenue Fund Operations

Background

Article 207 of the Constitution of Kenya provides for the establishment of a County Revenue Fund into which shall be paid all money raised or received by or on behalf of the County Government. As outlined under Section 109 of the Public Finance Management (PFM) Act, 2012 the County Treasury is responsible for administration of the County Revenue Fund. The County Revenue Fund is maintained as the County Exchequer Account at the Central Bank of Kenya.

Receipts into the County Revenue Fund

County Government revenue is received through appointed County Receiver of Revenue by the County Executive Committee Member for finance to the County Treasury pursuant to Section 157 (1) of the PFM Act 2012. Receipts include Exchequer releases, grants from development partners, proceeds from domestic and foreign borrowings, and other miscellaneous deposits in the County Revenue Fund Account.

Transfers from the County Revenue Fund

The withdrawal of funds from the County Revenue Fund is authorized by the County appropriation Act. The County Treasury is required to seek the Controller of Budget's approval for withdrawal of funds from the County Revenue Fund to the County Executive and County Assembly bank accounts. These entities are responsible for the administration of their respective approved budgets.

Financial Reporting requirements

The Accounting Officer for the County Revenue Fund is required to prepare and submit the financial statements to the Auditor-General and a copy to the Controller of Budget, and the Commission on Revenue Allocation.

This statement therefore covers the operations of the County Exchequer Account for the financial year ended 30th June 2023.

CEC Member – Finance, Economic Planning and Revenue Management County Government of Kitui

6. Statement of Management Responsibility

Article 207 of the Constitution, Sections 109 and 167 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 requires a County Revenue Fund established by the Constitution, an Act of Parliament or county legislation to prepare financial statements for the Fund for each financial year in a form prescribed by the Public Sector Accounting Standards Board and submit to the Auditor General and a copy to the Commission on Revenue Allocation and the Controller of Budget.

The Accounting Officer at the County Treasury is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the County Revenue Fund financial statements, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Fund as at the end of the financial year ended on June 30, 2023. This responsibility includes: (i)Maintaining adequate financial management arrangements and ensuring that these continue to be effective throughout the reporting period; (ii)Maintaining proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the County Revenue Fund; (iii) Designing, implementing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the Financial Statements, and ensuring that they are free from material misstatements, whether due to error or fraud; (iv)Safeguarding the assets of the County Revenue Fund; (v)Selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and (iv)Making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

The Accounting Officer accepts responsibility for the County Revenue Fund's financial statements, which have been prepared on the Cash Basis Method of financial reporting, using appropriate accounting policies in accordance with International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS). The Accounting Officer is of the opinion that the County Revenue Fund's financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the County Revenue Fund's transactions during the financial year ended June 30, 2023, and of its financial position as at that date.

The Accounting Officer further confirms the completeness of the accounting records maintained for the County Revenue Fund which have been relied upon in the preparation of its financial statements as well as the adequacy of the systems of internal financial control. The Accounting Officer confirms that the County Revenue Fund has complied fully with applicable Government Regulations and the terms of external financing covenants. Further, Accounting Officer confirms that the County Revenue Fund's Financial Statements have been prepared in a form that complies with relevant Accounting Standards prescribed by the Public Sector Accounting Standards Board of Kenya.

Approval of the Financial Statements

The County Revenue Fund's financial statements were approved and signed on 36/11 2023.

(W) Signature Name Sola Makal

Chief Officer Finance /Accounting Officer County Government of Kitui

7. Report of the Independent Auditor on the County Revenue Fund of County Government of Kitui for the Year ended 30th June 2023

Reference No. on the external audit Report	Issue / Observations from Auditor	Management comments	Status: (Resolved /Not Resolved)	Timeframe: (Put a date when you. expect the issue to be resolved).
	Discrepancies Between			in o o c i caoivelij
1.1	the Financial Statements and the Notes Amounts	Corrections were made in the revised financial		
	Misstaments in the	statement	Resolved	
1.2	Statement of Receipts and Payments	Adjustments were made in the revised financial statements	Resolved	
2	Inaccuracies in Own Generated Revenue	The variances in figures occurred due to differences in the final date for revenue swipes to the CRF Account and the actual financial reporting date.	Resolved	

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REPORT OF THE AUDITOR-GENERAL ON COUNTY REVENUE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE, 2023 - COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KITUI

PREAMBLE

I draw your attention to the contents of my report which is in three parts:

- A. Report on the Financial Statements that considers whether the financial statements are fairly presented in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework, accounting standards and the relevant laws and regulations that have a direct effect on the financial statements.
- B. Report on Lawfulness and Effectiveness in Use of Public Resources which considers compliance with applicable laws, regulations, policies, gazette notices, circulars, guidelines and manuals and whether public resources are applied in a prudent, efficient, economic, transparent and accountable manner to ensure the Government achieves value for money and that such funds are applied for the intended purpose.
- C. Report on the Effectiveness of Internal Controls, Risk Management and Governance which considers how the entity has instituted checks and balances to guide internal operations. This responds to the effectiveness of the governance structure, risk management environment and internal controls, developed and implemented by those charged with governance for orderly, efficient and effective operations of the entity.

An unmodified opinion does not necessarily mean that an entity has complied with all relevant laws and regulations and that its internal controls, risk management and governance systems are properly designed and were working effectively in the financial year under review.

The three parts of the report are aimed at addressing the statutory roles and responsibilities of the Auditor-General as provided by Article 229 of the Constitution, the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 and the Public Audit Act, 2015. The three parts of the report when read together constitute the report of the Auditor-General.

REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Qualified Opinion

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of County Revenue Fund - County Government of Kitui set out on pages 12 to 23, which comprise of the statement of receipts and payments and statement of comparison of budget and actual amounts for the year ended 30 June, 2023, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other

explanatory information in accordance with the provisions of Article 229 of the Constitution of Kenya and Section 35 of the Public Audit Act, 2015. I have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of my knowledge and belief, were necessary for the purpose of the audit.

In my opinion, except for the effect of the matters described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section of my report, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial performance of County Revenue Fund - County Government of Kitui for the year ended 30 June, 2023, in accordance with International Public Sector Accounting Standards (Cash Basis) and comply with the Public Financial Management Act, 2012 and the County Governments Act, 2012.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

Inaccuracies in the Financial Statements

Review of the financial statements revealed the following inaccuracies in the financial statements:

- i. The statement of receipts and payments reflects a closing fund balance of Kshs.2,209,387,481 while the corresponding Note 11 to the financial statements reflects an amount of Kshs.1,574,824,601 resulting to an unexplained and an unreconciled variance of Kshs.634,562,880.
- ii. The statement of receipts and payments reflects balances of Kshs.372,987,443 and Kshs.487,027,810 in respect of comparative closing fund balance and net decrease in cash for the year, respectively which are at variance with the previous year's audited balances of Kshs.1,347,043,064 and Kshs.487,027,810 respectively, each resulting to an unexplained and an unexplained variance of Kshs.974,055,620.
- iii. The statement of receipts and payments and, as disclosed in Note 6 to the financial statements, reflects own source revenue amount of Kshs.462,592,621. Review of the County Revenue Fund bank statements and schedule for disbursements revealed that an amount of Kshs.467,089,152 was transferred from the Kitui County Executive to County Revenue Fund during the year under review, resulting in an unexplained variance of Kshs.4,496,531.
- iv. The statement of receipts and payments and, as disclosed in Note 8 to the financial statements, reflects an amount of Kshs.9,466,567,852 in respect of transfers to the County Executive. However, the statement of receipts and payments included in the County Executive's financial statements reflects an amount of Kshs.11,225,488,047 as being transfers from County Revenue Fund. The resulting variance of Kshs.1,758,920,195 has not been explained or reconciled.

In the circumstances, the accuracy and completeness of the highlighted balances could not be confirmed.

The audit was conducted in accordance with the International Standards for Supreme Audit Institutions (ISSAIs). I am independent of the County Revenue Fund - County Government of Kitui Management in accordance with ISSAI 130 on the Code of Ethics. I have fulfilled other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the ISSAI and in accordance

with other ethical requirements applicable to performing audits of financial statements in Kenya. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my qualified opinion.

Emphasis of Matter

Budgetary Control and Performance

The statement of comparison of budget and actual amounts reflects final expenditure Kshs.12,306,052,565 comparable basis of and budaet and actual on under-expenditure Kshs.10,496,504,550 respectively, resulting of to an Kshs.1.809,548,015 or 15% of the budget.

The underperformance affected implementation of planned activities and programs and may have impacted negatively on service delivery to the public.

My opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in my professional judgement, are of most significance in the audit of the financial statements. There were no key audit matters to report in the year under review.

Other Matter

Unresolved Prior Year Audit Matters

In the audit report for the previous year several issues were raised under the Report on Financial Statements. However, Management has not resolved the prior year audit issues or provided an explanation for the delay in resolving them.

REPORT ON LAWFULNESS AND EFFECTIVENESS IN USE OF PUBLIC RESOURCES

Conclusion

As required by Article 229(6) of the Constitution and based on the audit procedures performed, except for the matter described in the Basis for Conclusion, I confirm that nothing else has come to my attention to cause me to believe that public resources have not been applied lawfully and in an effective way.

Basis for Conclusion

Failure to Comply with the Financial Reporting Template

Review of the financial statements revealed the following non-compliance issues:

- i. The section on the financial statements and Notes to the financial statements has been paginated from page 12 instead of page 1.
- ii. The details of County Attorney have been omitted from key entity information and management.

iii. The report on progress on follow up of the auditor's recommendations has been included in the wrong section of the report.

In the circumstances, the Fund's Management did not comply with the financial reporting template prescribed by the Public Sector Accounting Standards Board (PSASB).

The audit was conducted in accordance with the International Standards for Supreme Audit Institutions (ISSAI) 4000. The Standard requires that I comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain assurance about whether the activities, financial transactions and information reflected in the financial statements comply, in all material respects, with the authorities that govern them. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my conclusion.

REPORT ON THE EFFECTIVENESS OF INTERNAL CONTROLS, RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE

Conclusion

As required by Section 7(1)(a) of the Public Audit Act, 2015 and based on the audit procedures performed, I confirm that, nothing has come to my attention to cause me to believe that internal controls, risk management and governance were not effective.

Basis for Conclusion

The audit was conducted in accordance with the International Standards for Supreme Audit Institutions (ISSAIs) 2315 and 2330. The Standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain assurance about whether effective processes and systems of internal controls, risk management and overall governance were operating effectively, in all material respects. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my conclusion.

Responsibilities of Management and those Charged with Governance

The Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with International Public Sector Accounting Standards (Cash Basis) and for maintaining effective internal controls as the Management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal controls, risk management and governance.

In preparing the financial statements, Management is responsible for assessing the Fund ability to continue to sustain services, disclosing as applicable, matters related to sustainability of services and using the applicable basis of accounting unless Management is aware of the intention to terminate the Fund or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Management is also responsible for the submission of the financial statements to the Auditor-General in accordance with the provisions of Section 47 of the Public Audit Act, 2015.

Report of the Auditor-General on County Revenue Fund for the year ended 30 June, 2023 - County Government of Kitui

In addition to the responsibility for the preparation and presentation of the financial statements described above, the Management is also responsible for ensuring that the activities, financial transactions and information reflected in the financial statements comply with the authorities which govern them and that public resources are applied in an effective way.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the fund financial reporting process, reviewing the effectiveness of how Management monitors compliance with relevant legislative and regulatory requirements, ensuring that effective processes and systems are in place to address key roles and responsibilities in relation to governance and risk management, and ensuring the adequacy and effectiveness of the control environment.

Auditor-General's Responsibilities for the Audit

The audit objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion in accordance with the provisions of Section 48 of the Public Audit Act, 2015 and submit the audit report in compliance with Article 229(7) of the Constitution. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISSAIs will always detect a material misstatement and weakness when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

In addition to the audit of the financial statements, a compliance audit is planned and performed to express a conclusion about whether, in all material respects, the activities, financial transactions and information reflected in the financial statements are in compliance with the authorities that govern them, and that public resources are applied in an effective way, in accordance with the provisions of Article 229(6) of the Constitution and submit the audit report in compliance with Article 229(7) of the Constitution.

Further, in planning and performing the audit of the financial statements and audit of compliance, I consider internal control in order to give an assurance on the effectiveness of internal controls, risk management and overall governance processes and systems in accordance with the provisions of Section 7(1)(a) of the Public Audit Act, 2015 and submit the audit report in compliance with Article 229(7) of the Constitution. My consideration of the internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses under the ISSAIs. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

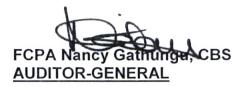
Because of its inherent limitations, internal control may not prevent or detect misstatements and instances of non-compliance. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the Fund policies and procedures may deteriorate.

As part of an audit conducted in accordance with ISSAIs, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Management's use of the applicable basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability to sustain its services. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in the auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my audit report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Fund to cease to sustain its services.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information and business activities of the Fund to express an opinion on the financial statements.
- Perform such other procedures as I consider necessary in the circumstances.

I communicate with the Management regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that are identified during the audit.

I also provide Management with a statement that I have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence and communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on my independence and where applicable, related safeguards.



Nairobi

15 February, 2024

8. Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 30th June 2023.

		2022-2023	2021-2022
	Notes	Kshs.	Kshs.
Receipts			
Exchequer releases	1	11,225,488,047	9,562,452,779
Transfers from other government agencies	2	369,572,765.8	205,296,005
Other grants	3	-	-
Proceeds from Domestic Borrowing	4	-	-
Proceeds from Foreign Borrowing	5	-	-
Own Source Revenue	6	462,592,621	359,219,242
Return to CRF issues	7	317,281,440	(846,247,052)
Total Receipts		12,374,934,874	9,280,720,974
Payments			
Transfers to County Executive	8	9,466,567,852	8,851,200,323
Transfers to County Assembly	9	1,029,936,698	916,548,462
Other Transfers	10	-	-
Total Payments		10,496,504,550	9,767,748,785
Net increase/ (decrease) in cash for the year		1,878,430,324	(487,027,810)
Add Opening fund balance b/f	11	330,957,157	860,015,254
Closing Fund balance for the year	11	2,209,387,481	372,987,443

Name John Madau **Chief Officer - Finance** 2027 Date.....

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Name Muyanga

Director Accounting Services ICPAK Member No. 7969 ICPAK Member, No... Date: 30 (n 2023

Statement of Comparison of Budget Actual Amounts for the Year Ended 30th June, 2023.

eceipt/Payments	Original Budget	Adjustments	Final Budget	Actual on Comparable Basis	Budget Realization Difference	% of Realization
	а	b	c=a+b	d	e=c-d	f=d/c %
eceipts	Kshs	Kshs	Kshs	Kshs	Kshs	
cchequer leases	10,393,970,413	-	10,393,970,413	11,225,488,046	(831,517,633)	108.00
ansfers from her government encies	-	-	-	-	-	
ther conditional ants	505,225,111	(131,144,602)	374,080,509	369,572,766	4,507,743	98.79
oceeds from omestic orrowing	-	-	-	-	-	
oceeds from oreign orrowing	-	-	-	-	-	
wn Source evenue	600,000,000	(180,000,000)	420,000,000	462,592,621	(42,592,621)	110.14
eturn to CRF	-	1,118,001,643	1,118,001,643	317,281,440	800,720,203	28.38
otal Receipts	11,499,195,524	806,857,041	12,306,052,565	12,374,934,873	(68,882,308)	100.56
iyments						
ansfers to bunty Executive	10,351,830,610	424,344,336	10,776,174,946	9,466,567,852	1,309,607,094	87.85
ansfers to ounty Assembly	1,147,364,914	382,512,705	1,529,877,619	1,029,936,698	499,940,921	67.32
thers	-	-	-	-	-	
otal Payments	11,499,195,524	806,857,041	12,306,052,565	10,496,504,550	1,809,548,015	85.30
alance	-	-	-	1,878,430,323	1,878,430,323	15.26

• The difference between original budgets and final budget is a result of two supplementary budgets approved during the year, which introduced revote of *Kshs1,118,001,643* and

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adjusted own source revenue downward from Kshs 10.00,000,000 to Kshs 420,000,000. I his in an overall increase in budget from Kshs 11.499 billion to Kshs 12.306 billion.

• During the year the County received equitable share for the month of 100 more the V022 among to 0.00 .

 Overall budget realization was 85% due to change in the government and new Cabinet members and chief officers were sworn in the month of February 2023 therefore there was delay in implementation of the budgets

10. Significant Accounting Policies

a) Statement of compliance and basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Cash-basis IPSAS financial reporting under the Cash-Basis of accounting, as prescribed by the PSASB and Section 167 of the PFM Act 2012.

The Financial Statements are presented in Kenya Shillings, which is the functional and reporting currency of the Fund, all values are rounded to the nearest Kenya Shilling. The accounting policies adopted have been consistently applied to all the years presented.

b) Reporting entity

This report relates to financial operations of the County Revenue Fund domiciled at the County Treasury and bank account maintained at Central Bank of Kenya.

c) Receipts

Receipts include funds deposited in the County Revenue Fund pursuant to Article 207 of the Constitution of Kenya and Section 109 of the PFM Act 2012.

The receipts collected include Exchequer releases, own source revenue, grants from development partners, proceeds from domestic and foreign borrowings, and other miscellaneous deposits in the County Exchequer Account.

Transfers from the exchequer and own source revenue are recognized in the books of accounts when cash is received. Cash is considered as received when payment instruction is issued to the bank and notified to the receiving entity.

d) Payments

Payments are based on the County Government Appropriation Act. The exchequer requests are received by County Treasury, which rationalizes the requests based on the available balance, consolidates the requests and forwards them to Controller of Budget (COB) for approval. Once the approval of COB is obtained, the funds are released to the County Assembly and County Executive operational accounts appropriately.

County Government of Kitui County Revenue Fund For the financial year ended 30th June 2023

Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

e) Fund Balances

Fund balances comprise bank balances in County Exchequer Account held at Central Bank of Kenya.

f) Restriction on Cash

Restricted cash represents amounts that are limited/restricted from being used to settle a liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period. This cash is limited for direct use as required by stipulation. There were no restrictions on cash during the year.

11. Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Exchequer releases

The following is an analysis by revenue type of the receipts collected in the County Revenue Fund:

Description	2022/2023	2021/2022
	Kshs.	Kshs.
Equitable Share (a)	11,225,488,047	9,562,452,779
Level 5 hospitals (b)	-	-
Others (Specify) (c)	-	-
Total (d=a+b+c)	11,225,488,047	9,562,452,77

2. Transfers from other government agencies**

Description	2022/2023	2021/2022
	Kshs.	Kshs.
Road Maintenance Levy	-	-
Kenya Urban Support Programme	2,339,915	
Covid-19		
Development of Youth Polytechnics-State Department of TVETS	-	-
User Fees Foregone -Ministry of Health	-	-
World Bank -Transforming Health Systems for Universal Care Project (THUSP)-Ministry of Health	-	23,942,835
Word Bank-NARIGP-State Department of Crop Development	169,475,223	150,349,619
World Bank Kenya Climate Smart Agriculture (KCSAP) - State Department of Crop Development	-	-
DANIDA Grant -Primary Health care in devolved context -Ministry of Health	28,405,688	-
IDA (World Bank) Credit: Water & Sanitation Development Project (WSDP)-Min. Water, Sanitation, and Irrigation	-	-
SIDA Agricultural Sector Development Support Programme II (ASDSP II)-State Department of Crop Development	11,636,683	16,926,637
Word Bank-Emergency Locust Response Project (ILRP) State Department of Crop Development	68,522,528	14,076,914
Word Bank-Kenya Informal settlement improvement project (KISIP 11)-State Department of Housing & Urban Development	-	-
UNFPA-9th County Programme Implementation - Ministry of Health	-	-
EU Grant (Instruments for Devolution Advice and Support- (IDEAS)-State Department of Devolution	-	-

County Government of Kitui County Revenue Fund For the financial year ended 30th June 2023

Description	2022/2023	2021/2022
KfW German Development Bank- Drought Resilience	-	-
Programme in Northern Kenya (DRPNK)-Min. Water,		
Sanitation, and Irrigation		
IDA World Bank National Agricultural Value Chain	67,192,729	-
Development Project (NAVCDP) -State Department of		
Crop Development		
(IDA) World Bank Credit-Financing locally Led climate	22,000,000	-
programme (FFLoCA)1 CCIS Grant State Department of		
Total	369,572,766.00	205,296,005

(These include conditional grants from National government)

3. Other grants**

Description	2022/2023	2021/2022
	Kshs.	Kshs.
Donor 1 (Specify)	-	-
Donor 2 (Specify)	-	-
Donor 3 (Specify)	-	-
Others (Specify)	-	-
	-	-

** These are funds received from development partners directly to the CRF.

4. Proceeds from Domestic borrowing.

Description	2022/2023	2021/2022
	Kshs.	Kshs.
Borrowing within General Government	-	-
Borrowing from Monetary Authorities (Central Bank)	-	-
Other Domestic Depository Corporations (Commercial Banks)	-	-
Borrowing from Other Domestic Financial Institutions	-	-
Borrowing from Other Domestic Creditors	-	-
Domestic Currency and Domestic Deposits	-	-
Others (Specify)	-	-
Total	-	-

(There was no Domestic borrowing during the year)

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

5. Proceeds from Foreign Borrowing

Description	2022/2023	2021/2022
	Kshs.	Kshs.
Foreign Borrowing - Drawdowns Through Exchequer	-	
Foreign Borrowing - Direct Payments	-	-
Foreign Currency and Foreign Deposits	-	-
Others (Specify)	-	-
Total	-	-

(There was no foreign borrowing during the year)

6. Own Source Revenue

Description	2022/2023	2021/2022
	Kshs.	Kshs.
Cess	9,066,048.00	7,389,550
Land rate	11,691,053.00	13,450,023
Single/Business permits	76,558,410.00	61,506,705
Property rent	12,526,060.00	1,999,800
Parking fees	15,017,314.00	10,347,962
Market fees	14,853,052.00	10,941,907
Advertising	23,026,225.00	16,063,191
Hospital fees	268,630,760.00	188,556,171
Public health service fees	15,200.00	-
Physical planning and development	-	-
Hire of County Assets	1,857,155.00	1,788,290
Conservancy administration	47,300.00	4,866,727
Administration control fees and charges	2,513,214.00	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Park fees	547,487.00	1,044,537
Proceeds from sale of assets	525,200.00	
Other fines, penalties, and forfeiture fees	13,018,178.00	
Miscellaneous	12,461,000.00	9,128,100
Others (Specify)		
Total	462,592,621.00	359,219,242

County Government of Kitui County Revenue Fund For the financial year ended 30th June 2023

(Excluded from own source revenues is an amount of **Kshs 11,395,086** which is money collected but not surrendered by collectors to the receiver of revenue as at the closure of the financial year. Recovery process is ongoing to recover this amount).

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

7. Return to CRF Issues

Description	2022/2023 Kshs.	2021/2022 Kshs.
Recurrent Account (County Executive)	317,281,440	846,247,052
Development Account (County Executive)		-
Recurrent Account (County Assembly)	-	-
Development Account (County Assembly)	-	-
Others (Specify)	-	-
Total	317,281,440	846,247,052

(Returned CRF issues are as a result of late disbursement of funds to the CRF account by the National Treasury leading to delays in payment especially at the closure of the financial year. As a result, the desired absorption rate of funds is not met. In addition, balances for donor accounted accounts are also included here).

8. Transfers to County Executive

Description	2022-2023	2021-2022
	Kshs.	Kshs.
Recurrent Account	7,340,526,950	6,383,092,914
Development Account	1,643,300,834	2,262,811,403
Special Purpose Accounts	482,740,068	205,296,006
Others (Specify)	-	-
Total	9,466,567,852	8,851,200,323

(Withdrawal of the funds was authorised through the Kitui County appropriation Act, No. 3 of 2022. An Act of the County Assembly of Kitui to authorise the issue of a sum of money out of the County Revenue Fund and its application towards the service of the year ending the 30th of June 2023 and to appropriate the funds for certain public services and purposes.)

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

9. Transfers to County Assembly

Description	2022-2023	2021-2022
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Recurrent Account	1,029,936,698	916,548,462
Development Account	-	-
Special purpose accounts	-	-
Others (Specify)	-	-
Total	1,029,936,698	916,548,462

(As per the Kitui County appropriation Act, No. 4 of 2022, the amount required and authorized in the year ending 30 June 2022 for salaries and expenses of the County assembly including general administration, planning and support services amounted to **Kshs. 1,029,936,698**)

10. Other Transfers

Description	2022-2023	2021-2022
	Kshs.	Kshs.
Agency Notices	-	
Others (Specify)	-	
Total	-	

11. Fund balance

Description	2022-2023	2021-2022
	Kshs.	Kshs.
County Exchequer Account - (<i>CBK Account number</i> 1000171111)	1,574,824,601	860,015,254
Total	1,574,824,601	860,015,254

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

12. Disclosure of Balances in Revenue Collection Accounts

County Government Own source revenue is recognized in the financial statements when it has been swiped to CRF. Revenue collection account balances are disclosed as at the end of the reporting period as below.

Name Of Bank, Account No. & Currency	Amount in bank account currency*	Ex. rate (if in foreign currency)	2022-2023	2021-2022
			Kshs	Kshs
PAYBILL 815815-relates				
Co-operative Account				
(0114181063200)			337,084	-
KCB Kitui County Revenue			299,678	6,431,646
Collection (1140752855)				
CO-OP Kitui County Health			1,168,340	105
Insurance Cover (01141810632200)				
Total			1,805,102	6,431,751

12. Annexes

Annex 1: Progress on follow up of Auditor's Recommendations

The following is the summary of issues raised by the external auditor, and management comments that were provided to the auditor;

Reference No. on the external audit Report	Issue / Observations from Auditor	Management comments	Status: (Resolved / Not Resolved)	Timeframe: (Put a date when you expect the issue to be resolved)

Guidance Notes:

(i) Use the same reference numbers as contained in the external audit report.

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- (ii) Obtain the "Issue/Observation" and "management comments", required above, from final external audit report that is signed by Management.
- (iii) Indicate the status of "Resolved" or "Not Resolved" by the date of submitting this report to National/ County Treasury.

Chief Officer Finance ICPAK Member No んs わ Date

Name John Makav

Annex 2. Analysis Of Receipts from The National Treasury Exchequer Releases

Period 2022-2023	Quarter 1 (Kshs.)	Quarter 2 (Kshs.)	Quarter 3 (Kshs.)	Quarter 4 (Kshs.)	Total (Kshs.)
Equitable Share	1,715,005,119	1,715,005,119	2,546,522,751	5,248,955,058	11,225,488,047
Level 5 Hospitals	-	-	-	-	-
DANIDA - Universal Healthcare in Devolved Units		_	_	28,405,688	28,405,688
Programme	-	-	-	20,405,000	20,405,000
World Bank – THUSCP	-	-	-	-	-
National Agricultural & Rural Inclusive Growth Project (NARIGP)	-	-	152,423,008	17,052,216	169,475,223
Kenya Devolution Support Programme	-	-	-	-	-
Youth Polytechnic support grant	-	-	-	-	-
Abolishment of user fees in health centres and dispensaries	-	-	-	-	-
Kenya Urban Support Programme	-	-	-	2,339,915	2,339,915
Emergency Locust Response Program	-	-	27,584,885	40,937,643	68,522,528
Agriculture Sector Development Support Project (ASDSP)	-	-	-	11,636,683	11,636,683
Kenya Climate Smart Agriculture Project (KCSAP)	-	-	11,000,000	11,000,000	22,000,000
Water and Sanitation Development Project	-	-	-	-	-
Value Chain	-	-	-	67,192,729	67,192,729
Others (Specify)	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1,715,005,119	1,715,005,119	2,737,530,644	5,427,519,932	11,595,060,813

Bert d 2020 2022	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	Total
Period 2022-2023	(Kshs.)	(Kshs.)	(Kshs.)	(Kshs.)	(Kshs.)
Cess	588,590	1,993,726	2,880,182	3,603,550	9,066,048.00
Land rate	1,593,305	1,513,665	4,933,904	3,650,179	11,691,053.00
Single/Business permits	2,394,975	3,214,170	46,682,580	24,266,685	76,558,410.00
Property rent	2,101,408	2,942,360	3,482,578	3,999,714	12,526,060.00
Parking fees	2,219,839	3,616,489	7,204,131	1,976,855	15,017,314.00
Market fees	3,098,322	4,170,314	4,013,254	3,571,162	14,853,052.00
Advertising	297,400	919,580	14,667,400	7,141,845	23,026,225.00
Hospital fees	43,802,113	52,442,830	98,917,366	73,468,451	268,630,760.00
Public health service fees	2,500	3,000	5,400	4,300	15,200.00
Slaughter house Administration	291,345	493,295	662,525	409,990	1,857,155.00
Physical planning and development	-	-	-	-	-
Technical Service Fees	-	41,000		6,300	47,300.00
Sell of Agriculture Goods	309,874	138,045	1,990,425	74,870	2,513,214.00
Hire of County Assets	222,114	312,373	13,000	-	547,487.00
Conservancy administration	15,200	27,500	435,200	47,300	525,200.00
Administration control fees and charges	1,277,370	4,178,935	3,881,074	3,680,799	13,018,178.00
Proceeds from sale of assets	122,705	-	-	-	122,705
Other fines, penalties, and forfeiture fees	2,000	3,700	17,100	93,460	116,260
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-
Others (Specify)	-	-	-	-	-
Total	61,599,535	80,781,457	196,165,094	134,592,435	462,592,621.00

Annex 3. Analysis Of Receipts from Own Source Revenue per Quarter

Annex 4: Analysis of Transfers from the County Revenue Fund

Period-20xx	Quarter 1 (Kshs.)	Quarter 2 (Kshs.)	Quarter 3	Quarter 4 (Kshs.)	Total (Kshs.)
County Executive -Rec	1,312,750,609	1,833,190,697	1,856,202,936	2,338,382,708	7,340,526,950
County Executive -Dev	9,335,105	69,114,285	164,100,373	1,400,751,071	1,643,300,834
County Assembly -Rec	97,245,530	174,816,111	325,688,970	432,186,087	1,029,936,698
County Assembly -Dev	-	-	-	-	-
Agricultural Sector Development Support		5,500,000	11,636,683	5,500,000	22,636,683
Program (ASDSP)	-				
Primary HealthCare	-	-	10,044,000	28,405,688	38,449,688
Emergency Locust Response Program			27,584,885	40,937,643	68,522,528
Climate Change Fund				22,000,000	22,000,000
National Agriculture and Rural Inclusive	57,625,486	27,997,816	23,552,216	152,423,008	261,598,526
Growth Project (NARIGP)					
Kenya Urban Development Grant (UDG)				2,339,915	2,339,915
Value Chain	-	-	-	67,192,729	67,192,729
Total	1,476,956,730	2,110,618,909	2,412,310,063	4,496,618,849	10,496,504,551

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