



**REMARKS BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF
KENYA, HON. DORCAS ODUOR, SC, EBS DURING THE OFFICIAL
LAUNCH OF THE KENYA INTEGRITY PLAN 2023-2028 HELD ON
THURSDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY 2025 AT KICC, NAIROBI**

Salutations

- The Alternate Chairperson of the National Coordinating Committee (NCC) of Kenya Leadership Integrity Forum (KLIF) and Chairperson of the EACC – **Bishop David Oginde, PhD, FCS**
- The Secretary of the NCC of KLIF and Secretary/CEO EACC - **Mr. Abdi Mohamud, MBS**
- The Heads of KLIF Partners
- Our Development Partners
- Heads of Government Institutions
- Senior Public Officers
- Members of the Fourth Estate
- Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Good Morning,

1. I am delighted to be here today as we launch the **Kenya Integrity Plan 2023-2028**. This is a momentous occasion, not only for the institutions represented here but for the entire nation, as we reaffirm our unwavering commitment to integrity, transparency, and accountability in all facets of public and private life.
2. Integrity is the cornerstone of any thriving democracy and a key pillar of sustainable development. A nation that upholds the principles of good governance, honesty, and ethical leadership is one that ensures prosperity for its people. The Kenya Integrity Plan provides us with a strategic roadmap to reinforce these principles and address the challenges that have hindered our collective progress, under the framework of the **Kenya Leadership Integrity Forum (KLIF)**.

3. Corruption, unethical practices, and abuse of office continue to pose significant threats to our national development. These vices drain public resources, erode public trust, and stifle economic growth. Through this Plan we are launching today, we are sending a clear message that Kenya is resolute in its pursuit of an integrity-driven society.

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4. The Kenya Integrity Plan is **not** just a policy document - it is a **call to action**. It aligns with our national and international commitments, including the Constitution of Kenya, the United Nations Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC), and the African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption. It serves as a comprehensive framework that emphasizes prevention, detection, enforcement, and civic engagement in promoting integrity and ethics.

5. As a Government, we recognize that **no single entity can combat corruption and uphold integrity alone**. This requires a collaborative effort among government institutions, the private sector, civil society, religious organizations, and the general public. This Plan establishes clear mechanisms for strengthening institutional frameworks, enhancing public service ethics, and fostering a culture of transparency and accountability.
6. Indeed, the fight for integrity is not solely the responsibility of the government. The private sector plays a critical role in ensuring ethical business practices, promoting fair competition, and fostering responsible corporate governance. I urge our business leaders to embrace transparency, reject illicit financial flows, and adopt integrity as a core business value.

7. Similarly, civil society organizations have a duty to hold institutions accountable, advocate for reforms, and educate the public on their role in fostering an ethical society. A vigilant and engaged citizenry is key to ensuring that integrity becomes a way of life rather than a mere aspiration.
8. We also take cognizance that **governance** is one of the key enablers of the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) aimed at creating a conducive business environment for socio-economic transformation in our country. To realize such aspirations, we must strengthen the **rule of law**, enhance **access to justice**, promote the respect of **human rights**, **peace** and **zero tolerance** to corruption.

9. As the Office of the Attorney General and Department of Justice, we commit to steer legal reforms, enforce anti-corruption measures, and promote a transparent legal system as enshrined in the Integrity Plan and other policy documents such as the National Ethics and Anti-Corruption Policy.

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10. Please allow me to **highlight** some of the achievements made by the Office of the Attorney General in the fight against corruption:

- Coordinating mutual legal assistance in corruption, economic crimes and criminal matters to leverage on international cooperation for effective investigations, prosecution, adjudication and recovery of assets;

- Undertaking anti-corruption campaigns and have established County Anti-Corruption Oversight Committee in all 47 counties to educate, sensitize and create awareness on corruption in the counties for purposes of effecting a fundamental change in the attitudes, behaviours and culture among Kenyans;
- Developed and published regulations under the Anti-Bribery Act and Guidelines to assist Public and Private Entities in the preparation of Procedures for the Prevention of Bribery and Corruption;
- Developed the **Whistle-blower Protection Bill** which seeks among others to provide procedures for reporting of improper conduct and sets out measures for persons who report improper conduct(whistle-blowers);

- Developed the **Anti-Corruption Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2025** which seeks to among other things;
 - i. To have corruption and economic crimes trial concluded within six (6) months after commencement and lessen the time taken on Appeals at the High Court and Court of Appeal.
 - ii. Call for the preparation and publication of quarterly reports by the ODPP on cases submitted by EACC for enhanced accountability by both entities.

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- 11.** To enhance institutional accountability, I urge and call upon all the Members to ensure the activities of the respective institutions outlined in the KIP are implemented. Indeed, the success of implementing the Kenya Integrity Plan is greatly dependent on the **support, goodwill, dedication** and **commitment** of all stakeholders.

- 12.** As the **Chairperson** of the **National Coordinating Committee (NCC)** of KLIF, a Committee consisting of Heads of Institutions (Accounting Officers and CEOs), I assure you of my commitment to having meetings **twice** a year in line with the Kenya Integrity Plan (2023-2028). That is, in the months of **May** and **October**. Convening regular meetings will ensure that we monitor the implementation of the Kenya Integrity Plan while coordinating support to members.

- 13.** In undertaking the various **institutional responsibilities** under the Kenya Integrity Plan, financial resources are an integral part. We aim to see accelerated progress and integrate the KIP activities to build up support for anti-corruption efforts and drive tangible results.
- 14.** I therefore, call upon all KLIF partner institutions to explore the provision of **adequate budgetary allocation** to support implementations of the activities of the Kenya Integrity Plan.

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- 15.** Today marks a new chapter in our nation’s journey toward a corruption-free Kenya. The Plan is a blueprint for a better future, and its successful implementation requires commitment, collaboration, and sustained action from all of us.

16. In concluding, I reiterate my unwavering support in promoting **national inclusivity** in the fight against corruption. Let us all work together towards a more transparent and accountable future.

Thank you.

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