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PSV operators count Loses

Following the ongoing countrywide crackdown on un-roadworthy vehicles, matatu operators in Eldoret have confessed how much the last week operation affected their daily earnings. Speaking with Fish FM, some of the operators claimed their families went without food that day among other challenges.

The operators complained that some of the impounded vehicles were faultless, and demanded lenience in future crackdowns.

These revelations come only a day after Eldoret OCPD Bernard Muinde Kioko disclosed that the general public is glad that sanity has been restored to the roads, in addition to announcing that a chain of more crackdowns is on the way. Yesterday, tens of Public Service Vehicles were impounded in a similar operation in Mombasa, as part of a countrywide endeavor to restore sanity in the roads.

End...Macharia

Education workshop chain in Uasin Gishu District

The Uasin Gishu District Education quality Assurance office has organized Education workshops geared towards improving teaching standards within the larger Uasin Gishu District. The District quality assurance officer Silas Otieno said that the programme which was reached at after a research on the difficult areas in various subjects within the education curriculum, is geared towards helping teachers in attaining average grades in the subjects that are believed to be difficult by students.

The chain which started yesterday with workshops for English and mathematics will take on another session tomorrow for Kiswahili and Chemistry in Uasin Gishu High school. The mathematics workshop was geared towards Operation E. out, an agenda to eliminate E grades in mathematics which saw 26% of the students in last years KCSE results in the district registering the grade in the subject. The English workshop was geared towards creating a positive attitude towards poetry and creative writing; areas the research showed are most feared by students. The sessions were facilitated by among others Evans Mugarizi and madam Ondimu of Moi University.

Ends..... Job Wesonga

Guiding and counselling department for teachers instituted in Uasin Gishu District

Teachers within the larger Uasin Gishu District will now enjoy guiding and counselling services to help them deal with stress in the place of work. The district quality assurance officer dealing with teachers' welfare Stephen Mbuka said that two guiding and counselling officers have been deployed to the district to help and train teachers on stress and stress management. Mbuka revealed the names of the officers as

Davis Gatua who is a senior counselor in the ministry of state for public service and Mr. Muchemi who is the chief counselor in the North Rift region.

He urged teachers to make use of the service to help improve their service delivery in their respective capacities. The counselling offices are situated at the Using Gishu District headquarters office room number 11.

Ends.....Job Wesonga

Change paramount for economic recovery in the country

Guaranteed security, transparency, the rule of law and accountability are the things that will attract foreign investment in Kenya. These are the utterances of the United States of America vice president Joe Biden who was making a key note address today at the KICC Nairobi, under the theme working together to meet regional challenges. Biden stated that the US wants to do business with Kenya, only if the country provides the right environment.

The US second in command highlighted peaceful change of power, bringing to account corrupt officials, addressing tribalism, unemployment as some of the issues that will see this country on the path towards economic prosperity. He added that Kenya has great potential in the region that needs to be tapped and nurtured to realize sustainable economic growth. Biden also thanked the country for hosting refugees from the neighbouring countries and pledged that the US government will work in partnership with Kenya to address such challenges.

National Aids Control Council aims to reduce spread of HIV AIDS

The National Aids Control Council is totally committed on the war against the spread of HIV/Aids by distributing funds to help those affected through government institutions. Speaking in his office in Eldoret, North Rift region National Aids Control Council officer Gevonce Oyi said the ministry has implemented policies and management systems aimed at reaching to all the infected persons.

Oyi urged the community at the grassroots to ensure they access the funds through their offices at the district and constituency levels. At the same time he appealed to the media to create awareness of the disease and how to prevent it.

Garbage accumulation leads to increased insecurity

Following poor disposition of garbage and continued accumulation in one place crime rate has risen in most estates in Eldoret town, since it harbors street muggers. Various incidences have been reported of people being attacked before parting away with valuables to salvage their lives. Collection of the garbage

by the municipal council is no longer a priority according to the residence since they are unreliable and slow to act leading to initiation of groups that concern itself with collection and recycling of waste materials According to Rajab Ibrahim Chairman of Gateway youth Group, insecurity cases increase each day if landlords and tenants fail to keep their environment clean.

He has urged people living within Eldoret town to invent better ways of disposing off waste material in order to enhance their security and live in a conducive environment. Ibrahim urged the local government to step up and ensure that its citizens live in a clean environment.

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