



# EcoFlash

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## **NEMA board visits climate change projects**

**T**he NEMA board of management conducted a field verification exercise organized by the Audit, Governance and Risk Management Committee (AGRMC) from 12<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> September 2018.

The visit aimed at monitoring the implementation status of Thatha Hills Rehabilitation Site and three other projects of the Kenya Climate Change Adaption Fund projects (KCCAP) in Machakos and Kitui Counties.



**TARDA Board Chairman welcoming NEMA Board members at a water reservoir site in Ngetani Village [PHOTO: COURTESY]**

The team also aimed at assessing the impact of the project at the grassroots amongst beneficiary community members as well as establish levels of adherence to the financial regulations according to project terms.

The verification team was led by the Chairman of (AGRMC) Prof. Barnabas Mitaru and hosted by NEMA County team led by the outgoing CDE Mr. Titus Simiyu. The Authority formed a management team headed by community leaders and

together proposed a budget to carry out activities such as the rehabilitation of 9 gullies, labour, training of the management committee and the establishment of a tree nursery.

The team visited small-scale holders irrigation project site and farmers in the area. The team also visited Check Dam in Machanga Area in Embu County.



**Farmers of Kamanyi area providing account of the progress of the grafted Mango project [PHOTO: COURTESY]**



**Board members at Check Dam in Machanga [PHOTO: COURTESY]**

## NEMA, Uzima institute plants trees

**C**hemchemi ya Uzima Institute for Formation, is a nonprofit making activity of the Association of Sisterhoods of Kenya (AOSK) based in Karen, held a short tree planting exercise on Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September. The centre had its students participate in the tree planting.

The NEMA Deputy Director of Enforcement, Mrs. Salome Machue was present in the event and showed the students on how to correctly plant tree seedlings without damaging them.

The students were ready to learn how to plant the seedlings and then proceeded to the exercise accordingly. The institution's principal and administrators were also in participation of the exercise which encouraged the other students.



**NEMA Deputy Director Enforcement, Salome Machua (R) joins AOSK sisters during a tree planting exercise at Karen [PHOTO: S. GITAU/NEMA]**

Ms. Machua insisted on the proper disposal of the plastic bags covering the seedling roots. "The plastic bags used for covering the seedlings' roots should be incinerated," she explained. "This will ensure that the environment around is kept clean."

The Chemchemi ya Uzima Institute for Formation is an institution that offers short courses such as the Formation of Formators programme.

## NEMA at East Africa Utilities Expo

**N**EMA participated in the East Africa Utilities Expo held from 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> at KICC in Nairobi.

East Africa's Utilities helps people to connect with the utility community. The conference enables people to access policy makers, regulators, executives and other professionals from East African Utilities, grid operators and businesses across the African region that are deemed to be making a difference in the world of water and energy.



**NEMA's Anne Theuri speaking during the conference [PHOTO: COURTESY]**

The conference brought together professionals and experts from various fields on a single platform to showcase and explore the latest advancement in the utilities sector. NEMA was one of the associate partners during the conference and conducted an exhibition where visitors were sensitized on the Authority's mandate and plastic bags ban.

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### Environmental Quote

**"You can't make positive choices for the rest of your life without an environment that makes those choices easy, natural, and enjoyable." Deepak Chopra**

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