

NATIONAL ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
Office of the County Director of Environment
Kilifi County

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BRIEF ON ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES TAKEN WITHIN KILIFI GREEN POINT

Introduction

NEMA staff has been occupying the green point building for one year, since July, 2016. The entry into the Green Point sparked a positive new face of NEMA and advancing environmental agenda. This has come to be in the following ways:

1. The green point has provided space and office equipment that previously had not been there. There is a major boost in morale of staff and materials for working which has greatly improved service delivery in protection of environment.
2. We have had greatly increased environmental advocacy both at grassroots level. The green point has hosted had a four day environmental exhibition which was a big success. Besides the exhibition the preparatory stage was a great chance to champion the idea of green point to all state and non-state actors.
3. It has brought NEMA, CBO/NGO's, investors in close collaboration and understanding since we have a building which all parties feel they co-own. This has been achieved by having a committee to drive direction of exhibition area.
4. It has enhanced environmental education by having a mini-library. Accessed by university students, student researchers and staff from non- state environmental bodies e.g. environmental human rights groups. We also have a television screen that runs documentaries that run environmental awareness programmes of four environmental organizations. Request has been done to all our stakeholders to produce video contents.
5. The green point is the host of all County Environmental Committee meetings. Previously, CEC meetings were limited to funding as meetings were held in hotel conference halls.
6. The green point is also host to monthly National Government Service delivery Coordination meetings. The meeting is chaired by county commissioner and members are all heads/ county directors including security team. This has raised profile of NEMA and it's easier to push an

environmental agenda. It also adds to our visitors passing through exhibition area.

Activities

Below is a summary of activities carried out in the financial year 2016/2017:

No.	Activities	Duration	Remarks
1.	Library (mini- library)	Continuous	Enhanced environment education
2.	One (four day exhibition)	4 days – (DEC 2016)	Enhanced education and awareness, information sharing and showcasing
3.	Permanent exhibitors (currently four exhibitors)	Continuous	Showcasing, sharing of technology, eco-product trials and sales (customers buy eco-product on display)
4.	Television messages	Continuous	Environmental advocacy on different aspects
5.	CEC Meetings	At least four per year	Environmental management within the county
6	National Government Service delivery meetings	Monthly	Assists in pushing environmental agenda within state departments at highest level within the county
7	Stakeholders meeting	Ad-hoc	Held meetings in sensitization with the following groups in environmental regulations depending with the sector. Quarry owners Assossiation, Disco- Matanga (public address) owners.
8	Preparatory centre for national environmental Days: Clean-up the world and World Environment Day	Annually	Environmental awareness and advocacy

Current active partners at Kilifi green point:

1. Kilifi County Government
2. Nature Kenya
3. Local Ocean trust
4. Watamu Marine Association (umbrella body for over 20 CSO and NGO)
5. Bamburi Cement
6. Malindi Environment management Organization
7. Msitu group – Gede
8. Magarini Sand harvesting Sacco
9. Kiruwitu conservation
10. Kwetu training centre

Conclusion

The green point is serving its purpose as envisaged. This office is kindly requesting for disbursement of funds for green point programs, exhibitions and trainings thus having a substantive calendar of events. We want to thank the authority as half of the members have been well trained on ESD and hope the remaining two officers can undergo the same training.

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