



REPUBLIC OF KENYA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK, FISHERIES AND COOPERATIVES
CALL FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON THE DRAFT MARINE FISHERIES (ACCESS AND DEVELOPMENT) REGULATIONS, 2021

The Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Cooperatives through the State Department for Fisheries, Aquaculture and the Blue Economy has developed Draft Marine Fisheries (Access and Development) Regulations, 2021 to provide a comprehensive legislative framework to operationalise the provisions of the Fisheries Management and Development Act, 2016.

The Proposed Draft Regulations have been developed pursuant to sections 128 and 208 of the Fisheries Management and Development Act, No. 35 of 2016. The objects and purpose of the proposed draft regulations have been clearly captured in Regulation 3. They include; -

- (a) To define the modalities and criteria for allowing access to Kenya's marine resources;*
- (b) To enable realization of economic benefits from marine resources to the country;*
- (c) To provide levies for promoting development of artisanal fishers;*
- (d) To establish mechanisms for management and conservation of marine fisheries; and,*
- (e) To strengthen monitoring control and surveillance to eradicate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing within Kenya's marine waters*

In compliance with Article 69 of the Constitution of Kenya 2010, and the Fisheries Management and Development Act No. 35 of 2016 the State Department has planned to undertake a Public Participation Exercise beginning on the 7th to 25th February, 2022. The exercise will cover the entire country and will involve representation from the stakeholders in the Fisheries and Blue Economy Sector. Logistics planning on the specific locations and dates for the exercise is ongoing and a communication on the same will be shared in due course.

The public is invited to submit written comments and Memoranda on the Draft Regulations for consideration during the Public Participation Exercise. All interested persons should submit written

comments on the Draft Regulations using prescribed **public comments form**, to reach the undersigned not later than seven (7) days from the date of publication of this notice.

Soft copies of the **Draft Marine Fisheries (Access and Development) Regulations, 2021, comments, feedback forms** are available and can be accessed through the Ministry website: www.kilimo.go.ke. Duly filled comments and feedback forms or written memoranda may be submitted back via the following emails; fibes@kilimo.go.ke and copied to psfisheries@kilimo.go.ke or delivered by post to;

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