



Statement on COVID-19 Safety Measures and Operational Guidelines

Dear Member,

In recent weeks, we have witnessed a surge in the number of COVID-19 cases in the country as noted from the daily announcements by the Ministry of Health.



Figure 1: Trends in confirmed positive COVID-19 cases in Kenya



Kenya Association of Manufacturers would like to draw your attention to these developments and urge caution at your workplace and personal routines.

The onus is on us to institute proper safety measures in our workplaces as well as ensure strict adherence to mandated guidelines, for the safety of our people and the communities within which we operate.

The Government, through the Ministry of Industrialization, Trade and Enterprise Development, developed Guidelines to provide a framework within which individual operations and companies can be run safely.

We urge all our members to derive their Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) from these guidelines. Implementation should continue together with, and in addition to, the various Coronavirus containment measures pronounced by the Ministry of Health as officials continue to monitor the situation.

Compliance of these measures is paramount and mandatory for the safety of all, and for us to have a chance to successfully recover in the new normal.

They include:

- Regular handwashing using running water and soap. This is a sure way of minimizing many other communicable diseases besides COVID- 19. In the absence of handwashing facilities, use alcohol-based hand sanitizers. Use of gloves does not replace hand washing.
- Social distancing among members of staff as well as customers/clients; maintain a physical distance of at least 2 meters (6 feet).
- Regular disinfection of surfaces such as tables, chairs, counters, tools and other equipment.
- Donning of masks whenever in public places including workplaces.

More details and advice can be found on our website at <https://kam.co.ke/media-centre/downloads/corona-virus/>.

Your health and safety, and the suppression of the pandemic in Kenya remain a top priority for the Association, and as such we shall continue to keep you abreast of the Government's and World Health Organization's updates and required protocols.

We genuinely appreciate your commitment towards steering the country through these times and for keeping Kenya moving.

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