

Coast Chapter Newsletter



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The KAM Salt Sub Sector engaged the Principal Secretary, State Department for Mining, Mr John Omenge on 21st November 2018 to address the challenges facing the Sub-Sector.

The Salt Sub-Sector was placed under the Ministry of Mining and Petroleum following the enactment of the Mining Act 2016. The Sub-Sector, however, feels that they were unfairly placed since they harvest salt.

Mr Omenge noted that the law requires companies to register and acquire a mining license for the Ministry to protect them from other regulators and ministries. However, the need to create an annex that highlights the uniqueness of the salt process and gives special consideration within the Act was noted.

The meeting also recommended the need for a task force that will provide clear guidelines as to why salt should be given special consideration. The Taskforce will have representatives draw from the salt sub-sector representatives, KAM, Mining, Water Resources Management Authority, Kenya Forest Services, Ministry of Lands, and County government, among others.

Additionally, it was agreed that comprehensive training and awareness creation on the Mining Act, 2016 is needed.

KAM Coast Chapter Holds its 13th Annual General Meeting (AGM)



KPLC Ag. MD Eng Jared Othieno & KAM Head of Membership cut cake to celebrate partnership

The KAM Coast Chapter held its 13th Annual General Meeting on 2nd November 2018 in Mombasa.

The Coast Chapter Chairman, Mr. Mohamed Rashid noted that despite the tough economic times, the Chapter has achieved a lot through its engagements with the coast region county governments and other stakeholders in the course of the year.

Key highlights:

- Engagement with Taita Taveta Deputy Governor H.E Majala Mlagui and CE for Trade on:
 1. Partnership opportunities to promote the expansion of tea growth in Taita Taveta County and the setting up of a tea blending center
 2. Allocation of land for expansion of EPZ to cater for the Apparel and Textile sector

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- Engagement with Kilifi County and the CEC for Trade on the ease of doing business
 - Launch of the Malindi Public Audit Report 2018 to establish compliance with the Human Rights Principles and Standards by salt manufacturers
 - The review of the Mombasa Port Charter 2018-2024 where the Chapter gave its input on the charter and areas that need to be amended
 - The Association also conducted seminars to appraise members on new policies. The seminars include:
 - Employment & Labor Law
 - Business Outsourcing and subcontracting Opportunities in COMESA Market
 - Energy Audit training
 - Anti - Corruption compliance Training
 - ISM, PVOC, KEBS Seminar
 - 7 new members were recruited namely:
 - Abhani commercials
 - Jalaram plastics
 - Afrik Stones
 - Jubilee Steel Mills
 - Ligna Limited
 - APT Commodities
 - Peshwood Enterprises Ltd.

The AGM culminated with a members' forum where Kenya Power (KPLC) Ag. CEO & MD, Eng. Jared Othieno reiterated KPLC's commitment towards reliable and sustainable power supply.

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