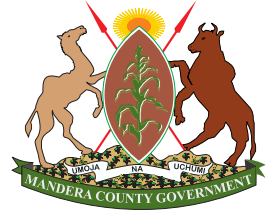




Republic of Kenya



Mandera County  
Government

# MANDERA COUNTY GOVERNMENT

A county with unlimited opportunities and endless possibilities

Ours is a Journey of Resilience and Transformation



## — FACT SHEET —

Size: **25,798km<sup>2</sup>**

Population: **1,025,756**

Subcounties: **9**

Wards: **30**

Poverty Levels: **89.1%**

Major Economic Activity: **Pastoralism**

Climate: **Arid & Semi Arid**

Forest Cover: **3.04%**

Electricity Grid: **0**







Mandera County Referral Hospital

MCRH Level 5 is a facility with an ultramodern accident and emergency unit, comprehensive maternal and newborn unit, COVID-19 Molecular Laboratory and an operational dialysis unit. A replica facility is in Elwak.

## Milestones in Healthcare

Mandera County had one of the worst health indicators in the Country before the advent of devolution. With adequate investment towards reversing these trends, the County has been on a trajectory of improvement since 2013.

Immunization coverage rose from 28% in 2013 to 74% in 2020. Antenatal attendance increased from 20.3% to 84.4% in 2020 while delivery conducted by skilled attendant increased from 11% in 2013 to 72% in 2020. This tremendous improvement of service utilization was as a result of improved access to health services by the communities as functional health care facilities were increased from 33 to 98. Family planning uptake has increased from 2.8% in 2013 to 10.5% in 2020. There has been a drastic reduction of maternal mortality from as high as 3,795/100,000 live births in 2013 to less than 500/100,000 live births in 2020

### Highlights in numbers under devolution:

No.	Cadre	2013	2021
1	Medical Officers	2	63
2	Pharmacists	2	7
3	Dentists	0	1
4	Specialists Consultants	0	4
5	Nurses	30	480
6	Registered Clinical Officers	12	134
7	Laboratory Technologists	10	70
8	Pharm Technologists	3	44
9	Nutrition and Dietetics	2	110
10	Health Records Management	2	47
11	Public Health Officers	23	87
12	Community Health Extension Workers	30	121
13	Bio-Medical Engineers	1	11
14	Radiographers	1	13
15	Dental Technologists	1	10
16	Health Administration	2	7
17	Physiotherapists	1	5
18	Occupational Therapists	2	3
19	Trauma/Plaster Technologist	1	6
20	Others	29	50
<b>Total</b>		<b>154</b>	<b>1,273</b>



ICU ward in MCRH



**Dialysis Patient:** I used to travel to Nairobi for dialysis spending over KSh.30,000 on a return air ticket then pay separately for dialysis. Today, my costs have immensely reduced as I undergo dialysis in Mandera County Referral Hospital. Thanks to Devolution we can access healthcare services cheaply.

**-Mohamed Abdirahman alias Khatarow** the first patient of dialysis in Mandera.





## SUPPORTING SMEs



### Elwak Regional Market

Well aware of few employment opportunities in the county, we have built SME markets in Elwak and Mandera Municipality to boost economic incomes for our youth, women and PWDs. [\[4\]](#)

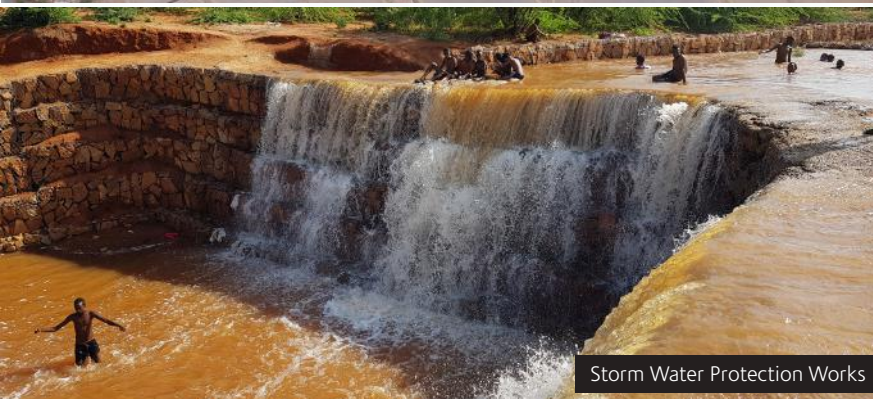


Elwak Regional market houses 210 stalls, 108 bale sheds, 15 eateries, 40 milk/meat section and a parking yard

## ROADS & TRANSPORT



- » Elwak and Takaba Airstrips built to gravel standards and fully operational.
- » 135km of low volume seal road from Rhamu to Elwak (KeNHA)
- » 17km tarmac Road within Mandera Municipality (KURA)
- » 14km of 70kms completed of low volume seal roads from Mandera-Fino (KeRRA) currently in progress.
- » Storm water protection works phase I and phase II in Mandera Municipality (KUSP)



Storm Water Protection Works

### Bridges and Box Culverts Constructed

- » Bridge along the A13 Road
- » Box Culvert along Bulla Mpya road
- » Box Culvert at Busley
- » Box Culvert at Corner B along Khalalio Road
- » Box culvert at Lagwarera in Takaba

### Storm Water Protection Works (World Bank Funded)

- » Mandera Municipality

### Bitumen Roads Mandera Town roads (24Km)

- » Construction of Concrete Bridge in Mandera Town.
- » Construction of box culverts in various parts of the county including.
- » All weather Murram roads -1,800kms
- » Drifts- Construction of more than 70 drifts across seasonal streams.
- » Over 600km of new unclassified roads have been successfully bush cleared and opened.





Water, Energy, Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change

We are committed to achieving Sustainable Development Goal no. 6 by ensuring availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all, including our animals, because we are pastoralists.



Water treatment tanks in Shashafey 5 million litres capacity

Mandera County was severely water scarce and sanitation poor before devolution. Safe water and adequate sanitation underpin poverty reduction, economic growth and healthy ecosystems. The county has been determined in resolving the chronic shortage worsened by climate change.

On the flip side, Mandera County is prone to disasters such as recurrent drought, floods, conflicts and famine. Lately locust invasion in 2019 to 2021 compounded the challenges wiping out vegetation and leaving pastoralists desperate.

Achievements by the County Government and its partners over the past seven and a half years:-

Establishment of Mandera Water and Sewerage Company and Elwak Water and Sewerage Company

In partnership with the National Government and Africa Development Bank, Ksh.2.4 billion water and sanitation project is ongoing. The project is expected to deliver 16 million litres of water daily.

- » The current water demand for Mandera municipality is about 5.4 million litres per day. This can only address 36.6% current water demand of Mandera municipality residents.
- » The percentage of the County's population being served through water trucking was reduced from 36% in 2013 to 6% by March 2021
- » The population of rural population with access to safe and reliable water services increased from 43.6% in 2013 to 70% by March 2021.
- » The population of urban population with access to safe and reliable water services similarly increased from 31.3% in 2013 to 52% by March 2021
- » The total population of the County with reasonable access to safe and reliable water services increased from 46% in 2013 to 70% by March 2021
- » In abid to contribute ending drought emergency policy, Mandera County Government has drilled 70 boreholes in one year.



Greening project

#### MANDERA COUNTY WATER SERVICES DATABASE SUMMARY

No	Key County Water Services Provision Indicators	Existing in 2013	Achieved by March 2021	+ve Change Achieved
1	Successful Boreholes developed	69	287	220
2	Pans / Dams (60,000m³ and above)	2	47	45
3	Small-Medium Pans/ Dams (>=10,000m³)	86	218	132
4	Infiltration Galleries & Protected Wells	15	24	9
5	Existing Underground tanks	90	250	140
Total No of Water Sources		262	826	546
6	Urban W/Supplies	1	6	5
7	Rural Water Supplies	67	200	133
8	Institutional Water Supplies	2	7	5
No of Operational Water Supplies		70	213	143
9	Water Security (in Cubic Metres/Capita/Year)	6	15	9

Source: Mandera County Water Services Department: - April, 2021, Mandera County Government

#### Lighting the streets with clean energy

- » 5,000 solar powered streetlights have been successfully installed in all the seven sub-county headquarters

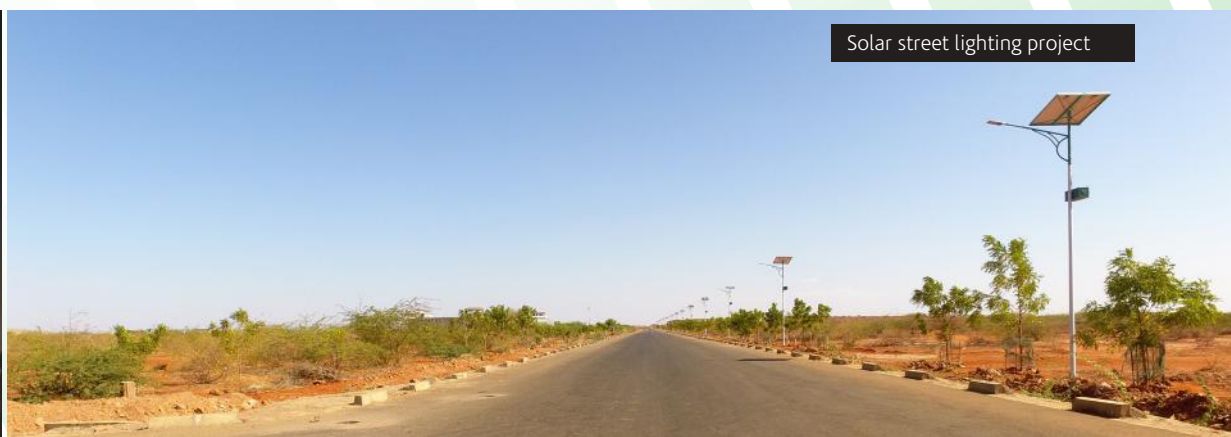
#### Greening Mandera County

We have aggressively implemented afforestation programme with over 250,000 tree seedlings were planted, nurtured and maintained across the county.

Programme covered the following areas; A13 Road/Major Street within Mandera Town, KMTC, MTTI, County HQ, Proposed County HQ, Moi Stadium, Ministry of Water Compound, Mandera Secondary School, Mandera Teachers Training College, Busle Streets, Mandawasco Office, Municipality Office, New Official Governor residence, Mandera Referral Hospital, Fire Station Compound, Governor's Farm, Banisa Dam, Banisa Social Hall, Rhamu Hospital, Girisa Dispensary, Al-furqan Integrated School.

The climate change mitigation programme had 1,300 women were employed to perform casual tree growing and routine watering in the hot dry weather.

- » Distributed over 100,000 tree seedlings to farmers, households and public institutions to enhance forest cover. This mainly targeted the riverine areas of farmland where they were given endogenous trees to conserve ecosystem.
- » Spearheaded environmental education and public awareness creation on the importance of environmental conservation.
- » Distribution of afforestation tools such as Watering cans, hoes, wheelbarrows to make work easy.



Solar street lighting project



## MANDERA MUNICIPALITY



### Mandera Municipality

We are inspired by devolution and we are strategically institutionalizing it. We have two Municipalities Mandera Municipality and Elwak Municipality. Mandera Municipality is a triangular business hub with a lot of opportunities and has turned to be the greenest town in the Northern region under devolution. It also facilitates cross border trade with Somalia and Ethiopia. We have established Mandera Water and Sewerage Company and Elwak Water and Sewerage Company to connect more residents, our markets, hospitals, Mosques and schools to water. As pastoralist, watering points are crucial in our agenda.



Skip Loader



60 bed County Hotel



Mandera County Assembly to house chambers and offices



## EDUCATION

- » Mandera County Government has invested over Kshs.4.6 billion over the years to improve the education sector . Our investment has mainly been in ECD centers, ECD College, Mandera Teachers Training College (MTTC), Vocational colleges across the sub-counties with 903 students actively learning various courses. We have constructed Modern administration blocks for the two National Secondary schools in our county.
- » Our current enrolment in ECD classes stands at 23,449 from 17,000 learners with only four teachers trained and the rest were taught by class eight Volunteers paid by the parents. Mandera County Government has employed 520 ECDE Teachers.
- » Mandera County has 297 public ECDE centers
- » 23,499 ECDE learners are enrolled (13,704 Boys and 9,745 Girls)
- » Centres managed by 412 ECDE teachers
- » Kshs.440million bursary fund to support bright and poor students in the last five years.



CECM for Finance and Planning Sulekha Harun during a motivation talk at Khadija girls secondary school in Mandera.

### In support of affirmative action and girl child education:

Governor Ali Roba poses for a photo with county officials and the top female students admitted in Üsküdar University, Turkey for courses in Industrial engineering, Electrical engineering, Molecular Biology & Genetics, Bio-engineering and Nursing.



- » 12 girls fully sponsored to study engineering and medical courses in Turkey

- » Mandera Technical Training Institute has 320 students: 227 are males and 93 are female.

## FOOD SECURITY

### Agriculture

We have invested in irrigated agriculture to boost food production as pastoralists take up farming.







## PRESIDENT UHURU KENYATTA

"In Mandera, child mortality has halved due to the county's investment in medical facilities. We owe that success, first and foremost, to the diligence of our people; and to the leaders here, and their predecessors. I extend our warmest thanks to you all for this success so far".

### Televised address during the 2018 Devolution Conference in Kakamega

"I have always known the Mandera Stadium but today as I was entering the venue I wondered whether it was Nyayo Stadium in Nairobi! I would like to thank Governor Ali Roba for proper utilization of money allocated to the county on development."

### During an official visit to Mandera in May 2016



## First Lady Margaret Kenyatta

"Radicalization of the youth is a legitimate and significant concern among all peace loving Kenyans. I am optimistic that radicalization, extremism, and terrorism can be defeated through development, resolution of inequities and ensuring basic services and human rights for all,"

"As part of these efforts, I note that the Mandera County Referral Hospital has been refurbished from its formerly dilapidated state. It has emerged from the ashes into a very good hospital facility."

## Former UN Coordinator Kenya (Currently, UN Resident Coordinator China)

### Siddharth Chatterjee

"I visited Mandera on 02 December 2014, a day when terror and tragedy visited the county & found broken health system."

"Incredible. Mandera county a few years ago had one of the highest maternal mortality rates in the world is now providing healthcare beyond its borders. Thanks to GoK's free maternal healthcare policy and the drive and determination of Governor Ali Roba."

- November 17 2020.



## Former Prime Minister and ODM leader

### Raila Odinga

"The transformation witnessed in Mandera County is a true testimony to the success of devolution. I have been very much Impressed during my tour."



## Samburu Women Representative

### Maison Leshomo, MP

"We were skeptical due to security fears but I am shocked that Mandera is more peaceful and secure than Nairobi. I am very much happy in my maiden visit to this beautiful county."