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RE: THE NATIONAL TREE GROWING RESTORATION CAMPAIGN

As you are aware, H.E. The President launched the National Tree Growing Restoration Campaign on 21st December 2022. The campaign, targets the planting of at least 15 billion trees by the year 2032. Consequently, the initiative anticipates each individual living in Kenya to plant at least 30 trees a year.

In order to demonstrate leadership in this regard, all Ministries, Departments and Agencies are required to designate funds and any other required resources to support this initiative. The target for each MDA will be premised on the "30 trees per individual per year benchmark". Consequently, each MDA is to set its internal targets, and make requisite arrangements as against the institution's staff complement. This target will be incorporated in each MDA's performance contract for purposes of monitoring and reporting. Staff are encouraged to volunteer to further support this initiative in kind.

In order to secure quality standards, as well as designate species alignment to ecological zones, MDAs are required to liaise with the Kenya Forest Service (KFS) when purchasing tree seedlings. KFS is to ensure priority is granted to sourcing seedlings from the cohort of youth groups and community forest associations across the country, who are managing tree nurseries as observed along major roads and highways.

Further, and going forward, all government programmes and public events are to incorporate a tree planting session as part of the scheduled activities. These interventions will invariably sustain the campaign and its anticipated outcome. We look forward to seeing the results of this strategic push at the end of FY22/23 reporting period, and in the ensuing financial years.

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