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LEGAL NOTICE NO. 72

THE CONSTITUTION OF KENYA
THE CENTRAL BANK OF KENYA ACT
(Cap. 491)

DESCRIPTION OF NEW ISSUE OF FIFTY, ONE HUNDRED, TWO HUNDRED,
FIVE HUNDRED AND ONE THOUSAND SHILLINGS KENYA CURRENCY
NOTES

IN EXERCISE of the power conferred by Article 231 (2) of the Constitution of Kenya and section 22 (2) of the Central Bank of Kenya Act, the Central Bank of Kenya determines and notifies that the denominations, inscriptions, forms, material and characteristics of the new fifty shillings, one hundred shillings, two hundred shillings, five hundred shillings and one thousand shillings currency notes to be issued by the Central Bank of Kenya shall be as follows—

1. Main features of all currency notes:

The front of all currency notes shall—

- (a) bear the image of Kenyatta International Conference Centre, a skyline image of Nairobi, a rising sun, the Coat of Arms and a dove; and
- (b) bear the signatures of the Governor of the Central Bank of Kenya, and of the Principal Secretary to the National Treasury.

2. Primary themes, reverse images and currency note sizes:

<i>Denomination</i>	<i>Theme</i>	<i>Reverse images</i>	<i>Banknote size (mm.)</i>
Ksh. 50	Green energy	Windmills Geothermal power plant Solar power panel	123 x 62
Ksh. 100	Agriculture	Maize cobs Tea farm Livestock	128 x 64
Ksh. 200	Social services	Health services Education Athletics	133 x 66
Ksh. 500	Tourism	Beach Wildlife Lion	138 x 68
Ksh. 1000	Governance	Parliament Buildings	143 x 70

3. Detailed features:
- (1) Fifty shillings currency note:
- (a) Denomination

The denomination of the currency note shall be fifty shillings inscribed in words and in figures on both sides of the banknote. The wording shall be in Kiswahili and English.

- (b) Basic Colours
- Front and back—*
- The main colours shall be red and pink.
- (c) Other Features
- (i) a buffalo head protruding from the last zero of the large value numeral;
- (ii) a lion's head as the main watermark;
- (iii) colour-changing security thread with the expression "CBK", the denomination value and an image of dove embedded in the thread; and
- (iv) large value numerals and one bar on the edges of the banknote as recognition features for visually impaired persons.

- (2) One hundred shillings currency note:

- (a) Denomination
- The denomination of the currency note shall be one hundred shillings inscribed in words and in figures on both sides of the banknote. The wording shall be in Kiswahili and English.
- (b) Basic colour
- Front and back—*
- The main colour shall be purple.
- (c) Other features
- (i) a leopard head protruding from the last zero of the large value numeral;
- (ii) a lion's head as the main watermark;
- (iii) colour-changing security thread with the expression "CBK", the denomination value and an image of a dove embedded in the thread; and
- (iv) large value numerals and two bars on the edges of the banknote as recognition marks for visually impaired persons.

- (3) Two hundred shillings currency note:

- (a) Denomination
- The denomination of the currency note shall be two hundred shillings inscribed in words and in figures on both sides of the banknote. The wording shall be in Kiswahili and English.
- (b) Basic colour
- Front and back—*
- The main colour shall be blue.
- (c) Other features
- (i) a rhino head protruding from the last zero numeral of the large value numeral;
 - (ii) a lion's head as the main watermark;
 - (iii) a colour-changing and rainbow effect security thread with the expression "CBK", the denomination value and an image of a dove embedded in the thread; and
 - (iv) large value numerals three bars on the edges of the banknote as recognition features for visually impaired persons.
- (4) Five hundred shillings currency note:
- (a) Denomination
- The denomination of the currency note shall be five hundred shillings inscribed in words and in figures on both sides of the banknotes. The wording shall be in Kiswahili and English.
- (b) Basic colours
- Front and back—*
- The main colour shall be green.
- (c) Other features
- (i) a lion head protruding from the last zero of the large value numeral;
 - (ii) a lion's head as the main watermark;
 - (iii) a colour-changing and rainbow effect security thread with the expression "CBK", the denomination value and an image of a dove embedded in the thread; and
 - (iv) large value numerals and four bars on the edges of the banknote as recognition features for visually impaired persons.
- (5) One thousand shillings currency note:

(a) Denomination

The denomination of the banknotes shall be one thousand shillings inscribed in words and in figures on both sides of the banknotes. The wording shall be in Kiswahili and English.

(b) Basic colours

Front and Back—

The main colour shall be brown.

(c) Other features

- (i) an elephant head protruding from the last zero of the large value numeral;
 - (ii) a lion's head as the main watermark;
 - (iii) colour changing and rainbow effect security thread with CBK, the denomination value and an image of a dove embedded in the thread; and
 - (iv) large value numerals and five bars on the edges of the banknote as recognition marks for visually impaired persons.
- (6) The new banknotes shall circulate alongside those previously issued and not withdrawn.

Dated the 31st May, 2019.

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