

# MOH DAILY NEWS BRIEF



## Highlights

- Usalama Cover expands SHA to 138,283 officers
- Easter safety guidelines issued
- Health workforce reforms advance
- DP Kindiki leads infrastructure assessment

## Usalama Cover expands SHA to 138,283 officers

Government has onboarded 138,283 officers and their dependents from the National Police Service (NPS) and Kenya Prisons Service (KPS) to the Social Health Authority (SHA) under the Usalama Cover, expanding access to comprehensive healthcare.

Health CS Aden Duale said the rollout marks a key step in advancing UHC, noting that over 30 million Kenyans are already registered under SHA, with billions of shillings in claims processed—evidence of a system delivering results. He added that the transition builds on the successful onboarding of more than 400,000 teachers and their families under the Mwalimu Cover.

The scheme provides a full continuum of care—from primary healthcare to specialised treatment, including overseas referrals—under a zero co-payment policy. It is supported by strengthened digital systems, including track-and-trace capabilities, to enhance efficiency, accountability, and fraud prevention.

Interior CS Kipchumba Murkomen said the milestone reflects sustained government commitment and coordination across institutions. A nationwide sensitisation campaign will support rollout and ensure officers access their benefits.



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### **Ministry Issues Easter Safety Guidelines as Travel and Gatherings Rise**

The Ministry of Health has issued a public health advisory warning of heightened risks during the Easter holiday, as increased travel, public gatherings and social activities are expected across the country.

The Ministry outlined targeted measures to reduce preventable illness and injuries, focusing on road safety, food hygiene, safe water use, prevention of communicable diseases, responsible celebrations and emergency preparedness.

Principal Secretary for Public Health and Professional Standards, Mary Muthoni, said the measures are aimed at preventing avoidable health incidents during the festive period.

“Periods of increased movement and gatherings often lead to a rise in road traffic injuries, food-borne illnesses and communicable diseases. We urge Kenyans to take simple but critical precautions to stay safe,” she said.

The Ministry also called on the public to seek prompt medical care when unwell and to utilise emergency services through helplines 719, 0729 471 414 and 0732 353 535.

Kenyans have been encouraged to celebrate responsibly while protecting their health and that of their families and communities.

**“We urge Kenyans to seek prompt medical care when unwell and to utilise available emergency helplines—719, 0729 471 414 and 0732 353 535—whenever urgent assistance is needed.”**

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### DP Kindiki leads inspection of key infrastructure projects in Kirinyaga

Principal Secretary for Public Health and Professional Standards, Mary Muthoni, today joined Deputy President Kithure Kindiki on a development tour of Gichugu Constituency, Kirinyaga County, to assess progress of key infrastructure projects.

The team inspected the Last Mile Electrification Project in Kiaumbui, set to connect 149 households, businesses and public facilities, with similar initiatives targeting 7,300 connections across the county.

They also reviewed the nearly complete Mukarara Fresh Produce Market and ongoing tarmacking of the Riakithiga–Ngungu–Kiang’ombe road, part of a 510-kilometre road development programme.

Local leaders, including Deputy Governor David Githanda and area MPs, attended the tour.



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### MoH unveils plan to improve management and welfare of health workers

The Ministry of Health is developing a policy, practice and governance framework to strengthen Kenya's healthcare workforce, Principal Secretary for Medical Services Dr Ouma Oluga has announced.


Speaking in Nairobi on 1 April 2026 while opening a two-day stakeholders' convention hosted by the Africa Centre for Health Workforce Transformation (ACHWIT), the PS said the reforms will prioritise improved management, support and welfare of health workers to enhance service delivery.

The convention is bringing together stakeholders to identify practical solutions to workforce challenges, including strengthening education and training systems, improving labour management, and enhancing workforce mobility to support knowledge exchange between local and diaspora professionals.

Outcomes from the meeting are expected to inform ongoing reforms aimed at building a competent, motivated and responsive health workforce.



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