



## COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS

15<sup>th</sup> January, 2021

### PRESS STATEMENT ON DISBURSEMENTS OF FUNDS TO COUNTIES

The Council of Governors noted the Press Statement issued by the Cabinet Secretary Hon. Amb. Ukur Yatani, in charge of the National Treasury dated 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 titled '**Transfers to County Governments**'. Whereas the Council welcomes the shared information, there is need to provide clarity on some issues in the statement to the public as follows:

1. That the total amount of equitable share transferred to County Governments by the National Treasury for the FY 2020/2021 is **Kshs.93.9 Billion** does not in any way cover the entire monies owed for the four months of October, November, December and now January.
2. That in addition to the resources owed to all Counties there are other 7 Counties who are owed an outstanding amount for the month of September and October. The total outstanding amount for all the 47 Counties amounts to **Ksh.89.6 Billion**.
3. That following the amounts released, now all 47 County Governments will still have to wait for their County allocation

for the months of **November, December, 2020 and now January, 2021.**

4. That the balances that the Cabinet Secretary referred to in his statement are monies already committed for ongoing/ unfinished projects within the Counties that are at different stages of completion. Once the projects are completed, all the **Ksh.34.6 Billion County Revenue Funds** balances shall be paid out.
5. That there is, therefore, no 'idle' monies lying in the County Revenue Fund Accounts at the central bank because all these are monies already committed to the projects awaiting to be paid out.

For avoidance of doubt, we urge the National Treasury to expedite the release of the Equitable Share owed to County Governments by the 15<sup>th</sup> of every month as the law clearly stipulates. The Counties need to pay salaries to the County civil servants and to provide services to *wananchi*.

**Signed:**



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