

Good morning. Here are the stories shaping Kenya today, from the StarNews newsroom in Nairobi. Tap any headline to read the full story online.

KES / USD

129.89

CBK rate, 16 Oct

INFLATION

6.8%

September, up from 6.6%

PETROL (NAIROBI)

Ksh226.96

Up Ksh12.93 from 15 Oct

FX RESERVES

\$14.69B

5.9 months of import cover

TODAY'S TOP STORIES**POLITICS****Ruto flies to Moscow for Russia-Africa summit to seek new markets and investment**

Families of Kenyans recruited to fight for Russia in Ukraine are still pressing the government for answers.

President William Ruto left for Moscow on Tuesday evening to attend the third Russia-Africa summit, State House Spokesperson Hussein Mohamed said. The two-day meeting opens on Wednesday.

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POLITICS**Waititu apologises in court and asks for a lighter sentence in Sh588 million roads tender case**

Chief Magistrate Harrison Barasa will sentence the former Kiambu governor, his wife and their co-accused on 2 November.

Former Kiambu Governor Ferdinand Waititu apologised to the Anti-Corruption Court in Nairobi on Tuesday and asked for a lenient sentence in the Sh588 million Kiambu roads tender case. Chief Magistrate Harrison Barasa said he will deliver the sentence on 2 November.

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BUSINESS**Kenya protests Nigeria's visa rules for Kenyans while Nigerians enter Kenya visa-free**

Foreign Affairs PS Korir Sing'oei says the government is taking up the matter at diplomatic and political levels.

Kenya has protested the way Nigeria handles visa applications from Kenyans, Foreign Affairs Principal Secretary Korir Sing'oei said on Tuesday. He called the treatment of Kenyan applicants unacceptable and said the inconvenience they face is unwarranted.

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TECH

Cyber threats against Kenya rise to nearly 2.7 billion in three months, regulator says

Safaricom separately says it detected 1.25 billion attempts to break into its systems in a year, and dismissed 118 staff in fraud cases.

Kenya's national cyber security response centre detected nearly 2.7 billion cyber threat events between July and September, 14 percent more than in the previous three months, according to the latest quarterly report from the Communications Authority of Kenya. The centre, the National Kenya Computer Incident Response Team (National KE-CIRT/CC), is run by the authority.

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BUSINESS

MPs hear proposal to cap student loan deductions at 15 percent of pay

A new funding Bill would let the state take up to 25 percent of a graduate's pay each month to recover loans. Education groups want that cut.

Education groups have asked MPs to cut the most that can be deducted from a graduate's pay each month to repay a student loan from 25 percent to 15 percent. The National Assembly Committee on Education began hearing views on Tuesday on the Tertiary Education, Placement and Funding Bill, 2026 and six other education Bills.

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HEALTH

Kenya records second Ebola death as relative of first patient dies

POLITICS

MPs say Elections Bill keeps IEBC livestreaming rule as it returns to Senate

COUNTIES

Eastleigh collapse: 20 still missing as rescuers detect signs of life under rubble

COUNTIES

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