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KES / USD	INFLATION	PETROL (NAIROBI)	FX RESERVES
129.89 CBK rate, 16 Oct	6.8% September, up from 6.6%	Ksh226.96 Up Ksh12.93 from 15 Oct	\$14.69B 5.9 months of import cover

TODAY'S TOP STORIES

POLITICS

Ruto says Putin has agreed Russia will stop recruiting Kenyans into its army

Ruto says a Kenyan defence attaché in Moscow will work with Russia on compensation and the return of Kenyans who went to fight.

President William Ruto says Russia will no longer recruit Kenyans into its military, after he held talks with President Vladimir Putin at the Kremlin in Moscow on Friday. Ruto said Putin confirmed that Kenya has been classed as a "non-source country" for recruitment into the Russian army.

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POLITICS

Sifuna opens Linda Mwananchi headquarters as Kalonzo is booed over 2027 flagbearer

Kalonzo Musyoka told the crowd Sifuna is not yet a presidential candidate and asked them to wait for 13 November.

Nairobi Senator Edwin Sifuna opened the headquarters of the Linda Mwananchi Movement in Lavington, Nairobi, on Friday. Opposition leaders Rigathi Gachagua of the DCP, Kalonzo Musyoka of Wiper and Eugene Wamalwa of DAP-Kenya attended, along with several MPs and senators.

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SPORTS

Bayern Munich and Ajax to open Raila Odinga International Stadium on 5 January

President Ruto says the friendly will launch the 60,000-seat stadium on Ngong Road, formerly known as Talanta Stadium.

German club Bayern Munich and Dutch side Ajax will play the first match at the new Raila Odinga International Stadium in Nairobi on 5 January 2027, President William Ruto announced in a recorded address on Wednesday evening.

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POLITICS	Protest victims have until 14 November to file compensation claims, panel says
POLITICS	Ruto flies to Moscow for Russia-Africa summit to seek new markets and investment
POLITICS	Waititu apologises in court and asks for a lighter sentence in Sh588 million roads tender case
BUSINESS	Kenya protests Nigeria's visa rules for Kenyans while Nigerians enter Kenya visa-free
TECH	Cyber threats against Kenya rise to nearly 2.7 billion in three months, regulator says
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