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**THE MURANG'A COUNTY SPORTS AND TALENTS  
MANAGEMENT BILL, 2025**

**AN ACT of the County Assembly of Murang'a to provide for the  
Management, Promotion, Regulation and funding of Sports and  
talent in Murang'a County and for connected purposes**

**ENACTED** by the County Assembly of Murang'a, as follows—

**PART I—PRELIMINARY**

**Short title**

1. This Act may be cited as the Murang'a County Sports and Talent Management Act, 2025.

**Interpretation**

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

“Committee” means the County Sports and Talents Management Committee established under section 4;

“County Executive Committee Member” means the County Executive Committee Member in-charge of Sports and Talent Management;

“Director” means the Director of the Directorate of Sports Management appointed under section 7;

“Directorate” means Directorate of Sports Management established under section 4;

“Federation” means a registered sports and Talent management governing body in Kenya;

“Fund” means the County Sports and Talents Fund established by section 10;

“Local Sports and Talents Team” means sports team that is domiciled in the county with at least seventy percent of its members being residents of Murang'a County and is affiliated to a recognized federation association or sports organization; and

“sports association” means a registered group of members representing sportsmen and women in a given field or sport;

“sports and talents plan” means the County Sports and Talents Plan referred to under section 9;

**Objects and Purposes of the Act**

- 3.** The objects and purposes of the Act are—
- (a) establish an efficient structure for the management of sports by promoting co-operation amongst departments, entities and agencies with a role in sports and talents, and enhancing their capacities to maintain the provision of essential services during sports;
  - (b) provide for the preparation and implementation of a Sports and Talent Plan in accordance with the requirements of this Act;
  - (c) vest authority in persons and agencies to act during times of sports in accordance with the Sports Plans approved under this Bill and to require the observance and implementation of directives given and initiatives taken by persons authorized under this Act;
  - (d) enhance the capacity of the County Government, relevant agencies and the community to effectively manage sports and talents; and
  - (e) ensure effective and efficient implementation of directives and initiatives issued under the Act.

**PART II—COUNTY SPORTS AND TALENTS MANAGEMENT  
STRUCTURE**

**Sports Talent Management Committee**

- 4.** (1) There is established County Sports and Talents Management Committee.
- (2) The Committee shall consist of—
    - (a) a Chairperson;
    - (b) a representative of persons living with disability;
    - (c) two youth representatives from each gender actively playing for any local sports team;
    - (d) three representatives from the County Sports Federation appointed by the Executive Committee Member;
    - (e) the County Director of Sports and Talents who shall be the Secretary; and
    - (f) a Fund Administrator who shall be appointed by the County Executive Committee Member in charge of Finance.

(3) The Chairperson and members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Governor.

#### **Functions of the Committee**

**5.** (1) The functions of the Committee shall be to—

- (a) set policies on Sports and talents Management;
- (b) approve the sports plans, review and oversee implementation of the County Sports and talents Plan;
- (c) implement the National Governments policy on Sports and talents response;
- (d) consider, verify and approve funding for local sports teams and youth activities;
- (e) receive any gifts, grants, donations or endowments made to sports fund and make disbursements therefrom in;
- (f) ensure that any sports and talents activity carried out for the purpose of the Fund complies with the law;
- (g) provide oversight on the administration and management of the Fund;
- (h) perform such other functions as the Committee may deem necessary for the proper discharge of its mandate.

(2) The Committee shall report quarterly to the County Executive Member.

(3) The County Executive Committee Member shall table an annual report on the status of sports and a report on finances of the Fund.

(4) The Committee shall encourage Community and private sector participation in stadia construction, maintenance and Management under its supervision and guidance.

(5) The County Executive Committee Member for Finance shall formulate guidelines to achieve the objective of the Fund.

(6) The conduct and regulation of the business and affairs of the Committee shall be as provided in the Schedule.

#### **Ward Sports Talent Management Committee**

**6.** (1) There is established the Wards Sports and Talent Management Committee.

(2) The Chairperson and members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Director of Sports.

- (3) The Committee shall consist of—
  - (a) a Chairperson;
  - (b) a representative of persons living with disability;
  - (c) a youth representatives actively playing for any local sports team;
  - (d) two representatives from the Ward Sports Federation appointed by the Director of Sports and Talent;
  - (e) the County Director of Sports and talents shall appoint the Secretary;

### **PART III—THE COUNTY DIRECTORATE OF SPORTS AND TALENTS**

#### **Establishment of the Directorate**

7. (1) There is established the Directorate of Sports and Talents Management which shall be a department in the County Public Service Board.

- (2) The Directorate shall—
  - (a) be the Secretariat of the Committee;
  - (b) be under the direct management and supervision of the Committee;
  - (c) assess and review all Sports and talents make appropriate recommendations to the Committee;
  - (d) prepare and subject to the Committee's approval implement the Sport Plan;
  - (e) in collaboration with Sports Kenya co-ordinate and monitor the implementation of the National and County Sports Policy;
  - (f) ensure that areas in the County in need of sports facilities are identified and measures for their development are undertaken by the departments of the County;
  - (g) ensure that the Sports Plan is publicized and that all sectors of the community are made aware of the benefits of Sports;
  - (h) put in place collaboration measures with Sports Kenya or National Government agencies; and
  - (i) advice the County Government on all matters relating to sports response.

(3) The Committee shall, in consultation with the County Public Service Board determine such number of staff as may be required for the proper execution of the function of the Directorate.

#### **Appointment of the Directorate**

**8.** (1) The Sports and Talents Directorate shall be headed by a Director of Sports and Talent Management.

(2) The Director shall be appointed by the County Public Service Board through a competitive and transparent process.

(3) A person shall be appointed as a Director if that person—

- (a) is a Kenyan citizen;
- (b) is a holder of a degree from a recognized university;
- (c) satisfies the requirement of Chapter Six of the Constitution.

(4) The Director Sports shall be the overall head of the Directorate and shall be responsible for—

- (a) day to day running and operation of the Directorate;
- (b) administration, organization and control of staff of the Directorate;
- (c) management of funds, property and affairs of the Directorate;
- (d) implementation of policies and programs of the Directorate and reporting thereon to the committee;
- (e) development of Operational Sports Plans for achieving the objectives of the Directorate;
- (f) performance of any other function necessary for the implementation of this Act, as may be determined by the Committee; and
- (g) establishment of annual schedule and calendar of events per Ward.

#### **PART IV—COUNTY SPORTS AND TALENTS PLAN**

##### **The Sports and Talents Plan**

**9.** (1) There shall be prepared a Sports and talents Plan to be called the Murang'a County Sports Plan.

(2) The Sports plan shall be prepared by the Directorate having regard to the National Government Sports Policy.

(3) The sports and talents plan shall include—



- (a) measures undertaken for organization, co-ordination and promotion of sporting activities in the County;
  - (b) measures to be taken for the Management, protection and preservation of the sports facilities of the County Government;
  - (c) measures to be taken for the integration of Sports in the development sports plans;
  - (d) measures to be taken for the organization of the annual County sports association activities;
  - (f) the regulation of sporting activities and the minimum standards to be observed in provision of sports facilities; and
  - (g) roles and responsibilities of different County Government departments and other such agencies not being part of the County Government structure.
- (4) The Sports and Talents Plan shall be reviewed and updated annually.
- (5) The county Government shall make provisions for financing the measures carried out in the Sports and Talents Plan.

#### **Role of the County Government**

- 10.** The County Government shall—
- (a) ensure that officers and employees are trained for sports;
  - (b) promote sports are maintained to be readily ensure that resources relating to available for use;
  - (c) ensure that all construction of sports projects under it or within its jurisdiction conform to the laid down standards and specifications; and
  - (d) carry out relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction activities in the affected area in accordance with the Sports and Talents Plan.

#### **PART V—ESTABLISHMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF MURANG'A COUNTY SPORTS AND TALENTS FUND**

##### **Establishment of the Fund**

- 11.** (1) There is established a fund to be known as Murang'a County Sports and Talents Fund.
- (2) The Fund shall be financed from—
- (a) such monies appropriated from the County revenue,

- (b) grants made by the National Government or other County Governments; and
- (c) aid or donation from national or international agencies; and all monies from any other resource provided or donated or lent to the directorate.

#### **Uses of the Fund**

**12.** The Fund shall be used towards meeting expenses for implementation of the Sports and talents Plan through—

- (a) supporting approved wards sports and talent events budget annually;
- (b) approved National Federations calendars' of events.

#### **Administration of the Fund**

**13.** (1) The Fund shall be administered by an Administrator who shall be responsible for the running of the day to day activities of the Fund.

- (2) The Administrator shall—
  - (a) prepare accounts for the Fund for each financial year;
  - (b) not later than three (3) months after the end of each financial year submit financial statements relating to those accounts to the Auditor-General which shall include—
    - (i) the date and amount of each payment from the Fund;
    - (ii) the person to whom payment was made;
    - (iii) the purpose to which the payment was made; and
    - (iv) whether the person to whom the payment was made has spent the money for that purpose and statement made to that effect.
  - (c) present the financial statements to the County Assembly;
  - (d) manage, control and administer the assets of the Fund in such manner and for such purposes as to best promote the purpose for which the Fund is established;
  - (f) receive from local sports teams, at least six (6) months before the commencement of every financial year, an annual sports programs of the team and estimated costs of every activity;
  - (g) submit quarterly returns and reports to the Committee operations to the Executive Committee;

- (h) supervise and manage operations of the Fund; and
- (i) perform any other function that may be assigned by the management Committee.

#### **Sponsorship of local sports teams**

**14.** (1) A local sports team or youth group shall qualify for sponsorship if the team or group—

- (a) is registered under the relevant law;
- (b) has a bank account in its name;
- (c) must have been active and in existence for at least one (1) year; and
- (d) has at least seventy (70) percent of its membership drawn from the County.

(2) An application for the funds shall be accompanied by a resolution of a properly constituted meeting of the team or the group and the resolution shall be supported by minutes.

#### **Eligibility Criteria for Sponsorship**

**15.** (1) A local sports team or youth group seeking support from the Fund shall be registered in accordance with the relevant law and be recognized by the respective sports federation or association.

(2) A local sports team or youth group sponsored by the Fund shall submit to the Management Committee the record of expenditure of amounts received from the Fund once every quarter.

#### **Disbursement From the Fund**

**16.** (1) All disbursement from the Fund shall be approved and accompanied by minutes of the Management Committee.

(2) The Committee may impose reasonable conditions, on a particular local sports team or youth group.

#### **Approval by the County Executive Committee**

**17.** The County Executive Committee shall approve all sponsorships to the local teams of youth groups participating in sports and talent activities.

### **PART VI—FINANCIAL PROVISIONS**

#### **Estimates**

**18.** (1) Before the commencement of each financial year, the Directorate shall prepare financial estimates for that year.

(2) The annual estimates shall make provisions for all the estimated expenditure of the Directorate for the financial year concerned and, in particular shall provide for the—

- (a) funding of training, research and development of activities of the Directorate;
- (b) funding of education, training and capacity building on sports in the County; and
- (c) such other matters as the Directorate may consider fit in form of wage bills, cash awards, referees and adjudicators fees, cultural attires and sports equipment and any other approved allowances by Management Committee.

(3) Expenditure of the Directorate shall not be incurred except in accordance with the annual estimates approved by the Management Committee.

(4) The Funds will be apportioned as follows—

- (a) 3% for administration expenses;
- (b) 80% for Wards Championships and activities to be shared equally amongst the Wards; and
- (c) 17% for County Championships and can finance for National Championships like cycling, athletics, boxing and other talents like theatre arts, comedies among other community cultural activities.

(5) The Directorate shall prepare a statement of its assets and liabilities on the last day of the financial year.

(6) The annual accounts of the Directorate must be prepared, audited and reported upon in accordance with the Constitution and other relevant.

(7) The Fund will not cater for any infrastructural expenditure.

### **Maintenance of Books**

**19.** (1) The Director shall cause to be kept proper books and records of account of the income, expenditure, assess and liabilities.

(2) Within a period of three months after the end of each financial year, the committee must submit to the Auditor-General the accounts of the director in respect of that year together with a statement of the income and expenditure of the directorate during that year

(3) The annual accounts of the Directorate must be prepared, audited and reported upon in accordance with the provisions of Article 226 and 229 of the Constitution and the law relating to public audit.

## **PART VII—OFFENCES**

### **Offences Under the Act**

- 20.** Any person who—
- (a) obstructs any officer or employees of the County Government or Directorate in the discharge of their functions under this Act;
  - (b) refuses to comply with any direction given by or on behalf of the county government in exercise of the functions under this Act;
  - (c) knowingly makes a false claim for obtaining any assistance or any other benefits under this Act;
  - (d) fails to discharge their duties as accorded by this Act; or
  - (e) interferes or destroys any equipment meant to achieve the objectives of this Act.

Commits an offence and is liable upon conviction to a fine not exceeding five hundred thousand Kenya Shillings or to a term of imprisonment not exceeding one year, or both.

### **Protection of the Stadia**

**21.** (1) No other person shall exercise any power relating to the control or maintenance or development or protection of any County stadia except where such power has been delegated by the Committee.

(2) A person who contravenes the provisions of sub-section (1) commits an offence and is liable upon conviction to a fine not exceeding five hundred thousand Kenya Shillings or to a term of imprisonment not exceeding one year, or both.

## **PART VIII—PROVISIONS ON DELEGATED POWERS**

### **Delegated Legislation**

**22.** (1) The County Executive Committee Member shall make delegated legislation generally for the better carrying out of the provisions of this Act.

(2) Without prejudice to the generally of the foregoing, such rules may provide for—

- (a) prescribing anything required to be prescribed under this Act;
- (b) the forms and fees for the purposes of this Act.

(3) The County Executive Committee Member for Finance shall make any regulations relating to the fund pursuant to the constitution and relevant laws.

### **Transitional Provisions**

**23.** (1) For the purpose of this section—

(a) “effective date” means the day upon which this Act comes into operation; and

(b) “Former department” means the Department or Unit responsible for sports within the County Public services existing immediately before the effective date.

(2) On the effective date, all the funds, assets and other property, both movable and immovable, which immediately before such date were vested in the former Department, shall by virtue of this sub-section, vest in the Committee.

(3) On the effective date, all rights, powers and liabilities, whether arising under any written law or otherwise which immediately before such day were vested in, imposed on or enforceable against the former Department shall, by virtue of this sub-section, be deemed to be vested in, imposed on or enforceable against the Committee.

(4) On the effective date, any person who, immediately before the commencement of this Act was a member of staff of the former department shall be deemed to be a member of staff of the Committee for the unexpired period of his or her service.

(5) Any reference in any written law or in any document or instrument to the former Department shall on and after the appointed day, be constructed to be a reference to the Committee.

(6) The annual estimates of the former Department for the financial year in which the effective day occurs shall be deemed to be annual estimates of the Committee for the remainder of that financial year but such estimates may be varied by the Committee in such manner as the Member of the County Executive may approve.

(7) The Administrative Directions made by the former Department or by the Member of the County Executive which are in force immediately before the appointed day shall, on and after such day, have force as if they were directions made by the Committee or the members of the County Executive under this Act.

## SCHEDULE

### SCHEDULE PROVISIONS ON CONDUCT OF AFFAIRS AND BUSINESS OF THE COMMITTEE

#### Term of Office

1. The members of the Committee other than *ex-officio* members shall, subject to the provisions of this Schedule, hold office for a period of five (5) years, on such terms and conditions as may be specified in the instrument of appointment, but shall be eligible for re-appointment for one more term.

#### Resignation/ Removal from Office

2. A member other than an *ex-official* member may—
- (a) at any time resign from office by notice written to the Governor;
  - (b) be removed from office by the Governor if the member—
    - (i) has been absent from three consecutive meeting of the committee without its permission;
    - (ii) is found to have contravene the provisions of Chapter Six or Thirteen of the Constitution;
    - (iii) is convicted of a criminal offence that amounts to a felony in Kenya;
    - (iv) is incapacitated by prolonged physical or mental illness for a period exceeding six (6) months; or
    - (v) is otherwise unable or unfit to discharge his functions.

#### Meetings

3. (1) The Committee shall meet at least four times in every financial year and not more than four months shall elapse between the date of one meeting and the date of the next meeting.

(2) The Chairperson may, and upon Request in writing by at least five (5) members shall, convene a special meeting of the committee at any time for the transaction of the business of the Committee.

(3) At least fourteen (14) days' written notice of every meeting of the Committee shall be given to every member of the Committee.

(4) The quorum of the conduct of the business of the Committee shall be half of the total members including the Chairperson or the person presiding.

(5) The members of the Committee shall, during their first meeting after appointment elect one of their numbers to be the Vice-chairperson

who shall preside whenever the Chairperson is absent, with all the powers of the Chairperson with respect to the meeting and the business transacted thereat.

(6) Unless a unanimous decision is reached, a decision on any matter before the Committee shall be by a majority of the votes of the members present and voting, and in case of an equality of votes, the Chairperson or the person presiding shall have a casting vote.

(7) Subject to sub-paragraph (6), no proceedings of the Committee shall be invalid by reason only of a vacancy among the members thereof.

(8) Subject to the provisions of this Schedule, the Committee may determine its own procedure and the procedure for any committee of the Committee and for the attendance of other persons at its meeting and may make standing orders in respect thereof.

#### **Sub-committees**

4. (1) The Committee may establish such sub-committees as it may deem appropriate to perform such functions and responsibilities as it may determine.

(2) The Committee shall appoint the Chairperson of a sub-committee

(3) The Committee may where it deems appropriate, co-opt any person to attend the deliberations of any of its committees.

(4) All decisions by the sub-committees appointed under sub-paragraph (1) shall be ratified by the Committee without prejudice to the generality of sub-paragraph (1), the Committee shall ensure the establishment of sub-committees responsible for—

- (a) management issues;
- (b) practice issues; and
- (c) training and assessment issues.

#### **Conflict of Interest**

7. (1) A member who has any interest in any contract, or other matter present at a meeting shall at the meeting and as soon as reasonably practicable after the commencement, disclose the his/her interest and shall not take part in the consideration or discussion of, or vote on, any questions with respect to the contract or other matters, or be counted in the quorum of the meeting during consideration of the matter.

(2) A disclosure of interest made under sub-paragraph (1) shall be recorded in the minutes of the meetings at which it is made.



(3) A member of the Committee who contravenes sub-paragraph (1) commits an offence and is liable upon conviction to a fine not exceeding two hundred thousand Kenya Shillings.

#### **Contracts**

**8.** Any contract or instrument which, if entered into or executed by a person not being a body corporate would not require to be under seal, may be entered into or executed on behalf of the Committee by any person generally or specially authorized by the Committee for that purpose.

#### **Common Seal**

**9.** (1) The affixing of the common seal of the Committee shall be authenticated by the signature of the Chairperson and the Secretary and any document not required by law to be made under seal and all decisions of the Committee may be authenticated by the signatures of the Chairperson and the Secretary.

(2) The Committee shall, in the absence of either the Chairperson or the Secretary in any particular matter, nominate one member to authenticate the seal of the Committee on behalf of either the Chairperson or the Secretary.

### **MEMORANDUM OF OBJECTS AND REASONS**

The Bill aims to provide for the Management, Promotion, Regulation and funding of Sports and talent in Murang'a County and for connected purposes.

**PART I** of the Bill provides for preliminary matters including the short title, interpretation of words and expressions used in the Bill, purpose of the Act and guiding principles.

**PART II** of the Bill establishes the sports management committee and the ward committee that is overall in charge of sports talent management.

**PART III** of the Bill sets out the establish of the directorate of sports and talent, appointment of the Directorate .

**Part IV** of the Bill sets out the Sports and Talents Plan, that aligns to any national or international plans and the Role of the County Government.

**Part V** of the Bill establishes the Murang'a County Sports Fund, the uses of the Fund and the administration of the fund, disbursement from the funds and approval by the executive committee.

**Part VI** of the Bill sets out the financial provisions of the Fund as per the constitution and relevant laws on financial management.

**Part VII** of the Bill creates offences and the penalties for the same.

**Part VIII** of the Bill provides for delegated powers.

The Bill does not contain provisions limiting the fundamental rights and freedoms set out under the Constitution.

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