



**REPUBLIC OF KENYA
THE NATIONAL TREASURY AND PLANNING**

PUBLIC NOTICE

1. DRAFT ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR THE PUBLIC SECTOR
 2. DRAFT STANDARD CHART OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE PUBLIC SECTOR
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Kenya is transitioning from cash-based to accrual-based accounting for all public sector entities (MDAs and County Governments) to enhance transparency, accountability, and comprehensive financial reporting – important for the citizenry to hold the government to account. Approved by the Cabinet on March 7, 2024, the three-year phased adoption of IPSAS aligns with efforts to manage pending bills and improve asset and liabilities management in the public sector. This reform is expected to provide a more accurate picture of the government's financial position, addressing challenges related to pending bills, public debt, natural resource utilization, and asset ownership, among others.

The National Steering Committee on Accrual Accounting in Kenya, established via Gazette Notice No. 10892, leads the three-year transition (July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2027) from cash to accrual-based accounting. Led by the Principal Secretary of the National Treasury, the Committee manages the roadmap, policy dialogue, and technical working groups for accrual accounting. The Committee has reviewed the following policy documents, which are important for both users and preparers of financial statements. The National Treasury, as per Section 12(1)(e) of the Public Finance Management Act, Cap. 412A will mandate the use of the following policy documents by all public sector entities in Kenya.

1. Draft Accounting Policies for the Public Sector;
2. Draft Standard Chart of Accounts for the Public Sector.

The draft Accounting Policies and the draft Standard Chart of Accounts for the Public Sector (the Policies), and the Explanatory Memorandum have been prepared and posted on the National Treasury website at <http://www.treasury.go.ke>.

Now, pursuant to Section 4 (a) and 5 (3) (a) and (b) of the Statutory Instruments Act, 2013, the National Treasury & Economic Planning invites members of the public to submit comments, inputs, or memoranda they may have on the said draft Policies in the format provided on the website.

The comments, inputs or memoranda thereof from the general public may be forwarded to the Principal Secretary, The National Treasury, P. O. Box 30007-00100, Nairobi, or hand delivered to the Office of the Principal Secretary, National Treasury Building, Nairobi, or emailed to ps@treasury.go.ke and copied to jona.wala@treasury.go.ke to be received by **27th March, 2026, at 5.00 p.m.** There will be no physical meetings.

Comments, inputs, or memoranda from the general public, once received, will be considered public records and may be shared with the legislative arm of the Government. Comments are most helpful if they indicate the specific regulation or group of regulations to which they relate, contain a clear rationale, and, where applicable, provide a suggestion for alternative wording. Comments must be submitted in English (see the Template for Comments format).

The Policies may be modified in light of comments received before publication in final form.

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