

NEWS GENERAL

STARTS COUNTDOWN

Tough options for Mudavadi ahead of ANC Sunday forum

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ANC leader Musalia Mudavadi faces tough political options even as he promises to make an earthmoving announcement on Sunday.

Mudavadi has taken to social media for the countdown to his party's National Delegates Congress at Bomas of Kenya in Nairobi.

"The countdown begins. Tukutane Bomas (let's meet at Bomas)," Mudavadi posted on his Twitter account.

Mudavadi has told his supporters to brace for a major announcement, which will give him the mandate to spearhead and engage in any coalition arrangement that will benefit Kenyans and the party.

The ANC leader has five clear options; contest for the top seat on ANC, vie on One Kenya Alliance ticket, support another Oka principal, back ODM leader Ralla Odginga or rally behind Deputy President William Ruto.

Mudavadi's expected announcement has triggered curiosity among Kenyans and anxiety for his supporters since he has consistently expressed his desire to go all the way to the ballot.

His Oka counterpart Kalonzo Musyoka (Wiper) has said his name will be on the ballot. Other princi-

pals Gideon Moi (Kanu) and Moses Wetangula (Ford Kenya) have been endorsed by their parties for the top seat.

Shinyalu MP Justus Kizito said Mudavadi, as the most experienced politician from Western, should stop punishing the community with his indecisiveness.

"I do not see any earth-shaking announcement from Mudavadi. At most, only ANC will be shaken. We need him to be decisive and give the community direction," he said.

He told Mudavadi to be careful not to make mistakes similar to the ones he made in the run-up to the 2002 elections.

"ANC is already shaken. Musalia should come to Azimio where he has a brighter future," he said.

Political analyst Fred Sasia said the big announcement would be for Mudavadi to state if he will quit Oka to go alone if the formation does not pick him as its flagbearer.

He said another possible announcement would be for the ANC leader to say he is teaming up with Azimio la Umoja.

"We know the ODM leader has said before that he will eventually unite with his former Nasa allies," Sasia said.

RAPE CASES COMMON

Most sexual abuses during polls are by police – report

AKELLO ODENYO/Lucy (not her real name) locked her rheumy sunken eyes with her friend's and grinned. "I have fulfilled my promise to you. I have smiled," she muttered softly.

Lucy had found a friend in Irene Soila, a programmer's officer at Kenya Human Rights Commission after sharing what she considered dark life.

Soila had made her promise to smile but after she kept her word, there was very little left for Lucy to live for. Her friend Soila was left to tell her story.

She had been robbed of her dignity and the love of her life.

Lucy, 54, had been living with her husband in Migori town. The two eked a living out of selling candies and other items by the roadside.

They lived from hand to mouth, some days going hungry, but love bound them together.

However on October 27, 2017, a few days after the repeat presidential election, their lives were turned upside down.

At around 3pm, while Lucy was at her business place, she saw people running away screaming. She left her business and joined them.

"She did not know what was going on but as she ran, she saw a group of men chasing after her. So she ran even faster," Soila narrated to a group of survivors of sexual violence in Nairobi.

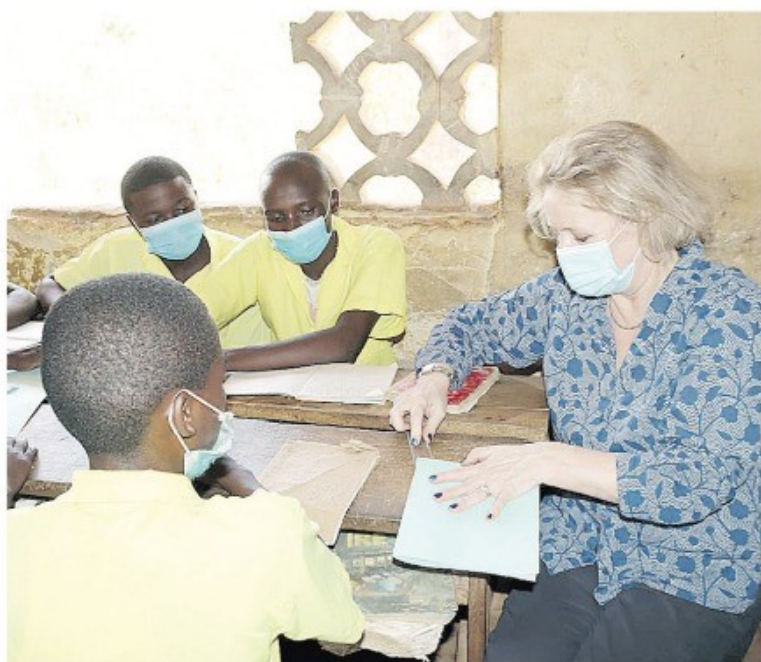
"She ran past a forest and soon enough she was at her door. However, as soon as she had unlocked her door, the group caught up with her".

Soila said one man threw her onto the chair and asked her to strip naked.


She did not heed and they ripped off her clothes, and the first man pounced on her.

KHRC RECOMMENDS THAT AHEAD OF THE GENERAL ELECTION, PREVENTION MECHANISMS, BE PUT IN PLACE

PHOTO STORY



UK Minister for Africa Vicky Ford interacts with Mkwajuni Primary School pupils in Kilifi to understand the impact of the 'Wasichana Wetu Wafaulu project' on the lives of the girls and teachers. The project supports marginalised girls to improve their learning outcomes, complete primary education and transition successfully to a productive and positive next phase /HANDOUT



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ADDENDUM

EXTENSION OF TENDER CLOSING DATES FROM 20TH JANUARY, 2022 TO 27TH JANUARY, 2022.
Refer to County website: www.narok.go.ke for revised tender advert notice and tender document for:

No.	Tender No	Description	Closing date & Time	Tender opening date & Time	Bid Security	NCA Category	Eligibility
1	NCG/TECH /BITUMEN /071/2021-2022	Tender for Repair & Rehabilitation of Nairegie-Enkare Road and Completion of Narok Township roads to bitumen Standards	27th January 2022 at 12.00pm	28th January, 2022 at 10.00am at County Assembly Hall 2	259,000	6 and Above	OPEN
2	NCG/TECH /WORKS/ /066/2021-2022	Tender for Supply and Delivery of Dikirr Sub County Hospital Equipment's	27th January 2022 at 12.00pm	28th January, 2022 at 10.00am at County Assembly Hall 2	N/A	8 and 7 Only	RESERVED FOR SPECIAL GROUPS

The detailed advertisement notice and tender documents will be available on county website: www.narok.go.ke and PPIP Tender Portal: www.tender.go.ke immediately. Completed Tender documents in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked on the envelop the tender number and name of the tender" should be deposited in the Tender Box located at the entrance of Narok County Government offices addressed to:

The County Secretary,
Narok County Government
P O Box 898-20500
Nairobi.

so as to be received not later than 12.00noon on **Thursday 27th January, 2022 at 12.00 noon**. However, due to COVID 19 pandemic, the received tender documents will be quarantined for at least 12 hours after tender closure date and time of the tender box and opening of the bids will be done on **Friday 28th January, 2021 from 10.00am at the County Assembly Hall 2.**