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**THE TURKANA COUNTY VILLAGE ADMINISTRATION ACT,  
2019**

**AN ACT of the County Assembly of Turkana to provide for the delineation and administration of village units in Turkana county and to provide for the roles and functions of village administrators and for connected purposes**

**ENACTED** by the County Assembly of Turkana, as follows—

**PART I—PRELIMINARY**

**Short Title and commencement**

1. This Act may be cited as the Turkana County Village Administration Act, 2019 and shall come into force upon publication in the *Kenya Gazette*.

**Interpretation**

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

“County” means any one of the counties into which the territory of Kenya is divided as specified in the First Schedule to the Constitution;

“County Assembly” means the County Assembly of Turkana;

“County Executive Committee Member” means the County Executive Committee Member for the time being responsible for public administration;

“Village Administrator” means the person appointed as a village administrator under section 10;

“Village Council” means the council established under Section 14 to assist village administrator to handle administrative tasks at the village level;

“Village Council Member” means a person appointed under Section 19 and who has attained the age of 40 years;

“Village Unit” means any one of the smallest possible administrative units into which a ward is divided into;

“Ward Administrator” means the person appointed for any administrative area to the office of ward administrator in public service;

**Objects of the Act**

3. The object of this Act is to—

- (a) give effect to Article 176(2) of the constitution in respect of further decentralization; and

- (b) to provide for delineation and administration of village units in Turkana County as provided for in Sections 52 and 53 of the County Governments Act, 2012.

## **PART II—ESTABLISHMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF VILLAGE UNITS**

### **Establishment of Village Units**

4. (1) There is established in the County, such number of village units with the names and boundaries thereof determined by the County Assembly and administered by a Village Administrator in accordance with section 52 of the County Governments Act, 2012.

(2) In establishing a village unit, the County Assembly shall take into consideration the—

- (a) population size;
- (b) geographical area and features;
- (c) means of communication; and
- (d) community of interest, historical, economic and cultural ties.

### **Number of village units**

5. Without prejudice to the provisions of section 7, there shall be an initial 156 village units as provided for in the Schedule.

### **Review of village boundaries**

6. The number, names and boundaries of village units shall be reviewed within one year after every review of ward boundaries by the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission.

### **Village boundaries review taskforce**

7. (1) The Governor shall appoint a taskforce committee to undertake review of the boundaries and number of village units referred to in Section 6.

(2) The County Executive Member responsible for administration shall make regulations to give effect to the provisions of this section.

### **Approval of the recommendations of the taskforce**

8. The recommendations of the taskforce on review of village units shall be submitted to the County Assembly for approval with or without amendment.

**Appointment of village administrator**

9. Each village unit shall be administered by a village administrator who will be appointed by the County Public Service Board from persons who possess professional and technical qualifications in administration.

**Roles of village administrator**

10. (1) The village administrator shall perform the following functions pursuant to paragraph 14 of Part II of the Fourth Schedule of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010—

- (a) ensuring and coordinating the participation of the village unit in governance;
- (b) assisting the village unit to develop the administrative capacity for the effective exercise of the functions and powers at the local level;
- (c) facilitating the community in development of policies and plans
- (d) ensuring effective and efficient service delivery;
- (e) coordinating county government development activities that will empower the community;
- (f) providing and maintaining infrastructure and facilities for effective service delivery for public services by the county;
- (g) chair village council; and
- (h) facilitating civic education and public participation.

(2) Exercise of any functions and powers delegated by the County Public Service Board pursuant to the provisions of section 86 of the County Governments Act, 2012.

(3) In carrying out the functions and obligations under this section, the Village Administrator shall report to the relevant Ward Administrator.

**Remuneration of village administrator**

11. The Village Administrator shall be paid such remuneration as may be determined from time to time by the Salaries and Remunerations Commission.

**Removal of village administrator**

12. The Village Administrator may be removed from office on any of the following grounds—

- (a) gross violation of a provision of the Constitution;

- (b) where there are serious reasons for believing that he has committed a crime under national or international law; or
- (c) for gross misconduct.

#### **Village council**

13. There is established in every village unit a village council comprising—

- (a) the village unit administrator who shall be the chairperson;
- (b) a secretary who shall be appointed from amongst the members of the village council; and
- (c) not less than three and not more than five village elders appointed by the village administrator in consultation with the relevant village unit stakeholders.

#### **Roles of village council**

14. The Village Council shall be responsible for—

- (a) ensuring and coordinating the participation of the village unit in governance assisting the Village Administrator to develop the administrative capacity for the effective exercise of the functions and powers at the local level;
- (b) monitoring the implementation of policies and development plans at the village level;
- (c) advising the village administrator on matters pertaining to the village unit; and
- (d) any other function necessary for the betterment of the village unit as may be assigned from time to time.

#### **Appointment of village council member**

15. The appointment of the village council members shall be conducted in accordance to section 53(1) (b) of the County Governments Act, 2012.

#### **Eligibility for Appointment to the village council**

16. A person shall be eligible for appointment as a village elder if the person—

- (a) is a citizen of Kenya;
- (b) has been a resident of the respective village unit for a continuous period of not less than five years prior to the appointment date; and

- (c) should be of good standing in the public of the respective village unit.

**Principle of gender representation**

17. In appointing members of the village council, the appointing authority shall have due regard to the principle that not more than two thirds of the council shall be of the same gender.

**Term of office for village council member**

18. A member of the village council who does not hold office by virtue of his employment shall serve in the village council for a period of three years renewable only once.

**Removal of a village council member**

19. The village administrator may, in consultation with relevant stakeholders, remove a member of the village council from office for gross misconduct.

**Vacancy in the village council**

20. (1) A vacancy in the membership of a village council committee shall be filled by the village administrator within a period of one month.

(2) in fulfilling the provisions in Sub-Clause (1) above, the village administrator shall be guided by the provision of Section 13 of this Act.

**Meetings of the village council**

21. (1) The village council shall hold at least one meeting in a month and at any other time the village administrator may deem extremely necessary for the performance of the functions of the village council.

(2) The village administrator shall notify and obtain the consent of the ward administrator of the intention of the village council to hold any meeting other than the monthly meeting and such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

(3) A meeting of the village council shall be properly constituted if at least two-thirds of the members are present.

**Proceedings of village council meetings**

22. The proceedings of the meetings shall be documented and submitted to the Ward administrator for further action.

**Remuneration for village council members**

23. Members of the village council shall be paid such allowances as shall be determined by the County Executive Committee Member for Administration and approved by the County Assembly.

**PART III—MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS****Transfer of staff**

24. A village administrator shall be a county public service officer and may serve in any part of the County.

**Regulations**

25. The County Executive Committee Member may make regulations to give effect to the provisions of this Act.

**Act to be complementary**

26. This Act shall be complementary to the County Governments Act, 2012 in relation to the establishment and administration of the village units within the County.

**Uniforms for ward administrators and village council members**

27. For identification, visibility and distinctiveness the County Executive Committee Member shall prescribe official attire of the Village Administrator and Village Council Members.

## SCHEDULE

SUB - COUNTY AND CODE	WARD NAME AND CODE	NAME OF VILLAGE UNIT	NO. OF VILLAGES
(123) Turkana North	0613 - Lapur	1. Nattoo 2. Nakalale 3. Kachoda 4. Karebur 5. Kokuro 6. Meyan	6
	0612 - Lake zone	7. Kataboi 8. Lomekwi 9. Nachukui 10. Riokomor 11. Lowarengak 12. Todonyang	6
	0616- Nakalale	13. Naduat 14. Lolupe 15. Kaenyangaluk 16. Losajait 17. Lokore	5
	0614- Kaaleng/kaikor	18. Nakinomet 19. Kaalem 20. Kakelae 21. Loruth 22. Nalita 23. Nakapelewoi	6
	0611 - Kaeris	24. Kanukurudio 25. Kaeris 26. Nadunga 27. Kangakipur 28. Milimatatu	5
	0615 - Kibish	29. Napak 30. Natodomeri 31. Kibish 32. Kaitede 33. Natapar 34. Naita	6

SUB COUNTY AND CODE	WARD NAME AND CODE	NAME OF VILLAGE UNIT	NO. OF VILLAGES
(124) Turkana West	0622 – Lokichoggio	35. Lokichoggio 36. Lokariwon 37. Lotetelei 38. Loriemet 39. Nadapal	5
	0623 – Nanam	40. Lopiding 41. Napopongoit 42. Mogila 43. Kakurotuko 44. Lomeyen 45. Kapetadiye 46. Lotikipi	7
	0620 – Songot	47. Lokangae 48. Atiir 49. Songot 50. Lopwarin 51. Nakururum	5
	0618 – Lopur	52. Nakoyo 53. Lochor Edome 54. Kangitesiroi 55. Lopusiki 56. Namon	5
	0621 - Kalobeyei	57. Ayanae-Angidapala 58. Lonyuduk 59. Nalapatui 60. Oropoi 61. Lomunyanakirionok	5
	0617 - Kakuma	62. Komudei 63. Nadapal 64. Nayenae-emeyen 65. Pokotom 66. Lorengo	5
	0619 – Letea	67. Kalimapus 68. Letea 69. Loritit 70. Garite	6

SUB - COUNTY AND CODE	WARD NAME AND CODE	NAME OF VILLAGE UNIT	NO. OF VILLAGES
		71. Loitasonyok 72. Musug	
(126) Loima	0632 - Lorengipi/Lokiriama	73. Lorengipi 74. Lokiriama 75. Nakwapua 76. Urum 77. Nakurio	5
	(i) 0631-Loima	78. Lochor-Ekuyen 79. Namoruputh 80. Locher-Edome 81. Puch	4
	0629 - Lobei/kotaruk	82. Lobei 83. Nadapal 84. Lokipetot-Arengan 85. Kotaruk 86. Kangalita	5
	0630 - Turkwel	87. Napeikar 88. Nadapal 89. Turkwel 90. Lorugum 91. Napeililim 92. Kaapus 93. Lomeyan	7
(125) Turkana Central	0627 - Lodwar township	94. Lodwar town 95. Nakwamekwi 96. Napetet 97. Kakwanyang 98. Kawalase	5
	0628 - Kanamkemer	99. Kanamkemer 100. Nawoitorong/Lolupe 101. Naotin 102. Loturerei	4
	625 - Kangatotha	103. Eliye 104. Lomopus 105. Namukuse 106. Lochoraikeny	4

SUB COUNTY AND CODE	WARD NAME AND CODE	NAME OF VILLAGE UNIT	NO. OF VILLAGES
	0626 - Kalokol	107. Kapua 108. Kalokol Township 109. Namadak 110. Nabwel Ekorot	4
	0624 - Kerio delta	111. Lorengelup 112. Nadoto 113. Kerio 114. Nakurio 115. Kangirisae	5
(127) Turkana South	0636 - Lobokat	116. Kainuk 117. Kakongu 118. Loyapat 119. Koputiro	4
	0634- Kaputir	120. Nakwamoru 121. Lorogon 122. Kaputir 123. Kalemwae	4
	0635 - Katilu	124. Kalemungorok 125. Korinyang 126. Katilu 127. Lokapel 128. Kanaodon	5
	0637 - Lokichar	129. Lokichar 130. Kapese 131. Kasuroi 132. Lomunyenkupurat 133. Lochwaa 134. Kakalel	6
	0633 - Kalapata	135. Loperot 136. Lomeleku 137. Kangakipur 138. Kaatir 139. Nakaalei	5
(128) Turkana East	0638 - Kapedo/Napeitom	140. Napeitom 141. Lomelo 142. Kasimanang 143. Nadome	5

SUB - COUNTY AND CODE	WARD NAME AND CODE	NAME OF VILLAGE UNIT	NO. OF VILLAGES
		144. Kamuge	
	0640 - Lokori/kochodin	145. Nakukulas 146. Kochodin 147. Lochakula 148. Lokori 149. Kangitit 150. Lokwii 151. Lotubae	7
	0639 - Katilia	152. Lomunyen-Akwaan 153. Lopeduru 154. Katilia 155. Elelea 156. Parkati	5

