



MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK, FISHERIES AND COOPERATIVES

PUBLIC NOTICE

TEA ACT, 2020

THE DRAFT TEA (TEA FACTORY LIMITED COMPANY ELECTION) REGULATIONS, 2021 AND DRAFT TEA BOARD (ELECTION) REGULATIONS, 2021

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

Following enactment of the Tea Act, 2020, the Cabinet Secretary for Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Cooperatives has developed draft regulations on election of directors for tea factory limited companies and for the election of board members to the Tea Board of Kenya towards operationalization of the Act.

The main objective of the regulations is to regulate, develop and promote the tea industry in Kenya and in particular to:-

- provide for procedures for promotion of fair governance structures in tea factory limited companies in the interest of tea growers;
- provide for procedures for conducting elections for the tea factory limited companies and the Tea Board of Kenya;
- provide for the tenure of the board members;
- provide for mechanisms for gender balance.

The drafting of the regulations is the culmination of the tea industry reform process aimed at addressing the challenges the industry is facing and to re-position it towards sustainability and profitability.

The Constitution of Kenya, 2010 and the Statutory Instruments Act, 2013 requires the Ministry to seek and take into account the views of stakeholders and the public in the preparation of regulations.

It is in this spirit that the Ministry requests the public to submit their views and comments on the draft regulations on election of directors for tea factory limited companies and for the election of members to the Tea Board of Kenya which can be accessed through the following websites: www.afa.go.ke and www.kilimo.go.ke.

Written representations and memoranda on the draft regulations may be submitted by email to cabinetsecretary@kilimo.go.ke and copied to infotea@afa.go.ke addressed to the attention of the **Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock Fisheries and Cooperatives** or sent to;

**The Cabinet Secretary,
Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Cooperatives
7th Floor,
Kilimo House, Cathedral Road,
P.O. Box 30028-00100
NAIROBI.**

Inquiries can also be made through telephone number **0722200556/0734600944** during working hours (8am – 5pm).

The representations or comments on the regulations should reach the Ministry not later than **fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of this notice.**

Members of the public are further notified that, in view of the public health threat of Covid 19 and the Covid 19 rules no public hearings or oral submissions on the regulations will be held.

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