

ROADMAP ON TRANSITION FROM CASH TO ACCRUAL ACCOUNTING BY NATIONAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENTS AND THEIR RESPECTIVE ENTITIES WITH EFFECT FROM 1<sup>ST</sup> JULY 2024 TO 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2027.

#### **PREFACE**

Transitioning from cash to accrual accounting is a momentous milestone for any country, as it signifies a commitment to transparency, accountability, and fiscal responsibility. With the Cabinet's approval to transition from cash to accrual accounting, Kenya joins other nations, such as the United Republic of Tanzania, Rwanda, and Ghana, signalling a move towards more accurate and comprehensive public financial management.

The transition is timely as it comes at a time when the citizenry has heightened the scrutiny of public resource utilization. Accrual accounting allows for a more comprehensive and accurate representation of an entity's financial position and performance, providing a complete and accurate picture of the government's financial resources and obligations.

The migration from cash to the accrual accounting basis can be daunting. It requires careful planning and strategy to ensure a smooth and successful transition. A roadmap for this transition is essential in guiding our country through the process and helping to mitigate potential risks and challenges that may arise. The benefits of having a roadmap for the cash-to-accrual transition cannot be overstated.

This cash-to-accrual accounting transition roadmap (the roadmap) has been designed to provide a clear and structured plan for implementing the migration. It outlines the next three years' critical steps, timelines, and responsibilities. This helps ensure all parties involved will work towards a common goal. The roadmap also outlines the benefits of accrual accounting, gap analysis between the current cash accounting and the proposed accrual accounting, and policy pronouncements from the National Treasury to effectively guide implementation.

It further speaks to the proposed implementation approach, which will be implemented in phases over a three-year period. Government assets and liabilities will be recognized in phases but public entities that are ready to recognise assets and liabilities beyond what this roadmap allows, will be allowed to proceed from the onset.

The National Treasury has taken advantage of the transition to accrual accounting to the Standard Chart of Accounts (SCOA). The current SCOA is cash based and has had inconsistent and sometimes duplicated codes which erodes internal control procedures in government. With the assistance of the UNICEF, the National Treasury revised the SCOA to support both accrual accounting and GFS 2014 reporting. The implementation of a common SCOA code in government, to serve both MDAs, County Governments and State Corporations in budgeting and accounting, will be one of the important milestones of transition to accrual accounting.

This transition journey also allows the National Treasury to have a close review of IFMIS, a common

platform financial system implemented under Section 12 (1) (e) of the Public Finance Management Act,

2012. IFMIS will be re-engineered as per the detailed workplan provided in this roadmap and ensure

integration of key systems within IFMIS. These include the processing of payroll data in IFMIS, the

integration of the procurement system (e-GP), integration of revenue systems (e-Citizen), integration

of payment system (IB), and integration with the Treasury Single Account.

The transition to accrual accounting will also provide a platform for the government to identify and

recognize (value) all its assets and liabilities. The stock-taking process is already underway, and the

National Treasury has already issued broad guidelines for the categorization, valuation, and display of

these assets and liabilities in IFMIS. This roadmap further guides the specific accounting and reporting

of each of these assets and liabilities in line with IPSASs.

Implementing such a mega project in a rapidly changing environment calls for adaptability, flexibility,

creativity, and innovation. This roadmap is a living document that shall be regularly reviewed and

updated as needed, with feedback from team members incorporated into the plan.

The Steering Committee, that I Chair, commits to lead the way. I urge all Steering Committee technical

teams and implementing agencies always to remember to seek buy-in from stakeholders, set clear and

achievable goals, and continuously monitor implementation progress. There will be bumps and the road

ahead may not be smooth. However, I urge each and everyone to remain focused as we overcome

challenges every step of the way. Our dedication and hard work will undoubtedly lead to success in

this journey, and may our efforts be rewarded with the success of a transparent and accountable public

sector.

I thank you.

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#### LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

CIPFA Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy

COG Council Of Governors

CS Cabinet Secretary, The National Treasury and Economic Planning

DAS Department of Accounting Services - National Treasury

IASB International Accounting Standards Board

ICPAK Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Kenya

IFAC International Federation of Accountants

IFMIS Integrated Financial Management Information System

IFRS International Financial Reporting Standards

IPPF International Professional Practices Framework

IPSAS International Public Sector Accounting Standards

IPSASB International Public Sector Accounting Standards Board

KSG Kenya School of Government

MDAs Ministries, Departments and Agencies

NALM National Assets and Liabilities Management Department

NT National Treasury

OAG Office of the Auditor General

PFM Public Financial Management

PPP Public Private Partnership

PSASB Public Sector Accounting Standards Board

SC State Corporations

SCOA Standard Chart of Accounts

TOT Training of Trainees

### 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Constitution of Kenya, 2010 under Article 201 (a) and (e) enumerated the principles of public finance. The following principles shall guide all aspects of public finance in the Republic of Kenya:

201 (a) there shall be openness and accountability, including public participation in financial matters;

(e) financial management shall be responsible, and fiscal reporting shall be clear.

In 2012, the Public Finance Management Act was enacted. The National Treasury and Public Sector Accounting Standards Board were established under Section 11 and Section 192 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012, respectively. This initiated a standardized way of financial reporting in the public sector since the financial 2013/2014. Public entities in Kenya adopt international reporting standards (whether cash or accrual-based) except commercial public sector entities that use IFRS. This standardized reporting has enhanced quality and comparability within the public sector.

Since 2014, MDAs, Development Projects, County Governments, and their respective entities have been reporting on a modified cash basis. The gaps experienced in cash accounting have led to the need for accrual accounting. A major gap in the cash basis of accounting is the incomplete recording of assets and liabilities in the public sector. With the accrual basis of accounting, entities will report on their assets and liabilities and revenues earned and expenditures incurred irrespective of when cash is exchanged.

The Cabinet approved the transition from cash to accrual accounting on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024, with an effective date of 1<sup>st</sup> of July 2024 under a three-year transition period. Subsequently, gazettement of the transition was done on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024 vide gazette notice number 11033. The gazette notice prescribed standards for financial reporting as follows: the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) for State Corporations and County Corporations carrying out commercial activities and the International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) accrual basis for all other public sector entities.

The transition to an accrual accounting is a multi-stakeholder engagement. A Steering Committee to coordinate and oversee the transition was gazetted by the Cabinet Secretary/ National Treasury and Economic Planning on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024 vide gazette notice number 10892. Consequently,

technical committees will be constituted to ensure the smooth implementation of this roadmap. The transition will be on a three-year phased approach with financial assets and financial liabilities being reported in year 1, inventories in year 2, and all non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities in year 3. The Steering Committee will continue to issue guidelines to the transitioning entities over the three-year transition period. The PSASB and the National Treasury will provide accrual-based financial reporting templates.

The Integrated Financial Management Information System (IFMIS) will be re-engineering to ensure that the system is configured to support accrual accounting. The revised Standard Chart of Accounts (SCOA) will be configured into the system to support accrual accounting. Valuation of assets will be undertaken with the guidance of the National Assets and Liability Management (NALM) Department of the National Treasury in collaboration with the State Departments for Lands and Public Works as per IPSAS.

Capacity building is a key area of the project as this will ensure the preparers of financial statements are well-equipped with the requisite skills for the transition. Capacity building will be conducted through sensitization forums, workshops, on-the-job- training, virtually including e-learning as well as the setting up of training academies.

Communication on the project will be done promptly and to all the relevant stakeholders to ensure that there are no gaps or delays experienced in implementation. Monitoring and evaluation are key for every project and a framework has been developed to continually assess the progress in implementing the transition within the three (3) year transition period.

This roadmap outlines a structured approach for transitioning from cash-based accounting to accrual accounting, the benefits of which cannot be underestimated. Accrual accounting will ensure that complete reporting of assets and liabilities is done, and this will enable the government to make better and well-informed decisions. It will also ensure complete recording of government liabilities, including public debt, pending bills, and pensions, to manage them and better planning for their settlement as and when they fall due. This roadmap serves as a comprehensive guide to facilitate a smooth transition from cash to accrual accounting, ultimately promoting transparency and accountability as envisioned in the Constitution of Kenya 2010.

### 2. MAIN PURPOSE AND BENEFITS OF ACCRUAL ACCOUNTING

Accrual accounting is based on the occurrence of economic events and not merely on cash receipts and payments. It entails reporting revenue when it is earned and expenses when they are incurred, while cash accounting entails reporting revenue when there is actual receipt of cash and reporting expenses when there is actual payment of cash for the expense. By introducing accrual accounting, governments demonstrate their commitment to improving the use and management of public resources, a desire to promote enhanced financial reporting and transparency, including greater accountability, and a pledge to fight fraud and corruption.

A 2021 status report by IFAC and CIPFA on International Public Sector Financial Accountability indicates that by 2025, 50% of all jurisdictions in the world will be reporting under an accrual basis of accounting - be it IPSAS or IFRS. Nine (9) of these jurisdictions are in Africa and Kenya is one of them.

Accrual accounting facilitates better decision-making, allows organizations and governments to manage their finances more effectively, and permits effective comparisons of financial performance between different government departments and agencies, as well as international comparisons.

# 2.1 Key Factors for Successful Accrual Accounting Adoption

As per the IPSASB guidance on Pathways to Accrual and the IPSAS Implementation Roadmap for Africa developed by the Pan African Federation of Accountants (PAFA), the following eight components have been assessed as the key factors for a successful transition to accrual accounting under the Kenyan context:

# 1. Political support and commitment

For a reform to be effective, it needs to be understood and supported by the top governing organ of a country or a particular jurisdiction. For the transition from cash to the accrual basis of accounting, the top organ in the country (which is the Cabinet), needs to understand the transition project and the benefits that would accrue to the country in relation to public finance management. In this regard, the Cabinet Secretary, National Treasury, and Economic Planning presented a Cabinet Memorandum seeking the approval of the Cabinet to transition national government entities and county government entities from cash to the accrual basis of accounting.

The Cabinet, on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024, approved the transition which paved the way for the gazettement of the transition and the applicable standards on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024 vide gazette notice number 11033. To provide policy direction on the transition process the Cabinet Secretary National Treasury gazetted a steering committee vide gazette notice number 10892. The Steering Committee is chaired by the Principal Secretary National Treasury. This indicates the commitment of the executive arm of government to promote transparency and accountability in the public sector as enshrined in the constitution.

The Steering Committee and the implementing entities will continue to provide progress updates to the top leadership of the country on the milestones achieved toward the success of the project.

# 2. Enabling Legal Environment

An enabling legal environment is another success factor in transitioning to an accrual accounting framework. This calls for a strong public finance management framework that comprises legislation, standards, assurance and scrutiny, and continuous learning and growth. The current legislation on matters of public finance is Chapter 12 of the Constitution, the Public Finance Management Act, of 2012, and Public Finance Management (National/County government) Regulations, 2015.

These legislations support an accrual accounting reporting environment with respect to the nature of information required to be presented by accounting officers in their annual and quarterly financial statements. Nothing has come to our attention that makes a change of law necessary for the implementation of accrual accounting. The current law envisions that each accounting officer is required to produce a financial statement containing assets and liabilities as well as the level of its indebtedness thus providing an anchor of accrual accounting.

The PFM Act establishes the National Treasury and the PSASB for the prescription and implementation of accounting standards. PSASB has prescribed the IFRS for application by commercial public sector entities and IPSAS for application by non-commercial public sector entities. These standards form the basis upon which accounting and reporting is done in the public sector. With the recent pronouncement of the transition from cash to accrual accounting, it is expected that all entities in the public sector that are non-commercial will now implement IPSAS Accrual. Other standards that will work collaboratively to ensure seamless transition include

the IPPF for internal audit, the International Code of Ethics of Professional Accountants, and the International Standards of Supreme Audit Institutions (ISSAIs) applied by the OAG among other standards on quality such as ISO.

The PFM Act, of 2012, and the Public Audit Act, of 2015 provide for a mechanism within the PFM cycle for budgeting, execution, accounting, oversight, and scrutiny. The Office of the Auditor-General and Parliament oversight committees provide the requisite scrutiny to ensure adherence to the set standards.

# 3. Establishment of Governance Structure

The transition from cash to accrual accounting involves many entities, including those that offer support. These entities are at different levels of accountability in terms of skills, capabilities, available standards, and resources. The transition is also likely to involve the development and implementation of new accounting systems, processes, and policies.

To implement this important reform, a Steering Committee was appointed by the Cabinet Secretary of National Treasury and Economic Planning. The Steering Committee was formed to provide the overall leadership and coordinate the transition over the three years. The committee comprises individuals representing public entities with a relevant role in the transition. The Terms of Reference (ToR) for the Steering Committee are set out in the appointing gazette notice.

The Steering Committee is also responsible for the formation of the technical working groups/workstreams who will report to the project manager and management of the transition project on a day-to-day basis to ensure the successful implementation.

Each of these workstreams will ensure the achievement of timelines set out in this overall plan/ roadmap. Individual implementing entities will be required to establish their project management structures and draw implementation plans from this overall roadmap to ensure a seamless transition at the entity level based on their level in terms of skills, capabilities, resources, and availability of data.

# 4. Development of Policy and Guidelines on Assets and liabilities

The identification, recognition, and measurement of assets and liabilities form an integral part of the transition process. Transitioning entities have traditionally not included assets and liabilities in their cash-based reporting regime. The development of policies that enable the recognition of assets and liabilities is therefore a requirement for accrual accounting.

To enable the identification and recognition of assets and liabilities, the National Assets and Liabilities Management Department at the National Treasury, supported by PSASB, developed a policy and guidelines for the management of assets and liabilities by public sector entities in Kenya. This policy and guidelines were approved by the Board in February 2020 and thereafter issued by the Cabinet Secretary of National Treasury & Economic Planning for application by public sector entities beginning 1st July 2020. The responsibility for the identification of all assets and liabilities remains with the respective accounting officers. This roadmap, advises accounting officers on the direction of identification, recognition, and valuation of the assets. It is recommended that accounting officers use government valuers for significant legacy assets to ensure that valuation costs do not hinder the transition process.

The Steering Committee understands the magnitude of assets held by the public sector. There are also significant policy issues relating to assets and liabilities coupled with legacy assets whose value may not be readily obtained and will therefore provide guidance on their recognition and valuation through the three-year transition period.

Implementing entities are encouraged to commence the identification of their assets and liabilities early to ensure that at the end of the transition period, all assets and liabilities are recognized and presented in the statement of financial position of the entity.

# 5. Sound Integrated Financial Management Systems

The successful outcome of the transition project largely depends on the accounting system in use. Sound integrated financial management systems not only help governments and individual public sector entities control their finances effectively but also ensure transparency and accountability, reducing political discretion and acting as a deterrent to corruption and fraud.

A transitioning entity or the government needs to review the existing financial systems to identify gaps and consider their compatibility with accrual accounting. Currently, the PFM Act, 2012

requires the National Treasury to prescribe an accounting system for application in government. The system currently in use is the Integrated Financial Management Information System (IFMIS) which is managed at the National Treasury and made available for the National Government MDAs and the County Governments.

A review of the system indicates a need to redesign it to support the accrual basis of accounting, activate modules that would be required for accrual accounting as well as update the Standard Chart of Accounts (SCOA).

Specifically, in readiness for the transition, the following has been undertaken:

- Reviewing of the SCOA to accommodate accrual accounting, particularly the Economic Segment.
- Activation of the assets' module in IFMIS to enable fixed assets recording for the identified assets by the transitioning entities.

The IFMIS is in the process of being re-engineered to enable accrual accounting within the system with the expected date of going live being 1<sup>st</sup> July 2025.

# 6. Stakeholder Engagement and Effective Change Management

Public Finance Management reforms and the migration to the accrual basis of accounting are big reforms that may be exposed to the risk of resistance to change. The transition not only introduces changes in how transactions and events are recorded but also changes how they are recorded, changes in job descriptions of various individuals, changes in reporting structures, increased accounting judgments in recording events, use of and reliance on experts, and changes in the type of information presented for decision-making purposes.

For this reason, public sector entities are required to have clear and trusted channels of communication to communicate the change. Different and innovative methods of communication also need to be used to get the message across including identification of the stakeholders who have significant influence and who may determine whether the project takes off or not.

In light of this, the transition project has been communicated to the public sector vide a gazette notice which is the legal form with which significant government reforms are communicated. The

gazette notice prescribing the transition is clear and has legal authority. The communication followed the approval of the transition by the Cabinet in March 2024.

The National Treasury and PSASB have continually sensitized public sector entities and the implementers include the accountants, internal auditors, external auditors, and accounting officers. Other key stakeholders involved include ICPAK, the Office of the Auditor-General, and the Council of Governors, among others.

The Steering Committee has also mapped change management as one of the key risks that required to be managed in the transition process and has identified a workstream for change management and communication as one of the work streams with definitive terms of reference.

# 7. Appropriately Trained Personnel

A successful transition to accrual accounting sees capacity building in a broad context. It looks at all stakeholders and identifies their needs to be addressed through short-, medium- and long-term contexts. Additionally, different interventions will be required at different stages of the reform. Sensitisation may be done at the beginning of the reform whereas on-the-job training and other forms of capacity building may be required at the implementation stage.

A gap analysis needs to be conducted at the national/county or entity levels and remedial steps are taken. An assessment of the public sector accounting landscape in terms of skills reveals the following:

- Qualified personnel—Public Sector accountants are qualified Certified Public Accountants (CPAs) and members of the ICPAK. This means that they are regulated, adhere to a code of ethics, and are required to comply with the continuous professional development requirements set out by the institute.
- Accountancy training in Kenya is based on accrual concepts, and therefore, the
  accountants are qualified, and accrual concepts are not a foreign concept to them.
  However, having implemented a cash basis over time, refresher courses will
  therefore be needed to remind them of these concepts.

- Public sector entities on an accrual basis of accounting: State Corporations that carry
  out commercial activities and Semi-Autonomous Government Agencies apply IFRS
  and IPSAS Accrual, respectively. Accountants from these entities are experienced in
  accounting in the public sector and will be considered Trainers of Trainees (ToTs)
  during the transition process.
- Strengthened National Treasury staff and PSASB Secretariat: The DAS at the National Treasury and PSASB have a competent pool of staff on matters relating to the transition process. This enhanced capacity will achieve the success of the transition process.
- Technical support from Development Partners and Professional bodies: The National Treasury has received technical support from the IMF East AFRITAC, the World Bank, and ICPAK in the past. The Treasury is looking to tap into more of these resources from other development partners who are engaged in PFM projects across Africa. ICPAK is also a key proponent of the adoption of the accrual basis of accounting in the public sector. The Institute has also delivered a significant number of training programs on accrual accounting concepts to public sector accountants.

Although there are notable strengths with respect to capacity, there are areas identified for capacity building in the transition period and beyond. These include:

- Development of a training curriculum
- IPSAS Certification for public sector accountants
- Fastrack the completion of the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) qualifications for public sector accountants working in the education sector.
- Training on accrual concepts within an automated environment-IFMIS
- The introduction and implementation of e-learning programs
- Setting up of training academies within the existing government structure
- Working with universities and accountancy profession examiners to bring the syllabus up to speed with the reforms.

# 8. Adequate Financial Resources

The transition process is cost-intensive. It's also a project whose benefits are expected to be realized in the medium and long term. It, therefore, becomes quite difficult to convince the providers of finance of the benefits of the reform in the short – term and therefore may go unfunded especially where there are competing demands for finance.

The cash-to-accrual migration process is cost-intensive due to systems enhancement, training, capacity building, and stakeholder engagement among other activities. While approving the transition project, the Cabinet also approved a budget of Kshs 3.1billion for the transition project for the transition period of three years. These funds will largely be used in the re-engineering of the financial management system, training, and capacity building as well as project management, monitoring, and evaluation.

One of the terms of reference for the Steering Committee is to ensure funding for the project. Some of the entities involved in the transition projects now have enhanced budgets for the transition process. The Steering Committee's responsibility is to manage the risks that may emanate from the underfunding of the transition project and will continue to do so over the transition period

# 2.2 Benefits of accrual accounting to the country

# a) Better asset and liability accountability

With accrual accounting, the government can assess its assets' quality, condition, and adequacy and, therefore, manage them better through replacement, guarding against theft, misappropriation, and maintenance. The Government will also be able to assess its liabilities and plan for repayments as and when they fall due. This practice will make the budgeting process more realistic by encompassing areas that may have been left out over the years.

# b) Ease in tracking records relating to payables including pending bills.

In the recent past, there have been a lot of challenges with the management of payables to suppliers (commonly known as pending bills) by the National and County Government Entities. Some of these challenges include:

Incomplete records concerning pending bills.

- Long outstanding payments leading to the country's financial distress of Medium and Small Enterprises.
- Contested bills from one governance regime to the other.
- Poor tracking of settlement of pending bills since they are off-balance sheet items.
- Difficulty in assessing in a consolidated manner what the government owes to its suppliers.
- Ripple effects in the delay of tax remittance, a key source of government revenue.

Accrual accounting will resolve some of the challenges noted above in the following ways:

- Complete maintenance of records relating to payables (pending bills) in IFMIS
- Real-time tracking of settlement of liabilities and balances at any given time
- Assessment and analysis of long outstanding payments will enable management and other key decision-makers to query their lack of settlement.
- Facilitate the handover of governments, especially county governments, ensuring that pending payments are taken over by the incoming government and settled.
- Pending bills will now be audited in the annual financial audits by the OAG and will not require further revalidation. This will save the government the cost of validating the bills through select committees as has been in the past.
- Ensure that accounting officers are held responsible for the pending bills incurred in their institutions including the settlement of the same.

At the end of each financial year, pending payments to suppliers will form part of liabilities within an entity's statement of financial position under the accrual accounting framework. This is opposed to the current practice where entities report these liabilities off-balance sheets as disclosure items whose completeness cannot be ascertained.

Information on these pending bills will enable the individual entity and government to make budgets for subsequent years as they must be factored in. Where these liabilities are significant, they may affect future government spending on new projects and may delay the completion of ongoing projects. The government will also be able to facilitate the laws on pending bills, including the first charge of these bills to the budget and computation of interest on long outstanding bills. This will resolve the other challenges relating to circulating money in the economy and ensuring that the business environment is conducive for entities to thrive.

# c) Accounting for long-term liabilities, including public debt, pension liabilities, and liabilities arising from PPPs.

Accrual accounting will enable the government to recognize long-term payables, including public debt and pensions, in the statement of financial position (balance sheet). This will enhance the completeness of financial statements. It will also be easy to compute debt-related ratios for decision-making. The government will also be able to ensure that funds are available when these liabilities fall due.

Currently, the Government of Kenya has entered into various PPP arrangements to develop infrastructure projects. These arrangements give rise to liabilities, including contingent liabilities. Adopting accrual accounting will assist in tracking, recognizing, and disclosing these liabilities in the government financial statements. Information about these liabilities' nature, amount, and timing will aid decision-making in enabling their settlement as and when they fall due. The nature, timing, amount, and probability of occurrence of contingent liabilities arising from PPPs will be critical inputs in risk identification in new PPPs and the management of risks for existing ones.

The government will also be able to understand the magnitude of its pension liability in the long term. Although there was a recent shift to the defined contributory scheme, a significant workforce within the civil service is still under the defined benefit scheme whose liabilities are quite difficult to assess and predict.

# d) Improved performance management

Adopting accrual will also encourage governments to present additional information to assist users in assessing the government's performance. This will include information on whether resources were obtained and used following the legally adopted budget, compliance with other regulations and legislation, information based on resource allocation, information on outputs and outcomes related to key performance indicators, and information on service delivery. This information is important for users of financial statements or key stakeholders in determining the government's achievements in the reporting period.

### e) Accrual adoption will address a citizen's right to information.

Citizens are now more aware of their right to information, which has heightened the demand for reliable information to assess whether value for money is being delivered in relation to services. Accrual accounting, when published per best practices, is the best basis for providing this information.

# f) Increased local and foreign investors' confidence

The application of accrual-based accounting leads to improved transparent reporting, thereby assisting the government in attracting investments and grants from development partners. Accrual accounting also assists Governments in presenting a statement of Financial Position (balance sheet). Using this statement, potential investors can assess a government's net worth and ability to repay obligations and provide services to its citizenry.

### 3. GAP ANALYSIS

# 3.1 Gaps in Cash Accounting

1) Limitation of cash basis of accounting- Since 2014, National and County Government entities have applied IPSAS Cash basis of accounting. This framework is limited since it does not account for government assets and liabilities, which are key to sound decision-making. The approval and gazettement of the transition to accrual accounting is a key milestone to overcome this challenge to provide quality information at the individual entity level and the nationwide level for decision-making purposes.

# 2) Audit issues noted from the OAG due to application of cash basis of accounting:

Although the nature of audit opinions issued by the OAG has been improving over the years, there are a lot of issues noted in relation to financial reporting and accounting that are as a result of reporting on a cash basis. Some of these issues include continuous increases in pending bills some of which end up being ineligible, failure to reconcile the financial statements to IFMIS, and incomplete fixed assets registers, amongst others. As we move towards the accrual basis of accounting, more transparency will be required especially to assets and liabilities and some of the audit queries currently raised may decrease if well implemented.

# 3.2 Gaps noted by Office of the Auditor-General (OAG) and quality reviews by National Treasury.

The audit opinions issued for the MDAs and County Governments over the years have continually improved an indicator that the entities have continually prepared and submitted better financial statements. The National Treasury has each financial year endeavoured to carry out quality reviews for all the financial statements before they are submitted for the statutory audit. Issues identified from the quality reviews are resolved before the final submission for audit and this has impacted improved opinions.

With the transition to accrual, some of the issues identified both by the external auditors and the quality reviews by the National Treasury will be resolved gradually or reduced to minimal levels. The following are examples of issues:

**1. Incomplete asset registers:** As a preparatory step to accrual accounting, entities have been required to maintain fixed asset registers and prove the registers as annexures to the

cash-based financial statements. This has however not been fully complied with by all entities and has been a major issue raised from both the audit and the quality review.

With the transition to accrual accounting, the entities will be required to report on all the assets in the statement of financial position and not as an annex. This will compel the entities to ensure full compliance by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

2. Non-collection of long outstanding receivables: Currently, revenue is recognized when there is actual receipt of cash irrespective of whether a good has been sold or a service rendered. This has led to public sector entities providing services or goods that end up unpaid and there is minimum follow-up on the debtors as the revenue receivable is not reported in the financial statements.

With the transition to accrual accounting, revenue will be recognized upon rendering of a service or sale of goods irrespective of the actual receipt of cash or not. This will nudge the entities to be keener on collecting long outstanding debts.

3. Unsupported pending bills: The cash basis of accounting does not provide for reporting of trade payables. As a result, any trade payables commonly known as pending bills for MDAs and Counties are disclosed as annexures to the cash basis financial statements. This has led to audit queries being raised on the eligibility of some of the pending bills as well as a lack of support documentation for the disclosed pending bills.

With the transition to accrual accounting, the pending bills will be reported as payables in the statement of financial position and this will ensure the entities have sufficient documents to support their trade payables figures.

**4. Stalled Capital Projects:** Any ongoing projects are currently reported as part of appendices in the financial statements of the entities under cash basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, entities are required to report any ongoing capital projects as part of work-in-progress assets in the property, plant, and equipment schedule as provided by IPSAS 45, Property Plant and Equipment. The standard also requires the disclosure of capital commitments that go beyond one financial year.

This enhanced reporting requirement will provide useful information for decision-making to top management before the commissioning of new capital projects to avoid duplication and wastage of resources through stalled projects.

# 3.3 Gaps noted on the treatment of line items under IPSAS accrual

IPSAS cash accounting transactions are captured when there is a cash inflow or outflow. Under accrual accounting, transactions are captured when events occur regardless of whether there is a cash inflow or outflow. Therefore, moving to accrual accounting from cash accounting will give rise to both new items and old items treated on an accrual basis. Below is a summary of the main gaps between the current treatment of financial statement line items affected by the move to accrual basis IPSAS as per requirements.

Element	Current accounting treatment	Gap
Revenue	This is recorded at the point when	Under the current cash basis accounting the recognition criteria of both revenue from
	cash is received	exchange and revenue from non-exchange transactions is when cash is received
		regardless of the period to which it is relating to.
		Accrual basis IPSAS recognizes revenue at the point the entity has a valid right that future
		economic benefits or service potential will flow to the entity and that those benefits can
		be measured reliably.
		Interventions
		-Development of policies on revenue recognition in line with the requirements of IPSAS.
		-Debt recognition mechanisms for purposes of following up on long outstanding debts.
		best recognition medical and for purposes of following up on long outstanding design
Expenditure	This is recorded at the point when	Cash basis only recognizes expenditure when there is an actual outflow of cash. Examples
	cash is paid	of new transactions currently not recognized under a cash basis include depreciation,
		impairment losses, losses on disposal of fixed assets, etc.
		Under the accrual basis, IPSAS, expenses are strictly matched to the period in which they
		are incurred, and any expenses paid for but not relating to the current reporting period
		are considered prepayments and any goods or services already received but not yet paid
		for are recognized as accruals i.e. payables at the end of the reporting period. Expenses
		will be recognised by nature.
		Interventions
		-The year-end closing procedures issued by the National Treasury need to be updated in
		line with IPSAS requirements.

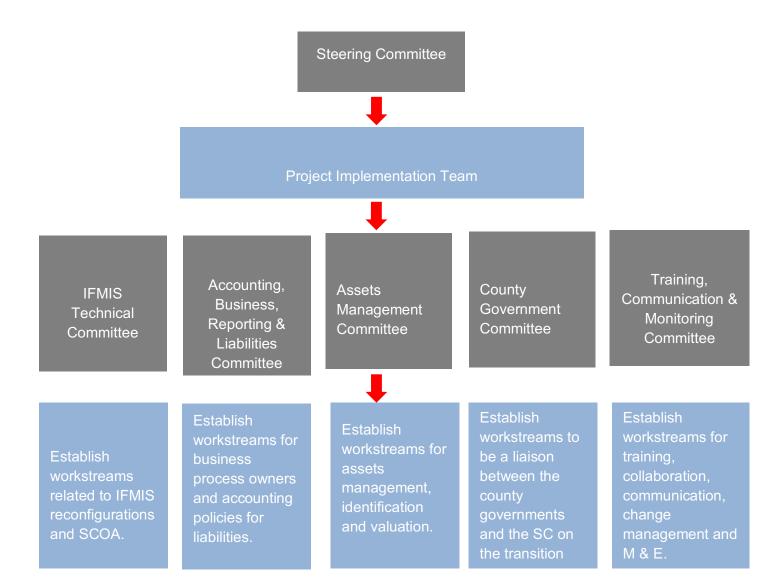
Element	Current accounting treatment	Gap
		-Development of policies relating to depreciation, and impairment among others.
Fixed assets	Currently expensed at the point of	Fixed assets and intangible assets are not recognized in the financial statements thereby
(including	purchase	not giving a complete picture.
intangible		
assets)		Interventions
		-Valuation of assets to obtain figures to report the assets in the statement of financial
		position. Valuation will be on historical cost or current operational value to ensure
		consistency and facilitate consolidation
		-National Treasury to enforce asset/liability policies for all categories of fixed assets in
		line with the following issued IPSAS. IPSASs 12, 16,19,27, 41, 43, 45 and 46. IPSAS on
		Natural resources will be included when issued.
		-For intangible assets, there needs to be identification, recognition, and measurement as
		per IPSAS 31.
		-The National Treasury will prepare a policy on the recognition, measurement,
		presentation, and disclosure of intangible assets.
Inventory	Currently expensed in the	This is currently not recognized in the financial statements as a current asset but is
	Statement of Receipts and	recognized as an expense at the point when the inventory is purchased.
	Payments	Under accrual accounting, inventory is recognized as a current asset. Additionally,
		impairment on the inventory is taken into consideration.
		Interventions
		-The National Treasury will circularize policies and procedures over inventory in line with
		IPSAS 12 requirements as well as processes for identifying obsolete inventory.

Element	Current accounting treatment	Gap
		-Entities must also ensure timely recording and completeness of the physical inventory at
		the reporting date.
		- The point of recognition of inventory will be when the goods are received and a goods
		received note is generated/raised.
Public debt	Currently, proceeds from debt are	Under the cash basis, public debt is not recognized in the financial statements. The
	recorded as revenue in the	Government currently has a stock of public debt which is recognised as revenue in the
	statement of receipts and	period it is received, and repayments are expensed when paid.
	payments expensed	Under the accrual basis IPSAS accounting framework, public debt is recognized as a
	The principal repayments and	liability and the principal and interest components of the debt are factored in the total
	inherent interest payments are	amount of the debt liability.
	expensed in the year of payment.	
		Interventions
		-the National Treasury will circularize policies for reporting public debt in line with the
		requirements of IPSAS 41, financial instruments.
		-The National Treasury through the Public Debt Management Office must ensure accurate
		reporting of debt is done in line with the IPSAS.
		- debt is recognised when contracted through signed loan agreements
		- IFMIS integration with the debt management system- Meridian.
		- Re- configure IFMIS to record multi- currency transactions to factor loan repayments in
		foreign currency.
Employee	Short-term benefits are currently	Under cash-based accounting, there are no provisions made for employee benefits not
benefits	expensed and long-term benefits	yet settled by the Government. Outstanding employee benefits may include both short-
including	not recognized.	term and long-term employee benefits.

Element	Current accounting treatment	Gap
post-		Interventions
employment		-Reporting of outstanding short-term employee benefits e.g. leave allowance as part of
benefits.		current liabilities, including payroll deductions.
		- Process payroll within IFMIS to facilitate in processing of payroll deductions and their
		timely remittance.
		-The National Treasury through the Pensions Department to identify the mechanisms for
		determining the pension liabilities at the end of each reporting period and the information
		required to calculate relevant amounts through actuaries.
Provisions,	These are currently not recognized	There are no provisions made in the financial statements under the current framework of
Contingent	in the financial statements.	reporting because expenses are recorded when the actual payment of cash is done.
assets, and		Additionally, there is no information on decommissioning obligations in respect of assets
liabilities.		and about onerous contracts within the government.
		Under accrual-based accounting, provisions and contingent assets and liabilities are
		recognized in the statement of financial position.
		Interventions.
		-National Treasury will circularize policy on provisions, contingent assets and liabilities
		based on IPSAS 19.
		-Identification of all events which trigger the recognition of provisions.
		-Identification of information on contracts within the government.
		-Identification of information related to decommissioning obligation for assets.
		-Identification and disclosure of information about guarantees and long-term agreements.

Element	Current accounting treatment	Gap								
Service	Assets and liabilities arising from	Under cash basis of accounting, PPP arrangements are not accounted for in line with th								
concession	PPPs are not currently recognised	provisions of IPSAS 32: Service concession arrangements: Grantor that requires the								
arrangements	including disclosure of contingent	grantor to recognise assets and liabilities that arise from such arrangements where the								
These are	liabilities arising from PPPs.	criterion for recognition is met.								
PPPs that										
give rise to		Interventions								
assets and		-The National Treasury will guide entities operating PPPs to identify assets and liabilities								
liabilities.		arising from the service concession arrangements.								
		- The National Treasury will determine through existing policy the entities to recognise								
		such arrangements (both assets and liabilities) where they exist.								
		-Contingent liabilities and arising from such arrangements will be disclosed in the financia								
		statements as required by IPSAS 19 and be assessed on a regular basis for crystallisation.								

### 4. PROJECT TEAM AND STAFFING



# **The Steering Committee**

The migration process will be led by the Steering Committee. The committee will be responsible for coordinating accrual adoption at both levels of government. The membership of the Committee was gazetted by gazette notice 10892 of 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024 includes:

- 1. Principal Secretary, National Treasury- Chairperson
- 2. Chairperson Public Sector Accounting Standards Board- Vice-Chairperson
- 3. Principal Secretary, State Department for Public Works
- 4. Director General Accounting Services & Quality Assurance- Project Manager

- 5. A representative from the Chief of Staff and Head of Public Service- Member
- 6. A representative from the Council of Governors- Member
- 7. A representative from the Office of the Auditor-General (OAG)- Member
- 8. A representative of the Office of the Controller of Budget (OCOB)-Member
- 9. A representative from the Parliamentary Budget Office- Member
- 10. Director, Integrated Financial Management Information System (IFMIS)- Member
- 11. Director, Budget National Treasury- Member
- 12. Director, National Assets and Liabilities Management- Member
- 13. Director Accounting Services, National Treasury- member
- 14. CEO, Public Sector Accounting Standards Board- member

The following additional members will be members of the Steering Committee. Their gazette notice has since been processed.

- 15. Two representatives from the Institute of Certified Accountants of Kenya (ICPAK)-Member
- 16. A representative from the Central Bank of Kenya (CBK)- Member
- 17. The steering committee will co- opt administratively the various government departments in line with the requirements of the transition roadmap.

# **Terms of Reference for the Steering Committee**

The terms of reference for the Steering Committee shall be to:

- 1. Provide overall direction and coordination of the transition from a cash accounting basis to an accrual accounting basis.
- 2. Adopt a roadmap for the transition from a cash accounting basis to an accrual accounting basis.
- 3. Appoint a technical committee(s)/working group(s) to undertake day-to-day implementation of the project.

- 4. Develop the terms of reference of the technical committee (s)/working group(s).
- 5. Approve work plans and budgets prepared by the Technical Committee(s)/working group as per the adopted roadmap.
- 6. Review and approve the recommendations for implementing the various milestones under the roadmap.
- 7. Monitor the implementation of the project by ensuring that any strategic changes are undertaken on time so that the accrual project achieves its goals.
- 8. Take the lead to promote policy dialogue and advocacy key issues at Senior leadership levels to secure the necessary buy-in and project support.
- Ensure that the accrual project is coordinated with other relevant Government entities, development partners, and private sector interventions by overseeing the implementation of a clear stakeholder engagement strategy.
- 10. Approve and oversee the implementation of communication strategy, change management, and capacity building during the transition.
- 11. Facilitate timely funding to support the implementation of the project.
- 12. Any other role that relates to the transition from cash to accrual accounting in Kenya as approved by the Cabinet.

# **Tenure and mandate of the Steering Committee**

The Steering Committee shall remain in office for a period of three years from the date of gazettement which is 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024. The committee shall regulate its own procedures and shall hold consultations with stakeholders to solicit, receive, consider, and collate inputs that may be useful for the performance of its mandate.

# **Project implementation team**

The project implementation team is headed by the project manager. The team is comprised of the leaders of the 5 identified technical committees or workstreams. This includes the lead in the IFMIS Department, Directorate of Accounting Services, National Assets and Liabilities Management Department, PSASB, and the lead in change management, communication and monitoring and evaluation. The team will provide linkage between the project manager in terms

of the performance of the technical aspects of the project and the steering committee. The project manager will be the liaison between the steering committee and the technical working groups. He will also be responsible for regularly updating the steering committee on the transition to accrual accounting project progress.

# **Technical Committees/ workstreams**

The Steering Committee will appoint technical committees at different levels as working groups to spearhead various aspects of the transition process. The Committee will also approve the Terms of Reference for each of the five (5) identified technical committees. These committees will prepare detailed work plans for the execution of their terms of reference as per this roadmap document and in cognizance of the milestones indicated in the main transition document. The teams will work collaboratively to ensure that milestones are achieved in good time as some outputs from some technical committees will provide inputs to another committee.

## **Secretarial services**

Secretarial and technical services to the Steering Committee will be provided by PSASB and the National Treasury through the Technical Committees/Workstreams.

### 5. POLICY PRONOUNCEMENTS ON TRANSITION AND THE APPROACH

# **5.1** Policy Pronouncements on Transition

On 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024, the Cabinet approved the transition for national government, county governments, national government entities, and county government entities from cash accounting to accrual accounting and the gazettement was done on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024.

As per the Gazette Notice No. 11033, the Board has approved for adoption of the following Financial Reporting Standards:

- a) The International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board for application by state corporations and county corporations carrying on commercial activities.
- b) The International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) issued by the International Public Sector Accounting Standards Board for application by all national government entities and county government entities including technical colleges, teacher training colleges, and public funds, but not state corporations carrying on commercial activities.
- c) The national government, county governments, national government entities, and county government entities, including projects, shall apply International Public Sector Accounting Standards Board accrual-based standards with effect from the 1<sup>st</sup> of July 2024.

# **5.2** Implementation Approach

In 2014, the National Treasury gazetted IPSAS Cash as the basis for reporting by MDAs, county governments, and their respective entities. The issued standards have been in application since 1st July 2014. Adopting the cash-based standard has developed a good foundation for accrual accounting. It has ensured disclosures on revenue, expenses, and to some extent, liabilities, and assets. Cash basis is, however, limited in accounting for non-cash assets and liabilities, which are essential for decision-making.

The transition from IPSAS cash to IPSAS accrual basis is phased to ensure it is progressive and realistic. This phased approach recognizes the simplest and most important transactions first and then goes on to gradually recognize more complex transactions in subsequent phases. The phased approach will be implemented as illustrated below:

Year	Financial year	Financial statements							
0	FY 2023/2024- 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	IPSAS cash-based financial statements							
1	FY 2024/2025- 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	First transitional IPSAS accrual financial statements							
		that include all current assets, and all current liabilities							
		as a minimum requirement. Entities that will have							
		identified all or some of the non-current assets and							
		inventories can include them. The accrual basis							
		template for all assets and liabilities is provided on							
		PSASB and National Treasury websites both in Excel							
		and word versions.							
2	FY 2025/2026- 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	The second transitional IPSAS accrual financial							
		statements will include all financial assets, all							
		liabilities, and all inventories as a minimum							
		requirement. Entities that will have identified all or							
		some of the non-current assets can include them.							
3	FY 2026/2027- 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2027	Fully compliant IPSAS Accrual financial statements							
		that include all financial assets, all financial liabilities,							
		and all non-financial assets including inventories.							

As required by IPSAS 33 paragraph 79, entities will be required to prepare an opening statement of financial position as at the time of adoption of the accrual basis of accounting. For year one (1) guidance will be provided by the National Treasury on the reporting of the financial assets and liabilities. Entities will be reporting on accrual accounting although transactions will be processed in IFMIS on a cash basis. This is because IFMIS will only be ready for accrual accounting from year two i.e from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2025.

Below is a summary of the implementation matrix

Ref	Ref Details		2021/2022			2022/2023			2023/2024				2024/2025				2025/2026				2026/2027			27	
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
1	Gazettement of applicable dates																								
2	Communication strategy (gazette notices and circulars)																								
3	Stakeholder engagement																								
4	Steering Committee																								
5	Identification and valuation of assets and liabilities																								
6	Financial management systems																								
7	Liabilities																								
8	Financial assets																								
9	Non-financial assets																								
10	Capacity building and training																								
11	Monitoring and evaluation																								

The detailed matrix is an appendix in this document.

# **KEY**

Completed from previous years.
Completed/ on-going
Scheduled
IFMIS related activities(re- engineering)

# 6. PROJECTED COSTS OF IMPLEMENTATION

The table below shows the projected costs of the accrual project implementation as approved by the Cabinet while approving the transition on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024:

			COST		TOTAL
No	Activity	<u>Year 1</u>	Year 2	Year 3	
1	PROJECT MANAGEMENT				
1.1	Project initiation and planning	15,996,000	6,552,000	6,552,000	29,100,000
1.2	Project monitoring evaluation and quality assurance	40,000,000	80,000,000	80,000,000	200,000,000
2	READINESS ASSESSMENT & BUSINESS PROCESS REENGINEERING	292,122,800	250,000,000	-	542,122,800
	SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION, INCLUDING CHANGE MANAGEMENT	174,909,400	503,344,200	230,964,000	909,217,600
	IFMIS SYSTEM RE-ENGINEERING SYSTEM DEPLOYMENT AND ROLLOUT	23,596,000	43,643,600	-	67,239,600
5	CAPACITY BUILDING	30,000,000	561,934,420	97,008,000	688,942,420
	IFMIS SYSTEM RE-ENGINEERING SUPPORT WORKSTREAM ACTIVITIES (Hardware and application Support)	700,000,000	13,695,000	4,251,000	717,946,000
	TOTALS	1,276,624,200	1,459,169,220	418,775,000	3,154,568,420

The other costs of the project will be catered for from the annual budgetary allocations of the respective entities. These costs include valuation of assets, capacity building and training, project management, and monitoring and evaluation.

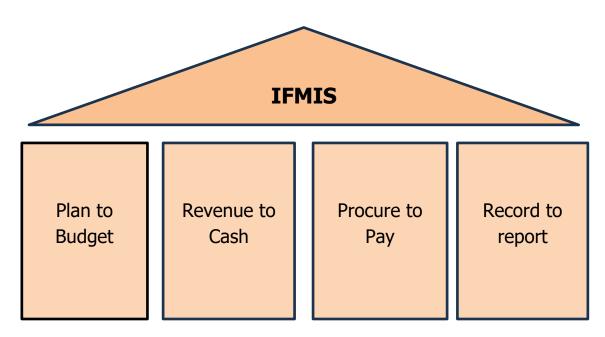
#### 7. IFMIS RE-ENGINEERING AND STANDARD CHART OF ACCOUNTS

# 7.1 IFMIS Re- engineering

The PFM Act Section 12 (1) (e) gives the National Treasury the responsibility of prescribing and design an efficient financial management system for the national and county governments to ensure transparent financial management and standard reporting as contemplated by Article 226 of the Constitution.

In line with this requirement, the National Treasury prescribed the Integrated Financial Management Information System (IFMIS) as the core information management system for use by National and County government entities.

The IFMIS system currently operates on 4 components which represent the business process as illustrated below:



### Plan to Budget:

A fully integrated process and system that links planning, policy objectives and budget allocation.

# Revenue to Cash:

Auto-reconciliation of revenue and payments with automatic file generation.

# **Procure to Pay:**

To develop a fully integrated and automated supply chain management system.

## **Record to Report:**

Secure two-way interface with CBK for accurate, up-to-date information on the GOK financial position and the production of statutory reports in real-time.

## The framework of IFMIS for transition to accrual accounting.

The IFMIS system as currently configured has supported the recording, analysis, and preparation of accounting information on a cash basis. For accrual accounting be become a reality, the system needs to be analyzed, business processes developed, accrual-based modules activated, and the new standard chart of accounts uploaded. Users are also required to be trained on the new accounting environment to ensure the intended objectives are achieved.

The goal is to design and prescribe an efficient integrated financial management information system for the national and county governments to ensure transparent financial management and standard financial reporting as contemplated by Article 226 of the Constitution. In re-engineering the system, the following are the objectives:

## **Project Objectives/Outcomes**

- To provide a system for completeness in the recording of financial information and accurate reporting
- 2. To innovate and automate the reviewed business processes for efficient and effective service delivery
- 3. To up-scale and improve the IFMIS platform to fully support the PFM Reforms.
- 4. To create a user-friendly knowledge base in IFMIS for capacity enhancement and awareness.
- 5. To design an M&E framework for assessing the progress of IFMIS re-engineering for quality assurance and risk management

## **Project Outputs**

To facilitate the achievement of the above five (5) objectives/outcomes, below are the proposed project outputs under each objective.

1. System configuration with enhanced modules to enable production of financial statements based on PSASB- approved templates.

- 2. A centralized repository for financial information/data and automated end-to-end business processes.
- 3. One financial management system in the country i.e. IFMIS having considered all business processes. All new systems will have to be intergratable in IFMIS and requisite approvals sought.
- 4. IFMIS user support framework and capacity enhancement strategy.
- 5. A robust IFMIS M&E framework and risk management strategy.

## **Project Inputs and Activities**

No.	Project input I		Proje	ct activities
1		Approved PSASB reporting templates	•	Configure PSASB reporting templates
	•	Approved business processes guided	•	Design, configure, and implement
		by enacted legal frameworks.		business processes guided by enacted
				legal framework.
2	•	User feedback	•	Conduct user satisfaction surveys
	•	Change in operational environment	•	Reviewing of operational environment
				changes
			•	Adapt to the new changes
3	•	Incorporate new technology systems	•	Auditing and quality assurance
		into the industry	•	Upgrading and integration of the
	•	Other existing relevant government		IFMIS systems
		PFM systems		
4	•	User manuals	•	Sensitization and user training
	•	Training needs assessment reports	•	Development of Re-engineered IFMIS
				processes user manuals
5	•	Set targets for IFMIS Re-engineering	•	Designing an M&E framework
	•	NT PFM policy directives including	•	Site visits
		TSA; migration from cash to accrual	•	Risk identification and mitigation
		accounting; and integration with e-		
		GP		
	•	Potential risks to IFMIS		

# Modifications needed for the IFMIS process flows

Elements	Trigger or recognition point	Current recognition under IFMIS			
Statement of financial performance					
Revenue	Generally, when:				
	• There is a basis establishing that the entity has a valid right t	o receive the revenue			
	• It is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the en	ntity; and that			
	Those benefits can be measured reliably.				
Revenue from exchange	When:	Currently, all revenue from exchange			
Transactions	• For services rendered - it is probable that the economic	transactions such as income from buildings			
	benefits or service potential associated with the transaction will	currently being rented out to the public is			
	flow to the entity and those benefits can be measured reliably.	captured through the accounts receivable			
	• For goods sold:	(AR) module in IFMIS when cash is received.			
	-The entity transfers to the purchaser the significant risks and This then results in the following main gap				
	rewards of ownership of the goods; • The module is not able to split between				
	-The entity gives up managerial involvement usually associated income relating to the current period and				
	with ownership or control over the goods sold;	which is either related to the prior period or			
	-It is probable that the economic benefits or service will flow	the subsequent reporting period.			
	to the entity; and	The module records only cash receipts and			
	-The amount of revenue and costs incurred or to be incurred	where no cash has been received the module			
	can be measured reliably.	does not recognize the receivables relating to			
	-The revenue is either considered to be earned, realized, or	the revenue earned and the portion of the			
	realizable i.e. revenue is:	receivable arising.			
	• Earned – when goods are delivered, or services are provided.				

Elements	Trigger or recognition point	Current recognition under IFMIS
	Realised – when cash is received in relation to the goods	There is no process flow to guide the
	delivered or services performed.	recording and recognition points of revenue
	Realisable – when it is probable that economic benefits will	and receivables from exchange transactions
	flow to the entity in the future and that those benefits can be	for either goods sold or services
	measured reliably e.g. where a customer elects not to have	performed.
	goods shipped to them but commits to pay for them when they	
	are ready to receive the goods.	
Transfers (including grants,	When, through the operation of the relevant legislation, the	These revenue streams are captured when
debt forgiveness, fines,	entity has a valid right to receive the revenue, it is probable	the cash from the transfers has been received.
bequests, gifts, donations,	that future economic benefits will flow to the entity and that	The following are the main gaps in the
and goods and services in-	those benefits can be measured reliably.	Accounts Receivable module:
kind)		The module is not able to split between the
		transfers due in the current reporting period
		and those in the prior or subsequent period.
		The module cannot record the
		bulk of accounting entries inherent in
		transfers such as goods and services given in
		kind, debt forgiveness, and fines
Grants	When a trigger event such as receipt of a grant or enforceable	Currently, in IFMIS the whole amount of the
	claim to receive it occurs e.g. signing of a grant agreement	grant is recorded in the period in which it is
	between the entity and a third party, typically a development	received.

Elements Trigger or recognition point		Current recognition under IFMIS
	partner or donor, and through that agreement, the benefits	The Accounts Receivable module is not able to
	embodied can be measured reliably.	perform the following:
		Record transactions relating to grants with
	Some grants come with conditions and for such the revenue is	conditions attached.
	recognised when the grant conditions are met	Split between the revenue relating to the
		current period and revenue deferred.
		Recognise the receivables arising in the
		scenarios above.
		There is no process flow for aiding
		the recognition of revenue from grants.
		Recognise grants and goods received in
		kind in accordance with regulation 74 of
		the PFM Regulations.
Expenses	Recognized in the period in which they occur and when they	Currently, expenses are recognized when
	occur whether or not cash has been paid out.	obligations relating to them have been settled
	A key principle in accruals-based accounting is that all revenue	i.e. when cash has been paid out. This is
	for the period must be matched against the expenses incurred	performed in the Accounts Payable (AP)
	in generating it. Depreciation for instance qualifies to be an	module in IFMIS. The following gaps arise
	expense because the assets are being used to generate	concerning the payment module and payment
	revenue. Their wear and tear then should be matched against	process flow:
	the revenue they have generated.	The module is not able to prorate expenses
		to determine accruals and prepayments.
		The module only processes cash payments

Elements Trigger or recognition point		Current recognition under IFMIS		
	This is called the matching concept and thus revenue earned	and non-cash expenses such as impairment,		
	for a particular period is matched against expenses earned for	depreciation, and revaluations are not		
	the same period.	processed.		
Statement of Financial Pos	sition			
Assets	Where the entity's control (not necessarily ownership) over the	asset can be demonstrated as to rest with the		
	entity and through the use of the asset in the normal course of	operations it is probable that future economic		
	benefits will flow to the entity.			
Intangible assets	Where the following are established in relation to the asset:	Intangible assets are currently expensed in		
	The asset is identifiable.	the period in which they are purchased. When		
	• The entity controls the asset rather than necessarily owning	it comes to the prescribed treatment of		
	it.	intangible assets under accrual basis IPSAS,		
	Future economic benefits are validly expected to flow to the	there is no module in IFMIS to record		
	entity; and those	intangible assets in line with IPSAS 31.		
	Can be reliably measured.			
Property, plant, and	When the costs in relation to the acquisition, overhaul (for	Fixed assets are currently expensed in the		
equipment	components assets e.g. aircraft, hydro-electric power plants),	period in which they are acquired. The		
	self-constructed assets are incurred.	following gaps arise concerning the payments		
	These costs are simply costs incurred in bringing the asset to	made to fixed assets in the Accounts Payable		
	its present location and condition. The costs include, but are	module:		
	not limited to purchase cost, transportation cost to the location	• Currently, there is no fixed assets		
	where the asset will be used, preparation and set up costs,	recognition process flow in IFMIS. The		

Elements	Trigger or recognition point	Current recognition under IFMIS
	development costs, estimates of asset dismantleme	t, procurement flow captures the acquisition of
	removal, and restoration costs.	fixed assets and the costs incurred thereof
		under the current cash-based accounting
		framework where such costs are simply
		expensed. With accrual basis accounting the
		procurement flow needs modification.
		• Although IFMIS has a fixed assets module,
		currently is not linked to the procurement
		process and is used to record assets at their
		nominal values for asset identification and
		development of a fixed assets register.
		The AP module is not able to distinguish
		between qualifying costs and non-qualifying
		costs.
		The module is also not able to separate
		borrowing costs incurred concerning self-
		constructed assets from the rest of borrowing
		costs.
		The procurement flow currently does not
		separate the type of procurement as
		inventory, fixed assets, or supplies. There is
		no further guidance on the treatment of each
		type of procurement.

Elements	Trigger or recognition point	Current recognition under IFMIS
Inventories	When the costs for bringing the inventory to its present	Inventory is expensed in the period in which it
	location and condition are incurred by the entity. Inventory is	is acquired.
	then recognized as the lower of cost and Net Realisable Value	
	(NRV).	
Receivables from non-	When an occurrence of a trigger event is probable future	IFMIS records only cash receipts and where
exchange transactions (long	economic benefits will flow to the entity.	no cash has been received the module does
and short-term)		not recognize the receivables.
Receivables from exchange	When revenue is earned or realizable rather than realized.	IFMIS records only cash receipts and where
Transactions (long and short-		no cash has been received the module does
term)		not recognize the receivables.
Liabilities		
Long-term borrowings (both	When the specific provisions of the loan agreements are	Proceeds from loans are currently recognized
long and short-term)	invoked in the normal course of operations.	in full as revenue and the regular payments
are commonly referred to as		comprising principal repayments and interest
public debt.		payments are expensed every financial year
		until the loan obligations are fully settled.
		Under accrual basis IPSAS the proceeds from
		the loan are debited to the cash or bank
		account and two liabilities are created i.e.
		long-term and short-term (regular payment of
		principal and interest). This treatment under
		accruals accounting gives rise to new journal

Elements	Trigger or recognition point	Current recognition under IFMIS
		entries impacting IFMIS. All long-term
		borrowings by the GoK are managed in the
		Public Debt Management Office. Below is the
		gap identified concerning the AP module in
		IPSAS:
		• The module is not linked to the Public Debt
		Management Office which is used to record
		debt instruments and apply the standard on
		financial instruments. There is an opportunity
		for integration between IFMIS and the public
		debt management system- Meridian.
Provisions (both long and	When:	Under the current modified cash basis
short-term)	• there is a legal or constructive obligation for the entity to	accounting provisions are not recognized. The
	settle;	recognition of provisions on the transition to
	• it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying	accrual basis IPSAS in relation to various
	economic benefits or service potential will be required to settle	obligations means more journal entries for
	the obligation; and	processing in the IFMIS.
	• a reliable estimate can be made for the liability.	
		Contingent liabilities will be disclosed in the
		financial statements.

Elements	Trigger or recognition point	Current recognition under IFMIS
Employee benefits (both	By operation of invocation of certain clauses in employee	Currently, the IPPD, which is the system used
short- term and long-term)	contracts for government employees.	to process salaries for government employees
	The employment contracts state the trigger points for payables	is not integrated with IFMIS.
	arising from the engagement of employees.	Pension is managed by the pensions
	For example, payment of short-term benefits like salaries as a	department at the National Treasury and the
	short-term benefit and payment of pension upon attainment	payments are not integrated within the IFMIS
	of a certain age on retirement as a long-term benefit.	system.
		IFMIS will now be the single core system for
		the processing all business processes.

IFMIS re-engineering project will comprise approximately 80% of the transition to an accrual accounting roadmap budget. The timeline is for IFMIS to be ready to go live on accrual accounting transactions as from  $1^{st}$  July 2025. A separate roadmap for IFMIS re-engineering will be provided.

## 7.2 Standard Chart of Accounts (SCOA)

The SCOA is an organized and coded listing of all the individual accounts that are used to record transactions and make up the ledger system of MDAs and Counties. SCOA is embedded in the adopted ERP in our case IFMIS

The National Treasury embarked on a process to update the existing SCOA. The new SCOA is complete, and plans are underway to have it approved. It will accommodate accrual accounting, among other changes. A roadmap towards the actualization of the new SCOA is in place.

In the new Standard Chart of Accounts, there are eight separate transactional segments, each of which provides a unique dimension of capturing data, analysis, and reporting. The coding structure significantly shapes the way government expenditure is classified. There is also one analytical segment to be used for extended analytical reporting. This segment has been introduced into the Standard Chart of Accounts to facilitate flexible and highly responsive compilation of analytical data and information to meet the varied reporting needs of various government and other stakeholders.

The proposed structure has a total of eight segments and 72 digits as follows:

S/n.	Segments		No. of levels	No. of digits
1	Vote	Represents the administrative responsibilities within	_	5
2	Administrative	MDAs & Counties, i.e. to which administrative unit and cost/revenue centre is the transaction allocated.		
3	Source of Funds	Identifies the Sources of Funds for Government, i.e. against which source of funding is the payment allocated, and from which source is revenue received.	4	8
4	Class	Distinguishes the type of budget against which a transaction is performed – revenue budget, recurrent budget, and development budget. It also enables the identification of transactions that do not affect the budget.	1	1
5	Programme	Provides for classification of expenditures by programmes and sub-programmes, i.e. against which GOK Programme/ Sub-Programme is the transaction recorded.	4	8

			No. of	No. of
S/n.	Segments	Definition & Content	levels	digits
6	Provides the natural accounts for the generation of statistical and financial reports, i.e. it identifies the nature of receipt and/or payment being made. The values are aligned to GFSM 2014 and IPSAS accrual basis.		5	7
7	Geographical Location	The Geographical Location segment defines the location of the source of revenue and the location of the beneficiary of government expenditure		8
8	Project	Provides for classification of expenditures by projects, i.e. against which GOK Project is the transaction recorded		9
9	Spare segment		1	8
10	Spare segment		1	8
	Extended Reporting	Identifies the analytical reporting needs in government, i.e. against which expenditure area or government priority area was revenue received, or expenditure incurred, e.g. climate change, AIDS, etc.	3	4
	<b>Total</b> (excl. the Extended Reporting segment)		24	72

Below is a comparison of the existing SCOA and the new SCOA and the reasons for the changes that have been made.

Current SCOA	New SCOA	Changes
Segment 1	Segment 1	Elimination of duplicated codes from the segment.
Vote	Vote	Duplication of codes in a segment has the following demerits:
(4 digits; 1 level) XXXX	(5 digits; 1 level) XXXXX	<ul> <li>It makes maintenance of the chart difficult.</li> <li>It makes report creation prone to errors when some codes are not mapped to reports.</li> </ul>

Current SCOA	New SCOA	Changes
		Users of SCOA can get mixed up when they are presented with two or more codes for the same transaction.  It can facilitate fraud when a dishonest user posts a transaction into a code that is not picked in the reporting framework, hence concealing inappropriate transactions.
(10 digits; 3 levels)	Segment 2 Administrative (10 digits; 3 levels) XXXX.XXXXXXX	Elimination of duplicated codes for the reasons mentioned above.  Provision of descriptions/removal of codes where codes existed without descriptions.
Sources of Funds (8 digits; 4 levels)	Segment 3 Sources of Funds (8 digits; 4 levels) X.X.XXX.XXX	Restructured to provide a mechanism for tracking Funds and Sources of Funds separately.  GoK and its entities operate a number of Public Funds, which receive funds from a number of sources. In order to ensure that funds are accurately and adequately tracked from the source to any unspent balances at the period end, including balances in special funds, a clear distinction between sources and funds is necessary.
Segment 4 Class/ Budget type (1 digit; 1 level)	Segment 4 Class/ Budget type (1 digit; 1 level) X	Introduced an additional digit. Elimination of duplicated codes  • No changes made
Programme (10 digits; 4 levels)	Segment 5 Programme (10 digits; 5 levels) XX.XX.XX.XX	Introduce an Impact Sub-Segment, which will provide Indicators to be tracked against Programmes and facilitate monitoring and evaluation of Programmes during budget execution.  PBB documents contain targets for outputs and outcomes of government programmes. The SCOA is expected to

Current SCOA	New SCOA	Changes
		facilitate tracking of achievement of these key
		performance indicators through budget execution.
Segment 6	Segment 6	Provide codes for accrual transactions
Economic	Economic	Align to GFSM 2014
(7 digits; 5 levels)	(7 digits; 5 levels)	GoK is migrating its accounting from IPSAS cash to IPSAS
x.x.x.xx	x.x.x.xx	accrual. The new SCOA is expected to support this
		initiative, as well as streamline statistical reporting per
		GFSM 2014
Segment 7	Segment 7	Remains the same as previously until geographic
Geographical	Geographical Location	alignment across spheres of government is completed.
Location	(8 digits; 3 levels)	
(8 digits; 3 levels)	XXXX.XX	
xxxx.xx		
Segment 8	Segment 8	Repurposed to host GOK projects. Projects were coded
Spare	Projects	under the Head sub-segment of the administrative
(3 digits; 1 level)	(9 digits; 2 level)	segment.
XXX	XX.XXXX	
Null	Spare segment	Spare segment for future use
	8 digits; 1 level	
Null	Spare segment	Spare segment for future use
	8 digits; 1 level	

Implementation of the revised SCOA will commence immediately after approval by the Steering Committee and consent of the National Treasury.

#### 8. PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND IMPLEMENTATION PHASE

Under the accrual basis of accounting, the elements to be presented in the financial statements will increase as compared to the cash accounting framework. Recognition of various items of revenue, expenditure, assets and liabilities will also differ from the recognition under a cash basis of accounting. This topic covers the various elements that will be displayed in the financial statements and the requirements of recognising these elements in the implementation phase. Additionally, the topic also covers the need for accrual-based financial reporting templates and what they should contain.

#### 8.1 Non-Financial Assets

Non-financial assets are tangible or intangible properties upon which ownership rights may be exercised. These include land, buildings, vehicles, infrastructure assets, heritage assets, and investment property among others.

All non-financial assets which mostly will take the form of property plant and equipment will be treated as follows in the implementation phase:

- In the FY 2024-25 entities should identify all assets whether the value of the asset is known or not.
- If the value is known, the historical cost less applicable depreciation will be applicable to determine the value to report the asset at the point of recognition. The NBV so determined will form the basis for the opening balances for the assets being the deemed cost.
- The Steering Committee will issue guidance for fully depreciated assets that are still in use and for legacy assets whose value is unknown. This will include guidelines for current operational value where assets can be valued at the current replacement cost or the market approach that looks at cost of similar items in the market.
- New assets purchased during the implementation phase/transition period will be capitalized
  in the financial statements at the point of purchase/acquisition and depreciated accordingly.
- The cost threshold for recognition of all the asset categories is set as Kshs. 1 (one) to deter the exclusion of valuable assets and this is to be reviewed as the transition progresses.
- For the transitioning entities, there will be early adoption of IPSAS 43; Leases and IPSAS 45; Property Plant and Equipment, and IPSAS 46 on Measurement all of which become effective 1<sup>st</sup> January 2025. These standards will be applied with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024 with respect to assets recognized in the financial statements.

S/No.	<b>Asset Class</b>	Capitalisation	Guide
		threshold	
-		17 1 4 (4)11 15	
1.	Land	Kshs 1 (All land)	<b>Definition:</b> Land is the surface or crust of the
	IPSAS 45		earth, which can be used to support structures, and
			may be used to grow crops, grass, shrubs, and
			trees.
			Sub Class: Freehold, Leasehold and Community
			Valuation: Historical cost for freehold land and
			community land; For leasehold land amortization for
			the remaining lease period. Where historical cost is
			not available land shall be valued under the
			guidance of valuation of land by the Ministry of
			Lands.
			Ownership: Title/proof of ownership and efforts
			taken to obtain title or vesting of ownership
			documents, and control of access.
			Depreciation: Nil
2.	Buildings and	Kshs 1 (All	<b>Definition</b> : A building is a structure that is
	building	buildings)	permanently attached to the land and is not
	improvements		intended to be transportable or moveable. Buildings
	IPSAS 45		are recognized as dwellings for which a public sector
	1F 3A3 +3		entity assumes responsibility, to maintain for the
			use and /or benefit of the community. Buildings
			comprise a structure (timber frame and walls, brick
			walls, cement coverings, glass walls and windows),
			a foundation (support piers, structural columns,
			concrete slab, roof structure (tiles, timber support
			structure and colour bond steel) and air conditioning
			units (split and ducted).

S/No.	<b>Asset Class</b>	Capitalisation	Guide				
		threshold					
			Sub Class Lavel 4	L. Downson	C	Comei Doume	
			Sub Class Level 1	: Perman	ent, s	semi-Perm	anent
			and Temporary				
			Sub Class Level 2:	: Office an	d Res	idential	
			Valuation: Historic	cal cost l	less	depreciatio	on or
			current operational	value (CO\	<b>/</b> ).		
			Valuation will be	done und	er th	ie guidan	ce of
			the State Departmen			_	
			Depreciation:				
				II a a fa al	1:6-	D-4-	,
			Туре	Useful (years)	life	Rate (%)	
			Permanent	(7-05)	50	2%	
			Semi- permanent		20	5%	
			Temporary		10	10%	
3.	Road	Kshs 1 (All road	<b>Definition:</b> Accordi	ng to the k	Kenya	Roads Act	2007
	infrastructure	infrastructure)	"a road" means a p	ublic road	as de	fined unde	er the
	IPSAS 45		Public Roads and Ro	ads of Acc	cess A	ct (Cap. 3	99).
			Road infrastructure	shall be	e rec	oanized ir	n the
			financial statements			_	
						5 5	
			<ul><li>Permanent w</li></ul>	vay/Right o	of way	(Land un	ıder
			road and wit	hin road re	eserve	es)	
			<ul><li>Roads and B</li></ul>	ridges incl	uding	virtual wa	ay
			bridges				
			<ul><li>Work in prog</li></ul>				
			■ Traffic contro		ons		
			<ul><li>and amenities</li></ul>	es .			
			Sub Class: Minist	ry of Roa	ads (	Classification	on of
			Roads, KWS Roads,	County ro	ads.		

S/No.	Asset Class	Capitalisation	Guide			
		threshold				
			Valuations Historical			tional.
			Valuation: Historical	cost or cur	rent opera	itionai
			value (COV).			
			Depreciation:			
			Туре	Useful life	Rate	
				(years)	(%)	
			Seal coat	5	20%	
			Gravel surface	5	20%	
			Asphalt surface	10	10%	
			Concrete surface	30-40	2.5-3.3%	
			Traffic signals	15	6.67%	
			Timber bridge	10	10%	
			Timber redecking	12	8.33%	
			Metal structure bridge	30	3.33%	
			Concrete bridge	50	2%	
			Concrete redecking	25	4%	
			Movable bridge	50	2%	
4.	Railway	Kshs 1 (All	<b>Definition:</b> According	g to the Ken	iya Railway	s Act
	infrastructure	railway	2012(1979), a railwa	y means "th	e whole o	r any
	IPSAS 45	infrastructure)	portion of the lines of I	ailway opera	ted by the I	Kenya
	IFSAS 43		Railways Corporation	and all oth	er movable	e and
			immovable property u	sed or place	d at the dis	sposal
			of the Corporation for	use, in conn	ection there	ewith.
			"Trains" include lo	comotive er	ngines, ter	nders,
			motors, coaches, wag	ons, trolleys,	and rolling	stock
			of all kinds used,	whether se	eparately	or in
			conjunction, with raily		-	
				,		
			Railway infrastructure	shall be re	cognized i	n the
			financial statements u	nder the follo	wing categ	ories:
			■ Permanent wa	y/Right of wa	y (Land un	ıder
			railways and w	rithin railway	reserves)	

S/No.	<b>Asset Class</b>	Capitalisation	Guide			
		threshold				
			5 11	<b>.</b>		
			Railways and	_		
			■ Work in progr			
			<ul> <li>Traffic control</li> </ul>			
			<ul><li>and amenities</li></ul>	5		
			Valuation: Historica	al cost or cur	rent operat	tional
			value.			
			Depreciation:			
			Туре	Useful life	Rate	
				(years)	(%)	
			Railway line	50	2%	
5.	Other	Kshs 1 (All other	<b>Definition:</b> Includes	all Infrastruc	ture assets	that
	Infrastructure	infrastructure)	are not captured ι	under Road	infrastructui	re &
	IPSAS 45		Railway infrastructure	е.		
			Sub Class: electric	ity generation	n infrastruc	ture,
			water infrastructure,	drainage infra	structure, oi	il and
			gas infrastructure, ar	nd communica	tion lines ar	nong
			others.			
			Valuation: Historica	al cost or cur	rent operat	tional
			value.			
			Depreciation:			
			Туре	Useful life	Rate	
				(years)	(%)	
			Distribution and	10	10%	
			transmission lines			
			Flood mitigation and drainage infrastructure			
			Permanent building	50	2%	1
			structures			
			Overland flow paths	5	20%	

S/No.	Asset Class	Capitalisation	Guide		
		threshold			
			Underground	10	10%
			drainage		
			Water infrastructure		
			Water collection points/ Permanent building structures	50	2%
			Water purification facilities and machines	10	10%
			Water storage facilities	10	10%
			Pipe network	5	10%
			Underground drainage	10	10%
			Solid waste and sewerage disposal infrastructure		
			Permanent building structures	50	2%
			Waste sorting and treatment facilities	10	10%
			Pipe network	5	10%
			Aerodromes and airstrips		
			Permanent building structures	50	2%
			Aerodromes	10	10%
			Sea Walls and Jetties		
			Permanent building structures	50	2%
			Sea Walls and Jetties	20	5%
			Other Infrastructure and Civil Works		
			Permanent building	50	2%
			structures		
			Others	5-20	5-20%

S/No.	Asset Class	Capitalisation	Guide				
		threshold					
6.	Motor vehicles	Kshs 1 (All	<b>Definition</b> : All form	ns of transport	equipment	(both	
	and other	transport	specialized and nor	n-specialized) e	employed o	during	
	transport	equipment)	official government	official government transport services.			
	Equipment		Sub Class: Motor V	ehicles; Aircraf	ts; Sea Ves	ssels.	
	IPSAS 45		Valuation: Historic	cal cost and c	urrent ope	rating	
			value		•		
			Ownership: Log b		ng or owne	ersnip	
			documents through	transfers.			
			Depreciation:				
			Туре	Useful life	Rate		
				(years)	(%)		
			Saloon vehicles and	6	16.67%		
			pick- ups				
			Heavy- duty utility	8	12.5%		
			vehicles  Lorries and diesel	10	10%		
			propelled vehicles	10	1070		
			above 4500cc				
7.	Computers	Kshs 1 (All	<b>Definition:</b> Infor	l mation and	Communic	cation	
	and other ICT	computer	Technology (ICT), th	ne term is gene	erally accept	ted to	
	equipment	equipment)	mean all device	s, networking	g compor	nents,	
	IDCAC 45		applications, and s	systems that	combined	allow	
	IPSAS 45		people and organiza	tions (i.e., busii	nesses, nor	profit	
			agencies, and gover	nments) to inte	eract in the	digital	
			world. Computers could be purchased, internally				
			generated, or contributed e.g. donations.				
			Sub Class: Example	es include con	nputers, lap	otops,	
			and printers among	others			

S/No.	Asset Class	Capitalisation	Guide			
		threshold				
			Valuation: Historic	cal cost or cu	ırrent opera	itional
			value			
			Depreciation:			
			Туре	Useful life	Rate	]
				(years)	(%)	
			Computer and	3	33.3%	
			other ICT			
			Equipment			
8.	Office	Kshs 1 (All office	<b>Definition:</b> Equipm	nent includes	all equipme	ent
	equipment	equipment)	not covered under I	CT and plant	and Machine	ery.
	IPSAS 45		Sub Class: Example	es include offic	ce equipmen	t such
			as safes, air condit	ioners, shred	ders, and st	orage
			equipment among o	thers.		
			Valuation: Historic	cal cost or cu	urrent opera	ntional
			value			
			Depreciation:			
			Туре	Useful life	Rate (%)	
				(years)		
			Office Equipment	8	12.5%	-
9.	Furniture,	Kshs 1 (All office	<b>Definition:</b> The ter	m furniture a	nd fittings in	clude
	fittings	furniture and	all furnishings, desk	s, tables, cha	airs, bookshe	elves,
		fittings)	etc. owned by the g	overnment. F	urniture cou	ld be
	IPSAS 45		purchased, internally constructed, or contributed			
			e.g. donations.			
			Valuation: Historic	cal cost or cu	ırrent opera	itional
			value.			
			Depreciation:			

S/No.	Asset Class	Capitalisation threshold	Guide			
			Туре	Useful life	Rate (%)	
			1,750	(years)	1.000 (70)	
			Furniture, Fittings	8	12.5%	
10.	Investment	Kshs 1 (All	<b>Definition:</b> Land	or a buildir	ng (or part	of a
	property	investment	building) held to ear	n rentals for o	capital apprec	ciation
	IPSAS 45	[property)	or both.			
			Subclass: Land or I	building		
			Valuation: Historica	al cost or fair	value	
			Depreciation:			
			For land and building	gs, as applica	able.	
11.	Leased Assets	All leases except	<b>Definition:</b> a lease is a contract that conveys the			
	under finance	low value leases	right to control the	use of an ide	entified asset	for a
	lease and	and leases below	period in exchange	for considera	ation. Examp	les of
	Right of use	one year.	assets that can be	leased include	de motor vel	nicles,
	assets		buildings, aircraft, a	and medical	equipment a	mong
	(the		others.			
	government		Sub Class: leased a	assets and ric	ht-of-use ass	sets.
	as a lessee)			_		
			Valuation: Valued	•	t value of a l	eased
	IPSAS 43		asset over the lease	period.		
			<b>Depreciation</b> : base	ed on the leas	se period.	
12.	Heritage	Kshs 1 (All	<b>Definition:</b> Tangibl	e assets that	t have a histo	orical,
	assets	heritage and	artistic, or cultural s	ignificance ar	nd are held fo	or use
	IPSAS 45	cultural assets)	in the production or	supply of goo	ods or service	es, for
	11 JAJ TJ		rental to others,	or for admini	strative purp	oses.
			<b>e.g.</b> Historical	sites, arch	aeological	sites,
			paleontological ite scientific collections	ems (fossil	s), monun	nents,

S/No.	<b>Asset Class</b>	Capitalisation	Guide
		threshold	
			Sub Class: cultural (man-made) or natural they
			could also be tangible or intangible.
			Valuation: Heritage assets are initially measured at
			historical cost or current operational value.
			<b>Depreciation</b> : Asset with finite useful life – based
			on type of assets. Asset with an indefinite period-
			assess for impairment.
13.	Work in	Kshs 1 (All work	Definition:
	Progress	in progress)	Works - assets that are in the process of
			construction or creation, such as buildings,
	IPSAS 45		infrastructure, or artistic works. These items are
			typically considered inventories until they are
			completed and ready for their intended use or sale.
			<b>Goods</b> - assets that are in the process of production
			for sale or external distribution. This includes items
			that are partially completed but not yet ready for
			sale.
			Suic.
			Sub Class: Works; and Goods
			Valuation: Historical cost.
			Depreciation: Nil
14.	Intangible	Kshs 1 (All	<b>Definition:</b> An intangible asset is an identifiable
	assets	intangible assets)	non-monetary asset without physical substance.
	IPSAS 31	Period in	Sub Class: Software; Software purchased,
		agreement	easements and rights, intellectual property other
			intangibles
			Valuation: Historical cost, current operational
			value

S/No.	<b>Asset Class</b>	Capitalisation	Guide			
		threshold				
			Depreciation:			
			Туре	Useful life	Rate	1
				(years)	(%)	
			Software	5-8	12.5-20%	
			Easements/ Right of way	Number of years defined in contract	As applicable	
			Quotas, licences, rights e.g. water, logging and minerals, airport landing	Number of years rights held based on the contract agreement	As applicable	
			Patents	7-10	10-14.3%	
			Copyrights	section 23 of the Copyright Act of 2001 (Revised 2017	As applicable	
			Industrial design	5-15	6.67-20%	
			Utility models	5-12	8.33-20%	-
15.	Biological	Kshs 1 (All	<b>Definition:</b> Living	animals or plai	nts controlle	ed by
	assets	biological assets)	an entity and used	to produce agr	icultural pro	oduce
	IDCAC 27		or for breeding and	d expected to	generate f	uture
	IPSAS 27		economic benefits t	through the sa	le of agricu	ıltural
			produce or the bree	eding of animal	s. <b>e.g.</b> Live	estock
			(e.g., cattle, sheep,	poultry), Trees	and plants	(e.g.,
			orchards, vineyards)	), and fish in ac	quaculture.	
			Sub Class: Livestoo	ck; crops, agricu	ıltural produ	uce at
			the point of harvest			
			Valuation: fair valu 27.	ue less costs to	sell as per I	IPSAS

S/No.	<b>Asset Class</b>	Capitalisation	Guide			
		threshold				
			Depresiation, N/A			
			Depreciation: N/A			
16.	Tangible	Kshs 1 (All	<b>Definition:</b> A tangible natural resource is an item			
	Natural	tangible natural	that: (a) Is naturally occurring; and (b) Embodies			
	Resources	resources)	service potential or the capability to generate			
			economic benefits or both. Examples include forests			
			in designated areas, wildlife, bodies of water in			
			conservation areas, and certain species of animals			
			among others.			
			Sub Class: natural resources with finite lives and			
			natural resources with infinite lives			
			Valuation, cost or surrent enerational value (shall			
			<b>Valuation:</b> cost or current operational value (shall be the deemed cost at the point of recognition)			
			be the deemed cost at the point of recognition)			
			Depreciation: Asset with finite useful life – based on			
			type of assets. Asset with an indefinite period-			
			assess for impairment.			
17.	Plant and	Kshs 1 (All plant	<b>Definition:</b> Plant and equipment are a grouping of			
	Machinery	and machinery)	assets of a similar nature or function in an entity's			
	IPSAS 45		operations. A factory and the machinery therein are common examples of plant and machinery.			
	1P3A3 43		Sub Class, plant and aguinment, machiness.			
			<b>Sub Class:</b> plant and equipment, machinery			
			Valuation: Historical cost or current operational			
			value			
			<b>Depreciation:</b> Based on purpose of machinery			
18.	Inventories	Kshs 1 (All	<b>Definition:</b> inventories are assets in the form of			
	IPSAS 12	inventory)	materials or supplies to be consumed in the			
			production process, to be consumed or distributed			
			in the rendering of services, held for sale in the			
			ordinary course of business or the process of			

S/No.	<b>Asset Class</b>	Capitalisation	Guide			
		threshold				
			production or distribution. Examples in the public			
			sector include consumable stores, maintenance			
			materials spare parts among others.			
			Sub Class: consumables, finished goods, raw			
			materials, and goods in transit among others.			
			Valuation: Lower of cost or net realisable value or			
			current replacement cost.			
19.	Service	Kshs 1 (All assets	<b>Definition</b> : Long-term contract between a private			
	Concession	arising from	party and a government entity, for providing a			
	arrangements	service	public asset or service, in which the private party			
	IPSAS 32	concession	bears significant risk and management			
	11 3/3 32	arrangements)	responsibility.			
			Sub Class: intangible or tangible			
			Valuation: fair value			
		<b>Depreciation:</b> Based on underlying asset v				
			applicable.			

#### 8.2 Financial Assets

A financial asset is a non-physical asset whose value is derived from a contractual claim, such as bank deposits, bonds, and participations in companies' share capital. Financial assets are usually more liquid than tangible assets, such as commodities or real estate. In the public sector, examples include cash and bank balances, investments, and receivables among others.

All financial assets are to be treated as follows in the transition period:

- Financial assets are to be identified and recognized in FY 24/25 fully as per the transition roadmap.
- Entities should review all their transactions to identify where financial assets may arise and where the entity has an enforceable right to recover these assets.

- For reporting of receivables, the entities are required to review legal instruments and record all receivables.
- Entities are required to include the amounts held in all their bank accounts, including those in commercial banks as their cash and cash equivalents.
- All opening balances for the financial assets should be supported through documents such as certificates, statements, invoices, and other forms of support.
- Assessment for impairment of financial assets should be conducted throughout the implementation phase as per IPSAS 41.

S/No	Asset Class	Guide		
1.	Investments	<b>Definition:</b> Asset that is held primarily for		
	IPSAS 28/30/41	earning returns such as interest, dividends, or capital gains.		
		Sub Class: Debt instruments e.g. T-bills & T-bonds; Equity instruments e.g. shares in government-linked entities, quoted & unquoted companies including IMF quotas; and other securities in commercial entities e.g. fixed deposits  Valuation: Market value and Equity Method for unquoted assets and amortized cost for debt instruments		
2.				

S/No	Asset Class	Guide
		recognized if there is evidence that the loan cannot be fully recovered.
3.	IPSAS 41  Customers for goods sold or services of Sub Class: Could be exchange exchange. Non-exchange includes  Fees; and intergovernmental rece exchange includes e.g. rent and sale of assets.  Valuation: Accounts receivable is	
		measured at the original invoice amount at initial recognition. Subsequently valued at amortized cost. If there is an indication that a receivable may not be fully collectible, an impairment loss is recognized.
4.	Other Receivables IPSAS 41	<b>Definition:</b> Amounts due from various non- operational transactions. <b>Sub Class: none</b>
		<b>Valuation:</b> Accounts receivable is initially measured at the original invoice amount at initial recognition. Subsequently valued at amortized cost. If there is an indication that a receivable may not be fully collectible, an impairment loss is recognized.
5.	Cash and Cash equivalents  IPSAS 41	<b>Definition:</b> Cash on hand and in bank/financial institutions. Cash equivalents are investments that can be easily and quickly converted into cash without significant loss in

S/No	Asset Class	Guide
6.	Contingent Assets IPSAS 19	value. They have a short maturity of 3 months or less.  Sub Class: Cash; Cash in Transit; Cash in Bank/Financial Institutions; Mobile Money; and Investments with maturity of 3 months or less  Definition: Possible assets that arise from past events and whose existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the entity. e.g. litigations  Valuation: They are not recognized in the financial statements; however, they should be disclosed in the notes to the financial statements unless it is highly probable that the asset will be received.

#### 8.3 Liabilities

A liability is a present obligation of the entity to transfer resources as a result of past events. Liabilities include obligations to transfer or pay cash, obligations to provide goods or services, and obligations to transfer resources if an unfavourable occurs. Examples of liabilities in the public sector include what is commonly referred to as 'pending bills' public debt, pension liabilities, gratuity, and contingent liabilities among others.

During the transition period, entities are to account for the liabilities as follows:

- Financial liabilities are to be identified and recognized in FY 24/25 fully as per the transition roadmap.
- Entities should review all their transactions to identify where financial assets may arise and where the entity has an obligation to settle the amounts.

- For reporting of payables and debt, the entities are required to review legal instruments and contracts and record all liabilities arising from these documents.
- All opening balances for the financial liabilities including pending bills should be supported through documents such as invoices, contracts, and statements, among others.

S/no.	Liability	Guide
		<b>Definition</b> : Liability arising from borrowing and includes
		repayment of principal and interest accrued over time.
		Sub Class Level 1: Non-current; Current.
1	Public Debt	Sub Class Level 2: Domestic; foreign
1	IPSAS 29/30/41	Sub Class Level 3: Domestic - Bonds; T-Bills; Commercial,
		Annuity.
		Foreign - Bilaterial; Multilateral, sovereign
		Measurement: Amortized Cost
		<b>Definition</b> : Possible liability that arises from past events
		and whose existence will be confirmed only by the
		occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain
		future events not wholly within the control of the entity.
	Contingent Liabilities IPSAS 19	e.g. Public Private Partnership arrangements, Litigations,
2		Guarantees,
		Sub Class: None
		Measurement: Disclosure, recognized when the event
		materializes
		<b>Definition:</b> Accruals are liabilities to pay for goods or
		services that have been received or supplied, but have not
	Accruals	been paid, invoiced, or formally agreed with the supplier,
3	IPSAS 19	including amounts due to employees (for example,
	11 3/10 13	amounts relating to accrued vacation pay). Although it is
		sometimes necessary to estimate the amount or timing of
		accruals, the uncertainty is generally much less than for

S/no.	Liability	Guide
		provisions. e.g. utility bills, rent payable already consumed
		but not yet invoiced.
		Sub Class: None
		<b>Measurement</b> : best estimate to fulfill the obligation
		<b>Definition:</b> Amounts payable to a supplier for goods,
		services, and works used in the ordinary cause of
		business. e.g. Pending Bills, Staff costs including statutory
		deductions; Retention money, and third-party deposits.
4	Accounts payable	Payables are liabilities to pay for goods or services that
4	IPSAS 41	have been received or supplied and have been invoiced or
		formally agreed with the supplier.
		Sub Class: Non-current; Current.
		Measurement: amortized cost
		<b>Definition</b> : Post-employment benefits payable after
		completion of the employment contract. e.g. Defined
		benefits, Gratuity
5	Pensions liabilities	
	IPSAS 39/49	Sub Class: Non-current; Current.
		Management, the south activities to the defined
		<b>Measurement</b> : through actuarial valuation for defined
		benefit plans <b>Definition</b> : a provision is a liability of uncertain timing or
		, , ,
	Provisions	amount. Examples include warranties and guarantees.
6.	IPSAS 19	Sub Class: Current and non-current
	1PSAS 19	Sub Class: Current and non-current
		Measurement: best estimate to fulfil the obligation
	Social Benefits	<b>Definition</b> : Cash transfers provided to specific individuals
7.	IPSAS 42	or households who meet the eligibility criteria to mitigate
	1.5/10/12	the effects of social risk and address the needs of society

S/no.	Liability	Guide
		as a whole. Cash transfers to the elderly, transfers to
		orphaned and vulnerable children, transfers to people
		living with disabilities
		Sub Class: Non-current; Current
		Measurement: Cost of fulfilment
		<b>Definition</b> : Present value of future lease payments. e.g.
		motor vehicle lease,
8.	Leases IPSAS 43	<b>Sub Class</b> : Lease; Leases at concessional terms; Other lease arrangement.
		<b>Measurement</b> : Present value of future lease payments
		<b>Definition:</b> Contractual arrangement between a public
		sector entity (referred to as the grantor) and a private
	Service concession agreements	sector entity (the operator), where the operator is tasked
9.		with providing public services on behalf of the grantor.
9.	IPSAS 32	
		Sub Class: current and non-current
		Measurement: fair value

## 8.4 Implementation Phase

Transitioning to accrual-based IPSAS is much more than a change in accounting rules and is a full transformation project in public sector accounting and reporting. There will be a shift in the way various elements of the financial statements are reported in comparison to cash accounting. The following are double entries for various scenarios under the accrual basis of accounting that are focused on assisting implementing entities to understand accounting for various transactions through double entry under the IFMIS system

### 1. Revenue

#### **Cash Revenues**

The functionality serves in the recording of cash/money received by an entity.

**Creating cash revenue:** The functionality enables the recording of cash/Money received by an institution when a service has been rendered and consumed. Revenue must have been duly certified before being captured in the system. As a process, the money received must be banked intact before the receipts are captured on the system. Cash receipts are used for every transaction of cash receipt. The accounting entries for the cash receipts are as follows

Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Cash/Bank Account	XX	
Statement of Financial Performance	Cr – Revenue		XX

## Considerations when capturing revenue

- Splitting of revenue relating to the current reporting period (revenue for the current reporting period) and the receipts flowing over to the next reporting period.
- Splitting of short-term revenue (within the next 12 months or before the end of the current reporting period) and long-term revenue (to be utilized in the coming periods i.e. deferred).
- Splitting of revenue from exchange transactions and revenue from non-exchange transactions.

#### 2. Receivables

The receivable/billing functionality is used to modify revenue receivable due to the entity.

**Receivable creation:** The process of recording/recognizing the receivable and generating a bill for the individual debtor. It is required that the list of receivables/debtors should be known and created in the system. When a bill has been approved, it's at this point when an accounting entry is affected. The accounting entries are generated in the GL as follows:

Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Receivables Account	XX	
Statement of Financial Performance	Cr – Revenue		XX

**Receivable payment:** The process of clearing the outstanding bills/receivables outstanding. It is required that a bill should have been created before a payment is initiated. Upon approving payment, the accounting entries are generated in the GL as follows:

Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Cash/Bank Account	XX	
Statement of Financial Performance	Cr – Receivables Account		XX

## Considerations when capturing receivables

- Long-term such as multi-year grants expected under already signed grant agreements and where the funds have not yet been advanced to the entity.
- Short-term e.g. advance payments from clients and all other receivables from both exchange and non-exchange transactions.

## 3. Deposits

The deposit functionality is used to modify revenue received in advance and it's owed to customers by the entity.

**Deposit creation:** It's the process of recording prepayments (money received before the service or goods have been consumed), caution money and transit funds. (Local and foreign). It is required that money should have been received and services/refund not yet given. Upon approving the bill, it's when the accounting entries are affected.

Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Cash/Bank Account	XX	
Statement of Financial Position	Cr – Liability Account		XX

**Deposit clearance:** When money has been deposited to the budget agency account before services have been rendered, it can in the end be consumed or refunded. This is handled in the clear deposit. Upon approving the refund, appropriate accounting entries are generated:

Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Liability Account	XX	
Statement of Financial Position	Cr – Cash/Bank Account		XX

## Considerations when capturing deposits

- Recognition of deposit as payable. Deposit should be recognized as payable until the point at
  which the entity has delivered the goods or performed the service for the third party because
  it is at that point the obligation is extinguished.
- Linking/matching the services performed or goods delivered to provide a report of the list of outstanding obligations.

## 4. Non-conditional grants

# i. Recognition of revenue from grants (at the point when there is an enforceable claim)

Grant revenue is recognized when the entity has a valid ground (such as a signed grant contract) to claim entitlement to the grant.

Where the full amount of the grant is received in cash the cash/bank account is debited by the amount received and the corresponding credit is posted to the Revenue from the grant account.

Where there is no cash received for the grant, a receivable is recognized by debiting the Grant receivable account and the corresponding credit posted to the Revenue from the grant account.

Where the amount of the grant is received partly in cash then on the assets side of the Statement of Financial Position the Cash/bank account and the Grant receivable amount are both debited to the extent that the total of the two debit entries is equivalent to the corresponding credit entry posted to the Revenue from grant account.

Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Cash/bank (where cash is received)	XX	
Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Grant receivable (where no cash	XX	
	received)		
Statement of Financial	Cr – Revenue from grant		XX
Performance			

### ii. Recording of deferred revenue from grants (first year of a multiyear grant)

Being full entries recording revenue from a grant spanning more than one accounting period.

In addition to the journal entries in scenario 1 above, the following key issue under scenario 2 is the split between the portion of the grant relating to the current financial year and the portion relating to the subsequent financial year.

On the debit side, the respective amounts relating to what has been received in cash and what is yet to be received (grant receivable) are debited appropriately. On the corresponding credit side, the total credit is split between the portion of the grant relating to the current financial year and the portion relating to the subsequent financial year.

The basis of the split is a case-by-case basis consideration. Some grant agreements will state explicitly the cash flows for each of the years across the duration of the grant. Where the period of the grant does not match with the FY, the split between the portion of the grant relating to the current financial year and the portion relating to the subsequent financial year will be made on a pro-rata basis.

Statement of F	inancial	Position	Dr – Cash/bank (where cash/part cash is	XX	
			received)		
Statement of F	inancial	Position	Dr – Grant receivable (where no cash received)	XX	
Statement	of	Financial	Cr – Revenue from the grant (for the portion		XX
Performance			relating to the current reporting period		
Statement	of	Financial	Cr – Deferred grant revenue (for components		XX
Performance			relating to the period after the reporting period		

# iii. Release of deferred grant revenue to the Statement of Financial Performance (second year of grant)

Being release of revenue due, in the second year of the grant from the total amount of grant revenue held in the Deferred revenue account for the duration of the grant.

Statement of Financial Position		l Position	Dr – Deferred grant revenue (portion relating to	XX	
			the second year))		
Statement	of	Financial	Cr – Revenue from the grant (portion relating to		XX
Performance			the second year)		

### 5. Conditional Grants

Grants should not only be recognized in the Statement of Financial Performance in the periods covered by the grants. A more in-depth analysis of the terms of the grant agreements should be made. If conditions are attached to the grants, these should be identified, and revenue can only be recognized when the conditions attached to the grant are fulfilled.

Below are the double entries grant is received/(receivable) and a condition is attached to it.

### i. Grant received/(receivable) and a condition is attached to the grant

Being journal entries to record a receipt of grant funds for a grant with a condition attached.

Statement of Financial Position	Dr - Cash/grant received	XX	
Statement of Financial Position	Cr – Liability		XX

### ii. Conditions on the grant are fulfilled

Being a journal to recognize revenue from a grant once the grant conditions are met.

Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Liability	XX	
Statement of Financial Performance	Cr – Revenue		XX

### 6. Recognition of revenue from fees, fines, penalties, and licenses

Being revenue from fees, fines, penalties, and licenses recognized when the entity has a valid ground (such as a law being broken, or an offender having been convicted of an offense attracting a fine or penalty) to claim entitlement to the revenue. Where the full amount of the revenue is received in cash the cash/bank account is debited by the amount received and the corresponding credit is posted to the revenue from fees, fines, penalties, and licenses account.

Where there is no cash received with respect to the revenue, a receivable is recognized by debiting the Fees, fines, penalties, and licenses receivable account and the corresponding credit posted to the revenue from Fees, fines, penalties, and licenses. Where the amount of the revenue is received partly in cash, both the cash/bank account and the fees, fines, penalties, and licenses receivable amount are debited under the assets side of the Statement of Financial Position to the extent that the total of the two debit entries is equivalent to the corresponding credit entry posted to the Revenue from Fees, fines, penalties, and licenses.

Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Cash/bank (where cash is received)	XX	
Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Fees/fines/penalties/licenses receivable (where no cash received))	XX	
Statement of Financial Performance	Cr – Revenue from fees, fines, penalties, and licenses.		XX

### 7. Recognition of expense

Being recognition of expense in the Statement of Financial Performance (typical expense journal entry).

Statement	of	Financial	Dr – Expense	XX	
Performance					
Statement of I	inancia	l Position	Cr – cash (where cash is paid out)/specific		XX
			liability or obligation bringing about the expense.		

### **Considerations when Capturing Expenses**

• Recognition of accrued expenses, prepayments, write-offs, provisions, depreciation, and interest.

### 8. Assets (PPE, Buildings etc)

## **Recognition of asset (initial measurement)**

Being recording of assets at initial recognition in the accounting records of the entity. Where the asset is fully paid for in cash, a credit of the value equivalent to the purchase price is posted to the cash/bank account and a corresponding debit entry is posted to the cost—asset account.

Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Cost - Asset	XX	
Statement of Financial Position	Cr – Cash/bank (where cash is paid out)		XX

### **Subsequent Measurement – Recognising depreciation**

Once an asset has been put into use, there is wear and tear which is referred to as depreciation. At the end of each accounting period (financial year), a deduction is made to the cost of the asset and transferred to the accumulated depreciation account. Below are the accounting entries. Being recording of depreciation expense in the period in which the expense is incurred.

Statement	of	Financial	Dr – Depreciation expense	XX	
Performance					
Statement of I	inancia	al Position	Cr – Accumulated depreciation.		XX

### Derecognition

### Derecognising (where there are no proceeds – fully depreciated)

Being removal of the asset from the accounting records of the entity. The total depreciation accumulated to date is removed by debiting the Accumulated depreciation account and the cost of the asset is eliminated by crediting the cost—asset to the total depreciation accumulated as of the date of derecognition. Ideally, when an asset is fully depreciated it means that the wear and tear over the life of the asset is equivalent to its initial recognition value i.e. the asset has exhausted its useful life.

Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Accumulated depreciation (all)	XX	
Statement of Financial Position	Cr – Cost-asset		XX

### **Derecognising (loss on sale)**

The loss on disposal of the asset is the difference between the **NBV** (i.e. Cost of asset – accumulated depreciation) of the asset at the date of disposal and the **proceeds** received as consideration for the sale of the asset. Where the proceeds received are less than the NBV of the asset then the shortfall between the two amounts is the loss on disposal. In this regard, the NBV is achieved by debiting the Accumulated depreciation account and crediting the cost–asset by the total depreciation accumulated as of the date of the disposal.

The proceeds received from the sale of the asset are recorded in the cash/bank account by debiting the account and the corresponding credit journal is posted to the cost—asset account. To balance the cost—asset account, a balancing credit entry is posted to this account, and the corresponding debit is posted (i.e. expensed) to the Statement of Financial Performance as a loss on disposal.

Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Accumulated depreciation (all)	XX	
Statement of Financial Position	Cr – Cost-asset		XX
Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Cash/Bank (proceeds received)	XX	
Statement of Financial	Dr – Loss on sale of asset (expense)	XX	
Performance			

### **Derecognising (gain on sale)**

A gain on disposal arises where the proceeds received exceed the NBV of the asset. These are the same journal entries posted when recording the loss on disposal above except that the balancing figure in this case is a debit to the cost—asset account.

Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Accumulated depreciation (all)	XX	
Statement of Financial Position	Cr – Cost-asset		XX
Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Cash/Bank (proceeds received)	XX	
Statement of Financial Performance	Cr - Gain on sale of asset (income)		XX

#### 9. Land

Under IPSAS 45, land is considered to have an infinite useful life and is not depreciated for that reason because the future economic benefits are assumed to continue to accrue to the public entity indefinitely.

The revaluation model as per guidance under IPSAS 45 is normally applied on land due to its nature as highlighted above. Land is revalued from to time to reflect its true value over time.

Based on IPSAS 45 guidance, the increase (or decrease) in the value of the asset will only be recognized to the extent that it reverses a previously recognized decrease (or increase) in this particular class of asset. Furthermore, when there are conditions necessitating a revaluation (increase or decrease in value) of the asset, the revaluation should be applied across all the assets in that class.

### Recording increase in value of land

Being recognition of the revalued amount of land

Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Land (assets) – with an increase in value	XX	
Statement of Financial Position	Cr – Revaluation reserve/surplus – with		XX
	an increase in value		

## Recording a decrease in the value of land

Being reversal of previously recognized revaluation.

Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Revaluation reserve – with a decrease in	XX	
	value		
Statement of Financial Position	Cr – Land (assets) – with a decrease in value		XX

The accounting entries above also apply to all other classes of assets that are revalued.

## 10. Intangible Assets

## Initial recognition of intangible assets

Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Intangible asset	XX	
Statement of Financial Position	Cr – Bank account		XX

## **Recognition of amortization**

Statement	of	Financial	Dr – Amortisation expense	XX	
Performance					
Statement of F	inancia	l Position	Cr – Intangible asset		XX

### **Recognition of impairment loss**

This is for intangible assets with indefinite useful life.

Statement	of	Financial	Dr – Impairment expense	XX	
Performance					
Statement of F	inancial	Position	Cr – Intangible asset		XX

### 11. Inventories

### **Initial Recognition of inventory**

Being initial recognition of inventory in the accounts of the entity. The asset (inventory) is created by debiting the Inventory account and crediting the cash/bank by the same amount

Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Inventory	XX	
Statement of Financial Position	Cr – cash/bank		XX

### Initial Recognition of inventory in kind.

Being recognition of inventory acquired through means other than cash payment. The inventory is recognized at fair value as opposed to the lower net realizable value and cost in the scenario above.

Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Inventory (fair value)	XX	
Statement of Financial Performance	Cr – other revenue (non-exchange		XX
	transactions)		

### **Issue of Inventory (Issuing entity)**

Statement of Financial Performance	Dr – Expense)	XX	
Statement of Financial Position	Cr – Inventory		XX

### 12. Long-term borrowings

Public debt and associated interest are recognized on a cash basis. Proceeds from loan borrowings are recognized as revenue during the year of receipt at cost and repayment as expenditure in the year of repayment. Based on the provisions of IPSAS 41 - Financial Instruments: Recognition and measurement, the borrowings currently recognized as revenue have to move to the Statement of Financial Position. The full loan amount is recognized as a non-current liability and the proceeds received are recorded in the cash or bank account. The total repayment amount for typical government-to-government loans mainly consists of the principal amount and interest payments across the period

of the loan. Under IPSAS, on recognition of a loan in the Statement of Financial Position, two payables arise; long-term (the remaining portion of the loan across the period of the loan) and short-term (the next repayment comprising a portion of the principal amount and the interest computed for that period.

### Recording of loan receipts (on initial recognition)

Statement of Financial Position	Dr – cash/bank	XX	
Statement of Financial Position	Cr – Loan payable		XX

### Recording of repayment of borrowings (one instalment)

Statement of Financial Performance	Dr – Finance cost	XX	
Statement of Financial Position	Dr – Loan payable (long-term)	XX	
Statement of Financial Position	Cr – Cash/bank		XX

# Recording of income from below-market-rate loans on initial recognition (concessionary loans)

Statement of Financial Performance	Dr – Finance cost (the portion above the	XX	
	original contract interest rate)		
Statement of Financial Performance	Cr – Revenue		XX

### 8.5 Accrual-based financial reporting templates

Section 194 (1) (d) of the PFM Act requires the PSASB to prescribe formats for financial statements and reporting by all state organs and public entities. The financial reporting templates will be prescribed when new standards are prescribed by IPSASB to give the requisite guidance to the implementing entities. In preparing the templates the following have been adhered to:

 All templates applicable for FY 24/25 for in-year reporting and annual reporting were issued by a National Treasury circular dated 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2024 and are available for application.

- The templates have been prepared to include all the elements of financial statements detailed in this topic of the roadmap. This is to provide guidance to entities that would like to take advantage of early adoption and recognise all elements of financial statements in year 1.
- In preparing the templates, the board has elected to take advantage of IPSAS 33: First Time Adoption of Accrual Basis IPSAS on the presentation of financial statements. These exemptions do not require entities to provide comparative information and therefore the templates contain the following information for year 1 of the transition. Owing to this the templates contain the following information:
  - a) One statement of financial position and an opening statement of financial position as at the date of adoption of accrual basis IPSAS i.e. 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024
  - b) One statement of financial performance
  - c) One statement of changes in net assets/equity
  - d) One cash flow statement
  - e) A comparison of budget and actual amounts for the current year as a separate additional financial statement or as a budget column in the financial statements if the first-time adopter makes its approved budget publicly available; and
  - f) Related notes and disclosures.
- Templates issued are in Word and Excel formats to guide the prepare in providing linkages to the information prepared.
- In the process of re-engineering IFMIS, the financial reporting templates will eventually be automated in the system to ensure that financial statements are generated from IFMIS.

### 9. CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

PFM Act 2012 section 80 requires that the National Treasury shall prepare for the national government clear and comprehensible annual financial statements that consolidate the financial statements prepared by all national government entities. Currently, the National Treasury prepares four different sets of consolidated financial statements including one for the MDAs, county governments, state corporations and SAGAs, and the Consolidated Fund. With the transition to accrual accounting, all the public sector financial statements will be prepared using an accrual basis and the National Treasury will prepare one set of consolidated financial statements as envisioned in the Act.

The public sector comprises the general government- the central government and the devolved units (county governments) as well as the commercial-oriented enterprises. The transition to accrual accounting will provide for the general government to apply IPSAS accrual standards as opposed to the cash-based standards that it has applied for the last 10 years.

### 9.1 Consolidated financial statements by National Government

Section 80 (1) of the PFM Act, 2012 requires that at the end of each financial year, the National Treasury to prepare for the national government, clear and comprehensible annual financial statements that consolidate the financial statements prepared by all national government entities, in accordance with formats prescribed by the Accounting Standards Board.

The National Treasury shall include the following in the consolidated financial statements:

- a) a statement of all monies paid into and out of the National Exchequer Account.
- (b) a summary of—
- (i) the appropriation accounts and statements prepared by accounting officers under section 81; and (ii) the statements prepared by receivers of revenue under section 82.
- (c) a statement of payments made from the National Exchequer Account that are authorised by legislation other than an Appropriation Act.
- (d) a statement of the total amount of debt of national government that is outstanding at the end of the financial year.
- (e) a statement of any waivers under Article 210 of the Constitution; and
- (f) such other statements as the National Assembly may require.

Section 12 2(e) of the PFM Act 2012 requires the National Treasury to consolidate financial information for both levels of government. It states that the National Treasury shall consolidate reports of annual appropriation accounts and other financial statements of the national government and county governments and their entities. This means that the National Treasury shall prepare a government – wide consolidated financial statement indicating the financial position and performance of the government of Kenya.

### 9.2 Consolidated financial statements by county governments

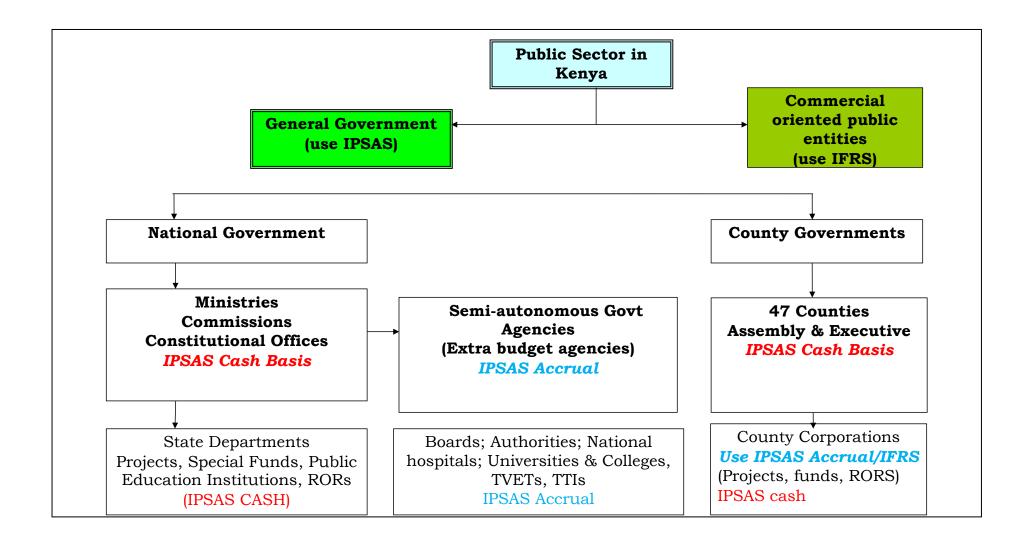
Section 163(1) of the PFM Act, At the end of each financial year, the County Treasury shall, for the county government, consolidate the annual financial statements in respect of all the county government entities in formats to be prescribed by the Accounting Standards Board.

The County Treasury shall include the following in the consolidated financial statements:

- (a) a statement of all money paid into and paid out of the County Exchequer Account.
- (b) a summary of—
  - the appropriation accounts and statements prepared by accounting officers under section 164, and
  - (ii) (the statements prepared by receivers of revenue under section 165.
- (c) a statement of payments, if any, made out of the County Exchequer Account that are authorised by legislation other than an Appropriation Act.
- (d) a statement of the total amount of debt of the county government that is outstanding at the end of the financial year.
- (e) a statement of the debt guaranteed by the national government at the end of the financial year
- (f) such other statements as the county assembly may require; and
- (g) a statement on the summary of the accounts from the county assembly.

The law further requires that the consolidated financial statements be presented to the Office of the Auditor General for audit within the stipulated timelines.

The diagram below shows the scope of consolidation in the public sector and the standards applied:



To ensure that the National Treasury prepares a single set of consolidated financial statements, below is the approach to be undertaken.

Activity	Phase I	Phase I	Phase II	Phase III	Phase IV
Area	(23/24)	(24/25)	(25/26)	(26/27)	(27/28)
Consolidated	Carry out a gap	Develop accounting policies	Prepare	Prepare CFS for Central	Prepare CFS for Public
Financial	analysis of current	consistent with IPSAS 34-	Budgetary Central	Government 26/27	Sector including sector
statements	consolidation	38 (PSASB)	Government	including sector statement	statements for BCG,
	requirements and	Develop format including	2025/26	for BCG and Extra	CG, Counties GG and
	expectations during	sector statements	Consolidated	Budgetary Units (EBUs).	state corporations
	the transition	Explore and decide on	financial	Prepare CFS for General	
		options (oracle, Hyperion	statements.	Government including a	
		and others) and processes		sector statement for BCG,	
		including a consolidation	Set up systems	Central Government and	
		package.	and processes for	County Governments	
		Prepare 24/25 consolidated	consolidating	Set up system and	
		financial statements for	General Govt.	processes for	
		Budgetary Central	Continue to refine	consolidating public sector	
		Government	policies,	including sector	
		Implement selected option	processes and	statements (BCG, CG, GG	
		for consolidation.	data	and state corporations.	

### **10.EXTERNAL AUDIT**

### 10.1 Internal Audit

The internal auditors are mandated to:

- review and evaluate budgetary performance, financial management, transparency and accountability mechanisms and processes in national and county government entities.
- review the effectiveness of the financial and non-financial performance management systems of the entities.

The internal auditors prepare quarterly reports and an annual report. These reports are useful to the management as they provide assurance of the internal controls of an entity. The reports are also a starting point for the external audits.

Under the various types of audits conducted by the internal auditor, it is expected that the transition to IPSAS accrual will most impact financial reviews and compliance audits as they relate to review of financial reports and transactions as well as reviewing compliance with standards.

Compliance reviews will be important during and after the adoption of IPSAS and can assist in monitoring the transition to IPSAS and guiding the Accountant General on progress toward compliance with IPSAS.

As the transition to accrual accounting is implemented, there needs to be developed tailored financial review procedures to cover:

- Procedures for auditing financial statements prepared in line with accrual-basis IPSAS.
- Audit of computer-based accrual accounting systems under the re-engineered IFMIS.

### 10.2 External audit

Article 229 of the Constitution of Kenya states that there shall be an Auditor-General. Within six months after the end of each financial year, the Auditor-General shall audit and report, in respect of that financial year, on:

- the accounts of the national and county governments;
- the accounts of all funds and authorities of the national and county governments;
- the accounts of all courts;
- the accounts of every commission and independent office;
- the accounts of the National Assembly, the Senate, and the county assemblies;
- the accounts of political parties funded from public funds;
- the public debt; and

- the accounts of any other entities that legislation requires the Auditor-General to audit

Article 249 (2) states as follows:

- (2) The commissions and the holders of independent offices
  - (a) are subject only to this Constitution and the law; and
  - (b) are independent and not subject to the direction or control of any person or authority

The Auditor-General is thus an independent office to audit financial statements for state organs and public sector entities funded through public funds. Section 7 of the Public Audit Act, 2015, outlines the responsibilities and the functions of the Office of the Auditor General with respect to assuring the effectiveness of internal controls, risk management, and governance at national and county governments including undertaking audit activities in state organs to confirm whether or not public funds have been applied lawfully and effectively.

The OAG plays several roles in the transition from cash to accrual accounting and the reporting framework. The Auditor-General will:

- Be a critical partner in the development and review of the accounting policies at the Steering Committee level;
- Review the roadmap to transition to accrual accounting and concur or not concur with the Steering Committee on the exceptions provided by IPSAS 33 and whether the same maintains her mandate as stipulated in Article 229.
- Review management judgments as provided under the Steering Committee as relates to the identification, recognition, and display of elements and items of the Statement of Financial Position.
- Report to elected representatives through parliament oversight committees on the progress of the transition in line with the implementation strategy or plan.

### Auditing during the transition period

The roadmap of the accrual accounting has taken a phased approach in line with the reliefs provided under IPSAS 33: First—time Adoption of Accrual Basis IPSAS. With the adoption of accrual accounting on a phased approach, entities will be applying the exemptions as provided in IPSAS 33. The financial statements for the transition period of three (3) years therefore will not be fully compliant with IPSAS accrual accounting and entities are required to indicate this fact in the financial reports prepared under

the significant accounting policies. In this case, the auditor will be expected to carry out an audit that includes the assessment of:

- Compliance with IPSAS per the transitional timetable
- Appropriateness of detailed accounting policies set out in the context of the entity's operations.
- Review the progress against key deliverables at an entity and global level.

Following the exemptions under IPSAS 33, the Steering Committee has prepared a transition guideline indicating the elements to be brought in the financial statements each year. Entities will be required to prepare an opening statement of financial position as of 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024 to bring in any elements of financial statements that were previously left out during accrual as well as ensure the accurate opening balances are reported at the beginning of the transition period. These opening balances will require to be audited to assure their validity and completeness Below is the guidance on the assets and liabilities to be reported each year.

Year	Financial Year	Element of Financial Statement
1	2024/2025	All financial assets and financial liabilities
2	2025/2026	All inventories
3	2026/2027	All other assets and liabilities related to assets

Activity	Phase I	Phase I	Phase II	Phase	Phase	Phase V	Phase VI
Area	(23/24)	(24/25)	(25/26)	III	IV	(27/28)	onwards
				(26/27)	(27/28)		
Audit	Consultations	Develop	Review and	Review co	mments fro	m OAG and	implement
and	with the	an	update the	necessary	improveme	nts	
review	National	indicative	plan based				
	Audit Office	plan to	on				
	regarding	obtain the	the outcome				
	review and	OAG's	of year 1.				
	audit of	feedback					
	financial	on					
	statements	financial					
	including	statements					
	consolidated						
	financial						
	statements						

### 11. CHANGE MANAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATION

Change management is an important component of the transition to an accrual project. It is necessary to ensure that all stakeholders transition their mindset from cash accounting to accrual accounting and that they embrace the new reporting framework and systems. The spectrum of stakeholders includes the whole public finance management cycle, from budgeting to audit and oversight. For successful implementation, the key stakeholders **should** buy into the transition process.

For change management to be effective, communication of the reform agenda should be clear and transparent. Key stakeholders should be engaged on a regular basis and kept abreast with the progress of the transition over the transition period.

There should also be timely and clear direction to the implementing entities through relevant channels depending on the message that is to be passed across to the implementers.

Under change management and communication, the relevant steps include:

- a) Identification of users and preparers of financial statements;
- b) Identification of the message to each user/preparer of financial statements and the depth of the understanding of the reform required
- c) Identification of the communication channels
- d) Identification of collaborators to ensure buy-in and reduce the risk of resistance to change.
- e) Develop communication and change management strategies that will inform the steps above including the timelines for communication.

The following have been identified as key stakeholders in the process:

- The National Treasury (as the key implementer)
- Public Sector Accounting Standards Board (PSASB)
- All reporting public entities
- All taxpayers
- All multilateral and bilateral institutions
- Office of the Auditor General
- Office of the Controller of Budget
- Commission on Revenue Allocation
- Council of Governors (as a key linkage for County Governments)
- The National Assembly, through its various oversight committees
- The Senate, through its various oversight committees

- Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Kenya (issuing accounting and auditing standards, maintaining membership, and continuous development of accountants in Kenya)
- The international standard-setting bodies such as IPSASB and IASB
- Parliamentary Budget Office
- County Assemblies
- Inter-Governmental Budget and Economic Council (comprises of the CECs member of Finance from County Governments)
- Inter-Governmental Fiscal Relations Committee
- Public Finance Management Reforms Secretariat (facilitating PFM Reforms in Kenya)
- Other professional bodies dealing with financial reporting, finance, audit, human resources, and procurement among others.
- Training institutions and examination regulators for accountants such as KASNEB,
   Universities, and Accountancy Colleges.
- Regulatory bodies such as the Central Bank of Kenya, Insurance Regulatory Authority,
   Retirement Benefits Authority, and Capital Markets Authority among others rely on financial information to regulate.
- Kenya Revenue Authority
- State Department for Public Service
- Kenya School of Government
- Ministry of Public Works
- Ministry of Lands

The following strategies have been and will continue to be employed for effective change management and communication:

- 1. Development of a detailed stakeholder engagement plan- The strategies for engaging the stakeholders include meetings, sensitization forums, high-level training, correspondence such as letters, and direct involvement in decision-making, such as including them in the steering committee and technical working groups. All the relevant stakeholders to the transition have been included in the steering committee to ensure a seamless transition to accrual accounting.
- Sensitisation sessions- Currently, several sensitization sessions on accrual accounting have been held for various stakeholders' key among them, the preparers who are drawn

from the national government MDAs, Constitutional Commissions, Independent Offices and County Governments, Internal Auditors from the MDAs and External Auditors from the Office of the Auditor General. There are more planned sensitizations for the County Internal Auditors, the related Committees of Parliament, and other PFM players e.g. Budget Officers, and Procurement Officers among others. This will be done regularly over the transition period including providing updates on key milestones attained over the transition period.

3. Establishment of effective channels of communication- This will include formal government communication channels such as government circulars, gazette notices, letters, addresses at physical forums, sensitizations, social media and the mainstream media, formal meetings, and consultations among others. Communication of the transition has been done formally through the gazette notice. In addition, templates and guidelines have been issued through the National Treasury circular. The steering committee and implementers of the reform will leverage relationships with key stakeholders especially those with influence to communicate the reforms to their constituents.

### 12.TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING

To ensure the success of the transition to the accrual project, training, and capacity building will be carried out for all stakeholders considering their needs in terms of education and training and will address shortly--, medium-, and longer-term needs.

Over the last ten years, the National Treasury and the Board have invested heavily in training workshops for Accounting Officers and accountants from the public sector. On-the-job training and coaching have also been used to impart knowledge on accounting, financial reporting, and IFMIS.

In addition to training and building the capacity of the Accounting Officers and accountants, it is important that the target groups to be trained be expanded to include other PFM players such as Budget Officers, Internal Auditors, and Supply Chain Officers among others. Additionally, the top management of the transitioning entities and public oversight bodies should also be factored in for training.

Various approaches have been undertaken to ensure training and capacity building are carried out efficiently. The approaches are as follows:

- 1. Development of a pool of trainers: The Financial Reporting Unit (FRU) within the Directorate of Accounting Services & Quality Assurance has also been trained and has built capacity as TOTs. The unit will work closely with the financial statement preparers to train them on accrual accounting based on the prescribed accounting standards. A few preparers from the entities already reporting on an IPSAS accrual basis have also been trained as ToTs to add to the pool of trainers from PSASB and the Financial Reporting Unit.
- 2. Development of accounting standards guidelines: The Board has continued and will continue to develop accounting standards guidelines and other tools to assist the implementing entities in seamlessly transitioning to the accrual accounting framework. The guidelines are aimed at simplifying complex accounting standards as issued by IPSASB.
- **3. E-learning Platform:** The Board and the National Treasury will also develop an e-learning platform to train financial statement preparers on different aspects of accrual accounting through certification. The platform will also contain a repository of various relevant materials for reference by stakeholders.
- **4. Workshops and conferences:** The National Treasury and the Board will continue to hold workshops and conferences for the various stakeholders to continually offer training on the

transition. The training needs will vary from time to time and will be determined by feedback obtained from the stakeholders.

- 5. Collaborations with ICPAK and KSG: Public Sector accountants are members of ICPAK and the Institute will assist in training the members on accrual-based accounting standards. In addition to the members being awarded continuous professional development points, they will also broaden their knowledge. The Kenya School of Government (KSG) will also play a vital role in terms of offering training for the preparers including providing suitable venues for training, especially the IFMIS academies which will be revived with the sole aim of equipping the users with the requisite knowledge on transition accounting. Seminars and workshops may also be conducted at KSG.
- **6. On-the-job training**: As the accountants perform their day-to-day jobs, it is expected that they will experience some challenges and as they address the challenges, they will be sharpening their skills.
- **7. Peer-to-peer learning:** Due to the diversity of the transitioning entities, the transition experiences of the entities will be varied. Through referral from the National Treasury, the entities ahead in the transition process will assist those lagging.

### 13.RISKS AND MITIGATION MEASURES

Like any other reform, the transition from cash to accrual accounting may be faced with several risks. It is important to anticipate some of these risks at the beginning of the project and provide mitigating factors. Additionally, continuous monitoring and evaluation of the project, including risk identification, management, and reporting will provide an opportunity for the steering committee and the implementing entities to have a mechanism for mitigating against them.

It is the responsibility of each entity to assess its operating environment to identify specific risks that may delay the achievement of the milestones set out in their work plans that have or will be prepared in line with this global roadmap.

The key risks associated with the transition and the recommended actions to mitigate the risks are highlighted in the table below.

Ref	Risk	Mitigating Factor
1.	Lack of buy-in and	To achieve the objectives of the project, the support and buy-
	support from	in of key stakeholders will be crucial. Moving to accrual
	stakeholders	accounting will require a change in mindset by the stakeholders
		and a clear communication strategy should be put in place. A
		consultant will be engaged for purposes of communication.
2.	Inadequate resourcing	The accrual project is one that is cost intensive. This is
	of the project	especially with relation to the re- engineering of the IFMIS
		system and for funds to be availed at the required timelines to
		pave way for other processes. The National Treasury is
		committed to provide the required resources through the
		annual budgetary allocation for the project. The Cabinet also
		approved Kshs 3.1 bn over the three year period for the project.
3.	Theoretical approach	To translate the theoretical concepts into pragmatic solutions
	that cannot be	and achieve the objectives of the project, a collaborative
	translated into	approach between the project implementation team and
	pragmatic solutions	government institutions involved in the project will be
		necessary to ensure the proposed solutions are adapted and
		suitable.
4.	Inadequate accounting	It will be important that key staff involved in IPSAS
	expertise/knowledge	implementation are adequately retrained and the training
	of staff	should be tailored to their specific areas. Reference materials

Ref	Risk	Mitigating Factor
		that staff can refer to need to be prepared and made available
		to the preparers. In addition, clear guidance on how to handle
		some elements in the financial statements will be provided by
		the Steering Committee.
5.	Unavailability of data	New data will need to be generated to produce accrual-based
		financial statements and existing data that are currently not
		used for accounting purposes may need to be used going
		forward. An example of this is data on asset ownership and
		values. Owing to the fact documentation to support data on
		ownership may be difficult to obtain, the accounting principle
		of the substance of substance over form will be applied
		whereby the control of assets is considered to report on the
		assets.
6.	Risk of missing the	The transition is approved to take three (3) years and therefore
	deadlines	the financial statements for the financial year 2026/2027
		should be fully compliant with IPSAS accrual. To mitigate delays
		over the three years, continuous monitoring and evaluation will
		be undertaken as the project continues.
7.	Uncertainty regarding	Based on experience, a lot of time is often spent on discussing
	the selection of first-	and selecting first-time implementation options and accounting
	time implementation	policies. The phased approach being followed may assist in
	options and accounting	mitigating this risk as it will enable a systematic and well-paced
	policies	adoption of IPSAS. It will also enable options adopted in one
		phase to be tested during implementation before moving to the
		next phase.
8.	Risk of not reflecting	Making the transition to accrual accounting is much more than
	the multi-dimensional	solely a change in accounting rules. It impacts the entire
	aspect of the project	government's organisation. To get it done, the various
		challenges arising from implementation need to be adequately
		addressed and a well-defined methodology and action plan
		should be developed, taking into consideration the various
		dimensions of the project: policies, people, processes and
		systems.

### 14.MONITORING AND EVALUATION FRAMEWORK

### 14.1 Monitoring and evaluation

During the transition period, the National Treasury will engage an external consultant to come up with a framework to monitor and evaluate the transition to ensure the process is effectively managed and achieves its intended outcomes. The Consultant will be reporting to the Project Manager. This monitoring and evaluation framework will be linked to the implementation plan which is three-year phased to enable a systematic transition over the three years.

In tracking progress, this monitoring and evaluation framework will serve as an early-warning system to alert the Project Manager when there are difficulties and weaknesses in implementing the set roadmap. It also provides a framework to evaluate progress against set targets. The objective is to ensure full compliance by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2027 by all entities.

The following outcomes are expected from the cash-to-accrual accounting project.

- 1. Updated laws and regulations to enable the adoption of accrual basis IPSAS.
- 2. Updated accounting policies and manual in line with accrual-basis IPSAS.
- 3. Developed staff capacity in applying accrual-basis IPSAS.
- 4. Enhanced IFMIS that enables capturing of transactions in line with accrual-basis IPSAS.
- 5. Capturing and recording of transactions in line with accrual-basis IPSAS.
- 6. Financial statements prepared in line with accrual-basis IPSAS.

Although the transition to an accrual project is complex, having a structured monitoring and evaluation framework tool will ensure that the process is transparent, accountable and effective.

### 14.2 Review of the Roadmap

The roadmap is applicable from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2027. The roadmap will be reviewed on a bi-annual basis and any remedies provided in line with the projected timelines.

### 15.DETAILED WORK PLAN BASED ON THE PROPOSED APPROACH

Ref	Details		2021	<b>L/20</b>	22	20	22/	202	23	20	023	/20	24	2	024	1/20	025	20	25/	202	26		202	6/2	027
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
1	Gazettement of applicable dates																								
	a. Approval of the accrual standard by PSASB.																								
	b. Approval of the accrual standard by the cabinet																								
	c. Consideration and approval of the roadmap by the Steering Commitee																								
	d. Gazettement of the dates in consultation with CS, National Treasury																								
	e. Review existing laws to align with accrual accounting where applicable																								
	f. Steering Committee issue guidelines on Accrual accounting and on specific standards including transitional guidelines																								
2	Communication Strategy																								
	a. Develop a communication strategy for the transition																								
	b. Implement the communication strategy																								
	c. Monitor the progress of implementation of the communication strategy																								
3	Stakeholder awareness																								
	a. Print media supplementary																								

Ref	Details		2021	/20	22	20	22/	202	23	20	023	/20	24	2	2024	1/20	)25	20	25/	202	26		202	6/2	027
		1	2	3	4	1	2			1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2			1	2	3	4
	b. Meetings/ presentations and discussions with key stakeholders																								
	c. Sensitisation workshops to accounting officers, public sector accountants and internal auditors (bi-annual)																								
	d. Sensitisation to the Office of the Auditor General																								
	e. Sensitisation of other key stakeholders (cabinet)																								
	f. Engagement with stakeholders(continuous)																								
4	Steering Committee																								
	a. Approval to form a steering committee- CS, Treasury																								
	b. Formation of a Steering committee and the project manager																								
	c. Approval of TORs for the steering committee																								
	d. Sensitisation and training of the committee																								
	e. Project management and direction																								
	f. Formation of technical working groups at the technical levels.																								
	g. Development and implementation stakeholder engagement policy																								
5	Identification and valuation of assets and liabilities																								
	a. Approval of National Assets and Liabilities policy by National Treasury (approved CS, Treasury in June 2020).																								

Ref	Details		2021	./20	22	20	22/	202	23	20	023	/20	24	2	2024	1/20	)25	20	25/	202	26		202	6/2	027
		1	2	3	4	1	2			1	2	3	4	1				1	2			1	2	3	4
	b. Approval of asset and liabilities reporting templates- PSASB-NALM approved in 2020																								
	c. Approval of specific policies on assets and liabilities- PSASB,NALM approved in 2020																								
	d. Sensitisation on the policy- NALM/PSASB Done in Nov 2020																								
	e. Training and capacity building- NALM/PSASB																								
	f. Identification of Assets and liabilities based on the approved policies (ongoing) - Accounting Officers																								
	g. Review of NALM Policies and guidelines.																								
	h. Valuation of assets and Liabilities - Accounting Officers/ government valuer																								
6	Financial Management System																								
	a. Resolve salient issues in new IFMIS such as bank reconciliations for national and county government entities under cash basis																								
	b. Activation of modules in IFMIS																								
	Steering Committee approves revised SCOA																								
	c. Activate asset and liabilities module in new IFMIS																								
	d. Train on accrual related concepts in new IFMIS																								
7	Liabilities																								

Ref	Details		2021	./20	22	20	22/	202	23	20	)23	/20	24	2	024	/20	)25	20	25/	202	26		202	6/2	027
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
	7a. Employee pension liabilities																								
	a. Specify accounting policy and new methodology in accordance with IPSAS (particularly IPSAS 39)																								
	b. Complete preparatory work, including documentation of pension arrangements and consultation with actuaries.  (Treasury Pensions Department)																								
	c. Calculate balance as at July 1, 2025 according to new methodology, including actuarial valuation																								
	d. Recalculate balance as at June 30, 2025 according to new methodology, including actuarial valuation																								
	e. Recognize pension liability and related assets in 2025/2026 financial statements																								
	f. Refine and improve data and presentation for future financial statements																								
	g. Continue to report pension liability in financial statements																								
	7b. Debt																								
	a. Specify accounting policy and procedures																								
	b. Review quality and completeness of data, particularly on long term debt (Debt department and AO)																								

Ref	Details		2021	L/20	22	20	22/	202	23	20	023	/20	24	2	2024	1/20	)25	20	25/	202	26		202	6/2	.027
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	c. Calculate the opening balance as at 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2024. (Debt department and AO)																								
	d. Account for debt on dual basis in IFMIS																								
	e. Prepare template for notes.																								
	f. Recognize debt as liability in 2024/25 accrual financial statements																								
	g. Refine and improve data and presentation for future financial statements																								
	h. Continue to report debt liability in financial statements																								
	7c. Accounts Payable																								
	a. Complete preparatory work, including for any necessary surveys to identify creditors and balances owing (pending bills by AOs)																								
	b. Disclose in 2023/24 financial statements as memorandum items																								
	c. Identify and quantify balances as at July 1, 2024																								
	d. Recognize in 2024/25 financial statements																								
	e. Refine and improve data and presentation for future financial statements																								
	f. Continue to report liability in financial statements																								

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	7d. Other liabilities incl. provisions																								
	Specify accounting policy and procedures for other liabilities incl. provisions																								
	b. Quantify balances as at July 1, 2025																								l
	<b>c.</b> Record in IFMIS on dual basis as appropriate (opening balances/comparative)																								
	d. Disclose in 2023/24 and 2024/25 and 25/26 financial statements.																								l
	e. Refine methodologies and improve data and presentation																								
	f. Recognize in FY 2026/2027 financial statements																								
	g. Continue to recognize in financial statements																								
	7e. Contingent liabilities																								
	a. Specify accounting policy and procedures (IPSAS 19)																								ı
	b. Analyse circumstances and identify areas where CL may exist (AOs)																								
	c. Assess probability of payments related to guarantees and other contingent liabilities																								
	d. Estimate provisions if payments are probable and include in opening balances in IFMIS.																								
	e. Recognize provisions, financial statements for disclosure in FY 24/25 and 25/26																								

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		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
	f. Disclose all contingent liabilities according to IPSAS 19																								
	g. Recognize provisions, if needed, in FY 26/27 financial statements																								
	h. Continue to recognize and liabilities disclose according to IPSAS 19																								
	7f. Commitments (IPSAS 45 Property, Plant and Equipment, IPSAS 31 Intangible Assets and other commitments for budget purposes																								
	Specify accounting policy and procedures																								
	b. Analyse circumstances and identify areas where commitments may exist																								
	c. Review quality and ensure completeness of existing data.																								
	d. Disclose material commitments in 2024/25 financial statements																								
	e. Continue to disclose in financial statements																								
8.	Financial assets																								
	8a. Receivables																								
	Consult with Receivers of     Revenue (include statement of     arrears in revenue in FS																								
	b. Specify accounting policies and procedures																								
	c. Analyse circumstances to identify areas where receivables may arise																								

Ref	Details		2021	<b>L/20</b>	22	20	)22/	202	23	20	)23	/20	24	2	024	1/20	)25	20	25/	202	26		202	6/2	027
		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
	d. Review completeness and quality of existing data																								
	e. Quantify receivables as at July 1, 2024, and any related provisions for potentially irrecoverable amounts																								
	f. Enter opening balances in IFMIS.																								
	g. Account for receivables on dual bases in IFMIS																								
	h. Review receivables and provide for any potentially irrecoverable amounts																								
	i. Recognize receivables in 2024/25 financial statements																								
	j. Refine receivables data and presentation																								
	k. Continue to report receivables in financial statements subject to reliability and recoverability																								
	8b. Finance and operating leases (Govt. is the lessor																								
	a. Consult with relevant Ministries																								
	b. Develop accounting policies consistent with IPSAS particularly IPSAS 13 and 43																								
	c. Identify and review leases and classify as finance or operating leases (AO)																								
	d. Record leases in IFMIS or separate asset register for management																								

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		1	2	3	4	1		3					4				4	1	2			2		
	e. Enter opening balances of finance leases in IFMIS GL as part of receivables																							
	f. Record in IFMIS any additions or reductions of finance leases																							
	g. Recognize revenue from finance and operating leases																							
	h. Refine and improve data for financial statements																							
	i. Continue to report finance leases																							
	8c. Investments																							
	<ul> <li>Specify accounting policies,</li> </ul>																							
	b. Review quality and completeness of existing data																							
	c. Review and refine accounting policies																							
	d. Identify and value assets as at July 1, 2024																							
	e. Recognize investments in 2024/25 financial statements																							
	f. Review investments and need for revaluation																							
	8d. Cash and cash equivalents, incl. bank accounts																							
	a. Identify existing bank accounts																							
	<ul> <li>Enter bank accounts in Register of Bank Accounts</li> </ul>																							
	c. Specify accounting policies and procedures																							
	d. Review quality and completeness of existing data																							
	e. Enter opening balances of all bank accounts as at July 1, 2025 in IFMIS																							

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		1	2	3	4	1	2		4	1	2						4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
	f. Recognize all cash and cash equivalents in 23/24 financial statements (as currently done)																								
	g. Recognize all cash and cash equivalents in official 2024/25 financial statements including all bank accounts																								
	h. Continue to report in financial statements																								
	8e. Other financial assets																								<u> </u>
	a. Specify accounting policies and procedures																								
	b. Analyse circumstances to identify areas where other financial assets may arise																								
	c. Review quality and completeness of existing data																								
	d. Identify and value other financial assets as at Jul 1, 2024																								
	e. Enter opening balances as at July 1, 2025 in IFMIS																								
	f. Recognize Other financial assets in 2024/25 financial statements																								
	g. Review and refine accounting policies and presentation																								
	h. Continue to report in financial statements																								
	9 Non-financial assets																								
	9a Fixed asset register																								
	a. Test and operationalize asset register module in IFMIS																								
	b. Incorporate revised classification in asset register and GL in IFMIS																								

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		1	2	3	4	1	2						4			3	4	1	2		4		3	4
	c. Review data quality and classification of pilot entities' assets and revise as needed																							
	d. Continue to enter fixed assets in asset register – complete by June 30, 2027																							
	e. Enter transactions on acquisitions, disposals and adjustments in asset register and GL																							
	f. Reconcile fixed asset register with GL asset accounts and financial statements																							
	g. Keep assets register up to date and reflect additions, disposals and any other adjustments																							
	h. Recognize all fixed assets in 2026/27 financial statements																							
	i. Undertake physical verification																							
	j. Use register and other information to ensure assets are maintained properly																							
	9b Land																						l	1
	a. Specify accounting policies according to IPSAS (particularly IPSAS 17 and 45)																							<u> </u>
	b. Review quality and completeness of existing data																							
	c. Undertake an inventory of land																							
	d. Establish cost or values																							
	e. Enter in register land controlled																							
	f. Start/ enter opening balances as at July 1, 2026 and enter in																							

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	IFMIS GL which must agree with register																								
	g. Disclose land in FY 24/25 and 25/26 financial statements																								
	h. Reconcile GL balances with fixed asset register																								
	i. Continue to enter opening balances of land																								
	j. Continue to report land in financial statements -																								
	k. Complete recognition and reporting of land in 2026/27 financial statements																								
	9c. Buildings																								
	a. Specify accounting policies, including useful lives																								
	b. Undertake an inventory of buildings - AOs																								
	c. Establish cost or values																								
	d. Review quality and completeness of existing data																								
	e. Start entering opening balances in IFMIS																								
	f. Review depreciation calculation throughout the year																								
	g. Reconcile GL balances with fixed asset register																								
	h. Continue to enter opening balances of buildings																								
	i. Complete recognition and reporting of buildings in 2026/27 financial statements																								

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		1	2	3	4	1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
	9d Roads, bridges, tunnels, harbours, dams, and other infrastructure assets																								
	Specify accounting policies, including useful lives																								
	b. Review quality and completeness of existing data																								
	c. Undertake an inventory of infrastructure assets																								
	d. Establish cost or values     e. Start entering in register infrastructure assets																								
	f. Review depreciation calculation throughout the year																								
	g. Continue to recognize infrastructure assets																								
	h. Reconcile GL balances with fixed asset register																								
	Refine and improve data for financial statements for future years																								
	j. Complete recognition and reporting of infrastructure assets in 2026/27 financial statements																								
	k. Review useful economic life of assets																								
	9e. Machinery, and equipment, including transport, ICT, and others																								
	Specify accounting policies,     including useful lives																								
	b. Review quality and completeness of existing data																								

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		1	2	3	4	1	2	3		1	2	3		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
	c. Undertake an inventory of machinery by AOs																								
	d. Review depreciation calculation throughout the year																								
	e. Start entering in register machinery and equipment																								
	f. Continue to recognize machinery																								
	<ul> <li>g. Complete recognition and reporting of machinery etc. in 2026/27 financial statements</li> </ul>																								
	h. Continue to reconcile GL balances with fixed asset register																								
	i. Review for impairment																								
	9f. Other fixed assets, including cultivated biological asset (controlled by BCG)																								ı
	Specify accounting policies, including useful lives																								l
	b. Review quality and completeness of existing data																								l
	c. Undertake an inventory of other fixed assets																								l
	d. Establish cost or values																								
	e. Start entering in register other fixed assets																								ı
	f. Start entering opening in IFMIS GL																								
	g. Review depreciation calculation throughout the year																								
	h. Continue to recognize other fixed assets in official financial statements.																								

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	Refine and improve data for financial statements for future years																								
	j. Complete recognition and reporting of other fixed assets in 2026/27 financial statements –																								
	k. Continue to reconcile GL balances with fixed asset register																								
	Review useful economic life of asset																								
	m. Review for impairment																								
	9g Public private partnerships (PPPs), e.g. university hostel, toll road, power plant																								
	a. Identify and classify PPPs - Establish values																								
	b. Specify accounting policies, including useful lives particularly IPSAS 32																								
	c. Review quality and completeness of existing data																								
	d. Undertake an inventory of PPPs																								
	e. Start entering opening balances in asset register and IFMIS GL																								
	f. Review depreciation calculation throughout the years.																								
	g. Disclose PPP assets and liabilities in 24/25 financial statements and 25/26																								
	h. Reconcile GL balances with fixed asset register																								

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	i. Continue to recognize PPP assets and liabilities in financial statements																								
	j. Refine and improve data for financial statements for future years																								
	k. Complete recognition and reporting of PPP assets and liabilities in 2026/27 financial statements																								
	I. Continue to reconcile GL balances with fixed asset register																								
	m. Review useful economic life of asset																								
	n. Review for impairment																								
	9h Intangible assets including software.																								
	Specify accounting policies, including useful lives																								
	b. Review quality and completeness of existing data by AOs																								
	c. Undertake an inventory of intangible asset																								
	d. Establish cost or value																								
	e. Start entering opening balances in IFMIS GL																								
	f. Review amortization calculation throughout the year																								
	g. Disclose intangible assets in 2024/25 and 25/26 financial statements																								

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	h. Continue to recognize intangible assets in official financial statements																								
	<ul> <li>Reconcile GL balances with fixed asset register</li> </ul>																								
	j. Complete recognition and reporting of intangible assets in 2026/27 financial statements																								
	k. Review useful economic life of asset																								
	I. Review for impairment																								
	9i Inventories																								
	a. Develop accounting policies consistent with IPSAS particularly IPSAS 12																								
	b. Review quality and completeness of existing data by AOs																								
	c. Identify and value inventories at 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2025																								
	d. Start entering opening balances IFMIS GL																								
	e. Carry out stock taking at June 30, 2025 and value the inventories																								
	f. Recognize inventories in 25/26 financial statements																								
	g. Continue to carry out annual stocktaking																								
	h. Continue to report inventories in financial statements																								

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	Complete recognition and reporting of inventories in 2025/26 financial statements																								
10	Capacity Building and Training																								
	a. FRU/IFMIS/PSASB training																								
	b. Training of Trainers and certification- PSASB/FRU/IFMIS/IAG/Budget/																								
	c. National Treasury to develop an accounting manual that is accrual based																								
	d. Develop training manuals that can be cascaded to users																								
	e. Training public sector accountants																								
	f. Prepare accrual based financial reporting templates																								
11	Monitoring and Evaluation																								
	a. The steering committee to set up a joint monitoring and evaluation team																								
	b. Monitoring and evaluation throughout the project																								

## KEY:

Completed from previous years.
Completed/ on-going
Scheduled
IFMIS related activities