



REPUBLIC OF KENYA  
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND SOCIAL PROTECTION

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**PAYMENT OF KSH 8.75 BILLION FOR INUA JAMII CASH  
TRANSFER PROGRAMMES STARTS ON MONDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2020**

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Following the directive of His Excellency President Uhuru Kenyatta on April 16, 2020, the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection has released Kenya Shillings Eight Billion, Seven Hundred and Fifty-Four Million, One Hundred and Ninety Six Thousand (**Kshs. 8,754,196,000**) for payment to beneficiaries enrolled in the cash transfer programmes, and a further Kenya Shillings Five Hundred Million (**Kshs. 500 million**) to clear arrears owed to persons living with severe disabilities under the cash transfer programmes.

The money to be paid out to **1,094,238** cash transfer beneficiaries has already been wired to the four banks contracted to pay the beneficiaries from **Monday, April 20, 2020**. The paying banks are: Kenya Commercial Bank, Equity Bank, Post Bank and Cooperative Bank.

Each of the beneficiaries will receive **KShs. 8,000** being payment for months of **January-February and March-April 2020** payment cycles.

This money is meant to cushion these vulnerable groups from the negative effects of the COVID-19 as emphasized by His Excellency the President.

A beneficiary is allowed to withdraw **ALL** or **A PART** of this amount at any time during a six-month period. Beneficiaries or caregivers can access the payment at any time over the six months.

Beneficiaries are therefore advised that the funds will remain in their accounts for a period of **SIX** months hence there is no need for all them to rush to the banks to collect the money at the same time to avoid crowding at the payment points.

Payment modalities for the funds have been agreed between the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection and the paying banks to ensure the Ministry of Health guidelines on containment of COVID-19 are strictly followed while paying beneficiaries. These guidelines include:

1. Utilization of their mobile banking platforms to prevent crowding of beneficiaries at the payment points.
2. Ensure social distancing by staggering payments.
3. Provision of handwashing facilities, sanitizers and masks for the beneficiaries during the payment.
4. Ensure that all biometric devices are cleaned and regularly sanitized.

The Ministry of Labour and Social Protection has adopted a multi-agency approach in the payment process involving the Ministry of Interior and Coordination of National Government, County Governments, Ministry of Health, elected leaders and Ministries' field staff to ensure seamless coordination.



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