



KEY MESSAGES

Inua Jamii 70 and above Cash transfer programme and how it interacts with HSNP in the four Counties of Turkana, Wajir, Marsabit and Mandera.

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The Ministry of East African Community, Labour and Social Protection (MEACLSP) launched a new social assistance unconditional cash transfer programme known as the **“Inua Jamii 70 years and above cash transfer programme”** that targets Kenyan Citizens that are 70 years and above. This Inua Jamii 70years+ unconditional cash transfer programme is regarded as a non-contributory social pension for the senior citizens. The programme is aimed at delivering regular bi-monthly cash transfers of Kshs. 4,000 per individual starting January 2018 through active bank accounts. Registration of the programme will take place between 3rd July and 31st August 2017. Phylis Kandie- Cabinet Secretary (MEALSPP) officially launched the programme on 5th July 2017.



1. What is Inua Jamii 70 and above cash transfer programme?

- The Inua Jamii 70+ unconditional cash transfer programme is regarded as a non-contributory social pension for the elderly. According to the 2009 census, 2017 projections, the population of older persons aged 70 years and above is estimated to be 973,000.
- It is a National Government programme aiming at delivering unconditional social assistance cash transfers to 540,000 senior citizens across the 47 Counties. Henry Rotich, Cabinet Secretary of the Treasury, passed the budget for the programme during the budget speech of June 2017.
- It targets those who are 70 years and above born in 1947 and above.
- This is an individual entitlement and not a household, meaning more than one 70years and above can benefit per household.

2. Why Inua Jamii 70 and above and there is the Older Persons Cash Transfer programme?

- Inua Jamii 70years and above aims at expanding OPCT to include more 70years and above citizens.
- Currently, OPCT is paying 310,000 households across the Country and it targets those that are 65years and above.
- OPCT is a household entitlement whereas Inua Jamii 70years and above is an individual (more than 1 individual can benefit from a household)

3. Who can benefit from Inua Jamii and above cash transfers?

- Kenyan Citizens who are 70years and above. They must have been born in 1947 or before.
- Those that have valid National Identification cards, old generation National ID are not acceptable because they are invalid.
- They must not belong to Older Persons Cash Transfer programme.
- They can belong in Hunger Safety Net Programme as a household member or a primary recipient as long as they are 70years and above. This programme is an individual entitlement and they have a right to be registered.
- About 540,000 older persons of 70 years and above will be registered and enrolled into the programme between July and August 2017. Registration will be on going beyond August 2017.

4. Where will registration of Inua Jamii 70years and above take place?

- Registration will take place within the 47 Counties across the Country.
- The older persons will have to travel to the County and sub-County offices of the Department for Children Services and Department of Social Services to register.
- They must carry along their valid National ID cards. Only those with valid National IDs will be registered.
- Their nominated caregivers whose details will also be captured including their valid National ID cards must accompany them. Details (mobile phone numbers and National ID numbers) of their village elders will be collected.
- Registration will be done using a mobile phone application called Open Data Kit (ODK). Manual records of the registration will be kept for future reference

5. When will the registration take place?

- Registration began in 3rd July 2017 to 31st August 2017. Although the exercise will continue beyond August 2017.

6. How will the Inua Jamii 70years and above be paid?

- Payment will be through a two-factor authentication payment mechanism of biometrics and Person Identification Number (PIN) and ATM cards.
- The first payment of Kshs. 4,000 per person will be paid in January 2018 through active bank accounts.
- After registration, the contracted payment service provider will open active bank accounts for the target beneficiaries. Details of the contracted bank will be shared as soon as they are identified.
- Access of payment at the sub-location level will be through payment agents recruited by the bank.
- Failure to withdraw four consecutive payments cycles will result to automatic removal.

7. Will Inua Jamii 70years and above registration affect the on-going Harmonised Registration by HSNP?

- No.
- Inua Jamii 70years and above aims at registering individuals as opposed to HSNP registration that registers all the household members. .
- Even if a 70years and above has already been registered in the harmonised registration exercise in the HSNP Counties, they will still registered under Inua Jamii 70years and above. This is their right.
- The harmonised registration exercise is conducted by HSNP contracted registration teams (enumerators, validation officers and supervisors) whereas officers from the Department of Children's Services and Department of Social Services will conduct registration for Inua Jamii 70years+.
- Registration of HSNP is door to door whereas of the Inua Jamii 70years+ is at the County and sub-County offices of the Department of Children's Services and Department of Social Services.
- Inua Jamii 70years and above registration uses mobile phone application called Open Data Kit (ODK), whereas HSNP uses laptops, biometric scanners and online registration application software (specifically developed for the harmonised registration).
- Harmonised registration by HSNP is long term; - started in June 2017 and it is projected to complete in March 2018.
- HSNP uses Chiefs, Assistant Chiefs and village elders for grassroots mobilisation and communication of the exercise. The HSNP Registration team, Programme Officers, Programme Managers and Country Drought Coordinators, support the Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs. Inua Jamii will use the Beneficiary Welfare Committees and Departments officers to mobilise and communicate.
- HSNP Registration Team is branded with polo shirts, bucket hats and staff ID cards that have four logos: HSNP, NDMA, UKaid and Inua Jamii.
- For more information about Harmonised Registration by HSNP, contact County Drought Coordinators or HSNP Programme Managers in the respective NDMA County offices. For information about Inua Jamii 70years and above cash transfer, contact the respective County Coordinator from the Department of Social Services or Department of Children Services.