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Rongo Municipality Annual Urban Investment Plan & Budget

FY 2024/2025

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1. Executive Summary

The 2026/27 Annual Urban Investment Plan and Budget for Rongo Municipality presents a coherent and credible set of capital investments prioritized for implementation in the coming financial year. The Plan aligns municipal development objectives with available municipal, county, national, and development partner resources, recognizing fiscal constraints and the urgency for infrastructure delivery that enhances service delivery, economic opportunities, and climate resilience.

Rongo Municipality's vision — *"A green, clean, safe, sociable and economically vibrant municipality"* — anchors this Investment Plan, which is also aligned to the municipality's Integrated Development Plan (IDeP), Migori County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP 2023–2027), and national planning laws. The total proposed capital investment for the year is KES 25,800,000, to be financed through municipal own-source revenue, county and national transfers, and donor support including potential World Bank investments.

This Plan draws from extensive stakeholder engagements, technical feasibility assessments, and alignment with national frameworks to prioritize investments that are deliverable, sustainable, and impactful for residents.

2. Introduction and Urban Context

Rongo Municipality is an urban area located in Migori County, covering approximately 117.2 km² of land and administered by the Rongo Municipal Board, constituted in 2019 under statutory provisions. The Municipality has experienced rapid population growth and urbanization as residents migrate for economic opportunities. This has generated increased demand for basic services, improved infrastructure, and formalized urban planning.

The Annual Urban Investment Plan translates long-term strategic objectives established in the Municipality's Integrated Development Plan (2023–2027) into immediate capital priorities for 2024/25. The Plan bridges the gap between planning and budgeting, ensuring that public resources are allocated transparently, efficiently, and in a manner that responds to community needs.

2.1 Legal and Policy Framework

This Plan is prepared in accordance with Kenya's constitutional and statutory mandate for urban governance:

- The **Constitution of Kenya (Article 184)** mandates national legislation to provide for the governance and management of urban areas and cities, including mechanisms for resident participation in governance.
- The **Urban Areas and Cities Act, No. 13 of 2011** requires municipalities to prepare integrated development plans, annual strategic plans, and to align their plans with county governments. It also obligates municipalities to undertake service delivery, infrastructure development, and planning functions.

- The **County Governments Act, No. 17 of 2012** places a legal obligation on county governments and their urban areas to plan within an integrated framework, ensuring that public funds are not appropriated outside approved planning frameworks. It further stipulates the types of planning instruments required, including municipal land use and zoning plans.
- The **Public Finance Management Act, 2012 (Part on Urban Areas)** prescribes principles for municipal budgeting, including that capital budgets must derive from strategic plans linked to the county fiscal strategy and budget processes.

3. Planning and Prioritization Process

The development of the Annual Urban Investment Plan followed a structured, and participatory process to ensure alignment with strategic priorities and realistic implementation potential. Inputs were gathered through municipal technical teams, sector departments, and public forums where residents and key stakeholders provided feedback on pressing infrastructure needs.

Projects were screened for feasibility, alignment with national and county development policies, potential socio-economic impact, environmental sustainability, and readiness for implementation. Clear prioritization criteria ensured that limited resources focus on high-impact interventions that offer broad community benefits and strengthen municipal service delivery performance.

4. Summary of Proposed Urban Investments

Rongo Municipality's investment portfolio for FY 2024/25 is designed to address key infrastructure gaps and service delivery priorities across critical sectors while ensuring geographic equity.

Each investment has been selected based on its potential to improve urban services, enhance economic activity, and strengthen resilience to climate risks.

6. Implementation Strategy

The Municipal Board retains oversight of AUIP implementation, with the Municipal Manager coordinating execution through relevant departments (Public Works, Environment, Markets, etc.). Procurement and financial management will adhere to the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Act, 2015, and public finance regulations under the Constitution and the Public Finance Management Act, 2012.

Robust contract management, procurement planning, and monitoring frameworks will be employed to ensure value for money and compliance with fiduciary obligations.

7. Environmental and Social Safeguards

In line with national law and World Bank standards, all projects have undergone environmental and social screening. Appropriate mitigation strategies, stakeholder engagement plans, and compliance mechanisms have been incorporated into project implementation frameworks to safeguard communities and the environment.

8. Monitoring, Evaluation & Reporting

A results-based performance monitoring system will track physical progress, expenditure, service delivery outcomes, and compliance with safeguards. Quarterly and annual reports will be produced, forming part of oversight reporting to the Municipal Board, County Government, and development partners.

9. Risks And Mitigation Measures

Key risks include delays in procurement, funding shortfalls, capacity constraints, and environmental compliance challenges. Mitigation strategies include strengthened procurement planning, diversified funding sources, capacity development, and proactive safeguards compliance mechanisms.

10. Conclusion

This Annual Urban Investment Plan and Budget provide a credible and implementable strategy for advancing Rongo Municipality's infrastructure and service delivery goals in 2024/25. By aligning strategic priorities with available resources and legal planning frameworks, the Plan supports sustainable urban development and improved quality of life for residents while meeting the requirements of the Urban Areas and Cities Act, County Governments Act, and national financial management laws.



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Revised Appendix5: Sub-Project Environmental and Social Screening Checklist

Project Information

Details	Response
Name of the Project	CONSTRUCTION OF RONGO MODERN STALLS
County	MIGORI
City/Municipality	RONGO MUNICIPALITY
Location of the Project	NEXT TO RONGO MODERN MARKET
Brief Description of the Project	THE CONSTRUCTION INVOLVES DEVELOPING A DURABLE AND WELL PLANNED UNITS

Environmental and Social Screening Table

Item No.	Question	Yes	No	Maybe	Remarks
Environmental, Health and Safety Impacts					
1	Does the project involve civil works, including new construction, expansion, upgrading, or rehabilitation of existing infrastructures?	✓			
2	Is the project within 30 meters of a water body, forest, wetland, or protected area?		✓		

3	Is the project located near environmentally sensitive areas or habitats of threatened species (e.g., IUCN listed)?		✓		
4.	Will the project adversely affect natural habitats (e.g., forests, rivers, wetlands)?		✓		
5	Will the project require large volumes of construction materials (e.g., gravel, stone, water, timber)?	✓			
6	Will the project affect the quantity or quality of surface water or groundwater (e.g., via abstraction or discharge)?		✓		
7	Will the project generate solid or liquid waste that is hazardous, non-biodegradable, or likely to contaminate soil, water, or vegetation? List them		✓		
8	Will the project generate stagnant water that may serve as breeding grounds for disease vectors (e.g., mosquitoes)?		✓		
9	Will the project cause soil degradation, erosion, or siltation of nearby water bodies?		✓		
10	Will it lead to bush clearing with a risk of spreading invasive species or removing indigenous vegetation?		✓		
11	Could it introduce non-native or invasive plant or animal species?		✓		

12	Will the project contribute to or be exposed to climate risks (e.g. flooding, heat stress and drought)		✓		
13	Will the project involve handling of hazardous chemicals/controlled substances (e.g., veterinary drugs, fuels, vaccines)?		✓		
14	Will the project cause long-term, permanent, and/or irreversible adverse impacts (e.g. loss of significant natural habitat)?		✓		
Cultural, Historical, and Aesthetic Impacts					
15	Is the project located near an area with known cultural heritage or archaeological value (formal or informal)?		✓		
16	Will the project affect known cultural or historical heritage sites (e.g. monuments, shrines, sacred groves)?		✓		
Social Impacts					
17	Will the project require acquisition of land (temporary or permanent)		✓		
18	Will it lead to physical displacement of people or households? Indicate approx. number of affected persons/HHs		✓		Approximately 50 persons
19	Will it result in economic displacement (e.g., loss of income, business premises, crops, or assets)? (temporary or permanent)	✓			
20	Will it restrict access to land, crops, pasture, water, forests, or cultural resources?		✓		

21	Will It affect the livelihoods of individuals or groups (Including Informal sector workers)?	✓			
22	Will It affect vulnerable or marginalized groups (VMGs), Including traditional		✓		
	Communities, minorities, or Informal settlers?		✓		
23	Will It negatively impact women's rights, safety, or economic opportunities?		✓		
24	Will It disadvantage persons with disabilities, older persons, or marginalized subgroups?		✓		
25	Could It lead to gender-based violence (GBV), sexual exploitation, or harassment risks (e.g., through labor influx)?		✓		
26	Could It cause Intra-community conflict, elite capture of benefits, or political tension?		✓		
27	Will It lead to Informal settlement expansion or degradation of surrounding areas (e.g. unmanaged waste, congestion)?		✓		
28	Will the project attract Inward migration from other areas labor Influx or opportunistic settlement)?		✓		
29	Is the project area characterized by Informal or customary land tenure arrangements (e.g. squatting, trust land)?		✓		

Stakeholder Engagement and GRM

30	Have project-affected people (PAPs) and other relevant stakeholders been adequately consulted in planning?	✓			
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31	Has a stakeholder engagement plan (SEP) or engagement log been prepared or documented?	✓			
32	Is there a functioning and accessible Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM) in place and known to the community?	✓			
33	Have operation and maintenance responsibilities been clearly defined and agreed upon with relevant stakeholders?	✓			

Screening and Contextual Information

34	Is the project consistent with the urban planning frameworks or land use plans (e.g., County Integrated Development Plans)?	✓			
35	Does the project area have supportive Environmental Management Infrastructure such as sewerage system, waste management system, emergency/ disaster response system among other	✓			
36	Does the project fall within the EMCA Second Schedule (legal notice 31) category for high risk requiring a full ESIA?	✓			

Screening Summary and Risk classification

Category	Number of "Yes"	Number of "Maybe"	Potential Risk Level	Recommendation
Environmental	2	0	Low/Medium/High	No further action/Prepare SPR/ Prepare CPR/ prepare TOR for ESIA study
Social	2	0	Low/Medium/High	No further action/Prepare SPR/Prepare CPR/ prepare TOR for ESIA study
Overall	4	0	Low/Medium/High	No further action/Prepare SPR/ Prepare CPR/ prepare TOR for ESIA study

Screening Team

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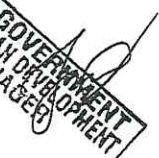


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Notes:

- For any "Yes" or "Maybe" responses in high-risk categories (such as located in/near (within 30 meters) ecologically sensitive areas, results in involuntary displacement of ≥ 200 people assign a High risk level
 - Ensure consultation, grievance mechanisms, and disclosure is in line with Access to Information Act (2016), and the KUSP2 Stakeholder Engagement Guidelines.
 - After completing the checklist, use the responses and professional judgment to fill in the summary risk rating table at the end. This will guide the decision on whether the project requires a Summary Project Report (SPR) or a Comprehensive Project Report (CPR), in accordance with the Second Schedule of EMCA Cap 387, Legal Notice No. 31 of 2019.
- If you have answered "YES" to any of the questions above, then a Summary Project report or Comprehensive Project Report (as guided by Legal notice 32 of April, 2019) based on the risk rating should be developed, submitted and approved by NEMA*