

Government Releases Sh3.2 Billion for Inua Jamii Programme

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Nairobi, July 3, 2024 — The Ministry of Labour and Social Protection has announced the release of Sh3.2 billion for the Inua Jamii Programme for the month of June. The funds were disbursed to beneficiaries on Wednesday, July 3, 2024, through their bank accounts.

Joseph Motari, the Principal Secretary for the State Department for Social Protection and Senior Citizen Affairs, confirmed that the ministry has onboarded 570,263 new beneficiaries. This increase brings the total number of recipients for June to 1,607,996, up from 1,037,733 in May 2024.

The Inua Jamii programme is a government cash transfer initiative designed to support the most vulnerable members of the community. The programme includes Cash Transfers for Orphans and Vulnerable Children, Older Persons Cash Transfer and Persons with Severe Disabilities Cash Transfer. It aims to provide a stipend to these groups, helping to alleviate poverty and hunger while improving their overall quality of life.

In 2023, President William Ruto directed the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection to expand the Inua Jamii programme to reach 2.5 million beneficiaries in phases. Additionally, Ruto mandated that funds for the programme be released before civil servant's salaries, ensuring timely disbursements.

PS Motari reiterated the government's commitment to supporting the needy and ensuring the sustainability of such vital programmes. "The Ministry has onboarded 570,263 new beneficiaries. The total number of beneficiaries in the June payroll is 1,607,996, up from 1,037,733 in May 2024. All those new beneficiaries who have opened bank accounts will be paid from Wednesday," PS Motari stated.

The Inua Jamii programme is a crucial initiative that aims to provide financial support to the elderly, orphans, vulnerable children, and persons with severe disabilities. By offering a regular stipend, the programme seeks to alleviate the harsh conditions faced by these groups and enhance their living standards.

This latest disbursement is a testament to the government's dedication to social protection and poverty alleviation. As the programme scales up, it is expected to have a significant positive impact on the lives of millions of Kenyans, helping to build a more inclusive and supportive society.