**Public Consultations on the Review of the National Strategy to Counter Violent Extremism**

The National Counter Terrorism Centre (NCTC) notifies of the review of the National Strategy to Counter Violent Extremism (NSCVE) and invites the public to participate in this process.

NCTC is an inter-agency body mandated by law to co-ordinate national counter terrorism efforts to detect, deter and disrupt terrorism acts.

In fulfilling this mandate, the Centre coordinated national efforts that led to the adoption of the NSCVE in 2016. The Strategy sought to rally all sectors of Kenyan social, religious, and economic life to emphatically and continuously reject violent extremist ideologies and aims in order to shrink the pool of individuals that terrorist groups seek to radicalise and recruit.

Through this strategy and the collective efforts of the Kenyan people, the country has effectively responded to the threat of radicalisation and insulated communities from violent extremists.

After seven years of active implementation, the NSCVE is proposed for review to address the dynamic ways in which the threat of terrorism and violent extremism mutating and manifesting in our communities.

Initiatives implemented through the NSCVE have been community owned and led, similarly, the process of reviewing the strategy shall be an inclusive popular effort.

This review seeks to collectively negotiate and adopt a strategy that is people driven, adaptive, responsive, sustainable, homegrown and alive to local needs. The review process shall be guided by the high thresholds of our Constitution including the values and principles of human dignity, equity, social justice, inclusiveness, human rights, non-discrimination and protection of the marginalised.

To facilitate public participation in the review process, the Centre has established an interactive page on its website to facilitate dialogue and interactions among different stakeholders. The public is invited to make comments, submit memoranda and track the review process through [www.counterterrorism.go.ke/nscve](http://www.counterterrorism.go.ke/nscve). Regular updates, notices of community engagements across the country, discussions and debates will be posted on the page.

Stakeholders are also invited to make submissions or seek clarification through nscve@counterterrorism.go.ke, our various social media handles or their respective County Engagement Forum.

Public engagements will be ongoing for a period of four months culminating with the validation and adoption of the revised strategy in September, 2023.

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