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## AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SECURITY

NAME	STORY TITLE	STORY FORMAT	MEDIA HOUSE	COUNTY
Minzilet Ijai	Ukulima wa wadudu na hasa nzi aina ya black soldier fly, kama njia mbadala ya chakula cha mifugo wao	Radio	Radio France International	Nairobi
George Aoko	Makala kilimo cha mbegu ya mpunga chotara- hybrid rice	Radio	Royal Media Services	Mombasa
Michael Kwoba	Kilimo cha teff maeneo kame-dhahabu ya Marsabit.	Radio	Sifa FM	Marsabit
Eugene Ameli	The cream of the crop	TV	Anchor Bay Productions'	Nairobi
Reyhab Watari	Preservation of indigenous seeds	TV	Mediamax	Nairobi
Hezron Kimari	Fuel alternative in farming: innovative youth use LPG in farming replacing fuel due to its high cost	TV	Standard Group	Taita Taveta
Kamau Maichuhie	The climate-smart farming methods pushing Kitui women to financial freedom	Print	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Maurice Alal	How Kisumu chang'aa village has re-branded to a thriving rice farm	Print	Radio Africa Group	Kisumu
Gardy Chacha	Farmers turn a profit after ditching maize	Print	Standard Group	Nairobi
Jackson Okata	In Kenya, seed banks help with food security	Digital	Dialogue Earth	Nakuru
Sharon Atieno	Quest for sand: turning farmlands into harvesting sites in Homa Bay	Digital	Science Africa	Nairobi
Denis Lubanga	Black soldier fly could be solution to global fertiliser shortage threatening food security	Digital	Tuko Media Limited	Nairobi



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## BEST INVESTIGATIVE STORY

NAME	STORY TITLE	STORY FORMAT	MEDIA HOUSE	COUNTY
Michael Kwoba	Sanda ya mbali	Radio	Sifa FM	Marsabit
Hamisi Kombe	Mwiba	Radio	Lulu FM	Kilifi
Machuki Dennonson	Ulanguzi utumwa mambo leo mjini Moyale	Radio	Radio Jangwani	Marsabit
Ngina Kirori	Camouflaged crimes	TV	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Winfrey Owino	The mute healer	TV	Standard Group	Nairobi
Agatha Gichana	Sex for business protection:women traders recount Nairobi's living hell	Print	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Denish Ochieng	Ruined lives of Mathare's poor as illicit brewers mint millions	Print	Standard Group	Nairobi
Hellen Shikanda	How Mukumu Girls students and teacher were poisoned to death	Print	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Patrick Alushula	C-section delivery spike shakes Kenyan insurers	Print	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Henix Obuchunju	How desperation and exploitation are degrading girls in Kibra slum	Digital	Pamoja FM	Nairobi
Joy Kirigia	Title deals	Digital	Africa Uncensored	Nairobi
Vincent Achuka	The schiphol stowaway: how Kenyan outwitted JKIA security, survived 9-hour flight to Amsterdam	Digital	sauce.co.ke	Nairobi

## BLUE ECONOMY AND BUSINESS REPORTING

George Ajowi	Kupungua kwa dagaa katika ziwa Victoria (the depletion of fish in Lake Victoria)	Radio	Radio France International	Nairobi
Samuel Mkare	Mkasa wa kasa	Radio	Lulu FM	Kilifi



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NAME	STORY TITLE	STORY FORMAT	MEDIA HOUSE	COUNTY
Janet Shume	Ustawi-umuhimu wa boti za kisasa kuimarisha uvuvi	Radio	Radio Kaya	Kwale
Patrick igunza	Underground Premium	TV	Royal Media Services	Nairobi
Eliud Mutwiri	The art of glass	TV	KU TV	Nairobi
Eugene Ameli	How crab farming changed our lives" Dabasso Village	TV	Anchor Bay Productions'	Nairobi
Isaiah Gwengi	How cage culture is slowly killing landing sites and beaches in Nyanza	Print	Standard Group	Siaya
Edna Mwenda	Bank teller job fighting for its life in shift to digital services	Print	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Jasmine Atieno	Coastal communities unite to save turtles from extinction.	Print	Mediamax Network Ltd	Mombasa
Mactilda Mbenywe	Kenyan science interns turn Lake Victoria's fish waste into oil and flowers	Digital	Mongabay	Kisumu
William Inganga	Traditional crops solution to food security	Digital	KNA	Nairobi
Denis Lubanga	Nyandarua: dredged Lake Ol'bolosat sediment spurring agriculture as alternative fertiliser	Digital	Tuko Media Limited	Nairobi

## BREAKING NEWS REPORTING

Samuel Njuguna	Ajali Londiani (the horrific Londiani accident)	Radio	Royal Media Services	Nakuru
Samuel Mkare	Taarifa ya Shakahola (Shakahola news)	Radio	Lulu FM	Kilifi
Hajj Kibwanga	Mkurupuko wa ugonjwa wa macho me-kundu (jicho taabani)	Radio	Royal Media Services	Nairobi



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NAME	STORY TITLE	STORY FORMAT	MEDIA HOUSE	COUNTY
Francis Mtalaki	Itikadi za maajabu	TV	Royal Media Services	Mombasa
Kenneth Rutto	Bandits in Baringo County engage security officers in a fierce gun battle	TV	Nation Media Group	Baringo
Bonface Mwangi	Ugojwa wa macho mekundu-red eyes Mombasa	TV	Mediamax Network Ltd	Mombasa
Tracy Onchoke	The man in this image is a credible journalist from Africa Uncensored, not a police officer	Digital	Africa Uncensored	Nairobi
Winfrey Owino	Why Ezra Chiloba was suspended from Communication Authority	Digital	Standard Group	Nairobi
Daniel Ogetta	'I love you': last panic messages of Pwani varsity students in ill-fated bus shared on tiktok	Digital	Nation Media Group	Nairobi

## DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS REPORTING

Timothy Kiplimo	Biteetab Kalenjin (Keiyo) (education and culture of the Kalenjin)	Radio	Kass Media	Elgeyo Marakwet
Angela Kezengwa	Sugar mills closure sparks price surge concerns, solutions thereof.	Radio	Royal Media Services	Vihiga
Michael Kwena	Athari ya ukosefu wa mtandao katika afya ya uzazi	Radio	Deutsche Welle	Marsabit
Rebecca Muiruri	The child caregivers	TV	Standard Group	Nairobi
Robi Sarafina Merengo	Scars of duty	TV	KBC	Nairobi
Waihiga Mwaura	The Saudi allure	TV	BBC	Nairobi



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NAME	STORY TITLE	STORY FORMAT	MEDIA HOUSE	COUNTY
Tony Mochama	An exclusive chat with nobel Laureate Wole Soyinka	Print	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Mercy Koskei	Widows of banditry	Print	Nation Media Group	Nakuru
John Muthoni	Petty offences convicts face repercussions long after serving sentences	Print	Standard Group	Nairobi
Moraa Obiria	Beyond Magufuli: Tanzania's teen moms reclaiming their education dream	Digital	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Mitchelle Awuor	Inside Al-shabaab's digital propaganda machine	Digital	Code for Africa	Nairobi
Thomas Mukhwana	Kenya one in the sky: tracking president Ruto's frequent flying and its cost to the taxpayer	Digital	Africa Uncensored	Nairobi

## DIGITAL SUPERHIGHWAY AND INNOVATION REPORTING

Joseph Murima	Ajira mtandaoni	Radio	Sauti ya Pwani	Mombasa
Isaac Waihenya	Teknolojia kombozi	Radio	Radio Jangwani	Marsabit
Hamisi Kombe	Ahueni	Radio	Lulu FM	Kilifi
Vincent Voiyoh	Ingwe dijitali	Radio	Mediamax Ltd	Nairobi
Samuel Kosgei	Jinamizi la mtandao Marsabit	Radio	Radio Jangwani	Marsabit
Paul Nyambura	Muthondeki wa droni Murang'a ( Murang'a drone assembler)	TV	Royal Media Services	Nairobi
Bernard Gitau	Ndogo ya kuhitaa na unyihi wa maai Eburu (where wild animals quench thirst with distilled water)	TV	Mediamax Network Ltd	Nairobi



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NAME	STORY TITLE	STORY FORMAT	MEDIA HOUSE	COUNTY
Millicent Adhiambo	Od abana	TV	Royal Media Services	Kisumu
Gardy Chacha	Portable scan saving lives of mothers, babies	Print	Standard Group	Nairobi
Elvis Ondieki	Video shoots all around as Kenyans eye celebrity status	Print	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Angela Oketch	Online sexual abuse of children is surging. Who will stop it?	Print	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Solomon Muingi	Taita rangers embrace tech to combat poaching, human-wildlife conflict	Digital	Radio Africa Group	Taita Taveta
Amina Mbuthia	Baby Amari was born deaf. Now he hears and speaks	Digital	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Marianne Ndung'u	Kabarak University students develop 'ugali' flour from grass	Digital	Royal Media Services	Nakuru

## ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE REPORTING

Mildrine Sabwami	Makala ua la jangwani by Milly Sabwami north rift radio -West Pokot County -final voice	Radio	North Rift Radio	West Pokot
Michael Kwoba	Mbiu yangambo	Radio	Sifa FM	Marsabit
Samuel Petro	Tamaduni na hifadhi ya mazingira Mt. Kulal	Radio	Sifa FM	Marsabit
Zainab Wandati	The impact of climate change on food security   earthwise	TV	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Millicent Adhiambo	Nyithindo rito aluora	TV	Royal Media Services	Kisumu
Emily Korir	Grey crowned crane in danger	TV	Royal Media Services	Nairobi



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NAME	STORY TITLE	STORY FORMAT	MEDIA HOUSE	COUNTY
Hellen Shikanda	How Kenya's air quality was affected by anti-government protests	Print	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Wellington Nyongesa	Conservationists and investors big battle for gem of Laikipia plains	Print	Standard Group	Nairobi
Vincent Owino	Crypto over the environment: how blockchain is accelerating climate change	Print	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Doreen Ajiambo	Africa cries out for 'loss and damage' funds to combat effects of climate change	Digital	Global Sisters Report	Nairobi
Moraa Obiria	Landless: Ogiek women recount the nightmare of living outside Mau	Digital	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Mactilda Mbenywe	Kenya's Lake Victoria floods leave orphaned children to run their households	Digital	Mongabay	Kisumu

## GENDER REPORTING

Amina Iddi	Elimu ya mtoto wa kike-Kajiado	Radio	Bus Radio Media	Kajiado
Victor Wetende	Baba anzilisha	Radio	Vihiga FM	Vihiga
Mercy Cheboi	Wanawake na mabadiliko ya tabia nchi	Radio	North Rift Radio	West Pokot
Serfine Achieng'	Enemy within	TV	Royal Media Services	Nairobi
Violet Namatsi	The plight of intersex persons in Kenya	TV	Cape Media Ltd ( TV 47)	Kakamega
Loise Wanjira	Pains of the podium	TV	Nation Media Group	Uasin Gishu



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NAME	STORY TITLE	STORY FORMAT	MEDIA HOUSE	COUNTY
Dorcas Wangira	4 HIV-positive women awarded sh3m each for forced sterilisation	Print	BBC	Nairobi
Mkamburi Mwawasi	Wanawake wakiuka mila, waanza ufugaji pweza unaozaa mamiloni	Print	Nation Media Group	Mombasa
Moraa Obiria	I am neither gay nor transgender	Print	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Ruth Sarmwei	Poverty and parent teens	Digital	Nation Media Group	Nakuru
Dorcas Wangira	HIV and forced sterilisations: how four Kenyan women found justice	Digital	BBC	Nairobi
Fathia Bayusuf	Changamoto za marefa wa kike Pwani ya Kenya	Digital	Deutsche Welle	Mombasa

## GOVERNANCE REPORTING

Josephat Kioko	Masaibu ya watoto shakahola	Radio	Voice of America	Mombasa
Janet Nyamu	Sheria butu	Radio	Lulu FM	Kilifi
George Ajowi	Changamoto za wachimba madini ya dhahabu nchini Kenya	Radio	Radio France International	Nairobi
Elizabeth Matosio	Broke millionaires	TV	Standard Group	Nairobi
Sharon Barang'a	Baragoi bundle of scars	TV	CCTV Africa	Nairobi
Emmanuel Tenges	Terror terrain	TV	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Ibrahim Karanja	NHIF heist: How rogue health facilities preyed on elderly to mint millions	Print	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Daniel Ogetta	A broken system: Pension mirage at Bima House where retirees hope in vain	Print	Nation Media Group	Nairobi





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Jackline Macharia	Kenyans over-represented, overburdened by bloated Ruto government	Print	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Agutu Rosa	The 1998 blast through the eyes of mothers and the babies	Digital	Standard Group	Nairobi
Raquel Muigai	The outrage of collapsing buildings   Kenya, Nigeria	Digital	Africa Uncensored	Nairobi
Jackline Opiyo	Kenya's rural communities putting duty bearers to task over impacts of climate change.	Digital	Lake Region Bulletin	Bungoma

## HEALTH AND MEDICAL REPORTING

Joseph Murima	Madhila ya uzazi	Radio	Sauti ya Pwani	Mombasa
Oscar Nyoha	Sumu ya nyoka	Radio	Baraka FM	Mombasa
Monica Nyele	Tabasamu la mtoto njiti	Radio	Mitume Radio	Trans Nzoia
Elizabeth Ochieng	A sweatless survival	TV	Cape Media Ltd (TV 47)	Nairobi
Francis Odee	Jinamizi la afya	TV	Standard Group	Nairobi
Benedict Kirira	Unveiling the hidden dangers : Cholera threat in Kenya	TV	Mediamax Network Ltd	Nairobi
Lidigu Lionel	The breast milk donors of Pumwani	Print	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Hellen Shikanda	Heart-warming moment: baby born deaf starts to hear	Print	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Angela Oketch	Healthcare barriers that women with disabilities face	Print	Nation Media Group	Nairobi



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Chemtai Kirui	Breaking the Silence: Young Women living with HIV battling self stigma and discrimination	Digital	Kass Media	Nairobi
Clint Obere	Autism alert: handling brain developmental disability in children	Digital	Africa Uncensored	Nairobi
Hussein Mohamed	Silent pandemic: the threat of antimicrobial resistance (amr)	Digital	Distory Communications	Nairobi

## PODCAST OF THE YEAR

Mildrine Sabwami	Vital role of radio during disasters and climate change-Milly Sabwami-North Rift radio-West Pokot County final	Radio	North Rift Radio	West Pokot
Ruth Keah	Juhudi za wanawake wenye ulemavu katika kulinda mazingira ya baharini	Radio	SBS Radio	Mombasa
Dorcas Wangira	Who will benefit from Kenya's health-care plans	Radio	BBC	Nairobi
Henix Obuchunju	Uaviaji mimba, swala la uma	Radio	Pamoja FM	Nairobi
Steve Ondieki	The blue gold rush: Race to control Kenya's shrinking water towers	Digital	Standard Group	Nairobi
Moraa Obiria	Meet Kenya's 21st Century widow	Digital	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Steve Ondieki	Mtopanga Reborn: A 'Dead' River Revived	Digital	Standard Group	Nairobi



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## SPORTS REPORTING

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Ali Hassan	Hamkani za mashabiki	Radio	Cape Media Ltd (TV 47)	Nairobi
Shadrack Odinga	Karata za kandanda nchini Kenya	Radio	Ruben FM	Nairobi
Samuel Mkare	Soka ya kulevya	Radio	Lulu FM	Kilifi
Shadrack Odinga	Maisha upweke baada za sifa	TV	Mediamax Ltd	Nairobi
Amos Mwangi	Andu a mawathe kuhotana muthako wa tutaru (Kenya para-rowing champions)	TV	Royal Media Services	Kiambu
Waweru Nyambura	Mogwati na rebarii iharoini (injuries of fairness)	TV	Royal Media Services	Nairobi
Cellestine Olilo	The untold story of Kenya's forgotten fastest blind woman	Print	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Stephen Keter	Haile Gebrselassie: Kenyans made me the star I am today	Print	Nation Media Group	Uasin-Gishu
Linda Ngari	Future football finance: how a UK pyramid scheme spread in Kenya conning hundreds of betting enthusiasts online	Print	Piga Firimbi	Nairobi
Ochieng' Stephen	Ferdinand Omanyala: the stone that was once rejected but is now Kenya's athletic cornerstone	Digital	Mozzart Sport	Nairobi

## BEST RADIO PRODUCTION OF THE YEAR

Dennis Chisaka	Pepea mashariki	Radio	KBC	Nairobi
Lina Mwamachi	Makovu ya ukeketaji yasukuma wakeketaji kuasi ukeketaji Kenya	Radio	Life Media Point Limited	Marsabit
Michael Kwoba	Makala mbiu ya mgambo	Radio	Sifa FM	Marsabit



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## ILLUSTRATOR OF THE YEAR

NAME	STORY TITLE	STORY FORMAT	MEDIA HOUSE	COUNTY
Samuel Muigai	Nothing left	Print	Nation Media Group	Nairobi

## PHOTOJOURNALIST OF THE YEAR

Boniface Mwangi	Anti-government protest and monkey menace at a hotel in Naivasha experiences when it serves food to its guests outdoors	Digital	Nation Media Group	Nakuru
Monicah Mwangi	Illegally harvested sandalwood confiscated by Kenya's multiagency security teams is set ablaze to curb the trade	Digital	Reuters	Nairobi
Thomas Mukoya	Tagging the giraffes to avert threats	Digital	Reuters	Nairobi

## BEST TELEVISION PRODUCTION

Smriti Vidyarthi	Masai Mara of the sea	TV	Nation Media Group	Nairobi
Linus Kaikai	The big conversation - finance bill 2023	TV	Royal Media Services	Nairobi
Maurice Owino	BIKO : kinywaji cha mauti	TV	Standard Group	Nairobi

## VIDEOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR

Hebron Kinyoda	Uhifadhi wa mazingira	TV	Standard Group	Nairobi
Jeffrey Obonyo	Two faces of Turkana	TV	Royal Media Services	Kisumu
Stephen Keter	Pains of the podium	TV	Nation Media Group	Uasin Gishu