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PRESENTATION ON THE STATUS AND OUTLOOK OF KENYA'S BANKING SECTOR

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- 1. The Banking Sector
- 2. Kenya's Banking Sector Policy Response to COVID-19

Banking Sector remains stable and resilient

- Strong liquidity and capital adequacy ratios at the end of April:
 - Capital adequacy ratio was 18.43 percent (statutory minimum of 14.5 percent).
 - Liquidity ratio stood at 51.17 percent (statutory minimum of 20 percent).
- The ratio of gross non-performing loans (NPLs) to gross loans stood at 13.1 percent in April compared to 12.5 percent in March 2020.
- Private sector credit grew by 9.0 percent in the 12 months to April, with strong growth in credit observed in manufacturing, trade, transport and communication, building and construction, and consumer durables.

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Measures By CBK to Mitigate the Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic

- **Digital Platforms:** On March 16, CBK announced a set of measures to facilitate increased use of mobile money transactions instead of cash.
- **Bank borrowers:** On March 18, CBK announced emergency measures to mitigate the adverse economic effects on bank borrowers.
- Monetary Policy: On March 23, the CBK's Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) lowered.
 - The Central Bank Rate (CBR) from 8.25 percent to 7.25 percent.
 - The Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR) from 5.25 percent to 4.25 percent.
- **Business Continuity:** On March 25, CBK instructed banks to activate their precautionary measures to ensure continuity of operations.
- **Pandemic Planning:** On March 27, CBK issued further guidance on Pandemic Planning for the banking sector.
- Monetary Policy: On April 29, the MPC lowered the CBR from 7.25 percent to 7.00 percent.

Impact of COVID-19 Mitigation Measures on the Banking Sector Personal/Household Loans Extended – April 30, 2020

		March	2020		April 2020				
	Number of Loan Accounts	% of Total Extensions (Accounts	Amount Outstanding (Ksh.'000)	% of Total Extensions (Amounts)	Number of Loan Accounts	% of Total Extensions (Accounts	Amount Outstanding (Ksh.'000)	% of Total Extensions (Amounts)	
1 - 3 Months	231	3.59	567,823	5.76	11,022	27.75	16,767,150	16.36	
3 - 6 Months	5,018	78.04	4,446,754	45.13	26,188	65.92	23,152,493	22.58	
6 - 9 Months	4	0.06	13,251	0.13	1,315	3.31	13,743,698	13.41	
9 - 12 Months	1,177	18.30	4,824,378	48.97	1,200	3.02	48,853,397	47.65	
Grand Total	6,430	100.00	9,852,207	100.00	39,725	100.00	102,516,738	100.00	

- The extended Personal/Household loans at as end April were:
 - 39,725 loan accounts; from 6,430 loan accounts in March .
 - Worth Ksh.102.5 billion; from Ksh.9.9 billion in March.

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- 13.1 percent of the banking sector Personal/Household gross loans of Ksh.780.0 billion, from 1.2 percent in March.
- 3.6 percent of the total banking sector loan book as at April (Ksh.2,868.05 billion) compared to 0.35 percent in March 2020 (Ksh.2,847.44 billion).
- Most of the loans extended were for 9-12 months, which accounted for 47.7 percent of the Personal/household sector loans extended.
- 26 out of 39 banks reported having extended Personal/Household loans in April, an increase from 13 banks in March 2020.

Impact of COVID-19 Mitigation Measures on the Banking Sector Restructured Loans in Other Sectors - April 2020

umber of Accounts Restruc	ctured									
Nature of restructuring										
	Renegotiated Terms (maturity, interest rates, fees)	Moratorium (on Principal or interest)	Interest rates/ Fees freeze	Other Form of Restructuring	Total	% of tota per secto				
Agriculture	427	2,972	1	7	3,407	7.				
Manufacturing	192	576	1	35	804	1.8				
Building and construction	65	339	-	7	411	0.				
Mining and Quarrying	5	53	-	-	58	0.				
Energy and water	8	94	-	3	105	0.				
Trade	1,034	35,736	3	81	36,854	80.				
Tourism, Restaurant and Hotels	68	263	1	16	348	0.8				
Transport and Communication	160	1,645	-	18	1,823	4.				
Real Estate	246	1,253	-	16	1,515	3.				
Financial Services	43	167	-	2	212	0.				
Total	2,248	43,098	6	185	45,537	100.				

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Values Restructured in Ksh '000' Number of Accounts Restructured Nature of restructuring Reneaotiated Interest rates/ Other Form of Total % of total Moratorium Terms (maturity, (on Principal or Fees freeze Restructuring per sector interest rates. interest) fees) Agriculture 2,065,116 9,614,594 4,734 184.037 11,868,481 7.0 23,116,070 Manufacturing 11.793.396 10,804,090 9.267 509,317 13.6 Building and construction 5.578.752 3,381,363 156,537 9,116,652 5.3 Mining and Quarrying 49,519 480,170 529,688 0.3 2,763,400 Energy and water 14,520 24,315 2,802,235 1.6 11,043,421 31,320,034 16,350 2,510,360 44,890,165 26.3 Trade Tourism, Restaurant and 11,458,487 10,472,160 517 1,190,577 23,121,742 13.6 Hotels Transport and 10,520,541 12.2 10,109,671 252,684 20,882,896 Communication Real Estate 7,308,487 23,928,382 437,579 31,674,448 18.6 5,295 **Financial Services** 122,759 2,433,075 2,561,128 1.5 Total 59,544,127 105,717,809 30,868 5,270,701 170,563,505 100.0

Impact of COVID-19 Mitigation Measures on the Banking Sector Restructured Loans in Other Sectors - April 2020

- In April, the restructured loans in the other ten (10) sectors were:
 - Worth Ksh.170.6 billion, which accounted for 5.95 percent of the total loan book as at April (Ksh.2,868.05 billion) compared to Ksh.81.6 billion in March , which accounted for 2.84 percent of the total loan book (Ksh.2,847.44 billion).
 - 45,537 loan accounts; an increase from 1,841 loan accounts restructured in March.
 - 8.73 percent of the total 521,851 loan accounts in the ten sectors as at April.
 - For Trade Sector with 36,854 (80.9 percent of total loans restructured) of loan accounts restructured.
 - This accounted for 13.9 percent of the total loan accounts (264,636) in the Trade Sector as at April.
- In total, 32 out of 39 banks restructured loans in the other ten sectors.
- In value terms, the sectors that recorded the highest restructuring in April are:
 - Trade (26.3 percent).

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- Real Estate (18.6 percent).
- Tourism, Restaurants and Hotels (13.6 percent).
- Manufacturing (13.6 percent).
- Total restructured loans in April amounted to Ksh.273.1 billion or 9.6 percent of the total banking sector loan book of Ksh.2.8 trillion.

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Profile of Restructured Loans

Agriculture Sector

- Cereal Millers
- Horticultural and Flower Farms
- Farmers Cooperatives
- Farms and Ranches
- Individual Farmers
- Agricultural Produce
 Processors

Real Estate Sector



- Building Contractors
- Construction Material
 Suppliers
- Property Agents
- Malls and Business Parks
- Property Developers
- Construction Material Manufacturers

Building and Construction Sector



- Small and Medium Construction firms
- Construction material suppliers
- Construction Consultants
- Large Construction
 Companies

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Profile of Restructured Loans



- Food Products
 Manufacturers
- Packaging Materials
 Manufacturers



Profile of Restructured Loans



- Tea Brokers
- Schools

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- Churches
- Spare Parts Traders
- Oil Traders
- Dairy Co-operatives
- Tea Exporters

Energy



- Petroleum Distributors
- Petroleum Products
 Manufacturers
- Electrical Works
- Drilling Companies
- Energy Products
 Suppliers

Transport & Communication



- Bus Companies
- Airlines
- Vehicle Assemblers
- Freighters and Logistics
 Companies
- IT Systems Integrators
- Tours Transport
 Companies

Impact of Reduced Cash Reserve Ratio

- As at May 15, 2020, eighteen commercial banks and two microfinance banks had been granted approval to access Ksh.29.08 billion freed from the reduction in CRR.
- This accounted for 82.61 percent of the Ksh.35.2 billion freed by the 1 percent reduction in CRR.
- With 82.61 percent having been used in just one and half months, depicts the relief provided to borrowers to address the impact of COVID-19.
- The main sectors funded are Tourism (34.51 percent), Transport and Communication (13.76 percent), Trade (12.38 percent), Real Estate (12.37 percent), Manufacturing (11.77 percent), and Agriculture (10.91 percent).

Economic Sectors	Total Amount Approved, Ksh.'Million		Percentage of Total (%)	
Manufacturing		3,422,080		11.77
Real Estate		3,595,348		12.37
Agriculture		3,172,524		10.91
Energy and Water		31,368		0.11
Tourism, Restaurant and Hotels	10	0,033,540		34.51
Transport and Communication		4,001,210		13.76
Personal/Household	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1,041,368		3.58
Trade		3,600,272		12.38
Financial Services		18,390		0.06
Building and Construction		143,919		0.49
Mining and Quarrying		16,206		0.06
Grand Total	29	9,076,224		100

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Profile of Borrowers of CRR Funds



- Property Agents
- Residential and Commercial Property Owners
- Property Developers

Agriculture Sector



- Horticultural Farms and
- Traders
- Sisal Estate
- Flower Farms
- Individual Farmers
- Agricultural Produce
 Processors

Manufacturing Sector



- Tea Processing Factories
- Book Publishers
- Chemical Manufacturers
- Steel Milling Companies
- Food Processors

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Profile of Borrowers of CRR Funds

Tourism Sector

- Tour Firms
- Domestic Hotels
- Estate Hotel Establishments
- Restaurants and Clubs

TradeImage: Spare Parts TradersOil Traders

- Motor Vehicle Dealing Companies
- Health Provider

Transport & Communication



- Bus Companies
- Local Transport firms
- Airlines
- Tours & Transport
 Companies

Impact of Emergency Measures on Mobile Money Transactions

Number of Trai	nsactions				Value of Transo	actions, Ksh.'M	illion		
	Pre-	Daily	Daily	Change		Pre-	Daily	Daily	Change
	Measures,	Average	Average			Measures,	Average	Average	_
	Daily	No. of	No. of			Daily	Value of	Value of	
	Average	Transactions	Transactions			Average	Transactions,	Transactions,	
	No. of	(16.03 –	(20.04 –			Value of	(16.03 –	(20.04 –	
		19.04.2020)	10.05.2020)			Transactions	19.04.2020)	10.05.2020)	
	Α	В	C	C - A		Α	В	С	C - A
1 - 49	476,574	407,637	422,193	-54,381	1 - 49	10.02	8.58	9.19	-0.83
50 - 100	1,486,858	1,058,463	1,057,807	-429,051	50 - 100	130.41	86.86	84.86	-45.55
101 - 500	1,226,440	1,832,588	2,083,781	857,341	101 - 500	385.85	55.23	621.42	235.57
501 - 1000	712,998	1,245,553	1,405,383	692,385	501 - 1000	532.50	1,084.94	1,229.95	697.45
1001 - 10000	1,228,053	745,628	727,354	-500,699	1001 - 10000	3,629.46	2,494.68	2,454.11	-1,175.35
10001-35000	115,680	96,117	97,840	-17,840	10001-30000	1,927.81	1,703.37	1,734.87	-192.94
35001-70000	27,205	16,518	16,635	-10,570	30001-70000	1,275.43	820.15	819.55	-455.88
70001-150000	-	4,199	5,457	5,457	70001-150000	-	428.53	564.48	564.48
TOTAL	5,273,809	5,406,703.23	5,816,449.81	542,641	Total	7,891.48	6,682.33	7,518.44	-373.04

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- The bands 101-500 and 501-1000 have recorded increased transaction volumes and values.
 - This confirms that the waiver of fees for up to Ksh.1,000 encouraged more mobile money transactions.
- The new Ksh.70,001 Ksh.150,000 band recorded an average 5,457 transactions worth Ksh.564.48 million per day.
 - This justifies the introduction of the higher limit for mobile money as part of the emergency measures.

Bank to E-Wall	et							
	Pre- measures, Average No. of Transactions	Weekly Average No. of Transactions, 16.03 – 19.04.2020	Weekly Average No. of Transactions, 20.04 – 10.05.2020	Change	Post- measures, Average weekly Value of Transactions (Ksh.000)	Transactions,	Transactions,	Change
	Α	В	С	C-A	A	В	С	C-A
1 - 49	4,285	11,397	11,336	7,051	276	279	277	1
50 - 100	26,810	73,714	85,870	59,060	6,267	6,780	7,924	1,657
101 - 500	185,783	290,745	339,451	153,668	93,466	97,906	114,565	21,099
501 - 1000	209,962	349,320	386,380	176,418	256,257	323,508	351,721	95,464
1001 - 10000	889,620	858,433	994,454	104,834	4,139,887	3,803,129	4,307,614	167,727
10001-35000	348,765	302,391	337,080	-11,685	7,123,740	6,418,644	7,085,710	(38,030)
35001-70000	84,867	61,218	63,468	-21,399	3,755,778	3,266,817	3,334,722	(421,056)
70001-150000	-	16,740	19,949	19,949	1,844,036	1,841,923	2,183,303	339,267
TOTAL	1,750,091	1,963,958	2,237,989	487,898	17,219,707	15,758,985	17,385,837	166,130

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- The new band of Ksh.70,001 to Ksh.150,000 recorded an increased average of 19,949 transactions per week worth an average of Ksh.339 million over the last two months.
- Except for bands 10001-35,000 and 35001-70000, all the other bands recorded increased volume and value of transactions.
- The increase in values of bank to e-wallet transfers may imply some success in the measure of reducing use of physical cash by Kenyans.

Impact of Emergency Measures on Mobile Money Transactions

E-Wallet to Bank											
	Pre-mea- sures, Av- erage No. Transactions	Weekly Av- erage No. of Transac- tions, 16.03 – 19.04.2020	Weekly Av- erage No. of Transac- tions, 20.04 – 10.05.2020	Change	Pre-mea- sures, Aver- age weekly Value of Trans- actions, Ksh.000	Ksh.'000,	Weekly Aver- age Value of Transactions, Ksh.'000, 20.04 – 10.05.2020	Change			
1 - 49	Α	В	С	C-A	Α	В	С	C-A			
1 - 49	15,102	13,833	14,704	-398	10.02	263	281	271			
50 - 100	68,451	42,805	45,595	-22,856	130.41	3,662	3,858	3,728			
101 - 500	60,887	90,984	118,233	57,346	385.85	30,319	39,276	38,890			
501 - 1000	54,886	95,339	112,470	57,584	532.50	89,866	103,436	102,904			
1001 - 10000	253,466	239,466	316,220	62,754	3,629.46	1,149,955	1,492,360	1,488,731			
10001-35000	129,758	128,550	167,858	38,100	1,927.81	2,569,383	3,358,648	3,356,720			
35001-70000	60,479	65,227	96,485	36,006	1,275.43	3,418,939	4,995,600	4,994,325			
70001-150000	-	38549.00	65,208	65,208	-	4,291,545	7,370,576	7,370,576			
TOTAL	643,029	714,753	936,774	293,745	7,891.48	11,553,931	17,364,034	17,356,143			

- All bands registered increased volume and value of transactions.
- Generally, the highest increase is under the higher bands.

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• The increase is a pointer of increased adoption of electronic depositing of funds in bank accounts.

COVID-19 Response Support by Banking Sector

- Cash contributions to COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund.
- Donation of critical medical equipment in particular ventilators.
- In kind contributions-Personal Protective Equipment.
 - Face masks.
 - Gloves.

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- COVID-19 awareness and sensitization.
- Support of community initiatives on promoting sanitization-handwashing.
- Most importantly, banks have continued to provide services in the pandemic period even in locked down areas while ensuring health and safety of staff and customers.

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Support for SMEs by Banks

- Banks have developed 'anytime anywhere' digital products for SMEs-Stawi, DADA, M-Jeki, MobiGrow.
- SME value chain products.
- Dedicated SME funds-Equity, ABSA, Family Bank.
- Finance Plus Support-Training and market development for SMEs:-
 - Co-op/IFC partnership.
 - KCB/Mastercard.
 - Standard Chartered/Strathmore College.



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