REMARKS

BY

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DURING HANDING – OVER CEREMONY OF THE ABLUTION BLOCK AT THE THIKA LEVEL 5 HOSPITAL

ON
7TH JUNE, 2019
Salutation

- Dr Patrick Nyagga, the Medical Superintendent, Thika Level 5 Hospital,
- Dr. Josepha Njuguna, Principal, College of Health Sciences, Mount Kenya University (MKU),
- Senior Administrators and staff at Thika Level 5 Hospital and Mount Kenya University present,
- Student representatives,
- Ladies and gentlemen,
- Hamjambo?
I am happy this morning to be here to witness the fruits of a very successful Public - Private Partnership between Thika Level 5 Hospital (TL5H) and Mount Kenya University.

It also gives me a great satisfaction to spend these few hours this morning with the medics, patients, medical students, University and hospital administrators to first and foremost, do what God expects us to do, among others to visit and comfort the sick. I am sure what we are doing this morning will command a blessing for all of us.

Having said that, ladies and gentlemen, we are all aware that, as a strategy of achieving the Kenya Vision 2030 and the Sustainable Goals 2030, the President of Kenya, H.E Uhuru Kenyatta has identified the Big Four Agenda to be supported by individuals and institutions in the period between 2018 to 2022.
One of the Big 4 agenda items is provision of affordable health care. Additionally, we are all aware that both the Kenya Vision 2030 and the Sustainable Development Goals 2030 emphasize the use of partnership with like-minded development partners to assist in the achievement of the stated goals. I am therefore happy to note that the construction of this ablution block at Thika Level 5 Hospital by MKU stamps MKU’s commitment as a university in support of the President’s Agenda on health provision and the SDGs 2030.

I am also happy to note that this project has been delivered in accordance to the framework and guidelines of the Kenyan laws in particular, the Public-Private Partnerships Act No, 15 of 2013.
However, this achievement would not be possible, if the County Government of Kiambu and the management of Thika Level 5 Hospital were not supportive to MKU in this endeavor. As a member of the Council at MKU, I wish to assure our stakeholders about the great commitment of the University Management in ensuring this partnership grows stronger every day. More specifically, I thank the College of Health Sciences and MKU team for nurturing of this partnership which is one of the best cases to be showcased in the country. I urge the teams to continue with the good work.
The Handing Over

Ladies and gentlemen, with those few remarks, it is my pleasure and honor to now hand over this New Ablution Block to the Thika Level 5 Hospital on this 7th day of June in the year 2019.

Long live the MKU-TL5H Private - Public Partnership and Long Live the joint Management.

Thank you and God bless you all.