# Description

The Tea Board of Kenya (TBK) is a body corporate established under Section 3 of the Tea Act No 23 of 2020. The mandate of TBK is to regulate, promote and develop the tea sub-sector.

The Tea Board of Kenya wishes to recruit a highly motivated professional to fill the position of **Chief Executive Officer**, **TBK 1**, **TBK/CEO/001/23** 

# **Job Purpose**

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) reports to the Board of Directors and will be responsible for the day-to-day management of the affairs of the Tea Board of Kenya (TBK). The CEO will be responsible for ensuring the achievement of the mandate, objectives and strategy of TBK through formulation of policies, prudent management of resources, including financial and human resources. The CEO will also be responsible for implementing decisions of the Board of Directors and enhancing the corporate image of the Board.

# Reporting Relationship

This role reports to the Board of Directors

### Responsibilities

The duties and responsibilities of the CEO will entail: -

- Spearheading formulation, implementation and review of the Board's policies, regulations, procedures, strategies, standards and guidelines;
- Executing and communicating the Board's strategies, decisions and policies;
- · Providing linkage between the Board and the Secretariat;
- Being the Accounting Officer of the Board;
- Overseeing dispute resolution between industry players;
- Advising the Cabinet Secretary on issues related to national and international tea trade;
- Making recommendations to the Cabinet Secretary on the formulation of policies, plans and strategies for the regulation of the tea sector;
- Advising the National government on levies, fees and import or export duties on tea;
- Overseeing implementation and enforcement of the Tea Act 2020, regulations and standards in the production, processing, marketing, grading, storage, collection, transportation and warehousing of tea;
- Ensuring operationalization of the Tea Fund;
- Advising the County governments on agricultural cess and fees.
- Coordinating the preparation of business related proposals, reports and other submissions for consideration by the Board;
- Providing leadership and direction to the management to ensure that the mandate and policies are implemented;
- Maintaining a conducive work environment for attracting, retaining and motivating employees;
- Ensuring accurate and timely audits are conducted on the Board's books of accounts;
- Ensuring that the Board has an effective management structure including succession plans:
- Enhancing collaboration and engagement with stakeholders and partners in

# Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

Hiring organization Tea Board of Kenya (TBK)

**Employment Type** Full-time

**Industry** Agriculture

Job Location Nairobi, Kenya

Valid through 18.07.2023

- support of TBK programmes and projects;
- Being responsible for stakeholder management and enhancement of the corporate image of the Board;
- Ensuring continuous improvement of the quality and value of services provided by the Board;
- Upholding integrity and professionalism in the performance of the Board's functions;
- Fostering a culture that promotes ethical and good corporate governance;
- Ensuring that the Board complies with the relevant legislation in the provision of its services;
- Championing national values and principles of public service;
- Putting in place sound strategies to ensure prudent utilization of the Board's resources and assets;
- Overseeing preparation of annual budgets and establishing proper internal monitoring and control systems and procedures;
- Coordinating preparation of the Board's annual financial statements and submitting the same to the National Treasury, Parliament and the Controller of Budget as required by law;
- Ensuring that the Board utilizes its resources according to the financial guidelines provided by Government from time to time;
- Building capacity and managing performance of staff at TBK; and
- · Preparing annual reports on the state of the Board.
- Performing any other duties as may be assigned by the Board from time to time.

#### Qualifications

- Have at least Ten (10) years knowledge and experience in a relevant field;
- Have at least five (5) years relevant experience in a position of senior management;
- Hold a Bachelors degree in any of the following disciplines: Agriculture,
  Agricultural Engineering, Agricultural Economics, Food Science and
  Technology, Bio-Chemistry, Agri-business, Laboratory Technology, Botany,
  Micro-biology and Molecular Biology, Analytical Chemistry, Applied Micro-biology, Applied Biology, Applied Biological Science, Plant Nutrition,
  Marketing, Law, Business Administration / Management, Commerce or its
  equivalent qualification from a university recognized in Kenya;
- A Masters degree in any of the following disciplines will be an added advantage:- Agriculture, Agricultural Engineering, Agricultural Economics, Food Science and Technology, Bio-Chemistry, Agri-business, Laboratory Technology, Botany, Micro-biology and Molecular Biology, Analytical Chemistry, Applied Micro-biology, Applied Biology, Applied Biological Science, Plant Nutrition, Marketing, Law, Business Administration / Management, Commerce, or its equivalent qualification from a university recognized in Kenya;
- Be a Member in good standing with a relevant professional body where applicable;
- Have undertaken a leadership Course lasting not less than four (4) weeks from a recognized institution;
- Be Proficient in computer applications;
- Meet the requirement of Chapter 6 of the Constitution of Kenya.

### **Key Competencies and Skills**

- 1. Strong communications and reporting skills;
- 2. Interpersonal and negotiation skills;
- 3. Conflict management;

- 4. Mentoring, coaching and leadership skills;
- 5. Ability to work under pressure, prioritize and multi-task;
- 6. Strong managerial skills and ability to lead teams;
- 7. Planning and analytical skills.

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