



Understanding Kaa Safe Mtaani

A Collective Commitment to Energy Safety

INTRODUCTION

Due to the high number of accidents and incidents related to the use of electricity, LPG and petroleum products, there is a need to protect and guarantee the safety of members of the public.

Key contributing factors include low compliance levels, illegal refilling of LPG cylinders, and unsafe petroleum and LPG transport practices such as reckless driving, lack of comprehensive journey plans, driver fatigue, and poor vehicle maintenance—all of which have been linked to explosions and tanker accidents resulting in loss of life and property damage.

Similarly, electricity-related accidents—including electrocutions, injuries, and fatalities—are often caused by illegal connections, theft and vandalism of infrastructure, use of unlicensed or uncertified electrical technicians, poor organizational safety culture, and fallen power lines.

To address these risks, the Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority (EPRA) launched the Kaa Safe Mtaani Initiative, a nationwide public safety campaign rolled out Nationally across eight regions: Nakuru, Kisumu, Nyeri, Mombasa, Isiolo, Eldoret, Machakos, and Nairobi.

ABOUT KAA SAFE MTAANI

Kaa Safe Mtaani is a national multi-stakeholder initiative led by the Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority (EPRA), aimed at promoting energy safety, protecting lives, and advancing responsible energy practices across Kenya. Anchored in consumer protection, public health, and environmental sustainability, the campaign seeks to embed a culture of safety, compliance, and accountability in the handling, transportation, and use of LPG, electricity, and petroleum products.

This coordinated effort brings together regulatory bodies, oil marketing companies (OMCs), energy providers, consumer agencies, and civil society to collectively strengthen safety across the energy sector.

1 What is Kaa Safe Mtaani?

The Kaa Safe Mtaani campaign, is a national public awareness initiative spearheaded by EPRA aimed at promoting safety in the use of LPG, petroleum and electricity. The campaign seeks to educate the public, enhance safety compliance, and foster long-term stakeholder engagement for the electricity, LPG and petroleum sub-sectors.

2 Why Kaa Safe Mtaani Campaign?

The campaign aims to:

- a) To educate and raise knowledge of existing safety standards and regulations among licenses, consumers and stakeholders.
- b) To position Kaa Safe Mtaani as a national multi-stakeholder initiative aimed at promoting a safe and sustainable energy sector by driving adoption of safety measures, campaign messages by different stakeholders and encourage partnerships in sustaining the campaigns messages.
- c) To raise the perception of risk and to promote the adoption of safety measures at the individual and household level among key target audience.
- d) To build a coalition of industry, public and civil society stakeholders that advocate for the adoption of safety measures in the sector.

3 What key risks is the Kaa Safe Mtaani campaign addressing?

Kaa Safe Mtaani focuses on tackling the following critical risks:

- Unsafe and illegal LPG refilling practices.
- Poor electrical handling, installations and hazardous wiring causing fires and electrocutions.
- Unsafe handling and transportation of petroleum products leading to tanker accidents and fires.
- Acts of vandalism targeting energy infrastructure such as power lines, transformers, and pipelines.
- Wastage of energy resources due to inefficient appliances and practices.
- The widespread use of uncertified electricians and unauthorised LPG suppliers.

4 How does Kaa Safe Mtaani promote safe electricity use?

The campaign will emphasise the importance of:

- Greater adoption and use of only licensed electricians for installations and repairs.
- Avoiding overload of sockets and encouraging the acquisition of EPRA-rated energy-efficient appliances.
- Regular maintenance of home and business wiring systems.
- Reporting loosely hanging or fallen power lines (faulty infrastructure) to authorities for prompt action.

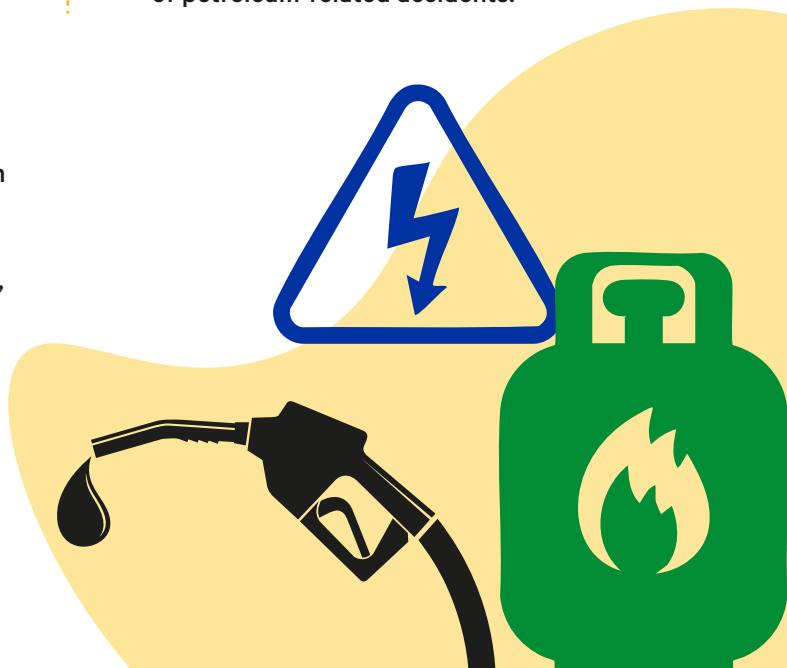
5 How does the campaign address LPG and petroleum safety?

For LPG, Kaa Safe Mtaani advocates for:

- Using cylinders that are properly branded, tested, and certified.
- Purchasing gas only from licensed and authorised dealers.
- Regularly checking for leaks and ensuring safe storage and handling at home and in workplace kitchens.

For petroleum products, the campaign calls for:

- Safe transportation and dispensing practices.
- Training of tanker drivers and regular inspection of tankers
- Compliance with standards at fuel stations and depots.
- Public education on emergency response in case of petroleum-related accidents.



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Why is energy efficiency also part of Kaa Safe Mtaani's focus?

Promoting energy efficiency reduces risks associated with overloading electrical systems and helps conserve energy resources, lowering costs for consumers and reducing environmental impact.

The campaign encourages households and businesses to:

- Use energy-efficient appliances.
- Turn off unused electrical devices.
- Implement basic energy-saving practices in daily operations.

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What role do different stakeholders play in Kaa Safe Mtaani's success?

Kaa Safe Mtaani's strength lies in multi-sectoral collaboration. Different groups have key roles:

- **Consumers:** Practicing safety at home and at work.
- **Retailers and Service Providers:** Ensuring safe, compliant products and services.
- **Community Leaders:** Spreading awareness at the grassroots level.
- **Industry Associations:** Mobilising members to adopt and champion best practices.
- **Government and Regulators:** Providing oversight, enforcement, and public education.

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What progress has Kaa Safe Mtaani made so far?

Since its launch, Kaa Safe Mtaani has secured the commitment of leading energy sector players, including; Kenya Power, KenGen, the Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS), the Kenya Pipeline Company (KPC), Ministry of Energy & Petroleum, Association of Oil Marketing Companies (AOMCs), Kenya Association of Manufacturers, Kenya Union of



Domestic Hotels Educational Institutions Hospitals & Allied Workers (Kudheihia), Muungano wa Wanavijiji, Kurrent Technologies LTD, and the Petroleum Outlets Association of Kenya (POAK), among others.

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What is EPRA's key message to the energy sector and the public?

Energy safety is not the responsibility of regulators alone; it is a shared duty. EPRA calls on all energy stakeholders and every Kenyan citizen to prioritise safety, to remain vigilant, and to actively participate in building a safer, more responsible energy culture under the Kaa Safe Mtaani banner.

Together, we can protect lives, safeguard investments, and power Kenya's growth responsibly.

**Report Unsafe Energy Practices: Don't stay silent.
Report. Respond. Save a life.**

If you witness unsafe energy practices, illegal refilling, vandalism, overpricing, or suspicious activity:

Call the EPRA Complaints Hotline:



+254 709 336 000

Email: complaints@epra.go.ke

Visit: www.epra.go.ke