



**MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND PETROLEUM
STATE DEPARTMENT FOR PETROLEUM**

**TALKING POINTS BY THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY
MR. MOHAMED LIBAN DURING THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF
A WORKSHOP ON GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SYSTEM
(GIS) & REMOTE SENSING IN MOMBASA ON 14TH MARCH,
2024**

Ag, Commissioner, Petroleum

Deputy Director, Human Resource Management & Development

**Facilitators from Regional Center for Mapping of Resources for
Development**

State Department for Petroleum Staff

Hamjambo!

Esteemed Technical Staff of our State Department, It is with great pleasure that I join you today to open the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and Remote Sensing Training Workshop.

This initiative presents a valuable opportunity for you to expand your knowledge in a crucial field that directly aligns with our Department's mandate of ensuring oil and gas capacity development.

GIS serves as a powerful technological tool in addressing the challenges encountered during the exploration, development, and exploitation of natural resources, by facilitating the handling of spatial data and spatial information, GIS plays a pivotal role in petroleum production, transportation, and resource management.

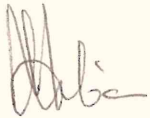
Throughout this training, you are expected to acquire the technical skills necessary for the execution of your respective duties and responsibilities. Therefore, you are called upon to embrace this opportunity as the beginning of a lifelong journey of learning, innovation, and discovery in the ever-evolving petroleum industry.

The benefits of GIS and Remote Sensing are manifold, from stewardship of earth's resources to improved communication and environmental impact monitoring, the integration of GIS into our Technical Directorates' activities promises cost savings, enhanced efficiency, and better decision-making for improved service delivery.

As we embark on this GIS training journey, I encourage each of you to actively engage and apply yourselves to maximize the benefits of this opportunity. By enhancing your individual capabilities, you will not only contribute to the achievement of our Department's mandate but also bolster strategic decision-making and problem-solving techniques.

Best wishes for a successful GIS training journey.

Shukrani!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Liban', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mohamed Liban
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY