

# BENEFITS OF TIME TRAVEL METHODS IN KENYA\_ *Marsabit County*

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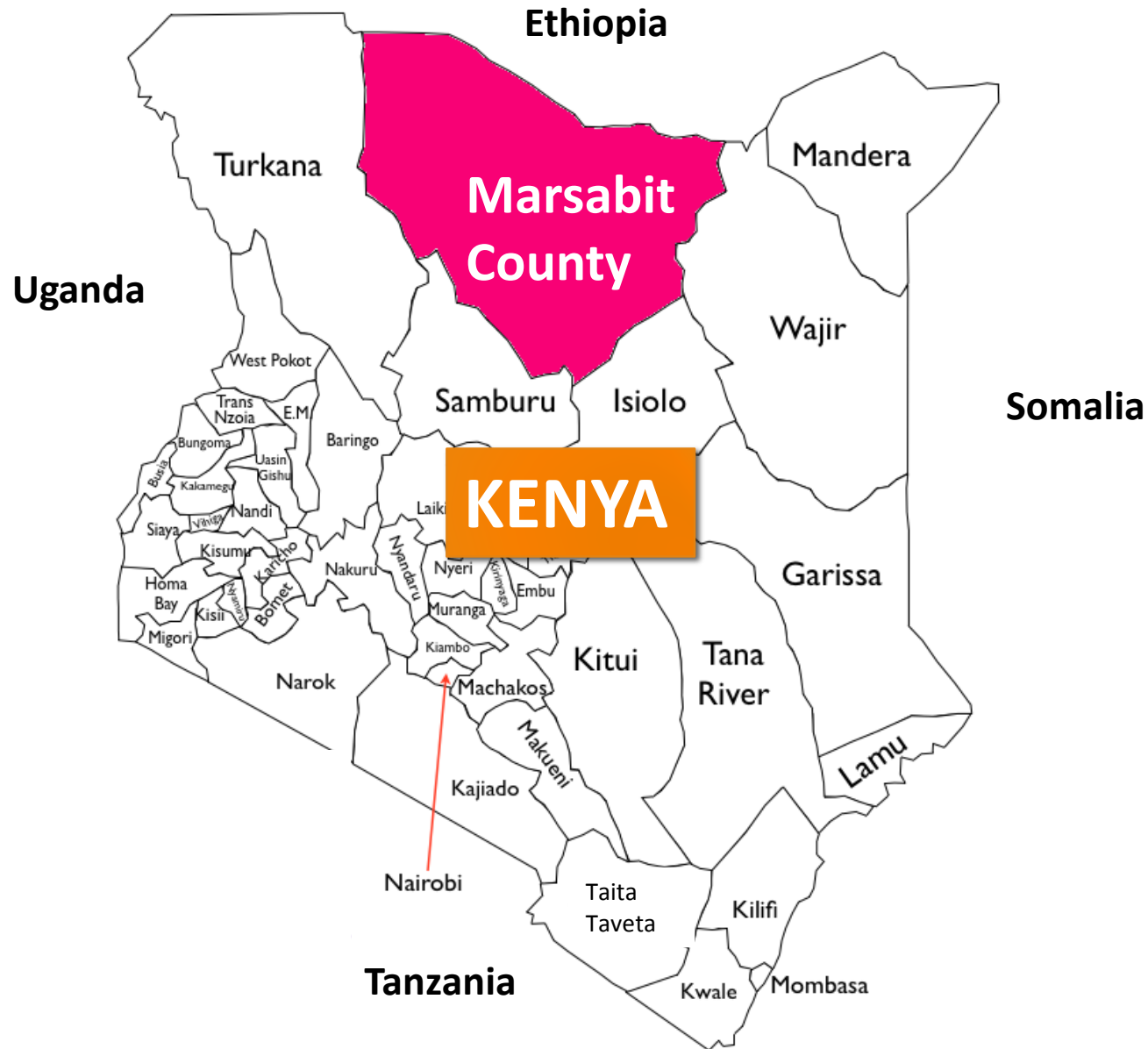
- Conservation of cultural Diversity & Elimination of retrogressive cultural practice



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# Introducing Marsabit County\_ Kenya

## South Sudan



### Quick facts

- In Northern Kenya
- Total area  
70,961.2Km<sup>2</sup>
- Most parts are arid
- Comprised of
  - ✓ 4 Sub-Counties
  - ✓ 20 Wards

# The People of Marsabit County

Total population- 316,206

No. of women is 152,101

No. of men is 164,105

Youth (15-29 years) 27.5% total population

Resident Communities; 14

- Borana
- Rendille
- Burji
- Sidama
- Dasaanach
- Waata
- El Molo
- Sakuye
- Gabbra
- Samburu
- Garreh
- Somali
- Konso
- Turkana

Data (Marsabit CIDP, 2013-2017)



Samburu Traditional dance ,  
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# Some of the communities

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**GABRA**



**RENDILLE**



## KONSO

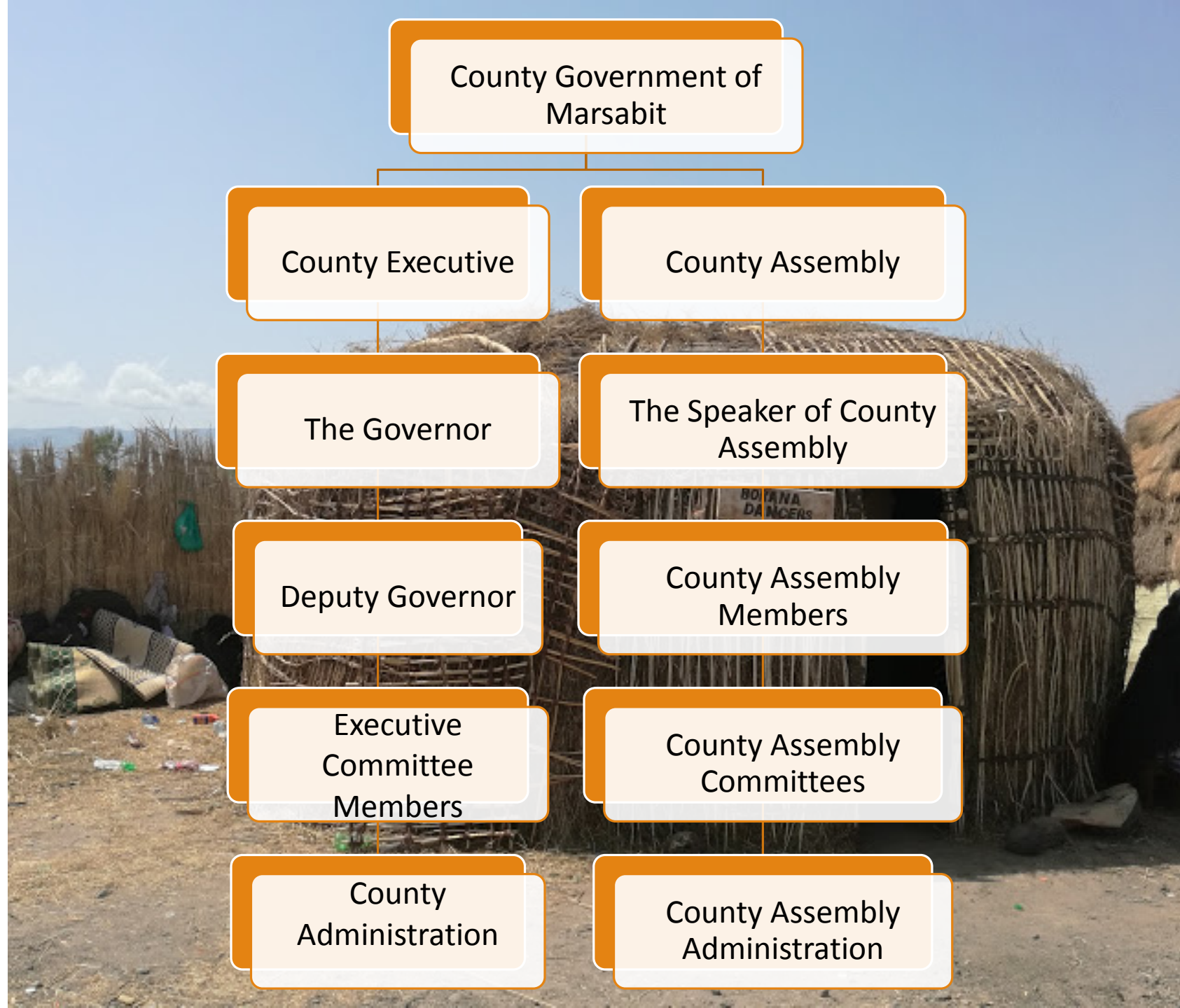


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# STRUCTURE OF MARSABIT COUNTY GOVERNMENT

New Kenyan Constitution, 2010





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Why use Time travel as a Strategic tool in Marsabit County ?



Department of Tourism

Date: 1.2019  
Venue: Saito Stadium  
Time: 2pm - 8pm

# 2.1 Stakeholders Goodwill & Favorable policy framework



## New Constitution of Kenya, 2010

- Gives Quasi federal powers of Governance to Devolved County Governments

## Vision 2030, 2<sup>nd</sup> Medium Term Plan, 2013/2017

- Advocates for a policy framework for tax incentives for individuals and organizations investing in sports, culture and arts and other infrastructure to promote arts and Culture

## Department of Culture, in the Ministry of Sports, Culture & Arts, National level

- Promotes & develops all aspects of culture, tangible and intangible cultural heritage (including performing, languages indigenous, environment and oral traditions)

## Marsabit County Integrated Development Plan, 2013/2017

- Prioritizes development of Cultural Centers in the 4 Sub-Counties; Building Cohesion among diverse groups; Conserve indigenous Cultures, Knowledge, Plants, Language and food



Republic of Kenya

TIME  
TRAVEL  
METHODS

## 2.2. Bridging Ages, Time travel is working! (We want to scale up impact)

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Date	Activity	Impact
Feb 2012	Bridging Ages Workshop in Ngurunit	Participation of 120 persons, Important historic sites and features were mapped useful for education
June 2013	Mathematics in the Historic Environment Workshop	Time travel of 120 people to Manyattas and participation of 1000 in cultural Event
Aug 2014	Bridging Ages Conference in Ngurunit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="1192 558 1951 611">❑ A Time Travel to the future</li> <li data-bbox="1192 632 2423 839">❑ Discussions on conflict management, religion race &amp; language, Community application of math, History</li> <li data-bbox="1192 861 2181 1068">❑ Attendance of over 100 Kenyans, 40 International participants, and local community</li> <li data-bbox="1192 1089 2346 1296">❑ Progressive declarations made; Use of Local sites, experiences &amp; activities in education</li> </ul> <p data-bbox="1192 1318 2321 1370">Establish and develop local heritage centers</p>

## 2.3. Time travel method will help Cohesion of different Communities in Marsabit County



A Burji elder weaving

*...Time travel can weave the 14 communities into a peaceful , prosperous and more resilient Marsabit County*

# Recommendations from BA Conference held in Kenya Ngurunit 2014

- ❑ Forming Community Heritage Centers linking people from different communities
- ❑ Coupling Heritage , diverse Cultures and education to solve community problems and the process has kicked off with 3 Community Heritage Centers
  - ✓ Ngurunit,
  - ✓ Gadamojji
  - ✓ Kalacha



## The Challenge

Kenya is approaching 2017 General elections a period associated with intercommunity conflicts in Some regions in Marsabit County e.g. 2013 conflicts that had schools closed, businesses stopped and about 6,381 households displaced\_2013 Red Cross Report.

# Way forward on Time Travel & cohesion in Marsabit County



- 1. County wide, time travel activities integrating outdoor education and traditional sports, will help the youthful students/participants to strengthen community cohesion and integration. when the youth embrace time travel method , the negative culture of intercommunity conflicts will reduce significantly**
- 2. Creation of democratic arenas for discussion & cultural expression.**



# iv. Role of Time travel in community development

1. Exploring, researching, acquiring and presenting various forms of knowledge and experience in order to seek solutions.

2. Community public participation in budget making

3. Promoting Marsabit County Annual Cultural Festival.



Somali Women dancing

# What can other County Governments in Northern Kenya Emulate from Marsabit County?



After implementing various County wide (Bridging Ages) time travel community interventions and TOT programs, other counties in Northern Kenya can benchmark from our programs so as to scale up the impact.

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THANK YOU