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Clarification On The Public Wage Bill

Thursday, 25 August 2022, Nairobi: The Salaries and Remuneration Commission (SRC) makes reference to a newspaper report on 25 August 2022, on the status of the public wage bill.

The Commission would like to take this early opportunity to clarify that the public wage bill for the financial year 2019-2020 stood at Ksh 944 billion. For the same period, the public sector employee numbers stood at 884,000.

See below table showing the public wage bill figures and public sector employee numbers for the financial years 2015/2016 to 2019/2020.

Economic Indicators (Ksh. Millions)	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Compensation of Employees / Total Wage Bill	622,269	670,762	784,526	851,683	944,890
Employment ("000")					
Total Public Sector Employees	774.7	833.1	842.9	865.2	884.7

Source of data: The Economic Survey 2020, 2021 and 2022

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About the Salaries and Remuneration Commission

The Salaries and Remuneration Commission (SRC) is established under Chapter 12, Article 230 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010. SRC's mandate is to: a) Set and regularly review the remuneration and benefits of all State officers; and, b) Advise the national and county governments on the remuneration and benefits of all other public officers.

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