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### PRESS RELEASE

#### UPDATE ON UPGRADING OF THIKA TOWN ROADS AND BYPASSES

**Nairobi: 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2021:** Thika Town is one of the urban towns that has greatly benefitted from road linkages upgraded in the last five years. It includes the near completion Thika Bypasses that has eased traffic gridlock in the town. The 21km project constructed at the cost of kshs.1.86 Billion is currently at 73% progress and is expected to be completed by July, 2021. One major outstanding milestone is the construction of Thika River bridge and an addition of one layer of tarmac on the carriageway

The bypasses help to ease congestion on the South Eastern and Northern part of the Town and connects Muranga Road to Garissa Road as well as diverts traffic from Garissa away from the CBD.

KURA has also recently awarded a contract to Interways Works Ltd to rehabilitate and upgrade Thika Town and Juja Town roads. The 24km project will cost the National Government kshs.1.6 Billion and will see the Road from Gatwanyaga-Munyu- Githima- Kisii Road tarmacked as well as rehabilitation of Kwame Nkurumah Street, Uhuru Street and Mama Ngina Drive in the CBD.

Under the same contract, JKUAT University will greatly benefit in the construction of its access, walkways and Cycle paths. This will improve security and dignity within the institution and its surroundings. This project will greatly improve the status of Thika and Juja Towns as well as its environs and will serve huge population residing and working in both towns.

It is expected that these road network will restore Thika town as a Major modern industrial hub and create employment for many youths.

A section of New Northern Thika Bypass



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**John Cheboi**  
**For: DIRECTOR GENERAL**