Revenue Sharing Formula

By the end of 2014, Kenya will have revised the way it shares money among the 47 counties. In November, the Commission on Revenue Allocation will submit its recommendations to the Senate on how to revise the revenue sharing formula. The Senate will be expected to debate the recommendations sometime in November and make a final determination. In view of this, IBP Kenya has been working to increase public and parliamentary knowledge and debate around revenue sharing. Read more.

State Corporations Work

Wondering about what share of the national budget is controlled by state corporations? Our latest brief examines this issue. The brief aims to help readers understand how much of the national budget is really tied up in state corporations in order to influence discussions around devolving these corporations. Read more about our work on the national budget.

IBP Kenya in the News

- Monies to the County: Why Governors Insist on a 45% Fund Allocation (KTN Kenya, September 2014)
- County Allocation Analysis: The Facts and Fiction on the County Allocation (KTN Kenya, September 2014)
- Revising the County Allocation Formula (Op-ed by Jason Lakin, 27 July 2014)

Upcoming Event

- 20 November 2014: National Formula Meeting

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“I think it is not always fair to share revenue equally because people are different and have different circumstances that come to play.”

County Budget Training Manual

IBP Kenya held a two-day training with civil society groups interested in capacity building at the county level where they work. Participants included EACHRIGHTS, Grassroots Empowerment Initiative, Institute of Economic Affairs, Media Focus on Africa, National Tax Payers Association, Twaweza Communications, Taita Taveta County Development Forum, and Development Initiatives among others. The final revised training manuals, freely available to those conducting budget trainings at county level, can be found on our website.

Media Training

IBP Kenya continued its partnership with Twaweza Communications to train journalists around the country. In September, we participated in a number of in-house trainings with journalists from Kenya Broadcasting Cooperation (KBC) and Nation Media Group. The focus of these trainings was understanding devolution, county priority-setting, and county budgeting. The facilitator notes used for the session on county budgeting, including some new exercises, are available here.

Publications and Resources

- Mwita’s Dilemma
- Sources of Revenue for Kenyan Counties Infographic
- Issues and Recommendations Related to the Second Formula for Revenue Sharing Among Counties in Kenya
- Effective, Fair, and Transparent Sharing of County Revenues
- Kenya County Budget Training Facilitator Manual
- Kenya County Budget Training Participant Manual