The County Budget Transparency Survey (CBTS) is an annual survey that assesses the availability of ten key budget documents that, by law, each county is required to publish and publicize annually on their official county websites. Secondly, the survey evaluates the comprehensiveness of the information provided on revenue, different aspects of expenditure, budget performance and public participation, which the PFM Act requires for accountability to the public.

Disclosure of information, with disaggregation and provision of participation opportunities, enables meaningful public participation and quality decision-making. This ensures open access to information for all citizens, including the poor and marginalized, to support their engagement with government budgets and overall development. The CBTS assigns each county a transparency index based on the information it has publicly available.¹

Wajir county scored zero on the transparency index in CBTS 2022

Wajir County published 0 out of 10 key budget documents in CBTS 2022.

Wajir scored zero in the budget transparency index for 2022

¹ For public to make quality decisions on budgets, the counties are required to produce and publish online ten key budget documents in a timely manner. The information on budget priorities and participation, revenue, expenditure and non-financial in the key budget documents published is assessed. The ten key budget documents evaluated in CBTS 2022 are those required to be published in FY 2021/22. In CBTS 2020, CIDP, which is evaluated once in 5 years, was assessed.

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Key observations in Wajir County budget documents

The county stopped making available key budget documents previously published to the public in CBTS 2021.

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Opportunities to improve Wajir County budget transparency:

1. Wajir county stopped publishing the Annual Development Plan, County Fiscal Strategy Paper and approved Programme Based Budget, previously published in CBTS 2021. The county should ensure consistency in making budget documents available and embrace improvements in budget transparency. Wajir county should produce and publish all the key budget documents as required on time.