

# **MBAO PENSION SCHEME**

**Subject:** INFORMAL SECTOR PENSION

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**MBAO - BACKGROUND** 

#### **Inception**

2009 as an Individual Pension Plan

#### **Target Market**

- Informal Sector
- People with seasonal income
- People who lack access to institutional banking
- People working or running an SME or MSME

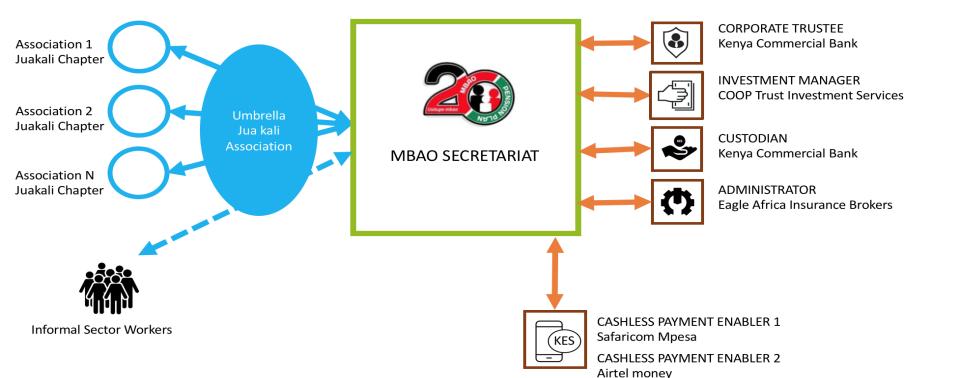
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#### **Rationale**

- More than 1 in 4 working adults is engaged in this informal "Jua Kali" Sector
- Small and Medium firms (SMEs) constitute 98 percent of businesses in Kenya, which contribute 30 percent of jobs as well as 3 percent of Kenya's Gross Domestic Product
- There were no pension schemes back in those days catering to the pension needs of the informal sector.

# **MBAO - STAKEHOLDERS**

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# **MBAO - SUCCESS**



# 100,000+ active members

# Fund Value: US \$1,342,000

Largest successful informal sector pension scheme in the world

Stands as a globally recognized pension model for the informal sector and inspiring countries across continents making Kenya

proud Source: Mbao Pension Plan

## THE SECRET BEHIND

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#### Stakeholder partnership

- Direct involvement of the Juakali associations
- Dedicated MBAO secretariat

#### **Ease of Use**

- Cashless payment
- Convenience Anytime, any amount contribution through mobile
- Low minimum, flexible contribution & no penalties

#### Marketing

- On ground activation team
- County level awareness drive
- Juakali influencer promotion

# MBAO - VISION

Targeting at least 50% coverage of the informal sector by year

2030





#### **CHALLENGES**

- Low uptake Current Jua Kali membership is 12 million
- Lack of awareness & saving culture
- Lack of a robust micro pension transaction platform



#### **ROLE OF GOVERNMENT**

- Policy support Regulatory framework - Higher tax incentives
   - Government co-contribution (Matching contribution)
- County level support for regional promotion & activation

### **WAY FORWARD**



- Marketing & Training
- Develop a unique and robust micro pension platform
- 24 hours toll-free contact center
- Physical presence across each county

