ASSOCIATE MEMBERS FORUM 12th FEBRUARY 2015 Career Development **Planning** By CPA Joyce Kamau

CAREER?????

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A series of related jobs that you do;

- With a purpose, (to grow, gain promotion)
- To meet certain aspirations
- Work that you do (MacMilan dict.)

Tools to use:

- Employ various methods to improve staff
- Help improve their output through personal counseling
- Improve through informal and formal training and development programs,
- Increase job experiences through engaging them in various aspects,
- Have them attend workshops, seminars etc

- Employees employ individual development efforts
- Evaluate through job evaluation
- Give promotions horizontally or
- Give promotions vertically,
- Mentoring of the staff concerned.

Results (of planning)....

- 1. Developing new capabilities.
- 2. Increasing interests and skills of the people,
- 3. Match the organization's needs with individual needs

DIFFICULTIES

- Initial job challenges
- -Job satisfaction lacks, giving rise to low growth and self actualization.
- Initial job performance evaluation never takes place.
- -Performance on jobs is a key responsibility of management.
- -Many managers do not know how to evaluate performance of their subordinates

- Mgt. deficiency works negatively on new managers and destroys them;
- Failure to socialize new employees makes them remain **ignorant** and confused psychologically wondering **whether they are achieving anything**.

Due to the foregoing, these young people leave confused and a total waste of talent and money

Based on the length of a career, it is crucial that one pauses and thinks seriously about the career;

Gives the individual an opportunity to reflect on their dreams and aspirations.

- What are you really looking for??
- What does it entail to get that ??
- •Are there sacrifices that are needed??
- Any other costs??

Career Planning:

- Actions that you think about carefully to help you achieve something.
- -What are your individual needs in life??
- -Where do you wish to be in another 5 years?
- -What action will you take to get you there?
- Do you need help from certain persons/friends?
- -Will you need to connect with your role model
- And how will you do that?

VEHICLES

- Individual needs
- Study or train in a certain area of Accounting;
- •Make a visit to a particular industry for demonstration of work involved,
- Attendance at forums that help upgrade skills,
- Carry out assessment sessions on self.

What goals have you set?

- -Are these achievable and how shall we achieve?
- -When should these goals be achievable?
- -For what reason shall we ensure we achieve?
- -What pitfalls are likely to come on?
- -Are there catalysts in the whole process?
- -- Is the organization and her needs going to benefit at all?
- -Are the achievements measurable and good per the organization's objectives?

OVERCOMING CAREER PROBLEMS:

- Development of young employees
- Carry out realistic job previews during recruitment

Here, the new employees learn the benefits they expect as well as likely problems

Challenging initial assignments, Enriched initial assignments

Give more authority and responsibility to new employees

- -Give promotions to needy staff; Serves to **enrich** the jobs and **motivates** those employees with strong needs for growth and achievement.
- Do not get distracted by anything; Soldier on and grab what you need to be successful!!!

