

Inclusive and Sustainable Economic Recovery- Auditor General Relations to the Budget

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Session Objectives



Gain understanding on:

- The Establishment, Objects, Authority and Mandate of the Auditor-General
- The Kenyan Governance structure
- The Budget Process and the Calendar
- The Accountability Framework
- Financial Accountability- Checks and Balances
- New Audit Frontiers- Budgets & Citizen Accountability Audit.

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Establishment & Objects



Established under Article 248 (3) of the Constitution;

The objects under Article 249 (1) :-

- (a) protect the sovereignty of the people;
- (b) secure the observance by all State organs of democratic values and principles; and
- (c) promote constitutionalism

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Authority and Independence



Authority & Independence -Article 249 (2) (a) and (b):-

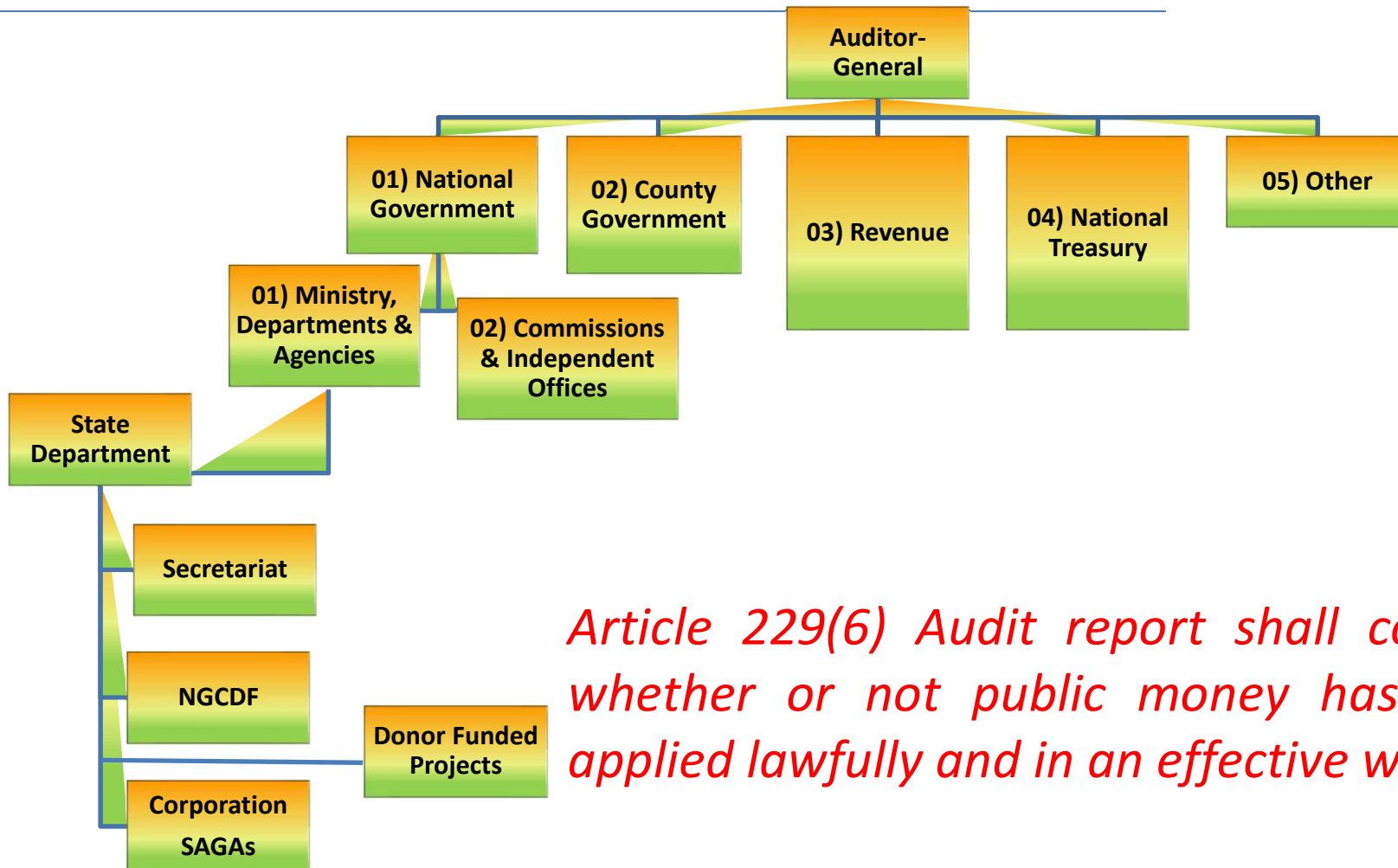
Independent and subject only to the Constitution and the law,

Not subject to direction or control by any person or authority

Funding –Article 249(3)

Provides for adequate funding by Parliament to perform its functions and under a separate budget vote

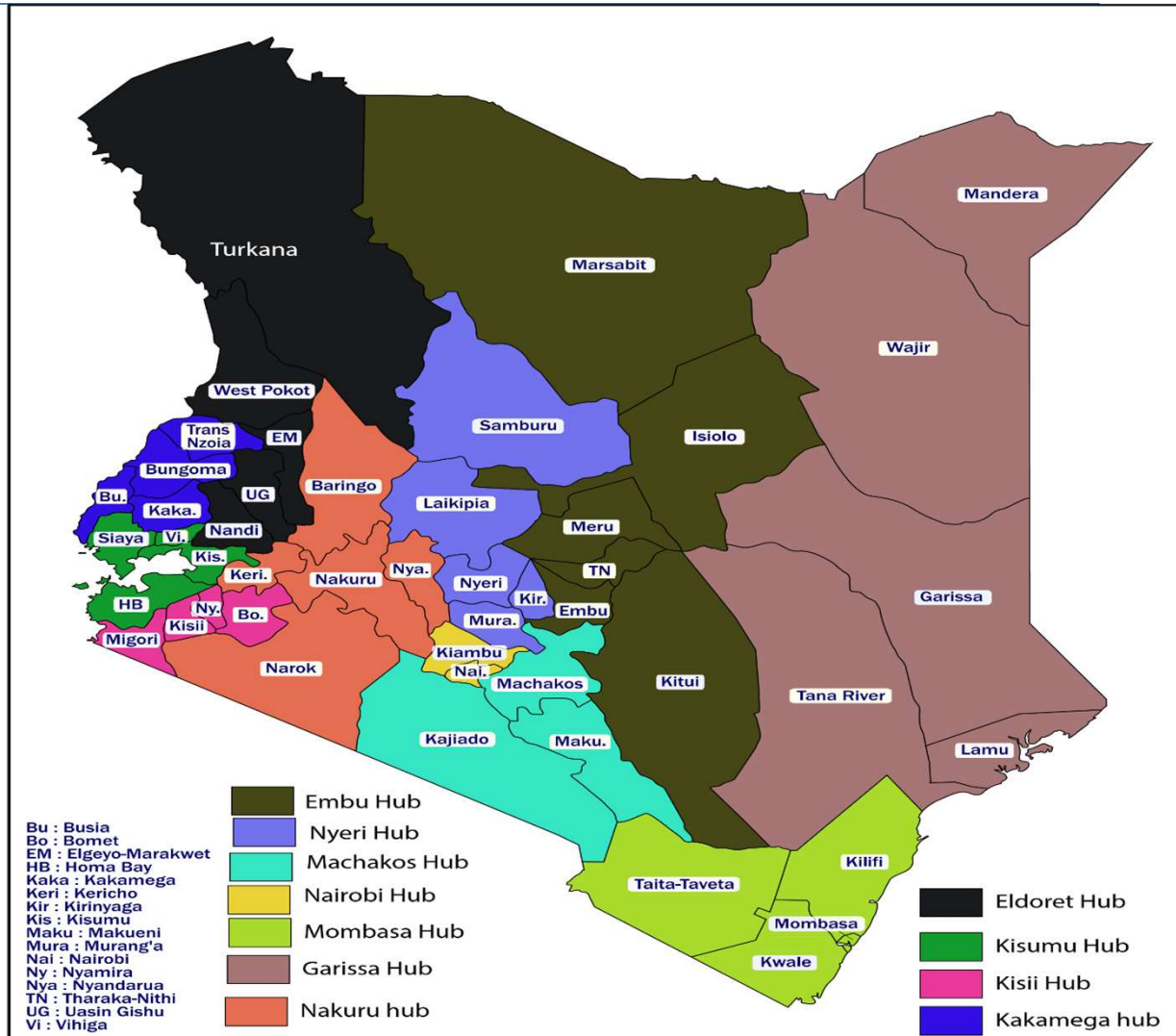
Mandate



Article 229(6) Audit report shall confirm whether or not public money has been applied lawfully and in an effective way

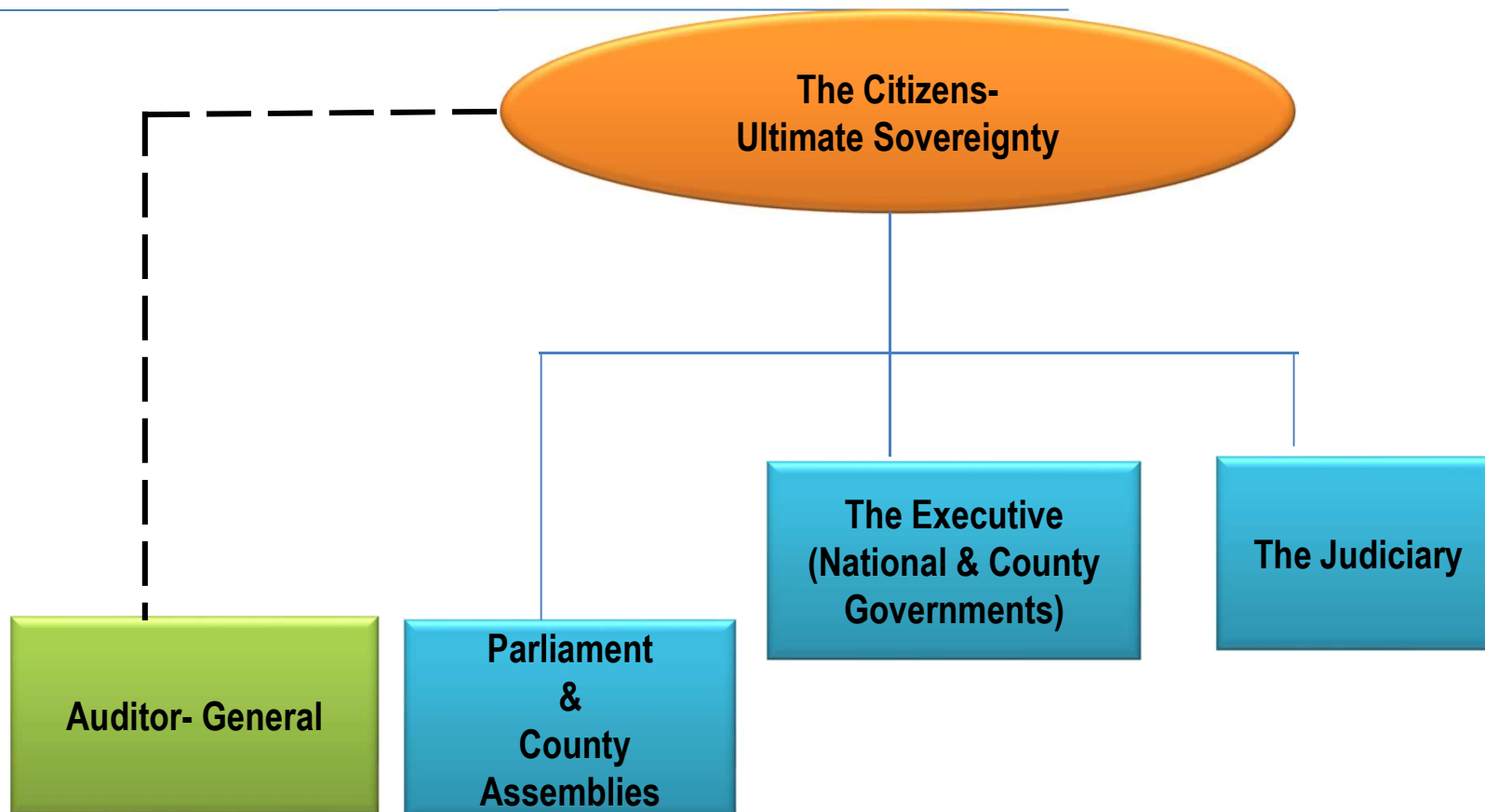
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Mandate-Geographical Spread



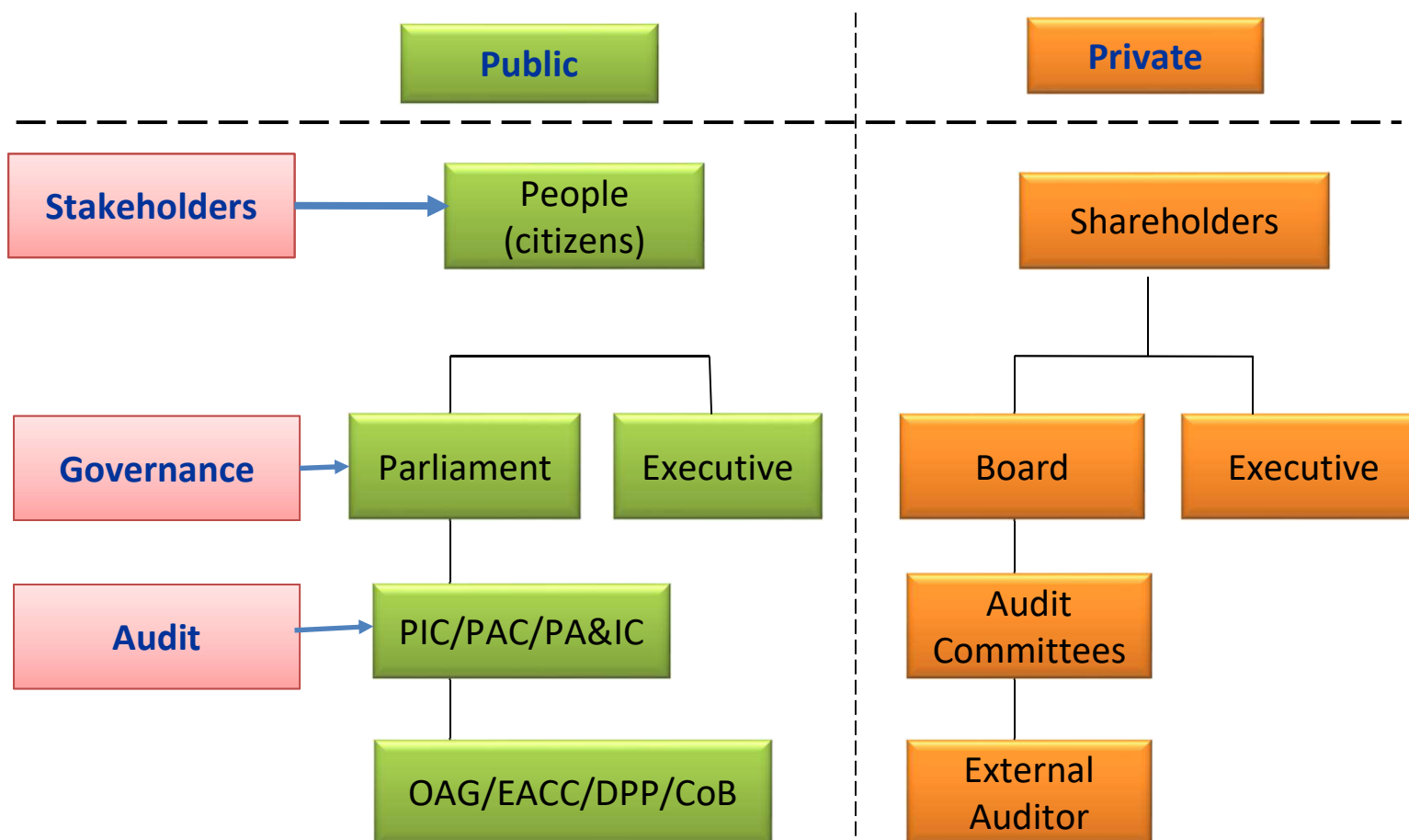
252. General functions and powers :-

- (a) Conduct investigations on its own initiative or on a complaint made by a member of the public;
- (b) Conciliation, mediation and negotiation;
- (c) Perform any functions and exercise any powers prescribed by legislation, in addition to the functions and powers conferred by this Constitution.



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Public vs Private Sector Governance



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Budget Process



Formulation

- National & County Annual Development plans
- Budget Review And Outlook Paper (BROP)
- Division of Revenue (DoR) and County Allocation of Resources (CARA)

Approval

- Appropriation Bill-National & County Assemblies

Implementation

- Quarterly Implementation Reports-MDA/Counties & CoB

Oversight

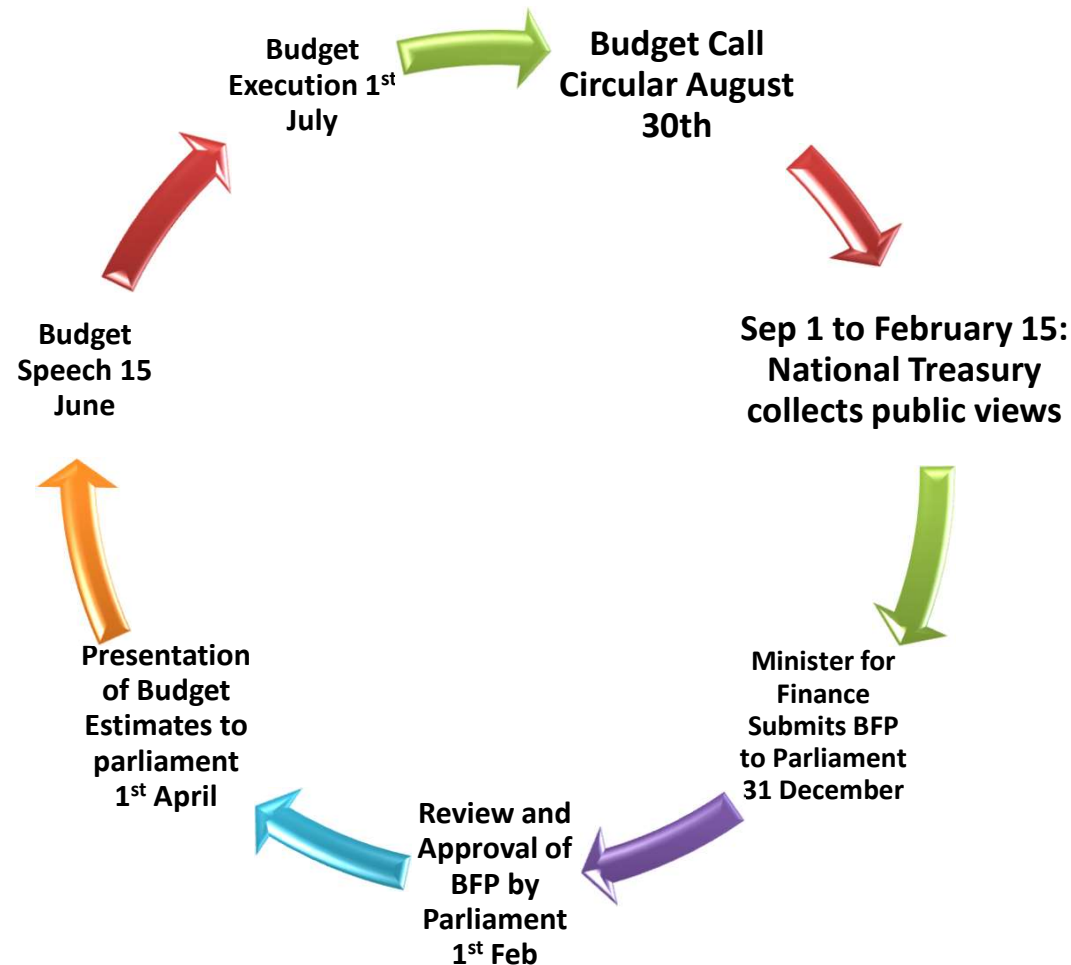
- Audit by the Auditor- General



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Annual Budget Calendar



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The Accountability Framework



Our Constitution is the bedrock of Accountability in Public Sector:-

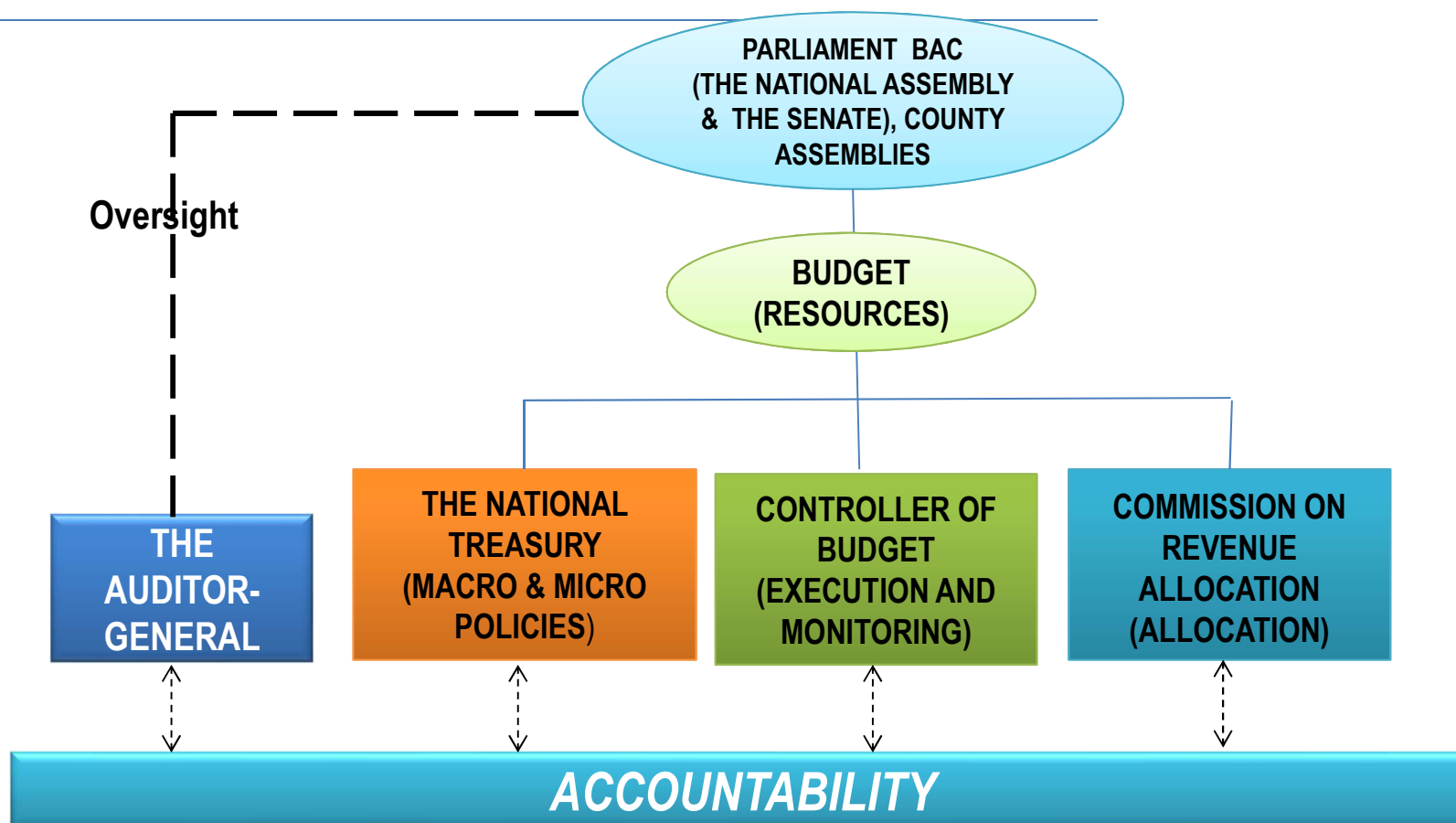
Article 10 -National Values and Principles of Governance;

Article 73 - Principles of Leadership & Integrity;

Article 201 - Principles of Public Finance; and

Article 232 - Values and Principles of Public Service

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Emerging Frontiers –Audit of Budget



Analysis of aspects of budget planning, execution, implementation and oversight;

Mechanisms to generate, manage and capture performance information during budget execution;

Adequacy of mechanisms for determining the quality and reliability of forecasts, and the authority of entities to reallocate funds in-year.

Evaluating budget planning issues: comprehensiveness, reliability and accuracy of the budget document;

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Emerging Frontiers- Audit of Budget Cont'd



The soundness and quality of the national budgetary governance framework,

The adequacy of budgetary planning processes to manage public debt, assess long-term financial sustainability,

Facilitate the alignment with strategic / National priorities objectives such as the Big 4 agenda and the SDGs.

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Emerging Frontier-Citizen Accountability Audit



Citizen Accountability Audit (CAA) is OAG strategic initiative to:-

Transform public audit process to include the voice of the people;

Use of Citizen presence on the ground to strengthen the normal audit which is top down approach;

Respond to Sustainable Development Goals;

Extend opportunities to Citizens /CSOs, Government Agencies and Professional Associations, Youth , Women and PWDs to contribute to audit process; and

Leverage ICT (mobile application and web based portal).



Emerging Frontier-Why CAA?



Participation in overseeing expenditure and thus complete the public participation in the budget cycle that's include audits;

Anchor audit process on budget as a control tool;

Respond to Article 229(6) The AG shall confirm whether or not public money has been applied Lawfully and in an Effective Way;

Alignment to National values and principles of governance; and

Improved governance for sustainable development that will create more employment opportunities for Kenyans especially the youth.

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