# 71. Agreements relating to natural resource

- (1) A transaction is subject to ratification by Parliament if it-
  - involves the grant of a right or concession by or on behalf of any person, including the national government, to another person for the exploitation of any natural resource of Kenya; and
  - (b) is entered into on or after the effective date.
- (2) Parliament shall enact legislation providing for the classes of transactions subject to ratification under clause (1).

### 72. Legislation relating to the environment

Parliament shall enact legislation to give full effect to the provisions of this Part.

CHAPTER SIX - LEADERSHIP AND INTEGRITY

### 73. Responsibilities of leadership

- (1) Authority assigned to a State officer—
  - (a) is a public trust to be exercised in a manner that—
    - (i) is consistent with the purposes and objects of this Constitution;
    - (ii) demonstrates respect for the people;
    - (iii) brings honour to the nation and dignity to the office; and
    - (iv) promotes public confidence in the integrity of the office; and
  - (b) vests in the State officer the responsibility to serve the people, rather than the power to rule them.
- (2) The guiding principles of leadership and integrity include—
  - (a) selection on the basis of personal integrity, competence and suitability, or election in free and fair elections;
  - (b) objectivity and impartiality in decision making, and in ensuring that decisions are not influenced by nepotism, favouritism, other improper motives or corrupt practices;
  - (c) selfless service based solely on the public interest, demonstrated by
    - (i) honesty in the execution of public duties; and
    - (ii) the declaration of any personal interest that may conflict with public duties;
  - (d) accountability to the public for decisions and actions; and
  - (e) discipline and commitment in service to the people.

### 74. Oath of office of State officers

Before assuming a State office, acting in a State office, or performing any functions of a State office, a person shall take and subscribe the oath or affirmation of office, in the manner and form prescribed by the Third Schedule or under an Act of Parliament.

# 75. Conduct of State officers

- (1) A State officer shall behave, whether in public and official life, in private life, or in association with other persons, in a manner that avoids—
  - (a) any conflict between personal interests and public or official duties;

- (b) compromising any public or official interest in favour of a personal interest; or
- (c) demeaning the office the officer holds.
- (2) A person who contravenes clause (1), or Article 76, 77 or 78(2)—
  - (a) shall be subject to the applicable disciplinary procedure for the relevant office; and
  - (b) may, in accordance with the disciplinary procedure referred to in paragraph (a), be dismissed or otherwise removed from office.
- (3) A person who has been dismissed or otherwise removed from office for a contravention of the provisions specified in clause (2) is disqualified from holding any other State office.

### 76. Financial probity of State officers

- (1) A gift or donation to a State officer on a public or official occasion is a gift or donation to the Republic and shall be delivered to the State unless exempted under an Act of Parliament.
  - (2) A State officer shall not-
    - (a) maintain a bank account outside Kenya except in accordance with an Act of Parliament; or
    - (b) seek or accept a personal loan or benefit in circumstances that compromise the integrity of the State officer.

#### 77. Restriction on activities of State officers

- (1) A full-time State officer shall not participate in any other gainful employment.
- (2) Any appointed State officer shall not hold office in a political party.
- (3) A retired State officer who is receiving a pension from public funds shall not hold more than two concurrent remunerative positions as chairperson, director or employee of—
  - (a) a company owned or controlled by the State; or
  - (b) a State organ.
- (4) A retired State officer shall not receive remuneration from public funds other than as contemplated in clause (3).

# 78. Citizenship and leadership

- (1) A person is not eligible for election or appointment to a State office unless the person is a citizen of Kenya.
- (2) A State officer or a member of the defence forces shall not hold dual citizenship.
  - (3) Clauses (1) and (2) do not apply to—
    - (a) judges and members of commissions; or
    - (b) any person who has been made a citizen of another country by operation of that country's law, without ability to opt out.

# 79. Legislation to establish the ethics and anti-corruption commission

Parliament shall enact legislation to establish an independent ethics and anticorruption commission, which shall be and have the status and powers of a commission under Chapter Fifteen, for purposes of ensuring compliance with, and enforcement of, the provisions of this Chapter.

# 80. Legislation on leadership

Parliament shall enact legislation—

- (a) establishing procedures and mechanisms for the effective administration of this Chapter;
- (b) prescribing the penalties, in addition to the penalties referred to in Article 75, that may be imposed for a contravention of this Chapter;
- (c) providing for the application of this Chapter, with the necessary modifications, to public officers; and
- (d) making any other provision necessary for ensuring the promotion of the principles of leadership and integrity referred to in this Chapter, and the enforcement of this Chapter.

#### CHAPTER SEVEN - REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE

# PART 1 - ELECTORAL SYSTEM AND PROCESS

# 81. General principles for the electoral system

The electoral system shall comply with the following principles—

- (a) freedom of citizens to exercise their political rights under Article 38;
- (b) not more than two-thirds of the members of elective public bodies shall be of the same gender;
- (c) fair representation of persons with disabilities;
- (d) universal suffrage based on the aspiration for fair representation and equality of vote; and
- (e) free and fair elections, which are-
  - (i) by secret ballot;
  - (ii) free from violence, intimidation, improper influence or corruption;
  - (iii) conducted by an independent body;
  - (iv) transparent; and
  - (v) administered in an impartial, neutral, efficient, accurate and accountable manner.

### 82. Legislation on elections

- (1) Parliament shall enact legislation to provide for-
  - (a) the delimitation by the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission of electoral units for election of members of the National Assembly and county assemblies;
  - (b) the nomination of candidates;
  - (c) the continuous registration of citizens as voters;
  - the conduct of elections and referenda and the regulation and efficient supervision of elections and referenda, including the nomination of candidates for elections; and
  - (e) the progressive registration of citizens residing outside Kenya, and the progressive realisation of their right to vote.
- (2) Legislation required by clause (1)(d) shall ensure that voting at every election is—