

Government focuses on training engineers for industrial development

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The Cabinet Secretary for Labour, Mr. Simon Chelugui has said the government is focusing on building capacity for innovators, researchers and designers in the field of engineering to actualise the Big 4 agenda in manufacturing.

Mr Chelugui said the government is committed to ensuring, that Kenya has adequate workforce with the relevant skills that will contribute industrialisation and job creation in the country.

Speaking, when he toured the National Industrial Training Authority (NITA), Athi River centre, to inspect the Hyundai dream center, sponsored by Hyundai Company, Mr. Chelugui commended the partnership between NITA, Hyundai and Plan International that has contributed to a training programme that has entrenched equity and inclusivity in skilling and training of women and the youth.

The Cabinet Secretary said, the Hyundai Dream Centre project has contributed to industrial training on automobile production in Kenya which he observed, contributed to nearly 14 million direct employments globally.

He said that, there is need to sure that graduates leaving the various training and educational institutions have employable skills to enable them find opportunities in the locally and foreign labour markets.