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**NAIROBI**, 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2020 – The National Treasury & Planning Cabinet Secretary Hon. Amb. Ukur Yatani, today unveiled the first ever comprehensive insurance cover for civil servants and employees of the National Youth Service (NYS).

The comprehensive Group Life cover, for civil servants and employees of the National Youth Service, will cater for all causes of death including death arising from critical illnesses such as COVID-19. The existing Group Personal Accident Cover (GPA) cover and Work Injury Benefits Act (WIBA) have further been enhanced.

Ambassador Yatani, who was joined for the launch by the Chair of the National Hospital Insurance Fund (NHIF), Mrs. Hannah Mureithi and her counterpart at the Insurance Regulatory Authority (IRA), Mr. Abdirahin Abdi, hailed the **Kshs 6.07 billion** Cover launch as a historic moment for civil servants in the country.

“The launch of this enhanced insurance cover with the inclusion Work Injury Benefits and Group Accident Cover will not only have a profound impact on the well-being of civil servants and their families, public service motivation and productivity but also on the general growth of our insurance industry”.

Ambassador Yatani noted that the Cover will cushion civil servants and particularly health care workers from the adverse social, economic and psychosocial effects of the Covid-19 pandemic.

He expressed optimism that the new scheme would promote growth in the insurance industry and by extension the economy.

“Additionally, as the ministry responsible for the insurance industry, I am confident that the structure and delivery of this enhanced cover, which will involve a co-insurance model between 30 insurance companies, will not only ensure that NHIF



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spreads the risk, but also spur growth in the insurance industry and therefore the economy”.

Also present during the launch, were National Treasury Principal Administrative Secretary (PAS), Mr. Amos Gathecha, and NHIF CEO, Mr. Godfrey Kiptum amongst others.

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