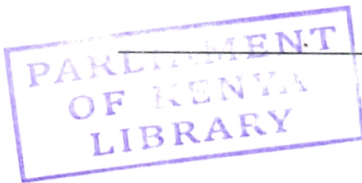


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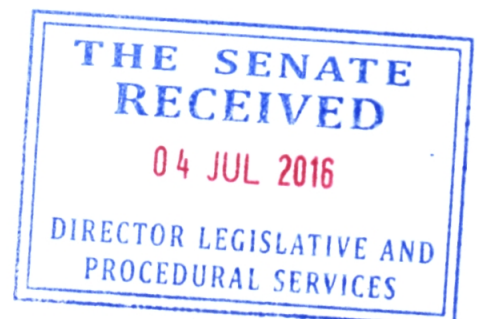


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INTRODUCTION

Gloom and Doom for Africa: In the face of global free market capitalism, the economies of African countries have long **collapsed** and gone to the **negative** domain, where they have perpetually operated for many decades; and, in fact, the negativity has constantly been increasing with time. It is only by grace of God that the masses in the continent are able to eke some semblance of living; which is invariably the most **basic** hand-to-mouth form of survival. Quite frankly, the African economies will remain "**basket**" cases and will **never** recover unless and until the global economic system **radically** changes. Sadly, it appears that the capitalist system is not likely to **voluntarily** change in the foreseeable **decades**, even **centuries**; and thus the overall prognosis for the African economies is **very bad** and, in the absence of **intensive care operations**, they will **fatally** deteriorate.

Unfortunately, in modern civilization, firstly, the greatest aspect of every adult person's life and that of society at large is **ECONOMIC ACTIVITY**. Secondly, every **constitutional, social, political** and **cultural** activity revolves around the **ECONOMY**! Hence all African **efforts** to attain social order, peace and stability, good governance, job creation, health care, etc, will remain miserably **FUTILE**. Therefore, the continent precariously tethers on the brink of social, economic, constitutional, cultural and political catastrophic **free-fall**.

MASSIVE DAMAGE CAUSED ON AFRICA BY SLAVE TRADE AND COLONIZATION

Approximately **18 million** Africans were delivered into **Islamic trans-Saharan** and **India Ocean** slave trades between **605** and **1905** (1,300 years). Another **7 million to 10 million** Africans were shipped as slaves to the New Lands by Europeans who traded along the west coast of Africa between **15th century** and **1867** (about 400 years). *Ref: New Encyclopedia Britannica.*

Firstly, the people delivered into slavery were undoubtedly men and women in their **prime**. It should therefore be natural to assume that, had the slaves continued to live in their mother communities, they would have contributed to substantial development for Africa. Hence the systematic removal of **25 million to 38 million** young healthy men and women over the period

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Secondly, for the nations that engaged in slave trade, the poor African souls significantly contributed to faster and greater development, particularly **economic growth**; thus giving the benefitting countries a developmental **Head-Start Effect** (HSE) of an equivalent period ranging from **100 to 700 years** (depending on the intensity of engagement of the slaves).

Therefore, on the whole, Africa was left behind other regions of the world by a **Resultant Gap** (RG), which is defined as follows:-

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RG} &= \text{PBE} + \text{HSE} \\ &= 700 + (100 \text{ to } 700) \text{ years} \\ &= \underline{\underline{800 \text{ to } 1400 \text{ years}}} \end{aligned}$$

Going by the fore-going arithmetic, it appears, at least to this writer-cum-petitioner, that in the case of **Middle East** and other **parts of Asia**, which benefitted from the Islamic trans-Saharan and Indian Ocean slave trades, the Resultant Gap (RG) in development between Africa and those regions is an equivalent of approximately **800 years**; whilst in the case of **USA** and **Europe**, which hugely benefitted from the trans-Atlantic slave trade, the “RG” is an equivalent of approximately **1,400 years** !

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Given the prevailing global free market **capitalism**, the most crucial element that controls any economy, right from **individual**, to **county** and to **national** level, is **balance of trade**. A sustained trade **surplus** translates to sustainable **development** and leads to **wealth creation** and **prosperity**. However, a sustained trade **deficit** and associated **capital flight** invariably breeds relentless economic **decline**, unbearable **debt burden**, economic **enslavement** and abject **poverty**.

One of the paradoxes of the African economies is that the continent’s **economists** always apply plenty of **intellectualism**, while the **political leaders** apply a lot of **public relations**. Invariably, the truth of the disastrous situation disappears in between the two extremes at the peril of the

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masses. As a matter of **international emergency**, it is now time that the wrecked African economies be made to float long enough to enable a massive **rescue operation** to happen.

Classic Example: Kenya's Frightening Perennial Trade Deficit

Since independence in **1963** up to **2016**, the country has **never** realized any **surplus** in annual balance of trade. On the contrary, owing to **excessive** importation and very **little** exportation, it has always incurred trade **deficit**, which has, in fact, been steadily increasing at an average annual rate of about **33 %**. This has constantly caused massive **capital flight**; a scenario that has plunged the nation and majority of citizens into a pathetic **vicious cycle** of widespread economic **enslavement** and **impoverishment**. Therefore, in **fifty-three** years of independence, the balance of trade has relentlessly **accumulated** to a startling total deficit effect of **KSh.21.222 Trillion** !

Fig 4.1: Kenya's Trade Deficit [2001 – 2010]

(In Kenya Shillings Billions; to three decimal places)

Year	Exports	Imports	Trade Deficit
2001	147.590	290.108	142.518
2002	169.283	257.710	88.427
2003	183.154	281.844	98.690
2004	214.793	364.557	149.764
2005	260.423	443.093	182.670
2006	259.994	521.483	270.489
2007	274.658	605.117	330.459
2008	344.945	770.651	425.706
2009	344.949	788.097	443.148
2010	409.794	947.382	537.588

Source: Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS)

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Kenya's balance of trade has continuously been in favor of wealthy overseas trading partners, in the following proportions:-

- Far East – 55 %
- Middle East – 30 %
- Europe – 10 %
- America – 5 %

Contrasting Example: Trade Dialogue Between USA and Japan

To provoke comparison along this line, I wish to mention a crucial trade dialogue between USA and Japan in the mid 2000's:-

*“After establishment of a series of factories in USA, **Toyota** of Japan rolled out millions of cars that were much **cheaper** to buy and maintain than, and yet as **comfortable** as, the American brands. Many American motorists certainly preferred to buy the Toyotas; and, of course, the US Government could not dictate the choices of the populace.*

*As a result of that, USA suffered a trade **imbalance** in favor of Japan, temporarily causing massive capital flight from USA to Japan.*

*USA was, naturally, **alarmed** and she quickly dispatched a big delegation to Tokyo for crucial trade **talks** with the Japs. The American team pitched camp in Tokyo for a couple of months.*

*Eventually, the Americans managed to clinch a deal under which **computers** made in Japan, for Japanese local as well as export market, were designed to use US **Microsoft software**! The deal essentially balanced-out the trade between USA and Japan; and effectively stopped the undesirable massive capital flight from USA to Japan”.*

Even though the two economic giants operate at a very high economic level, the above-mentioned approach is an example of a **Decent Bilateral Trade Relationship**.

HUGE DAMAGE CAUSED ON AFRICA BY EXTERNAL LOANS TO GOVERNMENTS

Since independence in 1963, the Kenya Government, for instance, has never been able to fully fund its annual **budget** from local public finance. Each and every year, it has resorted to

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borrowing from **internal** as well as from **external** sources in order to bridge the gap. Even though borrowing from internal sources (Treasury Bills and Bonds, Local Financial Institutions and State Corporations) imposed additional **economic burden** on the country's populace, this writer-cum-petitioner will only focus on borrowing from external sources; because the **servicing charges** on its repayment significantly contribute to **capital flight**, which imposes additional **capitalist damage** on the populace. The external loans to Kenya came from **bilateral** sources (i.e. USA, European Countries, Japan, China and Others) as well from **multilateral** sources {i.e. International Development Agency (IDA), African Development Bank (ADB), European Economic Commission (EEC) and Others}. By the way, most of the loans from bilateral sources were lent at **market rates**, thus were inherently very **expensive**.

Anyway, since 1963, the **deficit** on Kenya's expenditure of public finance has been rising at an average annual rate of about **86 %**; and hence over the last fifty-three years, the borrowing from external sources to top-up the local revenue and internal borrowing has been rising at an average annual rate of about **38 %**. During that period, the amount of external loans raised has **accumulated** to a total effect of about **KSh.6.786 Trillion** ! Of course, a few of those loans were repaid according to plan. But the vast majority of them were indefinitely **carried forward**; thus making them even more expensive and more burdensome to the populace. In any case, in the fifty-three years, the **servicing charges** on the external debt have also been rising at an average annual rate of about **20 %**. Therefore, in the same period, the charges have **accumulated** to a total effect of about **KSh.3.407 Trillion**, which was substantial **capital flight** that greatly contributed to the **capitalist damage** on the populace.

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Fig 4.2: Kenya 's Government Budget and External Loans [2004 – 2011]

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Year	Government's Budget Deficit	External Loans Raised	Servicing Charges on External Debt
2004/05	51.408	11.615	10.256
2005/06	131.555	15.861	17.009
2006/07	102.489	20.895	17.894
2007/08	265.998	31.829	23.832
2008/09	502.135	47.444	23.870
2009/10	891.330	68.457	24.317
2010/11	1,130.642	102.722	26.793

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GROSS CAPITALIST DAMAGE (Economic Slavery)

In order to illustrate the grave extent of economic slavery caused by the two types of capital flight (Trade Deficit and Charges on External Debt) we should be compelled to suggest coining of **new** terminologies of economics as follows:-

- National Accumulated Trade Deficit (NATD)
- National Accumulated Charges on External Debt (NACED)
- National Gross Capitalist Damage (NGCD)

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In Kenya's case, according to the figures mentioned in the fore-going two sub-sections, the damage by capitalism was as follows:-

$$\begin{aligned}\text{NGCD} &= \text{NATD} + \text{NACED} \\ &= \text{KSh.}[21.222 + 3.407] \text{ Trillion} \\ &= \underline{\underline{\text{KSh.24.629 Trillion}}}\end{aligned}$$

At this juncture, we should suggest introduction of another new terminology of economics, called **Per Capita Capitalist Damage (PCCD)**, to represent the effect of NGCD on each and every individual in society. In Kenya, given a population of about 40 million in 2016, the per capita damage caused by capitalism would be as follows:-

$$\begin{aligned}\text{PCCD} &= \text{NGCD} \text{ divided by Population} \\ &= \text{KSh.24.629 Trillion divided by 40 Million} \\ &= \underline{\underline{\text{KSh.615,725 (\$ 6,840)}}}\end{aligned}$$

Critical Observations About Capitalist Damage

The damage phenomenon invariably leads to the following permanent effects:-

- i. National Economy in Debt;
- ii. Government in Debt;
- iii. Institutions in Debt;
- iv. Businesses in Debt;
- v. Citizens in Debt;
- vi. Children, even unborn ones, in Debt

The only people who can economically endure such an enormous externally imposed damage of capitalism, on top of normal personal and family obligations, are the ones who earn more than the equivalent of PCCD per month. These are state officers, senior managers and chief executive officers of large private enterprises and, of course, the **super-corrupt** individuals in society. Anyway, in Kenya, the privileged lot that can comfortably carry the capitalism burden constitutes barely 1 % of the population. The other lot (99 %) is perpetually reeling in heavy **debt, damage** and **devastation** caused by PCCD. In fact, the majority (**over 70 %**) of that "cursed" lot struggles to survive on **daily-hand-to-mouth** basis..

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Brief Excursion to Corruption: Incidentally, "**Corrupdemic Excellence (CE)**" is a new horizon to strive for in the continent. For many an educated person in Africa, personal and family economic success and elevated social status overwhelmingly depend on how "**smartly corrupt**" s/he operates in private and official dealings. According to the wicked **culprit** of corruption-alias-**victim** of vicious capitalism (akin to chicken-and-egg scenario), the situation is a **paradox** that involves two tough options:-

- Be **ethical**; and risk "immorally" sliding, along with family, into irreversible abject poverty, squalor, devastation and premature death.
- Be **corrupt**; and "morally" maintain and sustain the decent personal and family socio-economic status that was often attained through legitimate hard-earned employment and/or lucrative business.

Given the regular ethnic-driven regimes, the "**CE**" **pandemic** gradually pervaded many an African country where it systematically ate away the nationhood; constantly evoking phrases like:-

- "We grab because we own the country";
- "It is our turn to eat";
- "We eat because it will be eaten anyway";
- Etc.

Massive Violation of Human Rights

In the light of the enormous PCCD, and by economic extrapolation as well as using other figures derived through "**weird**" statistical methods, we can infer that **90 %** of economic activity of **99 %** of the population, as mentioned in the preceding paragraphs, invariably leads to massive **capital flight** to rich countries. Consequently, the same portion (99%) of the population constantly remains economically socially, politically and culturally **suppressed** and **oppressed**, in gross **violation of human rights**.

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- ii. **Unlimited freedom from slavery or servitude**; provided for in *Article 25 (b)* and *30 (1)* of the Constitution;
- iii. **Economic and social rights**; provided for in *Article 43 (1)* of the Constitution;
- iv. **Economic and social development**; provided for in *Article 174 (f)* of the Constitution;
- v. **Reliable sources of revenue**; provided for in *Article 175 (b)* of the Constitution.

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During the dark days of slave trade in 18th and 19th century, **slaves** and their mother **communities** suffered huge social, economic and political affliction as a result of violent **capture**, grave **mistreatment** and permanent **displacement** of the slaves. Similarly, in the prevailing global free market capitalism, the entire **nation** incurs the **economic damage** of perpetual **capital flight**. Furthermore, each and every **citizen**, even a **new-born child**, is afflicted by the damage; *in the case of Kenya, the damage is denoted by the financial figures given in the foregoing paragraphs*. Economically, the data and ensuing derivatives represent an economic damage that is far greater than the economic yoke that was carried by the slaves of the last millennium.

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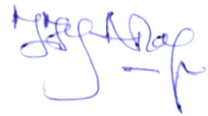
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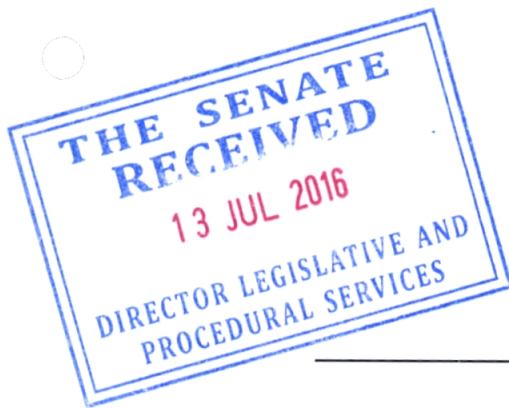
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- 5) Recommend to the President of Kenya the setting up of a **Commission of Inquiry** to examine the national economic catastrophe; and to formulate the way forward for the country.

***Footnote:** Meanwhile, I would like to humbly request each MP for a **private donation** of KSh.1,000/= (One Thousand Only) to enable the emergency mission to roll as we wait for official funding from public finance of the country. The generous donation may be forwarded through my **phone** or through **Prof Lesan**, Senator, Bomet County.*

Dated this.....4th.....day of.....July.....2016.

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INTRODUCTION

Gloom and Doom for Africa: In the face of global free market capitalism, the economies of African countries have long **collapsed** and gone to the **negative** domain, where they have perpetually operated for many decades; and, in fact, the negativity has constantly been increasing with time. It is only by grace of God that the masses in the continent are able to eke some semblance of living; which is invariably the most **basic** hand-to-mouth form of survival. Quite frankly, the African economies will remain "**basket**" cases and will **never** recover unless and until the global economic system **radically** changes. Sadly, it appears that the capitalist system is not likely to **voluntarily** change in the foreseeable **decades**, even **centuries**; and thus the overall prognosis for the African economies is **very bad** and, in the absence of **intensive care operations**, they will **fatally** deteriorate.

Unfortunately, in modern civilization, firstly, the greatest aspect of every adult person's life and that of society at large is **ECONOMIC ACTIVITY**. Secondly, every **constitutional, social, political** and **cultural** activity revolves around the **ECONOMY**! Hence all African **efforts** to attain social order, peace and stability, good governance, job creation, health care, etc, will remain miserably **FUTILE**. Therefore, the continent precariously tethers on the brink of social, economic, constitutional, cultural and political catastrophic **free-fall**.

MASSIVE DAMAGE CAUSED ON AFRICA BY SLAVE TRADE AND COLONIZATION

Approximately **18 million** Africans were delivered into **Islamic trans-Saharan** and **India Ocean** slave trades between **605** and **1905** (1,300 years). Another **7 million to 10 million** Africans were shipped as slaves to the New Lands by Europeans who traded along the west coast of Africa between **15th century** and **1867** (about 400 years). *Ref: New Encyclopedia Britannica.*

Firstly, the people delivered into slavery were undoubtedly men and women in their **prime**. It should therefore be natural to assume that, had the slaves continued to live in their mother communities, they would have contributed to substantial development for Africa. Hence the systematic removal of **25 million to 38 million** young healthy men and women over the period

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of **1,300 years** effectively placed Africa behind the rest of the world by an equivalent of the same number of years (1,300 years). Moreover, the subsequent period of about **100 years** of **colonization** reinforced the cruel **Push-Back Effect** (PBE) in development to an equivalent of **1,400 years**. However, for the sake of making the arithmetic here even more convincing, we could “*generously*” reduce the “PBE” by 50% down to about **700 years**.

Secondly, for the nations that engaged in slave trade, the poor African souls significantly contributed to faster and greater development, particularly **economic growth**; thus giving the benefitting countries a developmental **Head-Start Effect** (HSE) of an equivalent period ranging from **100 to 700 years** (depending on the intensity of engagement of the slaves).

Therefore, on the whole, Africa was left behind other regions of the world by a **Resultant Gap** (RG), which is defined as follows:-

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RG} &= \text{PBE} + \text{HSE} \\ &= 700 + (100 \text{ to } 700) \text{ years} \\ &= \underline{\underline{800 \text{ to } 1400 \text{ years}}} \end{aligned}$$

Going by the fore-going arithmetic, it appears, at least to this writer-cum-petitioner, that in the case of **Middle East** and other **parts of Asia**, which benefitted from the Islamic trans-Saharan and Indian Ocean slave trades, the Resultant Gap (RG) in development between Africa and those regions is an equivalent of approximately **800 years**; whilst in the case of **USA** and **Europe**, which hugely benefitted from the trans-Atlantic slave trade, the “RG” is an equivalent of approximately **1,400 years** !

MASSIVE DAMAGE CAUSED ON AFRICA BY INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Given the prevailing global free market **capitalism**, the most crucial element that controls any economy, right from **individual**, to **county** and to **national** level, is **balance of trade**. A sustained trade **surplus** translates to sustainable **development** and leads to **wealth creation** and **prosperity**. However, a sustained trade **deficit** and associated **capital flight** invariably breeds relentless economic **decline**, unbearable **debt burden**, economic **enslavement** and abject **poverty**.

One of the paradoxes of the African economies is that the continent’s **economists** always apply plenty of **intellectualism**, while the **political leaders** apply a lot of **public relations**. Invariably, the truth of the disastrous situation disappears in between the two extremes at the peril of the

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masses. As a matter of **international emergency**, it is now time that the wrecked African economies be made to float long enough to enable a massive **rescue operation** to happen.

Classic Example: Kenya's Frightening Perennial Trade Deficit

Since independence in **1963** up to **2016**, the country has **never** realized any **surplus** in annual balance of trade. On the contrary, owing to **excessive** importation and very **little** exportation, it has always incurred trade **deficit**, which has, in fact, been steadily increasing at an average annual rate of about **33 %**. This has constantly caused massive **capital flight**; a scenario that has plunged the nation and majority of citizens into a pathetic **vicious cycle** of widespread economic **enslavement** and **impoverishment**. Therefore, in **fifty-three** years of independence, the balance of trade has relentlessly **accumulated** to a startling total deficit effect of **KSh.21.222 Trillion** !

Fig 4.1: Kenya's Trade Deficit [2001 – 2010]

(In Kenya Shillings Billions; to three decimal places)

Year	Exports	Imports	Trade Deficit
2001	147.590	290.108	142.518
2002	169.283	257.710	88.427
2003	183.154	281.844	98.690
2004	214.793	364.557	149.764
2005	260.423	443.093	182.670
2006	259.994	521.483	270.489
2007	274.658	605.117	330.459
2008	344.945	770.651	425.706
2009	344.949	788.097	443.148
2010	409.794	947.382	537.588

Source: Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS)

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Kenya's balance of trade has continuously been in favor of wealthy overseas trading partners, in the following proportions:-

- Far East – 55 %
- Middle East – 30 %
- Europe – 10 %
- America – 5 %

Contrasting Example: Trade Dialogue Between USA and Japan

To provoke comparison along this line, I wish to mention a crucial trade dialogue between USA and Japan in the mid 2000's:-

*“After establishment of a series of factories in USA, **Toyota** of Japan rolled out millions of **cars** that were much **cheaper** to buy and maintain than, and yet as **comfortable** as, the American brands. Many American motorists certainly preferred to buy the Toyotas; and, of course, the US Government could not dictate the choices of the populace.*

*As a result of that, USA suffered a trade **imbalance** in favor of Japan, temporarily causing massive capital flight from USA to Japan.*

*USA was, naturally, **alarmed** and she quickly dispatched a big delegation to Tokyo for crucial trade **talks** with the Japs. The American team pitched camp in Tokyo for a couple of months.*

*Eventually, the Americans managed to clinch a deal under which **computers** made in Japan, for Japanese local as well as export market, were designed to use US **Microsoft software**! The deal essentially balanced-out the trade between USA and Japan; and effectively stopped the undesirable massive capital flight from USA to Japan”.*

Even though the two economic giants operate at a very high economic level, the above-mentioned approach is an example of a **Decent Bilateral Trade Relationship**.

HUGE DAMAGE CAUSED ON AFRICA BY EXTERNAL LOANS TO GOVERNMENTS

Since independence in 1963, the Kenya Government, for instance, has never been able to fully fund its annual **budget** from local public finance. Each and every year, it has resorted to

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borrowing from **internal** as well as from **external** sources in order to bridge the gap. Even though borrowing from internal sources (Treasury Bills and Bonds, Local Financial Institutions and State Corporations) imposed additional **economic burden** on the country's populace, this writer-cum-petitioner will only focus on borrowing from external sources; because the **servicing charges** on its repayment significantly contribute to **capital flight**, which imposes additional **capitalist damage** on the populace. The external loans to Kenya came from **bilateral** sources (i.e. USA, European Countries, Japan, China and Others) as well from **multilateral** sources {i.e. International Development Agency (IDA), African Development Bank (ADB), European Economic Commission (EEC) and Others}. By the way, most of the loans from bilateral sources were lent at **market rates**, thus were inherently very **expensive**.

Anyway, since 1963, the **deficit** on Kenya's expenditure of public finance has been rising at an average annual rate of about **86 %**; and hence over the last fifty-three years, the borrowing from external sources to top-up the local revenue and internal borrowing has been rising at an average annual rate of about **38 %**. During that period, the amount of external loans raised has **accumulated** to a total effect of about **KSh.6.786 Trillion** ! Of course, a few of those loans were repaid according to plan. But the vast majority of them were indefinitely **carried forward**; thus making them even more expensive and more burdensome to the populace. In any case, in the fifty-three years, the **servicing charges** on the external debt have also been rising at an average annual rate of about **20 %**. Therefore, in the same period, the charges have **accumulated** to a total effect of about **KSh.3.407 Trillion**, which was substantial **capital flight** that greatly contributed to the **capitalist damage** on the populace.

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Fig 4.2: Kenya 's Government Budget and External Loans [2004 – 2011]

(In Kenya Shillings Billions; to three decimal places)

Year	Government's Budget Deficit	External Loans Raised	Servicing Charges on External Debt
2004/05	51.408	11.615	10.256
2005/06	131.555	15.861	17.009
2006/07	102.489	20.895	17.894
2007/08	265.998	31.829	23.832
2008/09	502.135	47.444	23.870
2009/10	891.330	68.457	24.317
2010/11	1,130.642	102.722	26.793

Source: Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS)

GROSS CAPITALIST DAMAGE (Economic Slavery)

In order to illustrate the grave extent of economic slavery caused by the two types of capital flight (Trade Deficit and Charges on External Debt) we should be compelled to suggest coining of **new** terminologies of economics as follows:-

- National Accumulated Trade Deficit (NATD)
- National Accumulated Charges on External Debt (NACED)
- National Gross Capitalist Damage (NGCD)

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In Kenya's case, according to the figures mentioned in the fore-going two sub-sections, the damage by capitalism was as follows:-

$$\begin{aligned}\text{NGCD} &= \text{NATD} + \text{NACED} \\ &= \text{KSh.}[21.222 + 3.407] \text{ Trillion} \\ &= \underline{\underline{\text{KSh.24.629 Trillion}}}\end{aligned}$$

At this juncture, we should suggest introduction of another new terminology of economics, called **Per Capita Capitalist Damage** (PCCD), to represent the effect of NGCD on each and every individual in society. In Kenya, given a population of about 40 million in 2016, the per capita damage caused by capitalism would be as follows:-

$$\begin{aligned}\text{PCCD} &= \text{NGCD} \text{ divided by Population} \\ &= \text{KSh.24.629 Trillion divided by 40 Million} \\ &= \underline{\underline{\text{KSh.615,725 (\$ 6,840)}}}\end{aligned}$$

Critical Observations About Capitalist Damage

The damage phenomenon invariably leads to the following permanent effects:-

- i. National Economy in Debt;
- ii. Government in Debt;
- iii. Institutions in Debt;
- iv. Businesses in Debt;
- v. Citizens in Debt;
- vi. Children, even unborn ones, in Debt

The only people who can economically endure such an enormous externally imposed damage of capitalism, on top of normal personal and family obligations, are the ones who earn more than the equivalent of PCCD per month. These are state officers, senior managers and chief executive officers of large private enterprises and, of course, the **super-corrupt** individuals in society. Anyway, in Kenya, the privileged lot that can comfortably carry the capitalism burden constitutes barely **1 %** of the population. The other lot (**99 %**) is perpetually reeling in heavy **debt, damage** and **devastation** caused by PCCD. In fact, the majority (**over 70 %**) of that "*cursed*" lot struggles to survive on **daily-hand-to-mouth** basis..

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In short and clear terms, irrespective of the initiative and hard work of the people of an African nation, their **energy**, **sweat** and **blood** effectively flows out through capitalism conduits to efficiently **fuel** and **lubricate** the fast-moving parts of the emerging and advanced economies of the world. This is an **international emergency** in deed.

Brief Excursion to Corruption: *Incidentally, “Corrupdemic Excellence (CE)” is a new horizon to strive for in the continent. For many an educated person in Africa, personal and family economic success and elevated social status overwhelmingly depend on how “smartly corrupt” s/he operates in private and official dealings. According to the wicked culprit of corruption-alias-victim of vicious capitalism (akin to chicken-and-egg scenario), the situation is a paradox that involves two tough options:-*

- *Be **ethical**; and risk “immorally” sliding, along with family, into irreversible abject poverty, squalor, devastation and premature death.*
- *Be **corrupt**; and “morally” maintain and sustain the decent personal and family socio-economic status that was often attained through legitimate hard-earned employment and/or lucrative business.*

Given the regular ethnic-driven regimes, the “CE” pandemic gradually pervaded many an African country where it systematically ate away the nationhood; constantly evoking phrases like:-

- *“We grab because we own the country”;*
- *“It is our turn to eat”;*
- *“We eat because it will be eaten anyway”;*
- *Etc.*

Massive Violation of Human Rights

In the light of the enormous PCCD, and by economic extrapolation as well as using other figures derived through “weird” statistical methods, we can infer that **90 %** of economic activity of **99 %** of the population, as mentioned in the preceding paragraphs, invariably leads to massive **capital flight** to rich countries. Consequently, the same portion (99%) of the population constantly remains economically socially, politically and culturally **suppressed** and **oppressed**, in gross **violation of human rights**.

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In Kenya's case, the following provisions of the national **Constitution** are indiscriminately breached:-

- i. **Sustainable development**; which is one of the national values and principles of governance, provided for in *Article 10 (2) (d)* of the Constitution;
- ii. **Unlimited freedom from slavery or servitude**; provided for in *Article 25 (b)* and *30 (1)* of the Constitution;
- iii. **Economic and social rights**; provided for in *Article 43 (1)* of the Constitution;
- iv. **Economic and social development**; provided for in *Article 174 (f)* of the Constitution;
- v. **Reliable sources of revenue**; provided for in *Article 175 (b)* of the Constitution.

Widespread Economic Slavery

During the dark days of slave trade in 18th and 19th century, **slaves** and their mother **communities** suffered huge social, economic and political affliction as a result of violent **capture**, grave **mistreatment** and permanent **displacement** of the slaves. Similarly, in the prevailing global free market capitalism, the entire **nation** incurs the **economic damage** of perpetual **capital flight**. Furthermore, each and every **citizen**, even a **new-born child**, is afflicted by the damage; *in the case of Kenya, the damage is denoted by the financial figures given in the foregoing paragraphs*. Economically, the data and ensuing derivatives represent an economic damage that is far greater than the economic yoke that was carried by the slaves of the last millennium.

PUZZLE OF WEALTHY INTERNATIONAL DONORS AND CONTRIBUTORS

Most of the rich countries overseas give **donor aid** and **loans** to African countries on bilateral arrangements. However, in all the cases, the annual total donations and loans was always much **less** than the **trade surplus** that the wealthy nation earned as a result of trading with the poor African country. Furthermore, the wealthy countries ostensibly make “*heftier*” contributions to

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international organizations [United Nations (UN), World Bank, etc]. But intriguingly, the contributions by each of the developed nation [**“Gross Contributions”** (GC)] **added** to the **“Gross Donations and Loans”** (GDL) that she gave to the needy countries was always less than the **“Gross Trade Surplus”** (GTS) earned from trading with other nations; including the needy countries in Africa.

GTS is greater than GC + GDL

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