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### **ABSTRACT**

The present water management policies can be traced back to the National Water Master plan of 1974. The primary aim of the plan was to ensure availability of portable water at reasonable distance to all households by the year 2000 (Sessional paper No. 1 of 1999). From the several developments have taken place in the water sector including, the upgrading established of the Department (DWD), the established of the National Water Conservation and pipeline corporation (NWCP) IN 1988,the adoption of the National Water policy by parliament as a Sessional paper No. 1 of 1999 and enactment of the Water Act of 2002, among others.

The Water Act 2002, in turn has led to the established of a National framework currently being used to manage water in Kenya. The Water Act recognises regional diversities in management of water. For example, the country has been divided into different Water Resource Management Associations ( WRMA).

The Act introduced comprehensive and in many ways radical changes in the way water is managed in the country.