1. **Ethiopia**

**Ethiopia: Paramilitaries 'kill at least 40' in Oromia region**

At least 40 people were killed by paramilitary forces in eastern Ethiopia over the weekend, a senior regional official said, in the latest spate of violence driven by ethnic divisions. On Monday, the Oromia regional administration's spokesman Negeri Lencho said heavily armed members of a paramilitary force from the Somali region had carried out cross-border attacks in Oromia's East Hararghe district. *Al Jazeera*

2. **Kenya**

**Kenya fraud charges over Chinese-funded $3bn railway**

Two senior Kenyan government officials have been charged in court with fraud over the building of a $3.2bn (£2.5bn) Chinese-funded railway line. The two are accused of paying more than $2m in compensation to private firms which falsely claimed to own land through which the line ran. *BBC Africa*

**Kenya corruption: Officials arrested over $3b railway**

17 senior officials, business people responsible for a multi-billion-dollar railway project in Kenya have been arrested for corruption. The railway, which was funded by China, connects the capital Nairobi with the port city of Mombasa. *Al Jazeera*

**Kenya oil trucking to resume on August 22**

The trucking of crude oil from South Lokichar to the storage facility in Mombasa is scheduled to resume on August 22, Petroleum Cabinet Secretary John Munyes has said. The trucks stopped ferrying crude in June due to security concerns, as the community sought to have their demands for security and equity in resource-sharing addressed. *The East African*
3. **Mali**

**Soumaila Cisse rejects results; tells voters 'to rise up'**

Malian opposition candidate Soumaila Cisse said on Monday he would reject the results of a presidential runoff marred by accusations of fraud, violence and low turnout, calling on the population "to rise up." Ballot counting was underway on Monday across the vast West African country after the vote Sunday saw one poll worker killed and hundreds of stations closed due to insecurity. **Daily Nation**

**Soumaila Cisse rejects results as ballot counting under way**

Opposition leader Soumaila Cisse says he will reject the results of Mali's presidential runoff vote, urging people in the country "to rise up". Sunday's poll, which was marked by a low turnout amid security concerns and voter apathy, pitted Cisse against incumbent President Ibrahim Boubacar Keita. **Aljazeera**

4. **Uganda**

**Uganda flags off 100 to work in United Arab Emirates**

Vice President Edward Kiwanuka Ssekandi has flagged off more than 100 recruits to work in Middle East countries. He asked them to be exemplary, and earn Uganda a good reputation to enable others be considered for employment abroad. **Daily Nation**

**Uganda president attacked, MP's guard shot dead ahead of bye-election**

A senior press secretary to Ugandan president Yoweri Kaguta Museveni said on Monday evening that the president’s car came under attack by opposition supporters in the town of Arua, where a bye-election is to hold on Wednesday. **Africa News**

5. **Zimbabwe**

**Emmerson Mnangagwa says disputed Zimbabwe election 'behind us'**

Zimbabwe President Emmerson Mnangagwa on Monday called on the country to move on from its disputed elections, despite his victory being challenged in court over alleged fraud and his inauguration delayed. The country's first election since the fall of Robert Mugabe late last year was mired by the army opening fire on protesters, allegations of vote-rigging and a crackdown on opposition activists. **Daily Nation**

**Zimbabwe's Heroes day: Mnangagwa calls for peace, unity**

Zimbabwe's president-elect is urging the country to move on from last month's disputed election, as it marks 38 years of independence. Emmerson Mnangagwa was supposed to be sworn in on Sunday, but the ceremony can only go ahead with approval from the constitutional court. **Aljazeera**

**Zimbabwe: Mnangagwa's party to respond to Chamisa's court challenge by Wednesday**
The legal secretary of Zimbabwe’s ruling ZANU-PF party, Paul Mangwana has said its lawyers would respond to the opposition’s court challenge of the election results by Wednesday. Mangwana who had previously said he was convinced the opposition ‘has no case’ spoke on Monday, when the country was celebrating Heroes Day. *Africa News*