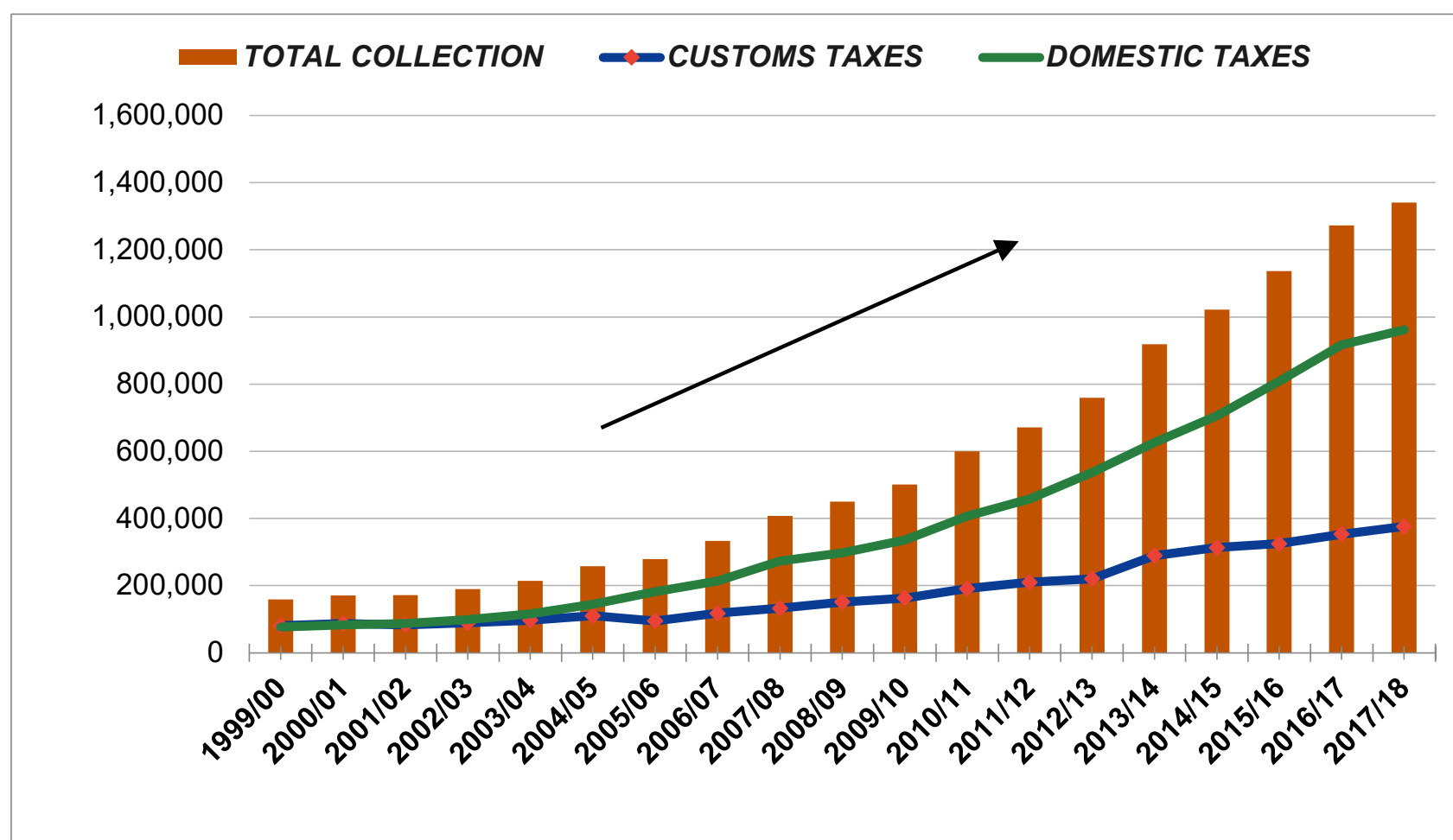


RESEARCH TIPS

POSITIVE IMPACT OF KRA REFORMS IN REVENUE COLLECTION (1999-2018)

Our research across the continent shows that revenue collection by African Countries has been increasing steadily in the last 20 years even in light of tough economic conditions. For example, Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA), for the last nineteen (19) years has reported tremendous increase in tax revenue collection. Revenue collection has increased from approximately Ksh 158.5 billion (1999/2000) to Ksh. 1.34 trillion (2017/18) indicating a growth of 746 %. Table 1 shows the tax revenue (Exchequer) collection by KRA for the last nineteen (19) years.

Table 1: KRA Revenue (Exchequer) collection for the last nineteen years



MAIN AUTOMATION REFORMS

The increase in Revenue collection has largely been attributed to Automation reforms that KRA has adopted over the years. Some of these reforms include the roll out of iTax used by DTD for assessing compliance with domestic taxes, iCMS which has raised productivity in customs services, RECTS system for tracking cargo diversion along the Northern Corridor among other reforms.