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COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAIKIPIA

THE HANSARD

Tuesday, 10th June, 2025

The House met at the Assembly Chambers at 10.00 a.m.

[The Speaker (Hon. Lantano Nabaala) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

QUORUM CALL

Speaker: Clerk, confirm if we have quorum.

(Lack of quorum confirmed)

Speaker: Without the quorum, I direct that the bell be rang for ten minutes.

(Quorum bell rang for four minutes)

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Hon. Speaker, I can now see that the House is full.

Speaker: Clerk, confirm if in deed we have quorum.

(Clerk confirmed achievement of Quorum)

Speaker: Thank you. Now that we have quorum, we will proceed with the business of the House.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

VISITING DELEGATION FROM PCEA NANYUKI GIRLS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Members. I welcome you again back this morning in the House business. I want to take the pleasure to recognize the presence of 44 grade 8 pupils from PCEA Nanyuki Girls Boarding Primary School in Nanyuki Ward, Laikipia East Constituency.

They are accompanied by their leaders and teachers and kindly raise your hands if you are within. Nancy Muteithia, Margaret Kahiato, Mwangi Mukunda, Kelvin Mutuma, Jennifer Ndegwa and Stella Njoki. Congratulations.

Hon. Members, on my own behalf and that of the Assembly, I wish to welcome this school to the County Assembly of Laikipia and I wish them a fruitful engagement during their visit to the County Assembly as they learn in this process of devolution. You may be seated. Thank you.

PAPER LAID

LAIKIPIA COUNTY VALUATION ROLL (2021-2031)

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I also want to take this opportunity to congratulate pupils from PCEA Girls for coming here to learn what we are doing in this County Assembly. Hon. Speaker, today I have a paper to lay; report on the draft Laikipia County Valuation roll (2021-2031). Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

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(Hon. Stephen Ndiritu laid the Paper on the Table of the House)

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

LAIKIPIA COUNTY VALUATION ROLL (2021-2031)

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Hon. Speaker, I beg to give notice of the following motion;

THAT, this Assembly adopts the report on the draft Laikipia County Valuation roll (2021- 2031) by the Finance and County Planning Committee dated 22nd May 2025.

Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

COUNTY GOVERNMENT TO ENSURE MAXIMUM UTILIZATION OF COMPLETED PROJECTS

Hon. Salim Edung thru' Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Hon. Speaker, I have another motion that I am doing on behalf of Hon. Salim Edung, MCA, Segera Ward. Hon. Speaker, I beg to give notice of the following motion;

THAT AWARE THAT the County Government has invested significant public resources in infrastructure and development projects aimed at improving service delivery and the livelihoods of County residents;

NOTING WITH CONCERN THAT several completed projects including health facilities, markets, schools, water boreholes, and roads remain unused, underutilized, or non-operational long after completion;

CONCERNED THAT failure to operationalize completed projects not only denies residents the intended benefits but also leads to wastage of public resources, vandalism, and rapid deterioration of infrastructure;

FURTHER NOTING THAT Article 201 of the Constitution of Kenya emphasizes prudent use of public resources and accountability in public finance management;

This House URGES the County Government to;

(i) Conduct a comprehensive audit of all completed but unused development projects across the County.

(ii) Ensure that relevant County Departments should prioritize the staffing, equipping, commissioning, and integration of completed projects into service delivery frameworks.

(iii) Ensure that going forward, no project should be commissioned or considered complete until it is functional, accessible to the public, and integrated into the relevant sector operational budget.

Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

MOTION

COUNTY GOVERNMENT TO ENSURE MAXIMUM UTILIZATION OF COMPLETED PROJECTS

Hon. Salim Edung thru' Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Asante, Mheshimiwa Spika. Kama nilivyoeleza ni kwamba ninaleta huu mswada kwa niaba ya Mheshimiwa kutoka Segera. Hon. Speaker, I beg to move the following motion;

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Asante, Mheshimiwa Spika. Mheshimiwa Spika, kama nilivyosema hapo awali, huu ni mswada ambao nina uendesha kwa niaba ya Mheshimiwa kutoka Segera. Huu mswada unazungumzia mengi kuhusu miradi ambayo inafanyika katika Kaunti yetu ya Laikipia. Bwana Spika, ni vizuri kuelewa ya kwamba miradi yote ambayo inafanywa na Serikali ya Kaunti, inafuata utaratibu ambao umewekwa kwenye bajeti.

Bwana Spika, katika Kaunti yetu, tumekuwa na miradi mingi ambayo inafanywa bila kukamilishwa. Hiyo ndio huleta shida kwa sababu kama hii Bunge imepitisha pesa ya kutengeneza barabara, hiyo barabara inafaa kutengenezwa mpaka mwisho kisha iweze kutumika na wananchi. Bwana Spika, malalamishi ya mwenye mswada siyo tu kwa barabara lakini ni miradi mingine kama hospitali, soko na madarasa.

Bwana Spika, mimi mwenyewe nimeshuhudia miradi ambayo imefanywa na serikali kukosa kukamilika. Mradi wa kwanza ambao nitazungumzia ni wakati tuliingia katika Bunge hili. Serikali iliyokuwepo 2013-2017 kwa sababu niliingia hapa 2017, nilikuta miradi ambayo haijakamilishwa. Unakuta darasa la watoto wa chekeshea limetengenezwa. Tunapojenga darasa bila kuweka vifaa ambavyo vinastahili, inakuwa mradi ambao haujakamilika.

Mradi unafaa kufanywa ili usaidie wale ambao wanakusudiwa kusaidia na huo mradi uwe wa kuleta faida kwa pesa ambazo tumetenga kama Kaunti. Bwana Spika, kutoka hapo kuendelea, tuliweza kuweka kwa bajeti. Kama tunajenga darasa, tujenge darasa ambalo linaisha na kuwekwa vifaa kama viti. Zitengenezwe vizuri mpaka tutenge mahali pa hao Watoto kulala wakimaliza masomo yao. Bwana Spika, hivyo ndivyo inafaa kuwa.

Tunapozungumza, ningetaka Waheshimiwa waelewe ya kwamba huu mswada unazungumzia miradi ambayo haikamiliki. Leo kuna miradi ambayo tunafanya kama vile tunachimbua kisima kisha tunafunika. Bwana Spika, huo mradi ulikuwa usaidie wananchi

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ambao wamechimbua hicho kisima lakini tunachimbua na kufunika. Hii ni kuumanisha ya kwamba tunapata maji lakini haisaidii mwananchi.

Ninazungumza hivyo kwa sababu jana nilikuwa Njogu-ini kuchimba kisima. Tumechimba hadi ikakamilika. Kukamilika ni kuchimbua na kupata maji. Bwana Spika, wananchi hawawezi kutumia hiyo maji mpaka tupate pesa tena ya kuweka vifaa. Hapa ndipo tunazungumzia. Tuko na mashine za kuchimba visima lakini tukichimba, tunafaa tuandamane pamoja na vifaa vingine ili zipimwe.

Bwana Spika, kutoka hapo, tunafaa kuweka tenki na tuweze kusambaza mabomba ili wananchi waweze kusaidika. Tunapozungumza leo, wadi nyingi wako na mashimo kila mahali lakini hayasaidii. Ninashindwa ni ya nini. Ni sawa, tuko nazo lakini tunafaa kuwa na sheria ambayo tukitoboa maji, tuhakikishe ya kwamba wale ambao wako hapo, wamekunywa hayo maji.

Vilevile ni vizuri niseme leo kwamba wafanyikazi ambao wanafanya kazi na Mahsine ya kuchimba kisima, wanaumia na kuteseka kwa sababu nimekuwa hapo jana. Hao wafanyikazi hawana hata vifaa vya kufanyia kazi mbali na mishahara na pesa za ziada. Hawana hata kinga ya mikono wanaposhika chuma. Bwana Spika, chuma inaweza kukukata.

Bwana Spika, kama tunataka kufanya kazi, ningetaka vilevile tuwajali wale ambao wanafaa kufanya hiyo kazi. Kama huyo mtu ataumia, sisi kama Kaunti, tutaanza kusema fulani ameumia na kulikuwa na shida fulani. Sisi kama Bunge la Kaunti ya Laikipia tumetenga pesa mingi. Bwana Spika, miradi ingine ambayo tutazungumzia ni ya soko. Soko inatengenezwa na kuwekwa vizuri ilhali haina maji na choo.

Hiyo soko itatumika vipi. Ni nani ataweza kuitumia. Ni lazima tunapofanya miradi, tufanye mpaka ikamilike. Vilevile Bwana Spika, kuna miradi ambayo ilifanywa na serikali ya kwanza ya Gavana Irungu. Kuna maduka ambayo yaliwekwa kila mahali kama Segera, Pesi na kwingineko. Kuna soko ambazo zilijengwa ilhali hazitumiki.

Mimi ni shahidi kwa sababu ninapoenda Nyahururu, ninapitia Pesi na kuna soko iliyo karibu na mto na haiwezi kutumika. Imejaa miti na wakora ambao wanajificha hapo. Kuna soko ingine nilipata Kimanju ambayo ina maduka na hakuna watu wanazifanyia kazi. Zimetolewa milango na masaa zingine kuna biashara nyingine ambayo inafanyika huko. Bwana Spika, Mheshimiwa ambaye ametoka huko anaweza kukubaliana na mimi kwa sababu hiyo ni pesa ya mwananchi ambayo ilipotezwa.

Bwana Spika, hayo ndio mambo ambayo tunazungumzia kuhusu huu mswada. Bwana Spika, huu ni mswada ambao umekuja kwa wakati ambao unafaa. Bwana Spika, sasa tunaelekea kupitisha bajeti yetu ya Kaunti na tutaipitisha. Kuna miradi ambayo tumeweka. Ile ambayo nimebainisha katika Wadi ya Thingithu ni vizuri sisi kama Waheshimiwa ambao tunapitisha bajeti, tukiweka miradi tutahakikisha pesa ambazo ziko hapo za huo mradi zinatosha kukamilisha.

Vilevile kuna hospitali ambazo tulijenga mwaka uliopita. Hizo miradi zote ziliweza kujenga nyumba tu. Hizo nyumba hazina dawa, madaktari na vifaa. Nyumba haiwezi kuwekwa hapo na kusema ni hospitali. Hiyo ni nyumba umetengeneza. Kwa hivyo, ninaomba Waheshimiwa kama unajua wadi yako inahitaji hospitali kama vile yangu inahitaji zahanati upande wa Njogu-ini, ninafaa kupigania na kuhakikisha ya kwamba tukijenga tutaweka vifaa.

Bwana Spika, tukiweka vifaa, wananchi wa hiyo eneo wataweza kutibiwa hapo. Mwenye mswada amezungumzia kuhusu *Regular Monitoring* ambayo ni muhimu sana ili kuhakikisha miradi inapoanza imefuatiliwa mpaka ikamilike ili kutakapokuwa na changamoto

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zozote, tutaweza kuelewa mapema. Vilevile, wale ambao wanasimamia idara ambazo tuko nazo katika Kaunti yetu ni watu ambao wamehitimu kwa kiwango fulani.

Unapotafuta kazi yeyote katika idara, kuna kiwango fulani cha kuhitimu ambacho kinapeanwa. Ninaamini wale ambao wanafanya kazi hapo, ni watu ambao wako na ujuzi wa hali ya juu kuhakikisha ya kwamba kazi zinafanyika. Bwana Spika, tuko na shida kama watu ambao walichaguliwa kwa kupigiwa kura. Kazi isipofanyika, badala ya mwananchi kulaumu yule ambaye anafaa kuhakikisha miradi inakamilika, analaumu MCA.

Bwana Spika, barabara ikiharibika kama vile wadi yangu ya Thingithu, badala ya mwananchi kuona Gavana, mkandarasi ama afisa katika ofisi ya manunuzi anaona Mwakilishi wa Wadi. Tunakufa kifo ambacho si chetu. Bwana Spika, tunapitisha bajeti hapa lakini wale ambao wanafaa kufanya wanazunguka na viti katika hizo ofisi. Badala ya kuanzisha miradi, wanalegalega.

Kwa hivyo, MCA hawezi fanya ununuzi. Sijapewa jukumu na sheria ya kufanya ununuzi. Mimi sijapewa nafasi ya kuwa CEO wa wizara. Kazi yangu ni kufuatilia na uangalizi na hayo mengine wale ambao wanafaa kutekeleza wakizembea badala ya waonekane, mimi kama MCA ndiye naonekana. Kama MCA tuko na shida. Kila mahali. Hata maji ikikosa ni MCA. Barabara ikiisha, ni MCA. Madawa ikiisha, ni MCA. Sasa hii kazi ya MCA ndiyo ile kazi ndogo sana. Lakini sisi ndio tunabeba mizigo.

Gavana ndiye anafaa kuwa akihakikisha kwamba hospitali ziko na dawa. Barabara zote katika wadi zote ziko sawa. Ahakikishe wafanyikazi wote ambao wanafanya kazi katika wizara wamewajibika vilivyo. Lakini watu wanalegea. Nilisema katika hii Bunge juzi, mimi ningeomba kama kuna sheria tunaweza unda.

Mtu yeyote anakalia kiti chochote ya umma kama hiyo yako Bwana Spika. Wewe unakalia hapo kwa sababu sisi tumekupatia majukumu. Na wewe ukianguka, ni sisi tunaanguka. Na ukianguka tunaanguka na wewe. Na kuanguka na wewe ni kukutoa Bwana Spika; ni kukutoa kwa hiyo kiti.

Wale ambao wanafanya kazi katika hili Bunge. Hawa makatibu wakikosea, ni nani atawaadhibu? Nilikua naomba hata wale wahandisi wako, kama wewe ni ya mhandisi wa barabara unafaa kuwajibika. Barabara ikiharibika tengeneza. Hata kama mhandisi ameshindwa kufanya kazi, tufukuze yeye. MCA amekuwa akilaumiwa kila wakati. Wengine wanalalamika hakuna barabara pengine wadi zingine. Sitataja. Badala ya wahandisi wengine walaumiwe unapata mi MCA analaumiwa.

Vile vile katika miradi ya serikali kuu kama tuliyoanza hapa ya soko imekaa muda. Tangu mwanakandarasi aingie, pale wale akina mama walikuwa pale walihamishwa. Hadi wa leo wako pale wakiwa wamefinyana. Hawa akina mama wako na madeni wanalipa. Wengine wako na chama. Wengine wanafaa kulipa kodi ya nyumba. Lazima ule mradi uishe haraka. Hiyo soko inafaa kuisha kwa miezi mbili ama tatu.

Rais alikuwa pale na akasema yule mwanakandarasi atafanya kazi usiku na mchana. Nilifikiria rais akisema ni sheria. Lakini sijui ni nini hii Kenya. Imekuwa ni kusema lakini haifanyiki. Nilienda hapo usiku kuangalia kama mwanakandarasi anafanya masaa 24, hafanyi na hayuko. Ni kama huyu Rais wetu anatuangusha wakati mwingine.

Ukisema kazi ifanyike, wacha ifanyike. Ndio unaona watu wanamuita majina mengi. Kasongo, Zakayo na zingine kwa sababu akisema hafuatilii. Sisi tunasema tusiitwe kasongo. Wacha tufuatilie. Kila mtu ahakikishe mradi umefanyika. Kwa hayo machache na mengi

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nauliza wajumbe tuungane na tufanye kazi pamoja kwa sababu hii ni serikali ya nusu mkate ambayo tulitafuta kama UDA kisha ikamezwa na ODM.

Unakuta ndio wanaokota na kulipa, ndio wakubwa na tutarudi kichaka tutafute serikali ingine. Tunasema hivyo mchana. ODM wachukue serikali sisi tuwachwe na yetu. Mungu awabariki. Nachukua nafasi hii kumwalika kijana ambaye amechaguliwa na watu wa Nanyuki, Anthony Theuri aweze kuunga mkono huu mswada.

Hon. Anthony Theuri: Asante sana, Bwana Spika. Namshukuru Mheshimiwa Kagondu kwa kunisifu. Sijazoea kwa sababu ni ngumu siku hizi mwanasiasa kupata sifa zozote. Nataka kuwakaribisha wanafunzi wa shule ya Msingi ya Wasichana ya PCEA Nanyuki ambayo imetoka katika wadi yangu. Tumekuwa na wao na hii ni mara ya tatu mfululizo na nawashukuru kwa sababu nimeona sababu ya wao kubobea katika Nyanja zote ni sababu ya uongozi wa walimu wao ambao wamekuwa wakakamavu.

Nimeona mwenzangu kutoka Mashariki mwa Mukogodo akilalamika kusema tunachukua muda mrefu. Ni vizuri niwajulishe wanafunzi wetu kwamba kazi ya MCA ni tatu. Kwanza ni kuwakilisha, pili ni kutunga sheria na tatu ni Uangalizi; kuangalia kama tumetenga pesa ya soko kama vile mmesikia Mheshimiwa Ndiritu akisema hapa kuhakikisha inafanya kazi inayopaswa. Hapa kuna walimu zaidi ya 50 lakini najua leo mtapata kama 10 na mtaelewa mengi yanayofanyika katika hili Bunge.

Naunga mkono huu mswada. Nilikuwa najiuliza nikiwa nimeketi hapa chini, kwa nini tupitie shida hii na hii pesa ni za wananchi? Juzi wakati nilikuwa nimekaa hapa ni vizuri tuwaeleze vizuri hizi pesa tunatumia ovyo zinatoka wapi. Tangu tuingie Mheshimiwa Nicholas, Umija na Lekopien, wote walikuwa wachache lakini sasa wamegeuza meza na serikali imekuwa moja. Hatunung'uniki. Mungu alitujalia kutafuta lakini wao wanakula. Tutatafuta ingine lakini hii tutang'oa meno.

Bwana Spika, ni vizuri tuambie wananchi kwa sababu pia wanafunzi wetu watakuwa walipa kodi miaka ijayo. Naona walimu pia wanalipa. Sijui kama wameangalia marupurupu yao hivi karibuni. Juzi nikiwa nimekaa hapa tulihesabu na wewe ile kodi ambayo tunakatwa. Tukaona ni zaidi ya asilimia 50%. Kumaanisha kama unalipwa 1000 serikali inachukua 500. Katika hio 500 inachukua inaenda wadi ya Segera wanatengeneza vioski na kutumia 10,000,000 ama pesa kiasi fulani kisha wanaachia hapo.

Hio soko haiuziwi kwa sababu haina choo na maji. Inakuwa ni matumizi mabaya ya mali ya mwananchi. Hapo Segera utapata kuna shule haina maji, Choo, Madarasa na wanafunzi. Unajiuliza cha umuhimu ni nini? Ukirudi kwa sheria, kuna kujumuishwa kwa wananchi. Unajiuliza kabla ya soko ama kidimbwi cha maji kuchimbuliwa wananchi walifahamishwa? Sisi tunafanyia wananchi kazi. Tunaenda kwao tunawauliza wanataka nini? Ni barabara, maji ama nini?

Gavana akiingia anakuja anageuza ile nia na kufanya mambo yake. Ndiposa unakuta ile soko wananchi wameweka nyanya na mboga pale lakini tunajua eneo la Laikipia kaskazini ni eneo la mchanga na mifugo. Wangeweka kiwanda cha ngozi na Nyama. Hawa wanafunzi wataona kama hatuna mwelekeo. Hio ni kosa moja nimeona.

La pili, naona mtu akichaguliwa na kutoa mwenzake ambaye alikuwa pale hataki kumaliza miradi yake kwa sababu anaona akimaliza mwingine atachukua sifa. Hio ni upuzi. Wakati natengeneza barabara za Likii, mimi sipitii zote. Wakati Mheshimiwa Lempaira anatengeneza soko kubwa la ng'ombe yeye hajapitisha ng'ombe elfu moja. Lakini pale zaidi

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ya ng'ombe elfu tatu zinapelekwa. Sasa kwa sababu huyu mjumbe anaenda kuchukua kiti cha eneo Bunge, yule MCA atarudi hatamaliza hio kazi?

Kitu ingine ni rushwa. Unapata ukimaliza hutaweza kupata rushwa. Unapata mwingine akiingia na kukuta hili Bunge limenunulia mashine ya kushiba visima na barabara na malori zingine anaona mahali anaweza imbia pesa ni kwa maji. Anatoa pesa kwa barabara anapeleka huko ndio aweze kuiba na wenzake.

Ya mwisho nikimalizia, ni hiyo Mheshimiwa Ndiritu amesema na ni muhimu sana. Kuna watu wale tulikuta kwa hii Bunge na upande tekelezi. Hawana mamlaka na mwananchi ya kuchaguliwa. Yeye wakati mimi nasukumwa na barabara zimeharibika, mataa, wakati nasukumwa na pesa za ufadhili za karo za wanafunzi, makelele na mengine yote, yeye amekaa kwa ofisi vizuri sana. Hana msukumo wowote kutoka kwa wananchi, anafanya kazi polepole.

Ni aibu na niseme hapa na kuangalia mpaka saa hizi. Saa hizi kuna barabara mingi za wananchi ya hazijajengwa. Bwana Spika, kuna barabara ambazo hazijakamilika. Bado siku huko, wanapea wanakandarasi. Bado siku kwa hizo ofisi. Unapata ka wiki mtu anafanya kazi masaa mawili ama manne kwa sababu hana mtu wa kumfuata. Sababu mimi naamini nitakuja kuongoza hili taifa, nitamaliza huu upuzi ya kuita kazi mwajiriwa wa kudumu. Ndio imefanya watu walegee.

Mtu akipata kazi, yeye ni kuingia kazi saa mbili, kungoja chai ya saa nne, kuenda nyumbani, na hakuna mtu anauliza yeye kwa sababu anajua mkubwa fulani. Hiyo ndiyo imeharibu Kenya. Hii Kenya kama hatutafanya kazi na kandarasi, pesa itazidi kupotea. Hao ndio wanarudisha kazi nyuma.

Unakuja unatenga pesa hapa, unaweka pesa ya maji, unaweka pesa ya barabara, hospitali, lakini sababu ya afisa wafisadi, wale walipata kazi kwa njia isiyofaa hawapendi kazi, ndio unakuta hadi katika hii Bunge, kama mko MCA 15, kukifanywa uchaguzi, wanarudi wa 3, ama 4, wale mungu amejiokolea. Lakini sio kwa sababu hafanyi kazi, ni sababu wale watu walichagua wafanyikazi pamoja na wao, ndio wanazembea, wanataka tufananishwe na wao.

Mshahara wangu ninakula na mayatima, wananchi, bibi yangu na marafiki zangu. Yeye anataka tutoshane, na yeye anakula na tumbo yake, hata wengine hawajaoa. Wanataka tuwe kiwango moja.

Bwana Spika, kama hatutabadilisha Sheria hii Kenya, bado tutazidi kuteseka na mwananchi atazidi kuteseka. Tutafukuza *Kasongo*, sababu yeye ni lazima awe *one-term*, tulete mwingine, tuseme half term, lakini hata kama hatutaki kubadilisha sheria kila mtu ajukumike haya mambo hayatawai isha.

Kwa hayo naunga huu mswada mkono, na pia niulize Mheshimiwa Shuel ambaye pia yuko iko hapa afuate. Kwa kadri ya nguvu yetu, tuhakikishe ya kwamba pesa ya mwananchi inatumika vizuri. Ni aibu, kwangu juzi kulikuwa na kisima kilikuwa kimeharibika. Ni kitu ya 500. Unapata imemwaga maji karibu miezi miwili na hilo jukumu ya kufuata hiyo kazi.

Sheria zingine lazima zibadilike. Lazima tufanye hivi ama vile na kabla kitu inunuliwe, mwaka imeisha. Hizo ni vitu tunafaa tubadilishe. Naunga mkono na nawaomba wajumbe wenzangu tuhakikishe tumepitisha na kufuatilia. Asante.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Mugambi Gatati: Thank you, Honourable Speaker. I'm standing on Standing Order No. 34, that;

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Any member may at any time rise in his or her place and seek leave to move the adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent county importance.

POINT OF ORDER

MATTER OF COUNTY IMPORTANCE

Hon. Mugambi Gatati: Hon. Speaker, this morning I delivered a notice to you that I have some matters of urgent importance in this county.

As we are speaking Hon. Speaker, 300 families are sleeping in the cold in Rumuruti due to displacement arising from insecurity at Matigari, in my ward. Two people are dead and 100 children are not attending school. It is so unfortunate with the HBC because I communicated this matter. We cannot talk about roads yet these people do not need roads but to be protected by the so called government that was sworn in to protect the people.

So, I feel pain as a Member representing the people of Salama. I did all the procedures by communicating to the HBC and delivering a notice through the Acting Clerk that we need to address this issue. We cannot talk about water whereas 300 families are sleeping hungry and cannot access their lands and yet we are the representatives of the people. If we cannot stand with our people when they are facing challenges, when shall we stand with them?

Hon. Speaker, we need your guidance as the Assembly because if we do not speak out on this matter, we might even loose more lives. As we are speaking, the County Government of Laikipia has not even visited the affected families. The National Government representatives have also not visited them. So, do we have people who come from Kenya and others from Somali?

Hon. Speaker, we need your guidance so that we can adjourn everything else because whatever we are discussing here can be discussed any other time. We cannot discuss about how to follow completion of projects whereas 300 Laikipians, women and children are suffering. If it were your children who are in that displaced camp, would you come to this Assembly?

That is the question that we should ask ourselves. All we are asking is to resettle the families in their own land and ensure that the children go back to school. 33 homes were put on fire and so even if we were to bring those families home they would not be having shelter. That is why I seek support from the Hon. Members here because injustice anywhere is an injustice everywhere.

Today is my ward which is affected but tomorrow it will be another ward. Imagine 300 families calling you to give them assistance of even water. The County Government of Laikipia cannot provide with our own money to buy water because children and women cannot stay somewhere without water.

I can see everywhere in the constituency; the government is going around empowering people. If you can go around empowering people who are not affected anywhere, why are you not coming to rescue those families so that they can at least get somewhere to call home and bring them some food. So, Hon. Speaker, we need your guidance with all due respect. Thank you.

Speaker: Members, I would like to refer you to Standing Order No. 34 as quoted by the Hon. Mugambi.

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1. *Any Member may at any time rise in his or her place to seek leave to move the adjournment of the Assembly for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent county importance.*

2. *A Member who wishes to seek leave to move the adjournment of the Assembly shall at least two hours before the commencement of the seating hand to the Speaker a written notification of the mater but the Speaker shall refuse to allow the claim, unless the Speaker is satisfied that the matter is definite, urgent and of county importance and may properly be raised on a motion for adjournment of the Assembly.*

3. *If the Speaker is satisfied in terms of paragraph (2) and not less than other ten Members arising in their places and support, the Speaker will nominate a time on the same day at which such a motion will be moved.*

4. *No Member speaking on a mater under this Standing Order shall speak for more than five minutes without the leave of the Assembly expect that the mover may speak for ten minutes.*

Hon. Members, pursuant to our Standing Order No. 34, the Member pursuant to part (1) of 34, raised a matter of county importance. Part two, the Member had given us this notice and it was brought to the HBC. I now want to move to part 3 of the Standing Order of No. 34. *If the Speaker is satisfied in terms of paragraph (2) and not less than other ten Members arising in their places and support, the Speaker will nominate a time on the same day at which such a motion will be moved.*

Hon. Lempaira, do you have something urgent before I make a declaration?

Hon. Nicholas Lempaira: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I stand to support what we are saying but as the HBC, when we decided to make it in the afternoon is because when we follow the Standing Orders and we are less than ten, it will not go through. So that is why we organized and agreed in the HBC that it should come in the afternoon as a part of a planned motion so that we do not fall short of the number required for the support of the urgency of the matter.

Speaker: In that regard mentioned in terms of numbers, allow me to confirm from the Clerk. Do we have to constitute the number stated of not less than ten Members in totality in the House? Confirm to me Clerk on the constituted number.

(Constituted number not confirmed)

Hon. Mugambi and the rest of the Members, I think that therefore we will go according to the decision of the HBC. Pursuant to this Standing Order to be able to attain the number but the HBC anticipating that there could be a possibility that we could not raise a standard of the Standing Order, to put the business in the afternoon. Are you okay with that Hon. Member?

Hon. Mugambi Gatati: Hon. Speaker, we are confusing two things here. The first place, as HBC you never allowed the motion to be taken to tomorrow because in the afternoon is the notice and that is the information that I had gotten from the Clerk. So, my worry is, why discuss other things whereas we have got a matter of county importance.

Sometimes Hon. Speaker, if you get someone who might face death and then someone tells you that you are a doctor and will have to read a book to save this person, this person must assure you with this one. When it comes to a matter of lives, we can even bend the law because as we are speaking right now, I don't know whether those 100 children took breakfast. You

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know, law was written by a man and can also be bent. Sometimes even things we do here we do not follow all the Articles. Human lives can supersede the Articles.

Speaker: I had seen Hon. Mugweru. I don't know whether he wanted to make a comment before I give the way forward.

Hon. Daniel Mugweru: Hon. Speaker, not really a comment but I was trying to get the information clearly because Hon. Mugambi is saying categorically that the HBC was to schedule that and then Hon. Lempaira has said that you thought that we will not be ten Members, which is true because we are nine. My concern is that the HBC themselves are already nine. How did they sit down and say that they don't expect anybody else to come in this House?

Why should you predict that we will not be more than ten? You would rather bring a motion and say that we were supposed to be ten but unfortunately, we are nine, but you cannot predict that I won't come and yet I have not communicated that I won't be coming. Hon. Speaker, I understand the pain that Hon. Mugambi is going through but because the motion has been scheduled in the afternoon, probably it is a difference of two hours and we can work it in the afternoon as a motion as long as we have quorum.

We be assured that this will be the motion in the afternoon to be deliberated. As long as we are here and it comes to such an issue of insecurity, then we don't even need to talk about quorum and all that. We agree that in the afternoon, the motion must be here in the House because it is a matter of county importance and must be treated in a special way. Thank you.

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Members. Allow me to determine as a Speaker. Looking at Standing Order No. 34 (3), allow me to read again. It says; *if the Speaker is satisfied in terms of paragraph (2) and not less than other ten Members arising in their places and support, the Speaker will nominate a time on the same day at which such a motion will be moved.*

I determine that pursuant to Standing Order No. 34 (3), this motion shall proceed today at 2.30 in the afternoon. Thank you. So, we proceed with the motion on the table. Therefore, I would like to open the floor for the Members to be able to contribute. I give the chance to Hon. Gitahi.

Hon. Joseph Gitahi: Thank you, Hon. Speaker for this opportunity. I rise in support of the motion that calls for the audit on all these stalled projects and those that have been abandoned. However, before we proceed, I want to say that I am in full understanding because the Member seated next to me has explained to me about the issues and we will abide by the judgement that you have given so that we may give our input as the representatives of the Laikipia people at 2.30 p.m.

Having said that Mr. Speaker, I want to state on the matter that is before us on the issue of stalled projects and the issue of projects that have not been completed. It is the PFM Act and others accompanying regulations. They have spelt out clearly on the issue of how to initiate a project, the issues of public participation, issues of valuation and oversight. Right from the issues of budgeting, planning and public participation that precedes the two. All these processes are as clear as how the day follows the night on how all these projects should be implemented.

Hon. Speaker, you understand that once projects have been stalled, the first thing is that the public does not get value for money. Hon. Theuri has shared with me the tabulation on how we are getting these monies. It is from the hard-earned money from the people that we represent. It is therefore upon this government to ensure that all projects are implemented to the letter and ensure that there is productivity of these projects.

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Secondly, once projects have stalled, there is the issue of erosion of public trust. If you go to the wards that my fellow MCAs represent here, you will find a lot of mistrust and issues of suspicion whereby the public do not believe in these establishments anymore. The third issue is that once these projects have been stalled, they interrupt the interconnections between these projects and other secondary projects that are meant to serve the public.

If a road is not complete Hon. Speaker, it deters people from accessing markets, health facilities and other social amenities and it is therefore very important so that we may have a seamless flow and a continuity whereby people are able to enjoy all the services that emanates from these projects. Additionally, once we have stalled projects, we incur issues of vandalism, a good example is Githiga Ward.

We have a modern slaughterhouse that we have constructed. However, the project stalled and has not continued. I was sharing with my neighbour here, the MCA from Salama Ward and I was telling him that currently we have got issues of vandalism whereby all doors and all windows have been destroyed. This House will have to sit again and budget for such vandalism. That is why I am saying that once we do not complete these projects as intended by people through public participation, we have got a lot to lose.

I am Happy Hon. Speaker as I end because the motion has prescribed on what should be done and to support it, I would say; let us also have issues of audit so that this Assembly is able to audit all these stalled projects and get an explanation by virtue of us being the representatives of the people. Thus, our people will be explained to as to why these projects are lagging behind.

Hon. Speaker as I finish, I also want to weigh in on issues of procurement because it is a related matter. If you go to the current budget that we are using for 2024/2025, we have a budget where we placed all projects including the ECDE classes. As we are speaking, little have been done in terms of procurement of these classes and the construction of the same.

Another example is in Ndindika Health Centre where in my usual tours I realized that there has been huge procurements of health machines and things which could have assisted us but if you go there, they are only gathering dust. I am saying that this is an injustice to the people in terms of development. Economic injustice is so dire and should be addressed as an urgent matter.

I therefore support that we need to look into these stalled projects. I also want to reiterate and add that we should also be serious in these procurement processes and the timeliness on the procurement. Hon. Theuri had stated on the same issue but Mr. Speaker, when you go to the procurement department and others, you will find a lot of staff. Once we are coming to the end of financial year, this is when we are making rash decisions and this House should address this matter. Hon. Speaker, I don't want to tire these Members with a lot of explanations and I have seen seniors here who have got more important issues to say on this floor. Thank you.

Hon. Denis Kaniaru: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I want to support this motion on the issue of stalled projects. Before I start, I want to congratulate the students who are here from PCEA for their effort. They really show the interest to learn on what happens in the Assembly. Once again, congratulations and continue learning.

Mr. Speaker, concerning the stalled projects, it has been a big menace. You will realize that before any project is done, there must be a public participation. You wonder, if these things come from the public themselves stating that for instance, they need a borehole or a dispensary

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in the area. You wonder when these projects are starting and the procurement and tendering is done, whether the resources that were meant to finish the project were really processed with understanding of the budget or there is someone behind who is not working to ensure that these projects are done.

For instance, Mr. Speaker, if in a certain ward there is an issue of a dispensary, the dispensary is done but at a certain point it does not continue or it is done, finished and equipped. We then find that the personnel who are supposed to be there are not brought or they are not working, that is the nurses and the doctors, you wonder how was it a priority.

This issue on the stalled project is making our areas not develop because I wonder why we should have a dispensary that is not working. There are people who are sick in that area then by the end of the day, we are complaining. I don't know whether this falls to us as a Members of this County Assembly because in one way or the other, we also need to do the monitoring and evaluation on these stalled projects Mr. Speaker.

We need to find time even if it is the two days that we are here on a Thursday or Friday, we go around wards to see what is the problem with these stalled projects because that is part of our work which is oversight. What is happening? Is it that the resources that were allocated were not enough or the personnel who are supposed to be working there are not there or what is wrong?

We also need to come up very clearly as Members of this House and do an audit. We should go to these wards so that we may know if there are those people from various departments who are not working, we make a follow up and know the problem behind the projects that are there. As I conclude, it would be very shameful that members are working very hard to ensure that these projects are done in their wards then by the end of the day they are not operating.

I want to urge it would be of importance, each and every Member we agree and come out of this House and dig deep on what could be the main cause. This is a waste of public resources. We have decided to put a lot of money, more than millions in a certain project then all of a sudden it is not working.

The projects are there and there is a certain ward that I visited last week, where there was a project was started but it was not complete. By the end of the day as one member has said people have started vandalising them. You just find people walking around and making sure that the building is coming down.

It's a big shame to see public funds being misused. Mr. Speaker, the audit needs to be done. If it is the Executive that is not working, we should know because by the end of the day we should finish up this issue and ensure these all projects must be done. We ensure that the money that is allocated is utilised until the project is finished. Mr. Speaker, I rest my case by saying that this follow up must be done, thank you.

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Dennis. Hon. Daniel Mugweru, the floor is yours.

Hon. Daniel Mugweru: Thank you, Hon. Speaker for the opportunity given to me. First, I wish to acknowledge and appreciate the presence of the students from PCEA Girls School. I happen to be a presbyterian and I know the pillars of the presbyterian church is education, health, government and spiritual being. So, when I see them here, I really feel that they are really working hard towards the education part and also governance because this is part of governance. Hon. Speaker, it is a pleasure having them in this House.

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Secondly, before I make my contribution, I know we are going to have the same motion in the afternoon, but Hon. Mugambi, be strong and have hope that nothing is going to happen between now and in the afternoon. I know the speed that you were moving at last week, moving up and down looking for food stuffs for the same people. Be strong, courageous and have hope. Trust in the lord that nothing will happen between now and in the afternoon until we discuss the same motion.

Thirdly, Mr. Speaker on my contribution to this motion, I really like the mover of the motion because Hon. Stephen has moved on behalf of Hon. Salim. I know Hon. Salim didn't just come up with this motion. I know it touches him so much because every time I go to Rumuruti on my way to Segera in between there, there is a market that was done with millions of monies that has never been operational.

I know that could be one of the things that has triggered Hon. Salim to move this motion. Hon. Speaker, not just Segera but most of our wards including my ward, there is a market that was started over 8 years ago and until today, it has never become operational. That is government money that has been wasted there which could have done better for the community.

Hon. Speaker, there are so many things that surround the same motion, such as facilities in this county like dispensaries and health centres. We start a dispensary then we fail to staff them. The same dispensary is of no use to the community. So, there is a lot in the same motion because we need to complete our projects, work on equipping the same projects and staff them so that they can be operational.

There are so many ECDE's centres in this county that we have constructed and unfortunately, there are no furniture. I don't know how they are expected to operate. We have so many hospitals and dispensaries that have been started and the worst part even is not starting because you can start and probably you do not have enough resources to complete which is in order.

The most unfortunate thing is that the entire government goes there and launches the project knowing very well it is not equipped, it doesn't have staff and there are so many things that are required. We need to wake up because most of the time we may not have enough funds to construct, equip and staff.

Anytime we construct Mr. Speaker, we should not just go there for political mileage and say we are launching the same project. We should leave it at that until we equip and staff because if you look like a dispensary, if you want to launch a good dispensary, you need to go to a dispensary that is already complete with equipment and the same day of launching we should even give free medical services because it has started working.

In this county, you will find the whole government and I don't want to mention specific people but I am saying the whole government going to launch a borehole and we definitely know that we are going to drill and not equipping yet we are launching. What are we launching? The intention of the borehole was to give people water.

You know very well that if you drill and not equip, then that surface is incomplete and so the end result is not there. Some of these things we need to think as a government, we wake up the Assembly and the Executive because we have a role to play Mr. Speaker. Why would a Member of the County Assembly like myself budget to drill another borehole while the previous year I had a borehole that was not equipped?

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That is also part of our failure as a government and as an Assembly. We need to wake up and say that we have projects that were constructed; we do not need to do new ones until the old ones are operational. We also call upon the CEO of the County, that is, the Governor, and the CECMs and CO's; there is no point in driving vehicles to lunch an incomplete project.

There is no point in the entire government going to launch a borehole that has only been drilled and not equipped, and call the community there to celebrate you on that day yet they will cry in future. There is no point of opening a hospital… Let me give an example from my ward; that is why I said there is a lot to discuss in this motion. There is a dispensary that was launched about three and a half years ago. Up to this day, the dispensary has only one staff member who operates there.

Each month, that nurse comes to the Teaching and Referral Hospital for two weeks and whenever she leaves, that hospital is closed. She was on maternity leave for three months and the dispensary was closed for those three months. I wonder what we are doing exactly. Even the contractor who constructed that hospital about five years ago has never been paid. This is what we are doing as a government, we are killing our people slowly.

We misuse government money or money collected from the community. Secondly, we killed the contractor. Thirdly, the hospital is not operational. So, as a government we are surrounded by criminal elements. All these projects – schools, boreholes, roads… You have a road that is perhaps meant to link two tarmac roads and you only gravel it and leave it like that. You have not completed the mission. The important thing was to help people access the tarmac from their homesteads, but now you have left it in-between.

Hon. Speaker, there is a lot to be discussed in this. Blaming people who launch incomplete projects as well as the people who make a budget for new projects whereas we have incomplete ones. All of us must carry this burden so that we can make this County better and great. I support and hope that the Implementation Committee will make a serious follow-up on this. We have spoken several times about the Implementation Committee and until now, I do not even know its Members. They need to wake up and do something on this one. Thank you.

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Mugweru. Allow me to give the chance to Hon. Nyokabi.

Hon. Catherine Kibue: Asante sana, Bwana Spika. Kwanza, nachukua fursa hii kuwakaribisha wanafunzi wa PCEA katika Bunge letu kwa sababu hao ndio viongozi wa kesho. Namshukuru aliyeleta huu mswada kwenye Bunge kwa sababu sio Mheshimiwa Salim pekee ameumia, tuko wengi ambao tumeumia. Mengi yamesemwa, lakini ombi langu ni kwa Kamati ya Bajeti. Tulipokuwa kwenye mkutano wa bajeti Nakuru, niliwaomba kitu kimoja: tuwache kujenga miradi mipya.

Kwa mfano, katika wadi yangu kuna zahanati mbili zilizojengwa bali hazifanyi kazi. Basi ni za nini? Mnasema tujenge zingine, si zilizoko kwanza zifanye kazi? Tuko hapo kuwasaidia wananchi, hatuko hapa kuonekana tunajenga tu au kufanya kazi. Tuko hapa kuwajali wananchi waliotuleta hapa. Ombi langu ni kwa Kamati ya Bajeti, na nadhani aliyeuleta mswada ni mwanachama wa Kamati ya Bajeti.

Mheshimiwa Kagondu, hata kama sisi ni binadamu, uangalie hayo maneno. Tukisema ni kujenga, tutapoteza tu pesa ya wananchi ilhali wanataka kuona umuhimu wa sisi kuja hapa. Sisi tulikuja hapa kwa sababu sote hatuwezi kuwa hapa, kwa hivyo tuko hapa kuwawakilisha. Mimi natetea upande wa hospitali na maji kwa sababu hayo ndio yana shida kwenye wadi yangu. Nawaomba Wabunge tupitishe huu mswada, na bajeti ikija sisi wote tuwe hapa. Tusianzishe miradi mipya, tutekeleze kwanza ile iliyopo. Asante.

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Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Member representing Ngobit Ward. Now I give the floor to Hon. Lempaira, Member for Mukogodo West.

Hon. Nicholas Lempaira: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I stand in support of the motion. This issue of stalled projects is affecting all of us, especially in the Health, Water and Infrastructure departments. That is why in this budget we had agreed as Members of the Assembly that we will not allow the Health Department to continue constructing new dispensaries while those ones which have already been constructed are not well equipped and dysfunctional. It is like we are not looking at the value for money every time we set this budget.

One of the Members just said that sometimes we do not get access to these audit reports, we just see them on the internet and on social media. It is good that the committee responsible, every time there is an audit report from the Controller of Budget, we get time to go through it, discuss as Members and make a decision. Unfortunately, Mr. Speaker, we have been discussing motions and debating here since the day we entered this Assembly. However, when you look at the implementation of these motions, it is like we are just empty containers. We make too much noise yet nothing is happening.

That is why you see my colleagues from the UDA party now want to look for excuses why the government they were elected in is failing. We are in the broad-based government but the ball lies with you, the UDA party. Whether you like it or not, you are the ones carrying that burden, and we are only helping you to do what you have failed to do. Therefore, we want to concentrate on County affairs more and leave the National Government to the people who are supposed to do the oversight there.

Hon. Speaker, I want to urge this House, especially the Implementation Committee… and that is why you see some of us sometimes not even coming to the Assembly. We discuss very crucial issues here and pass motions yet I do not think anyone even has a record of what we have discussed since we came here. I am even fearful that one of these days when we impeach a CECM, they will just continue working because nothing is going to be implemented. I do not know whether this information does not reach the Executive or what.

Mr. Speaker, on your way to Doldol there is a small town in Segera Ward called Naibor. You will see shopping stalls there that were put up by the first County Government led by Governor Joshua Irungu. All of them have collapsed by the roadside and the County Government is doing nothing about it, therefore the money that was put aside for that project is just going to waste.

Look at the roads, for example, this leasing programme. The fuel and infrastructure program that we have. We have two months to the end of another financial year yet up to now, they have not even come to Mukogodo West concerning that fuel programme so that the roads in Mukogodo West can also be done. We have, I do not know, two or three, and going to another ward is a problem. I think we also need to wake up as Members of the Assembly. The respective committees need to do their oversight role as required so that we can see where the problem is.

There are also delay tactics by these COs so that most of these projects can end up in pending bills. I do not know what is sweet about this budget going into pending bills. I want to ask these Members that even before we pass this budget, let us look at the COs with pending bills. If someone has high pending bills, it means that that department has failed and does not even require to be given any money.

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The worst part is that when you look at the consumption of our budget, it does not even take three months before they start complaining that they have no fuel, yet the projects they are supposed to oversight have not even started. You just wonder what is happening. Therefore, Mr. Speaker, there are a lot of things that need to be done so that we do not just get projects on paper but on the ground and give value to the specific areas that are targeted.

I also want to say sorry to the people of Salama for what they are going through. This issue of insecurity has become a problem for all of us, especially the people of Laikipia North. Part of Salama is in Laikipia North, and sometimes when we say we have serious security issues, we do not see the people who are responsible. At 2.30 we will be here to discuss this motion and see if what we agree will be implemented, because I am wondering whether we have ever passed anything in this Assembly and it ended up being implemented.

Mr. Speaker, it is time that your office came out clearly and told us how many motions we have passed and how many have been implemented, so that if they do not get implemented, we do not come here and say things that are just recorded but nothing gets implemented. Thank you. I support the motion.

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Lempaira. I now call upon the mover of the motion to reply.

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Asante, Mheshimiwa Spika. Kwanza, nataka kuwashukuru Wabunge wa mchango wao katika huu mswada. Huu ni mswada ulio na uzito wa aina yake. Kama ambavyo Wabunge wameeleza umuhimu wa hii miradi kutekelezwa, jukumu la serikali ni kuhakikisha kazi imefanyika na hivyo ndivyo tunataka kama Nyumba.

Wabunge wameeleza, sio tu katika mswada pekee bali pia kutokana na wanayopitia. Kabla nimalize, nataka kuunga mkono mswada ambao ni wa umuhimu katika Kaunti na ambao umeletwa na Mheshimiwa Mugambi. Sitazungumza kuihusu kwa sababu ushatoa uamuzi. Hebu tu nimtulize Mheshimiwa Mugambi moyo kwa kumueleza kwamba ni jukumu letu kama Bunge kuhakikisha ya kwamba tunazungumza kuhusu yale yanayotendeka katika wadi zetu, hapa ndani ya Bunge. Tutayazungumza hata tukiwa tumelala kwa sababu sisi tuko hapa kuhakikisha ya kwamba tunalinda mwananchi wetu.

Nimesikia akiwa na huzuni kwa vile hakuna yeyote aliyetembea huko. Tunayo serikali kuu na ya Kaunti. Watoto wanateseka. Akina mama wanateseka. Watoto wanastahili kuenda shuleni bali hawajaenda. Hawajamkosea yeyote wala hawana lolote wanaloelewa kuhusu hii vita. Kwa hivyo, hilo ni jambo ambalo limenigusa roho na tutalizungumza kwa upana saa nane. Kama ambavyo Wabunge wamesema, tuhakikishe kuwa haya mambo yametekelezwa. Sitataja mengi kwa vile yote yamesemwa.

Kwa kufunga tu, nasema kuwa lazima tuhakikishe miradi yote imetekelezwa. Tulio kwenye Kamati ya Bajeti, mmesikia Mheshimiwa Catherine akiteta kwamba tuweke miradi inayoweza kumalizika haraka. Nimweleze kwamba hata yeye yuko hapo. Hakuna mradi ambao sisi tutapitisha, uwe wa Wadi ya Ngobit, Salama au nyingine bila mwenye wadi kuwa hapo. Kwa hivyo, tuungane kuhakikisha kuwa miradi yote imetekelezwa.

La mwisho, kwa sababu ni kufunga tunafunga, nataka kushukuru shule ambayo imewaleta wanafunzi hapa. Wamewaleta mfululizo kutoka wiki iliyopita. Ningewaomba tu waweze kuendelea kusoma mengi ili wajue ni yapi tunayofanya hapa Bungeni. Vilevile, nawahimiza kuwa wanapokuja hapa, waelewe tunayoyafanya. Nawaambia pia waalimu wa hawa watoto wawape nafasi ya kuzungumza lugha zote. Ikiwezekana, hata lugha ya taifa, Kiswahili, ambayo mimi naipenda kama nyama, na kuizungumza ninapowatetea watu wangu. Hebu wawe na nafasi ya kuzungumza Kiswahili shuleni

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Mheshimiwa Spika, Kiswahili kitukuzwe. Kiswahili ni chetu na ni lugha ya taifa. Ni lugha inayozungumzwa kila mahali. Kiingereza ni lugha ya Wakoloni bali ni nzuri kwa sababu tunaelewana sote. Kwa hivyo, ningeomba hii lugha itukuzwe na kutiliwa maanani na kuchukuliwa kama masomo yanayoweza kukutoa mahali pamoja hadi pengine. Nawaomba Wabunge kwamba tuupitishe huu mswada pasi na kusita au kufikiria mambo mengine. Huu ni mswada tunaostahili kupitisha hata tukiwa tumefunga macho. Asante, na ninakubaliana na Wabunge wote.

(Question put and agreed to)

ADJOURNMENT

Speaker: The sittings of this House now stand adjourned until later today, Tuesday, 10th June 2025 at 2.30 p.m.

The House rose at 11.35 a.m.

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