# REPUBLIC OF KENYA

## COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAIKIPIA

### THE HANSARD

**Tuesday, 3rd March, 2026**

*The House met at the Assembly Chambers at 2.30 p.m.*

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

PRAYERS

**QUORUM CALL**

**Speaker:** Clerk confirm whether we have quorum?

*(Lack of quorum confirmed)*

**Speaker:** Without quorum I direct the bell to be rang for 10 minutes.

*(The bell was rang for 5 minutes)*

**Hon. Simon Kanyutu**: Hon. Speaker, I think we are full House.

**Speaker:** Clerk confirm whether we have quorum now?

*(Clerk confirmed achievement of Quorum)*

**PAPERS LAID**

CFSP PUBLIC PARTICIPATION REPORT, DMSP AND CFSP

**Hon. John Gichuki**: Mr. Speaker I beg to lay the following papers;

a) Public participation report on the County Fiscal Strategy Paper (CFSP) and Debt Management Strategy Paper (DMSP) 2026-2027.

b) The Debt Management Strategy paper (DMSP) 2026-2027 to 2028-2029.

c) The County Fiscal Strategic Paper (CFSP) 2026.

*(Hon Gichuki laid the papers on the Table of the House)*

**Speaker:** Thank you, Honourable John Gichuki. The three papers stand committed to Budget and Appropriation Committee.

**NOTICE OF MOTION**

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Asante Bwana Spika. Nimeleta huu mswada ndio nizungumzie mambo muhimu ambayo katika katiba letu la Kenya linapea mwanancghia haki ya kuweza kutibiwa na pazuri na bora. Sisi kama Kaunti tuwe tumejipanga.

Bwana Spika, ukumbuke mimi nimechaguliwa na watu wa Thingithu ili niweze kuwawakilisha kwa kila jambo. Ni vyema tuelewe huwezi ongoza watu wagonjwa. Huwezi ongoza watu ambao hawawezi kujimudu kiafya. Ndio maana nimeonelea tuwe na mjadala kama huu ambao unaomba serikali ya Kaunti kushikana na mashirika ya serikali kuu kuhakikisha kwamba tumepata vifaa ambavyo vitafunza afisa wa afya, daktari na wauguzi kwa kazi zote.

Bwana Spika, katika Laikipia hatuna KMTC. Ile moja najua iko Igwamiti na sijui Mheshimiwa Wachuka kutoka Igwamiti ataniambia kama inafanya kazi ama haifanyi maana kuna wakati nilipata wanafunzi na mavazi ya zambarau. Unaweza kuta hio KMTC wale

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wanafunzi wako mahali pale pengine sio wa Kaunti yetu. Wengine wametoka Nyandarua na sehemu zingine mbalimbali.

Bwana Spika, tunahitaji kama tuko nayo upende ule basi tuwe nayo hapa Nanyuki. Itasaidia wananchi wale ambao wanaenda Nyahururu. Tuko na shamba ya kutosha. Tuko na madaktari ambao wamehitimu na tunaweza kutumia vilevile kufunza wengine ambao ni wapya. Katika upande wa Kaskazini vilevile hakuna. Tukiwaleta Nanyuki, tuwe na shule kama hio itasaidia watoto wetu na pia mtaa wetu.

Bwana Spika, ikubukwe Rumuruti imekuwa mtaa mkuu. Wakati tutatoa Bunge hapa na pia maafisi zingine za serikali itamaanisha Nanyuki haitakuwa na jambo la kujivunia. Hio ni mojawapo ya kuhakikisha tukiwa na KMTC uchumi utakua. Shule ikiwa hapa, mtoto kutoka Olmoran atakuja hapa. Akitoka Sosian atakuja hapa na tutajivunia shule ambayo inatayarisha madaktari.

Bwana Spika, hata kama kungekuwa na shule ya kufunza mtu awe MCA ningeomba ikuwe Thingithu maana sitaishi kuwa MCA. Kuna wengine watakuja. Katika hii sekta ya afya wale madaktari wako hawataishi. Kuna watoto watakuwa madaktari. Ni vizuri kujitayarisha na kuwa na watu watafanya kazi kesho. Naona ni jambo mzuri.

Jambo lingine Bwana Spika, katika haya maneno ya kuwa na KMTC, hili Bunge pia tuwe na nafasi ya kupeleka Bunge mashinani. Kule Githiga hasa Matuiku na Kinamba, kuna watu wangetaka kuwa MCA. Watajua aje kama hawatapewa nafasi ya kuwa na Bunge mashinani. Tuwe na Bunge mashinani Githiga na Thingithu. Siku moja tunapeleka Bunge pale soko mzee, pia majengo, Baraka na wale watu wanatamani kuwa MCA wajue mahali pa kuanza na kumalizia. Mimi nikiingia hili Bunge kulikuwa na changamoto kubwa sana. Mijadala kujua mahali huanza na kumalizia ilikuwa shida. Ukiwa na mwakenya kidogo utaelekezwa.

Hio ndio njia moja ya kupatia nafasi ya kujua ni nini tunafanya. Ikifanyika hivyo utajua vile mambo itakuwa hata bila kuongea mambo mengi. Hii shida tuko nayo itaisha. Tukienda kama Bunge huko kuna vile nitapanga maneno yangu iwe laini. Hayo ndiyo maneno nataka tuhudumie wakenya. Kwa hayo machache kwa sababu najua sina muda mwingi, naomba Mheshimiwa Anthony Theuri aniunge mkono kwa huu mswada wa kuwa na KMTC Nanyuki town.

Ninajua yeye ndiye Mheshimiwa wa Wadi ya Nanyuki. Bwana Spika, mimi sijipendi wakati nimesema iende Nanyuki. Si kwa sababu sipendi watu wa kwangu lakini ikiwa hapo, itasaidia watu wa Thingithu, Ngobit, Githiga na Chumvi. Pia watu wa kutoka Rumuruti na Sosian watakuja na tutawapatia nafasi na mji wetu utakua. Kwa hayo machache, ninamkaribisha Mheshimiwa Wambui ili aweze kuafiki huu mswada.

**Hon. Anthony Theuri:** Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I rise in the support of the motion despite the places that have been accorded to me. I am humbled and I believe it comes from his heart. I want to remind the Hon. Stephen that Nanyuki and Thingithu Wards are one and the same thing. We are brothers if not sisters. So, if anything is in Thingithu, I am well served and I feel at home. If anything is in Nanyuki Ward, likewise considering that he has a slaughterhouse in Thingithu, he usually makes sure that we have meat well adequately around the region.

Regardless of the said, I want to thank this House more so H.E the Governor and the whole Cabinet if not the Executive not forgetting the Budget Committee for considering my request. By now, you are not very new to Nanyuki. You know Nanyuki, despite that we have a very big name and everything that we have here. At this age Mr. Speaker and I am

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approaching my 40s, we don't have any institution in Nanyuki. The only institution we have in Nanyuki, it is a shame because I cannot count Prison Nanyuki as an institution.

I cannot count Nanyuki Police Station as an institution. Mr. Speaker I am reminded of the law courts. Mr. Speaker, we don't have even a campus. Those people that are in this House who are well graced to have the degrees regardless of their speciality, they can tell you they have to travel to Karatina, Nyeri, if not Nairobi. Can you compare Nanyuki Town with Meru? The other day we went to Meru for sports and I can tell you this House really enjoyed because Meru is vibrant. They have countless institutions; Meru University, Meru teachers, Meru technical among many others.

Mr. Speaker, when we have such an institution as KMTC, it means that even the economy is going to grow robustly. That is what we are speaking about going to Singapore, Mr. Speaker, having KMTC, it doesn't mean that I change my tune. You know for us, the first time I was here and the fracas or the politics of the day, I cannot say one term because I don't know what I'm saying one term to. I might be saying one term, and my enemies are celebrating. They are saying he is cursing himself.

Mr. Speaker, some terminologies cannot come from my mouth. Despite having my own reservation, I must be careful with what I'm saying. What I am saying is in line with our manifesto. We promised our people healthcare. You cannot have a health care if you are inadequately equipped. Mr. Speaker. If you don't have enough staff, now that you're going to have nurses, clinic officers, they must have houses to live in.

If you have to have a house, they must eat. More so, it is going to encourage our students and our brothers and sisters who are below us and behind us to learn more. If you look at the literacy level in Meru, comparing them in Laikipia East and Laikipia North and more so Nyeri we are far behind. Mr. Speaker, it is not only that you don't have good mind. We have geniuses.

Mr. Speaker, you can imagine that I come from a humble background in Likii. Compare if I went to Starehe and I'm not boasting? Can you imagine if I went to Alliance? That was not within my reach. It is not that I don't have a sharp mind. We do have sharp minds but the environment was not favouring us. I pray and it is a shame. Hon. Speaker, the one person who was praying that we protect him is now the tormentor here. He is using his phone. Just a few minutes ago, he was begging for you to protect him. Now he is tormenting his seconder.

I am trying to say that it is a shame that such good agendas and you know hospital is for everyone. I am not boasting. I'm only geographically favoured to have KMTC in Nanyuki. What most of this House might not know is that Nanyuki Referral Hospital is at the borderline between Nanyuki and Thingithu. In fact, it is the borderline. I'm not going to pronounce it. What I am trying to say here despite the confusion that the enemy is trying to bring here you can imagine such a good noble idea. In fact, this is a billion economy that is coming to Nanyuki.

The sponsorship, the good name, and all things that are private here, someone went to court to block it. He does not want it. No, it is in his House. He wants to block the hospital. He wants us to have to enjoy the literacy if it is going to be enjoyed. I have considered here and said that we don't have a single institution and a college even for the early childhood education. The biggest thing we have is only the Nanyuki Vocational Training (Polytechnic).

Mr. Speaker, we don't have and whenever the leader acts upon us, we are very busy going to court because of ignorance and small misunderstandings. It is a shame that we are fighting amongst ourselves. I pray that this House with the wisdom that is bestowed upon them

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and the favour that God has bestowed upon them, they are going to support this motion and they are going to make sure that we have the KMTC in Nanyuki.

I can tell you this is not only going to be beneficial to the people of Laikipia East and Laikipia North but even to the areas from Nyeri, Meru, and others. Mr. Speaker, it is going to change not only the economy but even the livelihood of this community in Nanyuki. I ask this House, the Honourable Members to kindly support this motion. Mr. Speaker, even when the budget comes because the money that has been allocated is not enough, I ask the Budget Committee us included to consider it and add more funds so that we can change the value and the lives of the good people.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I support, once again, not only this but even the other agendas that are coming to this House provided that we are going to change the lives of Nanyuki and Laikipia. Count me in without apology. Thank you.

*(Question proposed)*

**Hon. Irene Wachuka:** Asante sana, Bwana Spika. Kwanza ninamshukuru Mheshimiwa Ndiritu kwa kuleta huu mjadala. Huu mjadala ni muhimu sana. Nimesikia wakati Mheshimiwa Ndiritu alikuwa anausoma ameguzia KMTC ya Nyahururu ambayo ni ya Kenya nzima. Inachukua watoto Kenya nzima. Shule ambayo tunatarajia Kujenga Nanyuki, kwanza itakuwa inachukua asilimia 80 ama 90 ya wanafunzi kutoka Kaunti ya Laikipia.

Hili ni jambo la muhimu sana. Niko na huzuni kuona mtu ambaye amechaguliwa na Wanjiku ili nimwakilishe nikiwa wa kwanza kupeleka maneno kortini. Haya maneno ambayo yamepelekwa kortini si ya Gavana. Gavana akiondoka, Laikipia itaendelea. Mheshimiwa Wachuka akiondoka kwenye kiti cha Wadi ya Igwamiti, Igwamiti itaendelea. Tunatakiwa sisi Waheshimiwa tuombe mwenyezi Mungu ili hii kesi iondolewe.

Tumekaa chini na Waziri wa Afya, Bwana Taiti na akaniambia watoto wote ambao wako hapa si wa Laikipia ila ni Kenya nzima. Mwanzilishi wa KMTC ya Ol Kalau na Nyahururu yuko KMTC ya Nairobi. Juzi wakati nilisema ninapeleka mtoto nilimkuta huko akiwa mkubwa. Kuna mambo tunatakiwa kuangalia wakati tunaleta maneno hapa. Kama vile Mheshimiwa Ndiritu ameleta, haya si mambo ya mzaha, yana uzito kwa sababu wakati tutaondoka kwenye viti, tutaambia watoto na wajukuu tulifanya nini.

Leo tukianzisha KMTC hapa Nanyuki itasaidia vizazi na vizazi. Wanasiasa wengine tunapeleka maneno EACC na hatujui ni nini tunaenda kufanya. Haujui kama itakuguza. Ngojeni wakati tunakuja hapa tuwe makini na yale ambayo yametuleta. Ninamuomba Mwenyezi Mungu na Mwenyekiti wa Kamati ya Bajeti, wakati mambo yanayohusu KMTC yataletwa hapa Nanyuki, itakuwa imekaribia watu wa Kaskazini mwa Laikipia na Magharibi mwa Laikipia.

Nikileta watoto kutoka Igwamiti, watachukuliwa. Watu kutoka Nyeri hawatachukuliwa mbele ya watoto wangu kutoka Laikipia. Siongei mambo ya siasa kwa sababu ikifika wakati wa Siasa, tutazichapa lakini ikiwa unaleta mchezo hapa wewe ngoja watu wang'angane. Bwana Spika, sio kwa ubaya lakini kuna mambo hatufai kuleta mchezo.

Kama sitaki kuona Mheshimiwa Mwaniki ama Mheshimiwa Leshuel hapa, mjadala wa kusaidia wananchi ukiletwa hapa tuchangie. Ikifika ni wakati wa bajeti tuangalie. Pengine watoto ambao wananiita nyanya ndio watakuwa madaktari ilhali unazuia. Kwa nini unazuia ilhali wewe si daktari. Wewe ni mwanasiasa. Ninaongea nikiwa na uchungu sana. Ninajua ni nini kinatendeka na kuendelea.

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Ikifika wakati utakosa mshahara, wale ambao wameteuliwa wadi kumi na tano msifikiri kuna wadi itapatiwa pesa. Kila kitu kitasimama. Tusichukulie mambo mengine kuwa siasa. Kwa hayo mengi na machache, sitaendelea. Niko na uchungu kuona kuna kitu muhimu kinasimamishwa. Laikipia hatuna kitu kingine. Tukiletewa KMTC hapa tutafurahi. Tuko na watu kutoka KDF.

Ukienda Kaskazini mwa Laikipia, kwa sababu ya mbuzi na ng'ombe, nyama inatoka hapo. Kuna vitu tunaweza kujivunia. Katika Magharibi mwa Laikipia, tuko na ngano, mahindi, viazi na mambo mengine kama *Thompson Falls* na Kenya nzima inakuja kuangalia. Hii si ya watu kutoka Igwamiti, ni ya wanalaikipia na nchi nzima ya Kenya. Kuna mambo ningetaka kusema na sitaki kupendwa.

Bwana Spika ninakuomba ruhusa unilinde ndio niseme kama ni mbaya ni mbaya. Kila wakati hatutakaa hapa kupiga makofi wakati mambo inaharibika. Sisi tutaulizwa na wale watu walituleta. Tuko Waheshimiwa kumi na tano ambao walichaguliwa katika kila wadi na watu watakuja kutuuliza maswali.

*Wanjiku* akijua ya kwamba haya mambo yalipelekwa kortini, ili kuzuia bajeti, bajeti si ya Irungu. Mheshimiwa Irungu yuko karibu kumaliza miaka yake ili aende na kutakuja Gavana mwingine. Sisi wote tunarudi hapa na tutaendelea. Waheshimiwa tusichukulie hili jambo kwa mzaha. Kuna mambo ambayo yako na uchungu hata kama sina nguvu lakini kuna Mungu juu Bunguni.

Tarehe ishirini na tatu tutaenda kupiga magoti ili hiyo kesi iondoke. Ninaongea hivi nikiwa na uchungu sana na mambo yataendelea. Hii Kaunti ni muhimu kuliko Wachuka. Leo nikiondoka, Igwamiti itaendelea na kutakuja Mheshimiwa mwingine ambaye ataendeleza mahali nimesimamisha. Wakati tunacheza na mambo ya hii Kaunti, ujue unacheza na maisha ya watu wengi sana katika Laikipia na si Igwamiti. Kwa hayo mengi na machache, ninashukuru. Mheshimiwa Ndiritu uendelee, ninakushukuru.

**Hon. Catherine Nyokabi:** Asante sana, Bwana Spika. Kwanza, namshukuru Maulana kwa kuwa tuko hapa na sote tuko sawa. Nataka kuchukua fursa hii kumpa kongole Mheshimiwa Shuel ambaye wiki iliyopita alipitishwa na Wabunge wa hii Nyumba, kumpa kiti ambacho tunaona, kwa hakika, anakifanyia kazi. Nilipofika pale nje niliongea naye mawili matatu nikamwuliza; halmashauri ilikutana jana, mmesema nini kuhusu hili Bunge? Amenipa taarifa, na wenye walikuwa naye wamejua wana mtu wa kuwawakilisha kwenye lile bodi.

Pili, Mheshimiwa Spika, namshukuru Mheshimiwa Kagondu ambaye ni mkubwa wangu. Jinsi anavyofanya kazi siku hizi, iwapo ningeulizwa, ningempa cheo kingine na kusema tatu bila mapumziko. Kusingekuwa na Mheshimiwa kama yeye kwenye hili Bunge, halingekuwa vile liko. Anachapa kazi hakika. Kwa hivyo, nampa kongole na kumwambia aendelee vivyo hivyo, nasi tuko nyuma yake. Sisi ndio Sifuna wa hili Bunge, kwa hivyo usitishwe na yeyote. Unapotaka tupite, hapo ndipo tutapita.

Kabla nichangie mswada ambao umeletwa, tulikuwa kwenye hili Bunge juma lililopita. Kuna ujumbe ambao hatujapata kwenye simu zetu. Bado tunangoja. Uzuri wangu ni kwamba mimi ni wa kanisa la AIPCA ambapo ukileta ujinga, tunaweka madhabahu kando kwanza na kukushughulikia. Nasema mchana peupe, na Mheshimiwa Mwaniki ni mshirika wangu, kuna yenye tulipitisha wiki iliyopita ila bado hujatupa ripoti tumefika wapi. Hili Jumba ni letu na ni lazima tulisafishe. Lazima kazi iendelee. Hatukuja hapa kupendana. Iwapo hufanyi kazi, kaa kando wenye wako tayari kufanya kazi waendelee.

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Simsifu ndugu yangu bure. Ukienda kwenye HANSARD, utaona kuwa miswada mingi yenye imeletwa naye kwenye hili Bunge. Siku nilipowapata kwenye mkutano wa bajeti na kuwalilia, niliwaambia nataka kiwanda cha maziwa pale kwangu Makutano. Ndugu yangu alileta mswada kwenye hili Bunge. Hakuwa na kinyongo. Sasa Mheshimiwa Anthony Theuri wa wadi ya Nanyuki amemlilia kwamba anataka chuo cha KMTC kianzishwe hapa Nanyuki. Yeye hana upendeleo, anasema mradi tu chuo kiwe kwenye Kaunti ya Laikipia. Yeye anasimama nasi sote. Huo ndio usawa tunaohitaji kwenye hii kaunti yetu.

Nikimaliza, Mheshimiwa Spika, mwingine ninayetaka kumpa kongole ni Gavana wetu, Joshua Irungu. Akiketi kwenye mkutano wa mawaziri wake, habagui wadi bali anatutambua sote kwa usawa. Mbona anafanya hivyo? Ni kwa sababu tumeonyesha kwenye hili Jumba letu kwamba tukikaa pamoja kila kitu kitawezekana. Kidole kimoja hakijawahi kuvunja chawa. Nataka kumtia ndugu yangu nguvu. Asitishwe na yeyote. Sisi tuko nyuma yake. Akina Sifuna wako kwenye hii Nyumba, na sisi ndio Sifuna wa Kaunti ya Laikipia. Asante.

**Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Nyokabi. Hon. Kanyutu had pressed before you, Hon. Gitahi. Proceed, Hon. Kanyutu.

**Hon. Simon Kanyutu:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I stand to support this motion. I do not know whether it is me who has sat on the lower back of the Whip because the Hon. Member has stated that we are behind. I do not know, because on the other part he is facing the other side. However, we have to appreciate the work that he is doing.

Mr. Speaker, I am a bit concerned because each and every Member is stating that once we have our KMTC in Nanyuki, it will be a Laikipia thing. My concern is, I had a son who was searching for a position in KMTC. He could not get it in Nyahururu but got a chance in Ol Kalau. If we have the facility here, it will not be for the whole of Laikipia. During recruitment, it is done countrywide. You will find people from Kisumu here.

If a KMTC campus is set up here, lecturers will come from all over the country. The same case goes for students. That is unless we make it private. The Hon. Member has stated that we have ample land here. If there is none, I am sure it is more than excess in Rumuruti. I would not wish that it be taken to Marmanet. However, Rumuruti being our county headquarters, it can be beneficial to us. If we have ample land here, though, we should not deny it.

Mr. Speaker, during lunchtime I went on foot to Nyeri and came back. I ate lunch in Nyeri. So, there is no way you can deny somebody who is in Nyeri a chance to join the institution. It is funny because when you walk just a few metres from here, you are already in Nyeri. So, we agree that we need a KMTC facility here. However, we cannot prevent anyone from any part of the country from joining it. Even the recruitment itself and placement is done in Nairobi.

Hon. Speaker, school fees is not paid to the institution. It is paid directly to Nairobi; they are the ones who decide how those institutions are run. So, building is our part but enrolment and running of the institution is not in our hands. We have to leave that to the National Government. I am happy because the mover has clearly stated that we incorporate all the other institutions that are supposed to work hand in hand to see to it that the institution flourishes.

It is not bad if we get two colleges, one in Nanyuki and another one in Rumuruti. We do not even need to go beyond the Rumuruti District Hospital. It has excess land which can

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host an even bigger college than the ones in Nyahururu and Ol Kalau. We will also end up improving the economic status of that town.

Hon. Speaker, I am happy because the Hon. Member has also stated that the Assembly is relocating to that place very soon. It is very important to be close to our headquarters. There are some developments that are yet pending in our areas, so we all need to come together and see to it that they are undertaken. The most important developments that we can do at the moment should be done at our headquarters and we join the smaller upcoming towns later on. Thank you. I support the motion.

**Speaker:** Thank you. I want to give the chance to Hon. Gitahi.

**Hon. Joseph Gitahi:** Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I am happy for your decision because I know the mic had been pressed in other locations. Having said that, I rise in support of the KMTC in Nanyuki, for the avoidance of doubt. I come from the communications department, and we have been trained not to shoot the messenger. The messenger is Hon. Kagondu.

Despite the bravado, chest-thumping, and other intrigues that are behind the scenes in this Assembly, that we must state. Having said that, I would wish to state that the KMTC, Nanyuki, is long overdue. You realise that there is a song that we in Kikuyu sing about Nanyuki as the end of the rail.

I do not want to offend the Standing Order which states that we should speak in one language. However, having said that, Nanyuki is the only town that has no education. When I was elected, and women were sending me to this Assembly, they reminded me that in Nanyuki there is no learning institution, and it is a place for pleasure. I am afraid the Hon. MCA for that ward is just ahead of me, and is an esteemed Hon. Member.

Hon. Speaker, as I state that, I would wish to state a few things. You see, I have this chance despite maybe the opinion of very many Members who would not want me to have any opportunity to speak. Some of them, I can see them in this Assembly.

Hon. Speaker, we are long overdue. Our civilisations are advancing to a state of absolute health care. You see, when I was doing my communications in Year IV, my lecturer for English Seminar II, Dr. Vincent Nyang'au, quoted for me the excerpt from the evening story, about somebody who slept for 1,000 years, Cliff Van Rinkle, and when he woke up, America was very far. So, what we are saying today is that we had slept in the yesteryears, but going forward, we are reminded that we need a KMTC, not only for education in Nanyuki, but for issues of preparation of health of our civilisation as we step into the next civilisation.

However, having said that, I would wish to state other things. As we have good visions, we are not reminded of the rear view, of the driver's view, of the driver's mirror. We have allocations in Nanyuki Teaching and Referral Hospital. We have allocations in Nyahururu Hospital, where we need scrutiny so that we can ensure as we step into the future, we have a rear mirror view of the past.

Hon. Speaker, as I continue, because the debate is on health, I would wish to extrapolate it to Githiga Ward. If you go to the Githiga Level 4 Hospital, and you go to the signings of arrivals, that hospital has allocations, that hospital has machines that the people of Githiga do not see with their own eyes. The proper view is that the reorganisations of politics allow us to speak facts.

In my ward, Hon. Speaker, I can tell you, even as we pump up the issue of Nanyuki KMTC, we have also to look at Level 1 hospitals, where we have CHPs, Level 2, where we

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have dispensaries, Level 3, where we have centres of excellence, Level 4, where we have other facilities, and Level 5, where we have referral facilities. I would wish to ask the Committee on Health, that we have allocated hundreds of millions, and as humble askers, we are only asking, let us have accountability.

Hon. Speaker, the people from my ward these days are so honest, and they told me the only thing that I remain in that Assembly to do is to speak the truth. We want the implementations of monies in the Health Committee. I am happy to see the former Chair for Health, and I know he has institutional memories, so that we can ensure that all the monies we allocate before moving forward, that they have been utilised in the right way.

Hon. Speaker, I have seen a crazy gaze from the Member of County Assembly for Nanyuki, but this is what I want to tell you. Even in justice, even in ancient societies in Greece, they used to say, when you come to justice, you come with clean hands. We are saying that we have allocated hundreds of millions in the past years. We want to see them in action before we promote the Nanyuki KMTC. I know the Member representing Nanyuki is excited, but we would want to tell him, it is when winning that you mess issues. Even as KMTC will come to his ward, and I will be happy to accommodate him to Kwa Mbuzi, to Likii, to other societies, by virtue of conjecture with our ages and how we were elected, I would wish that I accompany him to his place.

Hon. Speaker, we want an establishment of KMTC in Nanyuki. As we are saying this, however, we do not know who was elected as the new chairperson of the Health Committee. Events have overtaken me, since issues started changing hands. However, I can tell you that we want the new Chair of the Health Committee to ensure that there is transparency and financial prudency in the face of scarcity of resources, even as we step forward to health issues. I have mentioned issues that I was supposed to mention, even as I support that we have a KMTC, so that in his ward, we have the first learning institution.

We are told of other institutions that are social, clubs. We are told of clubs that are so famous, of where they rail ended, we have heard these stories. What I want to congratulate the Member of the County Assembly for… Please protect me, Hon. Speaker. I see people banging. You see, I spend very little time…

**Speaker:** Let me ask Hon. Nyokabi, what is it?

**Catherine Nyokabi:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I just want to inform my friend and colleague Hon, Gitahi, that our new chair is Hon. George Karuiru.

**Speaker:** Thank you. Hon. Joseph Gitahi,

**Hon. Joseph Gitahi:** I am happy that he is absent for this conversation. Mr. Speaker, but what we are saying is the commitment of seeing another member standing up for the chair and not present. It tells a lot about the issues of health, and how we are committed to them in the society that we serve. Hon. Speaker please before Deputy Speaker tables…*(interrupted)*

**Speaker:** The Hon. Anthony, what is it?

**Hon. Anthony Theuri:** Hon. Speaker, I stand on the point of clarification. When one member, Hon. Joseph Gitahi, in fact he is the youngest when we were supposed to have the lastborn here then he will be the one. When he said that the member is absent, we have the information of where he is, he is working on the health issues as we speak here. He is trying to work on the mess that have been there. Let him be reminded that he is not also present all the

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time, and I said here categorically when it comes to justice, come with clean hands. Are his hands clean?

**Speaker:** Thank you Honourable...*(interrupted).*

**Hon. Jospeh Gitahi:** Hon. Speaker there is a principle in law that says, though I do not want to offend the standing order that tells us to speak in English all the times because, if I offend this House, the judges are being harsh on me for the purpose of my age and other issues. There is a principle in law and Kosgei is here that says, the facts speak for themselves. Is he present Hon. Speaker? The issues we are stating are issues of health, that are present with ourselves. As we speak for ourselves, some of the Members are having the medication in their handbags. I am saying that once you are given the responsibility of serving health, then you should be present all the time.

Actually, I was not aware that it is my neighbour who is the chair for…. You see this Assembly is in a mess. We do not know who is the chair for what, Mr. Speaker even in the agriculture when you ask them, they do not know who is the chair. What I am trying to say is we conform to reasons that, once we set aside the funds for KMTC. The MCAs are happy here and we do not know what will happen after six months. We do not know where we will be aligned whether we will be in a punching bag or in opposition.

What I am stating is very important, that we need KMTC in Nanyuki. As I travel through this town, we have a learning institution. I am always reminded that when I cross Ichuga, there is no learning there. I should not sit down and enjoy my issues Mr. Speaker. As I end, I want to state as we look to KMTC another fact, let this county be alive to fact of level 1. It is about the CHVS before I got elected here and I drafted the Bill for CHVS, it is only that when we get elected we change, but whether I was drafting the Bill for CHVS we wanted a holistic health care.

At our age when I look at these members, we have parent who are in and out of the hospital we want our system to work for us. However, we need that they work with transparency. Currently, as I sit Hon. Speaker, I want to jog your memory when we use to complain about health in this county, we would complain it together with my neighbours Hon. Speaker. Today they are mixing health with other daily issues. Mr. Speaker, and they think we can do with a legendry shift. As I end, I want to ask the executive because their ambassadors are here in this Assembly. Previously, I was questioning another Chief Officer on matters related to health. Why is all this chaste tamping once you have defeated little people, the likes of Hon. Gitahi? And then why should you not be open to the facts?

Hon. Speaker even as you beat Hon. Lempaira be alive to the facts that are in his ward. The few of us that have spoken against executive we know the fires that have been lifted in our wards. My teacher in year three, critical thinking, Dr. Vincent Mokuwaa told me the truth is so absolute. Then what we say today, Mr. Speaker, is so absolute. It is not the subject to back on and that why I am telling you. Even as I support the creation of KMTC, I know what the ladies of KMTC have been associated with. I support them as most of them come from my Ward, but we seek accountability, transparency and financial prudent.

I wish to see that the KMTC in Igwamiti is functional. Today I passed though that place and I want to see it functioning and working just like I would wish them working in Nanyuki. Having said that I have seen some members are so impatient and I wish to end my discussion there. As I end, it is recorded in Hansard and we wish to see prudence, transparency. For this executive I would wish to ask them, just as I asked the Chief Officer yesterday, even as you

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chest tump after you have defeated an MCA, think of what they are asking. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. What I have said is also welcome and I am proud to speak my mind.

**Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Gitahi. As we sit down, I just want to clarify two things; this House is not in a mess. If a communication is done and you are not in, it does not imply that we are in a mess. Secondly. I want to let you know the Hon. George Karuiru is away from this House today with my written authority in regards to the Standing Order, thank you so much. Hon. Benson.

**Hon. Benson Kuria:** Nashukuru Mheshimiwa Spika kwa sababu ya hii fursa umeweza kunikabidhia, na nashukuru kwa kuwa najua ya kwamba mimi niko hapa kwa sababu ya chama cha UDA. Na bila shaka, najua ya kwamba chama hiki ndicho kilicho nifanya nijuwe njia kutoka Meriwet, Olmoran, Nyahururu na Nanyuki. Ningependa kumweleza WHIP, wakati umefika, kwa sababu hatukukuja Bunge kusherehekea, bali tulikuja kutetea wakaazi wa Laikipia. Majukumu yake ni kuhakikisha ya kwamba, ameniagiza nihudhurie vikao vya Bunge.

Mheshimiwa Spika na kama kuna kupiga kura kwa chama cha UDA, niwe mstari wa kwanza kupiga kura ya chama hiki. Kwa hivyo Mhehimiwa Spika, ukiskia mtu akisema ya kwamba hafahamu ni nini kinachoendelea, ni kwa sababu ya kutohudhuria vikao vya Bunge. Mheshimiwa Spika, kwa hivyo WHIP, hakikisha ya kwamba sisi kama wanachama cha UDA ambao sisi ndio wengi katika Bunge hili, hakikisha umetupa mwelekeo…*(Interruption)*

**Speaker:** Hon. Benson, what is it Hon Lempaira?

**Hon. Nicholas Lempaira:** Hon. Speaker, I think you need to guide this House whether we are in clapping as it is supposed to be done or we kick the table as other members are doing, thank you.

**Speaker:** According to standing orders of parliamentary tradition, clapping is not done by hand but by foot tamping, thank you. Hon. Benson proceed.

**Hon. Benson Kuria:** Asante, Mheshimiwa Spika. Sababu ya kunakili yale ambayo nayakiri nimesimama kuunga mswada ambayo imeletwa na WHIP Mheshimiwa Nderitu. Ambaye ni mwakilishi wa Wadi aliyechaguliwa na wananchi kutoka Thingithu, na chama cha UDA. Na mimi nikiwa nimeteuliwa na chama ndiposa nimesimama kuunga mswada wa KMTC ambayo ameweza kusema ya kwamba Nanyuki itabadilika na bila shaka, Jimbo letu la Laikipia litakuwa limefaidhika. Mheshimiwa Spika kwa sababu sasa ukiangalia katika Laikipia Magharibi.

Wadi ya Mheshimiwa Wachuka, simba, mama yao. Chuo kikuu na KMTC liko pahali pale, lakini Nanyuki na ndiyo imebeba vitu nyingi, haina KMTC wala Chuo Kikuu. Kwa hivyo, inamaanisha nikiunga mkono mswada huu ni kuonyeshana ya kwamba huyu WHIP amefikiria, amelala, ameota na ameona ya kwamba, Jimbo hili litabadilika. Mimi Nimesimama nikiunga mkono nikiwa ndani ya chama cha UDA. Mimi siyo mtu wa *WANTAM*, niko Bunge kwa mara ya kwanza, na wakati ninapoongelelea yale ni kuambia Mwenyezi Mungu anifurushe, anifurushe, anifurushe. Naunga mkono na ninasimama na serikali ya Mheshimiwa Irungu na nashukuru kwa nafasi ambayo mumeweza kunikabidhi. Asanteni sana.

**Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Benson. And now Honourable Members allow me to give this chance to Hon Veronika Ikunyua. Welcome Honourable Member.

**Hon. Veronica Ikunyua:** Asante Bwana Spika kwa fursa huu. Kwanza kabisa ningependa kuwakumbusha Wanachama wa Bunge hili ya kwamba, hii shule inayoletwa, nimeskia malalamiko na nashukuru sana kwa WHIP kwa sababu ya kuleta hii mswada juu ni

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ya maana sana. Mheshimiwa Spika, lakini ningetaka kuwakumbusha Wabunge kulingana na mada, tumekuja kujenga *County Medical Training Center,* bali si KMTC. Kuna tofauti na KMTC. Iko na changamoto kwa sababu wakati Gavana Murithi alikuwa, tuliweka KMTC Nyahururu.

Hiyo KMTC tuliwapatia shamba Laikipia na tukaagana ya kwamba watakuwa wanapatia wana Laikipia nafasi wakiwa wa kwanza lakini wakati walipoingiza kichwa chao, wakawa kama ngamia ambayo huingiza kichwa halafu inakatalia huko ndani. KMTC ni *Kenya Medical Training Centre*. Natolea Gavana Irungu kongole kwa sababu alipoona vile ambavyo tumenyanyaswa na kukata ile shamba kama serikali.

**Speaker:** Hold on, Hon. Veronica. What is it, Hon. Kanyutu?

**Hon. Simon Kanyutu:** Mr. Speaker, I stand on a point of clarification. I might be hanging. I don't know about county medical training college. If there is any, I think we need that clarification. Because I know whenever we start a college, it's KMTC and the government is supposed. So if there is that different, I think we need that clarification to be aware. If it is possible for a county to build its own college, Mr. Speaker, we need that clarification.

**Speaker:** You asked for a clarification? Hold on, Hon. Veronica. Hon. Gitahi.

**Hon. Joseph Gitahi:** You see, Hon. Speaker, despite the offence of the Standing Order that tells us not to speak in two languages, I have heard *sisi kama Joshua Irungu*. You see, Hon. Speaker, let us be Honourable. Even as we speak in this Honourable House, let us not show the context of our bed with the Governor. We are mandated by this House to do oversight and for control. When you tell us *sisi kama Joshua Irungu* and I'm in this House, Hon. Speaker, I know of other facts. Even as I'm the minority, I know of other facts. You see, Hon. Speaker, before I end…

**Speaker:** Hon. Gitahi!

**Hon. Joseph Gitahi:** Si I end my…

**Speaker.** Hon. Gitahi, I would like you, if you stand, you then take over the work of the Speaker. If I make a decree, it shall stand. When I have not, don't make it on behalf of the Speaker. Thank you very much Veronica, continue.

**Hon. Veronica Ikunyua:** Asante, Bwana Spika kwa kunipigania. Wengine hata hawasemi Kanuni za Bunge ambazo wanatumia kusimama. Ni kama tunaweza kuharibu sheria za hili Bunge. Ukinikubali Bwana Spika, ningetaka kumfahamisha Mheshimiwa Kanyutu kwa maana ameuliza. Tuko na ruhusa kama Kaunti kuanzisha *college* yetu. Na sisi kama Kaunti tumeketi na tukaona ni vizuri tuanzishe *medical training centre* yetu na ndio maana hata ukiangalia huu mjadala umeandikwa *county medical training centre.*

Ukiangalia kama Meru, kuna NYS yao na hivyo tukaona ya kwamba watoto wetu wananyimwa nafasi ya kusoma. Kama vile yeye amesimama hapa na kutoa ushuhuda ya kwamba aliulizia mtoto wake nafasi pale Nyahururu KMTC na akakosa. Ndipo tukaona ya kwamba hilo ni jambo ambalo linafanyika hapa kwetu na tukaona ni vizuri tuanze yetu hapa Laikipia. Tunakubaliana kulingana na mjadala ambao uliwahi kuletwa katika hili Bunge ya kwamba tunakuwa na asilimia kubwa kwa watoto wetu hapa Laikipia na asilimia kidogo kama thelathini inapatiwa Wakenya wengine.

Kwa sababu tunataka maendeleo, tunajua ya kwamba tukipata hiyo, Laikipia nzima itaweza kukua. Manyumba zitajengwa na watoto wetu watapata mahali pa kukomboa nyumba

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za kulala. Wakulima watapata kulima na waweze kuleta chakula katika hii Kaunti. Kwa hivyo, katika hii serikali yetu ya UDA, tunasema ya kwamba ni *bottom up*. Kwa hivyo tukikubalia mama mboga kulima na kuleta hizo mboga katika hii Kaunti yetu, Mheshimiwa Spika tunakuza kila mmoja. Tunashukuru Gavana wetu kwa sababu ameketi na kufikiria ya kwamba ni vizuri aweze kuleta *medical training* yetu hapa Laikipia. Kwa hivyo sisi ndio tuko na mamlaka ya kuongoza hiyo *college* kuliko vile tunaongozwa na Serikali Kuu.

Nashukuru Mheshimiwa Stephen kwa sababu ya kuleta mjadala huu wa maana kwa sababu Wodi ya Nanyuki itainuka na Laikipia pia itainuka na watoto wetu wapate nafasi ya kusoma. Sio kusoma tu *nursing* kwa sababu hii ni moja wapo ya kazi ambazo hauwezi kosa. Unaweza kujiajiri kutibu wajonjwa manyumbani. Tunafaa sisi wote tuitie maanani. Hii pesa ya *supplementary* ambayo imekwama mahali, yule ambaye amehusika aikwamue ili tuweze kusonga. Hatuwezi kuwa tunavutwa nyuma na mtu mmoja wakati tunataka kuleta maendeleo katika hii Kaunti. Kwa hayo machache nashukuru na tuunge mkono kwa sababu tutakuwa tunaunga mwananchi.

**Hon. Nicholas Mwaniki:** Thank you, just to inform the House, having a medical training college in Laikipia is not just a medical college. As a government, and as a County government of Laikipia, we are starting this medical college so that in the near future, we can be able to elevate this medical college to a university status. And that has been the trend across the country, Mr. Speaker, because if at all you can be able to look at Nyeri, they had elevated Kimathi Polytechnic to be given a charter and now it's a university by itself.

The starting point is having a college in this town, Mr. Speaker. The time is over, and it's time we had a college that can be able to cater for our students, and we can be able to introduce more courses in that facility. It's not only a medical college, Mr. Speaker. We introduce other courses and in the near future, we can be able to be given a charter so that we can be able to elevate our college to a university status, so that it can be able to accommodate our students across Laikipia County because our people have been disadvantaged,

We have been to Meru and they have got their own university. Nyeri has got several universities, and if at all we are head to Nakuru, they have their own universities. So why not us as Nanyuki? So, we need to have more than two universities.

One, we have Laikipia University that is around Igwamiti, within the Igwamiti ward, in Nyahururu. In the other end of Laikipia, we still need another university. So, this is the starting point, and we thank the Governor and the people who came up with this idea so that we can be able to elevate the status of our county, and for our learners to be able to have ample or a nearby place where they can be able to learn. They don't have to head to Meru, they don't have to head to Nairobi, they can be able to be accommodated within Laikipia County and be able to learn because it's more economical, and so it's more profitable. Whereas our students they don't have to travel long distances to learn, and so I support and thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Members. I now give the mover of the motion to reply.

**Hon. Stephen Ndiritu:** Asante, Bwana Spika. Nasimama kushukuru Wabunge kwa kuweza kuunga mkono huu mswada wa kuweza kusaidia wananchi wetu hapa Laikipia. Nimeweza kusikiliza Wajumbe wote wakiongea na kwanza nimesikia yale ambayo yametajwa na Mheshimiwa Theuri ambaye amehuzinika kwa kutotekelezwa kwa haraka kwa hili Jambo. Ametaja eti kwa sababu kuna kesi ambayo imepelekwa kortini ambayo inazuia watu wa Laikipia kupata matibabu bora.

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Bwana Spika, ni lazima tuelewa kama Wabunge majukumu yetu ya kuwatetea wananchi wetu kwa njia yoyote ile. Hiyo ndio maana sisi wote tulichaguliwa kuja hapa. Kama kuna jambo ambalo unafaa kuzungumza, unalizungumza hapa. Ukiona kama kuna Mbunge mwingine ambaye anasimama hapa na kuona hatoshi Bunge na kukimbia kortini, huyo ni mtu ambaye amepoteza mwelekeo na ameshindwa na kazi yake. Kama wananchi wangejua ya kwamba hapa Bunge hauwezi kuwa na nafasi ya kutetea watu wako, hawangechaguana. Wangekuwa wanaenda kortini na kujitetea huko. Hii ni aibu kubwa sana.

Bwana Spika, hata mimi huwa naambia Wabunge ya kwamba wakiniona napotea, wanieleze. Wakiniona kama nimepoteza fahamu, wanieleze kwa sababu unaweza kuwa na shida. Ukiambiwa ya kwamba uko na shida uweze kukubalia ya kwamba uko na shida kwa sababu tuko na kazi nyingi sana ambayo tunafaa kufanya kuhakikisha ya kwamba maendeleo yanapatikana.

Mimi nikitaka kujenga barabara Bwana Spika, siwezi kukimbia kortini lakini nitakimbia hapa Bunge na kuongea na hawa Wabunge, tusikizane na nipate barabara na hiyo ndiyo njia ambayo tunafaa kufuata sisi wote. Itakuwa ni aibu katika hili Bunge na zinginezo ya kwamba MCA anaweza kushindwa hapa Bunge na kukimbia kortini. Tunaelekea wapi? Hiyo ni kuchanganyikiwa na hiyo ninatoa mawaidha. Ukisikia ya kwamba uko na jambo ambalo ungetaka litekelezwe, njoo kwa hawa Wajumbe maanake wako na suluhisho.

Jambo la pili Bwana Spika, nimesikia Gitahi akiongea vile amesomeshwa chuo kikuu na mwalimu mmoja ambaye ametaja hapa na nikaona ya kwamba siwezi kuwa na shida naye. Unajua ya kwamba majina inakufanana. Kuna watu ambao huitwa Wanjohi na ukifuatilia unapata ni mtu wa kunywa pombe. Kuna watu ambao huitwa majina ambayo inalingana na tabia zao. Ile ambayo imenifurahisha ni ya kwamba Mheshimiwa Gitahi alisomeshwa na mwalimu ambaye alikuwa anaitwa Nyang'au. Sasa kama hiyo roho ya Nyang'au ndiyo imeingilia Gitahi, ni lazima mtu ajue mahali ametoka na mahali anapoenda ndio uelewe yale ambayo yako mbele.

Kwa hayo machache, nakubaliana na hawa Wabunge tuweze kufanya kazi na kuwa kitu kimoja na tuhakikishe ya kwamba mambo yote imetekelezwa kwa njia ambayo inafaa. Tukipitisha huu mswada, usiwe ni wa kuwekwa kwa kabati lakini tunatoka tuone MTC ya hapa Laikipia ikifanya kazi. Mimi nakubaliana na Mheshimiwa Ikunyua ambaye amesema tuwe na CMTC hapa ambayo haitakuwa KMTC ili tuwe na utofauti. Tukiwa na yetu hapa, wale watoto ambao watakuwa wanapatiwa nafasi kubwa angalau 80% wawe wanatoka Kaunti ya Laikipia. Hao wengine kwa sababu sisi sio wachoyo, tunagawa kwa kila mtu kwa sababu tuko Kenya na Kenya ni yetu zote. Kwa hayo machache, naomba wajumbe kwa huu mswada tuweze kuunga mkono na tupitishe. Asante.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

## ADJOURNMENT

**Speaker:** The sittings of this House now stand adjourned until tomorrow Wednesday the 4th of March, 2026 at 10.00 a.m.

The House rose at 3.53 p.m.

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