REPUBLIC OF KENYA

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAIKIPIA

THE HANSARD

Wednesday, 27th May, 2020

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

[The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Daniel Nyausi) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

NOTICE OF MOTION

COUNTYWIDE DISTRIBUTION OF FACE MASKS

Hon. Salma Zamzam: On behalf of Majority Leader, Hon. Peter Thomi I bring the notice of the following motion;

THAT, AWARE THAT the World Health Organization (WHO) has declared the COVID-19 virus as a global pandemic;

FURTHER AWARE THAT Corona Virus has claimed more than 300,000 lives worldwide with confirmed cases being over 5,000,000;

NOTING THAT the first Covid-19 case was declared on 12th March, 2020 in Kenya subsequent to which a raft of measures were put in place to combat the menace;

FURTHER NOTING THAT the president in his address on 6th April, 2020 urged each Kenyan to wear a mask most especially in crowded places as one of the ways to ease the spread of the disease;

BEARING IN MIND THAT the COVID-19 pandemic has greatly affected the economy with many households left without food, many Kenyan residents left jobless and the stringent measures put in place have in many ways affected economic development both globally and locally;

DEEPLY DISTURBED THAT most Kenyans cannot afford the required type of masks due to effects the pandemic has had on the economy;

This Assembly STRONGLY URGES the County Government to conduct a countywide distribution of face masks most especially to vulnerable households as a means of combating the Covid-19 pandemic.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

STATEMENT

STATUS OF COOPERATION FOR PEACE AND DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE

Hon. Chris Mark: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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Mr. Speaker, Sir, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 45 (2) c, I wish to seek a statement from the Chairperson for County Cohesion, Justice and legal Matters Committee regarding the above mentioned subject matter.

Mr. Speaker, the County Government Amaya Triangle Initiative is the result of the collective intentions of 4 Counties and their Governors to bring peace, stability and economic development to the four corners of Baringo, Laikipia, Isiolo and Samburu Counties. The County Government had allocated Kshs. 3 million during the 2018/2019 and 2019/2020 financial years respectively for the aforementioned initiative.

Mr. Speaker, the County Government of Laikipia and the County Government of Baringo executed a Memorandum of Understanding on the Cooperation for peace and development within both regions as a sign of willingness for both counties to take a common policy direction. The MOU was tabled in this Assembly on 7th November, 2019 and subsequent to its ratification, the County Government was to prepare a comprehensive policy document and a proposed bill whereby the recommendations for the County Assembly would be accommodated.

Mr. Speaker, I hereby request the County Cohesion, Justice and Legal Affairs committee to inform this Assembly on;

1. The status of the comprehensive policy document and proposed bill that were to be considered by this Assembly.
2. Programs undertaken by the Initiative during the 2018/2019 financial year.
3. Partnerships that have resulted from the Amaya Triangle Initiative.
4. Corporation status amongst partner counties i.e. Laikipia, Isiolo, Samburu and Baringo.
5. The legal framework that the Amaya Triangle initiative falls under.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Deputy Speaker: Before I give the Honourable Chair for the said Committee to state when he will be able to get back to this House regarding this statement, I would like to say that this is the second statement. I was perusing some files and this afternoon I have seen a statement probably very much on the same; regarding the terms and conditions of that MOU between the four counties. As the Honourable Chair and the Committee go and look into this, please ensure you consider the first statement which I think is from the same Member. Hon. Meshami, Chair for Cohesion and Integration Committee, how long do you think you will be able to come up with a comprehensive statement?

Hon. George Meshami: Asante Sana, Bwana Spika. Naomba wiki mbili ambapo itabidi nilete makubaliano ya Kaunti zote nne ambayo walikubaliana. Bwana Spika, naomba wiki mbili.

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Deputy Speaker: Honourable Chair, two weeks from now will be on Wednesday, 10th June, 2020. Please get back to the statement and bring it to the floor of this House on 10th June, 2020.

ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Speaker: The sittings of this House stand adjourned until Thursday, 28th June, 2020 at 9 a.m.

The House rose at 2.40 p.m.

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