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The House met at the Assembly Chambers at 9.00 a.m.

[The Speaker (Hon. Patrick Waigwa) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

STATEMENTS

RESPONSE TO NANYUKI AND NYAHURURU MUNICIPALITY CHARTER

Speaker: There are statements being requested by Hon. Kiguru. He also has a response to a statement. Any member from the Finance on Committee?

Hon. Joseph Suge: Mr. Speaker, I will kindly request on behalf of the Chairperson for Finance Committee that we be given more time as we prepare ourselves to respond to this statement.

Speaker: I think you have the response statement. Not the one he is requesting but the one that is being requested. That is the one for the committee.

Hon. Joseph Suge: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, I would like to present this response on behalf of the Chairperson, Hon. Kiguru. The statement was tabled in the Assembly by Hon. Chris Mark Said on 20th June, 2020. It was requesting for a response regarding a statement on Nanyuki and Nyahururu Municipality Charter. The committee sent a letter to the County Executive Committee Member, County Planning and County Development vide REF No. dated 21st May, 2020 requesting for submission of the response to the statement. The committee received a response dated 2nd June, 2020. However, the response lacked crucial information.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, the committee hereby requests for an extension of 15 days' period so as to table a comprehensive response on the statement. Thank you.

Speaker: Before I give you the chance, Hon. Chairperson for Finance is here and the statement was read on behalf. Do you have any other information to add apart from requesting for the 15 days?

Hon. Joseph Kiguru: About the charter?

Speaker: About the same charter.

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Hon. Joseph Kiguru: Okay. I think I am okay with that.

Hon. Chris Mark: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Charters for these municipalities are very crucial. If they would say that they need 15 days so that they can have crucial information then so be it. We need it tabled here so that people can understand in details and understand the process.

Speaker: The 15 days extension granted. The Chairperson will respond as per that time. Hon. Member for Igwamiti you have a statement that you are requesting.

STATEMENT ON NYAHURURU AND NANYUKI WATER SANITATION COMPANIES

Hon. Joseph Kiguru: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, pursuant to provisions of Standing Order No. 45(2c) I wish to seek a statement from the Chairperson for Agriculture, Environment and Natural Resources Committee regarding the above mentioned subject. Sorry, the statement is about Nyahururu and Nanyuki Water and Sanitation Companies.

Mr. Speaker, Sir. Article 34 (1d) of the Kenyan Constitution, 2010, stipulates that every person has the right to clean and safe water in adequate quantities. Further, article 201(b) stipulates that the public finance system shall promote an equitable society. In particular, the burden of taxation will be shared fairly. The residents of Nanyuki and Nyahururu have in numerous occasions raised concerns in regard to the tariff adjustment of the said water services providers.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, the guideline stipulated in the Water Act, 2016 is that before submitting the tariff adjustment proposal to Water Services and Regulatory Board, each Water Service Provider (WSP) should undertake a public consultation. Main stakeholders and the public should be informed about the planned tariffs adjustment and allowed to give feedback to the Water Service Provider. Further, the Water Service Provider should document the process and submit a record of the proceedings to water services and regulatory board.

I request the Chairperson on Agriculture, Environment and Natural Resources Committee to liaise with the relevant agencies and inform to this House on;

1. Whether the due process in tariff adjustment was followed with attached documentation for public participation.
2. Submit to this House a report on operations and maintenance cost, administrative expenses versus the revenue donation and funds appropriated by the County Assembly for 2018/19 FY.
3. What informed the increase in tariffs by the said Water Services Providers?
4. Whether they can re-consider re-adjusting the tariffs during this period of Covid-19.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Sir.

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Speaker: For the sake of HANSARD recording, paragraph 2, it is article 43 (1d) of the Constitution not article 34 (1d). The Chairperson on Agriculture raised a statement that has been raised to your committee. It has quite a lot of information and documentation needed. You therefore need to state what time you need to be able to respond to this House. Hon. Vice Chair, how much time do you need to respond to this House?

Hon. Patricia Muthoni: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. On behalf of my Chairman, I think we need two weeks.

Speaker: I wish to consider your two weeks and give you an additional two weeks. You will respond in one month.

MOTION

ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

Hon. Joseph Suge: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to move the following motion.

THAT this House adopts the report by the Committee on Implementation on the Annual Development Implementation for the Departments of Water, Environment and Natural Resource sector; Agriculture, livestock and fisheries; finance, economic planning and county development; lands, roads, housing and urban development dated 28th May, 2020.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, I have the report with me. The Annual Development Planning implementation report from the four sectors. I believe that every Member in this House has the report. I would beg to go directly through the report. On page 3 of the report is the mandate of the committee. I urge the Members that we go to page 5. We start with the report from the Department of Water Environment and Natural Resources sector.

Mr. Speaker, this House adopted the following as the strategic priorities for this department.

1. Development in new water harvesting infrastructures and rehabilitation of existing water supply sources (dams, boreholes, springs, and storage tanks) as well as establishment of new water schemes.
2. Investments in human-wildlife conflict mitigation initiatives such as electric fencing, community patrols and strengthening resource user associations.
3. Management of wastes and drainages for a safe and secure environment through acquisition of dumpsites, cemeteries and garbage collection trucks.
4. Interventions on climate change adaptation and mitigation disaster reduction, increasing community resilience and livelihoods.
5. Strengthening of collaborations with the National Government and development partners on rangeland management, wetland and forestry protection, development of mega dams and irrigation schemes.

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6. Promote mineral's exploration and extraction in the county to support industrialization.

Mr. Speaker, the analysis of planned budget versus the allocated budget in 2018/19 is as in the table below which clearly highlights how the development plan was financed during the fiscal year. Page 6 shows how the budget was appropriated to this Department of Water and Natural Resources. You can see the actual budget including the supplementary budget.

The achievements of the department in the year 2018/19 is that the water directory managed to desilt five dams, drilled 8 new boreholes, equipped 5 new boreholes, equipped 7 existing boreholes and supported piping in community water projects. In the environment subsector the department managed to purchase 2 new waste collection trucks. I believe that the trucks were purchased for both Nanyuki and Nyahururu. It collected and disposed over 70,000 tonnage of waste, carried out mineral exploration survey and purchased 10 skip bins to improve efficiency in waste management.

Mr. Speaker, in page 5 is an annex that shows the performance of the department including the report on the project that were budgeted in the year 2018/19. In the annex, the department at least did its work. Over 95% of the projects were complete.

Despite the Department of Water having proved to be competent it also faced some challenges as addressed on page 12 in the previous ADP. They reported the following as the challenges they faced in their endeavour to deliver development projects as per the plan.

1. Delay in the disbursement of funds by the National Government.
2. Climate change and changes in the weather pattern often hamper timely implementation of projects such as dams 'rehabilitation, compaction and rehabilitation of dumpsites, eradication of Opuntia, timely tree planting and growing and construction of greenhouses for propagation of cochineal bacteria that feeds on Opuntia Stricta.
3. The vastness of Laikipia County and remoteness of some wards delays the time taken to implement projects within the planned timeframe.

Mr. Speaker that is the report by the Department of Water and Natural Resources.

On page 13 is the report on agriculture, livestock and fisheries. The strategic priorities of the sector were as follows;

a) Attainment of household food, nutritional security and food safety.
b) Improved and intensified agricultural production.
c) Improved access to appropriate, quality and affordable farm inputs.
d) Facilitate promotion of appropriate and cost-effective extension services for different agro-ecological zones.
e) Minimize post-harvest losses and to cushion farmers against losses.

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f) Promote marketing of high-quality agricultural produce and products at competitive prices.
g) To upscale agribusiness and value addition.
h) To economically empower all agricultural value chain actors.
i) To provide for economically viable, socially equitable and environmentally sustainable use of agricultural land.

Mr. Speaker, annex 5.2 is the analysis of the planned versus the allocated budget 2018/19. I hope that the Members are also following on the same. On the planned budget, allocated budget and the deviation.

It achieved the following. The Laikipia County Innovation Fair was conducted in Nyahururu Stadium where the attendance was 5,252 persons. The World Food Day was celebrated by a total of 816 farmers who attended the two events. Nanyuki depot moved 10,171 bags of DAP, 4,456 bags of CAN, 1,115 bags of 23:23:0. Those are the bags of fertilizers or the farm inputs that were supplied through the Kenya Cereal Board within Laikipia County that is Nanyuki and Nyahururu.

On the irrigation section they constructed 156 house hold water pans with a capacity 400cubic metres, 35 drip kits installed, rehabilitation of 2 earth dams and drilling of 1 borehole. I also wish to confirm that my committee went to the ground and confirmed that the water pans are there although some could not hold much water.

Mr. Speaker, on the irrigation section there was procurement and distribution of pasture / fodder seeds to farmers throughout the county. Pasture seeds distributed were (Rhodes grass and Elba grass) – 1950 kgs. Desmodium seeds (100 kgs), Lucerne seeds (200 kgs) and oats seeds (300 kgs). Those are the pasture seeds that were supplied to the farmers. Procurement and distribution of Bee-keeping equipment to the farmer groups throughout the county was also done by the department. This was some of the support that the department gave to the farmers.

On the veterinary section, there were 221,401 animals vaccinated. 360 litres of acaricide were supplied to dips. 4,362 documents of movement permits were issued. 115,972 slaughtered animals inspected. 102,221 hides and skins under leather development were done.

On the fisheries section, 267,000 fish fingerlings were distributed to fish farmers and 160,000 fish fingerlings stocked in 16 public community managed dams.

The Agricultural Sector Development Support Programme there were 105 capacity build farmers on feed establishment, conservation and utilization. It also conducted a survey to establish the hay status in terms of production, productivity and profitability. In collaboration with CETRAD there was construction of a milk cooler house and procuring of a cooler plant at Umande Dairy Cooperative member. Capacity built was 120 cooperatives on value addition.

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On page 17, 18 and 19 is the performance of capital projects for the year 2018/19. It is well elaborated in that page. I still hope that the Members are following. This department did not provide any challenges in regards to the implementation of sector development.

On page 21 is a report on Finance Economic Planning and County Development. The strategic priorities of the Sector are;

1) Prudent financial management.
2) Participatory and sound economic planning.
3) Development of partnerships and collaborations.
4) Increase revenue collections and enhance resource mobilization.
5) Prudent management of county assets.

Below is the annex that shows the planned budget, allocated budget and the deviation. The key achievements that the department managed are as follows;

1. Prepared and disseminated three quarterly finance statements for 2018/2019 and one annual financial statement for 2017/18.
2. Achieved the 118 requisition of exchequers totalling to Kshs. 3,532,662,133 for recurrent expenditure and Kshs. 1,935,309,753 for development expenditure
3. Managed a local revenue collection of Kshs. 815,770,156 against a set target of Kshs.800, 000,000. This shows that the revenue department really worked hard to ensure that they get to the set target.
4. Launched the cashless mode of payment and bank integration to enhance revenue collection.
5. Successfully conducted revenue open day across the county and recognized the best tax payers as way of motivating the businesses in the county.
6. Managed to achieve the branding of the revenue staff. Mr. Speaker, if you move around you will see that the uniforms of the staff are branded.
7. Formulated, disseminated and submitted for approval of 6 budget output papers for FY 2019/2020 and County Statistical Abstract 2019.
8. Conducted and reported on 30 audits cutting across all the departments and disseminated 4 quarterly reports and an annual report.
9. Supported 1,092 procurement requests from 8 departments.
10. Achieved 60% of assets tagging.
11. Completed the formulation of Laikipia County Government Asset Management Policy. The policy will be approved by the Cabinet in the FY 2019/2020.
12. Accomplished the amendments of Laikipia County Government Transport Policy.
13. Initiated strategic partnership for Nanyuki Bulk Water Project.

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14. In partnership with County Education Departments, it facilitated the formulation, publishing and dissemination of Laikipia County Education Sector Strategic Plan.

There is the annex that shows how the department carried out its operation for the Financial Year 2018/19. That is on page 23 and 24.

Mr. Speaker, the next one and the last is the report on Lands, Roads, Housing and Urban Development sector. This department had highlighted the following as the key priorities it endeavoured to achieve by the end of the fiscal year.

a) To improve coordination, administration and operations.
b) To have a well-planned and sustainable human settlement with security of tenure.
c) Provide quality affordable housing and sustainable urban settlements.
d) Provide all county building projects with necessary public works services.
e) Improved road network and interconnectivity within the county.
f) Green energy solutions to the communities within Laikipia County.

Mr. Speaker, down there is the budget of the Department of Land, Roads, Housing and Urban Development. The key achievements of the department are as follows;

1) 530 and 83 km respectively of road have been graded and gravelled across all wards.
2) Critical bridges have been completed in Doldol and Shamanei.
3) Implementation of Smart Town Initiative including surveying, mapping and planning covering Wiyumiririe, Naibor, and Oljabet towns.
4) Design of market shades, modern kiosks, dispensaries and ECDE centres including Kariguini, Ethi and Solio dispensaries.

On page 17 is the performance of capital projects for the Financial Year 2018/19. The challenges that the department experienced during the previous ADP are as follows;

1. Inadequate recurrent budget allocation to effectively sustain departmental activities. Most departmental activities involve field work. For instance, physical planning activities, survey, project design, project supervision, project inspection, development control and enforcement, facilitation of truck drivers, plant and equipment operators, mobilization and demobilization of construction equipment(s) to diverse project sites etc.
2. Voluminous and late submission of projects documentation requests by implementing departments.
3. Limited number of competent personnel to produce projects documentation and supervision.

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4. Lack of projects design and supervision vehicles to enable mobility between different sites.
5. Limited number of competent personnel to carry out building inspection, development control and enforcement.
6. Exchequer request taking time to process from the time of request to when funds are released to the county.
7. Obliteration of submitted recommended budget by the County Assembly without reverence to the implementing department.
8. Unclear project implementation methodology/approach by the executive. For instance, confusion between using leased equipment, own equipment, contractual approach, cooperation with other governmental agencies (e.g. MTF, NYS). This delays commencement of implementation of projects.

Mr. Speaker, the Committee on Implementation came up with their recommendations. The department makes the following recommendations geared towards enhancing the efficiency of the department in implementation of ADP;

i. Being a fieldwork-oriented department, there is absolute need to consider increasing the budget ceiling for the department to enable allocation of adequate recurrent budget vote.
ii. Individual departments to source for consulting firms (prequalified and or open tender depending on complexity of proposed projects) to prepare project(s) documentation for approval by the department. Selected projects could be considered for supervision by consultants under overall supervision by the department.
iii. The department to formulate a strategic plan on roads construction to guide its development path. The department should be clear on an ideal approach to implement roads construction projects and set milestones towards an end.
iv. The department to be equipped with at least 6 dedicated vehicles. Two (2) for development control and enforcement, two (2) for public works projects design, supervision and inspection and two (2) for roads supervision.
v. Department to continuously dialogue with the County Assembly committee in-charge of roads to explain departmental priorities to mitigate obliteration of the proposed budget.
vi. County Public Service Board to adequately staff the department with competent staff as per the proposed organogram. In the minimum, there is need to have at least 2 (two) registered civil engineers, one for Laikipia East Block and Laikipia West Block and 2 physical planners.
vii. To reduce the cost of mobilization of roads construction equipment, there is critical need to procure a ‘low-loader’ truck.

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Mr. Speaker, the report has been prolonged because it involves the development of the ADP from the four sector group within the government. As I contribute and support the report by the Committee on Implementation, I want to agree with the rest of the Members that they have been following as I went through the report. It is well elaborate.

Mr. Speaker, allow me to first congratulate the committee members because of their moral support in coming up with this good report. I believe that the committee, equal to the task, had to burn their midnight oil to come up with this report. I know that it is not an easy task especially when engaging the Executive. We all know that at times it will always reach an extent of summoning the Executive.

The committee members from the Executive came before the committee and explained their implementation on the ADP including on the financial year's budget 2018/19. They were also explaining some challenges that rendered them in implementing the budget to 100%. One of the issues that was raised is concerning the supplementary budget. Carrying out supervision and monitoring is at times a challenge for them to get to those projects.

The other issue that was raised was the on preparation of the BQ's that take long. At times it does not relate well with the estimated allocation of funds in the budget. The Executive, CEC's and the CO's were requesting that if possible the department concerned should be coming up with the BQ's through the support of the Infrastructure Department before the actual allocation is done. Here is the report.

I beg the Members to approve the report as we still engage with this department. The Committee on Implementation had to chip in to also enquire on the issues of the ADP which gives the guideline to budget formulation. We also noted that during the budget process the Assembly Members should be key in looking at the ADP. This is to ensure that the priorities proposed by the people on the ground are also captured. With those few remarks, I urge the Members to support the report. I would request my colleague, Hon. Patricia to second this report. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker: Hon. Patricia, switch on the microphone.

Hon. Patricia Muthoni: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. First of all, I want to congratulate the Chairman for the Implementation Committee for bringing this motion and also urge Hon. Members to support this motion. I second.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Chris Mark: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise to support this report and it is good when we can get a track record of all the projects that have money committed to. I would have wanted to know out of a hundred percent what percent was achieved so that at least we can have our own score card. I do not know very well whether the County Government Executive has a delivery unit.

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There used to be something called a strategic department but I do not know whether it is the same one as delivery unit because like the report has said some projects may be too ambitious even for the County or may be too voluminous. If there is no proper coordination you may find there is a bit of focus on this project leaving out this other one. Otherwise the report details well what has been done in the department.

Next time the able Chair, who has done the good job with this Committee, can also give the score card. Let us at least know in that year out of a hundred percent what was achieved? We have seen the issue of staffing being talked about but I do not know how we will look at this because the same service board tells us that we are around 57% above the wage bill and by law we should be 35%. I do it understand why we are still understaffed in some departments which are key, we do not have engineers yet the County itself is at 57% percent wage bill instead of the 35 recommended by law. It is still key that we have these engineers. I had seen a while back an advertisement by the same service board about engineers, planners and others.

I do not know what happened but I think there was a court case on the matter. I hope when it is sorted, these issues can be done so that at least the County Departments and projects can get the much needed professionalism, supervision and even workmanship. I support the report.

Hon. Peter Matunge: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Committee on Implementation for this first time report on implementation of the annual budget in the three departments. I first wish to echo the words of Hon. Chris that as much as we appreciate it, that the report is giving some information we believe some work could have been done to give some clear implementation of the projects as per the departments.

I wish to thank the Department of Water and Environment because I can see they are able to give and attach all the programs and projects they have done, their status, whether they are completed or on-going and what has been done. That is a very clear thing that we can follow in this department. Looking at the strategic objective of this department they are so clear and they know what they are doing and what they want for Laikipia. I wish this could have been done for all the three departments.

On the issues of the ADP versus the budget we need to do something about this department especially on the part of Natural Resource and Environment because we have not been doing justice to them. On human-wildlife conflict, they had requested a budget of about Kshs. 40 million but we had given them only Kshs. 8 million leaving a deficit of about Kshs. 32 million. On natural resource management, they had requested for about Kshs. 5.2 million and we could only give them Kshs. 4.5 million, leaving a deficit of Kshs. 700,000.

The other worry is the integrated rangeland rehabilitation where they requested Kshs. 19.2 million and we could only give them Kshs.2 million which left them with a deficit of Kshs.17.2 million. We need to do something on this because a bigger percentage of Land in Laikipia needs to be rehabilitated improved in order to improve productivity. We cannot get return on the land if

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we are not investing to make the land much more productive. On this Department of Water and Natural Resources they are doing their part.

Going back to the Department of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries it has received a good amount of money from this Assembly which has actually appropriated some Kshs. 413 million. One thing this department is not putting as a priority when you look at the strategic part sector is that there is no single priority given to livestock. If you look at what they have been saying they have done, they have put a lot of money and said that they have done this and that. Laikipia, as I have continuously said, a big percentage of it is based on livestock productivity and we need to put some money to make sure that this sector continues to produce and support the livestock economy of this County.

In this department what they claim to have done we cannot be able to track based on this report because this report is based on narratives that they have done this and that. Part of the big work they say they have done has been supported by the National Government and part of it is grants. So we cannot be able to trace the money that has been allocated from this Assembly.

Mr. Speaker, if we could have been able to get percentage performance per department based on the project that we approve, we can be able to make these people accountable for the money we have appropriated from this Assembly. If somebody says that he has vaccinated 221,401 livestock, for the last one year, being a livestock farmer it is only last week that I have seen these people moving around vaccinating livestock being supported by resilient and the department.

This time they are targeting to vaccinate about 40,000. So for the 221,000 I do not know if Hon. Meshami and Hon. Kaparo from Segera can be able to confirm whether there any livestock that have been vaccinated from their wards. In the ward which I come from I have not seen these people vaccinating for the last one year. That means every goat and sheep have been vaccinated.

Again they say that 360,000 litres of acaricides were supplied to dips. I don't know whether there are functional dips in Laikipia because in the whole of Mukogodo East where I come from I have never seen any functional dip that is being ran by the government or the private sector so that they can be able to say that they have supplied 360,000 litres of acaricides for dipping. I think that we need to have a way of verifying this information.

For 4,362 documents of movement permit were issued. I agree that they can be able to issue this one because they collect money out of this. I have been one of the victims because as you know that from Doldol to Nanyuki there are stretch of corridor fences and they use the rangers from private conservancies to harass the communities.

The issue of pastoralism, we move from one area to the other because of nomadism. They are using that to take advantage and harass the people so they are able to collect more funds and deny our people opportunity to go and access pasture in other areas. The other one is 221 hides and skins and leather developments were done.

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Mr. Speaker, I don't know where this leather industry is in Laikipia. I don't know whether the Members from west can confirm whether we have a leather industry that we can be able to trace that we have done 202, 221 hides and skins and improved them for value addition. In North nowadays if you skin a goat and a cow you throw away the skins and hides because there are of no value because there are no markets. We are seeing people saying that they are able to do leather development of about 102.

Sometimes this worries me when we say that a certain department has done several things. The concerned committees we need to put our effort together so that we can ensure that these people are accountable for the money that we have appropriated from this Assembly. So the report is somehow good even though we should have had more information that could be able to facilitate the committee to make these people accountable for what they are doing. With those few remarks I wish to support the report.

Hon. Catherine Nyawira: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would also wish to thank the Committee ICT for the job that they have continued to do as a team. Probably just to highlight a few issues that came up while we did this report. One of the things that the Committee found was that there are delays in disbursement of funds from the National government. We cannot control the delay of disbursement as counties we can be able to work on it.

Once the money hits the county accounts, we find budgets and bill of quantities (BQs) that are already done. This can be done during the budget making process by insisting that we have an itemised budget, we have BQs that are ready so that once money is in we immediately begin the work. As a committee we have also been able to visit some of these projects so that we could ascertain and understand how they were implemented. Unfortunately, the ones we chose most of them looked incomplete which raised several questions as the Hon. Member has insisted, especially in the Agriculture Department.

We were just to report on the implementation. I believe the concerned committees especially, the Agriculture docket has a huge role to ensure that these services which are not tangible and cannot be seen months later are done well in advance. Mr. Speaker, I support this report, thank you.

Speaker: Hon. Kanyutu then the mover to give a reply.

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I stand to support this report by the Committee on Implementation, and it is one of the best. I would also wish the committee to be incorporating even the projects that are done by the National Government together with the County Government. I am one of the most privileged persons in my ward because of late you have not heard me not talk about human-wildlife conflicts.

I would wish the committee had also put that in the implementation because the County was involved in the implementation. The National Government funded and the County is the one

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that has engaged scouts to sustain the fence. I am a lucky man who has been able to sleep without interruption at night due to this human-wildlife conflict.

Mr. Speaker, I would wish the committee includes this as a benefit that we have received and the County has been able to ensure we sustain it. On infrastructure I am happy because the committee has clearly stated what has happened to some of the projects that have really affected us on the ground. We have Naibor, with my friend Hon. Kaparo, Oljabet and Wiyumiririe. Wiyumiririe received the money that was previously allocated for the towns. Unfortunately, the two towns that were left were planned but nothing had been done on the ground, except the planning.

If the Assembly will be able to allocate some funds to ensure that project kicks off, I am sure the Executive will be seeing to it that work is going on well and they will remove the blame on us. There is a challenge because I was once forced to play my role as an MCA to go and convince my people because the challenge was that I am the one stopping the town to be developed. If we allocate some funds when we are making the budget this financial year, we will see to it that it develops. I thank the committee and I am sure even the remaining projects that need implementation they will make a follow up.

I am happy because the Honourable Member has said that in my docket, Agriculture, where I am the Chair there are many that are yet to be complete. Being the Chair I am also a victim because there is an irrigation project that I have been pushing for since I came into this Assembly. It has been allocated a budget and the tender is awarded but to date, it has not been implemented. I have been following but unfortunately I am told that the environment where the project was to be implemented is not conducive because of the high water levels and the animals which have been encroaching the same forest where we are tapping water the contractor needs security.

I thank the committee and would wish if it is possible that we be getting it half yearly as we continue with implementation. Thank you. I thank the committee for the good work they have done. They need our support as an Assembly. We need to ensure we support this committee because they will be able to put more pressure on other committees to ensure we see that implementation has been done to the letter. Mr. Speaker, I thank the committee and wish them all the best.

Hon. Joseph Suge: Asante Sana, Mheshimiwa Spika. Kulingana na mchango wa wenzangu kwenye hii ripoti ni dhihirisho kuwa wameipitia na wameangalia ya kuwa ripoti inaguzia mambo yanayofanyika mashinani. Tunajua kuwa sote hapa kwenye hili Bunge ni Wakilishi na sisi ni macho ya yule mwananchi aliye mashinani. Mara nyingi viongozi wa Kaunti wanaenda mashinani wakiuliza maoni ya wananchi na kusipokuwa na ripoti kama hii wananchi hawawezi kujua ripoti zao zilienda vipi. Tunajua ya kwamba mara nyingi wakati wa kutoa mapendekezo ama maoni ya bajeti, sisi kama Bunge tunakuwa na nafasi ama uwezo zaidi wa kuona ya kuwa zile shida zinazowaguza watu wetu zinaweza kuangaziwa.

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Mheshimiwa Spika, nashukuru vile mwenzangu Mheshimiwa Kanyutu amesema kuwa serikali kuu kuna mambo ambayo imefanya pia na ni vyema Bunge pia iweze kufahamu. Kamati ya Utekelezaji wamekuwa wakifanya kazi kulingana na kanuni za Bunge na ile sheria ya ugatuzi. Tulisikia kiongozi wa taifa amebuni kamati ya *Presidential Delivery Unit* ambayo pia inafuatilia. Kuna umuhimu wa kuweza kujua ile miradi yote inayoendelea kwa sababu zote ni kwa manufaa ya mwananchi.

Kuna jambo ambalo Mheshimiwa Chris ameongezea juu ya kulinganisha au kusawazisha kwa kupeana matokeo kwa idara inayofanya vyema. Waliochangia wameisifu Idara ya Maji na tangu serikali ya pili ilipoanza hiyo ni sekta moja ambayo imeonyesha umaarufu na bidii kuona kuwa utekelezaji unafanywa inavyostahili. Wakiulizwa ripoti yao wanaituma vizuri wakiwa wamenakili kila kitu na kuelezea vizuri na inakuwa ni rahisi. Wengine wote wakiweza kuiga huo mfano hakutakuwa na mvutano.

Kuna jambo tuliweza kuona katika Idara ya Barabara na Miundombinu kuhusiana na mambo ya *Smart Towns.* Tuliweka pesa milioni themanini na tano. Hizo pesa hazikufanya kazi ya kuridhisha na hio ni ishara kwamba Bunge letu linafaa kukaza kamba kuhakikisha matumizi yamefanyika kwa njia nzuri. Kwa wakati huu kuna kazi zinazoendelea na tumepeana kandarasi.

Kuna mashine zinazofanya kazi ya kutengeneza barabara na zimeweza kuchanganyika na zile za mbeleni. Itakuwa vigumu kubaini ni kazi ipi imefanywa na mashine za kwanza na hizi za kukodisha. Kuna kazi nyingi tunayofaa kufanya kama kamati na kama Bunge ili kuona matumizi ya pesa imefanyika kwa njia inayostahili. Nashukuru wote waliochangia na najua ripoti imekuwa nzuri kwa kuwa imeelezea vizuri na kila mmoja ameweza kuielewa na naamini wote wamechangia wameweza kuielewa. Kwa hayo machache nashukuru. Mungu azidi kutupa nguvu na neema ili tuweze kutekeleza wajibu kama tulivyoapa kwenye Bunge hili.

(Question put and agreed to)

ADJOURNMENT

Speaker: This House now stands adjourned until Tuesday, 16th June, 2020 at 2.30 p.m.

The House rose at 10.09 a.m.

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