

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF NAKURU

THE HANSARD

Tuesday 23rd, August 2016

Assembly Building

The House met at 2.50 pm

[Temporary Speaker (Hon. Justine Kihumba) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

WELCOME FROM SHORT RECESS

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Justine Kihumba): I would like to welcome all Members back into the Assembly after a short recess. Thank you so much to those who participated in the KICOSCA/CASA games; and especially the pool table team for winning a trophy. Also not forgetting our brothers and sisters who were at Rio Olympics in Brazil for doing a good job. Thank you

PAPER

STATUS OF PROJECTS IMPLEMENTATION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Hon Irene Chebichii: Madam Chair, I would like to lay a paper concerning the project implementation...

The Temporary Speaker (Hon Justine Kihumba): Excuse me Hon Chebichii you are supposed to address the honorable Speaker and not the chair.

Hon Irene Chebichii: Thank you Madam Temporary Speaker for that correction, I am very sorry, I think it was just a slip of the tongue. I would like to lay a Paper from the Committee on Agriculture; concerning projects implementation for the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries for the Financial Year 2013/2014, 2014/2015 and 2015/2016. Madam Temporary Speaker, actually I believe each and every honorable Member has a copy of the Paper that I want to lay before this House this afternoon. The Paper outlays all projects that have been implemented to date. There are some projects which have since been completed, others are ongoing, while some are at procurement level. The main reason why we have decided as Committee to lay this Paper today, is to ensure that all the projects that

have been stated here are well implemented. We realize that there were some projects that were initially indicated as having been completed. However after scrutiny, we had received complaints from respective MCAs that some had stalled and nothing had been done on the ground. We want to make sure that everything is put in place and avoid further complains. As you do understand that this is our last financial year in office before the next General Election, we want to ensure that everything is okay regarding our Committee and our Ministry's mandate. I want to urge all honorable Members to go through the Paper and if you have any complain, kindly raise it with Committee or through our Committee Clerk, Judy Koech, Chairperson; Hon Joseph Waithaka, or I, the vice chair, before next week on Tuesday so that we can actually engage and see how we can assist you in achieving your targets. Thank you very much Madam Temporary Speaker; I beg to lay the Paper.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon Justine Kihumba): Yes honorable Lang'at what is it?

MOTION

ADJOURNMENT TO DISCUSS URGENT MATTERS OF COUNTY IMPORTANCE

Hon Joseph Lang'at: Madam Temporary Speaker, I beg to move an adjournment Motion of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of county importance under Standing Order 36(1).

The Temporary Speaker (Hon Justine Kihumba): Thank you Hon. Lang'at you can proceed.

Hon Joseph Lang'at: Madam Temporary Speaker; pursuant to Standing Order 36 (1), there has been rampant cattle rustling in Nakuru County. On the morning of 17th August 2016, Mr. Jacob Kigen, a resident of Kapkures Ward, lost his animals at his farm behind Cereal Board, London Ward to cattle thieves. Twenty eight (28) livestock were led out of the complainant's farm on the wee hours of the night by unknown men. The matter was reported to Chief Kapkures Location who posted the same on his Twitter account and luckily five animals, were recovered at Soilo area. Twenty (20) animals have not yet been recovered. Further the matter was reported at Kaptembwa Police Station and later a farmhand, one Mr. Hilary Koech, was arrested for interrogation. Preliminary investigation indicate that the livestock were led to Soilo where they were loaded into a waiting lorry. Farmers in Nakuru County are losing their livestock to cattle rustlers at a very alarming rate leaving

helpless farmers without any more source of income. Taking into cognizant that Nakuru County is predominantly an Agricultural County, it is worrying that this vice goes unabated by security agents. I ask this House to adjourn to discuss the matter because earlier on, I had also raised an alarm on the same issue but last week, 28 animals were stolen from one person. Last year again Mr. John Kibii lost 20 animals but later they were recovered in Eldoret. On behalf of Kenyan citizens, I urge this House to discuss this urgent matter.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon Justine Kihumba): Thank you Hon. Lang'at for moving that Motion. However, while appreciating that provision of Standing Order 36 (1) which permits any Member to rise in his or her seat seeking to adjourn the House to discuss a matter of urgent County Importance, I am taking cognizant of the same Standing Order 36(2); I wish to state that after thoroughly studying the matter under reference, I am not convinced that the matter is of definite county importance but however I wish to advise the honorable Member to raise the matter with the relevant Committee before discussing it in the House. Thank you.

ADJOURNMENT

Members we stand adjourned until tomorrow at 9.30 am.

The House rose at 3.00pm