



COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF MOMBASA

OFFICIAL REPORT

Wednesday, 8th August, 2018

The House met at 9:25a.m.

(The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Mwalimu) in the Chair)

PRAYERS

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mwalimu): Have your seats. Yes Clerk.

STATEMENT

STATUS OF MOMBASA YOUTH FISH PROJECT

Yes Hon. Wambua.

Hon. Wambua: Naam Mheshimiwa Spika, iko tayari taarifa na sikubeba miwani nime *delegate* kwa Mheshimiwa Moses Aran.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mwalimu): Yes Hon. Aran Moses.

Hon. Oindo: I Thank my Committee Chair. Thank you. Mr. Speaker with me I have the response from the Executive Member for Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Co-operatives so I will read the report or the feedback, with your permission.

(Hon. Oindo moved the statement)

The County Government of Mombasa initiated and funded a fish farming project called Mombasa Youth Fish farming Project. The idea was generated from fish farming experience under the Economic Stimulus Program (ESP) of the national government which had shown that, in addition to capture fisheries, fish farming can be an alternative source of fish production and can create sustainable employment for youths in the County.

It was expected that establishment of the fish project will contribute to the following very critical strategic themes of the department;

- a. Increase fish production in the County by supplementing what is harvested from the capture fisheries.
- b. Create employment opportunities for both men and women.
- c. Contribute towards food security and poverty reduction
- d. Diversification of income sources to both the youth and women.
- e. Raise revenue for the County from trading in fish and fishing products.

The County government of Mombasa developed this creative idea, to develop aquaculture in the County after finding out that there were not enough suitable sites for earthen ponds in the County.

The production system is semi-intensive using a stock of 500 catfish in a 39metre square fish tank (38 catfish per meter square intensive feeding with floating pellets. Integrated fish farming and agriculture, gardening where possible small stock (Goats) husbandry to be practiced by women).

Attached here below is summary on the status of the project/tanks;

Mr. Speaker the stock tank 14 of them, name of the group 1 showground which is in Nyali Sub - County, number of tank one;

1. The tank has a few catfish and ready for the harvesting, this is a tank that is used as a demonstration tank during the show and demonstration for farmers.

2. We have ACK St. Philips Youth Group which is based at Likoni sub-County, number of tanks also we have one; the tank has matured fish that is ready for harvesting. Challenges experienced by the group includes; cannibalism, liner leaking, under-feeding, very low water levels and poor management.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mwalimu): There is a Member who is up.

(Inaudible)

Use your microphone.

Hon. Kibwana Swaleh: Thank you Hon. Speaker, point of order because the Chair who has been delegated by the Committee to read the statement, we cannot understand and we cannot respond well when we do not have the copies of the report. Hon. Speaker, I think it is very unfair and this report is a very crucial report for this House. Thank you.

(Applause)

Hon. Oindo: Mr. Speaker, I was delegated to read the report, I will request my Chair to respond to that.

Hon. Wambua: Ahsante sana Bwana Spika, nakala hatukuweza kutengeneza kwa sababu Karani ametuambia mashini imeharibika, nafikiri tutaleta nakala zote kwa Waheshimiwa.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mwalimu): Yes Hon. Bwire.

Hon. Bwire: Thank you Mr. Speaker I also support what Hon. Kibwana has said, is it the same machine that used to come up with the document that the Member has? If it is the same machine then Mr. Speaker we demand to have copies before whoever was delegated to read the statement on behalf of the Committee proceeds. Thank you.

(Applause)

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mwalimu): Hon. Members, this is a crucial report and Members want to know the status of the Mombasa Youth Fish project and it is upon the administration of the Assembly to make sure the reports are in the hands of the Members so I request the copies to be made for the Members to go through then report and this report to be brought back in this House Tuesday next week afternoon.

(Applause)

Yes Clerk.

ADJOURNMENT

Members there being no other business this House stands adjourned until today at 2:30p.m.

The House rose at 9:35a.m.