



## COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF MOMBASA

### OFFICIAL REPORT

Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> August, 2018

The House met at 2:41p.m

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

### PRAYERS

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

### STATEMENTS

#### DEMOLITION OF STRUCTURES IN THE COUNTY

Yes Hon. Tobias Samba?

**Hon. Samba:** Yes, thank you Mr. Speaker. When I raised the issue last week on Thursday you assured me that you will give me an opportunity today to raise my concern. Mr. Speaker I seek a statement from the department of Devolution and Public Services.

THAT AWARE of the roles of the department of Devolution and Public services administration of the County government of Mombasa with the objective of the department to ensure that the spirit and the *letter* of devolution is felt by wananchi.

FURTHER AWARE that this House guided by section 9 of the County Government Act on the roles of the County Assembly and Standing order number 41(2)(c) of this House on request for statement by Member of the House of the relevant House Committee. My concern is that the Inspectorate Department has recently embarked on demolition of business structures within the County and this has caused havoc, closure of business, state of confusion and anxiety amongst the members of the public since they do not know when and where will the County government strike next,

Mr. Speaker it is our roles to protect our people's interest and therefore when they suffer we equally suffer the same.

I therefore urge the Speaker to direct the relevant Committee to summon the department of Devolution and Public Service administration to give a detailed report of the recent actions to demolish structures either in writing or oral,

I would also request the House, atleast this time the relevant Committee that is going to give us the report to at least enhance and fast track this because of late we have been requesting for statements and it is quite unfortunate we always ask for more time. This issue is of great concern to *wananchi* we are elected and we need to give feedback to *wananchi* so Mr. Speaker with due respect I would request that whichever relevant department is going to be given the mandate they speed up and then we have the possible result.

Another issue Mr. Speaker I would request the House, the relevant Committees atleast when we are giving you this task you should go to the ground; most of us do not go to the ground we wait for the Executive. It is quite unfortunate they are compromised like I just had a recent case Hon. Speaker if you will just allow me to air that I took my fellow Hon. Members to a scenario where there was something fishy that was going on when we took our time and called for reinforcement through the County Inspectorate department when they came we were reduced to lesser human beings. We had to run away and we were not happy so this time round Hon. Members and the departmental Committees let us take our roles seriously let *wananchi* feel our roles and also our power, we have the powers to do everything within the Constitution. Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir.

*(Applause)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Mwalimu): Any reactions to the statement? Yes Hon. Faith?

**Hon. (Ms.) Mwende:** Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika kwa kunipa fursa hii, ni kwa vile nimekuwa mmoja wa rafiki ya Mheshimiwa wa Tudor kuambatana na yeye kwenda kuona ile shida ambayo ilikuwa kwa Wodi yake ya muundo msingi wa maji taka. Mheshimiwa Spika chenye tumeona siku ya leo haikufurahisha mbele ya macho ya umma, maji taka inatiririka kwa barabara mpaka inaenda kwa ploti nyengine katikati mahali watoto wanachezea...

*(Interruption)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Mwalimu): Hon. Faith the statement I have allowed you to atleast talk on issues raised by Hon. Samba. He has raised a statement concerning County *askaris* or inspectorate. Demolition on temporary structures in Tudor Ward and he was asking the department of Devolution to take charge. So I just asked the House to atleast put some issues concerning the statement before I direct the relevant Committee to take charge.

**Hon. (Ms.) Mwende:** Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika ni vile nimeona vyenye kazi inafanyika ndio maana ilikuwa imenighadhabisha sana. Mheshimiwa Spika sio mara ya kwanza kuona majengo ya watu inaharibiwa pasipo viongozi wa lile eneo kujua; tungeomba na si kuomba kwa sababu wanalipwa mshahara ili kufanya ushirikiano na wananchi na viongozi ambao wako mashinani, wasikurupuke tu siku moja kwa vile wameambiwa mahali fulani kuna majengo waende wabomoe pasipo kufikiria wale watu wakibomolewa wataenda wapi? Ni jukumu letu kama watu wanafurushwa mahali waonyeshwe mahali mbadala na wasibumburushwe kama wanyama wa mwitu, tuwachukulie kama binadamu. Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Mwalimu): Thank you Hon. Faith. Hon. Members concerning the statement by Hon. Tobias Samba from Tudor Ward, I direct the Leader of Majority and Justice Committee to work on this issue and bring back a report.

As the Hon. Members said it is an urgent issue, we would like the Committee to respond by Thursday afternoon. Yes Hon. Ogutu what is it?

**Hon. Ogutu:** I was requesting the Committee on Labour to be enjoined in the team.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Mwalimu): So how does Labour Committee come on this issue of demolition?

**Hon. Ogutu:** Mr. Speaker Inspectorate and Devolution department falls under Labour and Social Services.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Mwalimu): Hon. Ogutu as much as the House is concerned I understand the Chief Officer for Devolution was vetted by Justice Committee so it is upon the Committee on Justice to take charge but the Labor Committee can join the two said offices; office of the Leader of Majority and office of Justice Committee and work together to bring back a report to this House by Thursday afternoon. Yes Clerk.

### ADJOURNMENT

Having there no other business the House stands adjourned until Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 9:00a.m.

House rose at 2:53p.m.