
MOMBASA COUNTY ASSEMBLY**HANSARD REPORT**Thursday, 9th February, 2017

The House met at 2:45pm.

*(Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mswabah Rashid) in the Chair)***PRAYERS****Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Mswabah Rashid): Members let us sit down, Yes Clerk.**PAPERS**

Hon Mohamed Hatimy.

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika. Mheshimiwa Spika *I rise to move a Motion under Standing order number 49 which states that a Motion may be moved without a notice, so I think Mr. Speaker, I don't need..., I want to table the report so that we can go ahead and pass the report, thank you.*

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mswabah Rashid): Thank you, can you table the report Hon Hatimy.

(Hon Mohamed Hatimy tabled the County Fiscal Strategy Paper 2017/2018)

STATEMENT

Hon. Jimmy Odari? Not in? Yes Clerk.

STATEMENT

Hon Amir Thoya.

Hon Thoya: Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika. Mheshimiwa Spika kwa ruhusa yako na ruhusa ya Jumba hili tukufu; napenda kutoa taarifa ifuatayo kutokana na hali halisi ya daraja lililoko katika maeneo ya Bamburi mkabala na duka la jumla la Naivas.

Taarifa hii Mheshimiwa Spika inatokamana na swali ambalo liliulizwa na Mwakilishi wa eneo lile Mheshimiwa Riziki Fundi Kitsao katika Bunge hili.

Mheshimiwa Spika daraja la Naivas liko mkabala na duka la jumla la Naivas katika eneo la Bamburi; ukiwa katika barabara ya kuelekea Utange na daraja hili lilikuwa ni dhihiriko katika himaya ya serikali yetu ya Mombasa.

Mheshimiwa Spika kufuatia idara ya uchukuzi na miundo msingi iliweza kupatiana kandarasi kwa mwanakandarasi anajulikana kama Zenith constructions Company Limited ili kuweza kufanya ukarabati wa daraja lile.

Mheshimiwa Spika mwanakandarasi huyu hakuweza kumaliza ile kazi na akaweza kuiacha katikati bila ya kuweza kuikamilisha, kufuatilia hilo serikali hivi sasa iko mbioni kuhakikisha ya kwamba inaweza kusimamisha kandarasi ambayo ilikuwa inafanywa na Zenith Constructions na wakati huo huo kuweza kuitangaza tena upya ili kuhakikisha ya kwamba tunapata mwanakandarasi mpya ambaye atamaliza kazi ya daraja lile.

Kwa hivyo Mheshimiwa Spika letu kama idara ni kuweza kuhakikishia wakaazi wa Mombasa haswa haswa wakaazi wa Bamburi kuhakikisha kwamba usalama wao ni muhimu na serikali inalizingatia hili na kila jambo limeweza kufanywa ili kuhakikisha ya kwamba daraja hilo limeweza kurekebisha kwa wakati ambao unafaa. Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mswabah Rashid): Thank you Hon Amir Thoya. Yes Clerk.

STATEMENT

Yes Majority leader.

Leader of Majority (Hon. Mwidani): Thank you Mr. Speaker, first of all let me thank the Members for being very patient in the time I requested, so today I already have the reply from the statement.

(Leader of Majority (Hon Mwidani read statement)

Mr. Speaker sir,

Ref: Mombasa County food situation report for the month of January 2017; our reference letter CGM/15/(39) dated 31st January, 2017 on famine in Mwakirunge. Attached please find a report on the subject for your attention and action and I think Mr. Speaker I hope all the Members have the report.

Mr. Speaker sir,

INTRODUCTION

Farmers in Mombasa county do depend on a long rains from April to August each year for food and cash crop such as cereals and pulses, roots and tubers, few do grow horticultural crops for subsistence and a bit for sale and commercial purpose. In 2016 Mr. Speaker the long and short rains received were insufficient amounts and erratic which resulted to poor crop performance i.e both long and short seasons. Average maize yields range from 0-2 bags per acre.

Due to the drought the livestock also have been affected; there are no pastures and the animals are emaciated, farmers have to walk for an average of six kilometers to search for water for their animals as the water pans have dried up.

During this reporting period farmers have to depend on other coping mechanisms in order to purchase maize which is the staple food.

Areas most affected include Likoni – Dongo Kundu, Mtongwe, Viemani, Timbwani and Mrongondoni/Kaya Mtongwe.

Mr Speaker am very happy to say that I think my colleague who wrote the statement he can see even in my area was affected, so I accept it was something I am very serious.

When we go to Kisauni the affected areas are Mwakirunge, Bamburi, Colorado, Vroni, Kadzandani, Maunguja, Mwembe Legeza and Kashani. In Changamwe Mr. Speaker Jomvu Kuu, Miritini, Mikindani, Chaani, Kipevu, Port Reitz. Mombasa Island are Kaa Chonjo, Mworoto, Mburu Kenge and Tononoka.

Mr. Speaker if I can move to the mitigation against food shortage the department of Agriculture, livestock and fisheries has through its general extension services carried out campaigns on;

1. Desilting of water pans and water harvesting for crop production,
2. Promoted growing of drought tolerant crops,
3. Training farmers on soil water conservation,
4. Promoted technologies like; zai pits, conservation agriculture, drip irrigation for crops production,
5. Promoted keeping of small stocks e.g poultry, rabbits, dairy goats which don't need a lot of water
6. Promoted deep sea fishing.

Mr. Speaker it is advisable that the County government set aside some funds to purchase food stuffs for affected population as reflected in the table given above. Coping mechanisms include;

1. Most members seek for employment outside their farms; either neighboring farms or in urban centres like EPZ companies,
2. Number of meals get reduced from 3 to 1 per day,
3. Changing of meals from the staple food maize to ones that use fruits like mangoes (local varieties) and wild fruits.

Thank you Mr. Speaker, that is the report from the department of Agriculture, and thank you as Members and really thanks again for giving me time so that you accepted the delay which was brought, thank you Mr. Speaker.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mswabah Rashid): Yes Hon of Mwakirunge.

Hon. Mwinga: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker first I think I should congratulate the Leader of Majority for bringing this report in this House, but unfortunately I just want to report to this House that the question or the statement which I had given for the people of Mwakirunge is not answered in this report.

I expected the Majority leader to come with the report particularly with the famine which is going on in Mwakirunge but the Majority leader has a report which includes all the County Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker I think am the Member of..., am the Member who represent Mwakirunge and I know how those people are undergoing at this time, so am wondering why should the Majority leader bring a report to other wards which do not bring this report.

Mr. Speaker I think I should get a full report of what will happen or what will happen for the people of Mwakirunge. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mswabah Rashid): Yes Leader of majority.

Leader of Majority (Hon. Mwidani): Thank you Mr. Speaker, well to respond to my colleague what he has said, okay he is right but actually we as government we have to give out all the reports, it does not mean when you mention one area we concentrate on one area, but actually now we have shown that we have seen the problem is not in one area.

And I agree with you so that now we can put this issue again in the Committee now to bring Chief Officer in the Committee room within the department of agriculture to have all the details now, but actually Mr. Speaker this is what we have done as a government to show where the problem is but still this time we consider to Committee now, to have a very good report in detail, to go in detail in whatever the Member has asked. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mswabah Rashid): Yes we go back to order number seven, Hon Jimmy Odari.

Hon. Odari: Thank you Hon Speaker, this is a request I wish to make before this House request is...

(Interruption)

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mswabah Rashid): You go ahead Hon Jimmy Odari.

Hon. Odari: Mr. Speaker right now there is a very big project which is undergoing; construction of roads is undergoing in my ward Changamwe, that is construction of highway the fly-overs in my ward.

Hon. Speaker as much as we appreciate the developments, as much as we appreciate the projects because we cannot oppose developments but my concern Hon Speaker is with regard to the impacts, the environmental impact of that project to my people of Changamwe Ward.

Mr. Speaker this project has come with a lot of adverse effects on the livelihood and the life of my people of Changamwe Ward; first and foremost Hon Speaker a lot of dust has come out or is been emanated from the construction site to the residential areas of my Ward particularly the Changamwe Ward estate, Hamisi estate and the Changamwe New flats.

The dust as you know Hon Speaker has got some hazardous effects on the health of my people and so many people have been affected as much as I do not have medical report or scientific report on this regards but Hon Speaker the fact that the business is in public domain, dust has really affected my people and despite their complaints nobody has come forward to address this issue of dust.

Even the Chinese contractor who is undertaking the job has not been able to do anything or to take steps that would mitigate that problem; for example in the sprinkling of water to help reduce the dust it has been a very difficult task to him maybe he finds it very expensive for him to buy water or to transport water and sprinkle.

Therefore he has left my people in a very bad situation and my people have been affected health wise, very extensively; Hon Mr. Speaker it is important that we get a statement on the same.

Hon Speaker, this construction also affected the water supply in my area because they had to relocate; they had to disconnect the main water supply line from Mzima to my area and it has to be relocated despite claiming that they have relocated the pipe up to now my people are not receiving that water.

Before this construction there was a lot of water but now as an effect or as result of that project my people are not receiving water and they have been suffering because of lack of supply of water for quite some time now almost a year since the inception of that project.

Hon Speaker, even the streetlights which were removed so as to pave way for the extension of the road have not been restored up to now, some parts of my area are in darkness and nothing has taken place, nobody is concerned about restoring the streetlights.

Another thing Hon Speaker, our roads, many of our roads have been damaged because of the diversion; the roads have had to be diverted to allow for the construction to take place; someone had promised that he is going to repair those roads but nothing has taken place the roads are almost over and the highway is almost over but our roads have been forgotten, the roads in the estates have been forgotten unless we raise concern in good time.

My fear Hon Speaker is that after the construction is over completely these people might leave the site without repairing our roads, they might decide to leave the site even without informing us only to find that they have left and their job is over and our roads remain the same way.

Therefore Hon. Speaker am requesting the government of the County government to take up this matter with whoever is concerned; be it national, KENHA the Kenya national Highways Authority or whoever may be concerned in regards to these constructions to address these issues for the benefit of my people.

Because Hon. Speaker am here for those people, am here to represent the people of Changamwe, and unless I raise their issues then I will be failing with my duties as their representative. Thank you Hon. Speaker.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mswabah Rashid): Committee on Environment do you have answer to that or you need time.

Hon: (Ms) Zainab Mumba: No i think I will report on Wednesday afternoon.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mswabah Rashid): I think that will be okay. Yes Clerk?

MOTION

Yes Hon. Hatimy.

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I beg to move a Motion on adoption of the report on the County Fiscal Strategy Paper 2017/2018, on Thursday 9th 2017 February with amendments Mr. Speaker, thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Amur: Mr. Speaker I would like to second this it be passed with amendments, Mr. Speaker sir. Thank you.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mswabah Rashid): Members I think I will propose the question, I would propose that this House adopt the report on the County Fiscal Strategy Paper 2017/2018 with amendments.

(Applause)

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker I seek permission from this Honorable House to pass the report with amendment; anybody with any question *(Inaudible)* because we had given out the report....*(Inaudible)* Speaker.

I think Mr. Speaker we don't have power at the moment and the report has many pages so I seek the report to be passed and we go on with our business, thank you.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mswabah Rashid): Members I think I should put the question, Members as many as for the opinion that this House, adopts the report on County Fiscal Strategy Paper 2017/2018 with amendments.

(Question put and agreed to)

ADJOURNMENT

This House stands adjourned until next week.

The House rose at 3:04pm.