

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF MOMBASA THE HANSARD

Wednesday, 29th March, 2023 **Third Assembly – Twenty Fifth Sitting**

[The County Assembly met at 2:24p.m. at the County Assembly Buildings] [The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Please, you may take your seat.

[Silence]

Yes Clerk?

STATEMENTS

FIRE OUTBREAK IN KONGOWEA MARKET

Yes, Honourable Samuel Mwaura MCA Kongowea Ward, please give your Statement. Honourable Katana, please take your seat. Proceed.

Hon. Mwaura: Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir. I rise to seek a statement from the Chair of Transport, concerning the fire outbreaks in Kongowea and all over Mombasa. Honourable Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 41 (2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson, Committee on Transport and Infrastructure on whether he is aware that Mombasa Fire Department has only two fully functioning fire trucks, one in Likoni and another at the main station in the Central Business District (CBD). Both of these fire trucks although functional, are in bad shape in terms of service and that they are not insured. Honourable Speaker, I want to commend the Mombasa Fire Department that although they have only two functioning fire trucks, they were able to respond in time together with other well-wishers to the fire outbreaks in Kongowea Market on 1st December, 2022 and 31st January, 2023. I also want in a special way to thank J. Cobra Water Bowser, Zakil Foundation, Crown Petroleum Water Bowser and the Kenya Ports Authority. Honourable Speaker, the residents of Mombasa have been left to the mercy of well-wishers despite the fact that they are paying the fire brigade levies together with the Single Business Licenses. Honourable Speaker, with the prevalence of fire outbreaks in the County, especially at Kongowea Market which has experienced fire outbreaks frequently, a fully equipped Fire department is vital in saving lives and properties. Honourable Speakers, in the statement, the Chairperson should inquire into and report on:

- 1. How many fire trucks does the Mombasa Fire Department have and how many of those trucks are operational;
- 2. How many fire trucks are not operational, and what is the reason behind the non-operation;
- 3. How long will it take the County government to ensure that all the Fire Trucks are fully functioning and that they are all insured;
- 4. What plans does the County government have to ensure that Sub-County Fire Stations are reinstated and when do we expect to have them back;
- 5. Can the County government consider allocating one fire truck to Kongowea Market due to the frequent fire outbreaks.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): I believe that statement is directed to the Chairperson on the Committee of Transport and infrastructure Honourable Hassan Mohamed. I don't think he is in and I also cannot see his vice, however I can see a Member of the Committee; who is willing to respond to that statement? Please proceed Honourable Manuari.

Hon. Juma Manuari: Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika *Statement* ya ndugu yangu Bwana Mwaura tutaikalia chini kama Kamati kwa hivyo atupe muda halafu tutamletea jibu. Ahsante.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Yes, Honourable Mwaura?

Hon. Mwaura: Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika. Ni kweli ameomba muda lakini hii *statement* imekuja mara kadhaa ikirudi kwa sababu hawajakuwepo ili kuipokea na sasa kwa sababu wamekuwepo ili kuipokea kuna umuhimu wa yeye kusema ni muda gani wanahitaji kupewa ili aweze kujibu. Kwa sababu hili ni janga ambalo Mombasa nzima inaathirika nalo na ni janga ambalo tuna umuhimu kuhakikisha tumeliangamiza. Kwa hivyo Mheshimiwa Spika ningeomba tu aweze kutupatia ule muda anahitaji kupewa ama ni lini tunatazamia kupata majibu. Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Thank you. Honourable Manuari...Yes Deputy Speaker, please make your contribution? Are you on a point of Order?!

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Makarani): Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika. Mheshimiwa Spika hili swali aliloleta Mheshimiwa Mwaura ni swali ambalo linatakikana lichukuliwe kwa uzito mkubwa maana kwa kusema ukweli tunataka tujue wako na magari mangapi na yako kama yanafanya kazi. Kwa sababu hivi tunavyo tuzungumza Mheshimiwa Spika ikiwa kwatokea janga lolote na hali Mheshimiwa anasema wataketi na Kamati yake halafu wafikirie watatuletea. Mheshimiwa Spika tutakuwa hatutendei haki wananchi wetu wa Mombasa tungeomba hata kama inawezekana wangekaa leo usiku wakatupatia kama tungekuwa tuna kikao leo usiku, wangetupa majibu leo leo usiku, lakini vile kuwa hatuna kikao cha leo tungeomba kupitia Kiti chako wapatie muda ambao utakuwa si muda mrefu sana watupe haya majibu ili wananchi wetu wawe tutakuwa tunawatendea haki maana si sawa kuwa tutaketi bila kujua na hali hatujui majanga yanaweza tokea wakati wowote tukijua kuwa pia huu ni msimu wa mvua majanga huwa yanatokea sana katika misimu hii. Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Yes, I have heard you, Deputy Speaker. Yes, Honourable Ogutu, are you on a point of order?

[Hon. Ogutu off microphone]

You are a Member of Transport Committee? Okay please proceed?

Hon. Ogutu: Mheshimiwa Spika natumai Ripoti yoyote ambayo inaletwa hapa iwe *detailed* kwa hivyo tunaomba tupewe muda wa kutosha ili tukija hapa na Ripoti iwe imebeba kila *detail* ambayo Mheshimiwa ameomba. Kwa hivyo tunaomba wiki tatu kwa sababu Mheshimiwa Spika tumefunga na saumu ni kali na tutaweza sema pia ma *Chief officers* hawako kwa sasa tunangoja wapawe nafasi Ripoti ziletwe hapa Bungeni. Kwa hivyo wiki tatu itakuwa sawa kabisa Mheshimiwa Spika. Ahsante.

[Interruption]

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Okay are you guys up on any point of order?

[Hon. Mbelle off microphone]

Point of information? Who would you want to inform?

[Hon. Mbelle off microphone]

The House? Please proceed.

Hon. Mbelle: Mheshimiwa Spika, ndugu yetu Mheshimiwa Bernard Ogutu nafikiri tutampatia jina lake jipya Ismael kwa sababu amesema amefunga ametuambia kwamba Wizara yao hawana *Chief officer* lakini tunavyo ongea tunae *Chief Officer who can respond to these matters. So, I like him to clarify what he meant that they do not have a Chief officer of this department and probably when responding they should tell us do they have a policy or an Act that really talks into the matter to whatever that has been presented today. Because we truly do not have and if I'm wrong, they will tell me. But they do not even have a policy that they can refer to on matters of fire outbreaks or anything else comes with any disasters in this County. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.*

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Honourable Amriya Juma, are you on a point of order? You are informing the House again, the Chair and the House Committee at large? Okay proceed.

Hon. Amriya Juma: Thank you Honourable Speaker for according me this opportunity and I want to inform the House that this statement is very straight forward and this statement the Committee should not take it lightly or cosmetic and that it only takes even few minutes to confirm these answers. As Honourable Speaker because there are structures and there are the yard managers that can respond to this statement and are very straight forward. How many trucks are available, how many are operational, how many are to be serviced, this one that the Members can just establish through the phone call. So, they do not need three weeks as they purport to send cognizant to the fact that the House is known to be going for recess in few days and this is important matters that we are going to be handling at the grassroot level, so seeking three weeks Mr. Speaker in my view three weeks is not practical for the Committee. Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Members, take a seat I am making a ruling on that matter. Honourable Members, this statement was first brought to the House on 7th of March and I believe the Committee has had sufficient time to go through this statement if at all there are serious about that matter. However, I understand you have been preoccupied by the vetting of the Chief Officers notwithstanding the gravity of this matter, I rule that the Committee furnishes a full report to this House next week on Wednesday. There is no vacuum of office, I am sure there are Directors, personnel who will provide you with sufficient information regarding this statement, so Members of the Committee please inform your Chair to take this matter seriously. Yes Clerk.

STATEMENTS

RESPONSE TO STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRPERSON COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION HONOURABLE KIBWANA SWALEH ON THE SUBMISSION OF ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (ADP), COUNTY INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN (CIDP)AND COUNTY FISCAL STRATEGY PAPER (CFSP) TO THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY

Honourable Kibwana is not in, anyone standing in for him? Honourable Fadhili Mwalimu please respond to the statement or I can see the Vice Chair is also there.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Mwalimu): Honourable Speaker, the Vice Chair is not feeling so well, so she has delegated that I respond to this statement by Honourable Amriya Juma. Honourable Speaker, after the Honourable Member brought a statement to this Honourable House the Committee acted on the matter and to the department concerned; as you are aware that the Department lacks a Chief Officer and it was just recently that we got the Executive Member for Finance. Mr. Speaker, having said so it did not delay our work, we did our mandate, we sat as a Committee and we wrote to the Executive Member and the Executive Member wrote a response to this Honourable House. Also Mr. Speaker after receiving the response, we also sat as a Committee and wrote back to the Executive Member of Finance and requested him to give us timelines as to when the matters at hand are going to be answered properly. Mr. Speaker, to me I have a letter from the Executive Member Mr. Evans Oanda which states that the letter was written to the Clerk, 'Delayed County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP), County Fiscal Strategy Paper (CFSP) and Annual Development Plan (ADP) for the FY 2023/2024 and the entire budget process for the FY 2023/2024 Mr. Speaker with your permission I can read the letter but Mr. Speaker I have the letter with me...

[Interruption]

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Hon. Fadhili...

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Makarani): Yes Mr. Speaker Sir...

[Interruption]

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Is it a one-page letter?

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Makarani): Mr. Speaker it is a one-page letter of which if the Honourable Members would like to go and read it, they can find it in the offices of the Clerk Mr. Speaker to save time...

[Interruption]

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Honourable Fadhili, I think we have sufficient time and the Members are interested with the contents of that letter, so please proceed and read.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Makarani): Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity to read the letter. Mr. Speaker, as said the Statement by Honourable Amriya on the delayed of County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP), County Fiscal Strategy Paper (CFSP) and Annual Development Plan (ADP) for FY 2023/2024 and the entire Budget process for the FY 2023/2024. The letter was addressed to the Clerk.

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Mr. Speaker, the letter as I said was addressed to the Clerk of the County Assembly of Mombasa...

[Interruption]

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Honourable Fadhili...

[Interruption]

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Makarani): The above matter refers. As you may be aware Mr. Speaker, the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 provides for specific timelines within which the budgeting documents should be submitted to the County Assemblies for consideration. Mr. Speaker, we acknowledge that we have delayed submitting the County Development Plans, Annual Development Plans, the County government Debt Management Strategy Paper, and County Fiscal Strategy Paper as per the set timelines Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, the letter also continues, this has been occasioned by delay from the National government in releasing this year's budget policy statement from which we could align the County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) as required in law. There was also need to align the County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) with the Governor's manifesto Mr. Speaker and we develop the said documents, we as the Department of Finance develop the documents of the Governor's manifesto and the other documents Mr. Speaker Sir... Mr. Speaker Sir. we have completed drafting some of the documents such as the County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) Mr. Speaker it is completed, we have completed drafting the County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) and ready to undertake Public Participation Mr. Speaker it must be understood that we have to undergo Public Participation exercise in the coming days Mr. Speaker, anytime soon Mr. Speaker...

[Interruption]

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Honourable Fadhili...

[Interruption]

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Makarani): ...We might be going for Public Participation...

[Interruption]

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Honourable Fadhili, you are trying to delay this whole process; well understood, however please just stick to the contents of those letters do not go beyond explaining yourself.

Just read for us the contents and am sure the word *Mr. Speaker Sir* is not part of the content so please omit that, just read the contents please be advised!

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Makarani): Obliged Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker so should I start the...

[Interruption]

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Just start with Mr. Speaker and do not repeat it again.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Makarani): I start from where I left...

[Interruption]

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): From the second paragraph.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Makarani): Okay.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): The second paragraph.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Makarani): Mr. Speaker, we have completed drafting some of the documents such as the County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) and ready to undertake Public Participation exercise in the coming days. It is our hope that the entire budget making exercise will be complete by the end of the current Financial Year. We, therefore kindly request you bear with us as we expedite the process. Yours Sincerely, For, Mr. Evans Oanda, County Executive Committee Member, Finance and Economic Planning,

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, the letter was copied to His Excellency the Governor, the CEO Commission on Revenue Allocation, The Principal Secretary and the Controller of Budget...

[Interruption]

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Order! Order and thank you...

[Interruption]

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Makarani): Thank you Sir.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Thank you for taking your time. Honourable Amriya?

Hon. Amriya Juma: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker as the Deputy Speaker was reading the letter I could not feel being amused by the opaqueness and frivolousness of the letter. Mr. Speaker, the request for the Statement came in on 1st of March, this is 29th of March and when I raised this question it was cognizant to the fact that there was delay so the question of delay in his response is not new but my question was very clear on when will the Executive submit the Annual Development Plan (ADP), County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) and the County Fiscal Strategy Paper (CFSP). But when I was asking this Statement, I was crystal clear that they had delayed according to the PFM Act, the County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) elapses on 30th December, 2022 and the Annual Development Plan was to come 1st of September, 2022 according to the PFM Act section 129, the County Fiscal Strategy Paper (CFSP) was supposed to come...

[Interruption]

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Yes, Honourable Fadhili are you on a point of Order? What is the Point of Order? Which Point of Order?

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Makarani): There is no quorum Mr. Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Honourable Fadhili, take your seat please. Yes proceed?

Hon. Amriya Juma: Mr. Speaker I want the House to be well guided that this is not going to be a cosmetic House; this is a House of rules and procedures and failing there was one person saying that failing to plan is planning to fail. All these planning documents are very important and essential as our representative and oversight capacity so that we know what we are going to tell our citizens because we are accountable and our days in this House are also numbered. So we have no luxury of time because we have just sixty months in this House, and we want to know what are our priorities for this financial year, what are our highlights and what is going to the expenditure and what programs are going to be undertaken at the Ward Level. So, this is very important and that letter Mr. Speaker is not sufficient and that is not what I asked for; so, I request that you give an order that they relook into this question I was asking, when will this document be submitted because they are already out of time Mr. Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Thank you.

Hon. Amriya Juma: Note that I was cognizant of the fact that they were already delayed; 1st of March issued this statement already the ADP, CIDP, CSFP were already delayed so the question of delay here is not an issue. The material facts are that am asking of the timelines that are going to come and that timeline should not be prejudiced this Assembly or Members of the public because even those timelines should not prejudice our public participation. Mr. Speaker all the citizen public participation which is very important and we know that this budget lapses on 30th June so from 30th June the government will not be able to spend any money outside this plan Mr. Speaker, so time of essence so thank you very much.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Thank you Honourable Amriya, perhaps I will have an input being a Member of Finance Budget and Appropriation Committee Member. Yes, Honourable Fadhili, proceed. Yes, okay proceed.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Makarani): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I think I started my statement by saying that as a Committee we wrote to the County Executive Committee Member for Finance them the department to give us a document that shows the timeline that shows as to when they are going to bring this document to this Honourable House. Mr. Speaker but in this letter that I have read, it is clearly showing that the documents will be complete by the end of this financial year. So, Mr. Speaker as we sit now here today, the Executive Members are preparing the same document at White Sands Hotel, they have expedited and am sure Mr. Speaker we...

[Interruption]

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Honourable Ogutu, what is the issue please, what is the issue?

Hon. Ogutu: Mheshimiwa Spika nilikuwa nauliza tu kwamba, tunangoja ADP mpaka *financial year* iishe?

Hii Mheshimiwa Fadhili ajue kwamba hatufanyi vitimbi hapa na kama anataka vitimbi, angoje michezo ya CASA inakuja waweke hiyo idara hapo lakini hatuwezi kwenda namna hiyo.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Honourable Ogutu just allow Hon. Fadhili to finish his statement and then you can respond, do not interject again please.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Makarani): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I think am up on a request by Honourable Amriya and am not doing any *vitimbi* as said by Honourable Ogutu so Mr. Speaker I would like the Honourable Member to withdraw that statement because Mr. Speaker if the people of my Ward Port-Reitz Ward and Mombasa at large hear that I am observing *vitimbi* in this House Mr. Speaker...

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Honourable Fadhili, please let us not concentrate on that, let us avoid the side shows please. Respond to the matter at hand, kindly for the last time.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Makarani): Mr. Speaker as I said earlier that we are going to have these all documents before the end of this current financial year. This means that before the end of this financial year, we shall be having CIDP in this Honourable House, we shall be having ADP in this Honourable House and CFSP in this Honourable House. Mr. Speaker, the letter is clear; the delays were done by the National Treasury. Mr. Speaker as per the letter and every Member in this Honourable House is aware that we just some few weeks ago sworn in the Executive Members because this process Mr. Speaker...

[Interruption]

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Honourable Amriya, please just a minute. Honourable Amriya what is your contribution?

Hon. Amriya Juma: I am seeking directions Mr. Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Are you on a point of order?

Hon. Amriya Juma: Yes, I am seeking directions from your Chair Mr. Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): It is not a point of order.

Hon. Amriya Juma: It is a point of order; whether Honourable Fadhili is in order to misrepresent...

[Interruption]

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Which point of order?

Hon. Amriya Juma: The Clerk can check on misrepresentation to the Assembly.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): It is okay you can take your time and confirm it, and as you confirm it let me allow Honourable Fadhili to proceed as you confirm the Standing Order, please. Just take a seat, Honourable Fadhili please wrap up you have 30 seconds.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Makarani): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I would like the Honourable Member to bear with the Committee and let the Committee bring back in this Honourable House the timelines as we requested as a Committee from the Executive Member.

We have requested the actual timelines as to when and that is why I am saying as we speaker here today they have seated somewhere preparing the documents and am sure Mr. Sure maybe by next week all these documents we might be having the documents or the process might be going to public participation Mr. Speaker. So am requesting the Honourable Member to atleast give us a weeks' time and we will bring back the timelines Mr. Speaker, Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Thank you. From my understanding to the response made by Honourable Fadhili is that the Committee wrote to the CECM in charge of Finance and Economic Planning and he has just read out the response made which was not to the satisfactory of the Committee. The Committee wrote back actually to the CEC demanding exact timelines; so, let us wait for the response from the CEC and am sure the Committee will respond and will give guidelines on when we shall have the CIDP and ADP and CFSPs, so Honourable Amriya please bear with us. Thank you, Clerk?

[Interruption]

I have just made my ruling on that matter and I said I repeat again for the last time, the Committee wrote back and once the Committee received that letter from the CECM they were not satisfied with it because the CECM kept on saying by the end of the financial year. So, the Committee wrote back through the Clerk to the CECM telling him to give us the exact date so they are still waiting for the response from the CECM, they are expecting the response from the CECM. Thank you. Clerk?

RESPONSE TO STATEMENT BY CHAIRPERSON COMMITTEE ON HEALTH SERVICES, HONOURABLE BENARD OGUTU ON REPURPOSING OF MARIMANI HEALTH FACILITY TO FUNCTION AS A DRUG AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE CENTRE

Yes, Honourable Benard Ogutu. Chairperson Committee on Health please respond to the statement.

Hon. Ogutu: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I wish to respond to a statement requested in this Honourable House by Honourable Mwinyi Mtoto on Wednesday 15th February, 2023. The Member sought a statement of the plan of repurposing of Marimani health facility to function as a drug and substance abuse centre. Mr. Speaker, the County Chief Officer for the Department of Medical Services in her letter reference COH/MSA/ADM/CA/023 Dated 22nd March, 2023. responded as follows;

That the Governor Mombasa Honourable...

[Interruption]

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Order Members! I want the Honourable Chairman to be heard in silence please.

Hon. Ogutu: The Governor of Mombasa Honourable Abdulswamad Sherrif Nassir established a healthcare system taskforce upon assuming office via Executive Order No. 1 of 2022 on 22^{nd} September, 2022 to engage stakeholders to review and recommend reforms in the Mombasa County Healthcare system. Part of the issues and challenges from the task force outlined was the County lacks any effective and substantial drug and substance abuse rehabilitation centers which plays key role in returning of patients to normal life activities. The task force recommended that re-purpose of Marimani Outreach and Shika Adabu outreach to function as fully equipped modern male and female drug and substance rehabilitation centers.

This will be in partnership with stakeholders under the private partnership program. The Governor issued a directive to effect the recommendation from the health task force; this was coupled by the fact that the uptake of services at Marimani Outreach health facility is very low. The mandate to enforce was issued to Chief Officer Medical Services Committee to advice on the implementation of the same. The multi-sectoral team was to develop subcommittee that comprised of infrastructure, rehab operations and service delivery, community and public participation. Honourable Speaker, community dialogue at Marimani and Mwakirunge was conducted on 9th and 10th February 2023 by the Sub County health management team, the community reported not to be able to afford the services offered at the outreach health facility and requested the former dispensary to be returned with the affordable rates. The community subsequently indicated that they have no objection to have the rehabilitation at the outreach site however the dispensary needs to be fully operational. Benchmark visit to Kwale rehabilitation centre was done by the multi-sectoral team and had insight on the structure, operations and running of rehabilitation. However, advised to visit Jomek in Nakuru as it is the ideal public sector rehab. The COMS leadership is planning to conduct community public participation at the County level to further get community input and involvement in the proposed rehabilitation centre.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker the remaining part is just on the research conducted by the department. Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Thank you Honourable Benard Ogutu. Yes Clerk?

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT BY HONOURABLE JUMA MANUARI FROM THE CHAIRPERSON COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION HONOURABLE ALLEN KATANA ON THE LATE DISBURSEMENT OF BURSARY CHEOUES IN THE COUNTY

Honourable Manuari, please issue your statement.

Hon. Juma Manuari: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I stand pursuant to Standing Order No. 41(2) (c) to request for the statement from the Chairperson Committee on Education and Digital Transformation on late disbursement of bursary cheques in the County. Mr. Speaker, the County government of Mombasa has for the past financial year failed to release bursaries to deserving students who are in need of financial aid for their studies. This has caused untold suffering to the students who rely on the funds to meet their educational needs. Mr. Speaker, it is therefore my request that the Committee on Education and Digital Transformation to investigate this matter with urgency and respond on steps being taken by the County government of Mombasa to ensure students receive the bursary cheques on time and are maintained in schools. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): Thank you, you are directing that to the Chair on Education and Digital Transformation, are you seeking to respond to it? You have a response? Oh, please do so, be brief.

Hon. Katana: I do not know why Mr. Speaker you want it brief but despite of me not being sure whether this statement has followed the due process. Though I am not a Member of the House Business Committee, but also, I can respond to it because it is true that so many kids were sent from school.

I want to assure this House that with its consent then I will be in a good position to respond to it after a week. Thank you, Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Abdulrahman Abdulkadir): I thought you wanted to respond to it right now. Nonetheless, thank you so much; however, let me assure you that it is in order pursuant to Standing Order 40(1) (c), the Speaker may either appoint a day of statement or direct the statement be issued on the same day, thank you. Yes Clerk?

ADJOURNMENT

Honourable Members, this House stands adjourned until Tuesday 4^{th} April, 2023 at 10:00a.m. Thank you.

The House rose at 3:18p.m.