COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF NAKURU THE HANSARD

Wednesday 23rd March 2022

Assembly Building

The House met at 3:00pm

[The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Philip Wanjohi): in the Chair].

PRAYER

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Philip Wanjohi): Good afternoon Honorable Members, *Wajumbe Hamjambo!*. Honorable Members welcome to the afternoon session. Clerk next order.

RESPONSE TO STATEMENT

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Philip Wanjohi): Honorable Members we have a Statement response. Hon. Njuguna Mwaura Chairperson of Committee on Health Services to issue a statement requested by Hon. Daniel Kiriethe concerning the late payment of casual staff at Igwamiti Dispensary in Waseges Ward. Honorable Simon Wanyoike, Member for the Health Committee.

Hon. Simon Wanyoike: Thank you Mr. Temporary Speaker sir, on behalf of the Chair Health Committee I wish to read the statement, which was requested by Honorable Member from Waseges on 1st March, 2022.

On 1st March, 2022, pursuant to the Standing Order No.47 (2)(c), Honorable Daniel Kiriethe Mwangi from Waseges Ward requested for a statement from the chairperson Committee on Health Services concerning the delayed payments of staff at Igwamiti Dispensary in Waseges Ward.

Mr. Jackson Mutai Koros of ID NO. 8070049 and Janet Kwamboka of ID NO. 13047502 are staff working at Igwamiti Dispensary in Waseges ward as support staff and the two officers have been contracted by the hospital board and have not been paid their dues for one year since January 2021 to date.

It is on this note that, Hon. Daniel Kiriethe Mwangi sought for a statement on the following issues;

- 1. Whether the County Government of Nakuru is aware of the aforementioned matter.
- 2. What the County Department of Health Services is doing to make sure that the salary is paid and measures put in place by the Hospital Board to avert future delay.

Upon receipt of the requested statement, the committee did write to the Chief Officer, Health Services and received the following response;-

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That Department is aware of the two cases from the Igwamiti Dispensary, as well as other casual workers of Level 2 and Level 3 Health facilities.

This has been occasioned by the fact that the Level 2 and 3 Health facilities do not collect any fees and charges. The facilities depend on grants from DANIDA and foregone user fee reimbursement by the National Government. These funds have not been disbursed this Financial Year rendering most facilities incapable of paying the casual workers.

However, as a department we have come to cushion them by processing their dues. The payment is in the internet banking awaiting requisition of funds from the controller of Budget. This will be effected as soon as the funds are available. We are also looking for ways to enhance revenues in our facilities by sensitizing the locals and the health facilities on how well they can tap into the other streams like Linda Mama Initiative. Thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Philip Wanjohi): Thank you Honorable Wanango for that response and I hope that Honorable Kiriethe is now sorted out and will be able to respond to the issue in question. Thank you so much. Clerk next order.

Honorable Members we have the Committee of the Whole and I would want to ask whether the mover is in, before we proceed. The mover of the Motion Honorable David Malel...

(Hon. David Malel not in the House)

with the absence of the mover we also have the sponsor of the Motion, Hon. Wilbur Amara.

It is also important that before we proceed, we confirm whether he is in the House...

(Hon. Wilbur Amara not in the House)

So therefore, Honorable Members with the absence of the mover of the Motion and the sponsor of the Motion, the Committee of the Whole House on the Nakuru County Assembly Members Office Bill No.7 of 2021 has been deferred to a later date. Clerk next order.

ADJOURNMENT

Honorable Members the House remains adjourned until Tuesday next week at 9.30am.

(The House rose at 3.10pm)