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WEDNESDAY, 9TH JULY, 2025

The House met at the County Assembly Chamber at 9:30 a.m.

(Mr. Speaker [Hon. Emmanuel Situma] in the Chair)

PRAYER

PAPERS

REPORT BY THE SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF HOUSE RESOLUTION OF ADOPTED REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2022 AND 2023

Mr Speaker: Hon Ipara, kindly proceed.

Hon. Johnston Ipara: Hon. Speaker, I have the privilege to table a report of the sectoral Committee on Education and Vocational Training on implementation of House resolutions of adopted reports for the year 2022/2023, I submit.

(Hon. Johnston Ipara laid the paper on the floor)

Mr Speaker: Honourable Members, the report by the sectoral Committee on Education and Vocational Training, on the implementation of the House resolutions of the adopted reports for the year 2022/2023 is hereby tabled. It becomes the property of the House accordingly.

REPORT BY THE SECTORAL COMMITTEE OF LANDS, URBAN, FISCAL PLANNING AND HOUSING ON IMPLEMENTATION OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS FOR THE YEAR 2022/2023

Mr Speaker: Hon. Ipara.

Hon. Johnston Ipara: Hon. Speaker, I have the privilege to table a report of the sectoral Committee on Lands, Urban, Physical Planning and Housing on implementation of House resolutions for the year 2022/2023.

(Hon. Johnston Ipara laid the paper on the floor)

Mr Speaker: Honourable Members, the report by the sectoral Committee on Lands, Urban, Physical Planning and Housing on the implementation of the House resolutions for the year 2022/2023 is hereby tabled, formally becoming property of the house accordingly.

NOTICES OF MOTION

REPORT BY THE SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF HOUSE RESOLUTION OF ADOPTED REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2022 AND 2023

Mr Speaker: Hon. Ipara, proceed.

Hon. Johnston Ipara: Thank you, Hon Speaker. The first Notice of Motion is

1. That this House adopts the report of the sectoral Committee of Education and Vocational Training on implementation of House resolutions of adopted reports for the year 2022/2023.
2. That this House adopts the report for the sectoral Committee on Lands, Urban, Physical Planning and Housing on Implementation of House resolutions for the year 2022/2023.

Mr Speaker: Thank you, Hon Ipara. Hon members, Notices of Motions have been issued by the two committees, the Committee on Education and Vocational Training, on the implementation of the House resolutions of adopted reports for the year 2022/2023 and equally the Committee on Lands, Urban, Physical Planning and Housing on the implementation of the House resolutions for the year 2022/2023.

I urge the table Clerks to share these reports with the Honourable Members on their gadgets. The same may be coming up as motions on our Order Paper in the course of this week or when the same is taken back to HBC for scheduling.

QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS

RESPONSE TO A STATEMENT RAISED BY HON JEREMIAH KULOBA THE CHAIRPERSON, SECTORAL COMMITTEE OF LANDS, URBAN, PHYSICAL PLANNING AND HOUSING

Mr Speaker: Yes, let me start by confirming the owner of the statement Hon. Jeremiah. He's present. Hon. Ipara, proceed.

Hon. Johnston Ipara: Hon. Speaker Sir, I have a progress report by the Committee on Lands, Urban, Physical Planning and Housing on a statement raised in this House by Hon. Jeremiah Kuloba.

The Committee on Lands, Urban, Physical Planning and Housing received a question sought by Hon. Jeremiah Kuloba in this House on 25th June, 2025 and referred to Committee for answers.

Pursuant to Standing Order 47(2) (C) of the Bungoma County Assembly Standing Orders, The committee was given up to the 9th of July 2025 to provide a reply through the Chairperson.

The committee on 26th June, 2025 through the Office of the Clerk wrote a letter to the CECM Lands, Urban, Physical Planning and Municipalities inquiring reply to the statement raised. The reply was to reach the Office of the Clerk of the County Assembly and consequently to the Committee on 3rd July, 2025 and the CECM was required to appear before the committee on 7th July, 2025.

However, the CECM was stuck in Nairobi due to the recent *Saba Saba* protests and could not attend the meeting. The committee has therefore given a copy of the reply to the owner of the statement and rescheduled the meeting with the CECM to Thursday 10th July, 2025.

The committee therefore asks leave of the Honorable Speaker and the House to allow it interrogate the CECM in the presence of the owner of the statement and report back to the House. I beg to report.

Mr. Speaker: Hon Jeremiah, you heard what they are saying. They do have the response and you have the response. They are seeking that you appear tomorrow before the committee alongside the CECM of the said committee.

Hon. Jeremiah Kuloba: Thank you, Mr Speaker. I agree with what the committee has given. I will appear there and they give me verbal response and written responses.

Mr. Speaker: It's okay. Kindly be there so that we have a feedback thereafter. Yes, Hon Majority Leader.

Hon. Joseph Nyongesa: Thank you, Mr Speaker. Though as much as maybe the owner of the statement is agreeing with the statement from the Education Committee, I'm concerned about the issue that the CECM was stuck in Nairobi because of *Saba Saba*. And you are aware during the signing of the budget that we approved in this House, we were with the CECM on Monday. So how was she stuck in Nairobi and yet we were with her, so the committee should also make a follow-up so that we should not be cheated. We are a House of Rules and Procedures.

Mr. Speaker: Hon. Majority Leader, was the CECM of Lands present? He was not present.

Hon. Joseph Nyongesa: Anyway, I withdraw my statement. But again an office is not part of the CECM, because when the statement was raised, was the *Saba Saba* on? They were given 14 days. So that excuse also won't work.

Mr. Speaker: Now they have sought for tomorrow which is not far. Equally there was a statement raised by the Committee on Education. When we adjourned yesterday, I got the response on my table. So I think what Hon. Allan was saying, it's becoming a habit in that Committee. Let all of them be handled together.

Next item,

MOTION

REPORT OF THE SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON ROADS, TRANSPORT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS FOR THE YEAR 2022/2023

Mr Speaker: Yes, can verify your membership so that people don't doubt? If its 7 plus 1. Are you 8? Let me call out their names.

Hon. Simotwo is present.

Hon. Kimeta is present.

Hon. Mutiembu is present.

Hon. Aleu is not present.

Hon. Meshack is not present.

Hon. Hentry is present.

Those are four.

Hon. Ipara is five.

Hon. Godfrey is six.

Hon. Mukoyandali is seven.

Loud consultations

We will not bend rules to favour any committee. If you are not ready with your membership then we will adjourn and ask that this report be scheduled at 2:30 p.m. as the second item on the Order Paper.

Loud consultation

What is the issue?

Hon. Allan Nyongesa: Hon. Speaker, I was just supporting you by saying this...

Mr Speaker: I don't require any support on this!

Hon. Allan Nyongesa: Hon Speaker, kindly give me time. If the committee is not meeting the quorum, we shall not be giving them the latitude of moving their motion again the next session. We shall punish them by even taking the report for six months, for the Members to be serious.

Otherwise, if we reschedule the Order Paper to 2:30 p.m., then the business that was supposed to be there at 2.30 p.m. will be postponed.

Mr Speaker: No you didn't hear me. Any time a motion is postponed on the Order Paper, it will come after the Order Paper of 2:30 p.m. If we have Education in the afternoon then it has to be heard first. But now, in such a situation, I have heard your advisory and we will look at it.

(Hon. *Milliah Masungo* rose on a point of order)

Hon. Miliah Masungo: (*On a point of Order*) Mr Speaker, Mheshimiwa's resolution might affect the Whole House, because any report...

Mr Speaker: Which one?

Hon. Miliah Masungo: The Hon. Allan's

Mr Speaker: It's not him; it's Liaisons Committee which passed that resolution.

Hon. Miliah Masungo: Allow me to speak. From what Hon. Allan has just put across the House...

Mr Speaker: He has suggested.

Hon. Miliah Masungo: You know, this is a report from a committee that needs to be consumed by the House. It's to our benefit. So if we can ban that report for 6 months, it will affect us as Members here. Mr. Speaker, that proposal should not be implemented, because any report that comes out of this House is for our benefit.

Mr. Speaker: Hon. Milliah, let me assist you. He has said, but I'm not going to implement what he has suggested. Hon. Ipara.

Hon. Miliah Masungo: Yes! Thank you, Honorable Speaker.

Hon. Johnston Ipara: Honorable Speaker, even though Hon. Allan has said that, he's also failed as a Whip, because he is supposed to whip Members to be in the House. What has he done?

ADJOURNMENT

Honorable Members, there being no other business we adjourn to 2:30 p.m.

The House rose at: 9:51 a.m.