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COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF BUNGOMA

HANSARD OFFICIAL REPORT

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The House met at 2:30 p.m.

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

PRAYER PAPERS

The following Paper was laid on the Table of the County Assembly:

A report by Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs on the Capacity Building Workshop for committee members held in Kisumu laid by Hon. Chrispinus Wamusai (*Member, Justice and Legal Affairs*).

NOTICES OF MOTION

The following Notice of Motion was issued:

That this house adopts the report by the Justice and Legal Affairs Committee on the capacity building workshop on the committee members issued by Hon. Chrispinus Wamusai (*Member, Justice and Legal Affairs*).

MOTIONS

REPORT BY THE PUBLIC INVESTMENTS COMMITTEE ON THE EFFICIENCY OF OPERATIONS OF NZOWASCO TREATMENT WORKS

Hon. Vitalis Wangila: (Chairperson, PIC) Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am on my feet to move a motion on the committee on Public Investment committee Report of the committee on the efficiency of the operations of NZOWASCO treatment works

Hon. Henry Majimbo: (*On point of information*) Mr. Speaker, this report from the outset the titling is not right. We don't have Nzowasco treatment works, we have Nzowasco Company. Treatment works are like Matisi, Webuye, those ones in Trans Nzoia, so the efficiency of the

treatment works, is it talking about the operations of Nzowasco or the operations of the treatment works?

Because the titling could be wrong, we could be talking about something that has a wrong title.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Thank you so much Hon. Henry Majimbo, I want to believe that the chairperson will be in position to fully and elaborately explain why it is so titled and because even the report itself in its explanation is the same Nzowasco treatment plants, the chairperson should be in a position to explain fully so that the honorable members are on the same page with the committee.

The chairperson should do the explaining.

Hon. Jack Wambulwa: Honorable Speaker it would be wrong for the chair to start explaining now because that document seems not to be the right document for this house unless corrections are done before we can present the same report. We cannot accept a document that is having wrong titling, unless otherwise.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Honorable members when you look at the order paper, we are having operations of Nzowasco treatment works which is the very title on the report. So let us give the chair...

(Loud Consultations)

Honorable members order please!

Let us give the chair time because the report that I have is titled Operations of Nzowasco treatment works which is actually explained in the same report. Let us give the Chair time so that he can bring to this house the content and what it is therein contained. Be guided honorable members. Chair, Hon. Vitalis?

Hon. Vitalis Wangila: Thank you, Chair for protecting me, I am here to move a motion but not to explain.

(Laughter)

Thereafter, it is when we shall know whether the title and content are rhyming or not, so after the motion...

Mr. Speaker Sir, on behalf of the Members of the Committee on Public Investments and pursuant to provisions of Standing Order 180, I beg to move the adoption of the Report of the committee on the efficiency of the operations of NZOWASCO treatment works

Committee Membership

Mr. Speaker sir, The Standing Committee on Public Investments currently comprises of the following members:-

1. Hon. Vitalis Wangila Chairperson

2. Hon. James Chesibok	Vice Chairperson
3. Hon. David barasa	Member
4. Hon. Hildabeda Sianga	Member
5. Hon. Beatrice Wekesa	Member
6. Hon. Joram Wanjala	Member
7. Hon. Fredrick Musebe	Member
8. Hon. Grace Sundukwa	Member
9. Hon. Florence Wekesa	Member
10. Hon. Nathaniel Asenaka	Member
11. Hon. Rose Imbega	Member

Acknowledgements

Mr. Speaker Sir, the committee is grateful to the Offices of the Speaker and the Clerk for the support it extended during the execution of its duty.

Further, I wish to express my appreciation to the Honourable members of the committee who dutifully honoured their obligations and participated in the planned activities. The Committee also wishes to record its appreciation for services rendered by the Secretariat to the Committee. Their efforts and input made the work of the Committee and production of this Report possible.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

On behalf of the Public Investments Committee, I now wish to table the report and urge the House to adopt it and the recommendations therein. Signed by the Chairperson Hon. Vitalis Wangila.

Background Information

Mr. Speaker Sir, Nzoia Water Services Company Limited (Nzowasco) was formed under the Companies Act (CAP 486) on the 4th February 2004 and become operational a year later on 9th February, 2005.

The company is mandated to provide water and sewerage services within the County Government of Bungoma (Bungoma, Webuye, Kimilili and Chwele) and Trans Nzoia (Kitale). The services have extended to both Busia and Kakamega County.

The company is fully owned by the County Governments of Bungoma and Trans Nzoia. The company operates several water treatment works: Nabuyole, Matisi, Kapkateny, Chesikaki, Teremi and Kamtiong' in Bungoma County and Kapolet and Nzoia in Cherengani which are located in Trans Nzoia county. They serve Webuye, Chwele, Kapkateny, Kimilili, Bungoma and Kitale towns. A pumping system is used in Nabuyole and Matisi water treatment works and the rest relies on gravity.

Mr. Speaker Sir, the company sewerage lines exists in three regions namely Webuye, Bungoma and Kitale regions. In Kitale the company operates two sewerage treatment systems.

The conventional located in Matisi and lagoon system located in Bidii. The major source of waste water includes municipal sewerage, industrial sewerage, storm water and urban run-off. Municipal sewerage contains high percentage of both organic and residues and plant nutrients, while industrial sewage encompasses the entire spectrum of pollution with both dumping of heavy metals and organic materials.

Water Processing Cycle

Mr. Speaker Sir, Water supply is composed of the following treatment process as illustrated on the diagram below; if you have your gadget you can see the diagram below, it is indicated.

Intake works

Mr. Speaker Sir, Water is abstracted from river with the intake at falls that act as a natural weir. Intake is essential to divert some water from rivers in to transmission conduits of the water works system. The intake is located upstream at a higher ground so as to utilize the gravitational flow that reduces the cost of operating the treatment plant.

It's important to consider the location of the intake where the highest quality of water can be abstracted and where minimal human activities of the surrounding land can interfere with water quality.

The intake source however has some challenges where pollution of water due to agricultural activities occurs especially during the rainy seasons.

The intake works consist of intake chamber fitted with a bar screen and with 3 no. valve chamber. Water is conveyed through the intake where the treatment of water process begins.

Screening process is done to remove large debris such as sticks, leaves, trash and other large particles which may interfere with subsequent filtration process. The intake is installed with a coarse and a medium screen.

Chemical mixing and dosing building

Mr. Speaker Sir, inside the chemical mixing and dosing building there are a number of facilities that are used to make the first chemical treatment process to raw water after screening. They include the three Alum mixing tanks, two soda-ash mixing tanks each equipped with a motor for stirring purpose, also from each tank there is a dozer that is used for dosing Alum and soda Ash at the rate determined and pH tests daily at 8.00am and 6.00pm. At the back of the mixing tanks, there is a store to keep bags of Alum and Soda Ash.

Raw water is dosed with soda Ash solution if its pH level was less than 6.5 to raise it to around 8.0 hence making it alkaline that ensures coagulation and flocculation processes work effectively. Then it's dosed with Alum to allow the formation of flocs. To ensure there is

maximum of chemicals with raw water a wedge was created along the channel after the dosing pipes that changes the lamina flow into turbulent flow. Water then flows into flocculation basin.

Coagulation and Flocculation

Mr. Speaker Sir, Coagulation and flocculation are often the first steps in water treatment. Chemicals with a positive charge are added to the water. The positive charge of these chemicals neutralizes the negative charge of dirt and other dissolved particles in the water. When this occurs, the particles bind with the chemicals and form larger particles, called floc.

Sedimentation

During sedimentation, floc settles to the bottom of the water supply, due to its weight. This settling process is called sedimentation.

Filtration

Once the floc has settled to the bottom of the water supply, the clear water on top will pass through filters of varying compositions (sand, gravel, and charcoal) and pore sizes, in order to remove dissolved particles, such as dust, parasites, bacteria, viruses, and chemicals.

Disinfection

After the water has been filtered, a disinfectant (for example, chlorine and chloramine) may be added in order to kill any remaining parasites, bacteria, and viruses, and to protect the water from germs when it is piped to homes and businesses.

Clear water tanks

Mr. Speaker Sir, Filtered chlorinated water enter into the clear water tank of capacity 1500 m3 tank for storage before its distributed to the consumers. The tank has been design in such a way that water drops through some height before it falls to the ground of the tank. Bacteria, colour, odor are removed. The water has tasteless required characteristics after the process of mixing the chemicals with the water.

Distribution of treated water

Mr. Speaker sir, the system of water distribution is combined gravity and pumping system. Water is pumped from clear water tank located in treatment works to the distribution tank 3350m3 and supplied by gravity to customers in its environs. The system of supply used is intermitted system. This is because the water is supplied during the day and closed during the night where there is less usage of water.

2.3 Matisi Treatment Works

Mr. Speaker Sir, the committee visited the plant on 2nd December 2021 and met the technical manager Mr. Hudson Makhanu and technical officer Hillary Simiyu who informed members that the plant was constructed in the year 1982 under National Water corporations with a production capacity of 2,250 cubic meters. Masisi treatment works is a conventional water treatment plant. Later in 2004 Nzioa Water services Company was born and the plant became part of treatment works to serve the residents of Bungoma. Due to high demand of water the plant was rehabilitated 2008, which increased the production capacity to 7000 cubic meters per day. The plant meets 70% of the needs of Bungoma town, Kibabii and Siritanyi areas. It operates on 24 hours with two shifts of 12 hours each. The plant looked vibrant with most of the activities automated with two plant lines in one compound. The committee was taken around by the plant manager and established the following:

- It located in Bokoli ward and sits on 3 acre land
- It produces an average of 6000 to 7000 cubic meters of water per day.
- All the purification process was automated.
- The plant intends automate illegal connection detection through installation of illegal connection detectors
- Electricity is the main source of energy for water pumping which consumes most of revenues generated from the plant
- Supplies water in Bungoma town, Kibabii University, Bukembe, Ndegelwa and Siritanyi
- It falls in Bungoma region where its average revenue is kshs.7 million per month.
- Has seven (6) employees where five are on permanent and one contract.
- The plant does not have a standby generator.
- The committee also observed the plant manager looked informed and competent in carrying on his duties.
- That the plant has a master meter and Artesian meter which enables accurate daily reading of the water production
- The plant has a full functional laboratory which is the process of accreditation to ISO 17025 and competent staff manning the same.

On challenges the plant is facing the officers told members the following:

- a) The farming into Liberian land by the residents thus increasing the turbidity.
- b) High cost of electricity that consumes most of its revenues
- c) High cost of production since they use double pumping system
- d) Illegal connections
- e) Regular water bursts due to various construction of the road.

When members asked on what the company is doing to resolve the challenges, members were informed that it has established a non-revenue team with a view of dealing with illegal connection. Further the national Governance in collaboration with Bungoma and Kakamega County governments intends to establish Kakamega and Bungoma bulky water project which

heavily reduce the cost of pumping water since water will run by gravity. In addition the company intends to establish Green energy solar energy power in the two pumping scheme

2.4 Nabuyole Treatment Works

Mr. Speaker sir, the committee met Mrs. Gladys Kasili the plant supervisor. It has five staff , out of which four are permanent and one on contract. It's located in Mihuu ward Webuye east Sub County and sits on one acre of land which is fenced and the other land is not fenced and is under disputes with the residents. Supplies water in Webuye town, Matulo and up to Kivaywa in Kakamega County. The treatment works falls in Webuye region and was constructed in 1970 under National Water corporations. Later it was moved to Nzoia Water Services Company limited which jointly owned by Bungoma and Trans Nzoia County Governments. Its operates on 24 hours with two shifts of 12 hours each.

- (i) Water runs by gravity and thus electricity is used on minimal basis.
- (ii) It has a master meter
- (iii) Average production of water is about 4500 cubic meter.
- (iv) Averaged revenue collected is Kshs. 2 million per month.

Challenges faced by the treatment works are as follows:

- 1. Frequent power blackout especially during rainy season.
- 2. High turbidity especially during rainy season
- 3. Under-staffing
- 4. Lacks well equipped laboratory
- 5. Lacks enough water tanks to allow water to settle before treatment to enable less consumption of coagulant.

CHAPTER THREE

3.0 COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 Committee Observations

Mr. Speaker Sir, the committee made the following observations:

- 1. Nzoia water Services Company is fully owned by both County Government of Bungoma and Trans Nzoia County.
- 2. The company operates several water treatment works: Nabuyole, Matisi, Kapkateny, Chesikaki, Terem and Kamtiong' in Bungoma County and Kapolet and Nzoia in Cherangani which are located in Trans Nzoia county.
- 3. All the water treatment plants use the same water processing cycle.
- 4. A pumping system is used in Nabuyole and Matisi water treatment works and while Kapkateny, Chesikaki, Terem, Kapolet, Nzoia in Cherangani and Kamtiong' relies on gravity.

5. Matisi water treatment works faces several bursts on its connection dues to several road construction works that are being undertaken.
6. Matisi water treatment plant consumes more electricity compared to other treatment plants.

3.2 Committee Recommendations

Mr. Speaker sir, the committee made the following recommendations.

1. THAT the County government of Bungoma together with the County Government of Trans Nzoia should ensure that all the water treatment plants within their regions are well maintained by the Nzioa water Serves Company limited to ensure seamlessly water distributions to the residents of both counties.
2. THAT the Nzoia Water services company limited to ensure it promptly repairs all the pipes bursts that exists within different regions to avoid loss of water.
3. THAT the County Government of Bungoma and Trans-Nzoia should allocate funds to assist the company to develop an alternative source of power to avoid high expenses of electricity used for pumping water in Webuye and Nabuyole treatment plants.
4. THAT political leaders involved in inciting residents of Chesikaki Ward should desist from such acts and omission and encourages all consumers of water to pay for supply of water.
5. THAT the company should endeavor liaise with stakeholders with a view of fast-tracking the establishment Kakamega and Bungoma bulky water project which will run by gravity and thus reduce the cost of pumping water using electricity.

That is the end and we have the adoption schedule signed by the Members. Allow me to call my able Member Hon. Rose Imbega to second the Motion.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Vitalis.

Hon. Rose Imbega: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm a member of the Committee and I'm on my feet to second the report.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: A motion having been moved and dully seconded, I now propose the question...well Hon. Vitalis, Hon. Imbega is not indicated on the adoption schedule as a member.

Hon. Vitalis Wangila: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It was an error but for that case may I now humbly request Hon. Fredrick Musebe to second the motion. Thank you.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Is Hon. Musebe a member and has appended his signature for adoption?

Hon. Fredrick Musebe: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I'm a member of this committee since I came to this Assembly and wish to second the motion. Before I do that I wish to confirm an error of

omission and seek for correction of the title on Hansard so as to read "Nzowasco water treatment works" and not Nzowasco treatment works.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Nzowasco?

Hon. Fredrick Musebe: Report on the efficiency of the operations of Nzowasco water treatment works. The water treatment plants that have been mentioned here; Matisi, Kapolet...

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Musebe you are right. The problem is that we are seeing and experiencing a lot of incompetence by the secretariat of this committee. That is incompetence of the highest level.

Hon. Fredrick Musebe: Hon. Speaker; that is why I sought for correction on Hansard before I second the motion.

Hon. Henry Majimbo: *(On a point of Order)* this is a House of rules and procedure. Hon. Musebe appended his signature here and he is the one standing here to make an amendment on the title. This report should be taken back to the committee so that it brings a well refined report. I have look at some of the information in this report which is misleading. I think the best is to have this report return to the sender so that they can come up with a water proof and more enriched and refined report. We can't have such a report on the floor of the House. The honourable member is seconding and at the same time amending.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Majimbo; resume your seat. We want to have this motion moved before we bring in that trajectory of the Hon. Majimbo. So that the course that will take place after the motion being seconded.

Hon. Fredrick Musebe: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The reason I sought for correction not amendment is that because it has not interfered with the meaning and what we intended to deliver. It is just an omission of a word. It is upon the members to accept or deny whatever I'm asking. I want to say the following before I second; Hon. Speaker when you look at recommendation 4, it touches on this Assembly that political leaders are involved in inciting residents of Chesikaki ward. I think as leaders we should lead by example because Nzowasco has to sustain its operations.

These treatment plants have been the source of conflict between Bungoma and Trans Nzoia; at some point some group was suggesting separation because of the cost involved in the running of the treatment plants particularly those in Bungoma; Matisi and Nabuyole. It is alleged that we use a lot of power whereas Trans Nzoia uses gravity. In future we should think of expanding those schemes of gravity even those in Trans Nzoia so that they can serve the residents of

Bungoma North like Tongaren group. Otherwise, I second the report and still seek that we don't buy time and still remain with the same content of the report which is just a single word.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I second the report.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Honourable members, a report having been moved and dully seconded, I now propose a question that this House adopts a report by the Public Investments Committee on the efficiency of the operations of Nzowasco treating works.
I propose.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Henry Majimbo: Mr. Speaker, it is unfortunate that this is my field of training. Whatever they are writing here I'm well vast with the matter before us. I was also one of the initial members of the defunct Bungoma Municipal Council who we behind the formation of Nzowasco. If you can get hold of the initial documents you can see my name as a Deputy Mayor. I'm well vast with what they have tried to put across in form of a report.

First this report is supposed to be taken back for refining. When you looked at the membership and members who have appended their signatures. On the membership the name Rose Imbega is there but on the adoption schedule the name is not there but Calvin Lukosi has appended a signature. Are we considering the right report from the right committee or what? In the membership composition we have the following;

1. Hon. Vitalis Wangila chairperson
2. Hon. James Chesibok V. chairperson
3. Hon. David Barasa Member
4. Hildabeda Siang' Member
5. Beatrice Wekesa Member
6. Jorum Wanjala Member
7. Fredrick Musebe Member
8. Florecne Wekesa Member
9. Nathaniel Aseneka Member
10. Grace Sundukwa Member
11. Rose Imbega Member

When you go to the adoption schedule

1. Hon. Vitalis Wangila chairperson
2. Hon. James Chesibok V. chairperson
3. Florence Fulano. Anyone reading this may not know whether Florence Fulano is the same as Florence Wekesa.

4. Nathaniel Aseneka Member
5. Hildabeda Siang'
6. Hon. David Barasa
7. Jorum Wanjala
8. Grace Sundukwa
9. Beatrice Wekesa
10. Calvin Lukosi
11. Fredrick Musebe

If we adopt such a report; we will be adopting a report full of errors. Also the National Water Corporation which is sighted here is no longer in existence. What we have is a new authority. They could have said the defunct or the then National Water Corporation. We now have the National Water Harvesting and Storage Authority. When we adopt a report with this conflicting information, are we adopting a report of a committee where Calvin Lukosi is a member or where Rose Imbega is a member?

The chairperson should take it positive and accept this report to be taken back to the committee to correct those anomalies and as well put by Hon. Musebe, we should have Nzowasco water treatment works and not treatment works. Then also report on the efficiency of the operations. Anyone who will come after us when reads this report; he must know that these were serious people but with this title; report on the efficiency of the operations of Nzowasco. They could have said; report on the operations of Nzowasco water treatment works. I don't know what the secretariat does; I thought we have researchers in this committees. Do they just go to sit and bring ridicule to the members of the committee?

Again members of the committee when you append your signatures do you look at the title of the report? Do you do editing and fine tuning? I'm sayin this in good faith without apportioning any blame to anyone. From where I sit, think this report should be taken back to the committee under the relevant standing orders to be enriched and well put for any member of the public who wants to know whether we still have the National Water Corporation or National Water Harvesting and Storage Authority.

I propose that under the relevant standing order and to be pragmatic enough, let the report be taken back to the relevant committee in good faith so that we have a report that does not have errors.

Mr. Speaker, I seek to move a motion which does not require notice under Standing Order 49 (b) motion for adjournment of the County Assembly of debate. I have always adduced reasons why we should suspend debate on this and give more time to the committee to fine tune, do proper editing and also do the necessary that is required on this report as well put by the Hon. Musebe. I seek Hon. Jack Wambulwa to second this motion.

Hon. Jack Wambulwa: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As I second Hon. Majimbo several issues have been raised right from the title of the report when the chairperson when reading; I expected that as members before we append signatures especially the chairperson and Vice chairperson we must have gone through the report, satisfied with the report before you append a signature.

It is unfortunate for colleague members to have been rushed by the secretariat just to sign. If it was a cheque to access funds, money could have gone without noticing the mistakes. As opposed the adoption of this report, I want to urge that our secretariat is supposed to assist members through the committee clerk we need one who is competent enough to bring a report that is credible before this House. Researchers in the committee are supposed to advice accordingly. We can't have different companies being presented against the operating companies that are legally constituted by the Government of Kenya.

I second Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Well, Hon. Jack has seconded the motion. Honourable members, the motion which may be moved without notice having been moved under Standing Order 49 (b), motion for adjournment of the County Assembly or of a debate having been moved and duly seconded, I now propose a question that this House adjourns the motion or debate herein moved on the floor of the House.

I propose.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Francis Chemion: Honourable Speaker, I have looked at the report briefly and in summary there are grammatical errors that I have noted like there is something on recommendation that talks about seamlessly. In fact in terms of grammar it's a big issue. In fact what the seconder said is also a grammatical error which we want to be corrected.

We have looked at recommendation 4 which the seconder also talked about. I do not know whether it is confirmed beyond reasonable doubt that political leaders incite. Sometimes political leaders represent the views of the people.

We may put a statement in this report that indicts the political leaders when they are playing their representation role. You know sometimes there is a very thin line that separates representation and incitement.

It is not very good for us to put it in our report that political leaders are inciting, they may be representing the views of the people. If it is true then this committee should have gone ahead to invite those political leaders from that ward so that they could also get their version of this story

because you can indulge a group then they talk negatively about another group and later on if you do not give the others also chance to say something you may give a wrong conclusion.

This to me when this motion will be brought back after fine tuning I wish that the committee if they wish to do so invite the political leaders from that ward also to get their version so that you come up with a recommendation or an observation that does not put others in a very bad light.

It's a good report but it has those areas that need panel beating and there is nothing wrong in this world if you are told to panel beat something or just to enrich. That is not a wrong thing. We are not perfect and therefore if one or two of us have noted something that is not very clear in the report and they are requesting that the committee looks at it in detail, I do not see a big issue there.

I support under that Standing Order that has been given we allow the committee to enrich this report and even go ahead to invite those political leaders from those areas so that this report does not incriminate other individuals minus their input because after adoption, it will be a public document, it will be read all over the world, it will now paint the political leaders of that ward negatively everywhere on earth and yet they have not been given an opportunity to defend themselves or to give their version.

We are looking at the NZOWASCO company limited but this County Government of Bungoma has a water master plan and we are talking about the expenses of electricity, the cost of electricity in pumping water in Nabuyole and those other areas and yet in the Bungoma water master plan we have major rivers that we go for them, we construct dams in those major rivers...even those areas like Tongaren that we are talking about can get enough water from these rivers that we have like we have had something designed for very many years, no implementation which is captured in the Bungoma water master plan that was launched recently in Kibabii.

If we go for gravity water will reduce the amount to be paid by consumers per litre or per cubic centimetre of water and this one will also reduce the friction that we have between the company and the consumers.

Let's go to Sosio which is in Kaptama ward, it has a lot of water, if we put a very big dam there, it will serve both Tongaren, Mt Elgon and parts of Transnzoia. It will reduce all that we are saying about NZOWASCO. I would have also wished... I know you were specific, you were looking at one specific of water treatment but I also wish to ask whether this company has a role, does it play the role of assisting the community?

You know we have some percentage of what they get that they are supposed to use as a payback to the community in funding some of other projects that do not relate with water. I do not know whether this company does that but I know the question was specific, you were looking at water

treatment works of this company. I support that we allow the committee retreat and come up with an enriched document.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Francis Chemion Masai

(Loud Consultation)

Hon. Chemion you know even you are not on Hansard so it was not heard anywhere. Now I call upon the mover of the motion to respond!

Hon. Henry Majimbo: Mr. Speaker, I want to fully agree with the submission by Hon. Masai MCA Kaptama that this recommendation 4 to me or to a keen reader will classify it as a wild allegation and that the committee should further dig deeper into this matter before coming up with such a recommendation.

In the committee findings under chapter two and which I also would wish that the committee looks into the second paragraph which talks of the Company is fully owned by the County Government of Bungoma and Transnzoia. The company operates several water treatment works; Nabyole, Matisi, Kapkateny, Chesikaki, Teremi and Kamtyong in Bungoma County.

In this report they have not given us a report on the treatment works at Kapkateny, Chesikaki, and Teremi. We would also wish them to..... They only went to Matisi and came back and went for lunch at Starlight the DAP headquarter.

We need to be told how the Kapkateny, Chesikaki, Teremi water works looks like. Kamtyong is here; Hon. Mulongo came with a picture and gave them to put it in the report so as we move forward.

I want to call upon the members to take my sentiments very positively.

Chairman you are my friend but... you know we are also learning so take it positively. A good student will learn because we have done these reports for the last nine years and these reports once they are adopted they become public documents so look at this document especially recommendation 4. This one you are pitying the political leaders in Chesikaki, you want the NCIC to get hold of them that they are inciting the residents.

I call upon especially the members of this committee to take my submissions and my motion to have the adjournment on the debate very positively. This is a learning process. A good student will want to learn but a bad one will look for a stone to hit the teacher; that the teacher is trying to belittle him. We are not in the business of belittling but we are in the business of enriching whatever product that comes out this House because this is a Honourable House let products that come out of this Honourable House be pragmatic.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Henry Majimbo. Honourable members, a motion for adjournment of debate having been moved and duly seconded and debate having ensued I therefore put a question that this House adjourns the debate of the committee on Public Investments on the title herein presented so that the committee can go out and refine this document before presentation to this House.

(Question put and agreed to)

The Ayes have it!

(Applause)

Honourable members, we want to make it clear here that the secretariat in this Assembly should at least be serious because these are glaring mistakes that are so shameful that you can omit a name of an Honourable member who is present in the House, devoted to the committee. It is so demoralising!

Number two, Honourable Members, before we adopt any report for presentation to tis Assembly, let us have time as a committee to interrogate, prove, read through so that we do not come to the floor of the House and shame ourselves or pass a report here that will go in the books of history to shame the second assembly of this County because we are doing these things for posterity.

I direct that this report is taken back to the committee to sit in the tent within the County Assembly precincts to fine tune the report immediately so that they present the same to the House business committee for reconsideration on this floor.

There being no other business, this House stands adjourned to Thursday 10th March 2022 at 2:30 p.m.

We adjourn.

(House Adjourns)

