

**COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF SAMBURU**



**THE HANSARD**

**Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2019**

**The Assembly met at the County Assembly chambers at 2:30 p.m.**

*Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Shadrack Lesoipa) in the chair*

**PRAYER**

**QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS**

**Specially elected MCA,** (Hon. Lenamatiyo Silapia): Thank you Hon Speaker. Pursuant to Standing Order 41 (2) (c) I hereby request for a statement from the Chairperson for the Committee on Environment, Water and Natural Resources regarding the following boreholes which were built but never fully equipped with water troughs, tanks and kiosks among others:

1. Lmari borehole in Logorate village.
2. Lorien borehole in Logorate village.
3. Lorukoti borehole in Loolmolog village.
4. Kaa borehole in Loongewan village.

Hon Speaker, these boreholes were first drilled during the year 2014/2015 and partially equipped in the year 2018/2019. For six years since they were first drilled these boreholes have not been supplying sufficient amounts of water for residents of Suguta Marmar Ward because of inefficiency. This has contributed to lack of water in those regions affecting the health and livelihoods of our people. Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker,** (Hon. Lesoipa Shadrack): The Hon Chair for Water, Environment and Natural Resources.

**MCA, Wamba West Ward,** (Hon. Leitore Benjamin): Hon Speaker, I request that the Member reads the statement fully because there is some pending part of the statement. I seek your indulgence.

**Temporary Speaker,** (Hon. Lesoipa Shadrack): Hon Silapia, can you complete the statement you were making?

**Specially elected MCA,** (Hon. Lenamatiyo Silapia): Thank you, Hon Speaker. I apologize for that. There are some missing pages there. For the remaining part I now therefore wish to task the Chairperson to inquire into and report on:

- a) The position and progress of those boreholes as at now and the reason the department is taking as long as six financial years to fully operationalize such important projects.

- b) Whether the department has ever budgeted for equipment of the said boreholes to provide with specifications according to the bill of quantity and if not.
- c) Whether there are any plans that the department has for equipping said boreholes and in which financial years.

**MCA Wamba West**, (Hon. Leitore Benjamin): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a statement that requires a bit of time because from the statement it requires an elaborate answer as from 2014. Yesterday, as a committee we had an interrogation with the CEC and due to some interference of investigating agencies within the county, I would wish to request that this statement be answered within three weeks, Mr. Speaker, so that we can give a comprehensive and more elaborate answer.

**MCA Nachola Ward**, (Hon. Lorunyei Lawrence): Mr. Speaker, I also had a concern about the same because the lack of equipping boreholes is not in Suguta Marmar Ward only but all the Wards including Nachola. In Nachola there is Kilepoi. The borehole was drilled the machines were installed but there is no piping, no trough and no tank were installed. So, that's why I say that it is better if the Chairperson will inquire on all boreholes that are partially equipped so that we can have an answer for all the Wards in the county. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**MCA Ndoto Ward**, (Hon Letura Raisy): Hon Speaker, forgive me because I came late. I can attest that there are a number of boreholes that were drilled a few days ago. I cannot recall their names but the communities put them on social media saying that the government should go and get their top-covers as they pose health hazards to the community members and their livestock. I think as a matter of fact that statement is long overdue.

Currently, we are experiencing drought across the County. We can also attest that the honorable Members have been talking about the issue, for instance the member for Nachola has talked about Kilepoi since we came to this house. I think there was some drilling at some point but it was a low-yielding borehole and then again today he's talking about another borehole that was drilled yet the community is not served by that borehole. It leaves a lot to be desired, Hon Speaker. So, Mr. Speaker, I think it is high time we dealt with this matter once and for all. The agencies are also looking for the same information. The Chair cannot purport to say that because there are investigation agencies they stop working. Service to the people must not stop just because the agencies are looking for information in the County.

So, Mr. Speaker, three weeks is too much time to wait for the statement. We already have drought. Though we need a comprehensive report, the Committee should burn the midnight oil to see that this issue is brought to conclusion. So Mr. Speaker it's a matter of urgency. Even now there is no water trucking. Several wards usually get fuel subsidies for their boreholes. They also do water trucking, especially parts of Ndoto, most parts of Nachola and even Maralal Ward. Surprisingly, up to now there is no water subsidy for the boreholes and seems like the water tankers are not working at this time. As a House we have an obligation to speed up every function of this County Government to see that the communities are benefitting. Thank you Hon. Speaker.

**Temporary Speaker,** (Hon Lesoipa Shadrack): What is it Hon Leitore?

**MCA Wamba West Ward,** (Hon Leitore Benjamin): I have had an extra question from honorable Member for Nachola and it is my request or our request as a Committee that he forwards his statement so that we can understand on the specific points that he wanted to be answered. These are questions on specific boreholes as indicated in this statement.

**Temporary Speaker,** (Hon Lesoipa Shadrack): Hon Leitore, I think the honorable Member specifically pointed out Kilepoi as the point of interest.

**MCA Wamba West Ward,** (Hon Leitore Benjamin): Thank you Mr. Speaker.

**Temporary Speaker,** (Hon Lesoipa Shadrack): Hon Leitore, I think these are matters of the same weight. He's also talking of the same borehole that is not equipped so I do not see the problem of combining the boreholes of the same nature. Proceed, Hon. Leitore if you are not finished.

**MCA Wamba West Ward,** (Hon. Benjamin Leitore): Mr. Speaker, it is my request that we be given sufficient time to answer this. As I indicated before that investigative agency that is really destabilizing the County, I have made time to visit the Office and I did not find the CEC (County Executive Committee Member) and the CO (Chief Officer). I do not want to lie to the House by promising that the response will be available in two weeks. We request for sufficient time to give a comprehensive response to this statement.

**Temporary Speaker,** (Hon Shadrack Lesoipa): Hon. Leitore, I think those documents are available at the office. The question is asking the current position of those boreholes and what are the plans. What is it Hon. Member for Loosuk Ward?

**MCA Loosuk Ward,** (Hon Adamson Lanyasunya): Thank you Hon. Speaker. I have a request; I understand the concern of Hon. Leitore in terms of time frame and I am not anticipating the absence of the CEC (Chief Executive Committee Member) or the CO (Chief Officer) but I know that they are in Kirinyaga for Devolution Conference for a whole week. The authenticity of that document should be signed by the two. So, I support that the Chairperson be given more than a week so that they can bring a document that is signed.

Secondly, I appreciate the presentation of the statement to the House because these borehole are overdue since some date back to 2014 and 2015. I request the Chairperson to give a report alongside the statement of the other boreholes of the same nature that were funded but not equipped; I have some in my Ward too.

We have been told that there is a company called...(*inaudible*) and something may be I do not know how to pronounce. It has been going around and but not equipping. I enquired last week and I was told that they are in Baragoi but am not sure if they will come. Since they are the same boreholes, I request the Chairperson to inquire on what is happening to these boreholes that were drilled but not equipped, thank you.

**Temporary Speaker,** (Hon Shadrack Lesoipa): Thank you very much Hon. Leitore. As we dispense with this matter, the response to the statement should be brought to this House on Tuesday Afternoon 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2019; I think that is sufficient time for you.

**MCA Wamba West,** (Hon. Benjamin Leitore): Much obliged Mr. Speaker.

### **MOTION**

**Specially Elected MCA,** (Hon Stephanie Lanyasunya): Thank you Hon. Speaker, I beg to move the following Motion. AWARE that article 42 of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 accords every person the right to a clean and healthy environment, Article 69 (1) (d) mandates the State to encourage the public participation in the management, protection and conservation of the environment, FURTHER aware that 75 percent of land mass in Samburu is classified as a low potential vegetation land and only 7 percent is medium to high potential is suitable to agriculture. CONCERNED that deforestation is one of the main contributors to climate change noting that Kenya and by extension Samburu County has not been spared by the effects of global warming

and climate change as a result of deforestation among others. Deeply concerned that this has adversely affected agricultural sector which is considered as the back bone of the County economy and has also led to an unreliable, erratic and inadequate rainfall, recurring and more prolonged droughts, high and increased temperatures and declining water levels in boreholes, wells and springs across the County. COGNISANT of the fact that continuous loss of forest cover is likely to affect water shared ecosystem services which represents one of the most important service roles of the forest ecosystem because such areas normally act as hydrological power house due to the ability to intercept rainfall and supply water to urban and rural communities. AWARE that deforestation of critical water shared ecosystem has been attributed to cause significant changes in the magnitude and season ability of water discharge in springs and rivers. FURTHER AWARE that rapid expansion of Maralal town and other towns within Samburu County is likely to affect forest cover especially Kirisia and Mathew Ranges areas.

Now therefore, this House urges the County Government of Samburu to introduce a compulsory tree planting programme in all urban areas and households within and around those major towns along those forests as well as promote planting of trees in ECD centers (Early Childhood Development) as well as in health centers among other County's facilities.

Hon. Speaker, I hereby call Hon. Leshimpiro to second the Motion

*(Hon. Paul Leshimpiro bows to second the Motion)*

**Temporary Speaker,** (Hon Shadrack Lesoipa): Hon. Members, I now propose the question THAT the House urges the County Government of Samburu to introduce a compulsory tree planting programme in urban areas and households within and around major towns along those forests as well as promote planting of trees in ECD centers (Early Childhood Development) as well as in health centers among other County's facilities.

Hon. Members, you are now open to contribute to the, Hon. Zamzam Ismail

**Specially Elected MCA,** (Hon Zamzam Ismail): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I stand to support the Motion. We all know that trees are lungs to the earth as we get rain and fresh air.

Mr. Speaker today the world is facing hazards caused by climate change and a big contributor is mass distraction of trees. As a County we need to take up the mandate and make tree planting a compulsory we will have enough rain because we believe that where there are trees rainfall will be experienced.

As we speak the whole world is championing climate change, we have big companies like Toyota giving billions of shillings to support the initiative of planting of trees to Countries in Africa.

Mr. Speaker as Leaders we have an Obligation to make sure that the coming generation is protected from climate change. We can see on social media and television people being affected with skin diseases like cancer due to rays from the sun as our ozone layer gets thinner every day.

We should make planting trees a must in every household, in Schools and County Government can assist in supplying tanks and teachers can be mandated to make sure that trees are watered.

**MCA Nachola Ward,** (Hon Lawrence Lorunyei): Mr. Speaker I stand to support the Motion. We all know that this is a House of rules and procedure and that the County Government cannot do anything without a policy or laws to enforce programs.

We cannot give directive orally and then expect that they be implemented by concerned institution so there must be procedures and policies for Government to execute. I urge that the Executive arm to come up with a policy on planting of trees that can be reinforced because this House can't give direction unless it is written in white /black.

**MCA Loosuk Ward,** (Hon Adamson Lanyasunya): Thank you Hon. Speaker. I stand to give my contribution to the Motion. It is a valid subject and there is a dire need for this County to enhance the protection, regeneration and afforestation of our environment. Samburu County Contributes 25% of forest in Kenya and there is an alarming distraction of forest within our County through forest fires, commercial logging and illegal grazing even on gazetted forest.

This is a valid Motion; however there are some limitations that are of concern. One is time frame. How long does the Motion get applied when this House approves the Motion?

Two Budget approval, as it is stated that when an Assembly approves a Motion a budget. It doesn't point out whether the Motion will give a direction on the existing environment budget or imply to be put in the next financial year.

Three the implementation mode or strategy, there is also a concern on the enforcement because the Motion states that tree planting should be compulsory even among households, how do we force households to plant trees?

There is also a wide range of requirement in terms of Budget because it states that tree planting should be enforced in urban areas, households, ECD's, Health Centers and other institutions.

In terms of direction and argument although it's valid but also a little bit ambiguous, am also not sure if this Motion will give direction to the department to create a law. It would be advisable that there should be a Motion to compel the department to come up with a policy and legislation that will enhance the requirement for tree planting.

**Temporary Speaker,** (Hon Shadrack Lesoipa): Hon. Leshimpiro proceed

**MCA Angatananyekie Ward,** (Hon Paul Leshimpiro): Hon. Speaker I rise to support this Motion. There is this global problem called climate change that is really affecting the whole world and now it has adapted the policy of going green.

Hon. Speaker I want to request that just as we have the policy for example on residential to have toilets, we can as well request the department to develop a policy that directs every household to have a minimum no. of trees that we can agree upon that are friendly to the settlement.

The importance of trees as we all know is availability of oxygen, storage of carbon dioxide which is harmful to our body, providing shade, psychological comfort and also for economical purposes. I can give a practical example of a plot that has two avocado trees as they mature it produces fruits so it's both economical as they can sell the fruits.

Mr. Speaker other than making it a compulsory for every household we also need to direct department water and environment to develop a policy soon that will help households and schools to implement. The cost might only be necessary to developing that policy nonetheless it is the duty of the residential owner to plant trees.



**MCA Wamba West Ward,** (Hon Benjamin Leitore): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I stand to support the Motion. I congratulate the Member who introduced the Motion to the House. This Motion ought to have been brought back the start of the first Assembly. This is a very important Motion because we know that in every Financial Year I can remember the last three consecutive Financial Year there has been budgeting of programs that are named school greened programs that targets to ensure that trees are planted in school and health centers. That has never happened. We have been having a budget approved by this House for school green programs but we have never realized such kind of an objective.

It is paramount that such kind of force is required to for us to implement this. This is not only an agenda of the County Government. It is also the agenda of the National Government. It is important for us to enforce this as an Assembly for the department concerned to come up with legislation to make sure that this is implemented. It is not our mandate to first make our department to introduce a policy. We need to initiate Motions so that we make this people implement these very important programs. They will come up with these policies if they have the funds, and if they do not have the funds they will look for funds to implement this kind of programs.

If you go through this County, there is a lot of degradation. Our land is terribly destroyed by gullies and the invasive species that have caused the disappearance of pasture. We need to enforce tree planting in urban areas, schools and health centers. It should be compulsory to ensure that we regain back our land as required. We have been complaining that there is no rain caused by humans. It is important that we pass this Motion to ensure that the concerned department comes up with policies that ensure that this Motion is fully implemented. Thank you.

**Specially Elected MCA,** (Hon Osman Dube): Asante sana Mheshimiwa Spika. Ninaunga mkono mswada huu na pia namshukuru sana Mheshimiwa aliyeleta mswada huu. Sisi kama vijana tumefanya kazi ya vijana ya kupanda miti kwenye misitu. Hii ni kazi nzuri ambayo itawapa vijana ajira. Kabla hatujapata majimbo katika miaka ya 2010 na 2012, tulipanda miti katika mashule, hospitalini na pia viwanjani. Tangu tupate Kaunti ni kama shughuli hio imepotea ingawaje ni ya serikali kuu. Tunahitaji kupitisha mswada huu kama Kaunti ili pia vijana wetu

wasaidike. Mahali kuna misitu pia kuna mvua. Naomba mswada huu uwe sheria ili itumike katika miaka ya usoni. Asante sana Mheshimiwa Spika.

**Specially Elected MCA, (Hon Stephanie Lanyasunya):** I appreciate the comments of the Members but I would like to add on the Motion. We are all aware that our way of life has depleted our environment and it is only us that can do the re-forestation. Our future as a County is oblique if we do not put much effort in agriculture and our forests. We all know that poverty is linked to deforestation. When we grew up, the environment was so good that we did not want the cooked food. We ate all kinds of tubers, fruits and exotic trees. We are the custodian of God's work of arts. Genesis chapter 1 verse 31 says, "God saw everything he had created and saw that it was all good" so who are we to destroy and plunder God's work? He gave us the knowledge and we can restore our beautiful environment through our efforts as a County.

Hon. Adamson raised the issue of the timeframe and for me the idea was to be progressive and dynamics because we can limit as Hon. Leshimpiro has said that a minimum of four trees in every household in the urban areas and twelve trees in the rural areas. We need to motivate them through public participation where they may even create forests in their homes. This is a starting point and the budget can be sought since the department has that budget but it can be enhanced in the coming financial years. On implementation, I think that the people should be forced to return back the good environment, we can always guide them through the village admins, enforcement is very important. I accept all your points as Hon Members.

The Department should come up with a policy like house plans for development within the County which put aside places for planting trees in residential homes. This Motion will trigger the department to come up with such measures as policies in future. We all agree that our environment is really depleted. According to the development sustainable goals number 14, for every County to come together with the whole world to mitigate the effects of climate change, thank you hon. Speaker.

**MCA Ndoto Ward, (Hon Raisy Letura):** Thank you Hon Speaker. I support the sentiments of the Hon. Member on tree planting. It is impressive thinking in a world where the environment is being depleted. Studies has it that the destruction of trees leads to destruction of the ozone layer hence global warming. There are even gasses that cause skin disease and other dangerous

diseases. Air pollution and purification of air is done by the forest cover. Though the Motion is with limitations but the ideas are very impressive and noble for all of us too with the limitations notwithstanding, I think this house has a major role in terms of implementation of motions or any other policies that are being approved by this house. Hon. Speaker, I think it doesn't add value when the honorable house passes a beautiful motion like that and at the end of the day does not see the light of implementation. This is not the first motion we are passing. We've been passing good motions but at the end of the day they collect dust in those shelves of the CECs. I think most members are not very sure if those motions are being forwarded and even how they are being acted upon by the concerned departments.

So Hon. Speaker, as we go on passing the motions or policies approved in this house it is also high time that we start thinking about the level of implementation of those policies so that it really doesn't look like we are here to waste time passing motions and yet they are not implemented. Mr. Speaker I think it is almost coming back to this house to haunt us again. I liked when the Hon. Member for Wamba West was the Chair for Environment, though now it has shifted, by the time he was clearing, there was a very invasive tree by the name 'Lkurasi' he was actually supervising the clearing of that plant around the headquarters of Maralal. I thought there were some trees to be planted in their place. I think those spaces are still available. If the motion goes through we will also plant those trees and have live fences instead of 'Lkurasi.' We can also plant trees that are beneficial to us in ways such as purification of the air we breathe.

So Hon. Speaker, I'm concerned about the implementation of this motion and maybe the follow-up by this assembly. We pass motions but they are not implemented. Few of them have been implemented. It's good that I was in the first Assembly. So Hon Speaker I think it all boils down to all of us as members of this assembly to see that implementation is taken seriously. I think we have seen the cost. Yesterday, I came across the Committee of water when they were getting information from the Department and funny enough that, and not just for that Committee but for all Committees, most Committees do not have quarterly or yearly reports. We have slept on that particular job, Mr. Speaker.

I think Members, especially the House leadership, should also be wary of the agencies that are already going around because at the end of the day it will boil down to this House. That is what

we are doing as a House to see that whatever we pass is being implemented. It is still corruption if we pass a motion and it's not implemented, yet we have a Committee that is supposed to follow up on those particular issues.

So Hon Speaker, I think that it is time to re-engineer our minds and see exactly what we want to do. Because this is a beautiful Motion we pass it today and it is thrown away. With all those remarks, I don't know

**Temporary Speaker,** (Hon Shadrack Lesopa): Hon Letura, are you in support of the motion or you're against it?

**MCA Ndoto Ward,** (Hon Letura Raisy): Hon Speaker, I said I'm fully in support of the motion. Hoping I'm not a judge. I was coming to my conclusion. I fully support the motion but with some serious thinking. When I say serious thinking I mean there are budgetary implications, issues to do with enforcement.

Hon. Speaker, much as I support the motion I feel that maybe the Hon member who brought the motion should maybe take back the motion with the expertise of this assembly so that they can fine-tune on those small things then we will pass it when it's good and also when the members have woken up to see that it is implementable. Thank you, Hon Speaker.

**MCA Loosuk Ward,** (Hon Lanyasunya Adamson): Thank you Hon Speaker. Sometimes when we, I included because I am a human being, bring motions we tend to look around and see who is supporting it and who isn't and I also want credit because I brought the motion. I sometimes do that but for the sake of following up and for the sake of getting clear monitoring indicators, I would request that the mover of the motion does two things;

1. The putting of the question or the approval of the motion be postponed to a later date so that the Hon. Member can remind the question so that when it comes to implementation we would be able, as a House, either through a statement from any member or through the Implementation Committee, we would be able to put into task the implementers which is the relevant department.
2. Besides repressing the motion to be brought up at a later date, the mover can also develop a motion that will compel the department with specific timeframes to come up with a

very clear policy or legislation or Bill for that matter while taking into account other environmental, forest and conservation laws from the national government so that all other factors in that Bill will be taken care of. In terms of establishing the implementation committee even allocating in a particular financial year can we set aside something like Ksh.40M for it and that Bill can pass that. So that there is an amount because when we pass a motion that is a bit broad like this one, then it is hard to make follow ups or even enforce it. The development of a Bill will clearly show how it will be implemented even development of school clubs.

I remember when I was in primary; we had what we called the 4K Clubs. I can't remember what the 4Ks stood for but actually targeting planting of trees in schools. So I think that's my request but I support the motion 100%. It is very valid and actually overdue and I congratulate my sister-in-law, the Hon. Member for this. So that's just my request. And if she will bring it even tonight I am ready to pass. Thank you.

**MCA, Maralal Ward** (Hon Kiragu Fred): Thank you very much Hon Speaker. First of all, I should say that we do not have sister-in-law in this House. That blood relation should be outside this House. What we have in this house are Honourable Members. While I support this motion I would also like to say that because the members are here and when Hon. Letura gave his talk, though he supported the Motion, it is like he was blaming the Committee on Implementation though he was not direct.

I would like to say that as the chairman of the Committee on Implementation we are already auditing and our clerk is going around seeing the motions that have been passed in this house, which have been implemented and which ones have not. We have a meeting scheduled for 10 Am tomorrow and we will see how to make a follow up. As I support this Motion, I have a few reservations and this is the line I was requesting if it can happen because we support the very great and noble idea because of the threat that we have with the changing climatic conditions the world over.

My little worry is that this motion if we pass it as it is kind of limiting because it says that compulsory tree-planting programs in all urban areas and households within and around major towns. This is where I fear if we pass it as it is it limits the implementing authority to major towns and Households around major towns and also to planting of trees in Early Childhood

Development centers (ECDs) and health centers among other County's facilities. For me, it would have been better if it would have come with all institutions so that we do not limit ourselves to ECD and Health centers but rather any institution in this County be compelled and households in the County. Actually if you go around some major towns like Maralal, you would find that some of the plot and home owners have gone out of their way to planting me included, I have plant very many trees.

I take the line that Hon. Lanyasunya is taking, we request the mover to maybe reframe the Motion and it comes in a way that it does not limit so that when we pass this Motion we pass it for the whole County. The reforestation case we have here is very serious, this ward is affected very much and the forest surrounding, especially by invaders from Angata Nanyekie ward who are cutting trees around Maralal and the forest day and night.

*(Point of Order by Hon. Paul Leshimpiro)*

**MCA Angatta Nanyekie Ward,** (Hon. Paul Leshimpiro): Thank you Hon. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I do not think it is in Order for the Hon. Member for Maralal Ward to consider people from Angata Nanyekei ward as invaders because they are there in the forest and it belongs to them. The community owns the forest and the way to go is to manage the forest with the community, they are not invaders.

**Temporary Speaker,** (Hon. Shadrack Lesoipa): Hon. Leshimpiro you are out of Order. People are not supposed to live in the forest. Continue Hon. Member for Maralal Ward.

**MCA Maralal Ward,** (Hon. Fred Kiragu): Thank you very much Hon. Speaker for your protection. I wish to support the Motion, thank you.

**Specially Elected MCA,** (Hon. Stephanie Lanyasunya): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I want to state that in my initial draft I had stated; 'a minimum of four trees in every urban plot and 12 trees in every homestead plus other areas that are near the forest'. I think it changed on the way, thank you Hon. Speaker.

**Temporary Speaker,** (Hon. Shadrack Lesoipa): Thank you Hon. Members. What is it Hon. Member for Nachola?

**MCA Nachola Ward**, (Hon. Lawrence Lorunyei): Mr. Speaker, I was thinking we pass the Motion because in other regulations and policies the Department is to make on how to sustain it because that is the work of the policy. For us, the County Assembly, the idea is good and it is good to pass the Motion so that the rest be done by the Department than postponing it, thank you Mr. Speaker.

**Temporary Speaker**, (Hon. Shadrack Lesoipa): Thank you Hon Member for Nachola. Hon Members, for the interest of Members, what is it Hon. Member?

**Specially Elected MCA**, (Hon. Antonella Lobura): Hon. Speaker, I also rise to support this Motion. I agree especially for planting trees around the school compound. We have seen many classes being blown by the wind and reported in social media. It is not good for this Hon House to just keep quiet while most of the development projects are being destroyed. We have wasted a lot of millions if they are destroyed by these strong winds.

Hon. Speaker, if our County now starts planting trees we can even attract the investors and donors. We have seen many Counties being supported by the World Bank because of the initiative of planting trees, Hon. Speaker; I support this Motion, thank you.

**MCA Wamba West Ward**, (Hon. Benjamin Leitore): Mr. Speaker, I am not convinced that this Motion has to be deferred to a later date. I am convinced that we need to dispense this Motion now Mr. Speaker. If you refer to our Standing Orders... *(Interjection by Hon. Adamson Lanyasunya on a Point of Order)*

**MCA Loosuk Ward**, (Hon. Adamson Lanyasunya): Is it in Order for the Member to allude that the Motion is being deferred, where did he get the information?

**Temporary Speaker**, (Hon. Shadrack Lesoipa): Hon. Leitore, you are out of Order.

**MCA Wamba West Ward**, (Hon. Benjamin Leitore): Mr. Speaker I am giving that kind of contributions from the Member's sentiments who spoke before me. Mr. Speaker, I am just giving my personal contribution. If you refer to our Standing Orders... *(interjection by the Temporary Speaker)*

**Temporary Speaker,** (Hon. Shadrack Lesoipa): Hon. Leitore, according to the Standing Orders of this House you are not supposed to anticipate Motions.

**MCA Wamba West Ward,** (Hon. Benjamin Leitore): Mr. Speaker, am not anticipating, I am giving my personal contribution Mr. Speaker. My contribution is also informed by previous Members' sentiments and Mr. Speaker it is my view that we pass this Motion as framed and read by the Motion mover. The intention of the Motion is to compel our institutions, especially the schools, health centers and urban centers that is majorly habited by the learned group of people of Samburu to make sure that we restore the glory of our environment by making sure that we plant trees sufficiently.

Mr. Speaker, the issue on Policies, Acts and Bills should always originate from the mother Department and this Motion to my thinking will inform the relevant Department to come up with a policy to make sure that this Motion is enforced, implemented and sustained for the future generations. Mr. Speaker, I support the Motion and we pass it is.

**Temporary Speaker,** (Hon. Shadrack Lesoipa): Thank you Hon. Member. I think this Motion has had enough time to be ventilated and for the interest of this noble idea and noble Motion I stand guided by the Standing Orders number 53 (2) *The Speaker may on request of the Member defer putting the question to the following day in which case the Speaker shall there upon nominate a time in which the question shall be put.*

Hon. Members, I have deferred the putting of the question until tomorrow at 2 Pm. Members, you are guided like that, thank you very much.

Hon. Members, the time being seventeen minutes past four O'clock and there being no other business, this Assembly adjourns until Thursday Afternoon, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 2:30 pm.