

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF SAMBURU



THE HANSARD

Wednesday, 24th April, 2024

The Assembly met at the County Assembly Chambers at 2:30 pm

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen), in Chair

PRAYER

PAPERS

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon. Lenamparasio.

MCA Loosuk Ward, (Hon. Lenamparasio Kaunda): Thank you Hon. Speaker, I stand here to table the Report of the committee of budget and appropriation on the consideration of the County fiscal strategy paper 2024/2025. Thank you Hon. Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTION

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Thank you Hon. Speaker, I beg to move the following notices of Motion **THAT** this House debates and approved the Report of the committee on budget and appropriation on the consideration of the County fiscal strategy paper 2024/2025. Thank you Hon. Speaker. I call upon Hon. Silapia to second.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Order Hon. Silapia, you are not supposed to second because it is just notice of motion.

STATEMENTS

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon. Members it is notified that pursuant to standing order 45 1(c), the Speaker has approved the following tentative request for statements.

Statement number 029/2024, requested by Hon. Jeremiah Leitoro to the Chairperson of the committee of finance, economic planning and ICT in regards to the department of health budget for the financial year 2024/2025. Hon. Silapia.

Specially Elected Member, (Hon. Lenamatiyio Silapia): Thank you Hon. Speaker, I stand here to read for a statement sort by the Hon. Leitoro, the Hon. Member for Elbarta Ward and also the Chairperson for the committee on Health and on behalf of him, pursuant to standing order 45(c), I hereby request for the statements from the chairperson of committee on Finance, Economic Planning and ICT, in regard to Department of Health and Budget for the year 2024/2025.

The constitution of Kenya entails every person the right to healthcare services. Chapter four of the Bill of rights state in article 43(1) that every person has the right to the highest attainable

standard of health which includes the rights to the healthcare services including reproductive healthcare and that a person shall not be denied an emergency medical treatment. In view of this, the Chairperson should inquire into and Report on;

1. What informed reduction of the budget ceiling of the department of health by the CECM finance by over two hundred million for the year 2024/2025?
2. How is the department of health going to perform its functions or mandates to meet the constitutional requirements with the little financial resources allocated to the department?
3. How is the department of finance and health handling impending healthcare workers strike now that the budgetary allocation for promotion health workers has not been factored in?

Thank you Mr. Speaker, but when we talk about the nine Departments we have in this County, I think health is another big department which is very sensitive and I want to be in records Mr. Speaker that this is a very serious matter, and with your direction and also with your help, with your leadership, we call upon the department of finance to hear this cry Mr. Speaker. This is a very serious matter and also very sensitive matter. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Since the Chairman is not present, do we have the vice-chair Hon. Charity.

Specially Elected Member, (Hon. Lenyakopiro Charity): Thank you Hon. Speaker; we will give the response next week that is 30th Tuesday.

Specially Elected Member, (Hon. Lenamatiyio Silapia): Thank you Mr. Speaker, we need an urgent response because this determines the budget estimate and according to the budget circle, the executive should submit the budget estimate on 30th April. This one is a very serious matter and we need urgently. Hon. Speaker, with your leadership let the Member do something to make sure that, that issue is urgent on dates Mr. Speaker, Thank you.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): We only have tomorrow; Hon. Charity is it possible we get the report tomorrow?

Specially Elected Member, (Hon. Lenyakopiro Charity): Thank you Mr. Speaker, Hon. Speaker I do not think if it is possible tomorrow.

MCA Wamba West Ward, (Hon. Lemartile Francis): Thank you Mr. Speaker, being a member of finance committee, I think the vice Chair requested to submit the respond, it is quite in order because we only have tomorrow and the respond should come from the department so I do not think it is possible for us to give them today or tomorrow, so Tuesday is a convenient day from the earliest day possible, so the committee to respond on Tuesday 30th.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): That is okay since the matter is very urgent, now that they are bringing the budget estimates on Tuesday as the vice- chair, you must have to communicate to them as early as tomorrow because there might be an error so that they respond on Tuesday when they have already acted upon whatever that has been raised. So let us get the Report on Tuesday at 2:30pm that is next week.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Members, the time being 9 minutes to 3 O' clock, and there being no any other business, this Assembly now adjourns until Thursday 25th April 2024 at 2:30 pm.