

## COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF SAMBURU



### ***THE HANSARD***

**Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2025**

**The Assembly met at the County Assembly Chambers at 9:30 am**

***Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamparasio Phelix) in Chair***

### **PRAYER**

## **QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS**

**Temporary Speaker,** (Hon. Lenamparasio Phelix): Hon. Members, it is notified that the following statements and response to Members' general statement on topical issues is due for response today 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2025 at 9:30 AM Pursuant to Standing Order No.51 (b) and 53 (1), (2) and (3) respectively:

- 1) Response to Members' general statement on topical issues regarding establishment of Village Councils from Chairperson Committee on Public Service and Administration, Social Welfare, Labour, Justice and Legal Affairs Pursuant to Standing Order No. 53 (1), (2) and (3).

**MCA Nachola Ward,** (Hon. Lorunyei Lawrence): Hon. Speaker, I am the one who sort the statement and it was directed to be responded today and I think it a high time we go to another level.

Mr. Speaker, it seems that issues raised in this House are not taken seriously. We cannot keep mark timing on the same statement and seeking for statement response taken lightly Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker, I source my salary by asking questions Mr. Speaker; this means that value money cannot be told Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, Village Council is provided in The County Government Act, it is a devolved function and an office on the ground Mr. Speaker. It is the office that connects the other level offices with the community.

Hon. Speaker this office has not worked for almost three years now and we have been budgeting Mr. Speaker. How can we explain about it in the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year Budget's respectively Mr. Speaker?. This means we are budgeting for corruption Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker maybe I will have to move a Motion that the office is held accountable and take responsible, thank you Mr. Speaker.

**MCA Maralal Ward,** (Hon. Loloju Joseph): Hon. Speaker Sir I rise in support of my colleague for Nachola Ward. To my understanding, the Hon. Member is the questioner and I seek

indulgence if the Chairperson is not around do we have any Member of the Committee around or not?

Yes or no? I think it is high time for he...(*interjection by the Temporary Speaker*)

**Temporary Speaker**, (Hon. Lenamparasio Phelix): Is there any Member of the Committee here? Oh, Hon. Kagiri

**MCA Maralal Ward**, (Hon. Loloju Joseph): Thank you Mr. Kagiri, maybe you can rise to answer the question.

**Temporary Speaker**, (Hon. Lenamparasio): I think Hon. Loloju you are not supposed to direct what the Hon. Member should do.

*(Temporary Speaker and the Members laugh)*

If the Member wants to contribute, he can and if he does not want, you cannot direct him. Hon. Kagiri, ukitaka kuongea, ongea na kama hatutaki, ukona uhuru wa kuketi tu. Kwa hivyo Mheshimiwa Loloju asikulazimishe ujibu swali hili.

**Member, Committee on Public Service and Administration, Social Welfare, Labour, Justice and Legal Affairs**, (Hon. Kagiri Stephen): Thank you Hon. Speaker. I am a Member of the Committee. I have not received any response from the Department.

I request for one more week so that I can follow up on the statement, thank you Hon. Speaker.

**Temporary Speaker**, (Hon. Lenamparasio Phelix): Hon. Members, as what Hon. Lawrence said; it is true we are time marking on this issues. Statement response usually originates from the County Executive. Standing Order 52 *The County Assembly may where a County Executive Committee fails to without a reasonable cause to appear and respond to question under this part may move a Motion to censure the Executive Committee Member.*

Our House Business Committee should sit and give us a very serious way forward on this because we are heading to a very bad direction, especially regarding this issue. Just because the CECM asked to appear before this House has not and as Standing Order 52 directs, we censure the CECM.

I think the other alternative is that we can write a letter to the CECM in charge or the County Secretary to appear before this House to explain as to why we are not receiving the response. I think it is good that we follow our rules and procedures.

I direct that the House Business Committee sits and the Clerk write a letter to the CECM in charge to appear before this House on Wednesday next week at 2:30 PM and respond to this statement.

This statement has been in this House, we all have interest in the Village Council as Hon. Lawrence said. The two Budgets we have appropriated in this House has lot of money for the Village Councils and no one knows where it went and we draw our salaries by asking questions here just as Hon. Lorunyei said.

I direct that the County Secretary appear to this House on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2025 at 2:30 pm. Next week, thank you.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Hon. Members, the time being 20 minutes past 10 O'clock and there being no other business, this Assembly now adjourns until Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2025 at 2:30 pm.