COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF SAMBURU



THE HANSARD

Wednesday, 23rd July, 2025.

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

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan) in Chair

PRAYER

STATEMENTS

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan): Hon. Members, tentative Questions and Statements is notified that the Speaker, has approved the following requests for Statements today for July 23rd 2025 at 9:30 a.m. pursuant to Standing Order No. 47 (1). Statements No. 009/2025 requested by Hon. Leerte Patrick MCA Porro Ward to the chairperson of the Committee of Medical Services Public Health and Sanitation regarding the status of the Ambulance budgeted for the FY 2024-2025 for the Porro Health center which remains unpurchased and Siambu dispensary which was budgeted for construction in the FY 2022-2023 but has not yet built, thank you.

MCA Porro Ward, (Hon. Leerte Patrick): Mr. Speaker pursuant to Standing Order No. 53 (c) I hereby request a Statement for the Chairperson of the Committee of regarding the status of the Ambulance budgeted for the FY 2024-2025 for the Porro Health Center which remains unpurchased to date and Siambu dispensary which was budgeted for construction in the FY 2022-2023 but has yet to be built.

The availability for the Ambulance at Porro Health Center is crucial for ensuring timely medical process emergencies. These facilities have a significant population and the absence of operational ambulance can jeopardize lives particularly in critical situations such as severe accidents, complications during pregnancies and incidents of security also necessitate prompt medical responses.

The benefits of having an ambulance extent towards Porro ward Health Center surrounding areas in Loosuk ward such as Lkeek Sapuki would also greatly benefit from the service. As stipulated in section 25 of the Public Finance Management Act of 2012 the County Government is mandated to ensure effective and efficient rules of public sources including timely implementation of Budget Estimates.

The delay in procuring the ambulance and constructing the Siambu dispensary raise concerns about adhered to this regulations and the accountability of the Department of Health in fulfilling it is obligations to the community. In view of this the chairperson should inquire into and report on;

- 1) What specific challenges have hindered the purchase of the ambulance for Porro Ward Health Center despite the allocation of funds in the Budget?
- 2) What is the current status of the Siambu dispensary construction and what challenges have contributed to the delay?
- 3) How many wards in the county currently lack access to an ambulance and what plans are in place to address this critical gap in emergency health care services?
- 4) What measures has been taken by the Department of Health to ensure compliance with the Public Finance Management Act regarding the timely implementation of Budget Estimates related to health care services specifically for essential services such as ambulance provision?
- 5) When can the residents of Porro extend the ambulance to inspect the Ambulance to be procured and operational

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan): very well Hon. Patrick Leerte, I think reading from the direction and the office of the Hon. Speaker, this Statement has been approved and warrant the Hon. Member Patrick to seek the Statement before we commit kindly could any Member from the Committee the chair is not around. Could we have some directions especially on the ambulance? Thank you.

Specially Elected Member, (Hon. Nakinyi Jane): thank you Mr. Speaker I would like to respond about the Statement brought about by Hon. Leerte from Porro Ward that he has brought the Statement to the House we urge him to bear with us so that we can take to the Department and then we make inquiries because it is really crucial to have an ambulance in Porro while we know the situation of that place, especially about the banditry and the issue of getting many casualties in those areas so they need an ambulance. Leerte will respond on that statement on Wednesday at 2:30pm, if you can accept. Thank you.

Specially Elected Member, (Hon. Lenolkulal Esther): Asante Mheshimiwa Speaker. Ninaunga Mheshimiwa Leerte mkono kwa sababu ya kuleta hiyo statement. Nafikiri bajeti ya 2022-2023 ambaye dispensary ya Siambu. Nuingeomba tu committee wale wataenda, kwasabau Vice Chair ako hapa, waangalie hiyo dispensary ya Siambu.

Kwasababu ukiona 2022-2023, niliona ilikuwa kwa budget. Tunaona miaka imeenda. Tunataka kujua nini haswa imezuia hiyo dispensary kujengwa hadi sasa? Pia kuna gari iliyokuwa ya

Rangers, hata kama Mheshimiwa hajakumbuka kuweka kwa statement yake pia ilikuwa kwa budget ya 2022-2023 na hiyo gari pia ahaijawaipatikana hadi sasa. Ukiona mahali kama Poro bila ambulance security huko ni shida. Watu wanapigwa kila wakati.

Na miaka inaenda. Sasa hivi tuko kwa budget ya 2025-2026. Tunatarija lini kupata hivyo vitu? Tukisimama hapa kuongea tunatetea wananchi, Bw. Spika. Tusipoongea maneno ya Poro sijui nani ataongea kama MCA. Tungeomba hiyo ambulance tujue maneno yake haraka na tujue ni kwanini hatujapata mpaka hivi sasa na imekuwa kwa budget na ni nini inazuia bila kupatikana.

Watu wa Ward ya Poro ni wasamburu kama kwingine. Ni nini kinachozuia vitu vya visipatikane kwa muda unaofaa? Kwasababu unaona vitu vimewekwa kwa budget 2022-2023 na vinakaa miaka mitatu bila kupatikana. Sioni kama tunaendelea vizuri kwa hivyo ninaunga mkono na pia nasisitiza kwasababu naibu mwenyekiti yuko hapa, Mheshimwa Jane wajaribu kufuatilia na watupee Habari tujue ni nini inaendelea. Asante.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan): Kabla sijampatia Mheshimiwa Lawrence nafasi ya kutoa mchango wake kwa swala hili, naomba tu niseme kwamba swala ala gari la conservancy kidogo tui ko nje ya swala hili na hayo yanataka mpango mwingine mahususi wakati wake. Kwa sasa hivi tunaelekezwa na sheria za nyumba hii ya heshima kwamaba swala moja liwe na Suluhu moja wakati wake.

Asante sana lakini nashukuru sana umeweza ku nongonezea Mhshimiwa Leerte kwamba hayo pia yafaa yajulikane, manake mara mingi swala hili la makadirio la serikali, ni vizuri kwamba kamati inayoongoza kwa swala la afya, wataewza angalia nini haswa imefanyika labda kwa makadirio kulikuwa na shida flani amabyo siwezi nikasema but of course mheshimwa Leerte amesema vizuri anataka iangaliwe nini, uchambuzi wake imeelekeza haya maneno Matano. Hivyo basi twatarajia baadae kupata hilo.

MCA Nachola Ward, (Hon. Lorunyei Lawrence): Thank you Hon. Speaker. Thank you for your guidance that constrain ourselves to the matter on the floor, Mr. Speaker. In the health department we have a very experienced, energetic and knowledgeable CEC and those who are under him. Also, we have a very vibrant, very useful government. Administration of the day, since 2022 up to now, Mr. Speaker.

We have been allocated money from the treasury every year and we budget that money as per the programs we propose. Now, 2022-2023 budget and now the projects have not been rolled out or been realized to this minute 2025-2026 budget. It is wanting Mr. Speaker, to this honorable house.

When we give intent to the executive, we need the feedback and we see that we do not see anything from that budget now. If we do not see that ambulance and has been budgeted for, Mr. Speaker, it is something that this house needs to consider. We do not want to be going backwards, Mr. Speaker, to 2023 projects.

We are to move forward. We are thinking of 2025-2026 budget projects. We need to progress, Mr. Speaker. There is something somewhere going wrong, because when we budget here for projects, it is money at hand and the projects need to be implemented, what can we say about that? If the projects are not implemented, what went wrong Mr. Speaker? Mr. Speaker, I ask for your intelligence on how we shall be moving this County Government of Samburu. Mr. Speaker, Lack of implementing the project by the County Executive is failing the government administration, the projects have been identified and funded and approved by this Honourable House in 2022 and 2023, and this means they are undermining the government or this House Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, we need to come back on track and see where we went wrong so that everything can move as wanted, that is my contribution on putting more weight on what Hon. Members stressed, thank you.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan): Thank you so much Hon. Lorunyei, that is really an additional support especially on budget implementation, as a House; we appreciate you for your experience in service delivery.

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Mohammed Asha): Thank you Hon. Speaker Sir. I want to contribute on Hon. Esther's follow up on and about the ranger's vehicle and the dispensary. I think these are two different issues because Hon. Leerte asked about the ambulance. Allow us as the Committee on Medical Service, Public Health and Sanitation to follow up on the issue raised by Hon. Esther and report back on Wednesday as Hon. Jane said.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan): Most obliged of course. I think when a Speaker gives a ruling because I had given a direction on conservancy; there is no need for further clarification or any input from a Member. I fear calling it out of order of which is not so good, but, let us take our time and understand that when a Speaker gives a direction of a particular manner; it cease to be interrogated or ventilated into by any Member.

Before we committee this request by Hon. Leerte to the Committee, let us be careful not to be hasty because when we request to respond on Wednesday next week; let us see the weighty matter of the request by observing his concerns and direction. When we say response will be on Wednesday, how many working days are those? That is; Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Monday and Tuesday; those are four working days. Are those days enough for the Committee to bring a comprehensive report to this House?

I think the reason why even the Executive, this is my observation; the Executive is maybe taking some time circumventing on some matters because sometimes we give them too little or short time and there is no follow up by the Committee, so let us be practical and honest to ourselves, that of course we push the Executive to the point that they bring something substantial, I can see Hon. Lentukunye, please you are at leave.

Majority Leader, (Hon. Lentukunye Christopher): Thank you Hon. Speaker. As you allude that the time that the Department needs to respond; Mr. Speaker this is very simple. If you were the CECM or the person concerned, I think it does not take you even a day to give a response; because you just refer to budget records

(Applause)

Because, this vehicle was budgeted for in the Financial Year 2022/2023, so you just go straight to the 2022/2023 Budget and just give the feedback to the House. Mr. Speaker, I think this statement has been overdue in this House, I understand that the ambulance has been in Budget since the beginning of this Third House, Hon. Speaker, it does not require much time to...(Interjection by the Temporary Speaker)

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan): Most obliged Hon. Lentukunye. From the feeling of the House, I tend to say that it is sufficient to commit the question to the concerned Department and thus report on Wednesday 30th July, 2025 at 2:30 PM.

Clerks, please take note that this statement stands committed to the Committee on Medical Service, Public Health and Sanitation on matters sought Hon. Leerte Patrick on:

- 1. Ambulance
- 2. Siambu Dispensary

It so stands committed, thank you.

ADJOURNMENT

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan): Hon. Members, the time being 15 minutes past 10 O'clock and there being no other business, this Assembly now adjourns until 23rd July, 2025 at 2:30 PM.