COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF SAMBURU

THE HANSARD

Wednesday, 3rd December, 2025

The Assembly met at the County Assembly Chambers at 9:00 am

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen) in Chair

PRAYER

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STATEMENTS

MCA Waso Ward, (Hon. Lemantaan Kelvin): Thank you Hon. Speaker, I rise to ask about a request for statement sought on 15th September, 2025 regarding town cleaners. This House has not received the response and we have been waiting for the response.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): That means that the response is not there because it is not in the order paper. So, the Clerk Assistants to check so that we can schedule it for the afternoon session together with the response for roads.

Hon. Leleruk.

The Majority Leader, (Hon. Leleruk James): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I have tried to follow up on the statement sought regarding roads, The Chief Officer is not around, his mother is sick…***(Interjection by the Speaker)***

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon. Minority Leader, you will explain that in the afternoon because it is not in the order paper, just continue with the Motion.

MOTION

THE REPORT OF ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT

PLAN FINANCIAL YEAR 2026/2027

The Minority Leader, (Hon. Leleruk James): Hon. Speaker, I beg to move the following Motion:

THAT debates and adopts the Report of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations on The Annual Development Plan (ADP) for the Financial Year 2026/2027 which was laid on the table of this Assembly on Tuesday 2nd December, 2025.

I beg Hon. Kagiri to second.

(Hon Kagiri bows to second the Motion)

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon. Members, I now propose the Motion:

THAT debates and adopts the Report of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations on The Annual Development Plan (ADP) for the Financial Year 2026/2027 which was laid on the table of this Assembly on Tuesday 2nd December, 2025.

The Minority Leader, (Hon. Leleruk James): Hon. Speaker and Hon. Members. The Report of the Budget and Appropriations Committee on The Annual Development Plan for the Financial Year 2026/2027 was laid on the table of this Assembly on Tuesday 2nd December, 2025.

The ADP is a critical planning document that outlines the County Government development priorities and strategies for the coming Financial Years.

In reviewing this document, the Committee acted Pursuant section 126 of The Public Finance Management Act and Standing Order 187. Our primary objective was to ensure that the ADP is aligned to The County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) 2023/2027 and response effectively to the needs and aspirations of our people as expressed through public participations and consultation conducted across all Wards.

The Committee review focused on key areas that are vital for effective planning, equitable resource allocation and enhanced service delivery:

1. Strengthening Wards planning; the Committee underscore the importance of planning at the Ward level to ensure equitable distribution of development resources; each Ward has unique needs and development interventions must reflect these difference to promote fairness and inclusivity.

   We urge the future planning and budgeting process to continue to prioritize Ward's specific consideration to achieve balanced consideration across the County.

2. Enhanced monitoring and evaluation; the Committee emphasized the need for a robust Monitoring and Evaluation Framework to ensure transparency, accountability and timely implementation of projects. Strong Monitoring and Evaluation Frameworks not only struck progress, but also identify gaps early enabling corrective actions and efficient use of resources. Departments must prioritize this to ensure that projects deliver tangible benefits to our citizens.

3. Prioritizations of the key sector programs; the Committee noted the importance of focusing resource on critical sectors that directly impact the livelihoods and wellbeing of our people, these include:

   Water, health, roads, education and economic empowerment initiatives. By concentrating on these sectors, the County can ensure that development interventions address both immediate needs and long term growth objectives.
4. Alignment to available fiscal space; the Committee observed that all Departments must plan within the limit of available financial resources. Over ambitiously projects that are not backed by a realistic funding undermine the implementation of the ADP and delay service delivery.

   Proper alignment to fiscal space ensures that planned activities are visible, implementable and sustainable.
5. Adherence to the Budget timeline; the Committee stresses the importance of complying with the Budget preparation timelines, particularly; County Fiscal Strategy Paper (CFSP) and subsequent Budget estimates. Timely submission and review of Budget documents is essential for proper planning, coordination and allocation of resources and they safeguard against delays in implementing development projects.

Hon. Speaker, after careful consideration, the Committee is satisfied that The ADP provides a sound and a practical framework to guide formulation of The 2026/2027 Budget. It reflects both the strategic objectives of the County Government and the needs of our communities.

The Committee extends its sincere appreciation to the office of the Speaker for continuous guidance, the office of the Clerk for technical and logistical support and all the Hon Members for their active participation during the review process and public engagement activities. Your contributions have enriched this Report and ensure that it is comprehensive and responsive.

Hon Members, this report is more than a planning document, it is a blueprint for a sustainable development, equitable service delivery and improved quality of life for the people of Samburu County. It reflects our collective commitment to transparency, accountability and the prudent management of public resources.

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I therefore urge all Members to support the Report, recognizing that our endorsement will strengthen the County development agenda, enhance service delivery and promote wellbeing of our communities in the coming Financial Year.

Thank you Mr. Speaker, that is the end of our Report; and, I urge all Hon Members to support the Report, thank you.

MCA Loosuk Ward, (Hon. Lenamparasio Phelix): Thank you very much Hon. Speaker for giving me this time to contribute to this Report.

Hon Speaker, I do not think I am so certain to stand here to support this Report because of the following issues:

Hon Speaker, I think from what the Member who was reading the Report has quoted, he quoted three laws that support this Report. The first one is our Standing Order 187, the second one is Article 220 of the Constitution of Kenya, specifically Sub-section 2 and the last one section 126 of the PFM Act and more specifically, because he was not specific Sub-section 3.

Hon Speaker, so that you give me time to continue, there are some questions I want to ask Hon. Member so the after he answers, I continue with my contribution. But let me read Sub-section 3 of section 126 of PFM Act; *The County Executive Committee Member responsible for planning shall not later than 1st of September in each year submit the development plan to the County Assembly for its approval and sends a copy to the Commission on revenue allocation and the National Treasury*.

Hon Speaker, my first question is; the Hon. Member should let me know when this plan was submitted to this Assembly and I want it with an evidence of received by the Clerk, because, I know it was brought to this House after the 1st of September which is a mandated timeline by the PFM Act, secondly, the Constitution of Kenya, Section 220(2), strongly dictates the need for public participation in anything pertaining to plans and this is one of those plans; it is an annual plan, which is an extract of the CIDP. I think the Committee on Budget should let us know when public participation was done for this document with a proof of where they went for public participation. After my two questions are answered, I think I will have about one minute to contribute. Thank you.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon, I think it is prudent if you just contribute so that you can answer later because you know our Standing Orders allow us to contribute only once to a motion. So just have your contribution so that you can he can respond later.

MCA Loosuk Ward, (Hon. Lenamparasio Phelix): Thank you Mr. Speaker. As long as my questions will be answered, I will just contribute for my time. The reason I am standing here not to support this report is because the rate at which this House is being misused or misled by the Executive is becoming too much. There was a time I said here that Samburu County Assembly are not above the law, and we should abide by all laws that govern this country. Debating a report that was supposed to be approved by 1st of September on the 3rd of December I do not think it is in good will. I do not what was the issue that we are debating this report on 3rd of September after a very clear indication by the PFM Act that we should do so by 1st of September.

The other issue is that of public participation. We sit in different Committees here; I think we should even serve as public, we are even supposed to be taken through these plans. These plans entail all our 15 wards in our County. We represent our people from our Wards and to me what I was thinking is that maybe this report should even have been shared with all sectoral committees in this House so that we go through because we represent Wards. Members elected represents Wards and the Nominated represent groups and these plans are all inclusive of what we are saying here.

I just want to let this House to know that the rate at which we are being misused by the Executive is too much and if it is not the Executive misusing us, then the County Assembly is misusing itself because if the County Executive Member submitted this report on time then why are we debating it on 3rd December instead of the required deadline or timeline by PFM Act of 1st September? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon., I just want clarity: the document I have here is received on 1st September 2025. That is the document I have. I do not know whether that is the same document you have. It was received on 1st September 2025. Hon. Silapia.

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Lenamatiyo Silapia): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Let me take this opportunity to stand here and oppose the report before the House. I oppose it because of the timelines as raised by the Hon. Member for Loosuk Ward. As you say, this report was received on 1st September and according to the law it should have been approved before 30th of September. But today we are here on the 3rd of December approving this report. It shows that the report has taken two to three months within the Assembly premises.

Secondly, when the Hon. Member reading this report was going through the report, he did not read the issue of public participation. It seems that this document has not been taken for public participation. When you look at the fourth page in 1.2 on the Mandate of the Committee; just go there Mr. Speaker because our Standing Orders emphasize the accuracy of the Report. It seems the Committee that generated this report does not know who they are. When you read the Committee composition…

Minority Leader, (Hon. Leleruk James): Mr. Speaker, the Hon. Member who is a nominated Member of this House should not tell us this Committees that are doing this job do not know their work; previously she was in the Committee on Budget but now because she is not among the Committee Members she should not tell us that the Committee does not understand the work they have done. We understand our work, Mr Speaker.

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Lenamatiyo Silapia): Mr. Speaker let me explain why I am saying so for the Hon. Member to explain the same.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon. Silapia, I think the Committee knows what they do; maybe they did not do it well, so they know what they are supposed to do, just continue.

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Lenamatiyo Silapia): Mr. Speaker please just go back and read this so that he can know what I am saying. When you read the committee composition, it states: "Examination of the ADP 2026–2027 was spearheaded by the following nine Members of the County Assembly Budget and Appropriation Committee"

1. Hon. Lemoosa Mwaura Lekuram
2. Hon. David Lekushula

3.Hon.	Koileken	Leleruk
4.Hon.	Jeremiah	Leitoro
5.Hon.	James	Lenanguram
6.Hon.	Loloju	Joseph
7.Hon.	Lenamatiyo	Silapia
8.Hon. Lenyakopiro Charity		

I say so Mr. Speaker because I am not a Member of the Budget Committee. So it seems that the Committee do not know themselves.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon. Leleruk just take your seat. I will give you chance to speak. Let her finish. Okay.

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Lenamatiyo Silapia): They do not know the composition of the Committee. When you go to the last page on Adoption Schedule number 9, "Mr. Speaker Sir, we the Members of the Committee on Budget and Appropriation do here affix our signatures to confirm the accuracy and authenticity of this report." If the report is accurate, what happened that my name is appearing yet I am not a Member of that Committee? and when you look at the last page, the Members who are on accuracy and authenticity to bring this Report are:

1. Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan
2. Hon. Leleruk James
3. Hon. Loloju Joseph
4. Hon. Stacy Nareyo
5. Hon. James Lenanguram
6. Hon. Charity Lenyakopiro
7. Hon. Lekuchula David Linus
8. Hon. Kagiri Stephen
9. Hon. Leitoro Jeremiah

Our Hon speaker, in the first list the Hon Kagiri was not there, the second one the Hon Lekuchula was not there, Hon Stacy was not there, then, do you want to tell this Hon House that this Report is accurate, is it supposed to be here?

Honorable Speaker our Standing Orders emphasize the accuracy of the Report then it seems that this Report is just a rubber stamp, it is just a copy paste, because I cannot be appearing here and some members of the Committee are not appearing in the list and yet they are members of the Committee Hon Speaker.

The Minority Leader, (Hon. Leleruk James): Mr. Speaker, I think the report that the Hon Member is reading is different from what I have. Because, the Committee members I have are the one on the Report that am tabling is the one that am reading, and, Mr. speaker when the Assembly received this Report we had just recently changed the Committees and may be if there is a mixture of clerks making some errors both the Report that I have, I have full names of the Hon Members who are present in the budget committee right now. I don't have the one that is appearing with her name.

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Lenamatiyio Silapia): Hon Speaker, the House should, the honorable members in the floor of the house should have the accurate report, the right report then honorable speaker we are not going to discuss unless they feed us with the right report honorable speaker, with your guidance and leadership please.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): You know, the Report I have looks different, what I have your name is not appearing. So, let us just continue because it is just the issue of errors in name writing.

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Lenamatiyio Silapia): Hon. Speaker, I should have the right Report so that I cannot complain.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon. Silapia what we are interested so much is the last paper that is signed and you have not signed that.

Therefore, I can see there are six names that have signed:

1. Hon Leleruk James
2. Hon Loloju Joseph
3. Hon. Stacy Nareyo
4. Hon. Lenanguram James
5. Hon. Kagiri Stephen and

6. Hon. Leitoro Jeremiah

Those are the Hon Members who have appended their signatures and therefore, we are interested so much in that, so can we continue.

MCA Loosuk Ward, (Hon. Lenamparasio Phelix): Hon. Speaker, I think you being the head of this House; you should just direct us very clearly. Which Report are we debating here? The Report I have here is just the same as what Hon Lemartile is having, what Hon Silapia is having we do not know where the other members are getting a different report from us.

Kindly, before we continue just tell us which Report we are debating, because we will end up contributing using the Report we have but it is very different from what the other members are having. So, just tell us which Report are we debating, is it this one we are having or the one they have, because it seems this House has two Reports. In fact, the one that I have here is the original one Hon Speaker if you see, it is not a photocopy and it is the same one that Hon Silapia, Hon Speaker you should guide us on which Report to debate on.

The Minority Leader, (Hon. Leleruk James): Mr. Speaker, I think the clerks should supply the correct Report because also Mr. Speaker when the Hon Member was asking when the report was tabled, this is just the Reports that have been brought by the clerks.

MCA Nachola Ward, (Hon. Lorunyei Lawrence): Thank you honorable speaker. I think this is the first time am interacting with the report but looking on what supplied right now two different reports hon. Speaker. If I see the cover letter of this one, it was a report on annual development plan 2026/2027 written on August 2025.The second one is Annual Development report financial year 2026/2027 written on November 2025.So really we are confused on not knowing which report are we discussing.so hon. Speaker I think they should give us the correct report which we are supposed to discuss. As the other one also hon. Speaker that was raised by hon. Lenamparasio raised an issue on when this report submitted to the county assembly. The report I have here signed by 12 signatures it is 9th September, rubber stamped say 0n 1st September.so a lot of mix up to this Report really Mr. Speaker. May be you can direct the House or the Committee to prepare themselves well so they can be able to submit the correct information to the House. Thank you Hon. Speaker.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon. Leleruk which report are we using?

The Minority Leader, (Hon. Leleruk James): Mr. Speaker am requesting because this report is a mix-up we differ till 230pm so that the clerks correct the report and bring us the correct report. Because Mr. Speaker we cannot continue back and forth because I know there are some errors and the errors are not from the committee they are just from clerks, we can defer till 2:30 Mr. speaker.

MCA Waso Ward (Hon**.** Kelvin Lemantaan**):** Thank you hon. Speaker and I also thank hon. Members for the healthy discussions we are all sharing. Hon. Speaker I request as the head of the house there is a lot of confusion in this paper work and I don't think we can continue picking one paper from the other, we need to defer the document and let the chair bring the correct document for discussion. Thank you.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Thank you Hon Members and, Hon. Lemartile for clarity, the Annual Development Fund was brought to the Assembly on 1st September, 2025 and, it was signed by the clerk as received and then tabled in this House on 9th September, 2025 that is why it is written received there, it is the day that it was tabled here.

So, Hon. Members as the vice Chairperson requested, I am deferring this up to 2:30 P.M, let us have a new document and let us have a new discussion. I have already given out the direction.so just keep up to 2:30 PM. Thank you Members.

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon. Members, the time being 20 minutes to 11 o'clock and there being no any other business this Assembly now adjourns until Wednesday 3rd December,2025 at 2:30 P.M