

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF SAMBURU



THE HANSARD

Wednesday 29th, April 2026

The Assembly met at the County Assembly Chambers at 9.00 am

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamayio Silapia) in Chair

PRAYER

Minority Leader,(Hon. Leleruk James): Thank you, Hon. Madam Speaker. I beg to lay the following papers on the table of the House.

1. SAMBURU COUNTY CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION PLAN 2023-2027
2. IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS REPORT FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2024-2025

Thank you, Hon. Madam Speaker.

(Papers laid)

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamatiyio Silapia): Hon. Members, I now commit this paper to the relevant Committee so that it can go through and bring the report to this House. Thank you.

QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamatiyio Silapia): Hon. Members, it is notified that the Speaker has approved the following response for statements today, Wednesday, April 29th, 2026 at 9.30 a.m., Pursuant to Standing Order 54(c):

Statement number 02/2026; requested by Hon. Phelix Lenamparasio (MCA Loosuk Ward), to the Chairperson, Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, Veterinary Services, Irrigation and Fisheries regarding agriculture machinery and distribution of certified seeds for the 2025/2026 Financial Year. Hon. Asha.

Chairperson, Committee Chairperson Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, Veterinary Services, Fisheries and Irrigation, (Hon. Mohamed Asha): Thank you Madam Speaker. I am going to read the response from the Department and Madam Speaker. I respond to statement.

“Following your request, letter reference SBU/CK/SCALF/VOL.1/01/2026 dated 31st March, 2026 on the above subject matter, I hereby, forward the attached detailed response in regards to the questions raised by the Agricultural Committee regarding the agriculture machinery and the distribution of certified seeds for the year 2025/2026. The County Assembly mainly touching on the following issues:

what is the current status of the tractors and their accessories (including planters, ploughs and harrows) allocated to Samburu West? Please indicate how many tractors and accessories are fully functional, how many are partially operational and how many are awaiting repairs, how

many are permanently out of service. Provide an inventory by unit, (make/mode /registration where available) current location and condition.

Twenty-four (24) tractors were assigned to Samburu West farming villages under the custody of village committee as per the provisions of AMS Act, 2015. Out of the said tractors,

10 are currently fully functional including three that are under the custody of organized farmer groups in Loosuk, Logorate and Lkiloriti.

Three are serviceable, and the remaining eight tractors are grounded and require high cost of repairs (mostly engine overhauls and in some cases with gearbox faults)

Madam Speaker, the tractors registration numbers, model, current location and status.

I am going to read as follows:

1. GKB 617C, New Holland TD 80, current location is Nomotio LIC, status is fully functional.
2. 2KBY 991C, Massey Ferguson MF 2090E, current location is AMS Centre, status is grounded; high cost of repair.
3. KBY 109C, Massey Ferguson MF 290E, AMS Centre, status is grounded, high cost of repair.
4. KBY 989C, Massey Ferguson MF 290E, AMS Centre, status is fully operational.
5. KBY 997V, New Holland TD 80, current location is AMS Centre, status is grounded, high cost of repair.
6. KBY 153C, Massey Ferguson MF 290E, current location is in Porro, status is fully operational.
7. KBY 102C, Massey Ferguson MF 290E, current location is Lolmolog, status is fully operational.
8. KBW 998V, New Holland TD 80, current location is AMS Centre, status is grounded, high cost of repair.
9. 25C6035A, CASEJX90M, current location is Lukurum, status is fully operational.
10. KBY 101C, Mack & Model, Massey Ferguson MF 290E, current location is Lemisigiyo, status is fully operational.

11. KBY 990C, Massey Fergusson MF 290E, current location is AMS Centre, status is grounded, high cost of repair.
12. KCA 997F, Massey Fergusson MF 290E, current location is AMS Centre, status is grounded, high cost of repair.
13. KBY 105C, Massey Fergusson MF 290E, current location is AMS Centre, status is grounded, high cost of repair.
14. KBY 983V, New Holland TD 80, AMS Centre, status is serviceable.
15. KCA 996F, New Holland TD 80, AMS Centre, grounded, high cost of repair.
16. KBY 108C, Massey Fergusson MF 290E, current location is Longewan, status is fully operational.
17. KCD 279G, Massey Fergusson MF 290E, current location is Losuk, status is fully operational.
18. KBY 104C, Massey Fergusson MF 290E, current location is Baawa, status is fully operational.
19. KBY 999V, New Holland TD 80, AMS Centre, status is grounded, high cost of repair.
20. KBY 167C, Massey Fergusson MF 290E, current location is Seketet, status is fully operational.
21. KBY 107C, Massey Fergusson MF 290E, AMS Centre, grounded, high cost of repair.
22. KBY 987C, Massey Fergusson AMS Centre, status is serviceable.
23. KCD 278G, New Holland TD 80, AMS Centre, grounded, high cost of repair.
24. KBY 103C, Massey Fergusson MF 290, AMS Centre, grounded, high cost of repair.

1. What specific actions have been taken to repair non-operational tractor?

From the KShs.1,200,000 allocated in the Financial Year 2025/2026 for repairs and maintenance of plants and machinery, six tractors and their respective drawn implements were repaired, especially with medium and small repairs requirements:

1. KBY 167C, Massey Fergusson MF 290E.
2. KBY 108C, Massey Fergusson MF 290E.

3. KBY 104 , Massey Fergusson MF 290E.
 4. 25C6035A, CASEJX90M.
 5. KBY 153C, Massey Fergusson MF 290E.
 6. KBY 102C, Massey Fergusson MF 290E.
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2. A Budget of KShs. 10,000,000 was allocated to the Department in Financial Year 2024/2025 for tractors repairs. How many tractors and accessories were repaired with the said funds?

Madam Speaker, there was no such funds allocated in the Financial Year 2024/2025 for repairs as explained in question two above. Only KShs.1,200,000 was allocated in the Financial Year 2024/2025 and was utilized as explained therein.

3. Certified seeds have been procured by the County Government for distribution to farmers in Samburu West for the Financial Year 2025/2026 season. Please provide detailed documentation for seeds varieties, total quantities procured (in tonnes). In addition, what is the average quantity for seeds provided to an individual farmer.

Below is a distribution list per ward, village, type and variety of seeds distributed in the first phase of distribution:

1. Samburu West:
Lodokejek; Maize; 766, Beans; 1,157, Series 766, total 776.
Laangaitolia, Maize is 981, Beans is 918, series is 580 DH 401, total 981.

Chairperson, Committee on Agriculture, (Hon Asha Mohamed):

...DH04 401 total is 981.

Lmisigiyo 670 Maize, beans 626. Series is 670, total 670.

Mbaringon 608 Maize, Beans 700, total 808.

Garma; Maize is 808, Beans is 692, total 410.

Lkiloriti, 719 Maize, 724 Beans, total 335. H629 384. Total is 719.

Kirimon, 1050 Maize, 902 Beans Series 530. DH4 is 520. Total is 1050.

Total is 5602 Maize, Beans is 5719.

2.Suguta Mar Mar Ward;

Suguta Mar Mar, Maize is 1105. Beans 1890. Variety H629. Total is 1205.

Longewan, Maize 639, Beans 744. Variety 639. Total is 369.

Nasur, Maize 697. Beans 717. Variety 697. Total is 697.

Amaya 1273 Maize. Beans 1240. H629 is 1273. Total is 1273.

Lolmolok, Maize 1273. Beans 1240. H629 is 1273. Total is 1273.

Logurate, Maize 873. Beans 870. HD2629 is 873. Total is 873.

3. Maralal Ward;

Lpartuk, Maize 1074. Beans 1060. H629 1079. Total is 1074.

Loikas, Maize 730. Beans 669. Total 999.

Lkuroto, Maize 805. Beans 755. Total is 805.

Ng'ari, Maize 1350. Beans 1264. Total is 1350.

Shabaa, Maize 1360. Beans 1675. Total is 1660.

Milimani, Maize 1025. Beans 1267. Total is 1024.

Ledero, Maize 803. Beans 724. Total is 806.

Total Maize for Maralal Ward is 8146. Total Beans is 7977.

4. Loosuk Ward;

Loosuk, Maize is 947. Beans is 712. Total is 949.

Tinga, Maize 1223. Beans 1195. Total is 1223.

Pura, Maize 668. Beans 770. Total is 668.

Malaso, Maize 725. Beans 727. Total is 725. Total amount is 3565 Maize and 3604 Beans.

5. Poro Ward;

Siambu, Maize 665. Beans 659. Total is 655.

Lporokwa/Malaso, Maize 682. Beans 792. Total is 690.

Mugur, Maize 585. Beans 792. Total is 582.

Seketet, Maize is 965. Beans 952. Total is 965.

Lmisigiyo, Maize 989. Beans 692. Total is 989.

Sirata Oirobi, Maize 1115. Beans 595. Total is 1015.

Nkeju emuny, Maize 872. Beans 528. Total is 872.

Nauneri, Maize 640. Beans 852. Total is 640.

Total Maize is 6113. Beans is 5661.

Samburu North:

6. Ang'ata Nanyokie Ward;

Ang'ata Nanyokie, Maize 680. Beans 958. Total 680.

Loibashi, Maize 979. Beans 896. 642, 337. Total is 979.

Morijo, Maize 1250. Beans 1150. Total is 1250.

Lulu&Lorok, Maize 1066. Beans 826, 570, 400, 496. Total is 1066.

Total for Samburu North is 3975 Maize. Beans is 3830.

7. Baawa Ward;

Baawa, Maize 1693. Beans 1270, 813, 880. Total is 1693 Maize. Beans is 1270.

Samburu North, 383 Maize 490 Beans. 383.

Samburu East, 400 Maize. 500 Beans. Total is 35000 Maize. Beans is 17900. Total is 35000.

It is signed by Honourable Moses Leluata. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

MCA, Loosuk Ward, (Hon. Lenamparasio Phelix): Thank you Madam Speaker. let me take this opportunity to thank the Honourable Chair for Agriculture for reading out the response. I just want to highlight some few issues because I am not satisfied with this Statement. Today is on 29th and this was supposed to have been responded to on 1st of April. So yesterday, while I was asked about this response, it was nowhere around. But if you just see the date that this response was made was on 17th So by yesterday it should have been in this House.

The first thing as to why I do not agree to this Statement, these are just the usual stories of somebody sitting somewhere in a hotel and doing some responses. So let me tell you the reason as to why this is something that has been done somewhere by somebody just sitting with a laptop and then responding.

The first question was the status of tractors. The CEC has highlighted that the number of tractors that the last Government bought to community was 24. From the answer, 24 tractors were assigned to Samburu West. These tractors were managed by communities through the provision

of an Act of 2015 that was called Agricultural Machinery services Act (AMS). By then, these tractors were managed by the communities but just immediately after this Government took over, all these tractors were recalled to Maralal without this act being repealed or reviewed. Yesterday I told you that when my four tractors were recalled from Loosuk, they were driven to the Department of Agriculture none was even towed. They were fully functional.

Yesterday I told this Honourable House that I personally went to the EMS site which is just next to cereal board, so it is about five minutes' drive from this House to EMS. What is shocking me is the list of tractors that are being displayed here with their make and their status. And then out of these, they are saying 10 tractors are fully operational with three tractors under organized farmers.

Let me talk about the organized group in Loosuk because one tractor is in Loosuk under a group of fellows, I think around 10 to 15 members. So this tractor is no longer for the community, it is private. They are charging the same amount that these other guys are charging from down Kenya. They are using the tractor as an income generating asset for themselves, the group. While we are paying the tractors from Nyahururu 5000 we are as well paying the same for the one in Loosuk. I know KCB 279G, we pay them 5000 just the same price. This is no longer a County tractor it is a private tractor.

Madam Speaker, if you want us to see that this is true, something that has been written somewhere, kindly direct that the Committee on Agriculture to go to EMS, which will take them five minutes from this House any day other than today, to just go and see for themselves. Then come here and tell us if this is the same as what they will see at the EMS site because personally, I have been there. I just want to challenge the Committee on Agriculture or even the whole of this House because we do oversight as committees and collectively as a house. We just go there and see the status of those tractors.

A tractor that you will be told that it is serviceable has only chassis and nothing else. I have the pictures with me here because I went there, I took photos of all those tractors. These tractors that are saying are fully operational, I am 100% sure are less than 10. So Madam Speaker, that is my first issue.

Kindly, with your wisdom, direct that either the Committee on Agriculture to go there and see for themselves what is on the ground or the whole of this House, we go there and see for ourselves so that you just see that these things have been done somewhere, written by somebody and then responded to this House.

They have only responded about the tractors. What about their accessories? From the question, we wanted to know the status of tractors, planters, dryers. In Loosuk, we had two arrows, one planter and one dryer. Where are these accessories? Because all of them were taken from Loosuk and brought to Maralal. I as well went there and found only one dryer...

(Hon. Lenamparasio)...only one drier, am not sure if it is functional and if it is functional only God knows because there is a lot of grass that has grown where the dryer is, so that you cannot even ascertain whether this dryer is functioning or not. So where are our dryers? Where are our planters? Where are the harrows? The Hon. Chair should respond on the same. From the repairs, if you go to the page where it is stated that six tractors were repaired, the KBY 106, they had used 1.2 million to repair these six tractors. From the question I asked that they should provide documents if they had purchased a tyre and a gearbox they should provide this House with that documentation. They have not provided. They cannot say that these tractors have been repaired and yet there is no document showing that they were repaired.

Madam Speaker, I just wish Hon. Esther could have been here. The tractor that is in Poro in the first page is listed as number six, KBY 153C, it is in Poro. On the date that I asked this Statement, Hon. Esther showed me a WhatsApp group of community fundraising to repair this tractor. I am therefore shocked that the Department of Agriculture had repaired this tractor while at the end of March, the community had a WhatsApp page collecting funds to repair the same tractor. That is why we should be given documentation of anything that was purchased to repair tractor KBY 153C. I just wish Hon. Esther was here because she had confirmed that even the community were collecting money to repair this tractor. Madam Speaker, on that issue of repair and provision of documentation, there is none.

Lastly, on seeds, this is where there is a lot of jokes. On seeds, we do not know from the Chair whether these figures are in kilos, tons, bales, or packets. We do not know. For example, in my Ward Loosuk, I come from Tinga sub-location, so there is 1,223 I do not know whether it is bales, kilograms, tons or what of maize and 1,195 which I do not know whether tons or kilograms of beans. You know Madam Speaker, I still live with my family, my mother and my brothers, we live in the same compound. During the Loosuk Ward distribution, apart from my house, there are four households in that compound and they were given 2 kilograms of maize to divide among themselves since they went there during seed distribution and they were given 2kg pack. There were no beans.

How sure are we that these are the tons or kilograms that were given to Loosuk while during distribution there were no beans in Loosuk. Maybe in other wards there were but in Loosuk there were none. These guys should come out clearly and tell us what is happening.

The shocking thing is that yesterday I heard the Hon. Member for Suguta asking about a Statement to the Department of Lands on the issue of other Counties doing construction in Nasur; but our County Government has given I do not know 500 kilograms or tons of maize and 488 of beans to Nasur, so who lives in Nasur? Is it Samburu or Pokot? From the Suguta Marmar Ward, number three is Nasur. I live in Loosuk and there are no people from our County who live in Nasur so who received this maize and beans?

That is why I am saying this exercise may have been done elsewhere just to provide a response. I request your direction. Members should visit the ground and see what I saw. I took a motorbike at a cost of 100 shillings to go and see what is there. Other Members should also go and see for themselves. A tractor that only has a chassis remaining is being reported as serviceable. I am not satisfied with this Statement unless the Chair can convince me otherwise. We want these tractors returned to the communities the way they were especially mine for Loosuk, the four tractors that were driven by drivers they should be driven back to Loosuk to assist our people. thank you, Madam Speaker.

MCA, Nachola Ward, (Hon. Lorunyei Lawrence): Thank you Madam Speaker for giving me time to also give my voice. I do not know what we are discussing because the Statement's

response before this House i do not know where it is read because it is either the Member was absent that we are re-reading the response so that he may be aware or the response was delayed to be responded to this Hon. House. If the Statement was delayed, the first procedural way is that the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee should explain why and after that we will be satisfied on why it is being delayed because this House is a House of law. The backbone of the County economy is livestock and agriculture.

We are being played because if you look at the front of the response is dated 17th April 2026, while the question was asked on 31st March 2026. However, on 28th April, when the Member asked about it, the response was not available after being reminded by the owner of the question. Further, the document is stamped and signed by the CEC Member for the Department of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries it was signed I do not know on 17th April 2025 but the dates. Who is fooling who in this House? Why did the Chairperson accept such a Statement brought before this House? If the Statement's response is accepted then the timeline is overdue. The best step is to invite the CEC Member to appear before this House to explain why the response was delayed and why misleading information has been presented because he is misleading the Chairperson and this Hon. House. Fooling us like we do not know how to read. It is important that every Member receives a copy of the response instead of it being dictated there by the Chairperson to scrutinize them properly. There is nothing we are talking here, Madam Speaker, I ask for your indulgence that the CEC Member be invited to appear before this House because we do not have hot air like this in this Hon. House, thank you.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamatiyo Silapia): Thank you Hon. Member for Nachola Ward. Before I give the Hon. Minority Leader a chance, I request the Chair to clarify whether she is aware of the issues regarding the dates in the response, including 17th April 2026 and the date of signing by the CEC Member as well as the clarity on whether the maize quantities are in kilograms and the issue concerning Nasur and Amaiya if you are aware before I give the Member for...

Chairperson, Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries, (Hon. Mohammed Asha): Thank you Madam Speaker. On the issue of the date I am not aware; that is handled by the Clerks who are supposed to do that. I understand the Hon. Member raised this matter before we

went to Mombasa for the Legislative Summit since the Hon. Member is not satisfied I kindly request that we invite the CEC Member as a Committee together with other Members for clarification of this Statement's response. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamatiyo Silapia): Okay. I will make my ruling. Hon. Minority Leader you may proceed.

The Minority Leader, (Hon. Leleruk James): Thank you Madam Speaker. I also thank the Hon. Chair for Agriculture for the response. However, the issues raised by Hon. Lenamparasio truly matter to us as an Assembly. On what has been responded, the best option is to invite the CEC Member for clarification. For instance, I have seen there is one tractor for Lolmolog that has been repaired. This issue of just saying it has been repaired yet the tractor is with the community we need to see receipts that has been asked and details of what was repaired. We come from these villages and we know what has been happening and if those tractors have been done or not. Another issue that County has raised on this issue of three tractors that has been said to be within the organized groups. I have seen Logorate, Losuk, and Kiloriti. Some people have taken these tractors to be theirs. And this is the issue of... there is no difference between... When the government, county government provided these tractors, they should have a subsidy.

They should not be equal, the same as the other people who are just... Somebody has bought this tractor, and they want to gain some profits. So, there is no reason why, as a county government, we are providing tractors.

And the amount that is being used to plough a farm is the same as the one that we have been provided by the county government. I don't see the reasons why those disparities are there. Because our communities need to see the difference between a county tractor and the one that somebody has it.

So, the best option now, I am adding to this honorable House and all the honorable Members. Please, this is a serious matter. The issue even of seeds, for the first time, this year—I think it's the fourth year that we are going now.

In Nasur, people are asking about Nasur. Yes, there is a Nasur village. And the community of Nasur is living in Longewan.

The community of Amaya is still living in Longewan. So, the villages are there; the communities are there. Nobody is living in the land, but they are ploughing the lands of other people within that area. So, the issue of why Nasur and Amaya are being provided with seeds. Yes, true, they are being provided because the communities are living like IDPs in Longewan. So, those villages are there.

So, the issue of seeds, for the first time, somebody was getting less than one kg. And there is no difference between last year and this year. But for this year, I don't know what has happened.

That's something that we need to do an oversight on. What happened? What transpired?

The truth of the matter is somebody is getting one kg. Two people were dividing one kg. In Longewan, particularly in Longewan.

That's what they complained about. Later, when I complained, they added something. So, the issue of even these things written as 766, we don't know if it's kgs; we don't know if it's tonnes.

They need to come and explain to us what transpired about this issue. So, Madam Speaker, when you are making your own ruling, I think this is something that needs to be prioritized. We also need the truth of the matter to fix those tractors. That being said, there are tractors. Because of 24 tractors. Tractors are something that are not being destroyed easily.

I think it's not like this other vehicles. And Madam Speaker, as you are giving your own ruling, I think it should be next week if possible. And I must raise a serious issue today, Mr. Speaker. Because I know the statements were asked by the honorable Kaunda. There's one also raised about the roads. When I went outside right now, the CEC called me for roads.

And something that's going on, I don't know, the issue of...

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamatiyio Silapia):

The Hon. Member for Suguta. Just be specific on this statement we are handling now. Then I'll give you a chance to speak on the other statement.

MCA Suguta ward, (Hon. Leleruk James):

No, Madam Speaker, the reason why I'm raising this, is that this statement was written. It has been delivered to us on the 17th. So now we are coming to blame maybe the chair.

And maybe the person or the people who are involved at the clerks. And if now there's a serious issue, I know Honorable Kaunda will be on my neck.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamatiyio Silapia):

The Honorable Member for Suguta ward. I think this response is from the department. There are no clerks there.

So let us remove the word clerks there. Because this response is from the department. Yeah, continue, Honorable Member for...

MCA Suguta ward, (Hon. Leleruk James):

Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, we know some issues are irritating even, Madam Speaker. Because yes, it is coming from the department.

Yesterday, the Honourable Member raised that there is no such statement. Today, we are debating this statement. And it seems it has been written on the 17th.

So that's the issue we are addressing now. Maybe the department will come and tell us we have delivered the statement in time. Because 17 is way back.

Maybe yesterday we could have received these statements. So that's a concern, Madam Speaker, as a minority leader. On the issue of this tracking of statements.

These statements should be tracked. Because of the issues that we are receiving, maybe we are saying the statements are not coming to this honorable House. And maybe the executive is saying we are not receiving them in time.

So that's what I was raising. And if you give me the time also to explain about the issue of roads. Because I thought we could be answering in the afternoon.

But what I have just received is shocking, Madam Speaker. Thank you.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamatiyio Silapia): Hon. Member for Elbarta Ward. Thank you very much.

MCA Elbarta ward, (Hon. Leitoro Jeremiah): Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, I also want to take this opportunity to thank the chairperson for having read the responses from the department, from the CEC. Madam Speaker, I want to confirm that as late as yesterday, we stepped out from these chambers in the afternoon session.

The speaker yesterday wrote that these responses ought to be responded today. And responsibilities were placed on the chairperson to ensure that these responses adequately responded today. And Madam Speaker, I want to confirm with I as the vice chair for the Committee of Agriculture.

And also with my able first clerk for the Committee of Agriculture. We made several attempts to even level of calling him to ensure that this response is adequately responded to, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, I want also to confirm that the committee did not have enough time to analyze the report.

The response that is in front of us, Madam Speaker, is due to the urgency of the matter. Because it was only yesterday afternoon that the speaker wrote that this response ought to be responded to today. And Madam Speaker, if I'm correct, the response was supposed to be responded to at 2.30. So we thought we would have enough time as a committee to go through the report after the morning session. So that the committee will be in parity, Madam Speaker, to actually know what is inside this response, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, yes, it is true. The response has been dated 17th April 2026.

Madam Speaker, I think this also laxity on our side as the county assembly. Because, Madam Speaker, I believe this is the original copy. And I have not seen any documentation that proves that this document was even received by the county assembly, Madam Speaker.

So this, I don't know why we are even, Madam Speaker, bringing this response that has not been officially received by the county assembly of Samburu. I think this is a disgrace, Madam Speaker, to say the least. We are taking much time to discuss responses that have not been officially received by the department.

And I want to truly confirm that if we continue taking our responsibilities this way, I think we will never be taken seriously by the concerned, by the executive in general, Madam Speaker. Because they will keep on responding just for the sake of responding. So they don't care whether they have given the right information or they have given the wrong information, Madam Speaker.

And I don't know, Madam Speaker, if they really understand the implication of giving false information to the county assembly. We are seeing now a situation where we are just being taken just like no one, Madam Speaker. So that is of concern, Madam Speaker.

And I also want to confirm from our side we had some issues because the county assembly did not receive this document. And we hope this will be the last time the county assembly will bring such responses or subject them to order paper while they have not officially been received by the county assembly. Madam Speaker, at one particular time, I think you served as the chairperson for the committee of Agriculture and also my able vice chair, Agriculture Kaunda.

I think you also understand the issues surrounding these issues of tractors. These issues have not been taken seriously since then, I think, since we came in to date. And I have also been able to go through the current budget proposal, 2026-2027.

And I tried to go through issues to do allocation of even procurement of new tractors or even repair or allocation even for repair of these tractors, Madam Speaker. I want to confirm to this house that indeed there are no plans.

I don't know what we are waiting for. And actually, as said by my able chairperson, I think it will be wise for us as the committee and all other interested members if we can be able to have one-on-one conversation with the CEC concerned. So that he can be able to furnish us with all this information and also for him to give us the reason as to why allocation for procurement of new tractors or repair of existing non-functional tractors are not being given priority.

Yet we all understand that the backbone of our economy now and even to our account in Samburu, especially in Samburu West, we entirely depend on agriculture. Madam Speaker, not only on that, even in terms of even vaccination of animals, there are a lot of things that we might be able to actually ask CEC. Perhaps maybe we request you to give a ruling so that we can be able to invite the CEC next week on Wednesday just after morning session so that the rest of the

members will be able to have a one-on-one conversation pertaining to that so that they be given the correct information, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, it is true. And indeed, if whatever Mheshimiwa Kaunda has said that he paid a visit to the center where all tractors have been taken, I think it will also be prudent after that sitting, we move, we go and clarify the information. And actually, if it happens that the information that we are given here was just a matter of someone sitting somewhere and generating this information, and then we relate this information and whatever information that we might go there during our visit and we see the misinformation, Madam Speaker, I don't know, Madam Speaker, what we might be able to do.

I don't know, Madam Speaker, what we might be able to do because it seems this vulnerable house is just taken round and round without seriousness, Madam Speaker. So, that is that is that is my contribution when I speak on this issue. I don't want even to comment much on the issue to do with seedling.

And Madam Speaker, I think it will also be prudent going forward that whenever we have responses from department, I think I think this one of the house, the committee must first of all.

MCA Elbarta Ward, (Hon. Jeremiah Leitoro)...we interrogate the report before presenting it to this Hon House so that when we sit and have this conversation on the floor of the House. Madam Speaker, we should have had enough time to go through it and identify some of the issues within the responses. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamatiyio Silapia): Thank you, Hon. Jeremiah Leitoro. I think that is the mandate of the Committee, to ensure that the response from the Department is properly scrutinized before it is tabled before this House. That is your mandate. Let me now allow the Hon. Member for Wamba West to raise his concerns.

MCA Wamba West Ward, (Hon. Lemartile Francis): Thank you, Madam Speaker. I also rise contribute about the document before the Floor of this House, and I concur with Hon. Leitoro that the document before this House has no legal binding status to be discussed.

First, as the Hon. Member noted, the document has not been officially received by the County Assembly and bears no official communication. Therefore, we are merely discussing a document that came through the back door.

Secondly, any document that is to be tabled or discussed on the Floor of the House should be legally binding. For a document to be legally binding, someone must fully own it. It is not the Committee that is supposed to own it, but the Department concerned.

To make the document legal, it should bear an official rubber stamp from the first page to the last. Otherwise, anybody can disown the information contained from page two to page six. Who then becomes the owner?

We are simply discussing figures and reading information that has no binding authority. Madam Speaker, next time let us ensure that the department fully owns such a document, because tomorrow the CEC Member may come here with different information and claim that what was served on this date was not theirs.

We appreciate the work of the Committee, but let us stand firm to ensure that Departments bring legal and binding documents for which they can be held accountable in case of any doubts. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamatiyo Silapia): Thank you, Hon. Member for Wamba West, Hon. Lemartile.

Hon. Members, making a ruling on this statement is difficult because I do not know how we are expected to rule on a document that has not been officially received by the Assembly. I think that is a serious error, and the blame goes to the Office of the Clerk. Even the Executive might deny ownership of this document.

Allow me therefore to defer this document so that it can first be officially received by the Assembly and then freshly tabled or read again.

Before I make that ruling, however, I would like to point out some misunderstanding in the document, despite it not having been officially received.

On the response to Question One, the report states that 24 tractors have been assigned to Samburu West. That statement is incorrect because, on page one, item number two, tractor registration KBY 991C, Massey Ferguson FM-290E, is listed as grounded due to the high cost of repair. How can a grounded tractor be assigned? This amounts to false information.

Secondly, on the question regarding what actions have been taken to repair and operationalize tractors using the Kshs. 1.2 million allocated in FY 2025/2026, they have provided a list of repairs undertaken.

However, when you move to Question Three, it states that a budget of Kshs. 10 million was allocated in FY 2024/2025 for tractor repairs, and asks how many tractors and accessories were repaired using those funds. The response then states that no such allocation existed in FY 2024/2025 and instead refers to Kshs. 2.2 million allocated in FY 2025/2026.

The Committee therefore needs to clarify whether the allocations for FY 2024/2025 and FY 2025/2026 are being confused.

Further, on the table concerning seed distribution, clarification is needed on whether the figures indicated are in kilograms or another unit.

The CEC Member also signed the document as though it were still 2025, yet we are now in 2026. That is also incorrect.

On the table for seed distribution, I noted that Samburu East is indicated as receiving 400 maize and 500 beans, yet the listed beneficiary areas do not include any place in Samburu East. That too requires clarification.

Additionally, on the issue raised by the Hon. Member for Loosuk Ward concerning accessories such as dryers and planters, the response did not indicate whether such accessories exist or not. We therefore require clarification on all these issues.

Hon. Chairperson, do you have anything to say?

Chairperson Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, Veterinary Services, Irrigation and Fisheries, (Hon. Mohamed Asha): Are we taking this document back to the department for clarification, or are you still requesting that we invite the CEC Member?

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamatiyio Silapia): Chair, I would have made my ruling already, but because the document was not officially received by the Assembly, allow me to defer this statement until 2.30 p.m. Let the Assembly first receive it formally, after which we shall make a ruling.

Vice Chairperson Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, Veterinary Services, Irrigation and Fisheries,(Hon. Leitoro Jeremiah): Madam Speaker, if I have heard you correctly, you are directing that the document first be officially received and thereafter brought back to this Honourable House.

However, Madam Speaker, I do not think it would be prudent for us to spend more time reading this kind of report again. Let it simply be received officially, and thereafter make a ruling directing the department to appear before the House instead of wasting more time with this type of response. Thank you.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamatiyio Silapia): Hon. Members, I now make my ruling that this response is insufficient and requires further clarification. This is a matter of urgency.

I therefore direct the Clerk and the Chairperson of Agriculture to write to the concerned Department and invite the CEC Member to appear before the Committee on Wednesday, 6th May 2026, at 10.00 a.m.

The CEC Member will not appear before the whole House because Honourable Members may not get sufficient opportunity to ask questions. Instead, the Chairperson shall invite the CEC Member to appear before the Committee, where other Members will also be allowed to attend and raise their concerns. Thank you.

The Majority Leader, (Hon. Leleruk James): Thank you, Madam Speaker. There is an issue I raised concerning one of the questions asked by Hon. Kaunda, which was specifically supposed to be addressed at 2.30 p.m.

Madam Speaker, when I went outside and spoke with the CEC Member, the shocking information I received was that the statement had never been forwarded to the Executive.

We want to know why, because even the ruling you gave yesterday has still not been submitted to the Department by the Clerk. I personally had to call the CEC Member... *(Interjection on a point of order by Hon. Lorunyei)*

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamatiyio Silapia): What is your point of order, Hon. Member for Nachola?

MCA Nachola Ward, (Hon. Lorunyei Lawrence): Madam Speaker, you have already ruled on the matter. Nobody should reopen your ruling.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamatiyio Silapia): Thank you, Hon. Member for Nachola. I already ruled on the Agriculture statement. However, I had informed the Hon. Member earlier that I would allow him to raise concerns regarding the other statement he is enquiring about. He may proceed.

The Majority Leader, (Hon. Leleruk James): Thank you, Madam Speaker. I think the senior Member has misunderstood me. I am not speaking about the Agriculture issue.

Yesterday, Madam Speaker, you ruled that today we would receive responses to the statements by Hon. Kaunda concerning Agriculture and Roads. We expected those statements this afternoon.

However, the shocking information I have now received is that the Executive has not received the statement concerning roads. That is why I believe we need a proper tracking system in this Assembly.

The Executive has confirmed to me that they enquired from the Assembly about the statement raised by Hon. Kaunda regarding roads, but they have not received it. I even called the Principal Clerk to confirm what is happening.

Even the matter you ruled on yesterday has not yet been forwarded to the department for response. That is why I am raising this concern. I do not know where the problem lies, because the departments are saying they have not received our statements.

Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamatiyo Silapia): Thank you, Member for Suguta Ward. I think that is a failure on the part of the Clerk's Office. Let us adjourn and proceed to the Clerk's Office to address these issues there.

ADJOURNMENT.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lenamatiyo Silapia): Hon. Members, the time being twenty minutes past Eleven O'clock, and there being no other business, this Assembly now adjourns until Wednesday, 29th April, 2026, at 2.30 p.m.