
COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF LAMU



THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAMU

THE HANSARD

Thursday, 7th August, 2025

*The Assembly met at the
Main Chambers, at 2:30 p.m.*

[Deputy Speaker (MCA Paul Kimani Njuguna) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

Deputy Speaker (MCA Paul Kimani Njuguna): Next Order.

Clerk-at-the-Table: Papers

PAPERS

Papers laid

MCA Barisa Deko Bana (Basuba): Thank you Mr Deputy Speaker. Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, I beg to lay the following Papers:-

1. Submission of Lamu County Emergency Fund 4th quarterly report and financial statements for the period ended 30th June 2025.
2. Submission of Lamu County Emergency Fund annual report and financial statements for the period ended 30th June 2025.

Deputy Speaker (MCA Paul Kimani Njuguna): Next Order

Clerk-at-the-Table: Motion

MOTION

*APPROVAL OF THE REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON
FINANCE, BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ON THE GOVERNORS
MEMORANDUM AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE LAMU COUNTY
FINANCE (AMENDMENT) BILL OF 2025*

MCA Barisa Deko Bana (*Basuba*): Thank you Mr Deputy Speaker. Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, I beg to move the following motion without notice pursuant to Standing Orders 49(g) and 49(j):-

THAT, pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution of Kenya, County Governments' Act No. 17 of 2012; and the County Assembly's Standing Orders, this House adopts and approves the reports of the Departmental Committee Finance, Budget and Appropriation Committee on Governors Memorandum and recommendations on the Lamu County Finance (Amendment) Bill of 2025, tabled in the House on Wednesday, 6th August, 2025.

Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, allow me to read the report:-

Deputy Speaker (MCA Paul Kimani Njuguna): Proceed Honorable Deko.

MCA Barisa Deko Bana (*Basuba*): Thank you Mr Deputy Speaker.

Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, the Memorandum on Amendment of Land Rates seek to amend Schedule Four of the Lamu County Finance (Amendment) Bill, 2025, by retaining the current Contribution in Lieu of Rates (CILOR) – Government: Valuation Based at 1% as stipulated in the Finance Act 2024.

Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, CILOR refers to the rates payable to a county government by the National Government in respect of all public land held by the National Government within the County.

Additionally, Mr Deputy Speaker, the Memorandum seeks to amend the land Rates from 0.1% to 0.3% in the Finance (Amendment) Bill, 2025. An upward revision to 0.3% is reasonable, justifiable and in alignment with prevailing economic realities. This will also position Lamu County to better implement key projects as outlined in our County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) and the County Annual Development Plan (CADP).

Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, the Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations is comfortable with the proposed rates on both CILOR and Land Rates.

MEMORANDUM ON AMENDMENT OF LAND RATES

Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, in reviewing the Memorandum as submitted by the Governor of Lamu County on 13th July 2025, the Committee held one sitting during the month and with in-depth consultation with the technical team, it was unanimously agreed with the proposed lands rates.

Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, the Amendment of Land rates will enhance the County's efforts to sustainably finance development priorities, deliver essential services, and enhance infrastructure across the County.

COMMITTEE OBSERVATION AND RECOMMENDATION

Members discussed in lengthy and came up with the following recommendations:-

1. Establish effective enforcement mechanisms to address non-compliance and disputes.
2. Allocate land revenue effectively to support local development projects, infrastructure, and community services.
3. Consider exemptions or relief for vulnerable groups, such as low-income households, seniors or community organizations.

4. Regularly review and update land rates to reflect changes in land values, economic conditions and local government needs.
5. Set land rates at an optimal level to generate sufficient revenue for local government services and infrastructure without discouraging development or investment.
6. Ensure land rates are fair and equitable for all landowners, considering factors like land value, location, and use.

Seconded

Motion Proposed

Members Contributions

MCA Bwana Mohamed Bwana (*Majority Leader*): Asante sana Bwana Naibu Spika. Bwana Naibu Spika, nimesimama kuunga mkono ripoti iliyosomwa na Mwenyekiti wa kamati ya bajeti. kusema kweli kuna mambo mingi sana tunahitaji katika Serikali yetu hii ya Lamu kwa hivyo ni lazima tutafute kodi ndio tupate kuendelea kiuchumi tukizingatia tunapata mgao mdogo sana kutoka kwa Serikali Kuu.

MCA Suleiman Mohamed Farah (*Witu*): Asante Bwana Naibu Spika. Bwana Naibu Spika pia mimi nimesimama kuunga mkono hoja iliyoletwa na Mwenyekiti wa kamati ya bajeti. Kwa hakika kuchukua ushuru kwa *land rates* itaweza kuleta manufaa kwa Kaunti yetu ya Lamu. Na ni muhimu tuupitishie mswada huu ili Kaunti yetu ya Lamu iweze kujiendeleza kiuchumi.

MCA Mohamed Aboud Abubakar (*Faza*): Asante sana Bwana Naibu Spika. Bwana Naibu Spika hata mimi nimesimama kuunga mkono pendekezo na dhibitisho lililoletwa na Mwenyekiti wa kamati ya bajeti. Kulingana na pendekezo la mwanzo ambalo sisi kama Wanakamati wa kamati ya bajeti tuloweza kukubaliana la 0.1% lakini baada ya kupelekwa kwa Ofisi ya Gavana wakaona bado iko haja ya kupandishwa hadi 0.3% angalau tuweze kusonga mbele kiuchumi.

Mover's Response

MCA Barisa Deko Bana (*Basuba*): Asante sana Bwana Naibu Spika, pili ningependa kuwashukuru Waheshimiwa waliochangia na kuunga mkono mswada niliouleta. Bwana Naibu Spika Kaunti yetu ya Lamu imeanza kukua na iwapo mswada huu tutaweza kuupitisha hapa Bungeni basi tutaweza kuinuka kiuchumi na kimaendeleo.

(Question put and agreed upon)

Deputy Speaker (MCA Paul Kimani Njuguna): Next Motion

***THE LAMU COUNTY FINANCE (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2025 BE COMMITTED TO
THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE***

Clerk-at-the-Table: THAT, the Governors recommendation on the Lamu County Finance (Amendment) Bill of 2025 be now committed to the Whole House.

(Deputy Speaker leaves the Chamber)

(MCA Fahd Dini Adnan took the Chair)

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE

Clerk-at-the-Table: Honorable Members, we are looking on clause 2 schedule 4.

MCA Fahd Dini Adnan (*Chairperson*): I propose a question that clause 2 schedule 4 be approved.

MCA Barisa Deko Bana (*Basuba*): I propose that the clause 2 schedule 4 for amended to the Governors recommendation by deleting land rates charge 0.1 and insert 0.3 and delete 0.1% and replace with 1%.

MCA Fahd Dini Adnan (*Chairperson*): I now put a question that the Governors recommendation to clause 2 schedule 4 as amended be now approved.

(Question put and agreed upon)

MCA Barisa Deko Bana (*Basuba*): Honorable Chairperson, I beg to move that the Committee do report to the House in its consideration on the Governors recommendation to Lamu County Finance amendment Bill 2025 and its approval thereof with amendment.

MCA Fahd Dini Adnan (*Chairperson*): I now put a question that the Committee of the Whole Assembly do report to the House its consideration on the Governors recommendation to the Lamu County Finance amendment Bill, 2025 and its approval therefore with amendments.

(Question put and agreed upon)

MCA Fahd Dini Adnan (*Chairperson*): Sergeant-at-arms kindly bring Mr Deputy Speaker back in the House.

(Deputy Speaker resumes the Chair)

MCA Fahd Dini Adnan (*Minority Leader*): Mr Deputy Speaker, I beg to move that the Committee of the Whole House has considered the Governors recommendation to the Lamu County Finance (Amendment) Bill of 2025 and approve the same with amendment.

MCA Barisa Deko Bana (*Basuba*): Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, I beg to move that the House do agree with Committee in the said report.

(Clerk-at-the-table consult Deputy Speaker)

Deputy Speaker (MCA Paul Kimani Njuguna): Honorable Members, I propose a question that the House do agree with Committee in the said report.

Mover's Response

MCA Barisa Deko Bana (*Basuba*): Asante sana Bwana Naibu Spika kwa kuweza kunipa nafasi hii. Bwana Naibu Spika ningependa kutoa shukrani zangu kwa Waheshimiwa waliounga mkono ili mswada huu uweze kupita. Kama tujuavyo

mswada huu utakuwa wa manufaa makubwa katika Kaunti yetu ya Lamu. Tukiangalia yale mapato ambayo tulikuwa tunapata hapo mbeleni yalikuwa hayatoshelezi kimaendeleo na kiuchumi.

MCA Fahd Dini Adnan (Minority Leader): Asante Bwana Naibu Spika kwa kuweza kunipatia nafasi hii kwa mara nyengine. Pia ningependa kuishukuru Ofisi ya Spika, Ofisi ya Karani Mkuu pamoja na Waheshimiwa wenzangu kwa kazi nzuri tuliyoweza kuifanya. Tukizingatia ni mwelekeo mzuri sana na vilevile itaweza kuleta mafanikio makubwa sana katika Kaunti yetu ya Lamu.

(Question put and agreed upon)

Deputy Speaker (MCA Paul Kimani Njuguna): Next motion

ADJOURNMENT MOTION

MCA Bwana Mohamed Bwana (Majority Leader): Thank you Mr Deputy Speaker. Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, I beg to move the following motion: -

THAT, Pursuant to Standing Order 49(b), this Assembly stands adjourned today; Thursday, 7th August 2025 until Monday, 1st September, 2025.

Secunder

MCA Fahd Dini Adnan (Minority Leader): Asante Bwana Naibu Spika kwa kunipa nafasi ya kuunga kwa kufungwa kwa Bunge kwa muda uliotajwa na Kiongozi wa walio wengi. Bwana Naibu Spika hii ni nafasi kubwa ya Waheshimiwa kuweza kufanya shughuli zilizoko mbele yao mojawapo ikiwemo **Devolution** ambayo iko katika Kaunti ya Homa Bay. Na baada ya hapo Waheshimiwa wataweza kutembelea Wadi zao ili waweze kujumuika na wananchi ili waweze kufanya miradi mbalimbali.

Motion Proposed

Members Contributions

MCA John Mburu Gitonga (*Hongwe*): Asante Bwana Naibu Spika kwa kunipa nafasi ya kuunga mkono mswada wa kuweza kufunga Bunge ulioletwa na Kiongozi wa walio wengi. Hii itatuwezesha sisi Waheshimiwa kwenda mashinani ili kuwasaidia watu wetu kimaendeleo.

MCA Suleiman Mohamed Farah (*Witu*): Asante sana Bwana Naibu Spika. Bwana Naibu Spika nimesimama kuunga mkono hoja iliyoletwa na Kiongozi wa walio wengi. Kwa hakika kufungwa kwa Bunge ni jambo la muhimu sana kwa sababu watoto wamefunga shule kwa hivyo itatuwezesha kukaa na familia zetu na hata kujua tutawasaidiaje wananchi waliotupigia kura ili tuweze kulisukuma gurudumu la maisha mbele. Vilevile tupate muda wa kwenda katika Kaunti ya Homa Bay kwa ajili ya mkutano wa **Devolution**.

MCA Shekhuna Abbas Shekhuna (*Mkomani*): Asante Bwana Naibu Spika kwa kuweza kunipa nafasi kama hii, pia ningependa kumpongeza Kiongozi wa walio wengi kwa kuleta mswada huu. Wakati huu wa mapumziko tutaweza kukaa na familia zetu pamoja na kuingia mashinani tuweze kusikia vilio vya wananchi ili tukirudi Bungeni tutakuwa na mfumo mpya ili tuweze kuwasaidia wananchi kimaendeleo na kiuchumi.

Mover's Response

MCA Bwana Mohamed Bwana (*Majority Leader*): Thank you Mr Deputy Speaker. Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, let me take this opportunity on behalf of the Assembly to appreciate all Leaders present for their support on this motion. And as you are aware we have done a lot in this Assembly for the time we came back from recess and I believe many things have been passed. So we are adjourning the Business in order for the Elected Members to go to their respective Wards in order to contribute many things to their people. And as we nurture ourselves for Devolution Conference

at Homa Bay County we will have an opportunity to see what other Counties are doing and come back with a lot of information to support our County.

(Question put and agreed upon)

Deputy Speaker (MCA Paul Kimani Njuguna): Honorable Members, there being no other business, the Assembly stands adjourned today Thursday 7th August 2025 until Tuesday 2nd September 2025 at 2:30pm.

The Assembly rose at 4:30p.m.