

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF LAMU



THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAMU

THE HANSARD

Wednesday, 21st February, 2024

*The Assembly met at the
Main Chambers, at 10:30 a.m.*

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

PRAYERS

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

Clerk-at-the-Table: Statements.

INTIMIDATION OF FISHERMEN IN LAMU COUNTY

MCA Rebecca Wainaina (Nominated): Thank You Mr Speaker.

Mr Speaker Sir, Pursuant to Standing Order 41(2)(C), I rise to seek a Statement on behalf of MCA Ahmed Omar Hamid from the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Agruculture, Fisheries and Blue Economy on matters relating to the Intimidation of Fishermen in Lamu.

Mr Speaker Sir, Fisheries (prohibitions) Regulations, 2003 empowers the Director Fisheries to prohibit some activities among which is the use of scuba diving gears or

spearguns to fish or lobster and Bacheder-mer within the territorial waters of Kenya as described under the Maritime Zone Act 371 unless for experimental purpose.

Mr Speaker Sir, Lamu is invaded by foreign advanced fishermen from other country whose activities are against the said regulations and other laws. This will affect the fishing industry for our people and at the same time will lead to loss of income to our county.

Mr Speaker Sir, I seek to know the following from the Chair of the Departmental Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Blue Economy:-

1. What action is the County Government taking to remove the said fishermen from our territories?
2. Are they valid fishermen or sort of pirates?
3. What plans are in places to end such activities in our county once and for all?

[The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Paul Kimani Njuguna)]: Any Addition to that Statement? If there isn't, can we get the response from the Chair, Vice Chair or any other Member of the Departmental Committee on Agruculture, Fisheries and Blue Economy.

MCA Suleiman Mohamed Farah (Witu): Asante Mheshimiwa Spika, ningependa tupewe muda wa wiki mbili ili tuweze kuleta majibu sahihi.

[The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Paul Kimani Njuguna)]: Honorable Rebecca, are you satisfied with that response?

MCA Rebecca Wainaina (Nominated): Yes, Mr Speaker.

[The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Paul Kimani Njuguna)]: Next statement.

VILLAGE CLEANERS

MCA Francis Ngure Gakonga (Bahari): Thank You Mr Speaker.

Mr Speaker Sir, Pursuant to Standing Order 41(2)(C), I rise to seek a Statement on behalf of MCA Mohamed Aboud Abubakar from the Chairperson of the

Departmental Committee on Intergovernmental, Labour and Public Services on matters relating to the village cleaners.

Mr Speaker Sir, Article 42 of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 states that every person has the right to clean and healthy environment which includes the right to have obligations relating to the environment fulfilled under Article 70.

Mr Speaker Sir, most of these lanes are managed by county cleaners. In Kizingitini bwe do not have a single cleaner rendering the said lanes in pathetic conditions anticipating to cause negative impacts as far as health is concern.

Mr Speaker Sir, I seek to know the following from the County Chief Officer (PSM) Public Service Management through the Departmental Committee Chair on Intergovernmental, Labour and Public Service on the following:-

1. When will the County Government of Lamu post cleaners to Kizingitini and other areas?
2. Why cleaners are not disturbed evenly in all villages in the county?

Thank you.

[The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Paul Kimani Njuguna)]: Any Addition to that Statement?

MCA Zahara Shee Mohamed (Nominated): Asante Mheshimiwa Spika, mimi naogezea nikipendekeza kufanywe uchunguzi kwa sababu vijiji vingi vya kaunti yetu ya Lamu havina wasafishaji ambapo wananchi wanalipia ushuru wa huduma kama hii. Pendekezo langu ni kutaka kujua kwanini wengine wapate ilhali baadhi wawe hawana.

[The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Paul Kimani Njuguna)]: response from the Chair, Vice Chair or any other Member of the Departmental Committee on Intergovernmental, Labour and Public Services.

MCA John Mburu Gitonga (Hongwe): Mr Speaker Sir, I would like us to be given a period of 2 weeks so that I can bring the response to the House.

MCA Francis Ngure Gakonga (*Bahari*): Asante Mheshimiwa Spika, nimeridhika na muda wake.

ADJOURNMENT

[The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Paul Kimani Njuguna)]: Honorable Members, there being no other business, the Assembly stands adjourned until today, in the afternoon at 2:30 p.m.

The Assembly rose at 11:15 a.m.