

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF LAMU



THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAMU

THE HANSARD

Thursday, 21st November, 2024

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

[The Speaker (Honorable Azhar Salim Mbarak) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

The Speaker (Azhar Salim Mbarak): Next Order.

Clerk-at-the-Table: Motion.

MOTION

REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE COUNTY ADDRESS BY THE GOVERNOR

MCA Bwana Mohamed Bwana (Majority Leader): Thank you Mr Speaker.

Mr Speaker Sir, I beg to move the following Motion on the floor of the House:-

That, the terms of the House be recorded for the exposition of public policy contained in the address of the governor delivered on Wednesday, November 20th, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.

(Secoded)

(Motion Proposed)

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The Speaker (Azhar Salim Mbarak): Before giving each member a chance to contribute, I would like to give guidelines about contributions to this motion because as we all can see it is a long-detailed speech, which has touched almost all areas of our county with their representatives in our House. We have a maximum of four sittings for this motion so that every member can get a chance for his or her contributions. Therefore, I would give each member a maximum of seven minutes and if there would be a member who wishes to contribute his or her time to his or her colleague, he or she has the right to do so. For today, since we have other business to do after the session, I would like to give a maximum of four members to contribute and be aware that this motion will go on next week on Tuesday, Wednesday and even Thursday if needed. As we start, I would give this opportunity to Honorable Ahmed, kindly proceed.

Member's Contributions

MCA Ahmed Hamid Omar (Nominated) : Asante Bwana Spika kwa kunipatia nafasi wa kwanza katika kuikagua na kutoa maoni kuhusiana na hotuba ya gavana wetu. Mwanzo kabisa ningependa kumpongeza kwa kutambua utendakazi wa bunge hili na pia akatoa uhakikisho wake wa kuendelea kujenga uhusiano mzuri na bunge hili akisisitiza kuwa bunge hili lina mchango mkubwa sana katika yale yanayoendelea katika kaunti yetu. Vilevile, ameweza kutueleza kiwango cha bajeti ambayo tunatengewa, changamoto anazozipata kutokana na hicho kiwango kidogo tunachopata na pia akatuonesha kuwa anajaribu pakubwa katika kujenga mfumo ambao utasaidia kaunti kuongeza pato lake kupitia mbinu zingine mbalimbali. Jambo hili ni zuri na ninavyoona sisi kama wabunge tuna mchango kubwa hapa kwa sababu mswada wa fedha ambao tumeletewa tumeweza kuzikalia na tukazipitisha katika kufanya maendeleo.

Katika swala la elimu, Mstahiki gavana ameweza kutuelezea kuhusiana na chekechea "ECDE" na pia ameweza kupeleka walimu 250 kwenye mafunzo w

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kupata ujuzi zaidi. Serikali ya kaunti imetueleza kuwa imechangia milioni kumi katika vifaa vya kusomea ambavyo vitasambazwa katika shule 131. Pia akatueleza mipangilio yake kuhusiana na vyuo vya ufundi ambao serikali ya kaunti imeweza kuajiri walimu 25 na pia wanasaidia wanafunzi zaidi ya 470 katika masomo yao ikiwemo kuwalipia hadi mitihani.

Tukiingia katika upande wa miundo msingi, napongeza miradi yote ambayo ameifanya kwa upande huo, japokuwa tunahitaji barabara nyingi zaidi licha ya changamoto mbali mbali tukitumai raisi wetu pia ataweza kuzingatia na kutatua jambo hilo ambalo litasaidia katika upanuzi wa biashara na kujenga maendeleo.

Kongole kwako zaidi Bwana Spika kuwa tumeweza kupitisha miswada miwili muhimu sana ambayo inachangia katika maendeleo ya kaunti yetu hususan upande wa afya. Mstahiki gavana ameweza kuelezea hospitali ya mazazi 5 ambayo ameweza kushughulikia ambazo zipo, Mpeketoni, Maisha masha, Mkunumbi, Siu na Ndau na kutueleza vifaa ambavyo zimeweza kupelekwa katika kiwango cha 3, 4 na saa hii tukipigania kiwango cha 5.

Vilevile, ameweza kugusia mipangilio ya mwaka wa fedha utakaokuja na kusema ataongeza vifaa vya muhimu sana hospitali ili wakaazi wetu waweze kupata matibabu hapa hapa. Kuhusiana na swala la hospitali ya Mokowe, baada ya zaidi ya miaka 25, imeweza kuamshwa tena na sasa ni mojawapo katika hospitali inayotegemewa ndani ya pwani. Napongeza wawakilishi wadi wa maeneo hayo na sisi sote ambao tumeweza kuchangia kufanikisha jambo hilo.

Katika kitengo cha kukabiliana na dharura, serikali ya kaunti imeweza kuajiri wahudumu takriban 14 wapya. Bwana Spika, tukizingatia hapa, kuna maswala ya upanuzi wa huduma na pia wale watu ambao wataweza kusimamia taasisi hizo. Sisi tunapata changamoto kubwa tukizungumzia kuhusu asilimia ya wafanyikazi ambayo sisi serikali yetu ya kaunti ya Lamu ambao tunafaa tuwe nao. Bwana Spika, tunatarajia kufunguliwa kwa chumba cha dharura "ICU" ambayo itatarajia

kuajiriwa wahudumu mbalimbali. Sisi kama wawakilishi wadi, ni muhimu tushirikiane na serikali ya kaunti katika kuchangia katika upanuzi na kuleta huduma karibu na watu wetu na vile vile maendeleo kama hayo.

Bwana Spika, nafupisha kwa kusema kuwa, sisi ni viongozi na tuna majukumu mashinani. Bado tunatarajia mambo mengi lakini tutokako ni mbali kufikia sasa na hii pia imewezekana kupitia utendakazi wako Bwana Spika nikisisitiza kuwa tuendelee kushirikiana kwa kuzingatia maslahi ya wananchi wetu.

The Speaker (Azhar Ali Mbarak): Next is Honorable Atwaa.

MCA Atwaa Salim Atwaa (Shella) : Thank you Mr Speaker Sir for this opportunity, I will be very short and concise towards my deliberation. I would like to take a reference to the governor's speech, in the first instance of his appreciation in the Executive arm. Despite the fact that we will be giving positive criticism, at the same time we will be having negative criticism. Positive criticism is part of our duty as he based much on that. Mr Speaker Sir, the Governor's speech does not address the key challenges towards this report which he has presented. I expected to get challenges where we need to effortly combat them. If you take a vivid glance towards the report, challenges and efforts are not highlighted as that is much of what we need from this House and the public. Mr Speaker Sir, it is a constitutional mandate which the Governor is performing. It is not his wish. Even ourselves, we are performing our Constitutional affair.

Mr Speaker Sir, I appreciate the Governor as he has depicted public information very well. In the finance docket, the controller of finance has not justified the absorption capacity as the cognisance of the performance goes straight away towards the service delivery which is under absorption and as a chair of the CPIAK committee, we see that it has not been performed through different portfolios. Mr Speaker Sir, His Excellency the Governor needs to come with an appraisal framework which has not been used in this report and we have not seen an effort from the Executive arm

giving the performance from the highest to the lowest so that we can get to know what to do and where to put efforts. After this session, we are supposed to come up with the recommendations from the framework of intervention.

Mr Speaker Sir, the Education sector is performing very well despite that we see the curve from where we are coming. Coming to my ward, the Governor has established in his report that 50 units of street lights have been procured and installed in Shella and Mkomani but reality, only 3 lights have been installed in Shella which is not as per the Constitution on equity and equality. Mr Speaker Sir, I will not accept this as I expect the Municipality towards the leadership of the Governor to perform as per the required.

Mr Speaker Sir, we can see that the performance in terms of CBROK deviation is much depicted from the CBROK Section 117 County Physical Strategic Paper and CIDP. We can see the next thing which is performing is really deviating from the key subject matter of the CBROK policy. Though, there are documents regarding that.

Mr Speaker Sir, to the Health issue, this is amongst the best performing, we really appreciate and on the matter of resources we will focus on that as a House for better service delivery. On the preventive measures, which is the main root of the problems is not mentioned. We spend a lot of money on curing as we really need to have preventive measures on ground.

Mr Speaker Sir, as we move on to the issue of infrastructure, this is the most delayed in terms of procurement process and deliberation. Despite the fact that the Governor has talked about the issue of funds from the National Government, we should be prepared on the ground in such a way that the moment we are provided with the resources, there is a time for us to liberate the efforts.

Mr Speaker Sir, on the issue of water, we are losing a lot of money. The system has not been updated and as the Chair of the CPIAK committee, that is on delegation. On fisheries, this is our key portfolio which needs to be captured very well but for

the resources from the Lamu County Government, we can see that other parts of the county have received the equipment but to parts like Shella, they have not yet received.

Mr Speaker Sir, in terms of maternity, we allocated funds but unfortunately, the funds have been taken in another way and we have not come up with maternity which we agreed as part of our program towards the Manda service delivery.

As I finalise, we can rate the Lamu County Government performance from 45-50% yet there is another 30% for us to hit the bar required.

The Speaker (Azhar Ali Mbarak): Honorable Hope, kindly take this opportunity.

MCA Hope Wanjiku Mwaura (Nominated) : Thank you Mr Speaker Sir, I have gone through the Governor's speech and I have highlighted three main issues. The first one is for the department of Finance, Budget and Economic planning. I would like to congratulate our Governor for winning two awards; Award for CBROK and CIDP. Our revenue collection has increased by 36% and that is a good move. The County Government will no longer wait for the funds from the treasury for it to deliver the services to the residents of our county.

Mr Speaker Sir, the second key area which I highlighted is on Health services, Environment and Sanitation. I am proud because of taking part in passing the two laws; The Lamu County Facility Improvement Fund 2023 and the Lamu County Health Service and Community Fund 2023. The two laws are improving efficiency in our health facilities and if you pay a visit to any hospital, the administrator and the superintendent appreciates that. As a mother, I proudly congratulate the Governor for not forgetting us in matters of maternity. Where I come from, we have a maternity wing facility which is operational with good services.

Mr Speaker Sir, on the issue of CHP , Community Health Promoters under Timami's care in which the elderly people do not have the hustle of seeking transport for health matters instead, they are taken care of comfortably from their homes.

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Mr Speaker Sir, the last issue I highlighted is under the department of Agriculture and Irrigation. As we all know agriculture is our backbone as Mpeketoni is the heart of agriculture for Lamu county. I have personally witnessed our ATC facility being improved and there is renovation going on there. This will be very helpful to our farmers since they will be equipped, encouraged and empowered to do better farming. Our County department for agriculture also distributed cotton seeds to our farmers and lastly, the department has also put effort on the good market prices.

The Speaker (Azhar Ali Mbarak): Honorable Husni, what is it?

MCA Husni Alawi Mohamed (Nominated) : Mr Speaker Sir, I would like to contribute my time to Honorable Atwaa.

The Speaker (Azhar Ali Mbarak): Members, We do not have time right now because we have a very important business after this session. Therefore I will give Honorable Atwaa another chance in the next session.

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker (Azhar Ali Mbarak): Honorable Members, there being no other business, the Assembly stands adjourned until next week Tuesday, 26th November, 2024 at 2:30 p.m.

The Assembly rose at 4:00 p.m.

