

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF LAMU



THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAMU

THE HANSARD

Thursday, 7th November, 2024

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

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

PRAYERS

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

Clerk-at-the-Table: Motion.

MOTION

*APPROVAL OF THE LAMU COUNTY BUDGET REVIEW OUTLOOK PAPER
2023/2024*

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

Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, allow me to move the following Motion on the Floor of the House:-

THAT, the House adopts the Finance, Budget and Appropriation Committee Report on Consideration of Lamu County Budget Review Outlook Paper 2023/24 and

Pursuant to the Constitution of Kenya 2010, County Government Act 2012, Public Finance Management Act 2017 and the Standing Orders of the Assembly, this House approves the Lamu County Budget Review Outlook Paper 2023/24 with amendments.

Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, The County Budget Review and Outlook Paper (CBROP) 2023/24 was prepared in line with section 118 of the Public Finance Management (PFM) Act 2012 which requires the County Government to prepare a Budget Review and Outlook Paper in respect for each Financial Year not later than seven days after the County Budget Review and Outlook Paper is approved by the County Executive Committee. The County Treasury shall arrange for the Paper to be laid in the County Assembly not later than 21st October of every year.

Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, The CBROP provides a review of the previous fiscal performance and how this impacts the financial objectives and fiscal responsibility principles to be set out in the CFSP. This together with macroeconomic outlook provides a basis for revision of the current budget in the context of the broad fiscal parameters underpinning the next budget and the medium term. Details of the fiscal framework and the medium-term policy priorities will be firmed up in the CFSP.

Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, The paper reviews fiscal performance of the County for the 2023/24 Financial Year while comparing it with the budget appropriation. In addition, it provides information on changes in forecasts as indicated in the County Fiscal Strategy Paper (CFSP) 2023; and how actual financial performance for the previous Financial Year may have affected compliance with the Fiscal Responsibility Principles, or the County Financial objectives for that year. It further gives reasons for any deviation from the County Financial objectives in the County Fiscal Strategy Paper together with proposals to address the deviations.

Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, The CBROP highlights actual financial performance for the Financial Year (FY) 2023/24 against the budget appropriations for the same year. It equally provides a review of the recent economic developments and highlights the

actual performance of FY 2023/24 with regards to compliance with the fiscal responsibility principles and the financial objectives spelt out in the PFM Act or the financial objectives in the CFSP for that Financial Year.

Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, the paper is a policy document and links planning with budgeting. It is significant in the budget making process within the Medium-Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) as it reviews previous fiscal performance for the year and identifies any deviations from the budget with the aim of providing realistic forecasts for the coming year. It also assesses how fiscal responsibility principles were adhered as provided in section 107 of the PFM Act 2012. In addition, the updated macroeconomic and financial outlook provides a basis for any budget revision and sets out broad fiscal parameters for the next budget. Further, the paper is expected to provide indicative sector ceilings for the FY 2024/25 budget and in the medium term to guide Sector Workings groups (SWGs) before being affirmed in the CFSP 2025.

Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, In compliance with the Public Finance Management (PFM) Act, 2012 and its related regulations, we are pleased to have reviewed the financial performance of the 2023/24 Lamu County Budget Review and Outlook Paper (CBROP).

Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, the Finance, Budget & Appropriations Committee has therefore examined and discussed the Lamu County Budget Review Outlook Paper for the FY 2023/24 and has made some observations & recommendations as contained in this report.

COMMITTEE MANDATE

Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, the Committee on Budget, Appropriations and Finance is established under Standing Order No. 186 and is mandated to do the following;

1. Inquire into and report on all matters related to coordination, control and monitoring of the of the county budget,

2. Discuss and review the estimates and make recommendations to the County Assembly;
3. Examine the County Budget Policy Statement presented to the County Assembly;
4. Examine Bills related to the County budget, including Appropriations Bills; and
5. Evaluate tax estimates, economic and budgetary policies and programmes with direct budget outlays.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, the Finance, Budget and Appropriations Committee as currently constituted include the following Members:

1. MCA Barissa Deko Bana:- Chairperson
2. MCABwana Mohamed Bwana:- Vice-Chairperson
3. MCA Francis Ngure Gakonga:- Member
4. MCA Paul Kimani Njuguna:- Member
5. MCA Aisha Ali Abdurahman:- Member
6. MCA Suleiman Farah:- Member
7. MCA Amina Hassan Bwanamkuu:-Member
8. MCA Mohamed Aboud Abubakar:- Member
9. MCA James Njaaga Kariuki:- Member

Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, it is therefore my pleasant duty and privilege, on behalf of the Finance, Budget & Appropriations Committee, to table this report in consideration of the Lamu County Budget Review Outlook Paper for the Financial Year 2023/24 recommending it to the House for adoption.

(seconded)

(Motion proposed)

Members Contributions

MCA Jamaes Njaaga Kariuki*(Hindi)*: Asante sana Bwana Naibu Spika. Bwana Naibu Spika ningependa kuchukua fursa hii kuipongeza Kamati ya Bajeti kwa kazi nzuri na pendekezo ambazo wamezitoa ni muhimu sana. Mambo ya kuokota ushuru kupitia kwa teknolojia ya otomatiki itapunguza sana vile fedha zetu zinazopotea katika mikono ya wahusika.

MCA Amina Hassan Bwanamkuu*(Nominated)*: Asante sana Bwana Naibu Spika. Nimesimama kuunga mkono mswada ambao umeletwa na Mheshimiwa Deko. Mimi nikiwa mmoja wa Wanakamati wa Kamati ya Bajeti nasema tumeiangalia kwa kina Bajeti hii na tukaona itakuwa na manufaa kwetu sisi na wananchi wa Lamu.

MCA Hope Wanjiku Mwaura*(Nominated)*: Asante Bwana Naibu Spika. Nasimama kuunga mkono mswada ambao umeletwa na Mwenyekiti wa Kamati ya Bajeti, na nasema ripoti hii ni muhimu sana kwani inatuonyesha vile maendeleo yanafanyika katika Kaunti yetu ya Lamu.

Mover's Response

MCA Barisa Deko Bana*(Basuba)*: Asante sana Bwana Naibu Spika. Ningependa kutoa shukran kwa Waheshimiwa waliochangia mswada huu. Mswada huu ni muhimu sana kwa sababu ya kuzalisha manufaa katika taasisi zetu ili gatuzi letu liweze kusonga mbele.

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

MOTION

APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF THE AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND BLUE ECONOMY REPORT ON THE LAMU COUNTY CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION PLAN

MCA Suleiman Mohamed Farah (Witu): Thank you Mr Deputy Speaker.

Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, I would like to move the following motion-

THAT, the House adopts the Agriculture, Fisheries and Blue Economy report on the Lamu County Climate Change Action Plan reporting and approves the said report without amendment.

Thank you.

(Seconded)

(Motion Proposed)

Member's Contributions

MCA Francis Ngure Gakonga(Bahari): Asante sana Bwana Naibu Spika kwa kunipa nafasi hii na ninasimama kuunga mswada ulioletwa. Bwana Naibu Spika, kuna msururu wa mambo ambayo yanahitaji kufanyika ili kuhakikisha iwapo kuna mabadiliko ya hali ya hewa na ni muhimu kuwe na njia mwafaka wa kufanyika bila pingamizi yoyote.

MCA Aisha Ali Abdulrahman (Nominated): Asante Bwana Naibu Spika, nasimama kuunga mkono mswada huu ambao umeletwa na Mheshimiwa mwenzangu kwa sababu naona kuwa haya ni mambo ambayo yataweza kusaidia wananchi.

MCA John Mburu Gitonga (Hongwe) : Asante Bwana Naibu Spika, hata mimi nasimama kuunga mkono na kuipongeza Kamati husika kwa kazi yao nzuri.

Nashukuru kwa hili kwa sababu wakifaidika wananchi hiyo itakuwa furaha kwetu sisi Viongozi.

Mover's Response

MCA Suleiman Mohamed Farah (Witu): Asante Bwana Naibu Spika, ningependa kuwashukuru Waheshimiwa wenzangu kwa kuunga mkono mswada huu kwa sababu italeta manufaa katika Kaunti yetu.

(Question put and agreed upon)

ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Speaker (Honorable Paul Kimani Njuguna): Honorable Members, there being no other business, the Assembly stands adjourned until next week Tuesday, 12th November, 2024 at 2: 30 p.m.

The Assembly rose at 3:30 p.m.