

Third Assembly

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COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF LAMU
THIRD ASSEMBLY - (THIRD SESSION)
COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAMU

ORDERS OF THE DAY

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 02, 2024 AT 2:30 PM

ORDER OF BUSINESS

PRAYERS

- 1.** Administration of Oath
- 2.** Communication from the Chair
- 3.** Messages
- 4.** Petitions
- 5.** Paper
- 6.** Notices of Motion *(See Appendix)*
- 7.** Statement *(See Appendix)*
- 8. MOTION:**_

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NOTICE OF MOTION-(MCA-FRANCIS NGURE GAKONGA)
PESTICIDES AND HERBICIDES

I beg to give the following Notice of Motion.

AWARE THAT, Pesticides are chemicals used to kill, repel, or control forms of animal and plant life considered to damage or be a nuisance in agriculture and domestic life. They include herbicides, insecticides, nematicides, fungicides, and many others.

FURTHER AWARE THAT, Herbicide is an agent, usually chemical, for killing or inhibiting growth of unwanted plants, such as residential or agricultural weeds and invasive species.

COGNIZANT THAT, Chapter 346 of the Kenya Law is usually about Pest Product Control ACT and largely speaks about use of pesticides (herbicides, insecticides, nematicides, fungicides, and many others).

CONCERNED THAT, In Lamu County there has been high misuse of pesticides by farmers especially the large-scale farmers and horticultural farmers. They have been mixings different pesticides in one container, they make a concoction which they later spray to the crops. The pesticides have different molecules hence if mixed can create a poisonous concoction.

FURTHER CONCERNED THAT, herbicides are also being misused by large scale farmers to dry farm products especially cereals. The cereals being dried are; simsim, green grams, cowpeas and maize. They mostly use herbicide popularly known as “**KAUSHA**” and it’s a very harmful chemical. This has caused the selling price of cereals to drop due the bad drying method.

NOTING WITH CONCERN THAT, all these products are usually brought to our market for selling which makes it hard for the buyers to select the good products which are not contaminated thereby making the people of Lamu

County to consume harmful products. In the recent statistics, there has been rise in cancer and Kidney failure cases which is very alarming.

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THEREFORE, I URGE this Assembly to compel the County Government to;

1. Conduct trainings to farmers to create awareness on the use of herbicides and pesticides.
2. Conduct periodic surveys in farms to ascertain the products being used for farming.
3. Impose a charge/ fine to farmers caught practising harmful methods of farming.

STATEMENTS

STATEMENT TO BE REQUESTED

- 1.** Pursuant to Standin Order 41(2)(c) MCA Barisa Deko Bana will raise a statement to the Departmental Committee Chair on Health Services, Water and Environment regarding Water Scarcity.

Denotes Orders of the day

ADJOURNMENT NOTICE

HONOURABLE MEMBERS, THERE BEING NO ANY OTHER BUSINESS, THIS HOUSE STANDS ADJOURNED UNTILL, THURSDAY, **3RD OCTOBER., 2024 AT 2.30PM (AFTERNOON)**