

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF LAMU



THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAMU

THE HANSARD

Wednesday, 17th December, 2025

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

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

PRAYERS

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

Clerk-at-the-Table: Notices of motion

NOTICES OF MOTION

*A WAIVER OF THE OUTSTANDING BALANCE/FEEES ON THE OUTBOARD ENGINES AWARDED
TO 50 FISHERMEN BENEFICIARIES OF THE COUNTY'S REVOLVING FUND (FISHERIES
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME)*

MCA Mohamed Aboud Abubakar (Faza): Thank you Mr Deputy Speaker. Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, I beg to give a notice of the following motion: -

Aware that: - The outstanding balance/fees on the outboard engines threaten to plunge the fishermen families deeper into poverty.

Further Aware that: - A waiver or restructuring aligns with national policies on climate adaptation (Climate Change Act, 2016) and the “Big Four Agenda” (Food Security) is urgently needed to be applied to the said fishermen.

Noting that, Economic Hardship: Average monthly income of affected households has dropped by 45% due to low catch.

FURTHER NOTING THAT: -

1. Climate justice: The waiver recognizes climate induced loss of livelihood and upholds the principle of “Loss and Damage”.
2. Social Protection: Prevents child labor, school-dropouts and malnutrition among dependents.
3. Sustainability: Flexible repayment safeguards long-term viability of the revolving fund while offering immediate relief.

Recognizing that:

- a. Climate Change Impact: Erratic weather patterns, rising sea temperatures and shifting currents have drastically reduced fish catch volumes in Lamu’s coastal waters.
- b. Hardship on fishermen: The 50 beneficiary fishermen each allocated an outboard engine under the County Revolving Fund (2024/25), are unable to meet repayment schedules due to loss of income.

- c. Humanitarian and Livelihood Imperative: over 6,000 dependents rely on these households for food security and basic needs.
- d. County commitment: The County Government's mandate to safeguard livelihoods, promote food security and build climate resilience (Lamu CIDP 2023/28).

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THEREFORE, THIS HONORABLE HOUSE RESOLVES:

1. Waive the outstanding repayment balance (principal + interest/penalties) for the 50 outboard engines issued under the Revolving Fund to the identified fishermen.
2. Convert the remaining balance (if waiver not feasible) into a zero interest, extended repayment schedule with flexible instalments tied to fishing seasons.
3. Direct the County Executive Committee Member (Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development) to: - Verify the list of affected beneficiaries within 7days and submit a report on financial implications and sustainability of the waiver within 14days.
4. Allocate amount from the County Climate Adaptation Fund or Emergency Relief Fund to offset the loss of revenue from the waiver.
5. Institute a monitoring mechanism (County Fisheries Dept + Community Fisheries Committee) to ensure the engines are used productively and to track repayment compliance if rescheduled.
6. Appeal to National Government (Ministry of Fisheries and Blue Economy, CDF) for supplementary funding to replenish the revolving fund.

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

Clerk-at-the-Table: Statements.

STATEMENTS

[Deputy Speaker (MCA Paul Kimani Njuguna): Honorable Fahd is not in the House, I defer this Statement in the next sitting.

Next Order.

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Clerk-at-the-Table: Motion

MOTION

[Deputy Speaker (MCA Paul Kimani Njuguna): Honorable Fahd is not in the House, I defer this motion in the next sitting.

Next motion

*ESTABLISHMENT OF A COUNTY SLAUGHTERHOUSE TO SERVE ALL WARDS IN LAMU
COUNTY*

MCA Amina Hassan Bwanamkuu (Nominated): Thank you Mr Deputy Speaker. Mr Deputy Speaker Sir, I beg to move the following motion: -

AWARE THAT, Article 43(1)(c) of the Constitution of Kenya guarantees every person the right to be free from hunger and to have access to food of acceptable quality.

FURTHER AWARE THAT, under the Fourth Schedule of the Constitution, the functions of agriculture, veterinary services and abattoirs are devolved to County Governments.

RECOGNIZING, the significant contribution of the livestock sector to the livelihoods of residents across all Wards in Lamu County, including but not limited to Mkomani, Shella, Hindi, Bahari, Mkunumbi, Witu, Basuba, Faza, Kiunga and Hongwe.

NOTING, the absence of a centralized, regulated and modern slaughterhouse facility across the County has led to:

- Unhygienic and informal meat processing.
- Public health concerns due to uninspected meat.
- Loss of economic opportunities for livestock farmers and traders.
- And limited access to competitive and quality markets both local and regional.

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DEEPLY CONCERNED, that this gap has hindered the County's potential in livestock value addition, agribusiness and job creation- particularly among youth and women.

THIS HONORABLE HOUSE RESOLVES THAT:

- The County Executive Committee Member (CECM) for Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries prioritizes the planning and establishment of a modern, regulated and fully certified County Slaughterhouse that will serve all Wards in Lamu County.
- The facility should be strategically located to ensure maximum accessibility to livestock farmers and meat traders from all Wards and supported with

feeder infrastructure such as cold storage, access roads and veterinary inspection units.

- The CECM for Finance and Economic Planning allocates adequate funds in the upcoming County Fiscal Strategy Paper and/or Supplementary Budget for the construction and equipping of the slaughterhouse.
- The project shall be implemented in compliance with public health, environmental and veterinary regulations and may be operated through a sustainable model such as a public-private partnership (ppp) to ensure efficiency and profitability.
- The County Government shall conduct comprehensive public participation and stakeholder consultations in all Wards prior to implementation, including input from livestock farmers, meat traders, veterinary officers, religious leaders and community-based organizations.

Bwana Naibu Spika ni jambo la kusikitisha sana kuona Kaunti yetu ya Lamu haina vichinjio vya kutosha ndio baadhi ya wachinjaji wanajichinjia wanyama sehemu isiosafi wala salama. Wanyama wanaochinjwa sehemu zisisostahiki hawatambulikani ni wazima ama ni wagonjwa kulingana na kuwa hakukuwa na afisa wa afya wa kumchunguza mnyama huyo kama ni mgonjwa au la.

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Secunder

MCA Aisha Ali Abdulrahman (Nominated): Asante sana Bwana Naibu Spika kwa kunipa nafasi ya kuunga mkono mswada ulioletwa na Mheshimiwa Amina. Sisi kama wanakaunti inasikitisha kuona sehemu nyingi hazina vichinjio ambapo imesababisha utapaakaji wa uchafu kila mahali kwa sababu watu wanachinja nyama kiholela. Pindi tutakapojenga vichinjio vya kutosha basi vijana wengi wanaojuwa kuchinja wanyama wataweza kupata ajira kwa wepesi. Jambo lengine ni kwamba tutakapojenga vichinjio vya kutosha basi ukusanyaji wa mapato utaweza kuongezeka maradufu katika Kaunti hii yetu ya Lamu.

Motion Proposed

Members Contributions

MCA Barisa Deko Bana (Basuba): Asante sana Bwana Naibu Spika kwa kunipa nafasi ya kuunga mkono mswada ulioletwa na Mheshimiwa Amina. Bwana Naibu Spika itakuwa ni vyema iwapo jambo hili litatekelezwa kwa sababu vichinjio tulizonazo ni za zamani na nafasi zao ni ndogo sana. Vilevile ujengaji wa vichinjio hivyo vitasaidia katika kuongezeka kwa ukusanyaji wa ushuru wa Kaunti hii yetu ya Lamu na udanganyifu pia utapunguwa kwa asilimia kubwa. Kwa sababu mnyama kabla achinjwe atakuja afisa wa afya kichinjioni na kumpima afya pamoja na kumuangalia ni mnyama gani anataka kuchinjwa isije akawa ni punda badala ya ng'ombe ama mbuzi.

MCA Somoe Abdulrahman Mahmood (Nominated): Asante sana Bwana Naibu Spika kwa kunipa nafasi ya kuunga mkono mswada ulioletwa na Mheshimiwa Amina. Bwana Naibu Spika kijiji chetu cha Matondoni kina uhaba wa kichinjio na kile kichinjio kilichokuwa zamani hakikujengwa sehemu nzuri kwa sababu maji machafu hupitia ndani ya kichinjio hicho ambapo ni hatari kwa afya ya wanyama na wanadamu kwa ujumla. Kwa hivyo kukiwa na afisa wa afya itakuwa bora Zaidi kwa sababu atakuwa akipitia mahali hapo na kuweza kuleta suluhu muafaka wa sehemu hiyo.

MCA Suleiman Mohamed Farah (Witu): Asante sana Bwana Naibu Spika, hata mimi nimesimama kuunga mkono hoja iliyoletwa na Mheshimiwa Amina. Bwana Naibu Spika kwa hakika athari ya kulishwa nyama mfu ni jambo la kusikitisha mno. Bwana Naibu Spika sababu kuu ya kuunga hoja hii ni kwamba mimi binafsi ni mfugaji na ninajuwa madhara ya kuchinja wanyama bila ya

kichinjio. Kwa hivyo itakuwa vyema iwapo kutajengwa vichinjio vyenye mjengo wa kisasa na wachinjaji wapewe leseni.

MCA James Njaaga Kariuki (Hindi): Asante sana Bwana Naibu Spika. Bwana Naibu Spika ningependa kumpongeza Mheshimiwa Amina kwa kuleta mswada mzuri hapa Bungeni. Tulikuwa tukiangalia maswala ya mkulima lakini ninafuraha leo tumemfikia mfugaji, kwa hivyo jambo la kwanza lazima tuzingatie usafi kwa kujuwa mahali nyama hiyo inachinjwiwa ni safi au la. Mswada huu ninaona umependekeza Wadi zote 10 zijengewe vichinjio na ziwe na mjengo wa kisasa. Katika hizi za sasa ambazo tuko na Serikali ya Ugatuzi tunafaa kuwa na vichinjio ambavyo vinaandamana na sharia zilizowekwa na idara hizo na nina Imani wizi wa mifugo utaweza kupunguwa kwa asilimia kubwa sana. Ninashukuru Wadi yangu ya Hindi imeweza kuwekewa kichinjio kitu kilichobaki ni kuwekewa umeme na maji peke yake.

MCA John Mburu Gitonga (Hongwe): Asante sana Bwana Naibu Spika kwa kunipa nafasi hii ya kuunga mkono hoja iliyoletwa na Mheshimiwa Amina. Kwanza ningependa kumpongeza kwa kufikiria na kuamuwa kutuletea hoja kama hii ndani ya Bunge hili letu la Lamu. Kama tujuavyo kila Wadi ilikuwa imetengewa sehemu ya vichinjio lakini haikuweza kutiliwa maanani. Kwa hivyo itakuwa vyema tukiipitisha hoja hii ili tuweze kupata vichinjio katika Wadi zetu na tuweze kupata nyama safi na zenye afya.

MCA Mohamed Aboud Abubakar (Faza): Asante sana Bwana Naibu Spika, hata mimi nimesimama kuunga mkono mswada ulioletwa na Mheshimiwa Amina. Kama tujuavyo Kaunti yetu ni ndogo sana na idadi ya watu inazidi kuongezeka kila uchao na vichinjio tunavyo lakini si za mijengo ya kisasa. Kwa hivyo ningependa kuisisitiza Kaunti yetu ya Lamu itenge bajeti ya kutosha ya kujengwa vichinjio vya mijengo ya kisasa.

Mover's Response

MCA Amina Hassan Bwanamkuu (Nominated): Asante sana Bwana Naibu Spika, pili ningependa kutoa shukrani kwa Waheshimiwa waliounga mkono

mswada niliouleta hapa Bungeni. Na ningemuomba Waziri husika alishughulikia swala hili kisawasawa.

(Question put and agreed upon)

ADJOURNMENT

[Deputy Speaker (MCA Paul Kimani Njuguna): Honorable Members, there being no other business, the Assembly stands adjourned until today Wednesday 17th December, 2025 at 2:30 p.m.

The Assembly rose at 11:50a.m.