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**COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF LAMU**

**COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAMU**

**THIRD ASSEMBLY – FOURTH SESSION**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 2025, 2:30 PM**

1. The Assembly assembled at Two thirty O'clock.

2. The Proceedings were opened with prayers

3. **STATEMENTS**

4.

MCA James Njaaga Kariuki raised a statement Pursuant to Standing Order 41(2)(c) to the Departmental Committee Chairperson on Health Services, Water and Environment regarding Water Shortages in Mpeketoni Hospital.

**5. NOTICE OF MOTION- SAFEGUARDING THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO ACCESSIBLE AND ADEQUATE WATER FOR THE RESIDENTS OF LAMU COUNTY**

**Mr. Speaker Sir**, I beg to move the following Motion

**AWARE THAT**, water is very important and vital in human life for consumption and cleaning.

**WHEREAS** Article 43(1)(d) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, guarantees every person the right to clean and safe water in adequate quantities;

**ACKNOWLEDGING** that water and sanitation services are devolved functions under the Fourth Schedule of the Constitution, thereby placing the responsibility of ensuring access to these services on county governments;

**RECOGNIZING** the critical importance of water in sustaining life, promoting health, and fostering socio-economic development within Lamu County;

**CONCERNED** about the challenges faced by residents in accessing clean and safe water, including but not limited to inadequate infrastructure, pollution of water sources, and inequitable distribution of water resources;

**NOTING** the need for effective policies, strategic planning, and investment in water infrastructure to ensure the realization of the right to water for all residents;

**NOW THEREFORE, THIS ASSEMBLY RESOLVES TO:**

**URGE** the County Executive Committee Member (CECM) for Water, Environment, and Natural Resources to develop and implement a comprehensive County Water Policy that aligns with national standards and addresses the specific needs of Lamu County.

1. **DIRECT** the relevant county departments to conduct a thorough assessment of the current water infrastructure and services, identifying gaps and areas requiring urgent intervention;
2. **ALLOCATE** adequate budgetary resources in the County's annual budget to support the development, maintenance, and expansion of water supply systems, especially in underserved and marginalized areas;
3. **ESTABLISH** mechanisms for community participation in water governance, ensuring that residents have a voice in decision-making processes related to water resource management and service delivery;
4. **COLLABORATE** with National Government agencies, non-governmental organizations, and private sector partners to mobilize additional resources and technical expertise for water projects within the county;
5. **IMPLEMENT** public awareness campaigns to educate residents on water conservation practices, the protection of water sources, and the importance of paying for water services to ensure sustainability;
6. **MONITOR AND EVALUATE** the progress of water projects and services regularly, ensuring transparency, accountability, and adherence to set standards in the provision of water services

*(Majority Leader)*

**6. THE ASSEMBLY ROSE** – at Three O'clock.

**M E M O R A N D U M**

*The Speaker will take the Chair  
When communicated*