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COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF LAMU

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAMU

THIRD ASSEMBLY – FOURTH SESSION

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2025, 10:30 AM

1. The Assembly assembled at Ten thirty O'clock.
2. The Proceedings were opened with prayers
3. **MOTION- ESTABLISHMENT OF PROCESSING INDUSTRIES FOR AGRICULTURE AND FISHING**

I beg to move the following motion:-

WHERE AS Lamu County's economy significantly relies on agriculture and fishing, sectors that provide livelihoods to a substantial portion of its population;

AND WHEREAS the establishment of processing industries for agricultural and fish products can lead to value addition, job creation, reduction of post-harvest losses, and overall economic growth within the county;

AND WHERE AS Article 174 of the Constitution of Kenya emphasizes the objectives of devolution, including promoting social and economic development and the provision of proximate, easily accessible services throughout Kenya;

AND WHERE AS the Agriculture, Fisheries and Food Authority Act No. 13 of 2013 mandates the Authority, in consultation with county governments, to promote best practices in, and regulate, the production, processing, marketing, grading, storage, collection, transportation, and warehousing of agricultural and aquatic products;

AND WHERE AS the Crops Act No. 16 of 2013 outlines the functions of the Agriculture and Food Authority, including formulating policies for the development of scheduled crops, facilitating marketing and distribution, promoting the establishment of wholesale markets, and promoting the establishment of agricultural produce collection centers;

AND WHERE AS other counties, such as Laikipia and Makueni, have successfully implemented initiatives to promote agricultural processing and value addition, serving as models for similar development;

NOW THEREFORE, I propose that this Assembly resolves to:

1. Urge the County Executive Committee Member (CECM) for Agriculture, Livestock, and Fisheries to develop and implement a comprehensive plan for the establishment of processing industries for agricultural and fish products in Lamu County.
2. Mandate the Department of Agriculture, Livestock, and Fisheries to conduct a feasibility study to identify suitable locations, required infrastructure, and potential investors for these processing industries.
3. Encourage the County Executive to allocate necessary resources and seek partnerships with the national government, private sector, and development partners to support the establishment and sustainability of these processing industries.
4. Direct the relevant county departments to provide regular updates to this Assembly on the progress of these initiatives, ensuring transparency and accountability in their implementation.

(MCA AISHA ALI ABDEREHMAN)

- 4. THE ASSEMBLY ROSE** – at Eleven O'clock.

MEMORANDUM

*The Speaker will take the Chair
When communicated*