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REPUBLIC OF KENYA

TWELFTH PARLIAMENT - SECOND SESSION

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27, 2018 (MORNING)

- 1. The House assembled at thirty minutes past Nine O'clock
- 2. The Proceedings were opened with Prayer
- 3. **Presiding –** the Deputy Speaker

4. **PETITION**

The Member for Garsen Constituency, the Hon. Ali Wario, MP presented a petition on behalf of the residents of Garsen Constituency regarding compensation of floods victims by KENGEN.

Petition was referred to the Departmental Committee on Energy pursuant to Standing Order 227(2).

5. <u>MOTION - EXPANSION OF THE SCHOOL FEEDING PROGRAMME TO ALL PUBLIC</u> <u>PRIMARY SCHOOLS</u>

Motion made and Question proposed -

THAT, aware that Article 53(1)(c) of the Constitution guarantees every child the right to basic nutrition, shelter and health; cognizant of the fact that primary school-aged children are at a stage where a child requires nutritional meals for healthy mental and physical development and growth; aware that school feeding programmes have been implemented in Kenya since the 1980's with varying degrees of success, and with heavy reliance on foreign aid and management; noting that the Kenyan Government introduced a Homegrown School Feeding Programme (HGSFP) in 2009, a more sustainable and nationally integrated programme by the national government funded school meals programme through multi-sectoral cooperation; appreciating that the school feeding programme has played an integral part in realizing the country's goal of universal primary education through incentivizing the enrollment and retention of children; further noting that the feeding programme targets food inequality in the most vulnerable areas of Kenya, including school districts in the Arid and Semi-Arid Areas (ASAL) and the informal urban slums of large cities such as Nairobi and Mombasa; this House **urges** the Government to expand the primary school feeding programme to all public primary schools in the country.

(Hon. Vincent Mogaka – 20.06.2018)

Debate on the Motion having been concluded on Wednesday, June 20, 2018;

Question put and <u>agreed to.</u>

6. MOTION – ESTABLISHMENT OF SPORTS ACADEMIES IN EVERY CONSTITUENCY

Motion made and Question proposed -

THAT, aware of the socio-economic benefits of sports; recognizing that sports can and do make great and positive economic, health, and social and cultural impacts on individuals, communities and the wider society; further aware that sports can be a major source of employment and foreign exchange earnings in the Kenya with potential to improve the country's economy on a large scale, if well harnessed; deeply concerned that the standards of sports in Kenya in many disciplines remain low due to among other things, inadequate investment, scouting and nurturing of talent; cognizant that Section 33(4) of the Sports Act, 2013 establishes the Kenya Academy of Sports, and further, Section 34(a) of the Act provides that the functions of the Academy shall be to among other things, establish and manage sports training academies; appreciating that Article 6(3) of the Constitution provides that a national State organ shall ensure reasonable access to its services in all parts of the Republic, so far as it is appropriate to do having regard to the nature of the service, this House **urges** that the Government through the Ministry of Sports, Culture and Arts to establish sports academies in every Constituency.

(Hon. Godfrey Osotsi – 20.06.2018)

Debate interrupted on Wednesday, June 20, 2018 (Morning Sitting) resumed;

(Change of Chair from the Deputy Speaker to the Fourth Chairperson)

Mover replied;

Question deferred.

7. <u>MOTION – PRIORITIZING RECRUITMENT OF NYS GRADUATES INTO THE</u> <u>DISCIPLINED FORCES</u>

Motion made and Question proposed -

THAT, aware that the National Youth Service (NYS) is a Government Department established by an Act of Parliament (Cap 208 Laws of Kenya) whose vision is to catalyze transformative youth empowerment in Kenya; further aware that the twin purposes of NYS are to create a pool of technical, disciplined and organized human resource to undertake national development programmes and to alleviate youth unemployment in both formal and informal sectors by providing skills necessary for employment while promoting national cohesion; further appreciating that, NYS currently targets to recruit over twenty six thousand (26,000) youths annually through a laid down procedure where the vacancies in each intake are allocated for every county and gender; acknowledging that the recruits undergo intense six (6) months training in paramilitary skills, national reconstruction programmes, and disaster response, thus imparting a sense of responsibility, values of discipline, respect to authority among other skills and values; deeply concerned that after successful completion of the training, the graduate youths are discharged to seek jobs which often are not readily available; cognizant of the various recruitment procedures, criteria and budgets allocated for the recruitment and training of servicemen and women to

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serve in the various disciplined forces in Kenya; this House **urges** the Government through all the disciplined forces to consider giving first priority in recruitment of their servicemen and women to willing NYS graduates with a view to reducing their recruitment costs, training period and subsequently training costs, and in addition creating jobs for these skilled youths.

Debate arising;

(Hon. Michael Muchira)

(Change of Chair from the Fourth Chairperson to the Second Chairperson)

Debate concluded;

Mover replied;

Question deferred.

And the time being two minutes past One O'clock, the Second Chairperson interrupted the proceedings and adjourned the House <u>without</u> Question put pursuant to the Standing Orders.

8. **HOUSE ROSE** - at two minutes past One O'clock

<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

The Speaker will take the Chair today, Wednesday, June 27, 2018 at 2.30 p.m.

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