



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – FIRST SESSION

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2023 (MORNING SITTING)

1. The House assembled at Thirty Minutes past Nine O'clock in the morning.
2. The Proceedings were opened with Prayer.
3. **Presiding** – the Deputy Speaker.

4. **LACK OF QUORUM**

There being no Quorum present to commence business, the Deputy Speaker ordered that the Quorum Bell be rung for ten minutes;

And Quorum having been attained within the ten minutes, business commenced.

5. **PETITIONS**

The following Petition regarding perennial water shortages in the country was conveyed by the Deputy Speaker: -

“Honourable Members, Article 119 of the Constitution accords any person the right to petition Parliament to consider any matter within its authority. Further, Standing Order 225(2)(b) requires the Speaker to report to the House any Petition other than those presented by a Member.

In this regard, **Honourable Members,** I wish to report to the House that my office has received a petition from one Eng. Victor Okuna of P.O Box 828, Migori, calling for *the National Government to adopt innovative ways of addressing water problems.*

The Petitioner notes that many Kenyans do not have access to clean and safe water in adequate quantities contrary to Article 43(d), consequently denying the people their other rights stated in the Constitution. He alleges that the current water problem experienced in the country is occasioned by lack of proper policies for mitigating the crisis.

Honourable Members, the Petitioner therefore proposes to Parliament what he says will be a long-term solution to water shortage. The Petitioner claims that his proposal will create one of the avenues for addressing climate change, creating youth employment, and ensure sustainable water supply. The Petitioner proposes that these boreholes be

drilled, equipped, and solarized per ward every year except in the 85 wards in Nairobi County and major towns which have water and sewerage systems.

The Petitioner thus prays that this House amends the Water Act 2016 to provide for the regulation of "*Ward Based Water Supply*." The Petitioner proposes that the new law should clearly state how the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation will drill, equip, and solarize the boreholes in the said wards.

Honourable Members, having established that the matter raised in the Petition is well within the authority of this House, and that the matters raised in this Petition are not pending before any court of law, constitutional or legal body, I hereby commit the Petition to the Public Petitions Committee for consideration pursuant to Standing Order 208A. The Committee is required to consider the Petition and report its findings to the House and to the Petitioner in accordance with Standing Order 227(2).

I thank you."

6. PAPERS

The following papers were laid on the Table of the House: -

(i) **Reports of the Auditor-General and Financial Statements in respect of the following Institutions for the year ended 30th June, 2019 and the certificates therein: -**

- a) Maasai Technical Training Institute;
- b) Kapcherop Technical and Vocational College; and
- c) Nyandarua Institute of Science and Technology.

(ii) **Reports of the Auditor-General and Financial Statements in respect of the following Institutions for the year ended 30th June, 2020 and the certificates therein: -**

- a) Maasai Technical Training Institute;
- b) Kipsoen Technical and Vocational College;
- c) Kajiado West Technical and Vocational College;
- d) Kapcherop Technical and Vocational College;
- e) Narok West Technical Training Institute;
- f) Kenya Institute of Supplies Examination Board;
- g) Kenya Trade Network Agency (KENTRADE);
- h) Maasai Mara Technical and Vocational College;
- i) Kiptaragon Technical and Vocational College; and
- j) Maberu Technical and Vocational College.

(iii) **Reports of the Auditor-General and Financial Statements in respect of the following Institutions for the year ended 30th June, 2021 and the certificates therein: -**

- a) Nyakach Technical and Vocational College;
- b) Sang'alo Institute of Science and Technology;
- c) Kipsoen Technical and Vocational College;
- d) Eldama Ravine Technical and Vocational College;
- e) Kimasian Technical and Vocational College;

- f) Bomet University College;
- g) Shamberere Technical Training Institute;
- h) Rift Valley Technical Training Institute;
- i) Konoin Technical Training Institute;
- j) Coast Development Authority;
- k) Kenya Coast National Polytechnic;
- l) Kisii National Polytechnic;
- m) Kibwezi West Technical and Vocational College;
- n) Baringo Technical College;
- o) Chamasiri Technical and Vocational College;
- p) Kendege Technical and Vocational College;
- q) Ebukanga Technical and Vocational College;
- r) Omuga Technical and Vocational College;
- s) Rangwe Technical and Vocational College;
- t) Tana and Athi Rivers Development Authority (TARDA);
- u) Water Sector Trust Fund;
- v) Sunset Hotel Limited;
- w) Roads Maintenance Levy Fund-Kenya Wildlife Service; and
- x) Meru University of Science and Technology.

(iv) **Reports of the Auditor-General and Financial Statements in respect of the following Institutions for the year ended 30th June, 2022 and the certificates therein:-**

- a) Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission;
- b) Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission – Staff House Mortgage and Car Loan Scheme;
- c) Kisumu Urban Project (Cash Expenditure Fund) – CKE 1035.01.G
- d) National Humanitarian Fund;
- e) Revenue Statements on Ministry of Defence;
- f) Lake Victoria Environmental Management Project Phase III (LVEMP) Project Preparatory Advance No. V1570 – KE; and
- g) Audit Report on European & Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP) for a period 2018/2019 to 2021/2022.

(The Deputy Majority Leader)

7. **STATEMENTS**

The Member for Kilifi North (Hon. Owen Baya Yaa, MP) sought a Statement from the Departmental Committee on Education on appointment of University Chancellors as provided for in the Universities Act, 2012.

8. **THE PETITIONS TO PARLIAMENT (PROCEDURE) (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 51 OF 2022)**

(The Hon. Gladys Boss, M.P.)

Order for First Reading read;

Bill read a First Time and referred to the relevant Departmental Committee pursuant to Standing Order 127(1).

9. **THE NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 59 OF 2022)**

(The Hon. David Gikaria, M.P.)

Order for First Reading read;

Bill read a First Time and referred to the relevant Departmental Committee pursuant to Standing Order 127(1).

10. **MOTION – DEVELOPMENT OF POLICY ON STANDARDIZATION AND PRODUCTION OF SCHOOL UNIFORMS IN THE COUNTRY**

Motion made and Question proposed-

THAT, aware that school uniform which is a variety of standardized clothing worn by students in educational institutions, create homogeneity among students irrespective of their socio-economic status or fashion preference; further aware that school uniforms keep students focused on education, not clothes, reducing peer pressure and bullying, enhancing school pride, unity and community spirit as they go a long way in contributing to students' sense of belonging to their school's population; appreciating that in Kenyan education system, schools across the Country, whether private or public schools require that students wear school uniform in order to be allowed to attend

classes; concerned that the cost of uniforms has continued to escalate becoming prohibitively expensive for the poorest within the community with some schools demanding that parents pay uniform money to specific school accounts, a move that locks out many children whose parents cannot afford the expensive uniforms as listed by schools, now therefore, **this House** therefore **resolves** that the government through the Ministry of Education develops a policy on standardization and production of school uniforms in the country.

(Hon. Gathoni Wamuchomba, MP)

Debate arising;

[Change of Chair from the Deputy Speaker to Hon. Omboko Milemba, MP, Third Chairperson of Committees]

[Change of Chair from Hon. Omboko Milemba to Hon. (Dr.) Rachel Nyamai, MP, Sixth Chairperson of Committees]

And the time being One O'clock, the Second Chairperson of Committees interrupted the proceedings and adjourned the House without Question put pursuant to the Standing Orders.

11. **HOUSE ROSE** - at One O'clock

M E M O R A N D U M

The Speaker will take the Chair-
Today, Wednesday, February 22, 2023 at 2.30pm