

Third Session (014)

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - (THIRD SESSION)

THE SENATE

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2024 (AFTERNOON SITTING)

- 1. The Senate assembled at thirty Minutes past Two O'clock.
- 2. The proceedings were opened with Prayer said by the Speaker.

3. QUORUM OF THE SENATE

The Speaker, having counted the Honourable Senators present at the commencement of the Sitting and confirming that there was no Quorum, directed that the Bell be rung for ten minutes pursuant to Standing Order 40;

And there being a Quorum at the expiry of five minutes;

The Speaker invited the Clerk to call the Orders of the Day.

4. **COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR**

The Speaker conveyed the following Communications from the Chair: -

a) Visiting teachers and students from PCEA Mitahato Secondary School in Kiambu County

The Speaker conveyed the following Communication from the Chair: -

"Honourable Senators,

In the Speaker's gallery, we have twenty-five (25) students, accompanied by four (4) teachers from PCEA Mitahato Secondary School in Kiambu County, who are undertaking an education visit in the Senate.

Honourable Senators,

In our usual tradition of receiving and welcoming visitors to Parliament, I extend a warm welcome to them and, on behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, wish them a fruitful visit.

I thank you."

b) Visiting teachers and students from Othaya Boys in Nyeri County

"Honourable Senators,

In the Public gallery, we have fifty-two (52) students, accompanied by three (3) teachers from Othaya Boys in Nyeri County, who are undertaking an education visit in the Senate.

Honourable Senators,

In our usual tradition of receiving and welcoming visitors to Parliament, I extend a warm welcome to them and, on behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, wish them a fruitful visit.

I thank you."

5. **PETITION**

Pursuant to Standing Order 236(2)(b), the Speaker reported to the Senate a Petition by Mr. Isaiah Oduor Ochanda, former employee of the Department of Defence (DoD) concerning the non-fulfilment of a court order and decree made in 2011 against the Ministry of Defence and the Attorney General regarding non-payment of disability pension.

The Speaker committed the Petition to the Standing Committee on National Security, Defence and Foreign Relations pursuant to Standing Order 238(1).

6. PAPER LAID

The Draft Senate Calendar for the Third Session of the Thirteenth Parliament.

(The Deputy Senate Majority Whip on behalf of the Senate Majority Leader)

7. NOTICE OF MOTION - CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT SENATE CALENDAR FOR THE THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT

(The Deputy Senate Majority Whip on behalf of the Senate Majority Leader)

THAT, pursuant to Standing Order 32 (1), the Senate approves the Calendar (Regular Sessions) for the Third Session of the Thirteenth Parliament

(No. 003) WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2023 (AFTERNOON SITTING) (016)

(February to December, 2024), laid on the Table of the Senate on Wednesday, 14th February, 2024.

8. NOTICE OF MOTION - ADJOURNMENT OF THE SENATE TO DISCUSS A DEFINITE MATTER OF URGENT NATIONAL IMPORTANCE RELATING TO THE INCREASED FEMICIDE CASES WITNESSED RECENTLY IN KENYA.

Raising a Point of Order, Nominated Senator (Sen. Crystal Asige, MP), sought leave to move a Motion for the adjournment of the Senate, pursuant to Standing Order 37, to discuss a definite matter of urgent national importance namely, the increased femicide cases witnessed recently in Kenya.

And there being the requisite number of Senators rising in support of the claim;

Thereupon, the Speaker nominated five o'clock as the time when the Motion would be moved.

9. THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 12 OF 2023)

(The Senate Majority Leader)

Order for First Reading read;

Bill read a First time and committed to the Standing Committee on Justice, Legal Affairs and Human Rights.

10. THE GAMBLING CONTROL BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 70 OF 2023)

(The Senate Majority Leader)

Order for First Reading read;

Bill read a First time and committed to the Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare.

11. THE TEA (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 1 OF 2023)

(Sen. Wakili Hillary Sigei, MP)

Order for Second Reading read;

(Second Reading)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 30th November, 2023) (Division)

Order deferred.

12. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

THE EQUALIZATION FUND APPROPRIATION BILL, (SENATE BILLS NO. 30 OF 2023)

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Finance and Budget)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Wednesday, 29th November, 2023 – Afternoon Sitting)
(Division)

Order deferred.

13. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

THE COUNTY LICENSING (UNIFORM PROCEDURE) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 9 OF 2022)

(Sen. Mariam Sheikh Omar, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 28th November, 2023)
(Division)

Order deferred.

14. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

THE AGRICULTURAL AND LIVESTOCK EXTENSION SERVICES BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 12 OF 2022)

(Sen. Maureen Tabitha Mutinda, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 28th November, 2023)
(Division)

Order deferred.

15. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

THE MUNG BEANS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 13 OF 2022)

(Sen. Enoch Wambua, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 28th November, 2023)
(Division)

Order deferred.

16. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

THE START-UP BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 14 OF 2022)

(Sen. Crystal Asige, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 28th November, 2023)
(Division)

Order deferred.

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17. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

THE PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 7 OF 2023)

(Sen. Crystal Asige, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 28th November, 2023)
(Division)

Order deferred.

18. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

THE KENYAN SIGN LANGUAGE BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 9 OF 2023)

(Sen. (Prof.) Margaret Kamar, MP and Sen. Crystal Asige, MP)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 28th November, 2023) (Division)

Order deferred.

19. THE COUNTY GOVERNMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 25 OF 2023)

(Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP)

(Second Reading)

Order for Second Reading read;

Order deferred.

20. THE PUBLIC HOLIDAYS (AMENDMENT) BILL, (SENATE BILLS NO. 31 OF 2023)

(Sen. Karungo Thang'wa, MP)

(Second Reading)

Order for Second Reading read;

Order deferred.

21. THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY SERVICES (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 34 OF 2023)

(Sen. Mohamed Chute, MP)

(Second Reading)

Order for Second Reading read;

Order deferred.

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22. THE REAL ESTATE REGULATION BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 35 OF 2023) (Sen. Allan Kiprotich Chesang, MP)

(Second Reading)

Order for Second Reading read;

Order deferred.

23. THE PARLIAMENTARY POWERS AND PRIVILEGES (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 37 OF 2023)

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question Proposed;

THAT, The Parliamentary Powers and Privileges (Amendment) Bill (Senate Bills No. 37 of 2023) be now read a second time.

(Sen. Godfrey Osotsi, MP)

Debate arising;

24. MOTION - ADJOURNMENT OF THE SENATE TO DISCUSS A DEFINITE MATTER OF URGENT NATIONAL IMPORTANCE RELATING TO THE INCREASED FEMICIDE CASES WITNESSED RECENTLY IN KENYA

Motion made and proposed: -

THAT, pursuant to Standing Order 37, the Senate do now adjourn to discuss a definite matter of urgent National importance, namely, the increased femicide cases witnessed recently in Kenya.

(Sen. Crystal Asige, MP)

Debate arising;

And the time being thirty minutes past six O'clock, Temporary Speaker (Sen. Wakili Hillary Sigei, MP) interrupted the proceedings and adjourned the Senate without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Orders.

25. **SENATE ROSE** – at thirty minutes past six O'clock.

MEMORANDUM

The Speaker will take the Chair on Thursday, February 15, 2023 at 2:30 p.m.