



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – THIRD SESSION

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 02, 2024 AT 9.30 AM

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

4. QUORUM AT COMMENCEMENT OF THE HOUSE

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. REQUESTS FOR STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 44(2)(c)

The following Statements were requested pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 44(2)(c)—

- (i) Request for a Statement by the Member for Gichugu (Hon. Robert Gichimu) requested for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Agriculture and Livestock regarding payment of tea bonuses for Kimunye and Thumaita tea factories for the Financial Year 2023/2024; and
- (ii) Request for a Statement by the Member for Sotik (Hon. (Amb. Francis Sigei) in requested for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee Transport and Infrastructure regarding the status of construction of *Cheborge* Junction- Kipwasituiya Market Road and the *Sotik-Silalo* Road

6. RESPONSE TO STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 44(2)(c)

Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 44(2)(c), the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Education (Hon. Julius Melly) responded to a Statement requested by the Member for Kitui West (Hon. Edith Nyenze) regarding the fate of P1 teachers who upgraded their decision.

7. MOTION: 024/2023 – RESOLUTION TO HOLD A MORNING SITTING AND AN EXTENDED AFTERNOON SITTING ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2024

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 30(3), this House resolves—

- (i) to hold a Morning Sitting on Tuesday, 8th October 2024, commencing at 9.00 a.m. for purposes of commencement of debate on a Special Motion on proposed removal from office, by impeachment, of H.E. Hon. Rigathi Gachagua, Deputy President of the Republic of Kenya; and,
- (ii) to sit until conclusion of the consideration of the Special Motion on proposed removal from office, by impeachment, of H.E. Hon. Rigathi Gachagua, Deputy President of the Republic of Kenya, on the afternoon sitting of Tuesday 8th October, 2024.

(The Leader of the Majority Party – 02.10.2024)

Question put and agreed to

8. MOTION: – SUSPENSION OF A SPECIFIED SITTING

Motion made and question proposed;

THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 28(4) (*Calendar of the Assembly*), this House resolves to suspend its Sitting of Thursday, 3rd October 2024 so as to allow administrative arrangements necessary to facilitate the programme for public participation on the Special Motion for the removal from office by impeachment, of H.E Hon. Rigathi Gachagua, Deputy President of the Republic of Kenya.

(The Leader of the Majority Party – 02.10.2024)

Question put and agreed to

9. PROCEDURAL MOTION – LIMITATION OF DEBATE ON SPECIAL MOTION UNDER ARTICLES 145 AND 150 OF THE CONSTITUTION

Motion made and question proposed;

THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 97(1) and notwithstanding the resolution of the House of February 14, 2024, this House Orders that each speech in a debate on a **Special Motion under Articles 145 and 150 of the Constitution** shall be limited as follows:- a maximum of sixty (60) minutes for the Mover in moving and thirty (30) minutes in replying and a maximum of five (5) minutes for any other Member speaking, except for the Leader of the Majority Party, the Leader of the Minority Party and **the Member seconding** the Motion, who shall be limited to a maximum of ten (10) minutes each.

(The Leader of the Majority Party – 02.10.2024)

Question put and agreed to

10. MOTION: 024/2023 –POLICY AND FUNDING FOR SUGARCANE FARMING IN THE COUNTRY

Motion made and question proposed;

THAT, aware that, commercial sugarcane production in Kenya was introduced in the early years of independence with an aim of eliminating dependence on sugar importation and contributing to economic transformation in the sugar belt and the country at large through agriculture; acknowledging that, at its pinnacle, the sugar industry significantly contributed to the country's National Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and became one of the largest employers which supported livelihoods of many Kenyans both directly and indirectly; concerned that, over the last 25 years, sugarcane farming particularly in Western Kenya has been declining significantly, thereby dipping sugar production from over 600,000 metric tonnes per year in the 1990s to less than 300,000 metric tonnes in recent years; noting that, the decline in sugarcane farming has forced local millers to operate far below their milling capacities and pushed the country to over-rely on net importation of sugar, which negatively impacts on the balance of trade; noting that, the decline in sugar production is attributable to factors such as mismanagement, interference and unfair competition from cheap imported sugar; further concerned that, state-owned sugar millers like Mumias Sugar Company and Nzoia Sugar Company ceased milling while owing farmers hundreds of millions of shillings; appreciating that, the Government has been putting in place strategies, policies and regulations to define roles of millers and major players and stakeholders in the sugar industry in a bid to revamp the sector; concerned that, the acute shortage of sugarcane resulting from mass abandonment of sugarcane farming continues to roll back initiatives for reviving sugar milling; recognizing that, further investment in revamping sugar companies before reviving sugarcane farming would occasion loss of the invested public funds instead of yielding success; now therefore, this House **resolves** that, the National Government, through the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development, reviews the sugar development policies to provide that every investor-miller sets aside definite funds for development of sugarcane farming, incentivizing farmers to embrace sugarcane growing and to enhance cane production in each of the respective zones.

(The Hon. Peter Nabolindo, M.P.)

Question put and agreed to

11. MOTION: 028/2023 –ESTABLISHMENT OF A SCIENCE MUSEUM

Motion made and question proposed;

THAT, aware that, Article 11(2)(b) of the Constitution provides that the government shall recognize the role of science and indigenous technologies in the development of the nation; further aware that the Vision 2030 provides for the integration of information, communication and technology in the country's transformative agenda; concerned that, there exists no science museum for consolidating indigenous scientific and technological innovations, training and research purposes in the East Africa Region; appreciating that, integration of science and technology would greatly enhance Kenya's economic and societal success; noting that there is potential for growth in the technology sector by establishing a science museum; further noting that, the informal science education plays a key role in the progression of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM); acknowledging that science museums operate as the nexus between science

practitioners, policy-makers and the public; cognizant of the fact that, a science museum in the country would greatly impact on the economy of the country in the quest to become an industrialized nation; now therefore, this House **resolves** that, the national Government through the relevant Ministries establishes and operationalizes a science museum in the country.

(The Hon. John Kiarie, M.P. – 02.10.2024)

[Change of Chair from the Deputy Speaker to the Sixth Chairperson of Committees]

Debate arising

The House was interrupted following the Speaker’s Communication made on Tuesday, 1st October 2024.

And the time being Fifty-Six minutes past Eleven O’clock, the Sixth Chairperson of Committees adjourned the House without Question put pursuant to the Standing Orders.

12. HOUSE ROSE - at Fifty-Six minutes past Eleven O’clock

M E M O R A N D U M

The Speaker will take the Chair on,
Wednesday, October 02, 2024 at 02.30 p.m.

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