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REPUBLIC OF KENYA

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THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 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 First Chairperson of Committees.

4. QUORUM AT COMMENCEMENT OF THE HOUSE

There being no quorum present to commence business, the First Chairperson of Committee ordered that the Quorum Bell be rung for ten minutes;

And there being no quorum attained at the expiration of the ten minutes, the First Chairperson of Committees ordered that the Quorum Bell be rung for a further five minutes;

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

5. PAPERS LAID

The following Papers were laid on the Table of the House-

Reports of the Auditor-General and Financial Statements for the years ended 30th June 2021, 30th June 2022, 30th June 2023 and the certificates therein in respect of:

- (i) Makueni Boy's High School;
- (ii) Oloolaiser High School;
- (iii) St. Therese Mbooni Girls High School;
- (iv) Gachororo Mixed Day Secondary School;
- (v) Meru School;
- (vi) Chogoria Girlls' High School;
- (vii) Karima Mixed Secondary School;
- (viii) Kathiani Girls' High School;
- (ix) Magereza Academy Secondary School;
- (x) Kiambogo Secondary School;
- (xi) St. Cecilia Aluor Girls' Secondary School;
- (xii) Irigithathi Secondary School;
- (xiii) Othava Boys High School; and

6. REORGANISATION OF BUSINESS PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 40

Pursuant to Standing Order 40(2), the First Chairperson of Committees reordered the sequence of proceedings as follows—

Consideration of **Order No. 8** (*Motion*): Report of the Committee of the Whole House on the Community Health Workers Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 53 of 2022) to be taken before consideration of **Order No. 7** (*Questions and Statements*).

7. MOTION - REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE ON THE COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 53 OF 2022)

Motion having been made and Question proposed;

THAT, this House do agree with the Report of the Committee of the Whole House on its consideration of the Community Health Workers Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 53 of 2022).

(Hon. Martin Peters Owino- 13.11.2024)

Question put and <u>agreed to</u>; Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Community Health Workers Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 53 Of 2022) be now read a Third Time.

(Hon. Martin Peters Owino)

There being no debate arising; Question put and <u>agreed to</u>; Bill read a Third Time and <u>passed</u>.

8. REQUEST FOR STATEMENT PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 44(2)(c)

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

- (i) The Member for Sigor (Hon. Peter Lochakapong) requested a Statement from the Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations regarding alleged killing of livestock by security officers in West Pokot; and
- (ii) The Member for Bumula (Hon. Wanami Wamboka) requested a Statement from the Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Labour regarding status of implementation of the court order on recruitment of KRA officers.

9. RESPONSES TO STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 44(2)(c)

Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 44(2)(c), the following Statements were responded to—

- (i) The Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations responded to a Statement requested by the Member for Lang'ata (Hon. Phelix Odiwuor) regarding current management and public access to Uhuru Gardens;
- (ii) The Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations responded to a Statement requested by Member for Mwala (Hon. Vincent Musyoka) regarding mysterious death of Mr. William Mulwa in the USA;

- (iii) The Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Energy responded to a Statement requested by the Member for Kitui Central (Hon. (Dr.) Makali Mulu) regarding status of compensation to Master Simon Muema due to severe injuries suffered from electrocution;
- (iv) The Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Energy responded to a Statement requested by the Member for Loima (Hon. Protus Akujah) regarding recruitment of casual workers by Kenya Power Company in Turkana County;
- (v) The Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Labour responded to a Statement requested by the Member for Lunga Lunga (Hon. Chiforomodo Mangale) regarding Gazettement of Lunga Lunga Sub-County as a hardship area; and
- (vi) The Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Labour responded to a Statement requested by the Member for Baringo Central (Hon. Joshua Kandie) regarding regulation of labour migration through private recruitment agencies by the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection.

10. STATEMENT PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 44(2)(d)

Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 44(2)(d), the Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Health made a Statement on Social Health Authority registration at the constituency offices.

(Change of Chair from First Chairperson of Committees to the Fourth Chairperson of Committees)

11. MOTION: 006/2024 - COMPREHENSIVE REFORM OF EDUCATION BURSARY SCHEMES TO ENSURE FREE BASIC EDUCATION IN KENYA

Motion made and Question proposed -

THAT, aware that Article 43(1) as read together with the Article 53(1)(b) of the Constitution provides that every person has the right to education and enshrines the right of every child to free and compulsory basic education; further aware that Kenya Vision 2030 identifies education as a crucial component for transforming the country into a globally competitive nation; appreciating that bursaries play a vital role in supplementing funding for enhancing access to education, particularly for students from disadvantaged backgrounds and contributes to the realization of universal basic education; noting that various education bursaries exist in the country including wardlevel bursary, County Government's National Government bursary, Constituencies Development Fund (NG-CDF), the National Government Affirmative Action Fund (NGAAF) and the Presidential Secondary School bursary (PSSB); further noting that the evolution of bursary schemes from centralized to community-based administration aimed to enhance educational access, equity and responsiveness to local needs; concerned that despite these efforts, the current bursary system faces numerous challenges including lack of standardized and transparent selection criteria, delay in disbursement of funds and insufficient coverage of education costs leading to gaps in support; further concerned that these challenges have resulted in persistent disparities in education access, increased dropout rates particularly in secondary schools due to financial constraints and strain on household incomes as families

struggle to meet educational expenses not covered by bursaries; acknowledging that the implementation of community-based bursary scheme has not fully achieved its intended objective hence the need to re-evaluate the current bursary systems with a view to ensure equitable and free access to quality education for all students; cognizant that the duty of the government to provide free basic education can best be achieved by consolidating education funds and directly remitting to public schools; now therefore, this House **urges** that the government, through the Ministry of Education, in collaboration with the relevant stakeholders, undertakes a comprehensive overhaul of the education bursary system with a view to collapse all bursary schemes and allocate the funds to the State Department of Education for provision of free basic education through capitation to be directly remitted to schools.

(*Hon. Esther Passaris, MP* – 06.11.2024)

And debate on the Motion having been concluded;

Mover replied;

Putting of the Question deferred.

12. THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND COORDINATION (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 66 OF 2023)

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion having been made and Question proposed -

THAT, the Environmental Management and Coordination (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 66 of 2023) be now read a Second Time.

(Hon. Irene Mayaka – 13.11.2024)

Debate interrupted on Wednesday, 13.11.2024 Morning Sitting resumed;

Rising in his place on a Point of Order pursuant to Standing Order 95, the Member for Rongo (*Hon. Paul Abuor, MP*) claimed to move that the Mover be now called upon to reply;

And the Fourth Chairperson acceding to the Claim;

Thereupon, Question put and agreed to;

Mover replied;

And the time being four minutes past One O'clock, the Fourth Chairperson adjourned the House without Question put pursuant to the Standing Orders

13. HOUSE ROSE - at four minutes past One O'clock.

MEMORANDUM

The Speaker will take the Chair on Wednesday, November 20, 2024 at 2.30 p.m.