

### REPUBLIC OF KENYA

## THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – (FOURTH SESSION)

### THE SENATE

### **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2025 AT 2.30 PM

- 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 before the expiry of the ten minutes;

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

## 4. PAPERS LAID

The following Papers were laid on the Table of the Senate:

- i) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of the County Executive of Isiolo for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- ii) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of the County Assembly of Isiolo for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- iii) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of the County Revenue Fund County Government of Isiolo for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- iv) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of the Receiver of Revenue Revenue Statements County Government of Isiolo for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- v) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Isiolo County Assembly Mortgage and Car Loan Scheme Fund for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.

- vi) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Isiolo County Education Bursary Fund for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- vii) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Isiolo County Emergency Fund for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2022.
- viii) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Isiolo County Emergency Fund for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2023.
  - ix) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Isiolo County Emergency Fund for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
  - x) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Isiolo Financing Locally Led-Climate Action (FLLOCA) Fund for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
  - xi) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Isiolo County Referral Hospital for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2023.
- xii) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Isiolo County Referral Hospital for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
- xiii) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Isiolo Water and Sewerage Company Limited for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- xiv) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of the County Executive of Tharaka-Nithi for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- xv) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of the County Assembly of Tharaka-Nithi for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- xvi) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of the County Revenue Fund County Government of Tharaka-Nithi for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
- xvii) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of the Receiver of Revenue Revenue Statements County Government of Tharaka-Nithi for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- xviii) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Tharaka-Nithi County Assembly Mortgage and Car Loan Fund for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
  - xix) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Tharaka-Nithi County Executive Staff Mortgage and Car Loan Scheme Fund for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.

- xx) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Tharaka-Nithi County Youth Empowerment Fund for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- xxi) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Tharaka-Nithi County Emergency Fund for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- xxii) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Tharaka-Nithi County Bursary Development Fund for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- xxiii) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Tharaka-Nithi County Climate Change Fund for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- xxiv) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Municipality of Kathwana County Government of Tharaka-Nithi for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- xxv) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Nithi Water and Sanitation Services Company Limited for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- xxvi) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of the County Executive of Kirinyaga for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- xxvii) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of the County Assembly of Kirinyaga for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- xxviii) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of the County Revenue Fund County Government of Kirinyaga for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
- xxix) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of the Receiver of Revenue County Government of Kirinyaga for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- xxx) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Kirinyaga County Assembly Mortgage Fund for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- xxxi) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Kirinyaga County Assembly Car Loan Fund for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- xxxii) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Kirinyaga County Emergency Fund for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
- xxxiii) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Kirinyaga County Education Bursary Fund for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.

- xxxiv) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Kirinyaga County Executive Staff Mortgage Scheme Fund for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- xxxv) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Kirinyaga County Executive Staff Car Loan Scheme Fund for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- xxxvi) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of the County Alcoholic Drinks Control Fund County Government of Kirinyaga for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- xxxvii) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Kirinyaga County Investment and Development Authority for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- xxxviii) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Kirinyaga County Climate Change Fund for the fourteen (14) months' period for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
  - xxxix) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Kerugoya/Kutus Municipality for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2023.
    - xl) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Kerugoya/Kutus Municipality for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
    - xli) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Kirinyaga County Water and Sanitation PLC for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
    - xlii) Statement on the business of the Senate for the week commencing Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2025.

(The Senate Majority Whip)

## 5. QUESTIONS & STATEMENTS

## a) Requests for Statements pursuant to Standing Order 53 (1)

- i) The Senator for Marsabit County (Sen. Mohamed Chute, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Health regarding the outbreak of *Kala-azar* in Marsabit County.
- ii) The Senator for Mombasa County (Sen. Mohamed Faki, MP) sought a Statement on behalf of the Senator for Kisumu County (Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, MP) from the Standing Committee on Justice, Legal Affairs and Human Rights regarding the state of the Judiciary.

- iii) The Senator for Mombasa County (Sen. Mohamed Faki, MP) sought a Statement on behalf of the Senator for Kisumu County (Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, MP) from the Standing Committee on Information, Communication and Technology regarding the recent data breach affecting the Business Registration Service (BRS) platform.
- iv) The Senator for Narok County (Sen. Ledama Olekina, MP) sought a Statement Statement from the Standing Committee on Health regarding the distribution of drugs by the Kenya Medical Supplies Authority (KEMSA) to county public health facilities.
- v) Request for Statement by the Senator for Taita Taveta County (Sen. Johnes Mwaruma, MP) from the Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare regarding the status of statutory deductions for employees of the County Government of Taita Taveta was <u>deferred</u> on the request of the Senator.
- vi) Request for Statement by the Senator for Taita Taveta County (Sen. Johnes Mwaruma, MP) from the Standing Committee on Finance and Budget regarding the utilization of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund (NG-CDF) allocation for constituencies in Taita Taveta County was deferred on the request of the Senator.

## b) Statement pursuant to Standing Order 57(1)

The Senate Majority Whip issued a Statement on the business of the Senate for the week commencing Tuesday, 4th March, 2025.

# 6. MOTION - REPORT OF THE MEDIATION COMMITTEE ON THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 12 OF 2023)

Order read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Mediation Committee on the Conflict of Interest Bill (National Assembly Bills No. 12 of 2023), laid on the table of the Senate on Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2024 and further that pursuant to Article 113 (2) of the Constitution and Standing Order 167 (3) of the Senate, approves the mediated version of the Bill.

(Vice- Chairperson, Mediation Committee – 25.02.2025)

Debate interrupted on Tuesday, 25th February, 2025 resumed;

And there being no more Senators wishing to contribute;

The Senate Majority Leader replied on behalf of the Mover;

Pursuant to Standing Order 66 (3), the Senate Majority Leader requested the deferment of the putting of the Question to Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2025.

And the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Veronica Maina, MP), acceding to the request, deferred the putting of the Question to a later date.

# 7. THE PUBLIC FUNDRAISING APPEALS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 36 OF 2024)

(The Senate Majority Leader)

(Second Reading)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 28th November, 2024)

(Division)

Order deferred.

# 8. THE ENVIRONMENT LAWS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 23 OF 2024)

(Sen. Abdul Haji, MP)

(Second Reading)

# (Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 13th February, 2025)

(Division)

Order deferred.

# 9. THE COUNTY CIVIC EDUCATION BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 4 OF 2024) (Sen. Esther Okenyuri, MP)

(Second Reading)

# (Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 13th February, 2025)

(Division)

Order deferred.

# 10. THE COUNTY WARDS (EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 20 OF 2024)

(Sen. Karungo Thangwa, MP and Sen. Godfrey Osotsi, MP)

(Second Reading)

Order deferred.

# 11. THE STREET NAMING AND PROPERTY ADDRESSING SYSTEM BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 43 OF 2024)

(Sen. Fatuma Dullo, MP)

(Second Reading)

Order deferred.

# 12. THE SPORTS (AMENDMENT) (NO.2) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 45 OF 2024)

(Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, MP and Sen. Raphael Chimera, MP)

(Second Reading)

Order deferred.

13. MOTION - REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION ON A PETITION TO THE SENATE REGARDING THE DISCRIMINATION BY TEACHERS SERVICE COMMISSION (TSC) ON PAYMENT OF HARDSHIP AND ENHANCED HOUSE ALLOWANCES TO SOME TEACHERS IN KILIFI AND TAITA TAVETA COUNTIES

Order read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Standing Committee on Education on a Petition to the Senate regarding the discrimination by Teachers Service Commission (TSC) on payment of hardship and enhanced house allowances to some teachers in Kilifi and Taita Taveta counties, laid on the Table of the Senate on Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2024.

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Education)

Debate arising;

And there being no more Senators wishing to contribute;

Mover replied;

Pursuant to Standing Order 66 (3), the Mover requested the deferment of the putting of the Question to a later date.

And the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Veronica Maina, MP), acceding to the request, deferred the putting of the Question to Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2025.

14. MOTION - REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND FISHERIES ON A PETITION TO THE SENATE REGARDING THE CATASTROPHIC MAIZE DISEASES THAT FARMERS IN BOMET COUNTY HAVE ENDURED FOR THE LAST TWELVE YEARS

Order read;

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries on a Petition to the Senate regarding the catastrophic maize diseases that farmers in Bomet County have endured for the last twelve years, laid on the Table of the Senate on Thursday, 5th December, 2024.

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries)

Order deferred.

15. MOTION - REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND FISHERIES ON A PETITION TO THE SENATE REGARDING GRAFT INVESTIGATION BY THE ETHICS AND ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION (EACC) ON THE WEST KANO IRRIGATION SCHEME

Order read;

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries on a Petition to the Senate regarding graft investigation by the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC) on the West Kano irrigation scheme, laid on the Table of the Senate on Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2024.

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries)

Order deferred.

16. MOTION - REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRADE, INDUSTRIALIZATION AND TOURISM ON A PETITION TO THE SENATE REGARDING ALLEGED FRAUDULENT DEALINGS AT DIAGEO PLC, EAST AFRICAN BREWERIES LIMITED, KENYA BREWERIES AND UDV (KENYA) LIMITED

Order read;

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Standing Committee on Trade, Industrialization and Tourism on a Petition to the Senate regarding alleged fraudulent dealings at Diageo PLC, East African Breweries Limited, Kenya Breweries and UDV (Kenya) Limited, laid on the Table of the Senate on Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2024.

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Trade, Industrialization and Tourism)

Order deferred.

17. MOTION - REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRADE, INDUSTRIALIZATION AND TOURISM ON A PETITION TO THE SENATE ON THE NEED FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF THE HOSPITALITY PROFESSIONALS BILL

Order read;

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Standing Committee on Trade, Industrialization and Tourism on a Petition to the Senate on the need for the introduction of the Hospitality Professionals Bill, laid on the Table of the Senate on Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2024.

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Trade, Industrialization and Tourism)

Order deferred.

And there being no other business on the Order Paper, the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Veronica Maina, MP) adjourned the Senate at fifty two minutes past Five O'clock, without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Orders.

18. **SENATE ROSE** – at fifty two minutes past Five O'clock.

## MEMORANDUM

The Speaker will take the Chair on Tuesday, March 04, 2025 at 2:30 pm