

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - (FOURTH SESSION)

THE SENATE

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

MORNING SITTING

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2025 AT 9.30 A.M.

- 1. The Senate assembled at thirty minutes past Nine 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. QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS

OUESTIONS

- i) Question No. 008 by the Senator for Migori County (Sen. Eddy Oketch, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Water, Sanitation and Irrigation on the status of compensation of landowners who granted wayleave for the Lower Kuja Irrigation Development Project was <u>answered</u> by the Cabinet Secretary.
 - Thereupon the Cabinet Secretary laid on the table of the Senate a List of Landowners who Granted Wayleaves for the Lower Kuja Irrigation Development Project.
- ii) Question No. 009 by the Senator for Makueni County (Sen. Daniel Maanzo, EBS, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Water, Sanitation and Irrigation on the status of the construction of Thwake Dam in Makueni County was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.

- iii) Question No. 024 by the Senator for Nairobi County (Sen. Edwin Sifuna, MP) on behalf of the Senator for Kisumu County (Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, SC, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Defence on the involvement of the Kenya Defence Forces (KDF) in internal security matters was <u>answered</u> by the Cabinet Secretary.
- iv) Question No. 002 by the Senator for Marsabit County (Sen. Mohamed Chute, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Foreign and Diaspora Affairs on the repatriation of the Kenyan refugees currently residing in Ethiopia was deferred.
- v) Question No. 007 by the Senator for Migori County (Sen. Eddy Oketch, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Co-operatives and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) on the non-payment of terminal dues to employees of the former Kenya Cooperative Creameries (KCC) whose services were terminated in 1999 was deferred.
- vi) Question No. 042 by Nominated Senator (Sen. Veronica Maina, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Co-operatives and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) on the revival of the Kimuri Coffee Factory in Kigumo Constituency was <u>deferred</u>.
- 5. MOTION REPORTS OF THE 63RD AND 64TH SESSIONS OF THE OACPS PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY AND THE 43RD AND 1ST SESSIONS OF THE ACP-EU JOINT PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY MEETINGS HELD IN BRUSSELS, BELGIUM AND LUANDA, ANGOLA RESPECTIVELY

Order read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Senate notes the Reports of the-

- (i) 63rd Session of the Organization of African, Caribbean and Pacific States (OACPS) Parliamentary Assembly and the 43rd Session of the African, Caribbean and Pacific -European Union (ACP-EU) Joint Parliamentary Assembly meetings in held Brussels, Belgium from 19th to 28th June, 2023; and
- (ii) 64th Session of the Organization of African, Caribbean and Pacific States (OACPS) Parliamentary Assembly and the 1st Session of the African, Caribbean and Pacific -European Union (ACP-EU) Joint Parliamentary Assembly meetings in held in Luanda, Angola from 17th to 21st February, 2024 laid on the table of Senate on Wednesday, 6th December, 2023 and Wednesday, 2nd October, 2024 respectively.

(Sen. Kathuri Murungi, MP)

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And there being no more Senators wishing to contribute;

Mover replied;

Pursuant to Standing Order 66 (3), the Mover requested the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Abdul Haji, MP) to defer putting of the Question to a later date;

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

6. MOTION - REPORT OF THE 9TH INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION (IPU) GLOBAL CONFERENCE OF YOUNG PARLIAMENTARIANS HELD IN HANOI, VIETNAM FROM 15TH TO 17TH SEPTEMBER, 2023

Order read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Senate notes the Report of the 9th Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians held in Hanoi, Vietnam from 15th to 17th September, 2023 laid on the table of Senate on Tuesday, 5th March, 2024.

(Sen. John Methu, MP)

Debate arising;

And the time being One O'clock, the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Abdul Haji, MP) interrupted the proceedings and adjourned the Senate without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Orders.

7. **SENATE ROSE** – at One O'clock.

MEMORANDUM

The Speaker will take the Chair on Wednesday, March 19, 2025 at 2.30 p.m.