

REPUBLIC OF KENYA ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT – FOURTH SESSION NATIONAL ASSEMBLY VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2016 (MORNING)

- 1. The House assembled at thirty minutes past Nine O'clock.
- 2. The Proceedings were opened with Prayer.
- 3. <u>PRESIDING</u> The Deputy Speaker

4. <u>NOTICE OF MOTION (S.O 33 (1))- MATTER OF URGENT NATIONAL</u> <u>IMPORTANCE</u>

The Hon. Susan Chebet, MP gave a Notice of Motion on the adjournment of the House to discuss a matter of urgent national importance (to discuss increased cases of insecurity in the Country).

And having received the requisite number as indicated under Standing Order 33(3), the Speaker ruled that the matter be raised at 12.00 pm today.

5. NOTICE OF MOTION -<u>INCORPORATION OF RUN-OFF WATER HARVESTING</u> AND MANAGEMENT MECHANISM ON ROADS DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION. (HON. JOSEPH M'ERUAKI, MP)

Aware that Article 43 of the Constitution provides that every person has the right to clean and safe water in adequate guantities; further aware that water harvesting is an important practice for water management; cognizant of the fact that earth-dams and water-pans would play a key role in water harvesting especially in arid and semi-arid areas; noting that a large quantity of run-off water goes to waste in most parts of the country; further noting that this run-off water if properly harvested and managed would be useful for domestic, livestock and irrigation purposes; appreciating that increased infrastructural development especially in roads has led to the mobilization of machineries and human resources in most areas; further appreciating that these civil engineering machineries and personnel can be useful in the construction of earth-dams and water-pans; this House resolves that the Government through the Ministry of Transport, Infrastructure, Housing and Urban Development ensures that all road designs and constructions incorporate run-off water harvesting and management mechanisms.

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6. <u>MOTION</u> - <u>ESTABLISHMENT</u> OF <u>A</u> <u>SELECT</u> <u>COMMITTEE</u> <u>TO</u> <u>INVESTIGATE</u> <u>MATTERS RELATING TO GMOS</u>

Motion made:-

THAT, aware that the Government banned the importation of Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO) imports in 2012; further aware that the Ministry of Health which initiated the ban has consistently maintained that GMO foods are not safe for human and animal consumption; considering that no tangible evidence on the same has been provided; cognizant of the fact that local and international scientific institutions and stakeholders have consistently endorsed the use of GMO foods as a necessary measure for the present and future food security in the Country; concerned that the National Bio-Safety Authority (NBA) established under Bio-Safety Act was not involved in the decision to ban the use of GMO foods in the country; concerned that the Country continues to lose millions of shillings monthly in lost business opportunities related to GMO products; further concerned that research on bio-technology and bio-safety has stalled; this House **resolves** to establish a Select Committee to comprehensively investigate and inquire into all matters relating to GMOs, consider and review all related research findings and make recommendations and table its report within ninety (90) days and approves the following Members to constitute the Committee:-

- Chairperson

- 1. The Hon. (Dr.) Wilber Ottichilo, MP
- 2. The Hon. Japhet Kareke Mbiuki, MP
- 3. The Hon. Rachael Amolo Ameso, MP
- 4. The Hon. Ejidius Njogu Barua, MP
- 5. The Hon. Sunjeev Kaur Birdi, MP
- 6. The Hon. Timothy Moseseti Bosire, MP
- 7. The Hon. Joyce Akai Emanikor, MP
- 8. The Hon. James Wambura Nyikal, MP
- 9. The Hon. Florence Kajuju, MP
- 10. The Hon. Robert Pukose, MP
- 11. The Hon. Cecilia Chelanga Ngetich, MP
- 12. The Hon. Florence Mwikali Mutua, MP
- 13. The Hon. Rachael Koki Nyamai, MP
- 14. The Hon. Francis Chachu Ganya, MP
- 15. The Hon. Harrison Garama Kombe, MP
- 16. The Hon. Ferdinand Wanyonyi, MP
- 17. The Hon. Richard Katemi Makenga, MP
- 18. The Hon. Shakeel Shabir, MP
- 19. The Hon. Daniel Maazo, MP
- 20. The Hon. Mohamed Duale, MP
- 21. The Hon. Muthomi Njuki, MP

(The Hon. (Dr.) Wilber Ottichilo, M.P.)

Motion differed

7. MOTION- SUPPORT FOR YOUTH INNOVATIONS BY THE GOVERNMENT

Order read

THAT, aware that there are many talents amongst the youth of this country; having noted that this talents have been severally displayed through various inventions and innovations by the youth in platforms such as the Science Congress and the Annual Youth Innovation Week; concerned, that most of these discoveries do not go beyond making sensational newspaper and electronic media stories; noting that most of these innovations are aimed at addressing the problems that afflict us as Kenyans on a daily basis; further concerned that there is inadequate enabling legislation and administrative measures to support these innovations; cognizant of the fact that the Kenya Vision 2030 seeks to make our country an industrialized middle-income economy in the next 14 years; aware of the immense potential for wealth creation and job opportunities that such innovations would generate if well-developed and commercialized; also recognizing that our imports are well in excess of Kshs. 1.3 billion shillings, a gap that would be narrowed if we had our own local production, this House urges the Government to support youth innovations by creating an innovation fund and a national incubation system, among other measures.

(The Hon. Isaac Mwaura, M.P.)

Motion dropped

And the time being fifty four minutes passed ten o'clock the Deputy Speaker interrupted the Proceedings and adjourned the House <u>without</u> Question put pursuant to the Standing Orders.

8. HOUSE ROSE

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fifty four minutes passed ten o'clock

MEMORANDUM The Speaker will take the Chair on Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at 2.30 p.m.