

Fourth Session Morning Sitting (934)

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – (FOURTH SESSION)

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2025 AT 9.30 A.M.

- 1. The House assembled at Thirty Minutes past Nine O'clock
- **2.** The Proceedings were opened with Prayer
- **3. Presiding –** the Second Chairperson of Committees

4. QUORUM AT COMMENCEMENT OF THE HOUSE

There being no Quorum present at the commencement of the House; the Second Chairperson of Committees ordered the Quorum Bell to be rung for ten minutes;

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

And Quorum not having been attained within the further five minutes, business commenced.

5. PAPERS

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

(i) Joint Report of the National Assembly Departmental Committee on Finance and National Planning and the Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Budget on the Approval Hearing of a Nominee for Appointment as a Board Member of the Central Bank of Kenya.

(Deputy Majority Whip on behalf of the Co-Chairperson, Joint Parliamentary Committee on Vetting of a Nominee as a Member of the Central Bank of Kenya)

(ii) Report of the Departmental Committee on Health on the Harmonization of the Proposed Amendments to the Assisted Reproductive Technology Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 61 of 2022).

(Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Health)

6. NOTICES OF MOTION

The following Notice of Motion was given—

Approval Hearing of a Nominee for Appointment as a Board Member of the Central Bank of Kenya

National Assembly Departmental Committee on Finance and National Planning and

THAT, taking into consideration the findings of the Joint Committee of the

the Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Budget on the approval hearing of a nominee for appointment as a Board Member of the Central Bank of Kenya, *laid* on the Table of the House on Wednesday, 13th August 2025, and pursuant to section 11(2) of the Central Bank of Kenya Act, Cap 491, this House **approves** the appointment of **Mr. Pius Ang'asa** as a Board member of the Central Bank of Kenya.

(Deputy Majority Whip on behalf of the Co-Chairperson, Joint Parliamentary Committee on Vetting of a Nominee as a Member of the Central Bank of Kenya)

7. QUESTIONS

The following Question was asked to the Teachers Service Commission –

- **Question No. 069 of 2025** by the Member for Central Imenti (Hon. Nguchine Kirima) regarding measures the Teachers Service Commission is taking to address the long-standing unemployment of P1 trained teachers who have remained unabsorbed since 2010.

8. REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 44(2)(C)

Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 44(2)(c), the following Members requested for Statements—

- (i) The Member for Laikipia County (Hon. Jane Kagiri) requested for a Statement from the Leader of the Majority Party regarding effect of the ban order on foreign businesses by Tanzania;
- (ii) The Member for Kajiado County (Hon. Leah Sankaire) requested for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Administration & Internal Security regarding status of investigations into reported cases of child trafficking and sexual exploitation in *Mai Mahiu*;
- (iii) The Member for Ndaragwa (Hon. George Gachagua) requested for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations regarding abduction of *Mr. Ambrose Kimiti Mwangi*, a Kenyan, in the Federal Republic of Somalia;
- (iv) The Member for Loima (Hon. Protus Akujah) requested for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Education regarding school feeding programme in public primary schools in marginalized communities; and
- (v) The Member for Machakos County (Hon. Joyce Kamene) requested for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Transport and Infrastructure regarding safety and security of pedestrians using the *Mlolongo* footbridge.

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

- (a) Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 44(2)(c), the Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Education responded to statements requested by—
 - (i) The Member for Isiolo County (Hon. Mumina Bonaya) regarding approval of Junior Secondary Schools in Isiolo County; and

- (ii) The Member for Kiambu County (Hon. Anne Muratha) regarding challenges facing the Kiambu National Polytechnic (KINAP) formerly known as Kiambu Institute of Science and Technology (KIST).
- (b)Response to a Statement requested by the Member for Mathare (Hon. Anthony Oluoch) regarding the status of Kenya School Meals Policy was <u>deferred</u>.

10. THE BREASTFEEDING MOTHERS BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 8 OF 2024)

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed—

THAT, the Breastfeeding Mothers Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 8 of 2024) be now read a Second Time.

(Hon. Sabina Chege-30.07.2025)

Debate having been concluded on Wednesday, 6th August 2025 (Morning Sitting);

Mover having been replied;

Question put and agreed to:

Bill read a Second Time and committed to the Committee of the Whole House, tomorrow.

11. THE COUNTY GOVERNMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILL NO. 25 OF 2023)

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed—

THAT, the County Governments (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 25 of 2023) be now read a Second Time.

(Hon. Timothy Toroitich, Co-Sponsor – 12.07.2025)

Debate having been concluded on Tuesday, 12th August 2025;

Mover having been replied;

Question put and agreed to:

Bill read a Second Time and committed to the Committee of the Whole House, tomorrow.

12. MOTION: 003/2025 - EXPRESSION OF CONCERN ON THE MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT

Motion made and Question proposed—

THAT, aware Kenya that, ratified the United Nations Charter on Human Rights on 31st July 1990; further recollecting that among the rights enshrined in the Charter is the right to life and self-determination by people; cognizant of the fact that Israeli occupation of Palestinian territory in Gaza and the West Bank has been characterized by disproportionate and indiscriminate use of force; concerned that, this has deepened the humanitarian crisis in the region, including the destruction of infrastructure, widespread civilian casualties, and willful killing of Palestinian civilians, including children in the occupied territories by the Israeli army; noting that, these grave breaches amount to war crimes, flagrant violations of international humanitarian law and crimes against humanity; concerned that, the recent escalation of hostilities between Israel and Iran, including cross-border strikes and retaliatory attacks, threatens to engulf the wider Middle East region in conflict; recalling that, Kenya has previously suffered attacks on its soil as a result of the Middle East conflict, including the 2002 attack on the Paradise Hotel in Kikambala; appreciating that, the United Nations General Assembly recently passed a resolution demanding an end to Israel's unlawful occupation of Palestinian territories and urging compliance with international law; further appreciating the urgent need for the international community, including regional powers and the United Nations Security Council, to intensify diplomatic efforts aimed at achieving an immediate ceasefire, facilitating humanitarian access, and initiating inclusive peace negotiations in the Middle East; appreciative of the role Kenya has played regionally and internationally in global peace initiatives and in mitigating violations constituting crimes against humanity and in solidarity with the Palestinian civilians subjugated by Israel; this House—

- (i) **expresses** deep concern over the dangerous escalation in hostilities in the Middle East that threatens international peace and security across the Middle East and beyond;
- (ii) **reaffirms** Kenya's proactive commitment to a peaceful resolution of disputes through negotiation, diplomacy, and adherence to the principles of the United Nations Charter;
- (iii) **urges** all parties to the conflict to protect civilian lives and infrastructure in accordance with the Geneva Conventions and international humanitarian law and to exercise maximum restraint and immediately cease further acts of aggression, including aerial bombardments, missile strikes, and other forms of military escalation; and
- (iv) **calls** on the international community, including the United Nations and regional powers, to intensify diplomatic efforts aimed at de-escalation, the restoration of dialogue, and a return to the frameworks of international law.

(Hon. Shakeel Shabbir-6.08.2025)

Debate having been concluded on Wednesday, 6th August 2025 (Morning Sitting);

Mover having been replied;

Question put and agreed to.

13. MOTION - CONSIDERATION OF SENATE AMENDMENT TO THE LAND (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 40 OF 2022)

Motion made and Question proposed—

THAT, the **Senate amendment** to the Land (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 40 of 2022) be now considered.

(Hon. Simon King'ara - 07.08.2025)

Debate having been concluded on Thursday, 7th August 2025;

Mover having been replied;

Question put and agreed to.

14. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE

Order for Committee read;

IN THE COMMITTEE

The Sixth Chairperson of Committees in the Chair

(i) Consideration of Senate Amendment to the Land (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 40 of 2022)

Senate amendment to Clause 3—

THAT, Clause 3 of the Bill be amended in the introductory phrase to the proposed sub-section (16) by inserting the words "publish a notice in the Gazette specifying the particulars of the registration and" immediately after the words "the Registrar shall".

(Hon. Simon King'ara)

Question of the Senate amendment proposed;

There being no debate arising;

Question of the amendment put and agreed to;

<u>Senate amendment to Clause 3</u> - <u>approved</u>.

Consideration of the Senate amendment to be reported without amendments.

(ii) Consideration of the President's Reservations to the Cancer Prevention and Control (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 45 of 2022)

Clause 2 - amendment proposed;

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THAT, Clause 2 of the Bill be deleted as recommended by H.E. the President.

(Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Health)

Question of the amendment proposed;

Debate arising;

Question of the amendment put and agreed to;

<u>Clause 2</u> - <u>deleted</u>.

<u>Clause 3</u> - <u>amendment proposed</u>—

THAT, Clause 3 of the Bill be deleted as recommended by H.E. the President.

(Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Health)

Question of the amendment proposed;

Debate arising;

Rising in her place on a Point of Order pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 35, the Member for Machakos County (Hon. Joyce Kamene) objected that there was not a Quorum present in the House;

And the Sixth Chairperson having ascertained the claim, ordered that the Quorum Bell to be rung for ten minutes;

And there being no Quorum present upon the expiration of ten minutes;

Thereupon, the Chairperson left the Chair to report the fact.

15. HOUSE RESUMED - the Second Chairperson in the Chair

Thereupon, the Chairperson reported Lack of Quorum pursuant to Standing Order 35(2)(b);

And the time being seventeen minutes to Twelve O'clock;

The Second Chairperson adjourned the House without Question put pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 35(2)(b).

16. HOUSE ROSE – at seventeen minutes to Twelve O'clock.

MEMORANDUM

The Speaker will take the Chair on, Wednesday, 13th August 2025 at 2.30 p.m.