



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – FOURTH SESSION

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 01, 2025 AT 9.30AM

1. The House assembled at Thirty Minutes past Nine O'clock.
2. The Proceedings were opened with Prayer.
3. **Presiding** – the Deputy Speaker.

4. **QUORUM AT COMMENCEMENT OF THE HOUSE**

There being no Quorum present at the commencement of the House, the Deputy Speaker ordered the Quorum Bell to be rung for ten minutes;

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

5. **COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR**

The Speaker issued the following Communication-

Visiting delegation from the Parliament of Malaysia

“Honourable Members,

I wish to introduce to you a delegation comprising Members from the Parliament of Malaysia, who are seated in the Speaker's Row. They are:-

- (i) The Hon. Wong Chen, MP – Leader of the Delegation;
- (ii) The Hon. Haji Aminolhuda bin Hassan, MP;
- (iii) The Hon. Yuneswaran Ramaraj, MP;
- (iv) The Hon. Dato' Wira Dr. Ku Abd Rahman bin Ku Ismail, MP; and
- (v) The Hon. Wan Ahmad Fayhsal bin Wan Ahmad Kamal, MP.

Honourable Members, the delegation is accompanied by five (5) members of the secretariat from the High Commission of Malaysia in Nairobi and three (3) senior officers from the Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs.

They are in the country on official duties and have also paid a courtesy call on the Speaker of the National Assembly, accompanied by the Chairpersons of the

Departmental Committees on Defence, Intelligence & Foreign Relations and Trade, Industry & Cooperatives.

Honourable Members, on behalf of the National Assembly, I welcome you to Parliament and wish you fruitful engagements during your stay in the country. I thank you!”

6. PAPERS

The following Paper was laid on the Table of the House—

The Joint Report of the Departmental Committee on Finance and National Planning and the Select Committee on Public Debt & Privatization on consideration of the Privatization Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 36 of 2025)—

(Hon. Abdi Shurie, Co-Chairperson, Joint Sitting of Departmental on Finance and National Planning and Select Committee on Public Debt & Privatization)

7. STATEMENTS

Responses to Statements pursuant to Standing Order 44(2)(c)

Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 44(2)(c)-

- (a) The Vice Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Education tabled a response to a Statement requested by the Member for Dagoretti North (Beatrice Elachi) regarding the transitional mechanisms from the 8-4-4 to the Competency-based Curriculum (CBC) education system; and
- (b) Response to a Statement requested by the Member for West Mugirango (Hon. Stephen Mogaka) regarding the status of salary enhancement for teachers in Nyamira Municipality was deferred.

8. MOTION- FORMULATION OF A LAND USE POLICY ON ZONING OF LAND FOR AGRICULTURE AND BUILT DEVELOPMENT

Motion having been made and Question proposed-

THAT aware that land is a critical but limited factor of production that supports human habitation and food production; noting that, agriculture is Kenya’s main economic mainstay; appreciating that, that the Central Bank of Kenya (CBK) Monetary Policy Committee Agriculture Sector Survey 2022 estimated the contribution of the agriculture sector to the country’s Gross Domestic Product (GDP) to be 22% directly and 27% indirectly, through its linkages with other sectors; further appreciating that, the Survey showed that the sector employs over 40% of the Kenya’s total population; concerned that, in the *Land Reform, Vol. 3* publication, the Kenya Land Alliance Land estimated that only 17% of the country’s land mass is classified as suitable for rain-fed agriculture land while the remainder is either semi-arid or arid; further concerned that, the country’s agricultural productivity has been decreasing over the years; cognizant of the fact that, the decline in agricultural productivity is partly attributable to the shrinking agricultural land due to

unplanned settlements that encroach on agricultural lands; further concerned that, agricultural lands in rural areas are continually being subdivided into small portions for built development, thereby diminishing the size of land available for agriculture; noting that, there is need to put in place measures for effective land use in the country in order to guarantee optimal use of agriculture; now therefore, this House **resolves** that, the Government, through the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development puts in place a policy framework for effective land use in rural areas by consolidating and designating zones for built development for commercial and residential developments with shared public utilities and separate zones for agricultural use in order to arrest further diminishing of agricultural land and steady the country's agricultural productivity.

(Hon. Timothy Wanyonyi- 24.09.2025)

Debate having been concluded on Wednesday, 24th September, 2025 (*Morning Sitting*);

Mover having replied;

Question put and agreed to.

9. THE MICRO AND SMALL ENTERPRISES (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 25 OF 2025)

(Hon. John Mukunji)

Order for First Reading read;

Bill read a First Time and referred to the Departmental Committee on Trade, Industry and Cooperatives pursuant to Standing Order 127(1).

10. THE NATIONAL ADDRESSING BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 31 OF 2025)

(Hon. Machua Waithaka)

Order for First Reading read;

Bill read a First Time and referred to the Departmental Committee on Communication, Information and Innovation pursuant to Standing Order 127(1).

11. THE HARM REDUCTION BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 37 OF 2025)

(Hon. Esther Passaris)

Order for First Reading read;

Bill read a First Time and referred to the Departmental Committee on Health pursuant to Standing Order 127(1).

12. MOTION- FORMULATION OF A REWARD SCHEME FOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS BY SPORTS PERSONS IN INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS

Motion made and Question proposed-

THAT, aware that, sports play an integral role in promoting cultural heritage, national identity, national development, the well-being of the people and sustenance of livelihoods, particularly of the youth; appreciating that, *Sessional*

Paper No. 3 of 2005 provides a framework for sports development and operationalization in the country; further appreciating that the *Sector Plan for Sports, Culture and Arts – 2018* by the Ministry of Sports, Culture and Arts mainstreamed sports development in the Third Medium Term Plan (MTP III) for 2018-2022, under Kenya's Vision 2030; recognizing that, the Vision 2030 aims at capitalizing on the country's international reputation as a world-class sports powerhouse whose sportsmen and women have won international accolades and recognition, especially for their prowess in athletics; concerned that, despite bringing honour and national pride to the country, most sports men and women face a myriad of challenges such as lack of psychosocial support and social protection, hence pushing many to alarming levels of mental health challenges during their careers and even after retirement; noting that *Sessional Paper No. 3 of 2005* contemplated motivation of sportspersons by the State through cash and material prizes, conferring State honours, appointments as goodwill ambassadors and establishing contributory insurance and savings schemes among other forms of motivation; cognizant of the fact that, the prospect of receiving State recognition, financial grants, and other perks inspires sportsmen to push their limits in attaining their full potential as well as fostering a collective sense of pride in sporting achievements; now therefore, this House **urges** that the Government, through the Ministry of Youth Affairs, Sports and Arts, develops a policy and standardized sports reward scheme for recognizing the achievements made by sports persons in internationally recognized competitions, through–

- (i) financial rewards of Kshs. 6 million for setting new world records; Kshs. 4 million for gold medalists; Kshs. 3 million for silver medalists and Kshs. 2 million for bronze medalists;
- (ii) non-financial motivation, including facilitation with issuance of diplomatic passports for established sportsmen and women, appointment as goodwill ambassadors and conferring national honours and privileges; and,
- (iii) establishing medical cover and a post-retirement social protection scheme, including establishing contributory insurance and savings schemes to support sports persons who retire from active sporting due to injuries or age.

(Hon. Charles Ngusya)

(Change of Chair from the Deputy Speaker to the Sixth Chairperson of Committees)
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Debate arising;

Mover replied;

Question put and agreed to.

And the time being One O'clock, the Fifth Chairperson interrupted proceedings and adjourned the House without Question put pursuant to the Standing Orders.

13. HOUSE ROSE - at One O'clock

MEMORANDUM

The Speaker will take the Chair on,

Wednesday, 1st October 2025 at 2.30 p.m.

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