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*The House met at the County Assembly Chamber,
Malindi Town, at 9:00 a.m.*

[The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Kenga) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

MOTION

ADOPTION OF THE REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE KILIFI-MARIAKANI WATER AND
SEWERAGE COMPANY (KIMAWASCO) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2013/14

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Thank you very much Members. Yes hon. Chairperson, Public Investments and Accounts Committee.

Hon. Kaingu: Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to move the following Motion:-

THAT, this honourable House adopts the Report of the Committee on Public Investments and Accounts on the Financial Statements for the Kilifi-Mariakani Water and Sewerage Company (KIMAWASCO) for the financial year 2013/2014 laid on the Table of this honourable Assembly on 21st February, 2017.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, I would like to give some highlights on this Motion...

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Hon. Chairperson, we need to get a seconder for the Motion.

Hon. Kaingu: I call upon hon. Japheth Nzaro to second this Motion.

(Hon. Nzaro seconded)

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Thank you very much hon. Chairperson and the seconder and this time I will now propose the question. The Chairperson will make his final submissions once the Members have had the opportunity to debate.

(Question proposed)

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Hon. Nzaro: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. I think this Report is long overdue because of the financial year 2013/14. So it is prudent that we deal with this Report once and for all so that these recommendations can improve the services of our...

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Kenga): There is an intervention from hon. Pascal Jacob Thuva. Please proceed.

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT UNDER STANDING ORDER NO. 50

REQUEST FOR AMPLE TIME FOR MEMBERS
TO GO THROUGH THE KIMAWASCO REPORT

Hon. Leader of Minority (Hon. Pascal): Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir, for this opportunity. We all understand that the Motion on the Floor of this House is so critical and we have wanted as Members to debate this Motion in a very conducive environment and again we wanted to go very deep into this Report but according to the information I have from the Members I have interacted with, I would like to move an Adjournment Motion to this Motion so that Members can get ample time to go through the voluminous Report.

I move an Adjournment Motion under Standing Order No. 50 (b) so that we can have ample time to go into detail of this Report and when we come to this House, we may debate it conclusively.

Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. I call upon hon. (Ms.) Muthoka to second this Motion. Thank you very much.

(Hon. (Ms.) Muthoka seconded)

(Question proposed)

Hon. (Ms.) Muthoka: Asante mshimiwa Spika kwa kunipa nafasi hii. Nataka kuunga mkono ili tuweze kuahirisha majadiliano kuhusu Ripoti hii iliyoko mbele yetu kwa sababu ukiangalia Ripoti hiyo ni kubwa na inahitaji umakini na nimeipitia mimi mwenyewe na bado sijaimaliza na ina mahesabu mengi sana. Tunavyojua ni kwamba sisi waheshimiwa hatuna wasaidizi ni sisi wenyewe tupitie kila kitu kwa umakini.

Ningeomba Bunge hili liweze kupeana nafasi tena ili waheshimiwa waweze kupitia vizuri na waweze kukagua mahesabu yote yaliyoko ndani ya Ripoti ile ili tukija kuipitisha Ripoti hii ama tukija kuijadili, kila mtu awe akili yake iko sawa. Maana nikiangalia hivi, vile tumejadiliana toka tulipoingia ndani ya Bunge hili naona waheshimiwa wengi huenda ikawa hawajamalizia kupitia Ripoti hii kama mimi vile ambavyo nimepitia kidogo lakini naendelea kumaliza. Ningeomba Bunge hili tuunge mkono ili tuweze kusongeza muda tukaweze kupitia Ripoti ile kwa umakini sana. Asante sana.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Thank you very much hon. (Ms.) Elizabeth Muthoka. There is a request from hon. Daniel James Mangi.

Hon. Mangi: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. I rise to support the adjournment of this Motion because I am one of those hon. Members who served in the then Local Authorities and much as I am informed of the contents of this Report, I still require time. What about the other

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Members who are not privy to what transpired then? This is therefore to say we should not hurry to adopt a Report that we may not know the nitty gritty hence it is prudent we have enough time to understand and by the time we debate, we will be well informed of what we are deliberating and as you know when we deal with money issues, we have to be extra careful. The need for adjournment is very necessary. I support.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Thank you very much hon. Daniel James Mangi for your contribution. There is a request from hon. Gibson Matano. Please proceed.

Hon. Matano: Asante mheshimiwa Spika. Nami naunga mkono kusitishwa kwa mjadala ulioko mbele yetu. Nafikiri ni Bunge hili ambalo liliomba tupelekwe mahali tuangalie ile Ripoti na hilo halikufanyika na tukajua kwamba ni jukumu letu kwamba hii Ripoti tuijadili, ndiposa tumechukua hatua moja baada ya nyengine kuiangalia kwa utaratibu. Nataka kuunga mkono...

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Kenga): There is an intervention from hon. Nzaro.

Hon. Nzaro: I think the Member is misleading this Assembly because we have not sought time to discuss this Report. The earlier Report is the one which we had discussed. We have not discussed this Report as an Assembly so we want to go and look at it. So I want him to correct that and withdraw those sentiments from the record.

Hon. Matano: Asante mheshimiwa Spika. Nataka kumwambia kitu mheshimiwa Nzaro kwamba swala lolote kuhusu mambo ya fedha lazima tuwe makini na hatuwezi kujiendea hivi hivi tu maana wengi wetu sio wahasibu; tuko na taaluma mbali mbali. Kwa hivyo, jambo lolote la kifedha tunahitaji muda mzuri wa kuliangalia. Hata ingekuwa ni uwezo wangu tungeiangalia pia lakini kwa maana muda umeenda na ni lazima tufanye haya maneno tumeamua kuiangalia wenyewe na tunaomba utupe muda ili tuiangalie na tunapokuja kuijadili katika Bunge hili, iwe tunajadili jambo tunalofahamu.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Thank you. There is a request from hon. (Ms.) Mwaro.

Hon. (Ms.) Mwaro: Asante sana mheshimiwa Spika kwa kunipa nafasi hii. Nasimama kupinga Hoja iliyoletwa na Kiongozi wa Wachache Bungeni. Mheshimiwa Spika, tunajua Ripoti hii imekaa muda mrefu na tunafahamu vyema kwamba muda hauko nasi. Kinachonishangaza ni kwamba mbali na mheshimiwa Matano, waheshimiwa waliosimama kuunga mkono ni waheshimiwa ambao wanapatikana katika Kamati ya upangaji ratiba wa kazi za Bunge na wanao ufahamu kwamba tangu juma lililopita tulipanga Ripoti hii ije katika Bunge hili. Sielewi ni vipi Ripoti hii leo iahirishwe maana tulijua kwamba itakuwepo na ilikuwa ni jukumu letu kama waheshimiwa tupitie hii Ripoti.

Jambo ningeongea ni kwamba tunaelewa kwamba maswala ya fedha ni nyeti lakini tumekuwa na wakati mrefu wa kupitia Ripoti. Nikikumbuka bayana katika ufahamu wangu ni kwamba Ripoti hii ilikuwa iletwe katika Bunge hili muhula uliopita kabla hatujaenda katika mapumziko. Iwapo tutaenda kuahirisha tena Ripoti hii nafikiri kutakuwa na vidole vingi vya lawama kwa Kamati hii.

Tugundue kwamba tuko hapa kwa muda na wananchi kule nje wanatuangalia; tufahamu kwamba tutahukumiwa kwa yale tulioyofanya hapa Bungeni. Mimi siungi mkono maana najua Kamati ipo na tuko na namba ya kutosha ya waheshimiwa katika Kamati hiyo, kwa lugha ya kimombo tunasema *quorum* na swala hili tunaweza kulijadili. Yaliyo katika Ripoti hii tunayafahamu kama Wanakamati na ikiwa pengine mtu hajadurusu sawa sawa Ripoti hii ilikuwa

asikize Wanakamati watasema nini naye aongezee kulingana na sehemu aliyosoma. Napinga Hoja hii.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Thank you. There is also a request from hon. Chai.

Hon. Chai: Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me time to ventilate on the matter of adjournment of the Motion which is on the Table. I am for the adjournment of the Motion because money matters are very sensitive and we should not take it very easy and just adopt a Report which we have not gone through. As we earlier said, we should take time for a voluminous Report like this which is sensitive. We should sit and discuss it so that when we come to the House, everybody will be in a position to contribute. With those sentiments, I would like to support the Adjournment Motion.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Thank you, hon. Chai. Hon. Mlanda proceed.

Hon. Mlanda: Mr. Speaker, I am in support of the adjournment of the debate because the document which we received contains a lot of important information and figures. We need ample time to go through it so that we understand that information and when contributing, then we should contribute to figures that we understand so that in case of any error, a Member can be in a position to rectify or make some adjustments in the Report. If we support as it is, then we will be doing it blindly and the after sometime you find that it is too late to rectify. I stand in support of the Adjournment Motion.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Thank you. Members, let us hear from hon. Nzaka.

Hon. Nzaka: Thank you for giving me this chance. Allow me to oppose the Adjournment Motion raised by my fellow hon. Member. Time is not with us and the Report is long overdue. It was here since we went for the long recess and I believe our able Clerks placed a copy of the Report in the pigeon holes of each and every Member...

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Hon. Member, the Motion that has been tabled is very clear that the Report was tabled before this House on 21st of February, 2017, which is last week. Therefore, you are wrong when you say it was tabled long before Members went for their recess. Please withdraw the Statement.

Hon. Nzaka: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for your correction. I am saying the Committee for Public Investment and Accounts sat and gave their recommendation during the long recess. I agree with you that it was tabled on 21st of February, 2017, but the Report was ready before then. So...

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Hon. Member, whether the Report was ready a long time ago, we are saying that it was tabled before the Assembly on 21st of February, 2017, and it is only then that Members were given the opportunity to go through the Report. Please wind up.

Hon. Nzaka: The point I would like to put across before the House is that Members have delaying techniques. They are trying to put down the work of the Committee on Public Investments and Accounts. My able Chairperson is really performing his duty but whenever he tries to stretch his hands, somebody somewhere is trying to pull him down. So, I urge my fellow hon. Members to pass this Motion because there is a lot of work for the PIC/PAC Committee which is supposed to come before the House. For your information, Mr. Speaker, Sir, this

document contains the Reports for 2013/2014 and now we are in 2016/2017 and we are heading to another financial year in July.

I urge my fellow hon. Members that time is not with us. We know that we are very busy on the ground but let us take these few minutes so that we can pass this Motion in order to give powers to the Committee to continue with the other business. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Thank you very much. I now give the Mover of the Adjournment Motion an opportunity to make his final contributions. Please proceed.

The Leader of Minority (Hon. Pascal): Thank you Mr. Speaker for this opportunity and I thank Members who have contributed to this Motion.

Mr. Speaker, the reason for this Motion on the Floor is not to suppress the effort of any Member. I put it straight that there are reasons behind my Adjournment Motion that Members were supposed to get ample time to go through this Report and I even put it straight that before moving that Motion, I had interacted with Members and I had some information and they were all in agreement that we have ample time so that each one of us could go deep into the Report.

Mr. Speaker, we all understand that this is the Report that carries the information before the inception of the County Government and it also includes the last financial year during the defunct Local Authorities period and adopting a document that has very vital information like that without perusing and going deep into it may make us burn our fingers. I am putting this in good faith so that each one of us can go very deep into the Report and peruse it properly so that when we come and submit into this House, then we will all be speaking from a well informed point of view.

So, I call upon hon. Members, both those of us who have supported and even those who have had a dissenting opinion to understand that this Motion is for the good for us all and Kilifi County at large. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

(Question put and agreed to)

(Debate adjourned)

ADJOURNMENT

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Kenga): There being no other business, this House stands adjourned until this afternoon at 2.30 p.m.

The House rose at 9:25 a.m.