

**REPUBLIC OF KENYA**  
**COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KILIFI**

**THE HANSARD**

**Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2018**

*The House met at the County Assembly Chamber,  
Malindi Town, at 2.30 p.m.*

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

**PRAYERS**

**MOTION**

ADOPTION OF THE REPORT ON THE GOVERNOR'S MEMORANDUM ON  
THE KILIFI COUNTY APPROPRIATION BILL, 2018

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): Yes, proceed the Chairperson for the Budget and Appropriations Committee.

**Hon. Kiraga:** Thank you so much Mr. Speaker. I beg to move the following Motion on adoption of the Report of the Budget and Appropriations Committee on the Governor's Memorandum on the Kilifi County Appropriation Bill, 2018:-

THAT, this House adopts the Report of the Budget and Appropriations Committee on the Governor's Memorandum on the Kilifi County Appropriation Bill, 2018 laid on the Table of this House on Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2018.

Mr. Speaker, before I give hon. Pascal Thuva a chance to second me, I wish to give the following submissions; on the 27<sup>th</sup> of June, 2018, this County Assembly passed the budget estimates 2018/2019 but the Governor refused to assent to the same citing some reasons and I believe the reasons are privy to the hon. Members.

One of the reasons was that we failed as a County Assembly to abide by the relevant laws as far as the County Fiscal Strategy Paper (CFSP) is concerned, and deviated from the core mandate of those regulations. As a Committee and as a House, we found that the Executive was the culprit of disobeying some of the Regulations. If you look at Regulation number one concerning the ceilings in the CFSP, the Executive disobeyed that and most Departments deviated from the required ceiling which is against the Public Finance Management Act, 2012.

This County Assembly had a resolution (resolution number six on the CFSP) that the projects or programmes which were collapsed in the first and second supplementary budget would form first charge in the budget estimate 2018/2019 which was disobeyed by the Executive.

Since the disobedience of relevant laws emanated from the Executive, we thought it better as a Committee that the Governor was doing a lot of harm and injustice to the House at large. The budget making process has a lot of room for consultation and that is why we held a **Disclaimer:** *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*

consultative meeting last week which comprised of both the Executive and the Assembly where an agreement was reached that savings from the Ward Development Fund Project be approved, at least seven million shillings from every Ward and that was done.

If you look at the recommendations, the first recommendation is that savings amounting Kshs245 million from the Ward Development Fund for the financial year 2017/2018 be approved from the projects attached in Annex (ii) and that emanated from the consultative meeting.

Again, Mr. Speaker, we also had some consultation regarding the County Assembly budget and this is due to the nominated Members that at least they start with two partisan staff. This is per the circular from the Salaries and Remuneration Commission (SRC); there was a circular on the same. So, just because we are running short of resources currently and this circular came even after the passage of the estimates, Mr. Speaker, through those consultations we found it better that some monies be sourced from the County Assembly budget to at least facilitate two partisan staff for the nominated Members. The Committee managed to source for funds from the training programme from the County Assembly as regards legislation in the County Assembly Budget that is around Kshs2.5 million.

Again, we also managed to source for Kshs1.82 million from the purchase of the sporting uniform from the County Assembly Budget to facilitate the two partisan staff. Basically, if you go to Annex (ii) that is the collapsed ward projects 2017/2018 that is where we had some savings. If you go to Annex (iii), that is where we have the reinstated Departmental programmes. Mr. Speaker, out of the Kshs245 million, Kshs139 million goes to the Department of Agriculture.

You remember the other time Mr. Speaker; we collapsed most of the programmes in the Agriculture Department. So out of those consultations and more so the Kshs245 million which was agreed upon, Kshs139 million went to the Department of Agriculture and this Annex is a re-alignment within that Department; how they were able to re-align those monies within that Department. But I would also wish to mention an item here; the Kshs139 million could not sufficiently complete the programmes we collapsed but there was some introduction of some other programmes within the Department whereby we also had some consultations with the relevant people within the Departments and more so the CEC Finance plus the Governor himself.

Some monies were to be sourced to add to the allocation of the production of the coconut tree in this county where if you look at the Budget, there was an allocation of five million shillings Mr. Speaker. So, from other sources which I am going to explain, we managed to source five million shillings to add up to the five million shillings already in the Budget to boost the Coconut Programme to Kshs10 million.

Again, there was an introduction of a new programme that is the cashew nut... five million shillings Mr. Speaker. There was also the reinstatement; you remember we chopped five million shillings from the Mzambarauni Road that is in Mtwapa which had been allocated Kshs81 million so we chopped off Kshs30 million. So, from those consultations we were now able to reinstate that amount so that the initial allocation which was Kshs81 million could now be realized.

Mr. Speaker, we all understand that we chopped Kshs54 million from the stadium which had been allocated Kshs100 million. There as a cry from the public and I think this cry reached the Executive, the CEC Finance and the Governor so they needed some money to reinstate that programme of Kshs100 million which was originally allocated to the stadium.

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Mr. Speaker, due to the Budget constraints, we could not go further collapsing some other projects and that is why we mandated the Executive to tell us where these monies can be sourced so that we refill the stadium programme. Through consultations, we agreed to further chop monies from the Deputy Governor's residence; the initial allocation was Kshs214 million and in the 2018/2019 budget that we approved, we had chopped Kshs114 million that means we were left with Kshs100 million. Now from that, Kshs100 million and from the consultations we had, we had to further chop Kshs54 million from the Deputy Governor's residence. So as at now, the Deputy Governor's residence stands at Kshs46 million. So, we are now seeking the approval of this honourable House. Mr. Speaker, the Kshs54 million was added to the stadium programme which had an allocation to be boosted to reach the original Kshs100 million.

Mr. Speaker, I do not want to go further because the other issues were just internal re-allocation of funds and majorly in the Department of Agriculture.

Mr. Speaker, I think the other issues still stand as we approved in the 2018/2019 Budget. Therefore, it is our humble request to seek an approval from this County Assembly. If you look in the Report on page 15, I think most of the issues remain as they were approved. It is self explanatory and that is what I have been explaining in this House. Therefore, Mr. Speaker may I now take this opportunity to ask hon. Pascal to second. Thank you very much.

**Hon. Pascal:** Thank you Mr. Speaker for the opportunity to contribute and demonstrate my support as a Member of this Committee who has been at the forefront in all the discussions about the Report. I want to stand before this House and concur and support the Chairman's submission on the same. We are here today to discuss the Governor's Memorandum and in his submission, he pointed out issues that he felt this Assembly had breached. One of the items was that we as an Assembly had diverted funds for some of the very critical agendas of both the County Government and National Government.

One of them is our ability to be food sufficient Mr. Speaker. In his Memorandum, he cited one critical issue of Galana-Kulalu which his Government had put substantial amounts of money to ensure that this project kicks off and for the wisdom or lack of it from this Committee; we had withdrawn some funds out of that project just because of some of the reasons that the Chairperson had earlier pointed out and we agree with him because we have been trying to look for money to sustain our people through food contributions and all that. The Committee agreed with him and we thought it would be wise to allocate funds to recover the money that we had previously collapsed from that fund.

This Committee looked for money and as we speak, the money is in the Budget and we support the Governor in kicking off that project. Galana- Kulalu has been a subject of discussion for quite some time and we as a County Government had gone up in arms in fighting the National Government because we felt it was not being fair and open in running this Galana-Kulalu project. It will be wise for this County Assembly to ensure that we allocate enough funds for the project to kick off.

Another very critical issue the Memorandum pointed out is about provision of quality medical services for its people. In its earlier planning, the County Executive had earlier put aside Kshs200 million for the Medical Complex so that we can have our own people treated locally instead of us taking them to Nairobi and other hospitals outside our County.

This Committee had chopped Kshs50 million out of the Kshs200 million and the Governor asked for the Kshs50 million to be reinstated so that that project can kick off and be completed for our people to benefit. And in the wisdom of this Committee, we agreed with him and allocated funds to complement the project to its original amount and as we speak, the

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Kshs200 million is intact in this Report and if we adopt this Report, then we will see the medical complex completed in good time for our people to benefit.

Another item that the Governor was in contention with is the issue of the stadium for the youth. As a County Government, we do not have any reliable stadium for our youth and when this money was chopped, there was an outcry from the youth from all corners of this County. So, we found it prudent to agree with the Governor's request that we look for monies to cater for the stadium. We had removed some monies but then we thought it would be wise to return its allocation to how it was.

This County Assembly as we speak will bare me witness that we as hon. Members have no proper stadium that we can rely on and go train. We go to Mombasa and other places for our training and it will be a bit ironical if we do not plan for our own stadium so we thought it wise and prudent to return that money. Again, there is the issue of certified seeds; in the First Assembly we as a County Government had been providing certified seeds for our people and that has increased our ability as a County to produce food for our families. This time round, we thought since there were challenges in distribution of the seeds, we thought it would be wise to scrap that particular allocation altogether but with the wisdom and explanations from the Governor, we found it wise to actually return this money there.

So, what we will actually be requesting the Executive is to manage this project properly because we do not want to see those problems that had been there before. We returned the funds but we cautioned them to ensure that they distribute these seeds in a very transparent and accountable manner.

Another critical issue that we felt should be adopted in this Report is the issue of cashew nuts and coconut trees. For decades, these have been the cash crops for Coast Province. We know we have been relying much on cashew nuts as a County and it is only that there are no proper policies that are governing the production of coconut and cashew nuts and since we got some donors as a County the way the Governor put it across, then there was need for us to put some budget allocation for the same so that we can encourage our farmers to revive the production of cashew nuts.

Mr. Speaker, we have seen the old cashew nut trees that need some replacement and we are told the donor has come up with an improved kind of seed that develops within a shorter time that can serve as a cash crop for our people and this shall alleviate them from poverty because we know out of the cashew nuts that will be produced within that very short period, it will sustain them for their daily food and probably their day to day spending. So there was need for us as a Government to ensure that we have some good allocation for the same so that we can jumpstart that project so that we can save our farmers.

Mr. Speaker, there are so many things that have been adopted and I call upon hon. Members, since the issues that have brought contentions; the issues of Ward Development projects that have been collapsed have made MCAs go up in arms to actually question all the things that the Governor has put in the budget. I think as a County Assembly we are advantaged because the Ward projects save for the seven million shillings that was chopped out of Kshs25 million that was put in the last financial year, I think we agreed with the Governor and the Committee so that we can move forward as an Assembly.

Thank you very much. I call upon hon. Members to actually applaud and support the adoption of this Report. Thank you.

*(Question proposed)*

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**Hon. Hassan:** Asante sana Bw. Spika, kwa kunipatia hii nafasi. Mimi nashukuru kwamba ile michango ambayo nilikuwa nataka kuitoa yote mheshimiwa Pascal amemaliza kuieleza na zaidi ni kwamba kwa unyenyekevu kabisa tuunge mkono hii bajeti kwa sababu tuko nyuma ikilinganishwa na wenzetu katika kaunti zengine.

Kwa hivyo, nimesimama kuunga mkono hii bajeti ipite mia kwa mia. Asante sana Bw. Spika.

**Hon. Mwayaa:** Asante mheshimiwa Spika. Mimi pia ningependa kuunga mkono hoja ya kupitisha bajeti yetu ya Kilifi Kaunti. Mimi kama Kiranja wa Bunge hili ningependa Bunge liweze kupitisha bajeti ya mwaka huu. Yako mengi ambayo yameangaliwa katika bajeti hii pamoja na ile *Memorandum* ya Gavana.

Mheshimiwa Spika, tukiangalia upande wa kilimo, kuna lile shamba letu la Galana-Kulalu tumepewa sehemu na Serikali kuu. Ni lazima tujipange katika bajeti hii kuna hata ghala la kuweka hifadhi ya mazao yetu baada ya kuvuna. Nimeona imepangiwa vilivyo na itajengwa kule na hiyo ni kujipanga baada ya kuwa tushavuna mazao yetu katika lile shamba kule.

Vile vile, tuko na uvuvi katika Kilifi vile vile haukuachwa mbali; tumeona kuwa kuna hifadhi za samaki baada ya kuwa washavuliwa baharini na kisha ikaonekana kuna kima cha pesa shilingi milioni saba ambazo zimepangwa kujenga bandari yetu ili tuweze kuwasafirisha hata kutoka hapa kwenda nje.

Mheshimiwa Spika, bajeti hii ikipita, Kilifi yetu itasonga mbele maanake kuna mengi ambayo yameangaziwa kwa sababu pia tunaangalia upande wa utalii. Miji yetu ikiwa safi, wageni watawutiwa kuja, na nikiangalia hivi upande wa bajeti yetu, imeangazia hasa ukusanyaji taka ili kwamba tuweze kuvutia watalii katika miji yetu. Kuna kima cha shilingi milioni 30 ambazo zinaangazia ukusanyaji taka ili miji yetu ikawe safi na watalii waweze kuja kwetu na sisi tuweze kupata mapato katika Kilifi yetu

Tukiangalia pia hasa kwangu Kayafungo na Wadi zengine, tunakumbwa na ukame wa maji mara kwa mara pia bajeti hii imeangazia tuweze kupata magari ya kubeba maji yaweze kusambaza maji katika maeneno yenye ukosefu wa maji hayo. Mheshimiwa Spika, ziko wadi zengine maji ya mfereji hayajafika. Tukipata magari haya watu wa Kilifi watafurahia maanake kule ambako maji hayajafika watakuwa wanaweza kupelekewa maji safi na magari haya na nikiangalia kima cha pesa ni kama shilingi milioni 26 ambazo zitawezesha kabisa wale ambao hawajaonja maji safi katika Kilifi yetu.

Mheshimiwa Spika, kufikia hapo, naunga mkono na nawaomba wenzangu waweze kuunga mkono yale mazuri ambayo tumeyataja yote ili yaweze kutimia ndani ya mwaka huu. Asante naunga mkono Ripoti hii.

**The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kenga):** The Leader of Minority hon. Matsaki.

**The Leader of Minority (Hon. Matsaki):** Asante sana mheshimiwa Spika kwa kunipatia nafasi hii. Kabla sijachangia kwanza nataka kuchukua nafasi hii kupongeza Kamati ya Bajeti. Kusema kweli, Kamati ya Bajeti imefanya kazi nzuri. Mimi nimekuwa namsikiza Mwenyekiti maelezo aliyokuwa akitoa, kusema kweli, kama Kilifi Kaunti safari hii tumevuna kwa sababu ni mengi yatafanyika kulingana na vile tutapitisha hapa.

Lile ambalo ningetaka kuliomba Bunge hili, mengi hivi sasa tunavyozungumza yamelala na hakuna miradi inayoendelea kwa sababu ya bajeti hii. Ni jukumu la bajeti hii kuona kwamba ile miradi ambayo pia ilikuwa imekwama mnamo 2017/2018 tunapopitisha bajeti hii, miradi ile yote na ile ya 2018/2019 pia itakuwa inaweza kufanyika huko mashinani.

Kwa hivyo, ombi langu ni kuwasihahi waheshimiwa wenzangu katika Bunge hili kwamba tupitishwe bajeti hii ili kwamba tusichelewe zaidi kwa sababu hivi tunavyozungumza ikiwa leo ni

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tarehe 31 lakini ukweli ni kwamba hata sisi ambao tuko hapa wengine watashindwa hata kupeleka magari yao kwenda nyumbani kwa sababu bajeti haijapita na hakuna pesa. Kwa hivyo, nawaomba kwa unyeyekevu tupitisha bajeti hii ili kwamba kila kitu kiwe kitaenda vile ambavyo tunatarajia.

Pia, ningetaka kuchukua nafasi pia kumpongeza Gavana; aliangalia yale ambayo tulikuwa tumepitisha lakini pia katika ile *Memorandum* ambayo aliileta hapa, ni kweli na pia sisi tumeona pale ambapo kidogo tulikuwa tumeteleza tumekubaliana na yeye na tumefanya yale ambayo ni muhimu tufanye ili kwamba bajeti ipite bila tashwishwi yoyote. Kwa hivyo, mimi nasimama kuunga mkono bajeti hii ili ipite katika Bunge hili. Asanteni sana na Mungu awabariki.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): Thank you very much for your contributions, we now move to the Member for Kakuyuni Ward.

**Hon. Mramba:** Thank you Mr. Speaker and I rise to support the adoption of the Report of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations. To be specific, I want to thank the leadership of hon. Albert Kiraga Hare (Kiraga) the Member for Gongoni and his Committee for doing a very good job. Again, I wish to thank His Excellency the Governor Amason Jeffah Kingi who in his own wisdom we had deviated somewhere but he called us to a *kamkunji* after that he had written a Memorandum to the Assembly where we discussed and we thought it better to go by his advice.

Mr. Speaker, there is nothing bad in starting our own Galana-Kulalu. This Assembly earlier on in a Motion brought forward by hon. Stanley Karisa Kenga of Adu Ward urged the National Government to give us back the Galana-Kulalu project because agriculture is a devolved function. The Governor talked to the National Government and the Kilifi County was given 400, 000 acres of land bordering the Galana-Kulalu project as a pilot project so that they can see if really we can manage such project of that magnitude Mr. speaker.

We were given 400, 000 acres of land to start our own farm. If we prove to the National Government that we can really do something, then ultimately the larger Galana-Kulalu will be given back to the people through the County Government of Kilifi.

Mr. Speaker, it is very nice for us to have a budget now because very soon we may see some industrial problems because if workers do not get salaries on time, it may lead to strikes and some other things will have to go bad especially in hospitals and dispensaries where money is needed for the purchase of drugs and even at the County Assembly.

Mr. Speaker, I beg to support the adoption of this Report and can we please pass it immediately so that the Governor can sign it and move to Nairobi for uploading so that by next week, money begins to trickle down. Thank you and I beg to support.

*(Applause)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): Hon. Gogo.

**Hon. Gogo:** Asante Mheshimiwa Spika. Nimesimama pia kuonyesha wajumbe wenzangu wapi kura yangu iko.

*(Applause)*

Nasimama kuunga mkono Hoja hii nikiwa na sababu mbili au moja tu muhimu. Jambo la kwanza waheshimiwa wenzangu ni kwamba hii bajeti kama wabunge wa Kilifi tulihusishwa

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kuanzia mwanzo hadi mwisho. Kwa hivyo, hatuna sababu yoyote ambayo itafanya sisi siku hii ya leo hii bajeti tusiipitishе.

*(Applause)*

Pili, sisi twajua kwamba kazi yetu kama waheshimiwa tumeanza tarehe moja mwezi wa saba lakini mwananchi kule chini hana hizo habari. Yeye anafahamu tarehe nane mwezi wa nane tulichaguliwa na mwaka umemalizika na hawajaona kazi ya waheshimiwa kule chini.

Nina imani ya kwamba wale ndugu zetu ambao wana kesi kortini, hatuombi waende kwa uchaguzi mdogo lakini ikiwa itabidi waende, watakuwa na wakati mgumu sana kueleza wananchi ni kwa nini wamechaguliwa mwaka mzima na hawajafanya kazi.

Kwa hivyo, naomba wajumbe wenzangu, hii bajeti tuiptishе tuanze kupeana kazi kwa wananchi. Asante sana Mungu awabariki.

*(Applause)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): The Leader of Majority.

*(Hon. Mwathethe Spoke off record)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): Can you please give him the microphone.

**Hon. Mwathethe:** Mr. Speaker, the County has stayed for over a month and I think it will be the first time that Kilifi County has gone without a budget for that long. Before I proceed any further, let me give my sincere thanks to the leadership of the Budget Committee, the Chairperson Budget himself for having pointed out earlier the things that were not in order which actually triggered the Memorandum.

Mr. Speaker, the Memorandum is that the County Assembly cannot re-arrange the figures to a tune of more than one percent. That one we agree on, so, through the Chairperson Budget everything was put in order. Some consultations were done and here we are with a budget that everybody believes in today.

The big four agendas of the National Government may remain with the National Government but at large. On the big three agendas that this Country started from the word go, that is poverty, diseases and food; if you look at our budget today, the Kilifi budget that we have before us has majored a lot on food security and health.

If we are spending over so many millions in building the complex that we will not have our people going to Mombasa or any other hospital, then that is a good move because we are looking at self-sufficiency in regard to matters of health. A person from Marereni and wherever you want may have a problem that cannot be addressed at that level.

Our ambulances as you know have been running all the way back and forth from Kilifi to Mombasa as if Mombasa is our heartbeat so having a complex of our own will at least ease that problem. We will be spending less on our ambulances in terms of fuel and maintenance and what not.

Then again, the well spoken Galana-Kulalu that we have always been making noise about is in our land but it is not ours. Today, it is becoming ours because if we have over around 400, 000 acres of food, that means, Mr. Speaker, the popular of *msolo* that everybody has been talking

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about which has been brought to Kilifi County every time we have shortage from the National Government, then we can have our own *msolo* from within.

“*Msolo*” is food that is given for free to those who are very poor and just about to die because of hunger. That one will put our county in a better level. Again Mr. Speaker, I want to thank the Budget Committee for having scrapped the money for the Deputy Governor’s house and put it on the stadium for the County.

Mr. Speaker, you will remember that this year’s inter-county games will be held in Kisii. Kisii is a smaller town and also a smaller county compared to Kilifi but it has the infrastructure where it can hold about so many people from all over the counties. It has the hotels and the stadiums. In Kilifi we have none. The only stadium we can boast about is Karisa Maitha as small as it is; with no infrastructure at all, just the grass and two goal posts. Nothing else! So having a state-of-the-art stadium in Kilifi County means it will put us in the focus so that at least at one time we can also host the inter-county games in Kilifi County. We all know how many people it attracts and how much it brings in. The other day we were in Meru, the other day in Kakamega and when shall it be in Kilifi if we will not put such like infrastructure? So in very few words, I wish to support the adoption of this Report. Thank you.

**Hon. Mae:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I would like to first congratulate hon. Kiraga the Chairperson for the Budget Committee and I think hon. Leader of Majority has said almost everything that I wanted to say. As a former professional football player, it has been a dream for me to see a stadium...

*(Hon. Mramba stood on a Point of Order)*

**Hon. Mramba:** Hon. Cantona Mae is claiming that he is a former professional footballer; can he please tell us which clubs he played for if he is indeed a former professional footballer? Thank you.

*(Laughter)*

**Hon. Mae:** Thank you. I think if you want to know my background then see me after this otherwise we are here to debate the issue of the Budget which I stand to support. Thank you.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Kenga): Hon. Members, the Motion has been seconded and deliberated by Members of the Assembly. I now put the question.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to transact, this House stands adjourned until tomorrow Wednesday at 2.30 p.m. Thank you.

**The House rose at 3:21 p.m.**

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