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

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

**PRAYERS**

**COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR**

**REMOVAL OF ORDER No. 5 FROM THE ORDER PAPER**

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Hon. Members, you will see that Order No. 5 has been skipped. That is a result of the consultations that I had with the Budget Committee thus it was removed from today's Order Paper.

**STATEMENTS**

**RESPONSE ON THE BENESI WATER PAN REHABILITATION**

**Hon. Hassan:** Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir, for giving me this opportunity to respond on the Statement to the County Executive Committee Member in charge of Water and Sanitation. I would wish to respond to the Statement to me through the Chairperson for Water and Sanitation Services Committee dated 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2016 as follows;

That I am not aware that the rehabilitation of Benesi water pan has stopped. The following is the official position as far as the Department of Water, Environment, Forestry and Natural Resources and Solid Waste Management is concerned. Contract No: Tender IFMIS (Integrated Financial Management Information System) No. 195280-2015/2016, awarded on 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2016. Bid price Kshs. 9,491,222. First payment was Kshs. 7,918,225. Balance was Kshs. 1,572,997.

Scope of the works: Excavation work to create a new embankment downstream of the old one, that one is done. Introduction of a water draw off system complete with a screen filled with filter media that is also done. Excavation work to remove the annual embankment, which is done. Valve chamber and installation of a control valve downstream, that one is also done. Construction of a concrete spillway sill, 10 meters wide superimposing the old one- done. Fencing of the dam area which is ongoing just waiting for the money to be pumped in. Construction of a water fetching point ongoing. Construction of cattle trough-ongoing.

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Procurement installation of 6 No. 10m<sup>3</sup> plastic water storage tank with plinths to be positioned at strategic points (Mbari ya Gumo, Mwanjama, Dzanikeni, Mikomani, Makanzani junction and Kasidi)-not yet done.

**Highlights;** mud at the base of the pan yet to be removed: I am well aware that there is mud at the base of the pan yet to be removed. In the process of merging the new embankment and the old pan area amid substantial rainfall, there was need to bring in dry soil to allow the heavy machinery reach out to the wet and muddy section of the old pan area. This did not work as the machinery almost got stuck into the mud. This made the machinery incur downtime as they were now redundant owing to the ground condition. Since machine hire is based on number of days out in the field, it was only prudent that they get withdrawn by the contractor and be brought when the weather condition allowed otherwise they would still be attracting or incurring charges when in essence they were idle. An excavator was brought there recently during the Governor's tour of Ruruma Ward but the ground was found to be still wet for the machine to operate. The Department is still monitoring the weather condition and soil situation and the soil shall be removed as soon as it becomes dry enough to do so.

**Screen Safety:** The Screen as part of the draw off system shall always be positioned at the lowest point of the pan otherwise you will end up with some "dead storage". The screen complete with the media filter is 2m from the base of the pan where the draw of pipe sits. The concern that some soil may clog part (not the whole of the screen) is genuine. However, part of what was to be removed in the above paragraph is this lump of soil just before the screen. Once that happens, the screen and the whole system shall be safe.

**Spillway positioning:** Spillway positioning is a function of the embankment crest level and the free board. The embankment crest according to the surveyors reduced level is 6.5m above the base of the pan. The spillway level is 5.3m above the base of the water pan. This gives the structure a freeboard of 1.2m. The levels taken by the surveyor for the spillway with respect to the embankment crest level is adequate for the safety of the pan. Technically speaking, there is no cause for alarm with the spillway and the safety of the structure.

**Conclusion:** Works on the Benesi water pan are still going on and such have not stopped. The Department shall at the right time carry out a final inspection to determine completion of the same and that all technical safeguards have and will still be looked into until the end of the project just to make sure we have a successful project. Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir.

**Hon. Kombo:** The reply to the Statement is not satisfying when the CEC Member says that he is not aware that works on the project have stopped and yet these activities began in early May and by the beginning of June all the machinery on site was removed. We all know that since then it has been dry all over; all the excavation works were carried out when it was wet. The idea of removing the machines early June was something that caused an alarm. When the CEC says that the base of the pan is wet we all know that that is not the truth on the ground. The machines which were there were removed deliberately hoping that rain will come so that it will make it impossible for the machines to work but there has been no rain to date. He should give a better reason why the machines were removed on site before the completion of this project.

On the issue of the screen safety, from the photos that are attached to the statement, we have all seen that the screen is well placed below the level of the water pan and when the rains come it will collect all the water together with the mud on top of the screen making it useless.

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While at the further ground they had constructed a drinking trough for animals and fetching points for the beneficiaries of this water pan.

On the spill way, I want to say that the spill way is not well positioned above the ground or the level of embankment and it will cause danger to people living around the water pan. This is because the water will not be able to go through the spill way but it will lie on the embankment.

On the storage tanks; the six number of storage tanks that have been said, I would like to say that this project begun in May. Why they have not been installed to date raises a question. The people of Ruruma Ward are facing an acute water shortage and without enough storage tanks then the people continue to suffer. I am not satisfied with the reply from the CEC and I am looking forward to your hand in this matter, Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Okay, what you need to do is seek further clarification from the Chairperson on the areas which you have mentioned in particular so that he can be able to seek further clarification. If it is about water tanks and you feel that there are not there you need to seek further clarifications whether indeed it is true that there are any water tanks there. So, the ball is still in your court hon. Naphtali Kombo.

**Hon. Kombo:** Thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Yes hon. Stanley Kenga, what is your intervention?

**Hon. Kenga:** Thank you Hon. Speaker. Looking at the contributions made by the hon. Member who is the area Ward Representative of the said water pan, I do not know, but we need your guidance on the same that the Chairperson follows up the issue with the CEC on the same. As a Committee in this Assembly, are we in order if we request that the Committee carries out investigations on the same? This is because the information that we are receiving from the hon. Member who is the Ward Representative is very different from what we are receiving from the CEC.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): It is quite in order. There is no problem with that. In fact, the easiest way to go about is... you know hon. Hassan does not sit in the Executive in this case he has only been used as the messenger. If the issues as said by hon. Naphtali Kombo totally contradicts to what the Chairperson has said on behalf of the CEC Member, then what you do hon. Hassan is convey a meeting for him to come and clarify further to you all the issues that have been raised and if possible you also could have asked hon. Naphtali Kombo to attend the meeting but it is not necessary.

Ordinarily, as the Chairperson you are the one who is mandated to ensure that you get the right information on behalf of the Member who sought the Statement. The easiest way that I would advise you to do is that you arrange for a meeting of the Committee and invite the CEC Member. As it seems, hon. Naphtali Kombo has disputed everything. Is that not so hon. Naphtali Kombo? Are you in agreement with any of the issues that have been said by the CEC Member?

**Hon. Kombo:** Not so.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): That is okay. That means that hon. Hassan to save you the trouble of going and coming back, why don't you just call the CEC Member and ask the issues raised by hon. Naphtali Kombo then you get clarity and table them in the next sitting? I think that is okay?

**Hon. Hassan:** Yes Sir, thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Yes hon. Nzaka, you have an intervention?

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**Hon. Nzaka:** Yes. Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. I am a neighbour of Ruruma Ward because I come from Mwawesa Ward and we are bordering each other. I want to confirm that the situation I am seeing at the ground is not as per the response we have received from the CEC Member. My proposal is that the Committee on Public Investments and Accounts carries out investigations as per the Benesi Water Pan.

*(Laughter)*

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): No! No! No! The matter is still under the Water Committee...

*(Laughter)*

Unless you want to form a joint Committee which at this stage I do not think it is necessary. Let hon. Hassan who is also a Member of PIC and PAC do that job and then report back to this House. Thank you for letting us know that you are a neighbour and that what has been said is not the real picture on the ground. Yes hon. Foleni, you are also a neighbour?

**Hon. Foleni:** No! No! I am an interested party. Thank you hon. Speaker. I also wish to pass some sort of advice to my able Chairperson who is also my neighbour. I would like to probably say that before they call the CEC can they probably arrange with hon. Naphtali Kombo so that the Committee can have a visit so that when they engage the CEC, the Whole Committee will be aware of what is on the ground. Thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): So that they do not rely on hear say?

**Hon. Foleni:** Yes.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): That is coming from an upcoming advocate that is what I hear.

*(Laughter)*

It is a good idea hon. Hassan if you want to explore that option; I mean... your oversight role...because again from where you sit you need to speak with authority. It seems to be a continuous issue. I will allow the Committee on Water to visit the area first so that by the time you are calling the CEC Member you do not have to be lied to your faces and it will save more time on this matter. Thank you hon. Foleni for your candid free advice. Yes hon. (Dr.) Mzungu (Chitibwi).

**Hon. (Dr.) Chitibwi:** Thank you very much hon. Speaker. In addition to what has been mentioned by other Members particularly the Member for Ruruma, there is one area of concern which I think needs an explanation. The contract sum is Kshs. 9.5 million according to this reply. There is a lot of work that needs to be done but the contractor has already been paid Kshs. 7.9 million which constitutes 85% of the contract sum. What is the justification for this amount of money to be paid considering that there is a retention of 5% what is going to make this contractor come back to finish this that there is a retention of 5%? What is going to make the contractor come back to finish this work?

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): It is a very good question.

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**Hon. (Dr.) Chitibwi:** I think that is a question that needs to be answered

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): I believe what is remaining is the retention, isn't it? So if the retention is 5% then ideally the contractor has almost been paid everything. Those are the questions that you need to interrogate hon. Hassan. Hon. Dr. Chitibwi has made a very keen observation. Hon. Mwambire.

**Hon. Mwambire:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I am getting curious with the response from the Chief Executive Committee Member (CEC). Though I have been visiting the Ward but I am not aware of the position at the moment. When I was reading the response especially on the month and the days on the pan yet to be removed on the second line from the last, let me read the line so that you can understand my concern, "An excavator was brought recently during the Governors tour to Ruruma Ward but the ground was found to be still wet for the machine to operate". Mr. Speaker, the CEC Member is exposing a very serious issue in this county. Does it mean that when the Governor is visiting any part of this county is when all the projects will be looked into? Does it mean that all the machinery in the county will be taken to any place so long as the Governor is visiting that place? If the Governor was not visiting, it means the excavator could not be taken there. Now, the excavator is exposed, it is in Ruruma Ward and they found that they could not do anything. Does it mean that they just carry an excavator without knowing what is on the ground?

These are some of the pertinent issues that the Committee needs to investigate. Otherwise, I feel this was a misuse of public resources because carrying an excavator from Kilifi to Ruruma is costly and I do not see the importance of them carrying it without knowing what is on the ground. If this is what is happening, I believe this Report goes to the HANSARD and it will go to the website for people in the county and outside the county will be reading it. It means we are not serious. Let the Committee be hard on them so that they can stop this un-necessary misuse of public resources.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): That one is well captured. Let's hear from hon. Kiraga.

**Hon. Kiraga:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I have a concern. If you look at the first line of the response, number one: "That I am not aware that the rehabilitation of the Benesi water pan has stopped." The CEC should be advised on how to answer Statements. This is a hon. House and we are hon. Members, when need hon. things. Thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): It is very interesting because he says he is not aware that it has stopped and then he goes to explain that it has stopped. I think the picture is already in the air. We do not need to... hon. Foleni and hon. Kenga I know you have to say something.

**Hon. Foleni:** Thank you hon. Speaker for this second opportunity. I am also happy to note that hon. Kiraga who visited the US has actually improved in his spoken English; that was on a light note. Hon. Speaker, when I go through this Statement, it is full of public relations because the CEC is talking about having awarded this tender on 28<sup>th</sup> of April, 2016 and he has not gone ahead to tell us who was awarded this tender. So I am reading a lot of mischief in his Statement. Therefore, more investigations should be done.

Secondly, there are contractors who have stayed over a year without payments; how come the same tender that was awarded on 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2016 was already awarded 85% before the close of the financial year barely two months? I am reading a lot of mischief in this particular Statement. The CEC should stop this kind of public relation Report that he normally brings to

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this House. We are fed up and hon. Chairperson take charge so that we can have this CEC brought to book.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Yes hon. Kenga.

**Hon. Kenga:** Thank you very much. The first time I made my contribution was on a Point of Order but now I want to contribute regards to the response that we have received. Mr. Speaker, I have a concern on the issue of the excavator as what the hon. Deputy Speaker was putting it. Is this asset owned by the County Government of Kilifi or is it an asset that was hired during the Governor's tour? Maybe these are some of the issues that need to be looked into because here is work that was given out to somebody to carry out and the contractor is going to be paid fully. It is coming out as if an excavator was taken by the County Government. I do not know whether we are getting the right information as regards to the Statement. We need to be clear on whether the excavator is a County Government asset or it is a machine that was hired by the contractor to enable them do that work. Thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Yes hon. Kombo.

**Hon. Kombo:** Mr. Speaker, I want to thank you for letting my colleagues contribute on this matter but since the Committee on Water will be visiting Ruruma Ward, I would like to make a humble request to the Committee to investigate another project, still under water; Kidatani, Manjana extension project, an extension of an existing pipeline of about seven kilometres that was awarded Ksh. 10 million and the water now goes up to about three kilometres only. The remaining 4 kilometres have not received water for the last four months. This is an issue which needs to be looked at by the Committee.

My great worry as to why I brought the Statement to this House is that 85 % of this project has already been awarded and yet the work done is about 50 %. When we look at the state of the base of the water pans, when it rains today, no works can continue on this project forever because once water collects there, that is it for good. What will happen if rains come today? We started seeing rain from yesterday. Several parts of the county have received rain. For purposes of record, I have included Kidatani-Manjama extension pipeline to be investigated by the same Committee. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Now, the Chairperson Water in liaison with the office of the Clerk this week after the session on Wednesday you visit the area of contention there and hon. Naphtali Kombo make sure you are there for one reason that you will carry the response of the County Executive Committee (CEC) Member and you will carry the request for the Statement. Then you try to compare the two and then you take your own notes and photos of what you see on the ground and come back and give a Report in this House for the same.

Of course if you have the time to visit the other areas although hon. Naphtali Kombo is trying to be smart to sneak in some other business which is not formal, but also being a Committee of Water, and you will be in the same jurisdiction, if you have the time you can visit the area and maybe hon. Naphtali Kombo you can bring that matter formally before the House.

**Hon. Hassan:** Mr. Speaker, it will vary with the money. There is no problem if the money is there then the time will be there.

*(Laughter)*

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## CONSTRUCTION OF PEDESTRIAN WALK WAYS IN KILIFI CBD AND WATAMU-TIMBONI AREAS

**Hon Mupe:** Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. I rise to respond to the Statement which was brought to the House by hon. Emmanuel Chai under the Department of Roads, Transport and Public Works. Mr. Speaker, Sir, the Department of Roads, Transport and Public Works begs to respond as follows:-

The tender for construction of Non-Motorized Transportation ways (NMT)/ pedestrian walk ways in Kilifi Central Business District (CBD) was awarded to Kaseru Construction Company for a sum total of Ksh. 22 million in the FY 2014/2015. However, during the implementation, it was discovered that the design given was fundamentally flawed and not conclusive. In a bid to correct this anomaly, the resident engineer gave several corrective site instructions to the contractor, which he failed to undertake. Eventually the contract had to be terminated and a new design prepared and tendered for afresh.

Before the termination, the contractor had been paid Ksh. 16 million for the materials delivered on site and labour cost. It's impressive to note that even in the new design, there is no loss encountered by the Department as the same materials delivered on site will be re-used by the new contractor.

On Kilifi and Watamu storm water drainage project, the tender was awarded to Holom Ltd. at a tender sum of Ksh. 17, 482,248 and was to construct storm water drains at Kilifi Biashara Street, Imarika Sacco to Kilifi Primary, and Watamu-Timboni area. He was also to construct vertical drains at Kilifi Primary and Timboni.

Both the storm water drain for Kilifi Biashara Street and Timboni Watamu were completed without challenges. However, some challenges were encountered on the Imarika Sacco- Kilifi Primary Drain. Initially it was intended to be an open drain with reinforcement metal gratings on top. However, it was realized later that the metal gratings cannot sustain the heavy trucks which park along the drainage especially at Almadina Hardware. We therefore had to change the design of the top cover to reinforce concrete. It should be noted that change of design during implementation of a project is nothing out of the ordinary and is allowed in engineering so as to forestall any arising issues and also take care of unforeseen challenges that were overlooked or not considered at design stage.

Also take note that this county has not lost any money as costs for such changes are normally factored in the contracts, or even if not factored, the resident engineers is allowed to make adjustments in the scope of work to accommodate the changes as long as the projects contract sum is not altered. Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Yes, hon. Emmanuel Chai.

**Hon. Chai:** Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me the chance to respond to the response given by the Department of Roads, Transport and Public Works. Members, if you check the response, it is the same as the one which has been given by the Department of Water. There are some sentences where the CEC is telling us that there were no challenges, and then there is a statement which states that challenges were faced at a certain place. He is also telling me or forcing us to accept that such anomaly is allowed by the engineer. The CEC has not indicated that after paying the Ksh. 16 million from the Ksh. 22 million because the first contractor has bid for Ksh. 22 million he was paid Ksh. 16 million, he has not told us whether the second contractor

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took from the difference of Ksh. 22 million and Ksh. 16 million and he was paid the difference. He has not explained to us, which makes me to say that the answer is not satisfactory because I do not know how much the second contractor was awarded. So, I think with that answer, he needs to bring to our attention how much the second contractor was awarded.

Secondly, he is telling us that before the termination, there is no loss encountered by the Department as the same materials delivered on the site will be used by the new contractor. Hon. Members, if you pass through Kilifi town and if you have been keen on what is happening on the ground that is what caught my attention because at first they were using dust from the quarry to put the cabros which were colourless. The second materials which are being used now are only cabros which are red and green in color. Now I am wondering when he is telling me that the first material which was procured is going to be re-used. I do not know where it is being re-used because at first the cabros were laid on dust from the quarry, now I am seeing that first the quarry dust was laid. Now what I am seeing is that the second contractor is not using the quarry dust but he is now using river sand. If he is telling me that the material which was supplied at first is going to be used, I am very worried of this and I even had to take some photos when I was in Kilifi. The removed material was just placed aside to give way to new material. What I wanted to see here is how much; if the first material was costing Ksh 16 million I do not know how much the second material was costing and how much the second contractor quoted. We want to at least see how this work is going on if he is telling us that there is no loss which is incurred.

I am very sure the second contractor is supplying good material not like the first ones which were breaking every time. Even motorbikes could break the first material that was initially used. This second material is very good. The difference between Ksh 16 million and Ksh 22 million is Ksh 6 million. I am not very sure whether the second contractor quoted it at Ksh 6 million, while the first material had cost Ksh 16 million. To cut the long story short, I want to tell the CEC in charge through the Chairperson of the Roads Committee that the response is not enough. I urge hon. Members if you travel through kilifi you can see the material which was initially used. Thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Okay, thank you. Hon. (Dr.) Chitibwi.

**Hon. (Dr.) Chitibwi:** Thank you very much Mr. Speaker, Sir. Allow me to make some comments on this reply which I feel is not satisfactory. One, the language used just brushing off, the words, “there is no loss encountered by the Department.” Such words should be backed by figures, not just “no loss.” Like hon. Chai is saying, we should be told how much the new contract is asking for so that we know there is a loss or not. The Department has employees; of course that money is not coming from the pockets so there can be no loss but how about the people of Kilifi County? As requested by hon. Members, we need to have figures here; there is a lot of laxity and I think this House is being taken for granted.

The sentence there, “should be noted that, change of design during the implementation of a project is nothing out of the ordinary and it is allowed in engineering” are we being told that a surgeon can make a mistake while he is operating and that will not be out of the ordinary? We believe the person designing this is an engineer and he should have designed it well if it has to change it has to be something new to make it necessary. When you talk of the road at Almadina, everybody knows that it is a heavy traffic area and when we saw that work had started, we the ordinary people knew that this design was wrong. We are aware that these are things that are used by the technical people to make the Government lose money; whether they benefit

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personally or not is a question yet to be answered. I think they are not taking good care of county money.

The third point Mr. Speaker, I wish to bring up is, there was a question being asked about the drainage and here the answer is mixing two areas, Kilifi and Watamu. I believe these are two different contracts. We should have an answer for Kilifi and an answer for Watamu. This is a matter that is being used to confuse the Assembly so that we may not be able to question further. I would request through the hon. Member can we have these answers separated so that we see whether they are satisfactory or not? I wish to point out to the Chairperson; we wish to note that the Department of Roads has been bringing very opaque projects to this Assembly. Opaque in the manner, we are told Ksh 20 million for roads in Kilifi; we do not know where those roads are. The following year Ksh 20 million for roads in Kilifi; which are those roads? Another year Ksh 20 million for roads in Kilifi, is this deliberate so that Government money is misused? I am asking you my colleague if you could ask those people in that office to be specific and not take this House for granted. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Okay, hon. Dele.

**Hon. Dele:** Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir, for given me this opportunity to also contribute on the response given by the Minister in charge of the Roads Department. It is very amazing for a hon. Minister to give us this response. In his mind I think he undermines the powers of this House. If you go to the first paragraph line four in the middle he states that “it was discovered that the design given was fundamentally flawed and not conclusive”, but really a whole Department and one can raise the question. Who in the first place did this? The blame belongs to him, he was asked...

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Hon. Stanley (Kenga) you have an intervention?

**Hon. Kenga:** Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. The Member keeps on repeating the hon. Minister; I am worried that in the County Government we have no ministers, please.

**Hon. Dele:** Thank you Mr. Speaker...

*(Hon. Dele's mic. went off)*

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Sorry press that again.

**Hon. Dele:** I also wish to thank my hon. Member who is here for the electorates of Adu Ward. The Member in charge of Roads and Transport, who is also the CEC Member in charge of Roads. Hon. Speaker if you go to the first paragraph line four in the middle he states that; “it was discovered that the design given was fundamentally flawed and not conclusive...” Actually the whole Department has a responsibility there. We wanted to know why the first contractor was paid a certain amount of money then changed to another contractor. Then he went further notifying us how much the new contractor was awarded again. He further goes and tells us that there is no loss of money.

I have a feeling the reason why the first contractor did not complete the job was because... I know of Kaseru and Kaseru Contractors. I believe there is a conflict of interest because I know the senior directors of the company. That might be one of the reasons why the contract was terminated and why such a big amount of money was paid. Ksh 16 million out of Ksh 22 million. Hon. Speaker, the contract was terminated and why such a big amount of money; Ksh. 16 million out of 22? You cannot tell me Ksh 16 million was mainly purposed for material.

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Actually there is a case for him to answer but we need the hon. CEC Member for Roads and Transport to articulate each and every issue in a proper manner that this hon. House will satisfy itself with the Report so that all facts needed to be proven; either money was lost or there was corruption in between should be articulated...

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Hon. Dele, there are two interventions; one from hon. Mlanda. Yes hon. Mlanda.

**Hon. Mlanda:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. If I understood hon. Dele well, he says he is aware of the contractors of Kaseru. Can he name them so that we can also know who Kaseru contractors are? Thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Contractors or directors?

**Hon. Mlanda:** Directors, sorry.

**Hon. Dele:** If I can answer the hon. Member who comes from Ganda Ward representing the electorates, it is not only me, even the hon. Member who has just asked me a question knows Kaseru. Kaseru Contractor has a construction at his ward and the Member is fully aware unless he just wants me to give his name. For sure there is a conflict of interest between the Kaseru directors and the County Government of Kilifi. That is ...

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): So, why do you want to jump into waters that you do not want to swim? Hon. Mlanda says you name the Directors and you are telling us in fact the same company has been working in his ward. So by virtue of that it means he also knows them or you want them to go on record? Yes hon. Mlanda...

**Hon. Mlanda:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. It's not always when contactors come to our wards that we know them. We just see contactors working on these projects. I will be very happy if he could also name them so that I can be aware. I know the name but I do know the directors. Thank you.

**Hon. Dele:** For that matter hon. Speaker, I will avail to this hon. House a proper documentation that has the names of the directors. I do not want to name them here but I will bring facts with documentation of which we shall familiarize ourselves and know the truth on who are the directors and maybe to some extent we will realize why the contract was terminated and why such a big amount of money was paid. The Chairperson for Transport is to again seek good clarification. The CEC member for Transport and Roads should articulate in a proper manner that this hon. House will understand there is a good reason why Kaseru was terminated, how much was Kaseru paid and how much the new contractor has been paid. From there, we shall conclude if either the statement written by the hon. member is right that the County Government has not lost any single cent. For him to just brush out that there is no money left while he has not articulated the issue, I do not agree with that and I need more clarification through the Chairperson of the relevant Committee. Thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): There is a statement in law but in Latin which says that "res ipsa loquitur" which means the facts must speak for themselves. It appears to me that the statements before us standing as responses do not have adequate facts and I have so many requests because people are not satisfied. I am wondering how far we can go with it if at the end of it all we will conclude that the statement is not sufficient. I believe there are some differences; when you say part A was paid Kshs. 16 and you have not confirmed to us what part two was paid then one would definitely want to query. Why don't we just say hon. Mupe goes back and gets further clarifications on the issues raised? I think they summarized the entire thing; the issue of

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the materials used has been raised, the issue of the monies paid has been raised, and the issues of the contractors have been raised.

Clearly even where I sit though I have no vote but I need to give directions as it seems like the language used in the statements does not appear to be very serious. In fact, I do not think the statement by hon. Chai insinuated that any money was lost. He did not, but when a CEC Member just responds saying no money was lost, you have not even enquired how much was used. I want to urge the office of the Clerk to also insist that these guys should take work seriously. The manner in which they are supposed to respond; this is a question that is raised before the Assembly and it is supposed to be given the seriousness it deserves.

It is not proper to say I am not aware that a project stopped then two lines down in one paragraph you start giving reasons why the project stopped. What are you trying to tell us? So, instead of us wasting more time on this matter, if many will agree with me then I think we give it back to hon. in statements... Mr. Chairman you are allowed to say what you want to say. I'll give it to you. I am just making an observation as the presiding Speaker at the moment. Let us hear what you have to say Mr. Chairperson.

**Hon. Mupe:** Thank you...

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Do you think the answers are satisfactory?

**Hon. Mupe:** Not at all. I being the Chairperson for this particular Committee, I'm requesting this hon. House to allow the Committee to go to the site, make recommendations and after that we summon the CEC and the Chief Officer before we bring the Report to the House. Thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Yeah, because if the Chairperson of the Committee himself is not convinced with the answers from the CEC, I think procedure dictates that you now go to the ground because of the allegations that have made, and I call them allegations because I do not have facts, by hon. Chai that there are two sets of materials on site; the old one which is currently being removed and the new one which according to his assessment is good. Then, his worries are valid because if the one who provided the bad materials was paid more and the one who in his opinion provided the quality material has less money to be paid, seriously ladies and gentlemen, I think there is something we need to look into. I want this matter to be followed up with the urgency that it deserves because we are headed for a recess on the 25<sup>th</sup> or thereabout. While the Committee on Water goes to Ruruma Ward, let the Transport Committee go to Kilifi which is just here and we hope we will be able to get good answers on this. Yes hon. Teddy Mwambire, you have an intervention?

**Hon. Mwambire:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I really thank the direction that you have shared but what I think will be better for this House is for him to bring us the designs; the first and the second designs so that we can be aware of what is supposed to be done because just giving us the response and approving allocations without knowing what is going to be done is actually a very big challenge. I believe the Committee on Transport will be very observant with what they want to do in Malindi so that before we approve any budget for those roads we should exactly know even the designs so that when time comes in case they say they have changes we know they have changed from what to what. I think it will be much better when the Committee is coming back they should also have the design. This is because I know very well, if I was to ask the Chairperson I am sure he does not have the design so he does not know what was changed.

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**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Okay hon. Chai we come back to you and then we move to the next order.

**Hon. Chai:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. It was just a point to note and I would like to read where it is written that “the resident engineer gave several corrective sites of instructions. These several sites of instructions have been...not even in Kilifi that has been given a bad site in our roundabouts here. This is because this same engineer might be the one who is doing the engineering works in Kilifi County and he is always taking corrective measures in every point. Most of the time like the roundabout here has been done I think more than four times. Till now when it rains the roundabout is full of water. I do not know whether we have the right engineer in Kilifi County or not.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Okay thank you. Those are the questions the Committee will be interrogating and I believe this time you need to take the work with the seriousness that it deserves. Those questions are best addressed at the Committee level and then of course a comprehensive Report will be made to the whole House.

You know the good thing with Statements is that you can interrogate them and a Statement can actually lead to a Motion being raised on a particular matter. So if the Chairperson rose and he is not even convinced with the answers he has been given by the CEC then clearly hon. Kenga on Thursday you do likewise. You go to Kilifi and address all the issues that have been raised in that document and then you come back and do your Report and present it to this House.

I would prefer we do that before we break for the long recess sometimes on the 25<sup>th</sup> or thereabout. Let us move to the next Statement. Response from the Department of Transport again.

#### INSURANCE COVER FOR GRADERS PROCURED BY THE ROADS DEPARTMENT

**Hon. Mupe:** Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. I rise once again to respond to a Statement which was brought to the House by hon. Pascal, to the Department of Roads, Transport and Public Works. We wish to respond as follows:-

The County Government procured three (3) graders as one of the flagship projects. These graders were received on 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2016 by the acting Director Roads after a preliminary inspection by our mechanical team at the supplier’s depot in Nairobi.

On receipt, the graders were yet to be registered and hence they had no number plates. There was a delay in the registration process owing to reasons beyond our control, and hence as a Department, we consulted and decided to procure insurance covers for the graders using the chassis numbers and put them to use. This was done by 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2016 and the graders immediately deployed to the sub-counties.

The new graders were deployed to Ganze, Kaloleni and Rabai sub-Counties whereas the older ones to Magarini, Kilifi North and Kilifi South.

The only sub county lacking a grader at the moment is Malindi, which will at the moment share with Kilifi North. These graders are under control of the respective sub-county roads officers who are mandated to prepare road maintenance work plans in consultation with the MCAs. Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Yes hon. Thuva Pascal.

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**The Leader of Minority** (Hon. Pascal): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Let me take this opportunity to actually thank the hon. Chairperson of Roads and Transport for a well calculated answer. That is the truth of the matter because as we speak I have one of the graders in my Ward that is doing very good work. I want to thank the Chairperson for his answer but the only challenge that we are facing on the ground is that we need to have a proper work plan for these graders as they have anticipated in their response. For a very long time these things have not been given a proper schedule on how they should be operating on our roads. If they can come up with a proper schedule then I believe we will be doing a good work for our County. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Okay, I think there is no contention there because I am not receiving any interventions. So the mover of the Statement says he is happy that now the graders are working and there is no any other intervention. Nixon Charo Mramba, you have an intervention on the same issue?

**Hon. Mramba:** Yes Mr. Speaker.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Okay.

**Hon. Mramba:** Can the hon. Member who sought this Statement clarify to all the Members if he is happy and satisfied with this response just because the grader is in his Ward, or because the work plan is not ready or he is satisfied because of what?

*(Laughter)*

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): What was the Statement all about anyway? Whether the graders have been lying without use since November 2015; that was the issue. Yes hon. Pascal.

**The Leader of Minority** (Hon. Pascal): Mr. Speaker, I think I said it clearly here. The issue was about the graders that were lying without use. They had been bought by the County Government but these graders were not being used. The reason behind it is that they did not have insurance cover.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): So now they have insurance covers?

**The Leader of Minority** (Hon. Pascal): Yes, they have insurance cover and all the graders are working. That is what I said.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Okay.

**The Leader of Minority** (Hon. Pascal): To give an example, I went ahead to say that I have one of those graders working in my Ward. So I do not know where that riddle is coming from. Thank you.

*(Laughter)*

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Hon. Mramba is pulling your socks. Yes hon. Naphtali Kombo.

**Hon. Kombo:** Asante Bw. Spika. Nafikiri nimesikia vizuri kwamba tingatinga moja iko katika hali ya matumizi. Lakini kulingana na vile ninavyojua ni kwamba lile tingatinga ambalo liko Rabai halifanyi kazi. Nafikiri liko katika Wadi ya Bw. Mwenyekiti na anaweza akatulelezea kama linafanya kazi ama halifanyi kazi kwa maana nimekuwa nikilingojea kwa hamu sana. Asante.

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**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Yes hon. Chairperson you wish to respond?

**Hon. Mupe:** Asante Bw. Spika. Nataka kumfahamisha mheshimiwa mwenzangu jirani kwamba hilo tingatinga kufikia leo liko sawa na tuko na mikakati sisi kama MCA kutoka eneo Bunge la Rabai. Hili tingatinga linazunguka; saa hii limetoka kwangu litaenda kwa mheshimiwa Matsaki kufikia kesho asubuhi na baada ya hapo liende kwa mheshimiwa Nzaka na yeye atakuwa wa mwisho. Asante sana.

*(Laughter)*

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Let us not get into what is happening in wards currently. This is because here you are giving us...Hon. Mlanda, you have an intervention?

**Hon. Mlanda:** Yes Mr. Speaker, thank you. Can the Chairperson confirm to the MCAs of Malindi Sub-County when these graders will be available instead of sharing between two Sub-Counties?

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Okay let me get this straight and for once let me just protect the Chairperson. Who does these timetables? Is it the Chairperson?

**Hon. Mupe:** No.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): So, if we could have a timetable to question on before us we would but I think you will be pushing it too hard hon. Mlanda to ask about a timetable that is done by...in the response there is somewhere where there is the CEC saying...

*(The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi) mic went off)*

...to oversee, then of course I think it will be unfair

**Hon. Mlanda:** Through the Chairperson I think we should revisit the schedule.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Yes hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu.

**Hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I need an intervention from the Chairperson of Transport because I am wondering why I am told these graders are in Rabai and they were supposed to be working in Kibarani because all the Wards in Kilifi North have been done and according to the schedule they were supposed to be in Kibarani before they go to another Constituency. Mr. Speaker, I need an answer from the Chairperson why it is in his Ward and Constituency in Rabai and they have not done Kibarani which is in Kilifi North. All roads in the other Wards in Kilifi North have been done only the one in Kibarani was left and it has jumped to another Constituency.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Chairperson, do you have a response to that?

**Hon. Mupe:** Asante mheshimiwa Spika. Nataka kuweka wazi kwamba hizi tingatinga zimeangaziwa katika kila eneo Bunge na ikiwa mheshimiwa Mbeyu labda kulikuwa na matatizo mimi nikiwa Mwenyekiti nataka kumhakikishia kwamba tutalima barabara zake mchana hata usiku. Asante.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): You are making the Chairperson to make a promise on work which is supposed to be done by the Executive. That is why I am protecting him because the response from the CEC says that all Sub-Counties, with an exception of Malindi which will share with Kilifi North, all have graders. The person to be addressing this question of course through the Chairperson is the Sub-County officers. Hon. Nzaka.

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**Hon. Nzaka:** Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. I wish the mover of this Statement to apologize before this House. He misled the House by saying that the County Government procured two graders while they are three.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Who is the mover of the Statement? Yes. How do we know there are two and not three? Chairperson, do you have any information because hon. Pascal has indicated two. Hon. Pascal, hon. Nzaka is saying that you have misled the House that the County Government procured two graders but indeed they were three, is that the position?

**The Leader of Minority** (Hon. Pascal): I think the graders were three. The issue of the number is about the language of the one who drafted this...

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): You want it to go on record as three graders?

**The Leader of Minority** (Hon. Pascal): Yes it should be three because the graders are currently three.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Thank you hon. Nzaka for your observation. Yes hon. Chai, do you have an intervention.

**Hon. Chai:** Thank you hon. Mr. Speaker. My intervention was just to ask the Chairperson about the graders and how they are working because there was a timetable which was given out and even I was given by the officer in charge of Ganze sub-County. As it was explained here every sub-County except Malindi has graders; so why I was intervening on the issue is that if all the Sub-Counties have got graders, then roads in Kibarani Ward should have graders which is in Kilifi North. It is not the one which is in Rabai where the Chairperson is working on it. The Chairperson should be last in the grader occupation if it is working in his Ward maybe instead of being the first.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Yes hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu.

**Hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu:** Thank you hon. Speaker. As much as the Chairperson wants to convince me that Kibarani will be done day and night, I may not take it very seriously because there was a timetable to do the Kilifi North Sub-county roads and I am aware that in Tezo, Sokoni, Mnarani, Matsangoni and Watamu Wards, roads have been done. What is remaining is Kibarani and the graders have skipped to another Constituency, which is my concern. I think he needs to talk to the person concerned so that the roads can be done.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Now some spanners are being spilled in the works. If the Statement says each and every sub-County has a grader, then why was the...Can somebody confirm if the grader in Kilifi North is the one that is still being used in Malindi because if your roads have not been done then it should not have gone to Rabai or it should have come to Malindi because the Statement here says that the only Sub-County lacking is Malindi which at the moment share with Kilifi North. So what is the position, Chairperson?

**Hon. Mupe:** Asante mheshimiwa Spika. Nafikiria maelezo yangu yako wazi. Kwamba lile tingatinga linayotumiwa Malindi linafaa kutumika pia Kilifi North. Ninaomba mheshimiwa Mbeyu ashirikiane pamoja na maafisaa wa barabara ili kufanya mipango kwa sababu sio kazi yangu mimi kama mwenyekiti kwenda kila eneo bunge kuangalia mipangilio ya yale matiatinga vile yanafanya kazi. Nataka ieleweke hapa Bungeni kwamba mipangilio yangu ni migumu; kwa hiyo nafikiria iko wazi kwamba kila eneo bunge kuna tingatinga na wale maafisaa ambao wanafanya mipangilio ya kazi. Mheshimiwa Mbeyu naomba kama kuna shida yoyote ushirikiane na wajumbe wa Malindi na maafisaa. Asante.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Yes hon. Mwambire.

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**Hon. Mwambire:** I think the Chairperson was out of Order. He is not supposed to run away from his responsibilities. As a Chairperson, he is supposed to follow up with the officers and give a satisfactory response to this House. He is the one representing the CEC Member; he is not supposed to tell us that he is having a tight schedule, for what purpose? He knows he is the one to give us the response; maybe he could have contracted one of the roads officers in the Sub-County to come and give a response. In this House it is the Chairperson to represent the Government especially that Department and in that regard, I believe hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu talked about Kibarani Ward but in reality the grader has not gone to Watamu Ward. So, there are a number of wards which are yet to be attended to. I believe the Chairperson is capable of meeting the responsible officers and bring a satisfactory response regarding the same. So, let him not run away from that and withdraw the Statement that he has made in this House this afternoon. Thank you very much Mr. Speaker.

**The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi):** I equally wanted to give the same direction. That Chairperson, we respect that you are a very busy man but when issues are raised in the House unfortunately or fortunately however small they will be, it is very integral that the House be furnished with the information it deserves. For you, I will advise that you will proceed with this matter. You do not have to go to each and every Sub-County. The buck stops with the County Executive Committee (CEC) Member.

All you need to do in your capacity as the Chairperson is to request the CEC Member to furnish you with the time table of all the seven Sub-Counties on how these things are run. Then from there you deliver the same to the Members and if they are not happy you ask them why not. Then for you, you relay back the message or to make your work even much simpler if the answer you receive from the CEC is not even convincing, you do not make it your personal responsibility. Invite the CEC to come before the Committee then of course as per the provision of the Standing Orders any Member is allowed to sit in any Committee for as long as they do not take a vote. If truly hon. (Ms.) Gertrude Mbeyu has an issue, you inform her that “we are having a meeting with the CEC in regard to the time table of these graders, please avail yourself and have your issues addressed”, so it becomes simple for you but I think it will also not be logical for you to go to each and every Sub-County officer looking for the Statement but you need to be smart on it.

Whatever you are given here whether good or bad, it is not yours for consumption; it is for the CEC. The moment we start taking the questions as our personal questions which we need to answer we will find the job very difficult but that was not the intention of the Constitution. Initially Ministers were also Members of Parliament and they would sit in the Cabinet so they would be called upon to answer the question but for you as the Chairperson you are just a messenger; relay the same concerns that hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu has to the CEC and if the CEC does not give an answer which does not satisfy you as the Chairperson, you have all the powers to summon him. When he appears, ensure that hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu is there, sit and watch hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu grill the CEC until she is satisfied and then your work will be easy.

So, let us take that direction and leave that issue of graders at that point. So if there is an issue that needs to be resolved, I think Chairperson just consult the CEC Member and let him give you the time table. Supply the time table to the Members concerned and if they are not happy, nothing stops you again to call for a meeting to discuss the issue. That is what I call constructive oversight because at the end of the day, you will be able to give answers to the

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people who brought you here. I am sure hon. (Ms) Mbeyu has questions being asked from her ward; why are we not seeing the grader? So it is also pertinent that she also gets the answers and they can only be given by the CEC. It is not a burden hon. Mupe; do not feel burdened by these questions since you are a messenger and you cannot be killed for being a messenger. So just relay the message to the CEC Member let them carry their own cross. Yes hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu you wish to?

**Hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I am really concerned because as you are aware the CEC and the Chief Officers skipped Kibarani Ward during the budget allocation and I am worried now they have skipped the grading to another constituency and Kibarani is not done. So it is my biggest worry they are undermining my efforts in Kibarani Ward. I think he needs to take note of that. Thank you.

**The Speaker (Kahindi):** More spanners in the works, okay. Yes hon. Stanley Kenga.

**Hon. Kenga:** Thank you very much. Mr. Speaker, I have given my intervention long time ago to speak on this issue but I am seeing we are almost coming to a close on the matter. We want to settle the matter yet you have given some Members more than three times to make contributions, Mr. Speaker, but...

**The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi):** And that is your worry hon. Member? Hon. Stanley Kenga...

**Hon. Kenga:** Thank you, thank you...

**The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi):** Hon. Stanley Kenga, I rule you out of order. I am doing my job and I am the one who is controlling...

**Hon. Kenga:** I am guided Mr. Speaker...

**The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi):** I would shut you down and you will still sit down but I will give you the courtesy to proceed...

**Hon. Kenga:** Thank you very much. Mr. Speaker, I am happy to note and learn that graders that were procured by the County Government are now in the Sub-Counties and already disbursed to the Wards to deliver services to the people. Mr. Speaker, this is the best way that we need to take as a county but again, I have an experience that maybe I need to share with the Members. I know we have the Chairpersons, the Vice chairpersons and other Members of the Committees.

The experience that we have had especially in Adu Ward is greater; once the schedule is prepared, the grader is disbursed to a place like Chakama and then the driver resides in Kilifi and he has to commute almost daily to reach the work station for the grader to be able to operate. We have always seen that we are losing a lot of time. That the grader comes to Chakama for two weeks or one week and it is supposed to work there for one week but the driver is only able to get to the workstation by 2.00 p.m. and works for two hours and then at 4.00 p.m. he has to be off to where he/she resides. So this is one of the challenges that we are facing as a county as regards to the issues of graders. Therefore, we need to correct this so that people can get this service as they require not losing a lot yet these people are in the payroll and they are earning from the County Government of Kilifi; that is a concern.

Two, Mr. Speaker, I do not know why, and may be the Chair may be in a position or may not be in a position to answer on the criteria that was used for the older graders to be taken to Magarini Constituency and it is prone to mechanical breakdowns almost every now and then. This is a challenge and especially where Magarini is where we really have the challenges. I am

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happy that hon. (Ms.) Barka just the other day was in Chakama and was in a position to witness this happening and people were requesting why we are seeing this. So these are some of the challenges that we are facing and I needed them to go on record so that the Committee could sit and do a proper document.

Again, it comes to the Chairperson. The response that was given is answering to a reply to the Statement that was sought. The other issues that were raised are concerns that Members had and they wanted to share though it was out of the Statement. Thank you very much.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): That is why at the end of the day I had already made a direction that the Chair does what is supposed to be done by requesting for the schedules. Maybe one thing that I want to add on when we come to the plenary; each and every Member seems to have an issue but I also doubt whether these Members from the Executive are called upon to come and explain whether the same Members who express concerns here show up to get answers to these questions.

It is very important and that is why the Standing Orders say you have the powers to attend a meeting even if you are not a Member. When the Chairperson calls for the CEC they sit with the Committee they will ultimately do a report which though might be convincing to 90% of the Members but the 1% might be that issue which you had that may never have been addressed. So for the 98% whenever, they take a vote, you realize that the Report is adopted but without your issues. So I want to encourage you that once issues like these have emerged like what hon. Stanley Kenga is talking about, that is purely logistics which you need to raise them to the CEC Member because none of us would have or even the Chairperson will not have an answer to why the driver stays in Kilifi and works in Chakama. What would the Chairperson tell you and he is not in control? So, those are the issues which you directly raise to the CEC Member, but unless you are there, you might not get that personal satisfaction to the answer. Like I tell you these reports may give 98% or 99% good results to the members but 1% might be the only issue that you have that was not addressed, why, because you were never there.

So let us take note and we close that with hon. Mwayaa to give his opinion because directions have already been given but I allow you to...

**Hon. Mwayaa:** Asante mheshimiwa Spika kwa kunipa nafasi hii ya mwisho ili kwamba niweze kuchangia. Niko karibu na wenzangu nilikuwa na mambo mawili ambalo moja ni kama limezungumzwa na huyu mwenzangu.

Jambo lingine la pili, ni ile ya kwamba tingatinga inaweza kuja kule kwako wakati ukiwa ifike kwako. Wakati Gavana akitembelea Wadi jirani ile inatolewa kule kwako inaenda ile wadi ya jirani na haitarudi tena kuja kumaliza ule mkondo wako. Mfano juzi Gavana alitembelea kwangu na tingatinga ikaja, na juzi tena wakati Gavana Ijumaa iliyopita kabla asafiri alikuwa anatembelea Wadi ya Mwanamwinga ikabidi tingatinga itolewe kule ikaelekea Mwanamwinga sasa unakuta barabara zinalimwa nusu nusu. Kule kwangu kile kibarabara kililimwa kikafika nusu. Mitaro ya kumwaga maji haijamalizwa. Dereva anakaa Kilifi anakuja saa nane anatoka saa tisa.

Haya mambo mawili; hili kwamba kama Gavana anakuja ndio inakuja itabidi pia atuelezee vizuri. Kama ni mpaka Gavana asafiri kuja kule ndio tingatinga lije ama watu wa Kilifi wanastahili kuona barabara nzuri hata kama Gavana haji? Tuna maswali hapo. Asante na tuweze kufanyiwa kazi kama watu wa Kilifi.

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**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Now, I think the Statements are done unless there is anything else. We go to the next Order.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE

*(Order for Committee read)*

*[The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi) left the Chair]*

IN THE COMMITTEE

*[The Chairperson (Hon. Mwambire) took the Chair]*

THE KILIFI COUNTY VETTING AND APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC OFFICERS (COUNTY ASSEMBLY APPROVAL) BILL, 2016

**The Chairperson** (Hon. Mwambire): Hon. Members, welcome to the Committee of the Whole House. We are here to make determination of the Kilifi County Vetting and Appointment of Public Officers (County Assembly Approval) Bill, 2016. The rules of the game have been relaxed; a Member can speak more than once but the other rules still stand. So let me call upon the clerk to read through the Clauses so that we can move as fast as required so that we can conclude the matter. Welcome please.

*Clause 3*

**Hon. (Ms.) Barka:** Thank you Mr. Chairperson. I beg to move:-  
THAT, clause 3 is amended by renumbering it clause 4.

*(Question of the amendment proposed)*

*(Question, that the word to be left out be left out, put and agreed to)*

*(Question, that the word to be inserted in place thereof be inserted, put and agreed to)*

*(Clause 3 as amended agreed to)*

*Clause 4*

**Hon. (Ms.) Barka:** Thank you Mr. Chairperson. I beg to move:-  
THAT, Clause 4 is amended by renumbering it clause 2.

*(Question of the amendment proposed)*

*(Question, that the word to be left out be left out, put and agreed to)*

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*(Question, that the word to be inserted in place thereof be inserted, put and agreed to)*

*(Clause 3 as amended agreed to)*

*Clause 5, 6 and 7 agreed to*

*Clause 8*

**Hon. (Ms.) Barka:** Thank you Mr. Chairperson. I beg to move:-

THAT, clause 8(5) be amended by deleting the number “5” between the word “subsection” and the word “a” and inserting thereof with the number “4”.

*(Question of the amendment proposed)*

*(Question, that the words to be left out be left out, put and agreed to)*

*(Question, that the words to be inserted in place thereof be inserted, put and agreed to)*

*(Clause 8 as amended agreed to)*

*Clause 9*

**Hon. (Ms.) Barka:** Thank you Mr. Chairperson. I beg to move:-

- a) THAT, clause 9 (a) be amended by deleting the phrase “arrive at the nominee” and inserting thereof with the phrase “nominate the candidate”.
- b) THAT, clause 9 is amended by inserting sub clause 9(d) to read as “Any other issue that the Committee may consider relevant.”

*(Question of the amendment proposed)*

*(Question, that the words to be left out be left out, put and agreed to)*

*(Question, that the words to be inserted in place thereof be inserted, put and agreed to)*

*(Clause 9 as amended agreed to)*

*Clause 10*

**Hon. (Ms.) Barka:** Thank you Mr. Chairperson. I beg to move:-

THAT, clause 10(1) is amended by deleting the word “fourteen” and inserting thereof with the phrase “twenty one”.

*(Question of the amendment proposed)*

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*(Question, that the words to be left out be left out, put and agreed to)*

*(Question, that the words to be inserted in place thereof be inserted, put and agreed to)*

*(Clause 10 as amended agreed to)*

*Clause 11*

**Hon. (Ms.) Barka:** Thank you Mr. Chairperson. I beg to move:-

THAT, clause 11 is amended by deleting its provisions and replacing it thereof with “Notwithstanding the provisions of clause 10(1) the committee may move a motion to extend the period by not more than seven days”.

*(Question of the amendment proposed)*

*(Question, that the words to be left out be left out, put and agreed to)*

*(Question, that the words to be inserted in place thereof be inserted, put and agreed to)*

*(Clause 11 as amended agreed to)*

*Clause 12 agreed to*

*Clause 14*

**Hon. (Ms.) Barka:** Thank you Mr. Chairperson. I beg to move:-

THAT, clause 14(3) (b) be amended by deleting the phrase “two hundred” and inserting thereof with the word “fifty”.

*(Question of the amendment proposed)*

*(Question, that the words to be left out be left out, put and agreed to)*

*(Question, that the words to be inserted in place thereof be inserted, put and agreed to)*

*(Clause 14 as amended agreed to)*

*(Clause 2 agreed to)*

*(The Schedule agreed to)*

*(The Short Title agreed to)*

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*(The Long Title agreed to)*

**Hon. Kenga:** Thank you very much Hon. Chairperson. I was observing that most Members were getting out in masses and most likely we were going to lack quorum. Therefore, make a communication to the Members so that they do not deny this proceeding quorum so that we are safe and we can deliberate and dispose on the same issue. It is only through the coming of hon. Daktari (Dr. Chitibwi) and hon. (Ms.) Selina who have already gone out that we are seeing this and it is not so good.

**The Chairperson** (Hon. Mwambire): Thank you very much for that observation. Members, please be attentive so that we can go through the final stages of this Bill. I think we are not going to take a lot of time. We are concluding so please just hold as we are moving forward. Yes Chairperson please.

**Hon. (Ms.) Barka:** Mr. Chairperson I beg to move that the Committee do Report to the House its consideration of the Kilifi County Vetting and Appointment of Public Officers (County Assembly Approval) Bill, 2016 and its approval thereof with amendments.

**The Chairperson** (Hon. Mwambire): I will put the question that the Committee do report to the House its considerations of the Kilifi County Vetting and Appointment of Public Officers (County Assembly Approval) Bill, 2016.

*(Question Proposed)*

*(Question put and agreed to)*

Thank you very much for your cooperation and coordination. I know it has been a little bit trying because most Members had some engagements outside but they have managed to hold and we never lacked the required quorum. Let me believe that next time you will try to be attentive so that we can conclude all the Bills that will come under us. May God bless you and have a good day.

*(The House resumed)*

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

## **REPORT, CONSIDERATION OF REPORT AND THIRD READING**

### **THE KILIFI COUNTY VETTING AND APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC OFFICERS (COUNTY ASSEMBLY APPROVAL) BILL, 2016**

**Hon. Mwambire:** Hon. Speaker Sir, I beg to report that the Committee of the Whole House has considered the Kilifi County Vetting and Appointment of Public Officers (County Assembly Approval) Bill, 2016 and approved the same with amendments. Thank you very much Mr. Speaker, Sir.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Yes hon. (Ms.) Barka.

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**Hon. (Ms.) Barka:** Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. I beg to move that the Whole House do agree with the Committee in the said Report. I call upon hon. (Ms.) Arafa to second.

*(Hon. (Ms.) Arafa stood at her place to second)*

*(Question proposed)*

**Hon. (Ms.) Arafa:** Thank you very much Mr. Speaker, Sir, for giving me this opportunity to contribute to this Bill.

*(The lights went out temporarily)*

It is very dark Mr. Speaker... I am very much impressed by the Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs working on this Bill. It is a very important Bill and on that I just want to point out one issue that has been raised in the Bill on appointments. I would like to tell hon. Teddy Mwambire whom we have been chatting with in the morning on the appointments, if someone wants to be employed, the issue of answering the following questions and one of them is on marital status. Hon. Teddy Mwambire was contributing a lot that any woman who wants to vie for a political position must be married. I am happy that most of the women contributed highly and said men also have to be married. It is supposed to appear in the appointment of the County Assembly vetting on nominees.

Another thing is by having this Bill, we will have an opportunity to appoint workers who have been having all the chance to work in our assembly and that will also control the ghost workers by working as per the Bill. I am sure though I have not seen it, we are eager to see the promises of this Bill which will give us more direction on how to do the vetting on the nominees in our County Assembly. Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir.

**Hon. Mwambire:** Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. I was involved in taking opinions from the public on this Bill and as the previous speaker has mentioned my name adversely concerning the same issues, I think it is wise to clarify my great support in this. I have been in one way or the other involved in vetting a number of people using the County Assembly Standing Orders and the County Government Act but now this county is going in the right direction of having an Act which is observant of Chapter six of the Constitution.

What we have been discussing in the morning with the Members of the public was an issue that was raised by the Kaya elders which was in adherence with the women politicians that they should have a lifestyle audit. Which I said in the law and even in the Act that we are coming up with is that both men and women should have a clear lifestyle audit if you want to serve in the public. I think this is the direction which we are taking today. I believe by the passage of this Bill, this county will have a clear direction where one will have to give satisfactory information about him or herself before the person is given an opportunity.

This will remove the issues of having questionable characters assuming officers or positions in this County because we want people who will be serving the great people of Kilifi to be people of great and respectable characters but not just crooks who might be using part of the resources that we have to advance their selfish advances which we would not like to have. That is why we are coming up with this legislation which I believe is a policy that will give us more

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information and guide us on how we are going to vet people using the Act that we are yet to pass. Thank you very much.

**Hon. Kenga:** Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. I also wish to make contributions and in support of the Report that has been considered by the Committee of the Whole House. Clause 3 of the Bill as given outlines the purpose. The purpose of vetting is to determine the suitability of all public officers before appointment. If you go to Clause 9 (c) that the suitability of the nominee for the appointment proposed, having regard to whether the nominees abilities, experiences and qualities meet the needs of the body to which nomination is being made, I have read these two Clauses and in making my contributions relating to what transpired during the Statement hour. During that time, we were given a response from the Roads Department and the response in itself was revealing some weakness that a design that was drawn by a resident engineer that was fundamentally flawed as given out in the Statement.

As a county we have been made to go through all of this. The inefficiencies and the weaknesses that we are seeing that may encourage greater losses to the County of Kilifi may have been caused by the fact that we lacked the vetting laws in place for us to be guided so that we know the kind of people we need to vet to those position. Therefore, in support of this Mr. Speaker is that it is going to give us the direction that we should take as we do the vetting so that we are assured of getting the right people for those positions for them to be able to deliver services to the people.

The people of Kakuyuni are looking upon service delivery and it can only be achieved when we put in place people who know what they are doing; not people who will give us a design that is flawed fundamentally. When somebody says fundamentally flawed, the proposition at which this design was flawed is beyond the variations that are allowed in the process. Therefore, we need to enact this Bill and to pass it into law so that it can help us address these concerns and guarantee the people of Kilifi the right people who will be able to deliver quality services. Thank you very much.

**The Leader of Majority** (Hon. Mwingo): Thank you Mr. Speaker for this opportunity. I stand to support the passage of this Bill. This Bill is very vital as far as our Members are concerned.

Mr. Speaker, you will accept that being a board member we have really been facing a lot of challenges when vetting our employees. One of the biggest challenges we have been facing is that most of the Members are not in a position of bringing the required documents during the vetting process. I believe that the passage of this Bill is going to help most of the members in our county in acquiring these documents.

These are the necessary documents which are needed for any member to be vetted and finally be employed. I believe after the passing of this Bill, our members within the county will be in a position of taking this thing very seriously. They will know for sure that without getting these documents then he or she will not be in a position of getting employment within the county. I stand firmly to support the passage of this Bill. Thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Okay. Hon. Members a Motion has been moved to have the House agree with the said Report. I will now put the question.

*(Question put agreed to)*

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**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Yes proceed hon. (Ms.) Barka.

**Hon. (Ms.) Barka:** Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. I beg to move that Kilifi County Vetting and Appointment of Public Officers (County Assembly Approval) Bill, 2016 be now read a Third Time. I call upon hon. Stanley Kenga from Adu Ward to second. Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir.

*(Hon. Kenga stood at his place to second)*

*(Question proposed)*

**Hon. Kenga:** Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. Before I contribute I have a request.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Yes.

**Hon. Kenga:** That hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu makes contributions in regards to what I was just about to say. This is because I know she is very prepared and she is in support, please.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): But she has not requested to speak. Hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu, your gadget seems to have been stuck for a very long time. I was thinking it is malfunction because you have always...I have seen it from the start. So can you press it again?

**Hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu:** Thank you for this chance Mr. Speaker. I have been trying to signal you all along...

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): I thought it was stuck because it has been on since we started and even after you spoke it was still on. Anyway kindly proceed.

**Hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu:** Thank you so much. Mr. Speaker. I support the passage of this Bill but I have some concerns. Page seven of the schedule number (f) the nominee must answer all the questions on the questionnaire. I agree with all this and it is very important. I have one concern which may be a concern for everybody but when I heard hon. Teddy talking about what the Kaya elders were insisting on the issues of marital status; it is very important to be responsible and to be married or to marry and we do not disagree with this. But I think we need to look into whether married or not married, we should also look into the leadership skills. The technical knowhow of what someone who is vying for and the presentation; if somebody can represent the people on the position he is vying for then it should be looked into keenly because now if this questionnaire was put in front of me and I pass all these questions on my name, position...

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Which questionnaire are you referring to? I do not seem to see it.

**Hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu:** Page seven of the Bill; there is a sample of a questionnaire on schedules. My query is I may go through 90 % of these questions and answer them and give evidence of my date of birth, day time phone and all. Mr. Speaker, I do not know what evidence should be provided on the marital status, this is a snag, and it may make some people do fake documents; for marital status is the valid marriage certificate...

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Marital status could be widowed, divorced, separated, married and single.

**Hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I was on that and if this is the way the argument is coming up on this issue that the leaders are looking into somebody who is married not separated either divorced or widowed, it is an argument which has been there so that it will

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not lock out anyone or in case...because if I am not windowed, I separated and the married certificate I have is not valid, whatever the case, I do not know what kind of document they will be looking into because I cannot produce a birth certificate because of the date of birth, the names and all this.

In this case we are looking into this vetting group, if they only rely...like they know the status of hon. (Ms.) Arafa because she has talked about it and they do not have the details, what she can produce as evidence is a marriage certificate or bring the husband next to her for her to be known she is married or not, or produce a death certificate of her husband. These kinds of questions should be looked into keenly. Proving the kind of skills I have in leadership and the presentation I can do for my people; I have noticed these questions are looking into male, they are not mentioned here, and it is like they are targeting women aspirants...

*(Laughter)*

I am looking at it because in the arguments it has not mentioned men aspirants; it is only looking on women vying for positions to produce their husbands. Fine we will bring our husbands, and this is my thinking Mr. Speaker but looking into male aspirants looking for positions. I will give you an example of the Members of Parliament (MPs) in the African culture; they will be married to one and when they get an MP, Governor or Senator position, some of them seem to have wives in every Constituency though not legal. So what brings the leadership in this because he vied when he had one and he added five when he was in position? What difference will it make if a lady vied when single or separated and sticks to 24 hours working for her electorates? Having all the time to respond to voters, and this one who went there with one wife and added five and he has no time for electorates and works upon the...

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Yes there is an intervention from hon. Mwambire and so many others. The men have woken up. Let me just give direction on this matter; hon. Mwambire just hold on. Hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu, if I am getting what you are saying you are implying that the issue of marital status only refers to women but I think it is just for the record purpose. It comes handy even at the board level; when you know the marital status then you will be able to identify the next of kin. I think any organization that will discriminate any person because of their marital status it is doing a criminal offence. This issue came up with the Governor of Central Bank; he is an old man and he never married and he was not ashamed of it but Parliament itself which we borrowed this law from...he had to declare that he is single and that was an issue. I remember even in the news; why are you single and you are 55 and he said it is by choice and he was given the job. So I do not think it boards on women whether they are married, divorced or widowed but I think it is just for the records

**Hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu:** Thank you. I wanted people to think big and out of this document because if I give you a hint, people are talking so much about the marital status of the people who are aspiring for whatever position in the social media. Mostly they are looking at women who are vying for positions they are not talking to men who are vying. They never told us the Speaker needs Senatorship should be either married with two wives or one. We wish 2032 you will be there; that is an example I was saying. There are Members of County Assembly who I will not mention names who came into position as an MCA with one wife but now they have

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three. Some of us come in single and we are still single and we are performing Mr. Speaker. So I think...

**Hon. Mramba:** Mr. Speaker, can the hon. Member for Kibarani hon. (Ms.) Gertrude Mbeyu Mwanyaje please name at least three MCAs who came to power with one wife but now they have more than one.

**Hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu:** Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir, I will give you an example of one Member in this House. Hon. Kenga came single in this House and got married when we were already in position; that is a very good example so we have no contentious issue about this.

*(Laughter)*

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Yes hon. Mwambire, you can speak now.

**Hon. Mwambire:** Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. I support the adoption of this Bill even though Members have been discussing about Members contesting and ourselves but that is not the main intention of coming up with this Bill. If you read this Bill it does not even look on those who are contesting like MCAs, MP and all those things; so we are wasting a lot of time discussing about those issue which do not add value to this because the people we are looking at for instance after election we will want to get a Speaker in the House and the Speaker will have to undergo a lifestyle audit. It does not just look at marriage; there are a number of issues. All this is guided by the Constitution, Chapter 6 which is mandatory even to us because we need to be cleared by a number of agencies to be authenticated that you are a person of great integrity that is required in this country.

After that we will be looking at the CEC Members, Chief Officers among other high class officers; even a driver before one is to be employed as a driver he must have a certificate of good conduct among other issues. Those are some of the lifestyle audits which are being said in this Bill. So let us not think on how we live and how you have been living; whatever you are doing as a public figure is under the public microscope so you must be careful because when it comes to vetting, members of the public will give information about you and if you deny them then they will expose them and when they are exposed it means that you are a person of questionable character.

For instance, if I have a child out of wedlock or if I manufactured a child in Malindi while I was an MCA and I try to hide that even if it will be a local arrangement and somebody rises it, it will be an issue that is why we are supposed to share all the information. I think that has happened in this Assembly including the time we were vetting our Clerk. So I do not think we need to worry because most of what we did is what we will be doing. Let us just accept; let hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu be comfortable with the lifestyle she is having and Members of the public agree that Hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu lives the way she lives. She separated; maybe she is living somewhere, and that is okay Mr. Speaker, because it is her choice. The only challenge...

*(Loud consultations)*

Mr. Speaker is when she refuses. Again, let me put it on record and ....

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Spare some details hon. Teddy Mwambire.

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**Hon. Mwambire:** Yes I am sparing them. Mr. Speaker, I am one of the people who came here single, validated my marriage on 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2013 and the best man was hon. Nzaka. So, I am one of them who came without a wife but I have a wife and I have managed to get a second one as an African man. So I am proceeding Mr. Speaker...

*(Laughter)*

So, that is not something to question about. Thank you very much Mr. Speaker.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): You know I knew where you are going and that is why I was telling you save us the details.

Hon. Members, a Motion has been moved by hon. (Ms.) Barka to have the Kilifi County Vetting and Appointment of Public Officers (County Assembly) Approval Bill, 2016, be read a Third Time.

*(Question Proposed)*

*(Question put and agreed to)*

*(The Bill was accordingly read the Third Time and passed)*

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Hon. Members, that Bill having been read a Third Time is now ready for transmission to the Governor for his assent.

## COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

### FILLING THE IFMIS FORMS

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): All Members of the County Assembly (MCAs) are supposed to pass through the Serjeant-at-Arms office and fill in the Integrated Financial Management Information System (IFMIS) registration forms. This is from the Senior Serjeant.

## ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Members in the absence of any other business in the Order Paper, I move to adjourn the House until tomorrow at 9 a.m.

**The House rose at 6:03 p.m.**

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