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

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

PRAYERS

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE

(Order of the Committee read)

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

IN THE COMMITTEE

[The Chairperson hon. Mwambire took the Chair]

THE KILIFI COUNTY AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT FUND BILL
(ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 17), 2016

The Chairperson (Hon. Mwambire): Hon. Members, welcome to the Committee of the Whole House. We are today determining the Kilifi County Agricultural Development Bill, 2016. The rules of the House have been relaxed and a Member can speak more than once. Otherwise, the other rules and guidelines are as normal. So let me call the Clerk to read though the Clauses so that we can move as fast as required. Thank you and welcome.

(Clause 3 as amended agreed to)

(Clause 4 as amended agreed to)

Clause 5

The Chairperson (Hon. Mwambire): Hon. Members, I now propose that Clause 5 be part of the Bill.

Hon. Muhambi: Thank you Mr. Chairperson. I beg to move:-

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THAT, Clause 5(b): (a) 1, be amended by writing the word “Artificial Insemination” in full.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

(Question, that the words be inserted be inserted, put and agreed to)

(Clause 5 as amended agreed to)

(Clause 6 agreed to)

Clause 7

The Chairperson (Hon. Mwambire): Hon. Members, I now propose that Clause 7 be part of the Bill.

Hon. Muhambi: Thank you Mr. Chairperson. I beg to move:-

THAT, Clause 7(2) (b): be amended by deleting the word “talking” and replace it with the word “taking”.

(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 7 as amended agreed to)

Clause 8

The Chairperson (Hon. Mwambire): Hon. Members, I now propose that Clause 8 be part of the Bill.

Hon. Muhambi: Thank you Mr. Chairperson. I beg to move:-

THAT, Clause 8(1) (a): insert the words “approved by the County Assembly” to read, “A non-executive Chairperson not being a public officer, nominated by the County Executive Committee Member approved by the County Assembly and appointed by the Governor.”

(Question of the amendment proposed)

(Question, that the words to be inserted be inserted, put and agreed to)

(Clause 8 as amended agreed to)

(Clause 9 agreed to)

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Clause 10

The Chairperson (Hon. Mwambire): Hon. Members, I now propose that Clause 10 be part of the Bill. Yes hon. Muhambi?

Hon. Muhambi: Thank you Mr. Chairperson. I beg to move:-

THAT, Clause 10(b) be amended by deleting the sub clause and replace it with the words “is convicted of a criminal offence”.

(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 10 as amended agreed to)

(Clause 11 and 12 agreed to)

Clause 13

Hon. Muhambi: Thank you Mr. Chairperson. I beg to move:-

THAT, Clause 13(2) (a, b, c, d) be amended by deleting the word “May” and replace it with the word “Shall”.

(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 13 as amended agreed to)

(Clause 14 agreed to)

Clause 15

Hon. Muhambi: Thank you Mr. Chairperson. I beg to move:-

THAT, Clause 15(3) be amended by deleting the word “may” and replace it with the word “shall”.

(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 15 as amended agreed to)

Clauses 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24 agreed to

Clause 25

Hon. Muhambi: Thank you Mr. Chairperson. I beg to move:-

THAT, Clause 25 be amended by deleting the year “2012” and replace it with the year “2015” because the Public Audit Act 2012 was repealed with the Public Audit Act 2015.

(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 25 as amended agreed to)

Clause 26 agreed to

Clause 27

Hon. Muhambi: Thank you Mr. Chairperson. I beg to move:-

THAT, Clause 27(2) (b) be amended by inserting the words “and minimum” after the word “maximum”.

(Question of the amendment proposed)

(Question, that the words to be inserted be inserted, put and agreed to)

(Clause 27 as amended agreed to)

Clause 28 agreed to

The First Schedule

Hon. Muhambi: Thank you Mr. Chairperson. I beg to move:-

THAT, The First Schedule 1(6) be amended by deleting the words, “at which he is present” and after the word, “his” insert the words, “or her” and delete the word “he” and insert the words, “the person elected”. It should therefore read, “The Chairperson shall preside at every meeting of the Board and in his or her absence, the members of the Board present shall elect one

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person from their number to preside over the meeting of the Board and the person elected shall have all the powers of the Chairperson.”

(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)

(The First Schedule as amended agreed to)

Clause 2

Hon. Muhambi: Thank you Mr. Chairperson. I beg to move:-

THAT, Clause 2 be amended by inserting an interpretation of the word “Project” that is, “Project – means any Agricultural activity, programme or any undertaking aimed at fulfilling the requirements as set out under Section 6 of this Act”

(Question of the amendment proposed)

(Question, that the words to be inserted be inserted, put and agreed to)

(Clause 2 as amended agreed to)

The Long Title agreed to

The Short Title

Hon. Muhambi: Thank you Mr. Chairperson. I beg to move:-

THAT, Short Title be amended by deleting the word “Fund” because the powers to enact a fund are already given in Section 116 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 and insert the word “County” between the words ‘the’ and ‘Gazette’

(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)

(Short Title as amended agreed to)

The Chairperson (Hon. Mwambire): Yes hon. Muhambi move please.

Hon. Muhambi: Thank you Mr. Speaker, ah!

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(Laughter)

Thank you Mr. Chairman. I beg to move that the Committee do Report to the House its consideration of the Kilifi County Agricultural Development Fund Bill, 2016 and its approval thereof with amendments. Thank you.

(Question put and agreed to)

The Chairperson (Hon. Mwambire): Hon. Members, we have come to the end of the Committee of the whole House. Let me take this opportunity to thank you for your cooperation and let me wish you a very stimulating lunch. May God bless you.

(The House resumed)

(The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi) in the Chair)

REPORT, CONSIDERATION OF REPORT AND THIRD READING

THE KILIFI COUNTY AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT FUND BILL, 2016

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

Hon. Mwambire: Hon. Speaker, I beg to report that the Committee of the Whole House has considered the Kilifi County Agricultural Development Fund Bill, 2016 and approved the same with amendments.

Hon. Muhambi: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I beg to move that the House do agree with the Committee in the said Report. I call upon hon. Emmanuel Kazungu Chai to second.

(Hon. Chai stood at his place to second)

The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi): Thank you. Hon. Members, a Motion has been moved by hon. Muhambi to request the House to agree with the committee's Report. The same has been seconded by hon. Chai. I propose the same is ready for debate. Hon. Chai.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Chai: Thank you Mr. Speaker, for giving the chance to contribute towards the passage of the Agricultural Development Fund Bill. It will be very prudent of us if we have this Bill passed because the county at the moment is suffering from different types of agricultural problems. An example is where I come from in Ganze Sub County. Last time we had to call for some relief; when this fund Bill is enacted it will help most our farmers to get loans and practice good agriculture instead of what they are currently using which is making them lag behind and unending hunger. I stand to strongly support the enactment of this Bill. Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir.

The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi): Yes hon. Hassan.

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Hon. Hassan: Asante sana mheshimiwa Spika kwa kunipatia nafasi hii. Nimesimama kuunga mkono Hoja hii iliyoletwa na ndugu yangu Muhambi. Kama tunavyofahamu kwamba ukulima wa leo unahitaji vifaa na havipatikani bila ya pesa. Kwa hivyo ipo haja ya huu Mswada tuupitisha ili tuwe na ukulima wa kisasa kupitia kwa hazina ambayo tutakuwa tukifadhiliwa nayo. Kwa hayo machache mheshimiwa Spika, nashukuru kwa nafasi hii. Asante.

Hon. Pascal: Thank you Mr. Speaker, for giving me an opportunity to also contribute towards the Report that is before this House. Let me stand to support the adoption of this Report. We understand that in this Report, the power of the County Assembly has actually been acknowledged because in the Bill, there was a proposal that the County Executive Member on Agriculture would be the sole person to decide on so many issues that touch on the management of Agriculture but in this Report, we can see that after the proposal by the Governor; there is a proposal in this Report that all the decisions should be affirmed by the County Assembly. This direction is for matters pertaining to Agriculture to be confirmed by the County Assembly.

We can also see in this Report that there has been a proposal to include a minimum and maximum amount to be set aside for any person to borrow. I believe this should be the right direction because in the proposal it was only the minimum that had been set aside by this law. So, this Report is a step in the right direction and its adoption will culminate into getting a law that will direct on how agriculture should be managed properly in the entire county. Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir.

Hon. Nzaro: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I also rise to support the adoption of this Bill. If you look at the Report which Members have agreed on, it gives this Assembly the right to vet some individuals who are supposed to sit in the Board. The right to vet some of these officials who are supposed to work in this government is the work of this Assembly; we will be performing our oversight role in this government. The greatest beneficiaries of this Bill will be the people I represent in Ganze. If you look at what is happening at the moment, our people are suffering from the hunger menace because of massive crop failure and we have some fund to mitigate these issues and make sure that our people can perform agricultural activities in the best manner. This fund has established some monies that can be borrowed from the government to ensure that agricultural production in this county is maximized. The people of Ganze will have a relief when they get these funds. It is my wish that the Governor assents to this Bill within the ...

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

Hon. Hassan: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. I just want to confirm, is it true that in Ganze people are eating roots? Thank you. I am asking *mheshimiwa* from Ganze.

Hon. Nzaro: Thank you Mr. Speaker. This is a very clear question because it has been in the news for the last one month that the people of Ganze are eating very awkward wild fruits which have not been eaten in the course of their lives. This Bill will be addressing these issues because we will be getting monies to promote agricultural activities in the best way we envisaged because we can get these funds. We can harvest the little water which we receive as rainfall and use that to prosper and ensure that our agricultural production is in essence and we utilize the best practices so that we ensure food production in those arid areas.

I support this Bill and I hope the Governor assents to this Bill within the time frame so that the people who are suffering can benefit from this fund. I know we are about to get our short rains. When the short rains come, it will be appropriate when the Governor has signed this Bill

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so that we can move fast to access these funds for better food production in our county. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Nzaka: Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir for giving me this chance to contribute as per the adoption of this Bill. Agriculture is the main economic activity in this great county. About two weeks ago, I saw an article on social media that people in Ganze Constituency are eating wild fruits commonly known as *morya*. Those people from Ganze are part of this county just like Magarini and part of Kaloleni, which are Mwanamwinga and Tsangatsini. The living standard of these people is at a risk. In this Bill, there are Boards which are going to be formed and come up with policies. Agriculture is going to improve because there will be irrigation and people are going to be capacity built so that they can put more effort in Agriculture.

All donors are focusing on Ganze, Magarini and parts of Kaloleni but we would like to get permanent solutions. That is, people should be engaged in agriculture. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Chairperson of the Committee on Agriculture for coming up with this Bill because it is going to uplift the living standards of the people of this great county Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

Hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I rise to support the adoption of this Bill. It is true that the thing to look into is the issue of the fund to make haste in farming methods and farming types to be used in Kilifi County. It is real that we only depend on one food type that is maize. If you drove towards Kaloleni or Ganze you are guaranteed to find all farms to have planted one crop even though the rain failed. They then turn to grazing field because it was only maize that was planted and not any other crop. The adoption of this Bill will make us have a variety of foods in Kilifi apart from the roots or wild fruits being consumed. We will have better farming of fruits and vegetables to supplement for staple food maize. Mr. Speaker, I rise to support and thank you.

Hon. Mramba: Asante Mheshimiwa Spika. Nami nasimama kuunga mkono sheria hii ambayo nina hakika itaboresha kilimo. Hivi majuzi kumekuwa na kilio kingi sana, na ninataka kuambia Bunge kwamba tusiangazie sana Ganze peke yake kwa sababu njaa tuko nayo mpaka Kakuyuni, tuko nayo mpaka Chakama, Jilore, Lango Baya hadi Magarini yote. Mheshimiwa Spika nataka nikuhakikishie kule ninakoishi Madunguni kunasemekana ndio Kitale ya Malindi. Mwaka huu mheshimiwa Spika, ukijaribu kutembea utaona miujiza. Hivi sasa ni afadhali wale watu wa Ganze wamezoea sisi hatukuzoea maanake tumezoea kuvuna kila siku. Mwaka huu tumeona mabadiliko makubwa na hivyo basi ni tatizo ambalo ni janga la Kaunti nzima. Hivyo basi ningepata mkono zaidi kwa sababu gani? Kuna mto ambao unapita kuenda baharini; ule mto tungeutumia vizuri tungevuna chakula kingi sana. Hata tungeweza kuwasaidia wenzetu wa kule Ngamani...

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

Hon. Nzaro: Asante mheshimiwa Spika. Nataka nisimame kwa Hoja ya nidhamu kumweleza mnenaji kwamba hakuna mtu ambaye anazoea shida ya njaa. Asante.

The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi): Yes finish hon. Mramba.

Hon. Mramba: Hivyo basi kama mto ule tungeutumia kunyunyuzia maji kwenye mashamba yetu ingekuwa jambo zuri na tungeweza kutoa chakula kingi maanake kuanzia Sabaki mpaka tukifika Chakama tungepata chakula kingi na tungewasaidia hata wenzetu kutoka Bamba na Ganze pamoja na Sokoke.

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Ni jambo la aibu kuona kwa runinga mama mzee anaongea kwamba chakula kilichobakia kule ni tembe za mti unaoitwa “morya” na tembe nyengine zinazoitwa “kone” ambazo kutoka nizaliwe sijawahi ona kama “kone” zinaweza kuwa chakula. Lakini huwa zinatumiwa tu kama watoto wameenda kulisha ng’ombe huwa wanatunda na kujaribu kutafuna. Mheshimiwa Spika ninaomba kuunga mkono na tutekeleza sheria hii angalau na sisi tupata afueni. Asante.

The Leader of Majority (Hon. Mwingo): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I also rise to support the adoption of this Bill. In Kilifi County we have very many determined farmers who can produce a lot of food but because of lack of funds we have found that it has become impossible for our farmers to produce enough food. If we take for example, Mtwapa Location, that is in Mtepeni Ward where I represent, that place is very productive. If the farmers will be in a position of being given enough funds they can produce enough food to serve the whole of Kilifi County.

I am sure by passing this Bill; our famers will be in a position of increasing their production level. So, I stand to support. Thank you.

Hon. Mlanda: Asante sana, mheshimiwa Spika. Nami nimesimama kuunga mkono sheria hii ambayo imeletwa kwa Bunge letu na Kamati ya ukulima. Kusema kweli ukulima ndio unaweza kufanya wananchi wetu kuepukana na janga hili la njaa. Ikiwa sheria hii itapitishwa katika Bunge hili letu na tuhakikishe sheria hii inafatwa kikamilifu, basi tutakumbana na janga hili. Bw. Spika, nitaunga mkono sehemu ambayo imezungumzwa

The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi): Yes, hon. Pascal you have an intervention.

The Leader of Majority (Hon. Pascal): Mr. Speaker, I need your direction or rather your indulgence. The matter on the Floor is on the Report that should actually be discussed before we discuss on the Law itself. I am seeing Members are mixing two different issues altogether. This is because we are supposed to speak about the Report but contributions at certain times are being directed to the Law itself. I do not know how we are supposed to go about it, I need your indulgence.

The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi): What are the contents of the Report? I think it is the subject matter on what we are discussing. So let us just proceed and wind up. Do not divert too much in support of this Bill. It is whatever you have discussed at the Committee of the Whole House that you are seeking...alright... and you know when you are discussing things at the Whole House the Speaker is never present. Hon. Mlanda, just wind up.

Hon. Mlanda: Asante mheshimiwa Spika. Nilikuwa naongezea tu pale mheshimiwa Mramba alipokuwa anaongea kwamba wadi yake ndio tunaitambua katika eneo bunge la Malindi kama Kitale ambapo mahindi tuna uhakika kabisa kwamba yakilimwa kule kwake kutatoa mahindi mengi sana. Nilipomtembelea majuzi nilishangaa kwamba mvua haikufika kabisa kule. Sasa katika Kilifi nzima kweli tunaweza kuwa tukakosa chakula ambacho kinaweza kulisha wananchi wetu wa Kilifi?

Katika Sheria hii, ikiwa tutazingatia maelezo ambayo tumeelezewa ili tuwe na ukulima wa kisasa, ni ombi langu kwamba mbegu zile ambazo zinatolewa kwa wakulima zitoke kwa wakati mzuri na unaofaa kwa sababu wakati mwingine bengu hizi Bw. Spika zinatolewa wakati wa mvua inaenda mwisho. Vile vifaa ambavyo vinasaidia wakulima pia viweze kutoka kwa wakati unaofaa ili wakulima waanze kulima kwa wakati mzuri. Nimesimama kuunga mkono Sheria hii Bw. Spika. Asante.

Hon. (Ms.) Arafa: Thank you very much Mr. Speaker, Sir. I stand to support the Agricultural Fund Bill which is in front of us. First, I would like to thank the Committee for

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Agriculture; they have done very good work. Among all the Bills we have been working on in this House, you will find that the Agricultural Fund Bill is really touching on the main issue which is directly affecting Kilifi resident. I would like to comment on how the Bill will work mainly in supporting the eligible projects which aim at increased productivity of crops grown within the county and the interesting thing is the issue of soil and water conservation. Without fertile soil and water we will not do a lot in agriculture. When we talk about agriculture it is not a must that we plant maize in Ganze and Kilifi; there are a lot of activities that can be done within agriculture. There are other small activities that you do not need a big space of land to do. I visited Zambezi in Limuru and in this place you can practice agriculture even in the air where you just put plants within a small area and grow a good number of horticultural products. I kindly urge the Committee on Agriculture instead of going to Israel let them visit Limuru in Zambezi and see how they can contribute a lot in terms of agriculture.

The other issue is about incentives. The Committee touched a lot on issues of incentives and without them the farmers cannot do a lot. We are talking about the issues of technical support including research and extension services. Without these things we cannot do a lot in terms of agriculture that is why everyone now is saying if we do irrigation in Ganze we will get a lot of maize. I know in Giriama culture our staple food is maize but if we can grow cassava in good numbers, then we sell it to other people and use the money to buy maize instead of struggling to plant maize which they are not doing well in Kilifi County being an Arid and semi Arid area. So, in that we first have to focus more on the issue of research and extension services to our people in Kilifi County. I am sure if we put our minds more on research work, we will be able to find the best crops we can grow in Kilifi and the extension officers will have to work closely with the farmers so that they make sure that they are in control in terms of pest control and diseases and add market value to our farmers. If they work on this I am very sure we will curb the problem going on in Kilifi County that people are dying because of hunger.

To me, people in Kilifi County are not dying because of hunger but poverty and it is unless we come up with the best incentives for our people. I am sure in Kilifi County we have enough resources; we have water flowing to river Sabaki and other parts and we have seasonal swamps. So if we can work well with the few resources that we have Kilifi County people will not sing the song that they are dying of hunger or a stepping stone for politicians every time they are in Ganze giving out relief food. Imagine a family of 10 people giving them 5 kilogrammes of maize. So it is unless we come up with the best incentives for our people to curb the issue of hunger and poverty. Thank you very much.

Hon. Hamza: Asante Bw. Spika. Mimi pia nasimama kutia sauti katika Hoja hii ambayo iko mbele ya Bunge hili. Kwa kifupi naunga mkono Hoja hii kwa sababu itapeana uhai katika swala la kilimo. Katika changizo ambazo zimekuwa zikipeanwa na waheshimiwa tofauti tofauti imeonyesha wazi kwamba kilimo peke yake ndicho kinachoweza kuzuia baa la njaa. Kama yalivyozungumzwa ni kwamba kumetoa mifano mingi hasa sehemu ya Ganze; tumetajiwa mimea tofauti ambayo wengine wetu hatujui kuna miti kama hiyo lakini sasa tumejua kutokana na yale ambayo yanaendelea katika swala zima la janga la njaa ambayo njia moja tu ya kuzuia janga la njaa ni kuhakikisha kwamba tunathibiti kilimo.

Hayo yote yatakuwa iwapo tutapitisha huu Mswada. Sehemu kama ya Madunguni ni sehemu muhimu hasa kwa wadi kama ya Ganda na Dabaso; hizi ni sehemu tulizokuwa tukizitegemewa sana katika maswala ya kilimo. Sasa kama vile mheshimiwa alivyosema kuna

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changamoto kubwa sana. Kufikia sasa kilimo kimekua adimu katika sehemu kama Madunguni na hili ni janga la Kaunti na njia pekee ni kuwa na mikakati ya kuhakikisha tunapeana uhai katika maswala ya kilimo kwa kupitisha Miswada kama hii. Naunga mkono Mswada huu. Asante.

(Question put and agreed to)

Hon. Muhambi: Mr. Speaker, I beg to move that the Kilifi County Agricultural Development Fund Bill, 2016 be now read a Third Time. I call upon hon. Mwambire.

(Hon. Mwambire stood at his place to second)

(Question proposed)

The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi): Hon. Members, a Motion to have the Kilifi County Agricultural Development Fund Bill, 2016 has been moved and the same seconded by hon. Mwambire. I now propose that the same is ready for debate. Yes hon. Mwambire.

Hon. Mwambire: Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. I am seconding the Third Reading of this Bill because it gives an avenue of especially allocating funds that will assist the transformation of agriculture in this county. I have heard tremendous contributions from Members when they were deliberating on the Second Reading and out of what they were sharing based on the details that are in this Bill, we want to have funds set aside specifically for agriculture.

Agriculture in the whole country contributes 70% of the employment but in this county we want to put it at around 95 % or 85% so that most of the young people, women and men can get best equipment and facilities to improve agriculture. For instance, if you look at what we had passed earlier on in the Mbegu Fund whereby youth groups, women groups and help groups will be facilitated to get funds to start up their businesses, but in this Bill if we pass it then we will be setting aside funds which will be given to farmers and aspiring farmers. For instance, if they want to do water harvesting, they can buy water tanks, farm equipment and other things which can improve their farming. I believe even those who have adversely mentioned Ganze, Magarini, Jilore, Kayafungo and Mwanamwinga being the targeted dry areas they can be easily transformed because we want a way whereby we will make sure that the water is harvested and other transformative agricultural engagements are also put in place using the funds that we are having.

People in those areas have been mentioned adversely as the dry areas are learned but what they are lacking are resources to be used to transform the areas but this is now a great avenue so that people like hon. (Ms) Arafa who come from the sea shore can be in a position to start what is called balcony farming or use the little land that they have. For instance, they can invest in mushroom farming. I know the challenges that they have at the moment is that they do not have the resources but this will be an avenue whereby it is not just a group but even individuals who have transformative or projection issues to be funded and make sure that their dreams crystallize into reality.

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I believe if the great Members of this Assembly will pass this Bill in the next budget or even the supplementary Budget we can give a good allocation which I believe is the only way forward. We know the results will be experienced by everybody apart from the other businesses or the Mbegu Fund Bill whereby we are not sure whether people are going to buy or not but this one we will be very sure of having food and something that has ready market including hotels. We are building a very magnificent market at Mtwapa and we also have other markets across the county. We want to make sure that our able bodied people in this county engage in agriculture so that most of the produce in those markets come from within Kilifi instead of having markets selling potatoes from Tanzania, eggs from South Africa, sukuma wiki from Nakuru and groundnuts from Kisumu. We are going to make sure even fish farming is enhanced from this county so that if somebody wants fresh water fish they can get them from the fish ponds; if somebody wants fish from the sea we can get them from the sea. Those are the some of the issues that we want to make sure that we become more than self reliant. We want to export; we want to follow other counties who have started exporting.

Mr. Speaker, if you go to Kisii County, they have diversified and for instance in daily farming they have gone to the extent of even having an Information Technology (IT) icon whereby they know the time all the cows are on heat so they mount them and they give birth within a certain duration whereby that duration that county will be having a lot of milk which they sell and get a lot of money. As we are speaking today, the cost of milk per liter is fifty shillings. For instance, if this fund is allocated and we make sure that fifty farmers have two or three cows and they will be generating about sixty liters per day per cow, it means those farmers will now have been transformed and will get a lot of money out of that.

Those are the projections that we have in this Bill apart from the Mbegu Fund Bill which looks into mostly groups there. I know individually they are also looked at but the projected outcome is normally suspicious but this one is a hundred percent surety and I believe the great members in this Assembly will support and will stand as the first beneficiaries because if the people we represent are financially empowered we will use little money to give them in terms of public support. Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. With those few remarks I stand to support.

Hon. Pascal: Thank you Mr. Speaker, for also giving me an opportunity to contribute. Let me stand in support of this Bill. This Bill talks of establishment of a fund that will take care of the agricultural activities in the entire county. Mr. Speaker, our farmers have for long been unable to implement proper methods of agriculture not because they lack expertise but it is because they do not have the funds to enable them to meet the necessary requirements.

Mr. Speaker, we understand the funds that will be set aside for our farmers will actually invoke the current methods of farming; they will use the executive ploughs which are currently in use. For a long time, we have seen our farmers using traditional methods of farming and that is why they have not been able to meet the market demand of the produce because we understand that a crop that is not properly nurtured will not get to the desired level. So the fund that is going to be set aside by this Law will actually assist our farmers get bigger percentages.

This Bill also speaks of artificial insemination and as we all understand, the natives of Kilifi County have relied on traditional kinds of animals which are normally needed when one member wants to go and pay dowry. But with artificial insemination, we will see that the exotic kinds of breeds will actually be imparted into our traditional animals and in so doing we will get the necessary breeds that will assist the Kilifians. We will also produce enough meat because we

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believe the exotic breed has the necessary weight that will assist in terms of meat. Again this will assist in the production of milk because we understand the Friesian kind of a breed can produce a lot of milk like 30 or 40 liters per day. This is the kind of production that we are yearning for as Kilifi County and all that has been included in that Law.

So Mr. Speaker, the passage of this Law will actually help many of our farmers and in so doing we will be arresting the hunger menace of the Kilifians. I stand to support the adoption of this Bill. Thank you so much.

Hon. Mwayaa: Asante mheshimiwa Spika. Nami nimesimama kuunga mkono kusomwa kwa mara ya tatu kwa Mswada huu wa sheria ambao uko mbele ya Bunge hii. Mheshimiwa Spika, ni kweli Kaunti yetu ya Kilifi imekumbwa na baa la njaa na imesambaa karibu kila mahali; si Kitale, Kayafungo na hata sehemu nyingine za kaunti hii.

Mheshimiwa Spika, Mswada wa sheria hii ukipita naona utaboresha kilimo katika kaunti hii na naona hizi habari za baa la njaa tutakuwa tumezipiga teke kwa sababu ukiangalia hivi kama kule Kayafungo kuna mito ambayo inategemea kukinyesha mvua ndipo inapitisha maji.

(Hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu stood on a Point of Order)

Hon. (Ms.) Mbeyu: Mr. Speaker, the Member on the Floor mentioned that we have problem of hunger in Kitale, we do not have Kitale in Kilifi County. Can he withdraw that?

Hon. Mwayaa: Mheshimiwa Spika, ni kama mfano kwamba ni kama tuko na Kitale yetu kule Madunguni na kama kutoka mwanzo imetajwa kama Madunguni imefananishwa na Kitale. Nilikuwa niko katika msururu ule ule wa kuonyesha kwamba tunaweza tukapata Kitale katika Kilifi hii. Kwa hivyo mheshimiwa Spika, siko tayari kuondoa maneno haya kwa sababu neno hili tunalitumia ili kwamba tukuze Kilifi yetu nayo ifikie kiwango cha kuitwa Kitale ikiwa ardhi ile tuliyo nayo iweze ikakuza mahindi kama Kitale. Sijasema Kilifi ni Kitale; nimesema tunafananisha labda hajanielewa vizuri.

Mheshimiwa Spika, nikiendelea tuko na mito yetu kama vile kule Kayafungo tuko na mto Mwatsuma, Guruguru, Ndatani na kule Bamba tuko na Kafuloni kule sehemu za Ganze. Mheshimiwa Mswada huu ukipita twende tujenga ukuta katika ile mito na tutahifadhi maji ya kutosha na tutapata kilimo ambapo njaa tutakuwa hatuna tena.

Sheria hii ikipita na utafiti ukifanywa tunaweza kufanya ufugaji kule Ganze ambako njaa imetajwa kwa wingi pia tunaweza kufanya ufugaji kule sehemu za Kayafungo. Na ufugaji huu mwisho unaweza kutufanya tukajenga vichinjio upande ule na tukawa sisi ndio wakubwa wa kusafirisha nyama kuelekea sehemu za Mombasa.

Tukiweze kupata fedha ambazo zimetajwa hapa ufugaji utaboreshwa hata kule ambako kumetajwa hapa na njaa itaisha ili kwamba tuhakikishe Kilifi yetu tumeipeleka mbele; itafanyika kwa kupitisha sheria hii. Naunga mkono tuisome kwa mara ya tatu ili kwamba iharakishwe tuelekane na hili janga la njaa ambalo linaendelea kutajwa katika Kilifi yetu. Asante naunga mkono.

Hon. Matsaki: Asante sana Bw. Spika kwa kunipatia nafasi hii nami pia niwe nitachangia kuhusiana na Hoja ambayo iko mbele yetu. Kilimo ni muhimu sana na kilimo cha kisasa mara nyingi lazima uwe na uwezo. Kwa hivyo nataka niunge mkono ile hazina ambayo itakuwa imewekwa ili wakulima wetu waweze kuwa watapata pesa na watumie njia za kisasa. Mara nyingi zile njia ambazo tunazitumia ni za zamani kwa sababu mtu analima robo eka

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akitumia majembe haya ya kawaida lakini kama ni mfumo na kama ni mtu alime kwa kutumia njia hizi za kisasa kwanza ni lazima atumie tinga tinga, apate mbolea, apate mbegu nzuri kwa wakati mzuri. Sasa katika hali hii haiwezekani kwa sababu watu wetu uwezo wao ni hafifu na ni lazima wapate usadidizi kutoka kwa serikali.

Katika huu mfuko ikiwa tutapata hizi pesa itakuwa ni rahisi kuongeza kile chakula ambacho kinapatikana wakati watu wanatumia njia hizi za kisasa. Pia vile vile Bw. Spika watu wetu wanaweza kujaribu kupunguza yale magonjwa ya mifugo na mimea.

Mara nyingi mifugo yao inakufa kwa sababu mkulima hana uwezo wa kununua dawa ambazo zinaweza kukimu mifugo yake. Vile vile Bw. Spika, mfuko huu utawezesha kupanua na kubuniwa kwa hivi vyama vya ushirika kwa sababu kitambo vilikuwa vikifanya vizuri lakini sasa katika Kaunti ya Kilifi ukitafuta vyama vya ushirika ambavyo vimesimama kikamilifu ni kidogo sana. Kwa hivyo kama kuna pesa ambazo zinaweza kusaidia nafikiria itakuwa vizuri zaidi. Nimesimama kuunga mkono hoja hii. Asante sana.

Hon. Sadi: Mheshimiwa Spika nataka nikushukuru kwa kunipa nafasi hii kuchangia kusomwa mara ya tatu kwa sheria hii. Wakaazi wengi wa Kilifi ni wakulima. Kwa njia moja ama nyingine mara nyingi kilimo tunachofanya hakitoshelezi sisi kuweza kujikimu kimaisha kwa sababu wengi wanaolima wanalima kiwango cha kwamba kimtosheleze yeye na jamii yake kwa sababu kipato ni kidogo.

Tunapopitisha sheria kama hii, wakaazi wa Kaunti ya Kilifi wana nafasi ya kupata pesa za kuwezeza katika kilimo ili waweze kulima chakula kwa ajili ya matumizi yao na kwa ajili ya kuweza kufanya biashara ili wapate pesa za kuwakimu kimaisha. Sheria kama hii inapokuja wananchi wetu wana nafasi kubwa ya kujienuwa kimaisha.

Mheshimiwa Spika, utafahamu kuwa kuna sehemu nyingi sana katika kaunti hii ambazo kuna nafasi ya kufanya kilimo cha unyunyizaji. Wananchi wameshindwa kutumia raslimali ile kwa sababu ya uhaba wa fedha. Wakati tulipokuwa tukizungusha sheria hii nyanjani kwa wananchi kutoa maoni, wananchi wengi sana walikubaliana na sheria hii na wakawa wanahimiza tufanye bidii ili ipitishwe kwa wakati mzuri na wananchi wasaidike. Nasimama kuunga mkono na kuwasihii wenzangu kupitisha sheria hii ili wananchi wetu waweze kusaidika. Asante mheshimiwa Spika.

Hon. Bakari: Asante sana mheshimiwa Spika. Mimi pia nimesimama kuunga mkono kusomwa kwa mara ya tatu kwa sheria hii ambayo imetenga na kuwezesha wakulima wetu wa Kilifi kupata pesa kuimarisha kilimo kama wenzangu walivyozungumza. Mheshimiwa Spika, kilimo ndio uti wa mgongo katika Kaunti ya Kilifi na Kenya nzima na wakati itakapokuwa imetiwa sahihi na Gavana wetu itapeana nafasi kwa wakulima wetu kupata pesa. Tunafahamu ya kwamba wakulima wetu ni wakulima ambao wanataka sana kujiendeleza lakini shida ni pesa na tunaielewa kwamba wengi wao wanapokwenda katika mabenki huwa ni shida ama hata wanashindwa kwenda kwa benki kwa sababu ile riba ya benki iko juu.

Hata hivyo, naamini kabisa wakati tutakuwa na mfuko wetu wa Kaunti ambao utakuwa unawezesha wakulima wetu, basi riba yake itakuwa ni haba. Vile vile itawezesha wakulima wale ambao wana sehemu ndogo kuweza kulima ama kufanya unyunyizaji katika zile sehemu zao. Si lazima kuwe na mito kama vile mheshimiwa Mwayaa amezungumza lakini pia kuchimba visima na kuona wakulima wamenyunyiza maji kwa mimea yao.

Nitaweza kutoa mfano kwa Kiongozi wa Walio Wengi; iwapo pengine tumetembea kwa shamba la Kiongozi wa Walio Wengi eeh! Hapo Kiongozi wa Walio Wengi anatoa mchicha

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mwingi, viazi vingi na anaweza kusambaza katika sehemu ile ya Mtwapa vizuri. Kwa hivyo mheshimiwa Spika iwapo itakuwa imepita na kutiwa sahihi basi wakulima wetu wataweza kutoa mazao kwa wingi na pia soko letu lile ambalo linaendelea kujengwa pale Mtwapa litaweza kupata mazao kutoka kwa Kaunti yetu ya Kilifi kwa wingi. Naunga mkono mheshimiwa Spika kwa dhati sana. Asante sana.

Hon. Dele: Asante Bw. Spika. Ninasimama hapa kuunga mkono kusomwa kwa mara ya tatu kwa sheria hii kwa mikakati ifuatayo. Kwanza kabisa waheshimiwa wa Bunge hili tunafahamu fika kuwa wakaazi wa Kilifi ni wakulima. Kufikia saa hii wakulima wako lakini mbinu au miundo misingi ya ukulima waliyo nayo ni duni kwa hivyo hawawezi kufikia malengo yao. Ndio maana utawakuta wakulima wengi kufikia saa hii ni wakulima ambao ni wa kilimo cha chakula pekee. Lakini tunapopitisha sheria hii na inapoenda kufanya kazi basi tutakuwa tumewawezesha wawe na kilimo biashara. Kwanza sheria hii itaweza kupandisha hadhi ya ukulima wao kwa njia za kisasa.

Pili, ni kwamba kinachowafanya wanakuwa wakulima wa kilimo cha chakula ni kwa ajili ya kuwa ufadhili hakuna; tunaona hapa ufadhili utakuwa umepatikana kwa hivyo motisha ya kufanya kilimo biashara watakuwa wako nayo. Hata mazao ya kilimo yatakapopatikana basi yatakuwa katika ile hadhi ambayo inahitajika. Namaanisha kuwa wanapoenda kulima kwa miundo misingi ya kisasa au kwa mbinu za kisasa basi mazao yao yanathamani na yanaweza kuuzwa katika nchi mbali mbali za nje. Kwa hivyo sheria hii itawawezesha wao kupata sehemu za mauzo na kuwawezesha kufanya kilimo biashara kitatakachowawezesha wao kuwa na mazao yenye thamani ambayo yatakuwa yanaweza kuuzika. Kwa hivyo, nasimama kuunga mkono na kusema hongera kwa Bunge hili kwa kuwa tumefikiria wakulima wanaweza kupandishwa hadhi na huu ndio mwelekeo. Bw. Spika nasema nashukuru. Asante sana.

The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi): Hon. Members, a Motion has been deliberated as to whether the Kilifi County Agricultural Development Fund Bill, 2016 should be read a Third Time. I now put the question that the Kilifi County Agricultural Development Fund Bill, 2016 be read a Third Time.

(Question put and agreed to)

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

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi): Hon. Members, the Bill having being read for the Third Time is now ready for submission to the Governor for his assent. In the absence of any other Business in the Order Paper, I adjourn the House until 2.30 in the afternoon.

The House rose at 10:32 a.m.

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