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### COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KILIFI

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## THE HANSARD

Wednesday, 21st October 2020

*The House met at the County Assembly Chamber,  
Malindi Town, at 11:00 a.m.*

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

### PRAYERS

### STATEMENTS

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): We have a Statement sought by hon. Pascal Thuva to the Department of Health Services. Has he delegated anybody to read the Statement? Again, the next Statement is from hon. Thuva. We have a Response to a Statement sought by hon. Stanley Kenga from the Department of Lands, is hon. Dele present? Anybody in the Lands Committee who can read that Response?

#### REVERTING KAMALE HOLDING GROUND TO THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT

**Hon. Reuben:** Thank you Mr. Speaker, for giving me this opportunity to read a Response to a Statement sought by hon. Stanley Kenga. The Statement was directed to the CECM in charge of Lands, Energy, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development and it reads as follows:-

Whether the County Executive Member (CECM) in charge of Lands, Energy, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development is aware:

1. That, Kamale Holding Ground exists in Adu Ward.
2. That, Kamale Holding Ground is home to several public institutions namely;
  - a) Mtoroni Primary School

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- b) Mtoroni Dispensary
  - c) Thulu Primary School
  - d) Vuga Primary School
  - e) Timboni Primary School
  - f) Several religious institutions
  - g) Several sports grounds
3. That, a very big population of people lives on Kamale Holding Ground.
  4. That, members of the community had requested the County Government through the relevant National Government Ministry to initiate the process of negotiation to have Kamale Holding Ground revert back to the County Government for resettlement of the people living within.

If yes, how far has the process gone so as to have the land revert to the County Government? Kindly attach relevant documents.

The Response goes as:- Reference County Assembly Statements, your letter Ref. CAK/DPT/LANS/10/VOL1/28 dated 16<sup>th</sup> July 2020 on a Statement by hon. Stanley Kenga MCA, Adu Ward on Kamale Holding Ground refers. We are aware of the Kamale Holding Ground in Adu Ward, which is under the jurisdiction of the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Livestock Development, County Government of Kilifi.

It is our considered opinion therefore that this matter be channeled to the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Livestock Development for a substantive Response. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**Hon. Kenga:** Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. Allow me to say that the Response that has been given is not satisfactory and I want to submit the following. This is a process that started in the last term of devolution and the Statement I had sought had requested for the relevant documents, correspondences and communication between the County Government and relevant Department within the National Government be availed so that we may be able to know how far the process has gone.

As it is now, there is nothing to show concerning any communication that has taken place between the County Government and the National Government yet members of the community had put this request to the County Government.

Another thing that is very important and maybe we need to be guided, the CECM is talking about this being in jurisdiction of the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Livestock Development within the County Government of Kilifi and my Statement was channeled to the Department of Lands. Maybe we need to be guided on how best we can approach this as a House given that the Department of Lands is now pushing the same to the Department of Agriculture. Do I need to do another Statement or is it the Committee on Agriculture to just pick up the matter the way it is and proceed with the matter or what am I supposed to do?

Even if the Committee on Agriculture will take up the matter, the most important thing is; I want to believe there has been communication between the County Government and the National Government. We need to know how far that communication has taken place and gone towards addressing this problem. It is clear from the Statement that I did, the land in question is home to many public institutions and therefore we need to get the position on how we can have the land for resettlement of the people who are living within the public institutions that are within the said area. Thank you.

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**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): If the CECM says the matter is in the Department of Agriculture, you do not have to raise another Statement because the Committee on Agriculture sits in this House. I will just transfer that to the Chairperson Agriculture, is he present? Yes, kindly pick up the matter and follow it up since now it is in the right Department. Thank you.

### ADJOURNMENT

**The Speaker** (Hon. Kahindi): Hon. Members, in the absence of any other Business in the Order Paper, this House stands adjourned. Thank you.

**The House rose at 11:30 a.m.**

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