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Malindi Town, at 2.30 p.m.*

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

PRAYERS

STATEMENTS

INCOMPLETE PHARMACY AT BORE SINGWAYA DISPENSARY

Hon. (Ms.) Maneno: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. On behalf of the Chairperson Health Committee, allow me to read a Response from the CECM Health Department. Before I read it, allow me to read the Statement from hon. Peter Ziro.

Statement to the CECM in charge of the Health Services Department through the Chairperson Health Services Committee on incomplete pharmacy;

WHETHER, the County Executive Committee Member is aware that there was an allocation for construction of a pharmacy at Bore Singwaya Dispensary in the Financial Year 2014/2015;

WHETHER, the CECM is further aware that the said project has stalled? If yes, why has the project taken so long to be completed and what measures is the CECM taking to ensure the said project is completed? Signed by hon. Peter Ziro, MCA Garashi.

The Response:

Department of Health Services, incomplete pharmacy at Bore Singwaya dispensary Report. Project name; extension of outpatient unit at Bore Singwaya Dispensary. Quotation

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number; KCG/QTN/HOSP/060/2015-2016. The project is a brain child of public participation forum during the presentation of the 2015/2016 Budget Outlook Paper and County Strategic Fiscal Paper. This was a Ward Development Fund project for 2015/2016 with kshs. 1,500,000 allocation. The tender sum was kshs. 1,998,285.60. The project stalled since no funds were allocated for completion in 2016/2017, 2017/2018 and 2018/2019.

The Department of Health captured this project among other stalled projects as per the list attached herein in 2018/2019. Consequently, the Department allocated funds for completion of the remaining works in 2019/2020 budgetary allocation. The following are the details of the procurement process;

1. Requisition for procurement, date 10th February 2016.
2. Opening committee minutes, 15th May 2016.
3. Evaluation committee minutes, 20th May 2016.
4. Professional opinion by the county head of supply chain management, 23rd May 2016.
5. Approval by the accounting officer, 24th May 2016.
6. Letter of specification of award, 27th May 2016.
7. Local purchase order, 27th May 2016.
8. Letter of acceptance of award, dated on 4th July 2016 and received on 11th July 2016.
9. Contract agreement, 15th July 2016.
10. Inspection and acceptance committee report, 3rd November 2016.
11. Invoice, 15th November 2016.
12. Payment certificate, 17th November 2016.
13. Payment, 3rd January 2017.
14. List of stalled projects attached herein.

The remaining works include; mechanical and electric works, painting works, windows and doors fixation.

The Department of Health has factored in a budget amounting to ksh. 468, 891.20 in the Financial Year 2019/2020 to complete works. The Department is committed to complete the project to increase access to health care for the community. The Department shall expedite the completion of remaining works. Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Hon. Peter Ziro, what do you have to say about the Response given?

Hon. Ziro: Thank you Mr. Speaker. As per the Response, I have been making follow ups in regard to the same project but I came to realize they are in the process of trying to complete the project. So I am contented with the Response. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Thank you. If you look at the Response on the table provide, the local purchase order is said to have been made on the 27th of May 2016. I think there could be a problem; it should have been 2019 and not 2016. Given that you have made follow ups on the same and you are contented with the Response then the matter should be settled. Thank you.

REPORT OF UNPROCEDURAL TRANSFER OF MR. THOYA

Hon. (Ms.) Maneno: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. This Statement is directed to the CECM in charge of the Health Services Department through the Chairperson, Health Services.

WHETHER, the County Executive Committee Member is aware that, the unprocedural transfer of Mr. Thoya, who is a nurse from Dagamra Dispensary to Matolani Dispensary triggered a public outcry.

WHETHER, the CECM is further aware that even after plea by the area MCA Garashi Ward to hold the transfer until the right procedure was followed, the M.O.H went ahead to defend the transfer.

If yes, what measures is the CEC Member taking to ensure the unprocedural transfer of Mr. Thoya is revoked.

Mr. Speaker, this is the Response.

The Department is aware of the transfer of Mr. Ali Thoya from Dagamra Dispensary to Matolani Dispensary. The County Government Act 2012, Article 71 states that: Transfers across the Department will be done by the County Secretary. Article 72 states that: transfers within the Department will be done by the Chief Officer of the Department.

At the departmental level, a transfer across the sub-county is done by the Chief Officer or Senior County Health Management Officer on delegated authority. All transfers are deliberated on by the committees, agreed on and the postings affected by Chief Officer, medical superintendent and sub-county medical officer of health respectively. We wish to confirm that Mr. Ali Thoya's transfer followed the above protocol and hence was procedural.

We further hereby confirm that, Ali Thoya was consulted by the Magarini Sub-County Human Resource Management Committee held on the 3rd October 2019 before his transfer from Dagamra to Matolani Dispensary. Moreover, he was promoted to be in charge of the dispensary at Matolani. This was due to his good performance record. This is aimed at motivating staff and also within the spirit of nurturing health managers in the county.

This was therefore meant for motivation and growth of his career in health facility management. The posting order released at the same time, also included other officials in the sub-county. Mr. Thoya's transfer was on basis of services need. We further note he was giving satisfactory services from the communities concerns.

We would wish to clarify that Mr. Thoya has not submitted any complaints regarding his transfer both at the Magarini Sub-county Health Management Office and at the Department's headquarters.

However, to avoid such instances in future, the County Executive Committee issued a memo to all hospital superintendents and sub-county medical officers of health to submit all their proposals for transfers to the headquarters together with Human Resource Committees meetings minutes for consensus building before the posting orders are approved and released.

Attached herein please find the following:

- 1) Magarini Sub-County Human Resource Management Committee Minutes that approved the transfer or posting
- 2) The posting order for the affected Officers
- 3) Mr. Thoya's released letter from Dagamra
- 4) Mr. Thoya's arrival letter at Matolani dispensary.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Thank you. The Member for Garashi make your request.

Hon. Ziro: Thank you Mr. Speaker. There is a paragraph in the Response that says we would wish to clarify that Mr. Thoya has not submitted any complaints regarding the transfer both at Magarini Sub-county Health Management Office and at the Department's headquarters.

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Mr. Speaker, it is unprocedural for a junior staff to complain when given transfer by the authorities that employed them. This is quite awkward for me. The problem is when I was trying to find out whether Mr. Thoya was ready to come and explain to this House, in case we had a meeting with the CEC Member, it was like he was fearing for his job so he decided to let it go. Therefore, I could not take any further actions because he was my key witness. Mr. Speaker, I am not contented with the Response that has been given in this House. Thank you very much.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Thank you. Let us hear from hon. (Ms.) Maneno if she has anything to say about the concerns raised by hon. Ziro?

Hon. (Ms.) Maneno: I think he has confirmed that he is okay with the Response. The Chairperson will seek further clarifications. Allow me to read another Response for hon. Maitha Masha.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Thank you, proceed.

MISSING MOTOR BIKE AT PALAKUMI DISPENSARY

Hon. (Ms.) Maneno: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. The Statement was;

WHETHER, the County Executive Committee Member in charge of the Department of Health services is aware that Palakumi Dispensary had a motor bike assigned to it for outreach services.

WHETHER, the County Executive Committee Member in charge of the Department is further aware that the motor bike cannot be traced at the facility.

If yes, what measures is the CECM taking to ensure the motor bike is returned to the dispensary for the outreach services?

This is the Response;

The CEC Member for Health is aware that Palakumi Dispensary was issued with a motor bike to support outreach services. The Brand of the cycle is KTM and Registration No. GK A 635 Z.

The CECM is aware that this motor bike has been at Muryachakwe Dispensary since early February 2019. However, the motor cycle was being shared by the two facilities to provide outreach services. The motor bike was easily accessible to Palakumi Dispensary at point of need.

However, I wish to hereby confirm that Muryachake Dispensary handed over the motor bike to Palakumi Dispensary and was received back by the dispensary in charge and the Dispensary Health Committee (DHC) chairman on 10th December 2019.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Thank you. Member for Jaribuni please make your request and proceed.

Hon. Maitha: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I do confirm that the motor bike was returned so I am contented.

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY, 2ND MARCH 2020

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Yes hon. (Ms.) Victorine.

Hon. (Ms.) Victorine: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. Pursuant to the provision of Standing Order 41 2(a) I wish to lay on the Table of this House, the Statement regarding the Business of the House for the week commencing Monday, 2nd March 2020 as follows;

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On 2nd March, 2020 2:30 p.m. there will be A) Papers tabling of the second quarter Report (October to December, 2019) for the Department of Health Services. B) Statements; One, Statement sought by hon. Maitha Masha from the Department of Water, Natural Resources, Environment, Forestry and Solid Waste management. Two, Statement sought by hon. Jana Tsuma Jana from the Department of Water, Natural Resources, Environment, Forestry and Solid Waste Management. Three, Response to a Statement sought by hon. Alphonse Mwayaa from the Department of Health Services.

C) Notices of Motions one, Motion on Reproductive Health Mobile Clinics, which will be done by hon. (Ms.) Caroline Kalume. Two, Motion on Out-Patient Psychiatric Centre, will be done by hon. (Ms.) Martha Koki Musyoki. Three, Motion on Safe Havens for Rape Victims will be done by hon. (Ms.) Martha Koki Musyoki.

On 3rd March, 2020 Tuesday 9:30 a.m. a) we have a Statement one, Response to a Statement sought by hon. Alphonse Mwayaa from the Department of Education and ICT. B) We will be having a Motion on Reproductive Health Mobile Clinics, which will be done by hon. (Ms.) Caroline Kalume.

On 3rd March, 2020 Tuesday 2:30 p.m. a) We have a Statement, this is the Response to a Statement sought by hon. Alphonse Mwayaa from the Department of Water, Natural Resources, Environment, Forestry and Solid Waste Management. B) We will be having a Motion on Out-Patient Psychiatric Centre by hon. (Ms.) Martha Koki Musyoki.

On 4th March, 2020 that will be on Wednesday 2:30 p.m. A) Statements; one, Response to a Statement sought by hon. Peter Ziro from the Department of Water, Natural Resources, Environment, Forestry and Solid Waste management. B) We will be a Motion, one, Motion on Safe Havens for Rape Victims by hon. (Ms.) Martha Koki Musyoki. Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir.

ADJOURNMENT

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kenga): Thank you very much hon. Members, There being no other Business on the Order Paper, this House stands adjourned until Monday 2:30 p.m. next week. Thank you very much.

The House rose at 3:00 p.m.