

REPUBLIC OF KENYA
COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF MACHAKOS

OFFICIAL REPORT

Tuesday, 4th October, 2022

The House met at 3.00 p.m.

[The Speaker (Hon. (Mrs.) Kiusya) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

PAPER LAID

NOMINATION OF MEMBERS TO VARIOUS
COMMITTEES OF THE THIRD ASSEMBLY

Hon. Speaker: I call upon the Majority Leader, Hon. Nicholas Nzioka, to proceed.

Hon. Nicholas Nzioka (Machakos Central, WDM-K): Thank you, Hon. Speaker. Hon. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 155, I wish to lay the following Paper on the Table of the Assembly today, 4th October, 2022; the Report of the Committee on Selection on nomination of Members to various committees of the Third Assembly. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

NOTICE OF MOTION

NOMINATION OF MEMBERS TO VARIOUS
COMMITTEES OF THE THIRD ASSEMBLY

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Hon. Nicholas Nzioka (Machakos Central, WDM-K): Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

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Further aware that Standing Order 155(1) provides that the Committee on Selection shall within seven days upon nomination of members to serve in any Committee of the House, present to the House for approval;

Hon. Speaker, I wish to give notice of motion THAT pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order 155, this House approves the appointment of various Members to the respective Committees as specified in the Schedule (annexed to the Order Paper).

Thank you, Madam Speaker

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Hon. Speaker, I wish to move the motion THAT pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order 155, this House approves the appointment of various Members to the respective Committees as specified in the Schedule (annexed to the Order Paper and listed hereunder).

Hon. Speaker, the sectoral committees and their membership is as follows:

SECTORAL COMMITTEES

1) TRADE, ECONOMIC PLANNING AND INDUSTRIALIZATION

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| 1. | Hon. Paul Muli (MCCP) | |
| 2. | Hon. Aliphonce Mutinda | (MCCP) |
| 3. | Hon. Joseph Mulinge | “ |
| 4. | Hon. Mercy Njagi | “ |
| 5. | Hon. Jeremiah Kaloi | (WDM-K) |
| 6. | Hon. Catherine Kyee | “ |
| 7. | Hon. Daniel Ndwiki | “ |
| 8. | Hon. Irene Mulu | “ |
| 9. | Hon. Francis Kitaka | “ |
| 10. | Hon. Mathew Ndunda | (IND) |
| 11. | Hon. Boniface Maeke | (CCU) |
| 12. | Hon. Mary Nthenya | “ |
| 13. | Hon. Mathias Muasya | (IND) |

2) EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICES

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| 1. | Hon. Johana Munyao | (MCCP) |
| 2. | Hon. Evelyn Nzeki | “ |
| 3. | Hon. Francis Kavyu | “ |
| 4. | Hon. Phoebe Koki | “ |
| 5. | Hon. Daniel Muindi | (WDM-K) |
| 6. | Hon. Francis Kitaka | “ |
| 7. | Hon. Annastacia Mutevu | “ |
| 8. | Hon. Catherine Muia | “ |
| 9. | Hon. Joshua Mwonga | “ |

10. Hon. Grace Bahati (IND)
11. Hon. Philip Mutua (UDA)
12. Hon. Justus Mutuku (PTP)
13. Hon. Erick Wambua (PICK)

3) *TRANSPORT, ROADS AND PUBLIC WORKS*

1. Hon. Aliphonce Mutinda (MCCP)
2. Hon. Judas Ndawa “
3. Hon. Francis Ngunga “
4. Hon. Paul Muli “
5. Hon. Paul Muoki (WDM-K)
6. Hon. Dee Kivuya “
7. Hon. Fredrick Kitetu “
8. Hon. Lucky Nzau “
9. Hon. Nicholas Nzioka “
10. Hon. Dominic Ndambuki “
11. Hon. Charles Mbuva (GDDP)
12. Hon. Annabel Ndilo (UDA)
13. Hon. Julius Munywoki “

4) *JUSTICE AND LEGAL AFFAIRS*

1. Hon. Joseph Mulinge (MCCP)
2. Hon. Caroline Mutuku “
3. Hon. Johana Munyao “
4. Hon. Dominic Ndambuki (WDM-K)
5. Hon. Vincent Mutie “
6. Hon. Farhiya Abdi “
7. Hon. Joshua Mwonga “
8. Hon. Hellen Ndeti “
9. Hon. Ruth Wanjiru (CCU)
10. Hon. Peter Kilonzo (UDA)
11. Hon. Grace Bahati (IND)
12. Hon. Aliphonce Mutinda (MCCP)
13. Hon. Paul Wambua (PTP)

5) *AGRICULTURE*

1. Hon. Dickson Maundu (MCCP)
2. Hon. Gideon Kavuu “
3. Hon. Constance Mbula “
4. Hon. Loyd Mutua “
5. Hon. Lucky Nzau (WDM-K)
6. Hon. Benjamin Kyule “
7. Hon. Paul Muoki “
8. Hon. Catherine Muia “
9. Hon. Charles Mbuva (GDDP)
10. Hon. Boniface Maeke (CCU)

11. Hon. Julius Munywoki (UDA)
12. Hon. Ruth Wanjiru (CCU)
13. Hon. Eric Musembi (PICK)

6) *ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES*

1. Hon. Margaret Ndalana (MCCP)
2. Hon. Douglas Musyoka “
3. Hon. Phoebe Koki “
4. Hon. Francis Ngunga “
5. Hon. Fredrick Kitetu (WDM-K)
6. Hon. Catherine Kyee “
7. Hon. Winfred Mutua “
8. Hon. Jackson Ndaka “
9. Hon. Dominic Maitha “
10. Hon. Nicholas Nzioka “
11. Hon. Boniface Maeke (CCU)
12. Hon. Boniface Katiti (UDA)
13. Hon. Mary Nthenya “

7) *FINANCE AND REVENUE COLLECTION*

1. Hon. Paul Muli (MCCP)
2. Hon. Loyd Mutua “
3. Hon. Francis Kavyu “
4. Hon. Judas Ndawa “
5. Hon. Francis Kitaka (WDM-K)
6. Hon. Irene Mulu “
7. Hon. Hellen Ndeti “
8. Hon. Daniel Muindi “
9. Hon. Jackson Ndaka “
10. Hon. Grace Bahati (IND)
11. Hon. Paul Wambua (PTP)
12. Hon. Philip Ndolo (UDA)
13. Hon. Annabel Ndilo “

8) *HEALTH AND EMERGENCY SERVICES*

1. Hon. Brian Kisila (MCCP)
2. Hon. Margaret Ndalana “
3. Hon. Douglas Musyoka “
4. Hon. Caroline Mutuku “
5. Hon. Vincent Mutie (WDM-K)
6. Hon. Winfred Mutua “
7. Hon. Dee Kivuva “
8. Hon. Jeremiah Kaloi “
9. Hon. Felix Ngui “
10. Hon. Mathew Ndunda (IND)
11. Hon. Justus Mutuku (PTP)

12. Hon. Peter Kilonzo (UDA)
 13. Hon. Philip Ndolo “

9) *LABOUR, PUBLIC SERVICE AND ICT*

1. Hon. Evelyn Nzeki (MCCP)
 2. Hon. Mercy Njagi “
 3. Hon. Joseph Mulinge “
 4. Hon. Gideon Kavuu “
 5. Hon. Joshua Mwonga (WDM-K)
 6. Hon. Paul Muoki “
 7. Hon. Rosina Kanini “
 8. Hon. Anastacia Mutevu “
 9. Hon. Felix Ngui “
 10. Hon. Mathias Muasya (IND)
 11. Hon. Charles Mbuva (GDDP)
 12. Hon. Rose Wavinya (UDA)
 13. Hon. Mathew Ndunda (IND)

10) *CULTURE AND TOURISM*

1. Hon. Dickson Maundu (MCCP)
 2. Hon. Evelyn Nzeki “
 3. Hon. Gideon Kavuu “
 4. Hon. Constance Mbula “
 5. Hon. Jackson Ndaka (WDM-K)
 6. Hon. Farhiya Abdi “
 7. Hon. Irene Mulu “
 8. Hon. Rosina Kanini “
 9. Hon. Erick Musembi (PICK)
 10. Hon. Peninah Kisangai (PTP)
 11. Hon. Rose Wavinya (UDA)
 12. Hon. Felix Ngui (WDM-K)
 13. Hon. Dee Kivuva (WDM-K)

11) *SOCIALWELFARE AND SPORTS*

1. Hon. Phoebe Koki (MCCP)
 2. Hon. Margaret Ndalana “
 3. Hon. Francis Kavyu “
 4. Hon. Dickson Maundu “
 5. Hon. Lucky Nzau (WDM-K)
 6. Hon. Benjamin Kyule “
 7. Hon. Ruth Wanjiru CCU
 8. Hon. Anastacia Mutevu (WDM-K)
 9. Hon. Catherine Kyee “
 10. Hon. Catherine Mutio “
 11. Hon. Boniface Katiti (UDA)
 12. Hon. Rose Wavinya “

13. Hon. Peninah Kisangai (PTP)

12) *LANDS AND ENERGY*

1. Hon. Brian Kisila (MCCP)
2. Hon. Johana Munyao “
3. Hon. Francis Ngunga “
4. Hon. Constance Mbula “
5. Hon. Daniel Ndwiki (WDM-K)
6. Hon. Hellen Ndeti “
7. Hon. Rosina Kanini “
8. Hon. Dominic Maitha “
9. Hon. Stephen Mwanthi “
10. Hon. Mathias Muasya (IND)
11. Hon. Paul Wambua (PTP)
12. Hon. Jeremiah Kaloi (WDM-K)
13. Hon. Daniel Muindi “

B: SELECT COMMITTEES

Hon. Speaker, the select committees and their members are as follows:

13) *BROADCASTING AND LIBRARY COMMITTEE*

1. Hon. Anne Kiusya (Speaker)
2. Hon. Mercy Njagi (MCCP)
3. Hon. Mary Nthenya (UDA)
4. Hon. Farhiya Abdi (WDM-K)
5. Hon. Mathias Muasya (IND)

14) *BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS*

1. Hon. Judas Ndawa (MCCP)
2. Hon. Phoebe Koki “
3. Hon. Margaret Ndalana “
4. Hon. Dominic Ndambuki (WDM-K)
5. Hon. Nicholas Nzioka “
6. Hon. Stephen Mwanthi “
7. Hon. Winfred Mutua “
8. Hon. Peter Kilonzo (UDA)
9. Hon. Justus Mutuku (PTP)

15) *IMPLEMENTATION*

1. Hon. Loyd Mutua (MCCP)
2. Hon. Paul Muli “
3. Hon. Douglas Musyoka “
4. Hon. Gideon Kavuu “
5. Hon. Dominic Maitha (WDM-K)
6. Hon. Jackson Ndaka “
7. Hon. Vincent Mutie “

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| 8. | Hon. Catherine Kyee | “ |
| 9. | Hon. Felix Ngui | “ |
| 10. | Hon. Grace Bahati | (IND) |
| 11. | Hon. Justus Mutuku | (PTP) |
| 12. | Hon. Anna Ndilo | (UDA) |
| 13. | Hon. Julius Munywoki | “ |

16) *DEVOLUTION AND INTERGORVERNMENTAL RELATION*

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| 1. | Hon. Constance Mbula | (MCCP) |
| 2. | Hon. Evelyn Nzeki | “ |
| 3. | Hon. Daniel Ndwiki | (WDM-K) |
| 4. | Hon. Catherine Muia | “ |
| 5. | Hon. Fredrick Kitetu | “ |
| 6. | Hon. Peninah Kisangai | (PTP) |
| 7. | Hon. Annabel Ndilo | (UDA) |

17) *PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND INVESTMENTS*

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| 1. | Hon. Douglas Musyoka | (MCCP) |
| 2. | Hon. Caroline Mutuku | “ |
| 3. | Hon. Lucky Nzau | (WDM-K) |
| 4. | Hon. Paul Muoki | “ |
| 5. | Hon. Charles Mbuva | (GDDP) |
| 6. | Hon. Phillip Ndolo | (UDA) |
| 7. | Hon. Ruth Wanjiru | (CCU) |

18) *DELEGATED LEG ISLATION COMMITTEE*

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| 1. | Hon. Francis Ngunga | (MCCP) |
| 2. | Hon. Alphonse Mutinda | “ |
| 3. | Hon. Johana Munyao | “ |
| 4. | Hon. Francis Kavyu | “ |
| 5. | Hon. Francis Kitaka | (WDM-K) |
| 6. | Hon. Boniface Maeke | (CCU) |
| 7. | Hon. Dee Kivuva | (WDM-K) |
| 8. | Hon. Farhiya Abdi | “ |
| 9. | Hon. Benjamin Kyule | “ |
| 10. | Hon. Mathew Ndunda | (IND) |
| 11. | Hon. Peninah Kisangai | (PTP) |
| 12. | Hon. Rose Wavinya | (UDA) |
| 13. | Hon. Boniface Katiti | “ |

I call upon the Leader of Minority Party to second.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Leader of Minority party, kindly second.

Hon. Mbili Ndawa (Matuu, MCCP) seconded.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Speaker: I now invite members.

Hon. Mbili Ndawa (Matuu, MCCC): Point of information, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Proceed, Hon. Ndawa.

Hon. Mbili Ndawa (Matuu, MCCC): Madam Speaker, it would be prudent if the Leader of Majority can read the recommendations of the Committee; he has skipped that bit.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, for that correction. Proceed, Majority Leader.

Hon. Nicholas Nzioka (Machakos Central, WDM-K): Thank you very much, Leader of Minority. The committee had some recommendations. Hon. Speaker, having encountered the challenges of filling all slots in sectoral committees and placing all members in at least one select committee to ensure that each member gets at least three committees for fairness, the committee recommends to the Assembly to approve appointment for some members to serve in three committees and secondly, the committee recommends to the house to approve the appointment of members to the various committees as contained in this report. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

(Applause)

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Majority Leader.

(Question proposed)

I now invite Members to debate the motion, the floor is yours Members. Deputy Speaker.

Hon. Stephen Mwanthi (Ekalakala, WDM-K): Thank you, Madam Speaker. I appreciate what the Majority Leader has read and I am here to support his motion that now that every Member has been slotted in various committees, it is now prudent that this Assembly approves this report to pave way for the committee business to start and the Assembly can now start its business which includes vetting of various CECMs from the Executive. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Deputy Speaker. Mheshimiwa Rose.

Nominated Member (Hon. Rose Wavinya, UDA): Asante Spika. Kwanza natoa shukrani kwa ile kamati iliketi, ikatupangia mpango mzuri, ikatuonyesha upendo sisi wote kwa kuwa nikiangalia vizuri, nimeona kila nyumba imepata sahani. Kwa hivyo naomba wajumbe msishindie tupitische hii kazi ianze.

(Applause)

Sasa mnashindia nini na hii iko sawa.

(Laughter)

Naweza kusema hii bunge imebarikiwa; vile ilianza na upendo ndivyo itamaliza na upendo.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Mheshimiwa Ndawa.

Hon. Mbili Ndawa (Matuu, MCCC): Thank you, Madam Speaker. I also want to give my input on the same report, Madam Speaker. I am a Member of this Committee and I want to confirm that the Members who sat in this committee spent a lot of energy and many hours to balance this thing. As you are aware, this morning we had a motion to allow the committee to place Members in more than one sectoral committee. So I want to say, the committee did its best and I want to say I served in the Second Assembly and I know what happened that time.

This time we have intelligent Members who are willing to ensure that at least everybody gets a share. This is the most beautiful report that has ever come from the Selection Committee. Last time when I was serving here, I was given only one committee like something that I cannot say here; just one and every Member here knows what that one thing is that a man has; only one.

(Laughter)

This report now, every Member has at least a minimum of three and those who have three; we have a remedy for that. Members who are likely to get chairmanship will automatically be Members of the Liaison Committee so each Member will have four committees. So I am saying with a lot of confidence, the way we were mistreated last time, we do not want any other Member to undergo what we went through that time. I will request Hon. Members, even if I am not in the next Selection Committee, let what has been set by this Committee be the way to follow.

Let each Member regardless of the political party; let us balance and every person to get something. I am very sure ladies who are experts in cooking, when you want to make *ugali* and the flour is not enough, you might be forced by circumstances to change from *ugali* to *uji*. They might be forced by circumstances because the food was little we had to dilute it a bit so that every child gets a share. So the report is the best. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you Mheshimiwa. Mheshimiwa Peter Kilonzo, proceed.

Hon Peter Kilonzo (Mbiuni, UDA): I want to support the motion and acknowledge the good work that has been done by the Committee that went ahead and placed the Members into different respective committees. Mine is to say that to the Members of this House, let us move with speed and ensure that this report is adopted for the functioning of this Assembly. We

understand very well that we are three months after elections and we need to start the business of the House and without these committees we cannot progress. Therefore, I support the motion.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Mheshimiwa.

Hon. Joseph Mulinge (Muvuti/Kiima Kimwe, MCCC): Madam Speaker, by looking at the mood of the Hon. Members in the House, I am supporting this motion. Again after interacting with these Members I have realized these are Members with a lot of ability and it means that the way they have been placed in the committees, they will deliver immensely. So I support the motion.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Mheshimiwa. We can have Mheshimiwa Kasanga.

Member for Wamunyu (Hon. Justus Mutuku, PTP): Thank you, Madam Speaker. I am Justus Mulwa Mutuku---

Hon. Speaker: Sorry for giving you other names.

Hon. Justus Mutuku (Wamunyu, PTP): Madam Speaker, famously in Wamunyu they know me by the name Kasanga so you are not wrong, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you.

Hon. Justus Mutuku (Wamunyu, PTP): I represent the great people of Wamunyu and I am happy to have this opportunity to support the motion. I want to thank the committee, through our able Chairman, the Majority Leader. This Committee did an exemplary job and honestly we took a lot of time to make sure that every Member in this House has been cushioned in a particular committee.

Madam Speaker, being the first time in this House, I have realized this House is full of people who want the best of each other, people who have a heart for one another. As you know, Madam Speaker, this House has WDM-K as majority and MCCC as minority but those two parties agreed that every other Member who comes from a minority party has got two committees in sectoral and two in select. Therefore, I strongly support this document and ask the Hon. Members that we adopt it for the House to move to the business of this County. Thank you, Madam Speaker. I support it.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Mheshimiwa. Mheshimiwa Dee.

Hon. Mutisya Kivuva (Nominated, WDM-K): Thank you, Madam Speaker. I want to join my colleagues in congratulating our Selection committee which was led by the indomitable Majority Leader. They did a very good job and sometimes, some of us may feel they missed in some committees. It is good to agree to be led. If you want to lead people one day, you must also

agree to be led and I think that is very Biblical. So if your expectations were very high, come down to the ground, then there is tomorrow. Personally, what I got is not what I expected but I have moved on and I have accepted and.

(Applause)

Godwilling there might be a miracle and I will get what I wanted as we move on because 60 months is a very long time. I know we will have changes and realignments but the bottom line is, we must be contented with what we were given by the Selection Committee. Bearing in mind we are 60 of us and we are all united, if we had divisions, I think the majority side will be very contented because we would have taken everything which was there for us and the minority the same but because we agreed that we become one united House our able Speaker, let us agree, let us support each other and God will bless this House. Thank you.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you. Mheshimiwa Rosina.

Hon. Rosina Kanini (Nominated, WDM-K): Thank you, Madam Speaker. I want to applaud the Committee for doing such a good job. It was not an easy task to place each Member in a Committee. I want to tell this House, what matters is not the number of Committees that you belong to but the dedication and passion that you have to deliver to your electorates and for the nominated, the passion we have to our political parties. Thank you, Madam Speaker. Without much ado, I support the report.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Mheshimiwa. At this point I will invite the Majority Leader to reply to the motion.

Hon. Nicholas Nzioka (Machakos Central, WDM-K): Thank you, Madam Speaker. I want to take this opportunity to thank the Selection Committee for the shrift that they put for the many times that we met. We started on a rough terrain but eventually we found middle ground and that is why we have been able to bring this report. I also want to thank the Members of the whole House for the patience, working across the board in different caucuses; the minority side and majority sided that we have and eventually we may not have satisfied everybody but at least we have a starting point where we are going to form the committees eventually and move as a whole House. Thank you very much, for the support and thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Majority Leader.

(Question put and agreed to)

(Applause)

I would like to give directions on the committees. Hon. Members, since you have approved the report on nomination of Members to serve in Committees, I wish to give the following directives:

1. Standing Order 158 provides that a Select committee shall upon appointment, elect its chairperson and vice chairperson from amongst its Members.
2. Standing Order 159 and the Fourth Schedule provides for the procedure of election and the form of nomination for the election of the chairpersons and the vice chairperson.
3. Committee meetings are scheduled to take place tomorrow, 5th October, 2022 and the main agenda is election of chairpersons and vice chairpersons. Interested candidates for those positions are hereby invited to pick nomination papers for the positions from the office of the Serjeant at Arms and return them to the office of the Director, Procedure and Committee Services located in Fourth Floor before 9.00 a.m. tomorrow, 5th October, 2022.

We can have the next order.

THANKS OF THE ASSEMBLY FOR THE EXPOSITION OF PUBLIC
POLICY CONTAINED IN THE ADDRESS OF THE GOVERNOR
(Hon. Nicholas Nzioka on 04.10.2022 Morning sitting)
(Resumption of Debate on the Motion tabled on 28.09.2022)

Hon. Speaker: Hon Majority Leader, i invite you to move the continuation of that debate.

Hon. Nicholas Nzioka (Machakos Central, WDM-K): Thank you, Madam Speaker. Pursuant to Standing Order 20, the thanks of the Assembly be recorded for the exposition of public policy contained in the address of the Governor delivered on the 27th September, 2022. Hon. Members, this is a continuation of debate on the Governor's address to this House. Madam Speaker, I was guided that I could my remarks once I stand so I would wish to give my remarks.

Hon. Speaker: Go ahead.

Hon. Nicholas Nzioka (Machakos Central, WDM-K): Thank you very much. I would wish to thank the Governor for a very good and powerful address to this House. What captured my eye is the recognition of the County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) as a primary tool that is going to guide us for the next five years.

My plea to the County Executive is that these Hon. Members be taken through the CIDP so that their input is also recorded since we were not there when they did CIDP but also wish that since CIDP is what shows the direction of where the County is going that the Governor and the Executive wing actualize performance contracting as a tool to speed up development.

The CIDP could be very good but that without the tool that propels or compels the Executive to perform, it might be just a document. So I wish that the Executive side of the Government will enhance performance contracting so that the Executive are up to speed. I also wish to say that CIDP, as a tool we need to have a monitoring and evaluation....we cannot just be moving without knowing whether are moving in the right direction or not so maybe from the Executive side they will need to give us report ones in a while on how we are doing.

On the Governor's speech, I keep saying that we are one of the richest Counties around but we have never hit the target for internal revenue collection. So that is going to be very important that everything that is captured in the CIDP and that eventually is provided for in the budget without the internal revenue might all be a pipe dream .

So I would urge that we work together with the Executive side of the Government to promote internal revenue sources and one way would be actually automation. In this age of technology, I do not know why the County still uses receipts and pens. I wish that in every collection point there is an automated system where the money is sent direct to the County coffers.

(Applause)

The Governor also promised in her speech that she is going to look at the internal leakages and I would urge the Members the leakages of revenue is done by our own, so to speak. So it will not be bad to point to the Government that we sense or we think a certain point of internal revenue collection there is a leakage so that they can act on that.

The other thing that caught my attention in the Governor's speech is the issue of climate change and environment. As an expert in that area, I want to recognize that climate change is a real threat to everybody. I went to Masinga to Mheshimiwa Deputy Speaker Ward and I could see the direct effect of climate change. Loss of livelihood; in fact, climate change I would classify it as a national security threat because people are fighting over pasture, people are fighting where they go stealing food from each other.

So the Governor promised to work with the international donor community to mitigate against climate change but I would also think that as a House we have an obligation to legislate on this matter and also when the budget committee is doing its reallocation we see whether we can reallocate at least more on issues to do with climate change.

For now, I rest my case but I think the direction given by the Governor's speech or address to this House was wonderful. It needs a little bit of panel beating and we will get there. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Majority Leader. I would like to request Members who never contributed to the debate in the morning to be the ones to contribute from now onwards. Let me be sure that you never contributed.

(Laughter)

Okay, proceed.

Hon. Mutisya Kivuva (Nominated, WDM-K): Thank you, Madam Speaker and if I can say it in Kikamba *woothua* thank you. I want to tackle two or three issues in our Governor's speech and one is revenue where the previous contributor who is the Majority Leader has spoken about. The heart of the three pillars of the Governor's Government is revenue collection where the former regime failed terribly.

The First Assembly, in its wisdom visited the quarries in Athi River and that was early 2013/2014. They established that our Government was collecting between Ksh. 1,000,000 and Ksh. 1,500,000 daily. 10 years later, from the reports we were getting from former regime, that amount came down to around Ksh. 500,000 but we know currently our Government gets over Ksh. 3,000,000 daily in those quarries which translates to around Ksh. 1,000,000,000 in a

year. With a Ksh. 1,000,000,000 in quarry fees I think the Wavinya care policy will be actualized.

The other thing that the Governor promised to jail thieves who are letting revenue go to people's pockets. Those who live in Machakos know that the paybill or the till number for car parks was going to an individual account. Those are areas which if we support the Governor as an Assembly, we will seal all those loopholes and increase basket of revenue.

The other one is about on lands; the Governor promised to repossess Government land and Houses which had been taken away by the cartels in this County.

(Applause)

Personally, I was touched by that and if I will be of any help in chasing and arresting them *nitasaidia sana*.

(Applause)

The last one but not the least the Wavinya care. You know I am coming from a marginalized point of few.

(Laughter)

There are groups which I lead here in town some which operate in the night and I can tell you for free, they are marginalized and I can tell you for free the Wavinya care policy will ease a lot of burden from their shoulders and I think they will adopt the Kamba saying which says *kuthamba na kusyoka soko tene*. It will help our mothers and our ladies those operate in night or those who operate day time. They will have more time to work for this great County of Machakos. Thank you, God bless you---

(Laughter)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Mheshimiwa Dee.

(Applause)

Mheshimiwa Kavyu.

Hon. Francis Kavyu (Kinanie, M CCP): Thank you, Madam Speaker. I would also like to appreciate Madam Governor on maiden speech that she made on this House that clearly shows that she is focused to make sure that Machakos County regains its lost glory. From her speech, I would like to make few comments on few items.

The first item being the issue of land; Madam Speaker, in the morning I was not able attend the morning sitting because of one issue that was happening in my area where a private citizen thought that it was fit to grab and while Madam Governor is working so hard to ensure that people of Machakos have access to water. There is an individual who thinks that they are untouchable and they were busy trying to cover a public dam at an area called Sikia and on the same note, I would request the Committee on Lands to ensure and help the County Government

to ensure all public land from dams, rivers and any public utility land that was set aside are clearly mapped and issued with clear title deeds that clearly shows ownership of those lands.

Also I would like to implore the Members of this Hon. House to also come up with stringent Bills that will properly deal with such cartels and those who think that they can benefit from land that was allocated for public use.

On issue of water, climate change and its impact are already very much evident in Machakos and therefore as a House I would like us to come up with clear roles that will help the Government of the day to make sure that our people have access to clean water that can help us to turn around the adverse effect of climate change that are affecting our County of Machakos all the way from Kithyoko to Mlolongo; the effects are very much evident.

On the issue of water, I think we have heard issues where our people are suffering because of being not able to access clean water and they are being forced to use water from the river Athi which is severely polluted and its effects are already being felt in Machakos. We have so much rampant cases of cancer in areas of Mwala, I think also Kangundo, Donyo-Sabuk and also herein Mavoko. The effects are already manifesting and our people are suffering and I would like the government of the day to come up with measures and see how we can save river Athi so that we can see life again on it.

Then on issue of health in the Governor's speech, the part that caught my eye is on the, where the Governor and the Government made a pledge to ensure that every Ward has a level three hospital. That is very commendable and that will ensure health services are brought closer to our people and I believe the same as my case and it applies also to the other Hon. Members. We promised our constituent that we are going to make sure that they have access to better health care.

Also to supplement the efforts of the Governor, we will also recommend that all medical supplies that are made for Machakos County be branded or they have a county seal and anybody who is found selling or distributing those supplies in private clinics, then the law will have to its course because we cannot have medical supplies that are meant to help our people being directed to private clinics and also benefiting a few people while our people in Kinanie and those who are at Kithyoko are suffering because they have not being able to access medical supplies at the dispensaries.

On the issue of health, I would also like to pledge or request the Governor at Kyumbi the area I represent, there is a health facility structure that was commissioned I think seven years ago and a lot of public money was pumped into it but because of corruption and lack of better supervision, today it remains just as a museum. It is a facility that if it is completed and equipped, it will help relieve pressure on Level 5 hospital tremendously because most of our neighboring people who come from the neighboring County to seek services from Level 5 will be able to be attended at the Kyumbi health center if it is equipped.

It will save lives of on the victims of accidents that occur periodically on the Mombasa highway because most of the time people die on their way to Machakos Level 5 to seek for medical attention.

Lastly, on the issue of revenue collection, as the Majority Leader alluded, I think the time for Machakos County to automate the revenue collection services was yesterday and that needs to be implemented and if we do not have the resources or it is not possible to implement the same immediately especially on the quarries, I would recommend that we identify the people who are engaged in the business then we can do an assessment and projection and have them pay on monthly basis directly to the County Government of Machakos so that we seal those

loopholes where we are losing money to a few individuals yet our people are in dire need of services that require money. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you very much, Mheshimiwa. My eye has caught the hands of Mheshimiwa Loyd and Mheshimiwa Mercy and I want to assure you that I am a fair Speaker; I will have everybody talk so in that order Mheshimiwa Loyd proceed and after you Mheshimiwa Mercy.

Nominated Member (Hon. Loyd Mutua, M CCP): Thank you, Hon. Speaker, for giving me this opportunity. I have interacted with the speech of our Governor and I want to say that sometimes the end of the campaigns when our party leader endorsed Hon. Wavinya, I went through the manifesto. I can say that this speech that is part of the manifesto that she used to campaign with. From my assessment, I can say Hon. Wavinya has all good intention for the people of Machakos.

Many Hon. Members have said almost everything that is in the speech but out of experience I would like to say that I have been in politics for a while and majority of all my friends are politicians. I have interacted with the county governments of Meru, Tharaka Nithi, Embu, Kitui, Makueni and here a lot. The Governor could be having the best intention to help the people but the people she appoints in the Cabinet could be having other intentions and those are the people who could end up derailing our development.

So we wish to ask our Governor to nominate the best people who have the intention of the people Machakos and that one will ease the work of this House. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you very much. Mheshimiwa Mercy

Nominated Member (Hon. Mercy Njagi, M CCP): Thank you, Madam Speaker, for the opportunity. On the issue of agriculture, the Governor was very clear on her intentions of finding innovative ideas of improving agriculture in Machakos. From my experience, as a farmer, I know that she will need a lot of creative ideas. There is a lot of research that has been done on desert farming; Machakos is a dry area. So I believe that we should expect a lot of outside-the-box thinking if the realization of good agricultural practices are going to come to Machakos through the Governor.

On the issue of trade, she also alluded to the fact that she is going to support and find linkages locally and internationally for Machakos products. That was a missing link and I know with a Government in power right now, supporting manufacturers and producers of Machakos will be the changing point of trade in Machakos.

On the issue of youth and sports, I feel like it is very smart to include the youth in the education sector because we are looking at a youth who will be supported by that department to be smart in decision-making. There are a lot of opportunities for vocational training, opportunities for people who have learned, who studied vocational training, we have carpentry, very marketable in Canada. So those kinds of things are going to be very important when by

linking youth and the education sector because then we will churn out quality; quality rather than quantity.

Lastly as a special elect, I am very passionate about women. The Ksh. 1 million ward fund will be revolutionary because we are talking about people who un-bankable. The banks don't feel like they have the potential and they do not want to put a risk on those people. So that Ksh. 1 million fund, and also the revolving fund will be a very big support to people who are starting up, people looking to scale up but the banks are not willing to support them because of the risk factor. So in conclusion, I feel the Governor's heart is in the right place, and we are going to see good things if this happens.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Mheshimiwa. Mheshimiwa Vincent.

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa, WDM-K): Thank you, Madam Speaker, for seeing me eventually. I had to shift my seating position in the morning so that you can capture that I thank you.

Hon. Speaker: I said I will be fair to everyone.

Hon. Vincent Mutie (Upper Kaewa, WDM-K): Thank you very much for that opportunity to contribute and to speak to this wonderful document by our Governor that paints an image, a picture of hope to our people. When you listen and when you hear what the Governor had to say concerning the various issues that affect the County, you could sense a message of hope that we can take back home and tell our people; yes, this is the deal that we have been waiting for some time. When you look at the issues, beginning from the task force on the various subjects that the Governor identified, this shows that the Governor wants to know what has been happening so that she can chart the way forward depending on where we are as at now.

The reports that we will come up with of the task forces, I think this House will be interested to know, what reports do we have in those from those task forces and what legislative duties can we undertake maybe to safeguard some of the problems that came up as omissions or commissions of officers in those sectors of our government.

When you look also at infrastructure and on this one, I will base my contribution on the part of roads; you realize that when we have poor roads, it will hinder communication. Many people will not be able to access services, many people will not be able to take their goods and their products to the to the markets and this will eventually make what we will call in business, the overheads and the running costs to be high.

The profits margin will go down because the cost of transporting the goods, the products the farm produce to the markets will definitely go high. Even when our people are supposed to go to hospitals with poor roads, such people cannot be able to access essential services easily. So with the idea by the Governor to make the roads passable gives us hope to know that our areas will be served well, our people will be able to attend to their daily activities swiftly and without the hindrance of poor road networks.

The concept of the ward fund domiciled at the different departments will go a long way in helping our people because you will realize that these people will have a say in the projects

that are implemented under this fund. As we want to say this clearly that when our people identify with these projects, they will know that their Government, either from the Executive branch or their elected representative is delivering for them.

Madam Speaker, the development and I want to look at it from a different perspective, especially from education. When we give our children the best education and what the Governor proposes, it will not just take children to school but it is about keeping our children in school. Sometimes our children will go to school but they are hungry, they cannot stay in school, the feeding program, the bursaries will help our children to stay in school.

(Applause)

The learning environment that the Governor has proposed to make happen in our learning institutions will also make our children stay at school. When the learning environment is good then the learning excitement is high and when our children our pupils are excited to be in school, they will be able to learn and to understand in a better way. We must commend the Governor for developing such a good idea to keep our children in school.

Many children were not able to go to school for many reasons. Maybe because of the state of poverty amongst our people or even cultural practices that might not allow children to go to school. The future of these children is dependent on this program that the Governor we will roll out as we move forward.

In a certain book, there was a man who wrote a story; it is called *The Merchant of Venice* and there was a girl there called Portia and in that story, the writer points out the disadvantage of a society that does not value her children because the father of this child, before he died, had prepared three caskets to the extent that the man who will identify the right casket will marry the child Portia. So this child did not have the right to determine her happiness in the future. This child did not have the right to determine who she will go with, despite having that as freedom accorded to her by God.

So you will realize, Madam Speaker, that since time immemorial, our children have been given a raw deal but with a program to make sure our children will be able to access education and determine their future, this is a program that anybody with a sound mind will support.

I stand here to congratulate the Governor because of the plan especially on health. The hierarchy that the Governor is giving us, where we will have a dispensary at every sub location where we will have a level three hospital in every ward, where we will have a level four hospital in every sub County, that hierarchy will help our people to stay healthy. We know that a healthy nation is a productive nation.

Therefore, as we look into this statement that the Governor has given us, it is easier to read through and to see that there is hope for our people. When we look at the level three hospitals at the ward level and the dispensaries at the sub-location level, it will be easier to address the curative aspect of health in the preventive aspect of health. The dispensaries at the sub-location will be best suited to administer the productive programs in the subject of health whereas the other levels in the higher level the higher levels of health facilities will address the curative aspects of health. Therefore we support the efforts that the Governor is making towards making our county better.

Nevertheless, this House has a duty to guard this dream. You will realize that in many multinationals and many corporate institutions, the CEO bears the vision and the dream of the institution. Sometimes top managers will frustrate that dream. Therefore, in this case, the

Governor is the CEO and we will have top managers or we will be given individual responsibility for this dream. I think this House need to take responsibility to guard this dream against it being infiltrated, against it being taken away and adopted differently from the way the Governor has given it to us. I think and I will propose someday that we need to amend the Standing Orders of this House so that we can invite county executive members to answer questions in regards to the vision that the Governor has for this County.

Madam Speaker, as I conclude, as we work together, many people have said that the Assembly should be independent, the Assembly should not be an extension of the Executive but I want to invite this House to know that inter-dependence is a higher value than independence. Whenever we work together, our people will get value for our services. Whenever we fight, as the Brazilian poet always said; a prolonged battle wears down the victor. When we fight with the Executive, when we do not work with that understanding that we are serving the same people, it is the same people who elected us, who will suffer, it is the same people who elected us or will have trouble staying in this County. Therefore, as we support this dream, it is also important for this House to God this dream. I thank you.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Mheshimiwa Vincent. I will invite two more Members to contribute but before I do that I would like to bring to the attention of the membership here that this debate is very important and I can hear it is taking a very good direction and it is from this debate you can generate some business for the debate of the House. So as we go on, I would like us to think through a lot about this speech of the Governor and come out with some, we generate some business from it. So it is not just debating but we get something out of it. Thank you very much, Members.

Even before I identify the two Members, I want also to assure you Members that everybody will contribute. I am taking notes; I am taking names down so that I don't leave anybody out. So whether it is today or not today, be assured that you will contribute to this debate. So I would like to call upon Mheshimiwa Annabel to contribute and from there I call upon, and if I don't identify you, you don't hate me. I said everybody will contribute eventually. So, Mheshimiwa Caroline you will be the next, and then maybe last but not least Mheshimiwa Evelyn, and the very last Mheshimiwa Dominic. Do not feel like I have left you out. Mheshimiwa Annabel go ahead.

Hon. Annabel Ndilo (Nominated, UDA): Thank you, Madam Speaker, for the opportunity. I have three recommendations to make. First of all I would want to thank the H.E Wavinya Ndeti, Machakos Governor for such an embracing agenda for the people of Machakos. I would like the Hon. Members in this House to understand that health is the epitome of life, meaning you cannot read, walk or live if you are not healthy but this is my recommendation.

As par see (??) last week, she organized for the distribution of medicine in different hospitals. I would like to bring to our attention that there are specialized diseases such as cancer as my fellow Hon. Kavyu has said. I had an opportunity to tour this weekend in the areas of Mwala where breast cancer and prostate cancer have become a big problem in the society. I have previously worked in such cancer centers and other cancer centers you find that the machine for testing cancer is very much expensive so I am looking forward to Hon. Wavinya Ndeti Governor

to maybe invite donors or maybe well-wishers and NGOs that maybe can provide the measures or machines for testing cancer because the machines are very expensive.

You would note that the cause of this cancer is the pollution of river Athi; it is a polluted river and so I would recommend H.E Hon. Wavinya Ndeti to also look up for measures to clean the river Athi.

The second point on the rural development. From where I come from, the bottom up model, we say rural development is the epitome of economic growth. For example, where I come from, Masinga there is no murram road, no electrification so I am putting this, it is a point of concern from my side that maybe rural electrification.....and you find that even the grading of the roads that was done last week and the previous weeks, some of the activities have left the roads worse than they were found. So maybe for the road that is connecting Murang'a and Masinga, I would recommend it be murramed.

The last point goes on the youths and sports. You will find that Machakos County is a very wealthy county but most of the graduates from the universities are idling in the streets of Machakos and other towns because they do not have jobs. So on the point of youth and sports, the point on digital innovations through educating the youths on the computers and developing their talents can curb joblessness and unemployment to our youths. So, I am putting this as a point of concern H.E Madam Governor Wavinya Ndeti to go on empowering our youths who are idling around without jobs. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Mheshimiwa. I had said Hon. Caroline, please proceed.

Nominated Member (Hon. Caroline Mutuku, MCCC): Thank you, Madam Speaker. There is so much that has been said about all the good things in the speech given by H.E. the Governor Wavinya Ndeti. What I would recommend which I have not heard most Members say is about the GBV. If it is possible for the Governor to have training for women, vocational training for the women and after they have had counselled and they wish to return to their husbands, it is okay but if they choose not to return to their husbands they can have a source of income. They can have activities to do with sewing or there are so many vocational trainings they can do so that they can earn income for their little ones.

Also on the day care, I believe it would be a source of income also to the people who are doing that so I commend the Governor on that. I think that the one that really touched me was the GBV. Thank you.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Mheshimiwa. Mheshimiwa Evelyne.

Member for Kangundo East (Hon. Evelyne Nzeki, MCCC): Thank you, Madam Speaker, for this privilege. I applaud and appreciate the Governor's speech simply because it touches the basic necessities that are required by the people of Machakos County. Us, more so elected leaders, we strongly believe that these are the things we promised our people to ensure they will be brought forth to them so it is a clear cut Madam Governor means well for the people of Machakos County.

I want to recommend one factor that I am sure has ensured all of us to be here and that is education. We know that education is a basic right and we cannot try ignorance on it and here we

can see the Governor cuts a master on it by first increasing the bursary allocation which I am very sure will relieve the burden of school fees from the parents. She is also determined to facilitate the vocational training centers which I am very sure are going to empower our youth with skills and knowledge and by doing so they will be able to be self-employed which in turn will curb the menace of unemployment in our wards.

Lastly, she is also planning to sort out the issue of starving in ECDE schools. It is my plea as she plans to recruit new teachers there is issue of replacement which has been brought forth by death and also retirement of teachers. So I am sure it will save the parents from paying more fees especially in ECDE schools. So over and above and all explained, if this speech is well-actualized, it will solve most of the problems in Machakos County. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you very much, Mheshimiwa. Mheshimiwa Dominic.

Member for Kathiani Central (Hon. Dominic Ndambuki, WDM-K): Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I would like to applaud the Governor Wavinya Ndeti for enumerating the plans that she has for the people of Machakos County. Madam Speaker, I want to tackle three areas; the first one being health where in her speech Hon. Governor mentioned having level three hospitals in every ward. I would request that when funds are availed that this be fast tracked to ensure that our people have access to health care.

Again on the same, Madam Speaker, there is the issue of level four hospitals and my request that we have ambulances equipped with modern facilities and equipment for the level four hospitals and for the level three hospitals, we at least have an ambulance that can rescue our people when time for emergencies occur.

On energy, Madam Speaker, the Hon. Governor mentioned that there are plans to have *Mulika Mwizis* or floodlights installed in all markets. This, Madam Speaker, will ensure that Machakos County is mapped as a 24 hour economy County and this will encourage the growth of our economy.

On trade, Madam Speaker, I will agree with the Governor that we need to look for better markets for our horticultural products and as we do so, I would request that we try to do away with middle men who take much of the rewards or the money that goes to our farmers so that we ensure they get better returns for their products. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Mheshimiwa Dominic. At this point I would advise or direct that we adjourn the debate on the Governor's speech and we continue with it in our next sitting. Clerk can we have the next order?

PROCEDURA MOTION

ADJOURNMENT TO ALLOW THE HOUSE BUSINESS
COMMITTEE PREPARE THE ASSEMBLY CALENDAR

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Majority Leader, please proceed and move the motion.

Hon. Nicholas Nzioka (Machakos Central, WDM-K): Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker, that aware that the first Session of the Third Assembly commenced on 27th September, 2022;

Aware that the membership of the House Business Committee was approved by this Assembly on 28th September, 2022;

Further aware that Standing Order 151(6) provides for the mandate of the House Business Committee which amongst others is to prepare and if necessary, from time to time adjust the Assembly Calendar with the Approval of the House;

Acknowledging that there is need to have the House Business Committee prepare the Calendar for the First session of the Third Assembly and table the report for approval;

Hon. Speaker, aware that the house has approved a report of selection on placement of members to the various Select Committees of this Assembly;

Further aware that the committees need to convene meetings to elect Chairpersons and Vice Chairpersons, consider work plans and attend an induction training in furtherance to the operations of Committees and Plenary Sittings;

Hon. Speaker, I wish to move the motion that, pursuant to Standing Order 28, this House adjourns its sitting from today on 4th October, 2022 to resume on 18th October, 2022 to allow the House Business Committee prepare the Assembly Calendar and Hon. Members participate in other Committees activities.

Thank you, Madam Speaker. I would request Hon. Phoebe Koki to second the motion.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Phoebe Koki.

Hon. Phoebe Koki (Nominated Member, MCCP): Thank you, Madam Speaker. I second the motion on adjournment of this House. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Koki.

(Question proposed)

I now invite Members to debate the motion. The floor is open Members, Mheshimiwa Ndeti.

Hon. Helen Ndeti (Nominated, WDM-K): Thank you, Madam Speaker. I second the motion. I think it is the high time we adjourn so that we can sit down and let the House Business Committee come up with the calendar and business of the House. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Mheshimiwa. Do I have another Hon. Member? Yes, Digital I have forgotten---

(Laughter)

Member for Kangundo North (Hon. Ndunda Wilson, IND): Thank you, Madam Speaker. Digital is still okay, it is the name from my ground. I do really support the adjournment of the House so as to ensure that the House is on the line of preparing the arrangements of the next calendar to ensure that everything is in order. Equally it will help also top ensure that the

committees as you have seen we have prepared and start the House as it deserves. Thank you; I support the motion.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Mheshimiwa. At this point I call the mover of the motion to reply.

Hon. Nicholas Nzioka (Machakos Central, WDM-K): Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. I think the Hon. Members recognize the work ahead for the development of the House calendar and also for formation of the committees. So thank you for supporting the adjournment. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you.

(Question put and agreed to)

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Speaker: The House adjourns to Tuesday, 18th of October, 2022 at 10.00 a.m.

The House rose at 4.30 p.m.