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

PRAYERS

Hon. Speaker: Mr. Clerk, can you guide me; I believe you know what the reason is. Serjeant at Arms, do the necessary.

(Quorum Bell rung)

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

WELCOME TO MEMBERS OF YOUTH FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, MACHAKOS
CHAPTER

Hon. Speaker: Good morning, Hon. Members. As I welcome you to today's sitting and appreciating that the week has been very eventful for the Assembly and that tomorrow you will be at *Bunge Mashinani*, meaning your hands are still full. I will be talking about it later but I am just reminding you that you still have a lot of work to do on public engagement and I welcome in our gallery, members of the Youth for Sustainable Development Machakos Chapter. There is a name they have adopted; Machakos Youth Assembly and I hope you don't feel intimidated by them, because of the use of the name Assembly.

They are registered under laws that regulate community-based organizations; so the constitutional recognized assembly is that of the County Assemblies and the national parliament. It is important that the Assembly appreciates the work that this group of the youth is intending to do because it is about empowering the youth and as our children, we need to support them in whichever way we can and provide guidance to them where we can.

So welcome and the Assembly is going to be working with you; only I caution you that you make sure you operate within your mandate. I believe you know the law and that you don't allow yourselves to be used wrongly for the wrong reasons by some members of the society that you are serving. Make sure you stick to the agenda of empowering the youth and the Assembly will assist you in doing so. *Karibuni sana*.

Hon. Members, I will ask the Clerk to proceed with the business of this sitting.

PAPERS LAID

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, there are two businesses; the first one by the chairperson of Labor, Public Service and ICT Committee and the other one by the Chairperson, Finance and Revenue Collection committee.

EDUCATIONAL VISIT REPORT TO KILIFI COUNTY ASSEMBLY

Hon. Munguti: Madam Speaker, I beg to lay the following Paper on the floor of the House today 16th October 2018; report of the Labor, Public Service and ICT Committee on educational visit to Kilifi county Assembly. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you Hon. Jeremiah and where is the Paper that you have laid? Hon. Jeremiah, I am seeing the report is not signed; did you intend it to be tabled before this House in the manner it is? It has no signature.

Hon. Munguti: Madam Speaker, it is signed.

Hon. Speaker: The one I have is not; I can allow you to come forward and sign it.

(Hon. Munguti signed the Paper)

As the Hon. Member finalizes signing so that his Paper can be procedurally laid on the Table, let the chairman of Finance and Revenue committee Hon. Masesi prepare to come forward and table his Paper.

REPORT ON PETITION BY JEMILY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY LIMITED

Hon. Masesi: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I am holding brief on behalf of the chairperson Stephen Mwanthi. I beg to lay the following Paper on the table of the House today, 16th October, 2018; the report of Finance and Revenue Collection Committee petition by Jemily Construction Company Limited. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Masesi.

MOTION

REHABILITATION, STAFFING AND EQUIPPING OF MODERN VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRES IN EACH WARD

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, under this Order, we have one business by Hon. Angela.

Hon. Ms. Munyasya: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I wish to take this opportunity as well to recognize the presence of our youth assembly members.

Madam Speaker, that aware that the Fourth Schedule of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 conferred county governments with powers and functions of running vocational training centers;

Aware that the national government stopped supporting these institutions and the county governments were required to take over;

Noting that vocational training centers are a key pillar to imparting knowledge and skills to our youth who are unable to proceed with higher education;
Recognizing that it is the mandate of the county government to revitalize the vocational training centers to ensure that they provide quality and appropriate training in technical, Industrial, vocational entrepreneurship and life skills;

Aware that challenges such as lack of modern training materials, poor infrastructure and inadequate funds has caused a consistent decline in the quality of training offered;

Madam Speaker, I wish to move the Motion that this Hon. House discusses and approves that the County Government of Machakos, specifically the department of education, ensures that it rehabilitates, staffs and fully equips at least one Vocational Training Center per Ward to the standards of a modern operational Vocational Training Center.

I wish to as Hon. Ndawa to second my Motion.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Ndawa.

Hon. Ndawa: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I second the Motion.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Angela and Hon. Ndawa.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Members, the Motion is open for debate. Hon. Jeremiah.

Hon. Munguti: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, it is the right of every Kenyan to have basic education and to our youth, we have found that majority of our youth especially those who have dropped out of secondary school and others who have also dropped out in primary schools can be empowered through this Vocational Training Colleges. Madam Speaker, I can see this Motion is timely and has come in the right time. Mine is to support the Motion by requesting this House so that we may support that our youth be trained in our Vocational Training Colleges.

This will create employment and also it will unleash the talent of our youth because I want to believe that, in these schools there will be sports which will be exercised as co-curriculum activities. It is also my wish that we are going to create employment to our trained teaches who have gone to school and majority of them have not secured chance in the Vocational Training Colleges and therefore, I wish to support the Motion and it is my wish that we are going to support the Motion so that our youth can get this kind of chance to make themselves unleash their talent. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Museku.

Hon. Museku: Thank you, Madam Speaker. First of all, I would like to thank the Hon. Member for bringing this very critical Motion before the floor of the House in the issue of provision of at least one Vocational Training Center for each Ward in our County.

Madam Speaker, I think when we look at where we are coming from, you will find that most of the artisans, masons, carpenters, plumbers who are of repute today and whom we are utilizing in most of the construction in our rural areas, came through or went through these Vocational Training Centers and it reached a point where those Vocational Training Centers stopped being given the focus they deserve and went into limbo.

As a result of that, there was a gap a big gap created in those skills and most of the people we are having today who have got those artistic skills of construction and everything else, are learning on the job through being trained by others and if somebody learnt wrongly, then that goes all the way down the chain because if the guy who did it did not get it right, then he is training another one and he is training based on what he knows, then you find that those errors continue going down the chain.

We need to have these vocational Training Centers fully funded and supported by the County Government so that we can be able to have fresh skills coming out of these Centers every time. I believe it is in line with this that the National Government allocated Ksh. 65 million in a bank like KCB for Vocational Training. That money is part of the money this Assembly is requesting to be told where the funds went to.

(Applause)

We are aware the National Government disbursed Ksh. 15,000 per child to support our Vocational Training Centers for 2,984 Vocational Training Center students; Ksh. 65 million and we are also aware that this year's allocation has also been released.

So, what we are requesting for and is part of what Madam Speaker, some of the petitions which we did present to the Governor's office yesterday, is that the County Government needs to be able to furnish this Assembly with the names of the students who benefited from this, the bank accounts where these funds were put in each Vocational Training Centers bank account so that we can be able to know that the Ksh. 65 million which was given by the National Government to assist in Vocational Training has gone to do what it is supposed to do and we shall continue requesting for that Madam Speaker. Thank you.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Masesi.

Hon. Masesi: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, I stand to support the Motion by Hon. Angela Munyasya and say that it is timely bearing in mind that the absence of these Vocational Training Centers has led to absence of skilled workforce that can adapt the new and more challenging job roles rising up across the Country. Madam Speaker, again we have realized that 90 per cent of the employment opportunities across the Country require some skills which are rarely taught in schools.

Madam Speaker, the availability of these Vocational Training Centers across our Wards will produce the workforce needed to drive the economic growth in Country. I stand fully and support the Motion and also as an Assembly we need to push for accountability from the

Executive to echo the sentiments of our Deputy Speaker that accountability is the key to effective success. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Masesi. Hon. Minority Leader Kamitu.

Hon. Kamitu: Thank you very much, Hon. Speaker. Madam Speaker, I stand here to support the Hon. Member who has brought this Motion in regard to that we are all aware that Vocational Training Centers are very important as she requested up to the Ward level and in that regard we are also aware that if such Vocational Centers are out in place, they will also close the gap between most of the Government technical schools and the Vocational Training Centers. This is in regard to imparting knowledge to the youth hence creating employment.

Madam Speaker, we are also aware about the National Government Big Four Agenda. One, in regard to manufacturing, if our youth are going to be trained like what we say the artisan among the four agendas that is manufacturing, we are talking about industrialization, Madam Speaker in regard to manufacturing and where there are industries we expect youth who are trained. So, my most important point in this regard is as Hon. Members should come out and also ask our secretariat because I remember in the First Assembly, I think there is a Motion or an Act which was passed in regard to Vocational Centers so that the Committee for Education may come up with the status of the current Vocational Centers that we have in the Wards so that it may also lead us as a House in regard to budgeting allocation so that as we talk and as we normally bring very important issues, we may know, how much do we have if we are going to improve the current status of the Vocational Centers.

Otherwise, once again I stand to support the Motion and say this is the time that we should move and make our Vocational Centers as a realization. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Minority Leader Kamitu. Hon. Betty.

Hon. (Ms.) B. Nzioki: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, I want to take this opportunity and applaud Hon. Angela for this good Motion because education is the key in our lives especially today. Madam Speaker, you find that back in our wards, we have some vocational centers whereby the structures are there but they do not have facilities. Madam Speaker, this is the high time that we want to request the executive so that they may come up with structures and a way to facilitate our vocational centers because you find that there are some students who are unable to afford the school fees to colleges and universities but they can be able to be helped and gain skills back in our wards. So, I stand and support the motion, Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Betty. Hon. Musau.

Hon. Wambua: Thank you, Madam Speaker. In full support of this motion, first I would like to congratulate my sister and the incoming MCA Mbiuni ward come 2022---

(Laughter)

Hon. Speaker: Where are you going to be yourself?

Hon. Wambua: Probably Madam Speaker, I will be representing the Mwala constituency.

(Laughter)

Madam Speaker, I want to observe that our youth are idling so much and engaging in activities that is spoiling even their lives. Madam Speaker, it is unfortunate that we do condemn these youth yet we do not show them the way and the best way to show the way is to engage them in these vocational training centers whereby they shall attain the relevant knowledge to become very qualified artisans.

Madam Speaker, I echo Deputy Speaker's words that the best artisans we have right now actually went through what were called by then polytechnics by then. We have students who do not perform so well in their exams, in the primary level and the secondary level; this does not mean these youths are not useful in any way. Actually, they can make and the most of them have made through these vocational centers to very productive in our economy.

Madam Speaker, when these polytechnics by then thrived so well, we did not have these youths idling so much. Most of them were enrolled and today they are very good participants in raising the GDP of this country. Madam Speaker, I want also to observe that the national government has injected so much money into these vocational training centers meaning that they have realized how important they are; it is the time we the counties also recognize the ability and the usefulness of these structures and this time round, we urge the executive seriously because we want to help the youth and to facilitate these centers and to have instructors and well paid instructors who are motivated by the pay so that they may impart such knowledge which is very useful to these youth.

Madam Speaker, even in our construction, we are lacking qualified laborers; what does this mean. We are in short of the labor which is locally available yet we cannot train the same to our own advantage. Madam Speaker, before I sit, I usually say; making resolutions in this House is one thing but implementation of the same is another different thing.

(Applause)

For God's sake, Madam Speaker, we implore the executive this time round that even if it does not mind the MCAs to mind the youth. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you Hon. Musau. Hon. Nicholas.

Hon. Muia: Thank you Madam Speaker. I also recognize the Machakos youth assembly being a youthful legislator of Machakos County.

Hon. Speaker: Are you a youthful or you are a former youth?

Hon. Muia: Still in the bracket of the youth.

(Laughter)

Hon. Speaker: Alright. Can you assist him with a microphone?

Hon. Muia: I stand here to support Hon. Angela for bringing this timely motion and it is very important that we have at least one model vocational training center in every ward because I have seen very many youths who have left the secondary schools, primary schools who do not have much to do and also this one is aligned with the Big Four Agenda of the President so that we can have skilled workers who can be carpenters, masons and who can do welding and such like things.

It is also in line with what the executive announced just a few days ago that these vocational training will be free of charge. So, I urge the youth of Machakos County to take advantage of this and start enrolling in this vocational training. In my ward, I have already started and right now I have already enrolled about 50 to enjoy these free vocational training. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Alice.

Hon. (Ms.) Nzioka: Asante Bi Spika kwa kunipa nafasi. Bi. Spika, nikiumbuka vizuri mwaka uliopita siku yenyewe siikumbuki sana lakini nafikiria Mheshimiwa Helen Ndeti alileta mswaada kama huu na tukaupitisha. Ningependa kuipa kazi kamati tekelezi wafuatilie waone wakati ambapo tunapitisha mswaada, upande wa kutekeleza miswaada imetekelezwa.

(Applause)

Bi. Spika, tuna vyuo vya ufundi karibu 38 katika Kaunti yetu; mwaka uliopita nilikuwa katika kamati ya masomo na pia sasa nipo tena na tulizunguka. Bi. Spika, mimi ningesema, badala ya kuanza kujenga zingine, zenye ziko ziwekwe vyombo, ziwe na waalimu ambao wanaweza funza ndio tuanze tena kujenga zingine. Maana utajengaaje zingine hizo pesa tinatumia; zile ambazo ziko zitengezwe kwanza alafu ndio tuanze. Kazi ya kupitisha miswaada, sisi tutapitisha---

Hon. Speaker: Mheshimiwa Alice, umesoma vile motion inasema?

Hon. (Ms.) Nzioka: Ndio nimesoma.

Hon. Speaker: Haisemi tuanzishe zingine, inasema *rehabilitate* ama sio hivyo? Kwa hivyo izingatie zile ziko tayari *irehabilitate* na ifanye *equipping* alafu waalimu pia ndio zifanye kazi. Kwa hivyo mswaada hausemi tujenge zingine.

Hon. (Ms.) Nzioka: Bi Spika, mimi mwanzo nikiongea, maono yangu ya mwanzo ni kusema zile ziko zitengezwe alafu---

Hon. Speaker: *Motion* inasema hivyo.

Hon. (Ms.) Nzioka: Ndio, zile ziko zitengezwe mwanzo, zikimalizwa kutengezwa kama tutaenda zingine, maana sio kila wodi zimejengwa; kuna kwengine utakuta hakuna. kwa hivyo

nilikuwa nasema kamati tekelezi wachukue jukumu kutembea na kuona ambazo ziko ziko namna gani, hali gani. Sasa hii itakuwa si kazi tu ya kamati ya elimu, iwe ni kazi ya kamati ya elimu na tekelezi pia kamati ili kuona kwamba ni nini kimetendeka na kujua kwamba wanafunzi ambao wako kama wamepewa pesa zao kila mwanafunzi elfu kumi na tano kuona kwamba wamesoma.

Pia ingekuwa vizuri sisi kama viongozi kutembea katika kila wodi kufanya himizo kuwaeleza vijana wetu kwamba kuna umuhimu wa kwenda kutafuta utaalamu. Maana sisi tutaongea na kama hawajui, wengine hawafikiwi na mambo itakuwa kwetu ni vizuri kutembea kila wodi kuhimiza kwamba waingie kwenye hivyo vyuo na tutapata vijana wetu hawafanyi mambo ambayo wanafanya sasa.

Sisi tunawalaumu kwamba wengi ni walevi, wengi dawa za kulevya, Bi. Spika, mtu ambaye hana kazi, anafanya kazi ambayo inampata ndio lazima unakuta wengi ni walevi, wanafanya mambo ambayo hawahusiki kufanya. Na kwa mfano ukiangalia katika makanisa mengi, kanisa ambalo utakuta hakuna vijana, hilo kanisa hakuna kukua; linaenda chini.

Ni kama familia, kukiwa na mtoto ambaye hana msingi, hakuna familia tena. Kwa hivyo ni himizo tuone vijana wetu tumewapa kazi maana sio lazima tu ata mtu akisoma, ukienda kutafuta kazi unaulizwa utaalamu. Kwa hivyo tuwatafutie utaalamu ili wawe wanaweza kufanya kazi. Asante Mheshimiwa Angela kwa kuleta mswada ambao unaweza saidia Kaunti yetu. Asante.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Mheshimiwa Alice. Mheshimiwa Kisini?

Hon. Kisini: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I also want to add some voice to this beautiful motion which was brought by our sister Angela. I think because most has been said I just want to say two things. One, I want to request for these bursaries which we are crying for to be given and we also consider those students who are schooling at vocational training institutions and then we also see to it that they are equipped and most of them lack tools, equipment and lack qualified teachers.

The other point I want to add is about the budget which we passed, the itemized budget; I think we considered vocational training centers and I would request if we can get those funds as they were planned for each ward so that if we get that money we can upgrade those vocational centers at our wards. This will be very great and we will see that they turn into modern facilities as the mover of the motion was requesting.

So, Madam Speaker, I also want to say that as most have said the Government is trying to change from the normal learning process to a practical learning process and we would request the County Government also to echo the National Government and do as to it what the National Government wants to improve so that it can improve. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Kisini. Hon. Mueni?

Hon. (Ms.) Mueni: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Mine is to support the motion and say we have forgotten the children who did not get A's and that is where we got lost because you can see everybody today is trying to steal the exam so that they can get A's and they are not qualified---

Hon. Speaker: Is it everybody?

(Laughter)

Every student? I think there are some you know Hon. Mueni some students work very hard. Some of them not all of them.

Hon. (Ms.) Mueni: Some of them so that somebody can get 'A' because we are not recognizing those people who have 'D's and 'E's and they have to survive in life so we take them to those schools so that they can make their life. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Mueni. Hon. Dominic.

Hon. Ndambuki: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I stand to support the motion and thank Hon. Angela for bringing in this motion. Madam Speaker, when you look keenly at the motion, it speaks about coming up with vocational training centers now the whole country, both the two tiers of the Government that is the National and County Governments are talking about the Big Four Agenda for the next four financial years.

Now, Madam Speaker, what the motion tries to bring forth is equipping our people with the requisite skills that are required in the industry when we are talking of the Big Four Agenda.

This motion is very timely Madam Speaker, and how I wish we could get adequate funding to ensure that we enroll as many youths as possible back in our villages. Madam Speaker, the current population of Kenya has people aged below the age of 35 being almost the majority and these are the people that we need to train Madam Speaker, and I wish to applaud the National Government for giving us capitation grants for the vocational training centers that we already have existing in the counties and how I wish we could also increase the funding so that we could have at least ensure that those aspiring students who want to join these vocational training centers pay something that is very little that even the poorest of us can afford so that they can be taken to school.

Madam Speaker, I also wish to challenge the relevant Government agencies that come up with curriculum that is used to train our people at the vocational training centers that they beef them up and come up with content that is in line with the Big Four Agenda that the whole country is talking about in the next four financial years. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Dominic. Hon. Katumo?

Hon. Katumo: Thank you, Madam Speaker---

Hon. Speaker: The microphone is taller than you?

(Laughter)

Hon. Katumo: There used to be one here but it was plugged out and I do not know why but thank you Madam Speaker, nevertheless. Madam Speaker, I begin by thanking and applauding our colleague Hon. Angela for thinking together and through with the youth of our county. It is very important; most of the times youths are just misused but it is high time we give them what is due to them. Going through this motion, it has highlights that are important that they need to be addressed.

Number one, the mover is talking about enabling those youths who do not make it to higher education to be given an opportunity to be trained and to have skills so that they can move this County forward while at the same time addressing their needs. It also talks about offering, not only training, but quality training to make sure that they are able to align themselves with what is currently happening and through this the motion is talking about modern training which means of course what is being done there is not obsolete, it is not something that is not useful to the county per now.

Therefore, the motion seeks, of course, to make sure that what we have as vocational training institutions, they are fully equipped. I want to support Hon. Alice, when she said we moved around last time trying to visit these vocational training and one thing we found is that they are courses being taught with the wrong equipment we do not have the tools, the equipment to do that.

You find an institution where we have like mechanical training and at the same time there is are facilities to do that. I found it is not very good and therefore, of course, I concur with the mover of the motion that these institutions should be fully equipped and especially one at least to the proximity of our youths within the wards to make sure that of course they do not have to go very far, it is not very expensive.

But, Madam Speaker, very important, I said in the beginning that if we let our youths two years to today we find that those youths who were leaving or doing KCSE did not do very well because of the new regulations, Matiang'i regulations. Actually, I know a school the highest grade was a D there were 17 'E's; we are not condemning our youths, they did not make it but they are useful and they can do other things.

But I want, of course, thinking through the theme of this motion. I want to think together with a researcher a sociologist called Max Weber; while he was trying to learn more about Africa through the classes that are to be found in the societies in Africa, he came across or he identified one of the classes that is referred to as proletariat. That is, of course, an Italian word that means in this particular class of people in African societies, he says they are people who own nothing in terms of skills so they use their labor power in order to survive and this are our youths and he said these are the most exploited people in Africa, in cities in rural areas; why?

Because the kind of job that we give them because they have no skills, we pay them wages lower than the value of the goods that they produce. We don't want to subject our youths to suck kind of jobs that come around; we want them, of course, to get engaged rightfully, to get the right skills and therefore we help one another as we try to improve out county. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Jeremiah. Hon. Nyanzi. Hon. Nyanzi does not have a mic.

Hon. Nyanzi: Nasimama kusupport hii *motion* lakini nieleze kwamba kaunti hii ya Machakos mimi nilikua *chairman* wa *Machakos Children Home*, shule mbayo tulikua nayo hapa ilikua na watoto zaidi ya mia moja. Wale watoto walikua wanachukuliwa na hii kaunti wale ambao hawana mama, hawana baba na wale watoto walemavu na hao watoto tulikua tunasomesha wanaendelea mpaka wanamaliza *university* au mahali wanafika na tuna watafutia kazi na hao watoto walikua wakifanya kazi wakijiita watoto wa kaunti ya Machakos.

Sasa wakati nilirudi tena kaunti nilikuta wale MCAs wamekuja wamevunja hiyo na mimi ningepuliza kama naweza kuleta *motion especially* kwa kuuliza irudishwe au tutaingiza ndani ya

hii ambao inaongelewa hapa hili turudishe hio maana yake nilikua naona ilikua ya maana sana---

Hon. Speaker: Unataka iingizwe ndani ya hii ama unataka aje? Lete tu yako.

(Laughter)

Hon. Nyanzi: Asante. Ningeuliza kama ningelete *motion special* ya kuuliza hio shule irudishwe au itakua pamoja na hizi ambao tunasema za kila wodi.

Hon. Speaker: Hiyo itakua mzuri, Hawa *Clerks* watakusaidia ulete hio. Itakua mzuri kuleta.

Hon. Nyanzi: Asante sana.

Hon. Speaker: Asante Mheshimiwa. Hon. Constance Mbula.

Hon. (Ms.) C. Nzioki: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I want to congratulate Hon. Angela for bringing up this motion. However, if it was brought last year, I think we just continue with this one is on time. Our youth are suffering; dearly suffering. If you look at Machakos-Kitui road, all those mechanics most of them are youth and they are stealing from people not because they want to steal I think Mheshimiwa Mutiso should tell us what is happening today because we have talked about it here.

Our youth are taking *miraa, muguka* because they are idle and if they are engaged they will be better people and expect them to be better leaders, they are our leaders for tomorrow apart from them been our children, we are talking about youth, youth, youth forgetting in those youth, I have my son you have your daughter; everyone has somebody and you will be very lucky if you have never heard a black sheep in your home.

So, let us try and get out those black sheep; they did not make it in class not everyone goes through whatever happening, some are clever some are not clever but doesn't mean if you are not clever you are a fool and you cannot do anything. They have hands, they have brains they can walk, they can do manual works and so.

If they are better trained, even for those manual works, we shall have better citizens for tomorrow. Thank you, Mheshimiwa Angela; keep doing it and we expect you to be a Hon. Member next time through elections. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, I call upon the mover of the motion to reply.

Hon. (Ms.) Munyasya: Thank you, Madam. Speaker and thank you Hon. Members for the support you have given me in ensuring that this motion is effectively and efficiently discussed. I have high hopes that it will be passed. It is heartening to see that the youth have come in timely and they have heard the support that this Hon. House has for the youth but as Madam Speaker said, we hope they will help us in ensuring that the youth are catered for, ensuring that they work closely with respective Hon. Members from their wards so that the youth can be assisted in ensuring that this technical centers and technical skills are passed on to the youth to ensure that they earn their own living and to ensure that the high percentage of youth

who are disturbing many families in the grassroots have something to do and we will transform their lives from hopelessness, desperation to an enthusiastic lot and lot with a vibrancy that can enable the county move forward. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Angela.

(Question put and agreed to)

Hon. Members, the motion is committed to the committee on education and the committee is required to file a report before this house on 19th February, 2019. Hon. Members, you know that come end of November, the House is going on a long recess which goes up to February; the first week of February that is why the date is that far and we needed to give them time to act on the matter.

A mention of implementation; members are concerned that the motion once passed let it be implemented and remember we are talking about a big section of the population of this nation. We are talking about the Big Four Agenda; we are a developing nation, we need skilled artisans and we need to empower the youth.

We need to remove the stigma and this is most important we need to remove the stigma that vocational training is for those who failed to get As. Not always! Their some very bright children, because of poverty their parents cannot afford better education for them. If they had opportunity they would go to the schools that you think all those get As go to.

So, it should be appreciated that those who are going for vocational training is not that they did not perform well in school; of course, there are those who did not perform well but remember, a times when you doing these exams, things may just happen and that you don't get that pass mark not because you don't know what you doing but at that particular time you are not in a good situation to do and get that A.

So, it will be good to address the matter of vocational training from that angle and we are going to empower the youth, of course, and it will also reduce insecurity because if there are too idle many of them out there, there is bound to be insecurity. The idle mind is the devil's workshop. So let's not make our youth the devils workshop.

Hon. Members, at this point as I am about to adjourn the House, I will welcome the youth that are in this House and thank you Hon. Angela for thinking about the youth; let us all think about them and let us support them as I indicated I didn't even know there was this motion that is coming to support the youth. So, the best we can do is to implement so that at least they can see action from your debate.

So, we will have a cup of tea Hon. Members with the youth; Hon. Members are also welcome at the canteen we can have a cup of tea with them after the house adjourns.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, the House adjourns to Wednesday, October, 2018; that is tomorrow at 10.00 a.m. and remember Hon. Members the sitting is going to be at Kithimani Stadium in the spirit of Bunge Mashinani taking the business of the House closest to the people and it is going to be Kithimani Stadium which is in Kithimani market that is Yatta sub-county.

Every member of the public is welcome but a message needs to go to the public that that is a sitting of the House and just like a sitting of the House here, it is supposed to be orderly; that

one will also be and must also be orderly. Thank you very much, Hon. Members, Have a good day.

The House rose at 11.13 a.m.