

**REPUBLIC OF KENYA**  
**MACHAKOS COUNTY ASSEMBLY**  
**OFFICIAL REPORT**

**Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> August, 2021**

**Special Sitting**

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The House met at 11.34 a.m.

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

**PRAYERS**

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR**  
**VISITING DELEGATION FROM KANGUNDO DEB PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Members, I want to appreciate the presence of Kangundo DEB Primary School in the gallery in this sitting of today's *Bunge Mashinani* and I welcome them so that they are able to learn going forward on the operations of the Assembly just like is expected of them and in particular having regard to the future of this County and the future of the nations of Kenya.

*(Applause)*

Hon. Members, we have the following matters that I want to bring to your attention.

**KANGUNDO CENTRAL BUNGE MASHINANI**

Hon. Members, ladies and gentlemen and our young children sitting in the gallery; I welcome you all to this sitting which is the 6th forum of the process of *Bunge Mashinani* that was started by the County Assembly of Machakos in 2018. This forum has been organised to help the realization of national values and principles of governance as outlined in Article 10 of the constitution of Kenya as well as the attainment of the objects and principles of devolution as set out in Article 174 of the Constitution.

Hon. Members, Article 196(1) of the Constitution requires that a County Assembly conducts its business in an open manner, and hold its sittings and those of its committees, in public and to facilitate public participation and involvement in the legislative and other business

of the Assembly and its committees. In this light, Hon. Members, you recall that the County Assembly resolved to hold *Bunge Mashinani* forums in each Sub-County, at least two of them. This was after we attempted to hold the sittings in each ward but because of the coronavirus which was for sometime made it impossible for public gathering and also because of constraints in finances, we had to result to holding them at least at sub-county level.

Today is our sixth program of *Bunge Mashinani*; starting with the one we had in Yatta in particular in Kithimani Ward on 17th October, 2018. The second one we held in Masinga Sub-County at Ndithini Ward on 15th May, 2019, the third one in Mwala Sub-County at Kibauni Ward on 4th December, 2019, the fourth one in Matungulu Sub-County at Kyeleni Ward on 29th September 2020 and the fifth one in Machakos Sub-County at Kola Ward on 23rd June, 2021.

#### CONVENING OF THE SITTING

Hon. Members, the convening of this sitting has been done vide Gazette Notice No. 8178 (Vol. CXXIII-No. 166) which was issued on 13th August, 2021. The Gazette Notice partly reads; "NOTICE is given to all members of the County Assembly of Machakos and the general public that pursuant to Articles 10(2)(a), 174 and 196 of the Constitution, read with Sections 7B(2), 87(b), 91(g), 98(1) and 99 of the County Governments Act No.17 of 2012, the County Assembly of Machakos shall hold its sittings on the 18th August, 2021 at Kangundo DEB grounds, Kangundo Central Ward, Kangundo Sub-county, Machakos County.

During the said sittings, the Assembly shall conduct its regular business in plenary sittings as per the County Assembly of Machakos Calendar (Regular Sessions) for the Fifth Session, 2021. The matters to be deliberated during the said sittings shall be as may be determined according to Standing Order 151(5)(d), (e) and (f) of the Assembly of Standing Orders."

Accordingly, I notify all Members of the County Assembly of Machakos and the general public that the first sitting of the Assembly on the said date shall commence at 10.00 a.m. and the second sitting at 2.30 p.m. Hon. Members that was the gist of the gazette notice. You however appreciate that because of logistics and the earlier event that we held of the official opening of the ward office for this ward, we are starting a little out of the time that we gazetted. We are here Hon. Members and we will do justice to this session.

#### OBJECTIVES OF THE SITTING

The objectives of this sittings is that sittings outside the Assembly in the wards is to ensure that the Assembly reaches to as many people in the County as possible in line with the Articles of the Constitution particularly Article 174 and Article 10 on public participation and the principles of devolution. This is because not everybody in the county can make it to Machakos town where the headquarters of the Assembly is located so efforts must be made to reach the public to where they are; furthest and nearest to their residence. So, today, the public will have an opportunity to see how the business in the Assembly is conducted and be able to understand the role of MCA.

This forum will also accord all Members of the public also an opportunity to share with the Members of the Assembly any matter that they would want the Assembly to undertake in the interest of service to them. The public will also ask the Assembly to provide a scorecard and demand for certain things that must be done in service to them. Through this forum it is expected

that more business by way of Bills, Petitions, Statements and Motions shall be forwarded to the Assembly through the MCAs.

#### CONDUCTING BUSINESS WITHIN COVID-19 GUIDELINES

Hon. Members and the members of the public in, you appreciate that we are living in the age of Covid-19 pandemic; you appreciate that the Ministry of Health guided by the World Health Organization (WHO) has been giving various protocols to ensure the pandemic does not continue to spread amongst us. At the moment, there are great concerns that the pandemic particularly the fourth wave is here with us and it has caused a lot of agony amongst members of the public in each corner of the nation. So as we conduct this sitting we must be aware and adhere to the public guidelines on the control of the spread of the Covid-19 virus. Just for your memory, this includes:

Washing of hands and sanitizing every other moment within this area; we have provided the facilities for that;

Wearing of mask all the time while you are within this area and wear it properly to make sure your nose as well as mouth is covered;

Keep the social distance which we all have appreciated; at least 1.5 metres and avoid overcrowding unnecessarily and there should be no occasion to allow crowding. You are supposed to keep to your chair and this is critical that you do not keep on changing chairs whenever you wake up.

The Serjeant-At-Arms and the other staff of the Assembly are requested to ensure that these protocols are followed to the letter. Thank you Hon. Members.

#### PROCEDURAL MOTION EXTENSION OF SITTING TIME

**Hon. Ndawa:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I am rising on Standing Order 27 on extension of time.

Hon. Speaker, that aware that Standing Order 27 provides that the speaker shall interrupt business at 12.30 p.m. for the morning sitting;

Aware that Standing Order 27(3) provides that the House may resolve to extend its sitting time; Aware that Standing Order 27(4) requires the motion to extend sitting to be moved at least 30 minutes before the time appointed for adjournment;

Hon. Speaker, I beg to move a motion that this House resolves to extend its sitting time until the business in the order paper is properly concluded.

I call upon Hon. Jacqueline Nziva to second my motion.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you. Hon. Nziva.

**Hon. (Ms.) Nziva:** Thank you, Madam Speaker and Hon. Members present. I second the motion that we extend time to dispense the business ahead of us. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

*(Question proposed)*

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you. Hon. Members, this is a procedural motion and even without having to vote as to what the feeling of the Members is, I want to hear any views from the

Members on the motion to extend sitting time until the business we have on the Order Paper is completed; Hon. Angela.

**Hon. (Ms.) Munyasya:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I support this motion owing to the fact that we got delayed as we performed the duty of opening the ward office which is also crucial in this region and also owing to the fact that Members are prepared to go through the Order Paper and complete the business of the day.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Angela. We had thought that it being a procedural motion, we do not need to put the question but the Clerk at the Table is telling me to put the question so that we can have the freedom of democracy.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

**STATEMENT**  
STATUS OF DISPENSARIES IN THE COUNTY

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Members, under this order we have one Business by Hon. Moffat Maitha.

**Hon. Maitha:** Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I was once the Hon. Member of Parliament for Kangundo and Matungulu joined together, Hon. Speaker.

*(Applause)*

Aware that Article 43 1a of the Constitution---

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Maitha, just a moment; Serjeant at Arms, please assist the Member in holding the microphone so that he can do the reading effectively.

**Hon. Maitha:** Hon. Speaker, I can do that for myself.

**Hon. Speaker:** You prefer to do it; alright go ahead.

**Hon. Maitha:** Yes.

Aware that Article 43 1(a) of the Constitution provides that every person has the right to the highest attainable standard of health, which includes the right to health care services, including reproductive health care;

Aware that in various wards within Machakos County there are dispensaries that where constructed and equipped using Constituency Development Fund (CDF) from different constituencies;

Concerned that most of these dispensaries have not been operational since they have never been commissioned or opened to serve the community;

Noting that some of the dispensaries are in pathetic conditions, others unfinished and some need renovation;

Hon. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 41, I wish to seek a statement from the department of Health and Emergency services on the following matters;

1. Why the county government has not commissioned Katangini-Kithuani Dispensaries in Matungulu West ward. Note that Hon. Speaker, I have substituted the name Katangini from Kwatombe.
2. What is the status of all dispensaries in the entire county which were constructed using CDF funds in all wards.
3. When does the county government plan to commence the completion of the unfinished or damaged buildings in the said dispensaries.
4. When does the county government plan to open these for them to offer full health services to Machakos County residents noting that many patients are forced to travel long distances to get medical care and can the health department provide a schedule of the same.

Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Maitha. Members as is the case, we have a Statement that has been presented by Hon. Maitha and we normally give our views even as we prepare to commit the Statement to the relevant committee for the necessary processing. Do we have any Member who wishes to make a contribution on this; Hon. Minority Leader, Alex Kamitu.

**Hon. Kamitu:** Thank you, Hon. Speaker. In fact, Hon. Maitha has brought a very important Statement; Madam Speaker, I am a Member of Matungulu, I served in the First Assembly and in regard to this Statement I want to make a very short statement that; we have done some site visits in regard to the dispensaries that were done by the CDF.

Truly, Madam Speaker, these dispensaries done by CDF, some were not handed over; if we talk of the county government involvement in it, my humble request is, before you give the responsibility to the health committee, it is important that we have audit of those dispensaries which were not handed over properly because government procedures are supposed to be followed.

On that strength, the Statement, it is very clear the county government should take responsibilities because we normally say that a healthy nation is a wealthy nation. Our dispensaries should be equipped fully and making them a suitable facilities for use and with medicine. We also make sure that before we do any development, and before we engage any other monies, and before we move to other facilities, let us finish projects that have not been cleared so that we may move clearly in the development agenda. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Kamitu. Hon. Museku.

**Hon. Museku:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I would like to thank Hon. Moffat Maitha for this timely Statement which he has sought before the House as far as issues pertaining to health are concerned. Madam Speaker, it is clear that during the time when the health ministry was centralized much of these funds were being channeled CDF and very many facilities were constructed utilizing CDF money. At the time of devolution, this function was handed over to the devolved units in the county government.

Madam Speaker, I still want to find out what handing over is supposed to be done. Madam Speaker, immediately after devolution was done and ministry of health was devolved, automatically everything which pertains to that ministry fell under county governments and as

such, I do not understand why up to now we are saying that the county government is awaiting for handover process of any facility.

These facilities have been constructed using public money, money has been sunk; there are resources which have been utilized there and the county government already had a head start in that they had a facility which has either been halfway or three quarter done and all they needed to do was to complete it and give services to *wananchi*.

Therefore, I would urge the county government to move with speed and take stock; Madam Speaker I would like to give this challenge to the committee of health which is headed by Hon. Cosmus Masesi---

**Hon. Speaker:** Are you committing the statement Hon. Museku?

**Hon. Museku:** No. I am saying they should, as a committee, have actually gone to the ground and come with a list of issues which are required to be done. The committee should have by now gone and said we have an inventory of facilities which have not yet been completed and done. That is why I was requesting that, through the Chair, that committee if they do that, we will be able to know the total number of facilities in the entire county which are in this state and move with speed to get them done.

In my area for example, I have a containerized facility and also Moses Mitaa's ward has one which has been with us for the last six months and up to now that facility is still not operational and it has not been commissioned and therefore it still needs to be done at the same time as when they were doing these ones for CDF to ensure that our people get the services they deserve. Thank you so much, Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Museku. Hon. Majority Chief Whip.

**Hon. Mitaa:** Asante Bi. Spika kwa muda ulioniruhusu nichangie swali ambalo Mheshimiwa Moffat Maitha amefikisha. Bi. Spika, pia utaniruhusu nizugumze kwa lugha ya Kiswahili ijapokuwa kidogo najua itanititiza.

**Hon. Speaker:** Tunaweza kuongea kwa lugha ya Kiswahili, kiingereza kwa sababu kikao cha leo ni tofauti na zile tunafanya uko *Assembly*. *You can also mix the languages.*

**Hon. Mitaa:** Asante Bi. Spika. Kama vile Mheshimiwa mwenzangu Museku alivyosema awali ni kwamba hili suala liambatanishwe na zile hospitali zingine kaunti ya Machakos imefanya kuanzia mwaka wa 2014. Bi. Spika, katika wodi yang niko na hospitali mbili ambazo mpaka leo hazijatumika kwa sababu azijakamilishwa. Niko na hospitali inaitwa Ngiini *Community Health Center*, ilianzishwa mwaka wa 2014 na mpaka leo huo mjengo bado hujakamilika. Na ningeomba ile kamati utalipatia jukumu la kuendeleza hii swali, ishughulikie zile hospitali zingine ambazo ziko kwa wodi na mpaka wa leo hela ya mwananchi imetumika lakini hazijaanza kufanya kazi.

Pia kama Mheshimiwa Museku alivyosema, kuanzia mwaka uliopita wadi yake na yangu kulikuwa na nafasi ya kupata hospitali zile zimepeanwa na *national government* za *container*. Kwa wodi yangu tulipeleka mahali inaitwa Ngulini na kuanzia mwanzo wa mwaka uliopita mpaka wa leo hizo hospitali hazijaanza kufanya kazi.

Na kwa sababu watu wetu wanazidi kuumia kupata matibabu, mahali tumesimama pande hii ndio tuko na hospitali kuu Kangundo *Level IV* na huduma inazidi kulemewa kwa sababu watu wanatoka mbali na tunapokuwa na sehemu zingine zile zimetengwa kuwa na mahospitali, tutaweza kusaidia wale wagonjwa kwa wakaty ufaao na kwa njia ile inahitajika. Naomba nimshukuru Mheshimiwa Moffat Maitha kwa swali alioleta kwa Bunge leo na naomba serikali ya *Executive* ifikie kutimiza hii ombi ndio watu wetu wasaidike. Asante, Bi. Spika.

**Hon. Speaker:** Shukrani Mheshimiwa Mitaa. Mheshimiwa Musyimi.

**Hon. Musyimi:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I stand to thank the Hon. Member for Matungulu West for bringing the Statement about the dispensaries which were constructed with CDF. Madam Speaker, in Kangundo North, we have one, Kyelendu and it has never been possessed by the county government and I tried to follow why and I was given the reason that it was not handed over to the county government and I started the process and I went to the offices of CDF of this constituency and I forwarded the report to the department of health in Machakos County.

Madam Speaker, my question is, why are they moving so slow and some areas are suffering because they cannot access the health facility around them. It is my request that if there something which should be done to be done so that the county government can help those people because some move long distance to access the health facility. So, Madam Speaker, I request the county government to do so soonest possible. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Musyimi. Hon. Kaloki Ikusya.

**Hon. Kaloki:** Thank you, Madam Speaker, for giving this opportunity to make a contribution to this Statement. I want to thank you Madam Speaker, for having introduced the famous *Bunge Mashinani* because it gives us an opportunity to showcase our competencies in legislation and I also want to thank you for bringing the same *Bunge Mashinani* to Kangundo sub-county, where me, Hon. Musyimi and Hon. Mitaa represent the sub-county so *karibuni sana*.

Madam Speaker I want to thank *Mheshimiwa* Moffat Maitha for the Statement he has brought especially touching on the issue of incomplete and un-commissioned facilities. I want to say that, it is the high time we urge the county government and especially the department of health to carry out with speed an audit of all incomplete facilities and more so the CDF-funded projects and work with speed to have them completed especially during this time of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Most of our facilities are overwhelmed and if you go to Kangundo Level IV it is full, go to Kathiani and Machakos the same; we need extra facilities especially this time the government does not have money. We need to use the title available resources to complete the available incomplete facilities. I do not think it is such a long process and as Mheshimiwa Museku said earlier, health is a devolved function and all these facilities were devolved and now belong to the county government of Machakos. I know some of them have issues especially where the contractors were never paid by CDF, they still have audit issues but that is none of our business, Madam Speaker.

I have one case in my area where we had a CDF-funded facility called Mbusyani Dispensary which was started way back in 2005 and was never completed. The contractor I think was paid half and later when I became the MCA 15 years down the line, I had to push for it to be

handed over to the county government and it was completed sometimes last year, Madam Speaker, so I do not think it is such a long process. We need as MCAs to also take our own initiative to identify these facilities, ascertain the status and---

**Hon. Speaker:** Point of information from Hon. Maitha.

**Hon. Maitha:** Hon. Speaker, I want to inform the Member that in 2005 I was the MP for Kangundo and I did not start such a dispensary. Let him set his record straight.

*(Applause)*

**Hon. Speaker:** We are accordingly informed Hon. Maitha. Hon. Ikusya, proceed.

**Hon. Kaloki:** Thank you *Mheshimwa* Moffat. Actually he was the MP in 2005 we also competed in the same race and he defeated me at that time. Madam Speaker, this facility was started by what we called Local Authority Transfer Fund (LATF) fund which was managed by the county councils and later the MP who came after Hon. Moffat was Hon. Muthama, he put in some little money.

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Ikusya, can we agree that is history and deal with what is on the Table.

**Hon. Kaloki:** Madam Speaker, I was responding to Hon. Moffat but I want to say I have a case in point.; a facility I found incomplete and I took a personal initiative and as we speak it was completed last year. So my point, Madam Speaker, was that we need to also take personal initiatives and identify these facilities within our areas in our wards and carry out a negotiation with the department of health and the CDF committees to ensure that these facilities are completed within the shortest time possible. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

*(Applause)*

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Kaloki. Hon. Mueni.

**Hon. (Ms.) Mueni:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. Mine is to say that these hospitals should be completed without any complaints because it is people money and if they are not completed it is only our people who will suffer. So, without saying it was started by so and so, this contractor has not been paid, we ask the county to finish the work. Health has been devolved and Madam Speaker, with your permission, I ask the Members to continue talking so much because what we want is only the hospitals to be finished.

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Mueni is taking over the work of the Speaker; now have you been given the permission? The Speaker is in total control. Hon. Mueni.

**Hon. (Ms.) Mueni:** Madam Speaker, I apologize.

*(Laughter)*



**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you. Hon. Mutiso and Hon. Mutinda then we finalize.

**Hon. P.J Mutiso:** Asante Bi. Spika kwa kunipa hii nafasi niweze kuchangia kwa hii mada imeletwa na Mheshimiwa Moffat Maitha. Nilikuwa nataka kusema kuna zile hospitali zilianzishwa na ile ilikuwa inaitwa *Local Authority Transfer Fund*. Na moja ambayo ilianzishwa kitambo sana miana wa 2006 na haitumiki; nilifuatilia nikafika mwisho. Jana Indio nilipigia *Chief Officer* Bw. Mwove akaniambia *committee* ya *health* tuandike barua. Nikashindwa nitaandika barua vipi? Mheshimiwa Museku aliongea akasema hizi hospitali ni *devolved* na kama zimepeanwa kwa *county government* ya Machakos, sasa tunafuatilia nini?

Hii ni pesa ya mwananchi ambayo inaharibika na mwananchi hapati matibabu na nyumba ziko pale. Kwa hivyo inafaa ziwekwe madawa na wafuatilie wamalize hizo kwanza badala ya kujenga zingine mpya. Kwa maana tumeona kwamba 2014 walianzisha hospitali kila wodi 40 ambazo hazijaisha mpaka leo na sisi kama bunge tunapitisha pesa kwa *Executive* ndio waweze kufanya hii kazi na hawafanyi.

Nakushukuru; wakati tulikuwa tunatafuta Spika wa Bunge la Machakos nakumbuka vizuri ulituhidi ya kwamba hii mambo tunafanya leo ya Bunge Mashinani itafanyika na kwa kweli imefanyika.

(*Applause*)

Na tunaona kwamba mambo ikiendelea vizuri halafu wajua ukikalia kiti ya chini ukienda ya juu na ulikuwa unasema ukweli, si ukweli utaendelea na kusemwa. Kwa hivyo naona mambo itakuwa mzuri na bulge mambo haitakuwa mbaya namna hii. Kwa hivyo hatutakuwa tukilalamika hospitali fulani itengenezwe, barabara fulani itengenezwe mambo tunaona itakuwa sawa. Kwa hivyo naomba kwamba sisi wabunge tuweze kufuata hii maneno ndio iweze kufanyika kwa baraka iwezekanavyo.

Wananchi hawajui mambo ya *Executive*, wanajua sisi na sisi tuone kwamba *civic education* imepewa wananchi kwa sabbat wanaulizia MCAs mambo ambayo si tao wanafaa kuulizwa. Kama hio hospitali ya kwangu mimi ndiye naulizwa. Mimi nimepeana projects ile itafanyika na pesa lakini haifanywi na mwananchi anaona ni mimi. Hatuwezi kukubali *itucost* ama tuishi kama wale wanafaa kufanya kazi na hawafanyi, ni lazima wafanye kazi na kama hawataki tutachukua tukumu ya kuona vile itafanyika ingawa wananchi tukifanya hivyo wanasema tunapinga Gavana na si vile, tunataka wananchi wafanyiwe kazi. Asante Bi. Spika.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Mutiso. Hon. Mutinda.

**Hon. Mutinda:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. Thank you for this opportunity and thank Hon. Moffat Maitha for the Statement and say this should take us to another level where we are going to have treatment taken to the next level. Madam Speaker, we have the issue of incomplete dispensaries all over and this should come to an end and have complete projects and our people can get value for their monies. An audit must be done to identify which hospitals are incomplete, which had not been handed by the CDF because that work was supposed to be done by the then Transition Authority in 2013, which took over three years to oversee the handing over of departments.

Unfortunately all departments were handed over in three months and no audit was done which would have helped to see to it that the problems we are seeing now and trying to address should have been addressed that time, Madam Speaker. Remember, we were promised a seamless transition from the national government that time and as we are speaking and whatever we are doing these days, it shows the seamless transition was not achieved. I think the information and documents which were supposed to be handed over those times should be handed over and we see to it that that issue of dispensaries has been settled.

Madam Speaker, in my ward I have Wamunyu health centre and Yathui; they are incomplete projects and it is important we go to the qualitative aspect of treatment where we are able to have our people get X-rays, medicine and ambulances so that it does not cost a lot. Yes we have Universal Health Care but it sometimes costs our people to travel long distance with more cost and taking a lot of time in accessing treatment. We have to be responsive to people's needs and take services to where they are so that we can have service going efficiently. With those few remarks, I thank you for the opportunity.

**Hon. Speaker:** I was going to close this chapter Members and I am seeing *Mheshimiwa* Katumo, please give him the microphone.

**Hon. Katumo:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I was not intending to comment on this Statement by Hon. Moffat Maitha but in his prayers, I found No. 4 says 'the government should plan to open these dispensaries for them to offer full health services to Machakos County residents, noting that many patients are forced to travel long distances to medical care.'

Madam Speaker, my constituency is PWDs; when we have residents who are able bodied and they are finding it difficult to move long distances receive medical care, what is it for PWDs, people in wheelchairs, people in crutches like me and others who have severe disability? When I looked at this and found it is a devolved function and Machakos County Government since 2013 has not been able to take over and make these dispensaries operational, I find it inhuman.

*(Applause)*

Excluding a segment of society who indeed need this facility and therefore Hon. Maitha I congratulate and applaud you for thinking on that line but what you missed is to include that segment of society who are my constituents who need these services, so much so that this should be done like yesterday.

Madam Speaker, it is very difficult for MCAs to keep on pleading with the government to do what they are supposed to do. Now we are going to 10 years, with the same Governor, same offices, this is something they should do and we give money like Ksh. 4 billion. Therefore when they cannot do this simple act, it hurts us. As I speak and represent my constituency, it is prudent that this government moves with speed and especially the department of health to make sure this is done. I wish to support and wish to follow to make sure my people do not suffer any more. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Katumo. Hon. Helen Matei.

**Hon. (Ms.) Ndeti:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I wish to congratulate Hon. Maitha for bringing this Statement. There is another constituency that, as a county, we should have made

sure that women who suffer most of the time when there is an epidemic *kwa sababu wako na watoto, pia mzee, wakiwa wagonjwa ndio wanataabika sana. Kwa hivyo tunaomba na kuuliza county government of Machakos, zile dispensaries zilikuwa zimeanzishwa na CDF na hazijakamilika wakuje wamalizie ndio watu wawe wanaenda kupimwa hata kama sio kupatiwa dawa.*

*Asubuhi ukiamka ukiumwa na kichwa na saa zingine unakuwa na pressure na hujui, sukari imepanda na haujui. Tunatakiwa tuwe na dispensaries kila mahali; kwa hivyo naomba serikali ya Machakos imalizie hizi CDF projects ndio kila mama, mtoto na baba wa Machakos awe na mahali anaweza kunda kama hajisikii vizuri. Asante.*

**Hon. Speaker:** So, Hon. Members, your views are taken into account and the Statement is committed to the Health and Emergency Services Committee to process the statement with the necessary interaction with the respective county government department and other officers and members of the public where necessary and the report be brought to the Assembly on or before 21st September, 2021.

If we were not going on a short recess Hon. Members, I would have directed that the statement be brought on a much nearer date but it will be processed and it will be brought back to you.

**MOTION**  
REPORT ON MANAGEMENT OF COFFEE  
COOPERATIVE SOCIETIES

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Members, under this Order, we have one business by Hon. Moses Mitaa, the area Member.

*(Applause)*

**Hon. Mitaa:** Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker, that aware that coffee is a major cash crop in Machakos County and forms a key source of income;

Further aware that in pursuit of Kenya Vision 2030, co-operatives will play an important role in addressing the challenges facing the coffee sub-sector namely low productivity, inappropriate land use systems, poor marketing systems and low value-addition;

Informed that coffee farming in the County is to a great extent undertaken by small-scale farmers through the co-operative movement, commonly referred to as “Farmers Co-operative Societies (FCS) with the rest left to private planters like estates;

Aware that Machakos County has approximately five million coffee plants with the capacity of producing approximately 12 million kilograms of cherry;

Acknowledging that the current average coffee production per coffee plant is 2 kilograms while with good crop husbandry, the same plant can give the farmer an average of 30 to 40 kilograms;

Aware that high cost of farm inputs, lack of access to cheap and affordable credit facilities to sustain the sub-sector, some cooperative societies have entered into commercial loans which have turned out to be difficult to offset;

Further aware that low interest cherry fund was released by the National Government through commercial banks for the benefit of coffee farmers;  
Hon. Speaker, I wish to move the motion that the Machakos County Government through the Department of Agriculture;

1. Streamlines the management of coffee cooperative societies for better administration of coffee sub-sector and undertakes annual audit to each cooperative society to help track operations and financial inflow, outflow and asset status;
2. Assists coffee farmers to access the cherry fund released by the National government and allocates enough funds for inputs which should be administered and accounted for by the cooperative society management;
3. Offers both managerial and financial support to LECOM milling factory to help reduce coffee market brokerage currently witnessed in the coffee cooperative societies;
4. Forwards to the Assembly the coffee sub-sector revitalization policy for approval and subsequent operationalization which will streamline the general management and improvement of the coffee sub-sector.

Thank you, Madam Speaker, and I wish to call Hon. Nzomo Musyimi to second my motion.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Mitaa. Hon. Musyimi.

**Hon. Musyimi:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I come from this zone which is a coffee growing area I support the motion that government supports the coffee sector. I second, thank you.

*(Question proposed)*

**Hon. Speaker:** A certain question has been put to me; I have been requested and this is just under Standing Order 1. I am being requested to make it possible for the public for whom you brought the *Bunge Mashinani* today to be able to understand what we are talking about and so, using the provisions of Standing Order 1, I am allowing you members to use even the Kikamba language in this sitting.

*(Applause)*

You will do it to the best of your ability, you will also use Kiswahili, you will also use English because the important part in such a sitting is communicating to the audience. I would want to start with the Members who did not have occasions to utter a word in the first process. Hon King'ori.

**Hon. King'ori:** Asante Bi. Spika kwa kinipatia hii nafasi kuweza kujadili hii mjadala ambao ni muhimu sana katika hii sekta ya *agriculture* ambayo pia iko *devolved partially*. We share it with the national government that is why you can see this shelf fund was sponsored by the government but Madam Speaker, ile kitu ningesema ni hivi. Pia county government inafaa iwe pia na fund yake kidogo ambayo katika ile nini hii ya *agriculture* ambayo inafaa iongezwe

fundingifike mpaka 10 *per cent* ambayo ndio *recommended by the Act* ile inasimamia *agriculture* ndio tukue na pesa ambazo pia zinaweza fanya kazi mashinani pale mkulima apate hali yake ya kazi, kama ni *fertilizer* iko *subsidized* ndio tuweze hata kucompete na *other countries like* Uganda, Tanzania and *other areas* ambao wanaleta vitu ambazo ziko na bei kidogo kuliko ya kenya juu, bei ya kufanya biashara hapa kenya ya *agriculture* iko juu kidogo, Madam Speaker.

Kwa hivyo ile kitu ningependa kuongeza ni kwamba hii *factory* yetu iko hapa inafaa iinuliwe ndiyo iweze kuangalia maslahi ya wananchi wa hapa Machakos sababu ni lazima tu *promote* watu wetu ndio pia kazi ipatikane hapa kwetu na ndiyo sababu *county government* iko na hiyo uwezo wa kufanya hivyo kupitia pesa ile tunapatiiiana kwa *agriculture development* ndio tusiwe tunafanya ile miradi ambayo tunaona mpya mpya lakini tusahahu pia tuko na *factory* hapa kwetu ambaypo tunafaa tuinua iweze kuinua wakulima wetu, iweze kuinua uchumi wa hii *area* ya Machakos ambayo pia itakuja kuwa muhimu katika wananchi wetu hapa Machakos.

Ile kitu pia ningetaka kusema ninaona vitu nyingi amabazo zimeandikwa hapa ni za muhimu sana kwasababu hii sekta ya *coffee* kuna wakati ilikuwa *the best produce*, kama wakati nilikuwa nasoma kenya ndio ilikuwa *the best foreign exchange earner* lakini sasa imeenda chini kiwango ya kwamba hata hatuisikii pahali, lakini hapa tunaweza aanza na tu *process* yatu na tufanye marketing nje ambayo pia itapatia mklulima pesa nzuri amabazo pia itafanya watu warudie ukulima wa kahawa ambao pia ni muhimu sana katika uchumi yetu.

Ya mwisho. Bi Spika, nivizuri pia tuelewe sana kama *County Assembly* tunafanya kibarua ngumu ya kupatiana pesa ya zifanye kazi katika *each and every department* lakini naona kuna pahali tunapigwa chenga kidogo. Kama pahali ambayo tunaweka *itemized* kitu na *Executive* wanakosa kufanya, naona hiyo haileti shangwe Bi. Spika. Nasema hivyo kwasababu *budget* ta mwaka jana tulipitisha *itemized budget* ambayo ilikuwa inahusika na kilima, mahospitali na hii maneneo tunaongea saa hii lakini haikuweza kufanyishwa kazi kama vile tulikuwa tumepitisha *budget* ya mwaka uliopita.

Kwa hivyo sasa tunaonekana wabaya eti hatufanyi kazi lakini kazi yetu tumefanya kikamilifu lakini tunaona watu wengine wanafanya tukae kama walala hoi, ambao wanaombaomba sababu kazi ile tumepatiane ifanywe katika wadi zetu kama ya *development* hazifanywi sababu pande ya *Executive* imekataa kutimiza mambo yake. Sababu nasema hivyo Bi. Spika najua kama huu mjadala tunaongea saa hii nakumbuka kuna wakati mwinine bungeni tuliongea juu ya hii *factory* ambayo tulikuwa inafaa ifufuliwe na tukaipatia budget na mpaka saa hii hakuna kitu ambayo imnaendelea, Bi. Spika. Kwa hivyo nataka nikome hapo juu najua kuna wengi wa kunena na pia juu ya wakati. Asanteni sana.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Mheshimiwa Kingori. Mheshimiwa Kisini.

**Hon. Kisini:** Asanda nundu wa kunenga mwanya uu nichangie nthini wa motion kana mujandala uu kana uneenania uu witu tuendeesye, nambe utungia muvea muheshimiwa uyu wa Kangundo ula waete mbee wa mbunge ukayo kana kiiio nundu wa aimi ma kaawa ala ma kuu Kangundo na ntuisyoka twongele aimi oonthe ala ma kaawa. kya mbee niikwatya niwaandika na asya kwisila kwa kaunti ya masaku ila kana nitwisi kana uimi wa kaawa ula wai nthini wa *agriculture* na *cooperative societies* ila syaungamiite na yila tuiwa nisyandivoviwe nisyatungiwe kwa county government.

Madam Speaker, ikulyo yake ekulya kana kaunti ieke kulekeleelya aimi ma kaawa nundu nitwisi kana kaawa ivinda yimwe niwo wai thaavu wa kuu kwitu na nitwisi kana kaawa niwatethisye maundu maingi manene lakini silikali ya kaunti yalekeleelya niveethiwe maomboku manene. So saiti syalekwa weethia iina vinya wa kuungamia kaawa, yunioni yila inene ya masaku yaungamiite kaawa na yatwaa kwa coffee board nayo yavaluka ivinda yila weethiie kana kaawa ni kavaluka yiulu wa ndunia, na weethia andu aingi ona nimaasya matumaini ma kaawa.

Kwoou undu tuasya nundu uimi wa kaawa niwatungiwe kwisila kwa Agriculture uungamiwe ni kaunti tuukulasya nikana vethiwe muvangilio museo kwianana na undu muheshimiwa wakulya nikana aimi ma kaawa metha maikwata vaita na withwe nimoona uimi usu wi museo na vayitha kaawa uyiungamiwa uthoosya wa muingo kana uthoosya wa nza. Kya keli, spika niwakulya kana nivatonya ithwa fund ino ikwitwa cherry fund ila ya mbesa syanenganiwe ni silikali withie niungamiwa ikavikia muimi na wiseithia muimi akwata mbesa isu syisilite mavengi syanenganiwe kati ka comercial bank itetheesye aimi wiseithia nimakwata mbesa isu na nimeetethya nasyo na nimongela uimi wa kaawa weetha wi museo.

Kila kingi wakulya nuvo wa mavuno ma kaawa, ta fertilize, ta loni ila inenganawe nikana kuua syindu isu sya kaawa kana uimi wisekwithia nasyo nisyatheewa thooa nudnu syambatie muno weethia iuika na wanewa loni kana wanewa ndawa isu syesautilwa vaaya mwiso uiivwa wikwata vathai. Na indi kila kingi niwakulya titetheesye kambuni yitu ila ithooasya kaawa kana kithii kitui kila kithoosya kaawa. Nundu yu kaawa kakee kuuawa nandu kuma nza, na maua maiua nai uyithia tuinona mbesa, kwa ukuvi weethia vena umbuloka wivu kati nivo tuasya kana etha nivatonyeka kwisila kila kyakulwa ni Mheshimiwa Mitaa, etha nivatonyeka kaawa konthe titwae kati ka kithii kii kitu nundu kyo kiina umbuloka wisekwithia aimi nimatetheka.

Nitwonete uvaluku munene kwisila kuma kaawa kavaluka Madam Speaker na noko nguzo yetu, kwoou twikulasya nikana wiseithia andu nimasomethwa, andu nimaungamiwa, andu nimanengwa ndawa syaile na andu nimooneleelwa nzia undu kaawa kaile uthoowa nikana tusyoke vala tii. Asante, Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Speaker:** So, Hon Kisini, you were coming to interpret; that is good. Can we proceed; that is alright Hon. Kisini? Hon Kalumu.

**Hon. Kalumu:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I will mix a bit. I am not good in Swahili *lakini kikamba no niisi*. First of all, I want to give a very brief history of coffee in Kenya. When we were in primary school, we learned that coffee was one of the cash crops which was earning this country foreign exchange of dollars. Madam Speaker, if you can remember very well, agriculture is then backbone of this country. Other countries depend on other economic models but here in Kenya what we depend on is agriculture and one of the biggest cash crops in Kenya is coffee. But all over the years it has been left out, *imewachwa nyuma*.

So, what we are asking is that we revitalize ourselves again as an economy to make sure that where coffee used to be those days, where it held the country towards supporting the economy, it can go back there. The deplorable state of coffee has been done by the lack of management of Saccos and as you can see what has been brought forward by Hon. Mitaa here who is a member of this ward.....before I continue let me tell you the people of Kangundo Central ward you never missed it; you brought a very bright person in this Assembly who tries to

help us in so many ways and you can see what he has brought for the people of Kenya.

*(Applause)*

Coffee is not even planted in Kangundo Central alone; it is one of the cash crops which support this country, Kenya. So, Madam Speaker let me say that without coffee, it is like we are lacking foreign exchange for this country because where it used to contribute it is not holding again simply because without support of Saccos, those farmers who are being helped through the Saccos they are not getting help again and that is why Hon. Mitaa has said, through the motion, that there is a cherry fund which has been channeled through commercial banks and may be some of the farmers and even the Saccos don't know about it and he is requesting the county government to bring together cooperative societies and farmers and at least enlighten them about the existence of that cherry fund.

That cherry fund will help these people support the growth of coffee in this ward and also in the country at large. So, what we are again, asking is that if we can get a much better price, through the national government because agriculture is a shared function, better prices for our people here. A cup of cappuccino is costing about Ksh. 200 but a kilo of coffee is about Ksh. 20. So if you do a comparison, you find that all the energies sweat and everything of our farmers is going to other people.

So, I also ask; do factories like for example Cadburys (??) who produce coffee and when you go to a supermarket *unanunua hiyo coffee Ksh. 500 nusu kilo, lakini wewe kuja kununuliwa hapa, mkulima ukimnunulia unamnunulia shilingi ishirini*. Can at least the two levels of government, the national government and the county government come together and at least put up a factory whereby our people can at least go and do some further processing of coffee and at least our farmers fetch better prices for the coffee they are producing.

So, Madam Speaker, I think if we can support as a county through bringing them together and enlightening them and also making sure that the management of Saccos is streamlined through the department of cooperatives, I think our coffee will go back to where it used to be. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon Kitheka. Hon Ndawa.

**Hon. Ndawa:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker a part from being a representative of Matuu, I am also a resident of this area Kangundo and for that matter I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to this stadium, this is Kainga stadium. kainga is my uncle, a is brother to my father. Madam Speaker, coming to the motion before the House, I want to take this opportunity to congratulate my brother Hon. Mitaa for bringing this motion so that we can rescue our farmers.

Madam Speaker, my father used to pay my fees after getting proceeds from coffee and the coffee which giving the fees for us, nowadays it is as if it does not exist. Madam Speaker, when we talk about coffee, I think we should classify the issue of coffee into three. The first one is individual coffee farmers. The societies we are talking about here Madam Speaker, I don't believe whether there is any society which owns coffee plants. The farmers grow their coffee in their individual farms and bring the proceeds or the coffee that they harvest to the societies.

Madam Speaker as we talk on how to assist the cooperative societies, we should also talk about how to assist that individual farmer so that he can produce what we call quality coffee.

Madam Speaker, sometimes back in 2004, I served in one of the public companies in Matungulu that is Kyanzave Farmers Company Limited and by that time Madam Speaker we were selling our coffee in international auction and we were selling one kilogram of coffee at US\$ 4. at that time. US\$ 1 was giving Ksh. 100 so it is Ksh. 400. Today the farmers are being exploited when it comes to issue of marketing their coffee.

Madam Speaker, as we try to address the problem we need to analyze, to know exactly what the causes of these problems are. Madam Speaker, the first cause for the failure of cooperative societies is that there are no standards for the board members, no qualifications for those who are to hold the offices. The only qualification is that you own 1,000 trees of coffee. In simple language, Madam Speaker, because you have allowed us to speak all languages, *niasya kana kitumi kimwe kya kaawa kaitu kwitha kateutunenga kindu nundu ala matongoesye* ii cooperative societies *tuiatiiaa masomso tukamanya mundu asomete akavika va, ena utuika wa u manage farm, lakini yu vaa Kangundo kaawa kaitu tunatwaa vaa kilalani, kaangu ni ukanga utune, kaangi ni muisuni. Qualification ya unyuvwa ni withe na itina ngili umwe sya kaawa onembwa ndwaai sukulu uyiwa nue chairman wa muisuni coopeerative society.*

Surely, *watongosya utena utuika na vala tuvikie ila tiuneena yiulu wa international auction ya kaawa, mundu usu akathi kati ka kompyuta amanye kwina auction muthenya muna nikana kaawa koo maproduce vau nikana ka auctioniwe.* So, Madam Speaker, I am humbly requesting the County Assembly and the county government of Machakos because I remember very well---

**Hon. Speaker:** *Mheshimiwa Ndawa*, you are county government of Machakos; just be better specific.

**Hon. Ndawa:** I am requesting the county government of Machakos, I am very aware two months ago we passed a Cooperative Bill, Hon. Mitaa you sponsored that Bill and it is there, it was fronted by Mheshimiwa Nzomo. Let us implement that bill, let us set standards so that our farmers are not exploited. *Atumia maitu kaawa kala maneekwatasya umunthi you makwete ukua kaawa makavanda mbosonundu kaina wia, na ivo tukwenda kwasya nienda tusyoke vala tui nunmdu usu niwo thaavu witu, niasya nikana atumia maitu tusave this wazees maeke ukwa ni pressure tumanthe ni nzia myau andu aaa matetheewa etha mundu ena kaawa kake musyi atetheewe we ta muimi nikana one mbesa sya kuua ndawa, one mbesa sya uvuva ilaa nayona mbesa sya kuimia kaawa kake nikenda kaawa kala tiuete withie nitakwata quality number one.*

*Ketha problem we have all of us, we are the cause of the problem. Ithyi yu ti ma masaku na ti ma Kangundo na ti ma kula kungi, ngakulwa umunthi ula unywie kaawa vaa kwakya nuu, andu nimaleile kaawa manyusaa kyai na ikyai kiimawa kundu kungi, I viasala ii tuka misapoti indii etha ithyi tuinywa kaawa? Ndutonya utwaa mbaki ukate ndunyu na ndutonya usama ukamanya ni mbiu kana ti mbiu. Kwoou niendaa kwasya andu maitu tuisapoti maiani tusapoti kaawa kala tuvandaa kuu kwitu nikenda andu maitu maeke kuthina. Madam Speaker, ila nasya tu clacify, vaa ve individul farmer na ve andu angi mashamba maoniitwe by members of public ma masaku.*

*Vaa Kangundo sub-county, Matungulu na Masaku twina mashamba mevaa amwe meitwa Kyanzave farmers company limited, twina shamba yiotawa Kwa Matingi, Kyanzavi Muka Mukuu, twina ingi yitawa kayataa, na syonthe syi kaawa lakini andu ala ene u kaawa maiukwata value ya ukaawa nundu utongoi niwameisye mathinma. Kwoou nivo tukwenda kwasya onetha kambuni ni limited company, ni public, the word public, yimini mwananchi, na*



*nivo ngwenda ukulya Madam Speaker, I am calling that the county government and the national government to come together what we call intergovernmental intervention tu adress issue sya kaawa nikana atumia maitu maeke ukwa ni nzaa, maeke ukwa ni pressure amteyiua ndawa nikenda tumine thina usu wa kaawa.*

*Kila kingi ngwenda uweta Madam Speaker, the cooperative societies nimakwatiwe ni wia weethia maienda ukopa mbesa undu farmers ala angi ma other areas makovaa, nitiwaa ivinda kwa ivinda, His Excellency the President of the Republic of Kenya niwaenda kundu kwitawa mumias na eethia kambuni isu ya mumia yina thii wa milioni maana atatu na ayasya ninamuivia thii usu. Ithyi notukovaa mbesa undu tisa kuekewa ni musumbi tukaseuvya kaawa kaitu?*

*Andu maitu nienda umukulya kwa ndaia, andu maeke ukia maloni makove mbesa lakini thina wa kuu kwitu ukaba onaila uenda ukova wiweka weea mwanaamwenyu mbikiie saii vaa akwaa ngusi niyo yambaa ovwa, na indi undu ngusi yambaa ovwa, uyikala na thina waku nake ayikala na ula wake uyithia inywonthe vai mundu uuia ungi kyai. Wooneka ethat wina tuvesa twaku weeka kindu mayasya uu ena mayini. Mwanaandawa eenda kwasya iyini yila inene Kenya yitawa Kenya Commercial Bank, na yila yingi yitawa Equity Bank. Na inywi imbesa isu syenyu muutwaa vau nivo mundu umwe ukui ose imbesa syonthe na inywi muitiwa na thina na aua mutokaa muyasya ni mayini na aithukuma na mutokaa ayiiva loni na aitiwa na ngali. Kwoou nivo ngwenda ukulya andu maitu ma Kangundo, nyie numite vaa Kangundo na ndyisa ia andu makwa matule muti wi miwa, naile umatavya undu ulka wawo.*

*Businessmen ala twinamo within the Republic of Kenya majority of them maiutumia mbesa syoo metumia syaukova, na nivo tukwasya andu maitu tafadhali, nituendei tukove maloni nikenda wise ithioa nitwa comptete na andu ala angi. Ya mwisho, Madam Chair, issue sya kaawa, County Government yalea ukila iredue farmers ma kaawa andu maitu nimeuthela na methela nundu mesi uimi wa kaawa na mayisi undu ungi. Na indi tukatwika tusenziye from kaawa tuende undu ungi, kila tuukua kaawa tuvande kiikaasyaa tukeembwa twaondokie nthi ino.*

*Kwoou nikenda tusiie andu maitu maikenthwe na ikwu sya mituki, nikulya kwa ndaia muheshimiwa Mitaa niwaete a very good request, tutetheanisy nikenda twonie andu maitu undu matonya usuvia kaawa na andu ala maitu the cooperative officers ala na athukumi ma silikali amwe, nimaillitwe ni kuka maovisini na mayumaala mavisit farms ila syi ukaawa nikenda ma advise andu saa ila sya ukuna ndawa ukatavwa ni ndawa yiva ila ukuna, embwa ni ilaa ukatavwa wikuna ndawa yiva na indi saa sya kuimia nikana matavwe, saa sya ukethat a kaawa keanduliwa ata nikenda kethe ke quality nzeo. Thank you, Madam Speaker. I support the Motion.*

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Ndawa. Hon. Kieti.

**Hon. Kieti:** Thank you, Hon. Speaker. Hon. Speaker, I want to thank Hon. Mitaa who is also the Chair Agriculture and cooperative development committee for bringing the motion. *Nataka kusema ya kwamba huu mjadala kuhusu kilimo cha kahawa, ni mjadala ambao unafaa wakati kama huu ingawaje tunapitia changamoto nyingi sana wakati kama huu, wakulima wale ambao wanalima kahawa wakati kama huu, kuna jua imekuwa nyingi na pia imekuwa na magonjwa ambayo yanaleta shida nyingi katika hii kazi ya kulima kahawa.*

With all these challenges which the coffee farmers are facing at the moment, we need to assist our farmers so that they can reap the best prices for their produce. In prayer No. 3 in our motion *ambayo Mheshimiwa Mitaa ameleta*, it talks about Lecom. Lecom is a milling factory in

Machakos; the coffee which is grown within Machakos county and its environ that coffee is taken to Machakos and this coffee used to be sold through brokers and these brokers are the ones who have been getting much of the money which the farmer should be benefiting from and Madam Speaker I want to report that of late, *sijui ni kama hata hii wiki, yule ambaye amechaguliwa kama chairman wa hii Lecom katika Machakos anaitwa Stephen Wambua.*

*Wale ambao mlisikiliza redio, alisema ya kwamba kutoka sasa wakulima wa Machakos wale wanapitisha kahawa yao kupitia Lecom, hawatakuwa wakiuza kahawa yao kupitia kwa brokers. Ilikuwa kwa redio wamepata nafasi ya kuuza kahawa yao direct to the customers wale ambao wanatoka nje. Kwa hivyo nataka kusema that is green-light to our farmers na wakati kama huu ni wakati ambao tunaweza saidia wakulima wetu waweze kuproduce the best produce so that wakiuza kwa hiyo Lecom, wawe wanauza direct to the international community ndio wawe wanaweza pata pesa mzuri.*

So my request is that the department of agriculture assists the farmers so that they come up with the best produce so that when it gets to the market, it is very competitive to other coffee from other areas because the farmers at the moment as I said we have the climate change which has affected so many crops, coffee included and these farmers just need to be assisted with agrochemicals and they also need to be assisted with farm inputs like fertilizers so that they can improve their produce.

Then the other thing that I wanted to talk about is streamlining the management. Department ya Agriculture *iangalie ni vipi inaweza saidia wakulima wale ambao wamechaguliwa kama management katika coffee societies waangaliwe vizuri na pia hata hao ambao wamechaguliwa katika Lecom waangaliwe vizuri ndio kahawa ikiuzwa pesa isiwe inapitia kando, ile pesa inaenda kwa mkulima iwe inaeza fikia mkulima kwa njia ambayo inafaa.* So, Madam Speaker, I just want to say that this is a good motion and we need to assist our farmers because as *Mheshimiwa Ndawa* said some of us were educated through coffee and I know if the farmers are supported the future is bright for them. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Kieti. Hon. Muli.

**Hon. Muli:** Asante Bi. Spika kwa nafasi ili kujadili mswada ambao uko mbele yetu. Kwa jina naitwa Joshua Muli 'Mkenya' na nawakilisha eneo la Ndalani. *Madam Speaker*, kwanza---

**Hon. Speaker:** Kuna mtu hapa ambaye sio Mkenya?

*(Laughter)*

**Hon. Muli:** Madam Speaker, I am the real Kenyan.

**Hon. Speaker:** Proceed.

**Hon. Muli:** Asante. Kahawa ndio ilikuwa tegemeo la watu wa Kangundo na sehemu zingine. Ni kweli kwamba tulipokuwa tukisoma hapo awali tuliweza kusaidika na mazao ya kahawa. Lakini hapo baadaye mambo iliharibika na ni kweli, tuliweza kufahamu na kujua ni wapi mambo yalienda mrama. Tunasema kwamba kulingana na mheshimiwa Mitaa ambaye ameleta hii mswada anauliza kwamba tuweze kutengeneza na kulainisha mabo ya hisi *societies* ili kuweza kuuza haya mazao yetu kwa hile bei ambayo inastahili.

Bi. Spika, kunma wengi ambao wako kwa hiyo *societies* ambao hawajui kazi ambayo walichaguliwa kufanya. Utakuta Bi. Spika, wengi wao wanauza kahawa kwa *brokers* ambao wanachukua kule kwa *machines*, kuna wale watu ambao wamekuwa wakitembea sehemu hili wakichukua kahawa hata kwa masdhamba ya watu wakinunua kwa ile bei ambayo iko chini zaidi. Bi Spika, ni vyema kwamba tuulize *county government* ya Machakos tukiwa ndani kwamba waweze kusaidia wakulima ambao wanalima kahawa ni kwasababu bei ya mbolea imeenda kuwa juu zaidi kwamba wakulima wengi hawawezi kununua ile mbolea, pia mbegu utapata ni vigumu sana ukute sasa kahawa inapandwa, watu hawapandi tena ni ile ilipandwa miaka ya sabini, kwasababu hawawezi kupata fedha ya kununua mbegu ili waendeleo kupanda miti ya kahawa.

*Vau tene Bi. Spika, kaawa tawitaa muti mbesa. Na yila andu maivwa kaawa nitwoonaa kwina mbesa kisioni, nitwoonaa andu maitu mailye nesa, nitwoonaa syana siuiwe ngua na ikaiviwa fees. Kwoou nienda kwasya kana silikali yitu ya kaunti itongoewe ni ndakitali Mutua, na silikali nene inenge aimi mbesa sya kwiana nikenda matonye kuua mbeu na mayiua mbilea na imbolea na imbeu iitheewa thooa nikana withie andu maitu nomatonye kuua na kwitetheesya. Kwa nzia isu andu maitu makatetheka na uyithia mathina amwe nimathelanga.*

*Ndyasya oo ve usakuani ula withaa kwo kwati ka societies ii syoo nayu kwatwikiwe mundu ula uvwaa ta wi mbesa niwe unengawe kwendeesya kwitha e chairman kati ka society isu. Madam Speaker, kau kayailite nundu Ngai nunengae onandia mbesa ukethia mundu usu ni muthui lakini ndena vinya na ndena uwezo wautongoesya andu. Nienda kwasya twikie ula tunavitukithisye wa muheshimiwa Mitaa nikenda tulilye mundu ula utonya utongoesya society ni mundu musomu na mundu utonya kuneena na akatongoesya andu make makathi mbee. Kwondu wa oou ndiminia nienda kwasya kana niwo andu maitu twamasapoti nesa makeetha matonya kwika nesa na matonya kwitethya na kaawa kala mavandite. Thank you, Madam Speaker. I support the motion.*

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Muli. Hon. Masesi.

**Hon. Masesi:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, allow me to send the point home by using our vernacular today and first I want to appreciate the chair Agriculture Hon. Mitaa for coming up with this healthy and constructive timely motion. Madam Speaker, *kwitu tusyaitwe twi andu muonza na kuma ila twasyaiwe musee wakwa na Mum mayaiitha maandikitwe ni silikali, tuyaiitha na payslip tutuite twi kaawani. Kaawa tene kai mbesa eka yu kathukie mbesanitwakomboethasya kaawa musyi syana ikasoma na tukaiviwa fees.*

*Lakini yu ila vavikie ngewa ya brokers and as a county government nitwailite usukuma tukamba ukwata license ya uta kaawa ta county ya masaku nundu nikweekiwe isii mbingi muno vyyu. Kuu Kangundo na Matungulu ithyi asyai aingi matengemeaa kaawa, lakini uyithia tuita kaawa ni lasima twisile kula kwi aamwendwaitu kuu Central. Kwoou nitwaile usukuma ta mbunge ya keli tikakwata license ya uta kaawa tukatesaa direct withie mweene nthi ena nzia nzeo yaukwata mbesa kuma kaawani.*

**Hon. Speaker:** Point of information by Hon. Museku.

**Hon. Museku:** Yes, Madam Speaker, I would like to inform the Hon. Member that we now do have a marketing license; Lecom has a marketing license now and we are working towards now that they can operationalize and start marketing the coffee.

**Hon. Masesi:** Yes, Madam Speaker. *Nikuseo muno yu kwaila nitwambiia uta kaawa ta andu ma masaku sanasana vaa tusyaitwe Kangundo ila yai ya tene. Madam Speaker, thina ula ungi twithiitwe nawo nthini wa ithii situ sya kaawa ni management. Nundu withia saa mbingi aa nau na aa mwaitu nimakuie na mayienda kuma nthini wa i committee. Veekiwe isii mbingi sya kana niwaile itha na itina fulani, withe witaa kilo filani. Kwoou nitwaile usisya ingi mwiao usu ukethia andu ala twinamo kisioni matonya utongoesya andu moo nimanewa mwanya wa utongosya na tuiveta kakuni kaa ka nilasima kwithe natumia me ithiini situ.*

*Saa mbingi niwithiaa nzama ila syikwo nikovie mbesa mwene nthi atesi na at the end of the day uyithia twata kaawa mbesa nisyatavwa ni vengi na mweene nthi nde aware kana cooperative niyoosie loni matesi. Angi nimakothaa kwitha na ila borrowing power, ukethia comittee no ikwambatya borrowing power iteukulya mwene nthi, nitwailite usisya ukethia mweene nthi saa syonthe vena consultation na public participation ivinda yoonthe nzama situ sya ithii sikwenda ukova mbesa.*

Otherwise, Madam Speaker *ona kuu kwitu Matungulu ona Kangundo, ve ivinda napushiaa twithe na miller kuu Matungulu lakini Lecom yi operational, nienda kuikii kana mwene nthi wa Matungulu, na Kangundo, na kathiani nundu nithy tuvandaa kaawa muno na kuuya kwakwa kaawa kala kaseo kaumaa kamuisu vala nzyaitwe kithii kiitwa kaukiswa na ene nthi nimesi kiiu. Koou no nikulye o muthenya umwe tukatembea ngaliko isu mukona undu kaawa kaimawa nesa na indi tuitindania imwe kuuya kwithaa kwi nzeve nzeo ni kiimani. Madam Speaker, nienda asya kana nuseo nundu yu twi mwaka witu wa mwisio na mweene nthi wa Kangundo ndimatungia muvea nundu waututumia mundu witawa Mitaa mbunge niwitiitwe aitukuna Mitaa ila kwina thina nitumwikwatilaa muno na nikyooona anengiwe kusisya indi kila kitonya utethya mwene nthi wa Kangundo na Matungulu.*

*Nimakulya kwa ndaia syonthe nundu yu notwene ivinda vala yivikie, Mheshimiwa Mitaa tikwatianietuendee na usisya maundu na indi nake mweene nthi wa Kangundo niwisi kanyamu kaiiawa keli muyo na Mitaa nde muyo, ndimakulya tuemee o vau. I am trying to finalize, Madam Speaker, my prayer is as a County Assembly we follow and make sure that the County Executive implements what the County Assembly resolved towards this motion. Thank you.*

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Masesi. Hon. Mwikali, then I go to the other side.

**Hon. (Ms.) Mwikali:** Thank you, Hon. Speaker. Madam Speaker, I wish to thank the Hon Member for Kangundo Central and chairman of Agriculture in our County Assembly for bringing such a timely and important motion to Kangundo and the rest of our county. Madam Speaker, it goes without saying, people that were born at my age used to enjoy this product called coffee. I am born and brought up in this area *na nzou syakwa* Madam Speaker, *siovaa itheo vandu vetawa Kakuyuni, naetae kaawa vandu vetawa Kakuyuni* factory. Those days Madam Speaker, 1977, to 1980 used to be the best for Kangundo region. We used to be No. 2 after Kiambu because Kiambu you know that is where those people who colonized us started those farms.

*Naithyi nithi twai namba ili, eitu maitu* Madam Speaker, just for some history *kidogo*, they never used to be married elsewhere. *Maleaa utwawa nundu mo aaithe moo mai mbesa na nimasomete na maimanthiwa aseee me kavaa makitaa uulukwa na ndeke.* That is the truth about Kangundo. *Na aseee maitu aaa nau ala matene, kaawa kaivwa mayenukaa kyumwa kiima.* That is the history about Kangundo and about coffee in our area.

**Hon. Speaker:** So, do we go back to those days?

**Hon. (Ms.) Mwikali:** No, Madam Speaker, we cannot go back to those days but I am just missing and looking at those days with nostalgia. *Yaani ndi miss mithenya isu Madam Speaker, niki? Nundu twasuviaa kaawa mbee wa kindu kyoontho. Mithenya isu our extension agricultural officers never used to do anything but going down to the farmer. Yaani mookaa muvaka muundani makasisya uimiie kaawa kaku ata, wikiie ndawa ata, indi ala maandikiwe yu mekalaa maofisini, mekalaa na tai.*

So, I want to request *kama inawezekana na najua inawezekana Madam Speaker, nimatonya usyoka miundani nundu mundu wa agriculture niwithaa esi vai undu ungi ateo kuthi kuima na kuthi kwonia aimi undu kaawa kaile kusuviwa, our cash crop is coffee na vai kindu kingi tutonya ukwata. Madam Speaker, mithenya isu wakilasyaa uiweta kana nikuimawa mbosa kana mbemba kuu Kangundo ukoneka ta wina nduuka nundu Kangundo ikwisikie climate and environment nisyakuima kaawa. Nikulya umunthi because we heard that we have Lecom, isapotiwe vyu na atumia asu maisapoti kaawa wisekwithia extension officers nimaandikwa, makendaa kwa individual farmers makamonia ndawa ila nzeo makamonia uimi na makamaelesya ndawa ila syaile kuvuvwa nondu kaile kuimiwa, nondu kailite kavandwa muvaka imbeu ikatwawe kithiini.*

*Ithyi tathiaaa ila syitawa mbuni nindu nasyo ila ingi syaendaa international market na nundu twina license Madam Speaker, Lecom should be supported by the government seriously na indi atumia ala maemeaa vau, maemeaa nundu nimesi mundu umwe utatethya nula utaimaa. Mundu utaaima kaawai, akanoea i, na ndaakatwaa factory mundu usu nukuka iyiaia kaawa ka mutumia usu? So, Lecom should take charge na maiandika andu moo ala makaendaa utetheesta individual farmers aa, na mundu emusomu na atemusomu endete uimi bygthe way nuimaa nesa. Madam Speaker, I support this motion.*

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Margaret. Hon. Johana. I am looking at the members who have not had any opportunity to address; we still have some while anyway.

**Hon. Munyao:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker I want to appreciate this motion by Hon. Mitaa. From the motion the research gathered *ni kana kaawa yu tii muti umwe wa kaawa wiwama kilo ili itina wa wakethwa na the same research iitwia kana kaawa wimusuvie nesa kitina kimwe kya kaawa nikuma between kilo 30 to kilo 40. Kwoou kiu nikyaile ututavya kana Madam Speaker, tina kivalua kingi kya kwambatya a kaawa muimile na syindu ila syaile itha iyikiwa nikana withie wina itina maana eli ndwina kio maana ana ma kaawa wina kwambiia kilo ngili thanthatu na kwambata.*

Madam Speaker, *kiu nikiutwonethya kana vena vata wa ku empower muimi through serikali ya kaunti ikwatanie na national government nikana withie aimi nimatetheewa na syindu ila syailite, na kindu kingi ni kana ukatwaa indo syaku ukate ivinda yila kila mundu utwaite indo akate, kila twisi thooa witha wi nthi noithoosya indo uthinikiite ivinda yiasa mbesa nini. Madam Speaker vena vata wa serikali yi empowe Lecom na tu cushion aimi nikana withie ivinda yila mena thina na mauito tasu meitha maiwetwa ma fees na syindu ila maile itha mayikia kaawani koo, mainasembethya kuta kaawa thooa munini.*

*Serikali ni ya cushion aimi weethia nometelee kaawa kakatwawa ndunyu ila kena mbesa. Nititonya itha na kaawa mwingi na tuita ivinda yila yitailite. Broker nisyawetwa ila syaile itha*

*no kitina kinene, nineekie upelelezi wakwa katini ka masomo, nineekie research yakwa imwe yiulu wa uvandi wa kaawa na neethia kundu ta Gatundu na kundu kungi nundu wa museuvilye wa a kaawa katwawa kithiini katini ka process ya u grade kaile uma na qualities yiulu unlike imwe situ nundu wa musuviile.*

*Na kwoou including ona kubench mark tukamanya yo ni area yiva ila kitina kya kaawa kyumasya kilo mbingi na kaawa kau kavikite vau ata, na the same practices tuyiete kuu nikana withie nitwainua aimi maitu, kaawa nikeetha kena mbesa na nitwatetheesya aimi maitu. Ndienda utungiliila kana onkwa ni product ya kaawa, mwaitu aumaa akathji akesila sukulu ayasya nikwatiwe ndikakuwe ena mukasi vaa aendete usea na ndikwatiwa vayisa kuivwa ndyuka ndiiviwa fees, na kiu no kindu kitonyekana na nienda utungia muheshimiwa Mitaa muvea nundu wa kuete motion isu, na ndikulya Assembly tuendee na u push nikana withie aimi nimatetheewa,*

*Kila mwana ndeania Ilovi, aimi aaa nomatwike employers, extension officers ila iuwetwa, twiasya yu twina wage bill yi yiulu lakini notwithe na arrangements ukethia kwi aimi me kitumi kuu, mundu uandikite mbaka extension officer wa u advice twi mbika va kati ka uimi, kana a group of farmers maka engage mundu privately ukethia ni mwana witu usomie, nukuiywa ni a group of farmers, e musaalani nundu ithyonthe tiyiania Ilovi. Asante, Madam Speaker.*

*(Applause)*

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Johana. Hon. Jeremiah.

**Hon. Munguti:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, I would like to applaud the mover of this motion Hon. Mitaa. Much has been said Madam Speaker, and therefore I would like to give my way forward concerning this motion. Madam Speaker and members of society, you will understand that our farmers have been doing this business of growing coffee using the same tactics but getting the same results. We need to think outside the box so that at least our farming might have value addition in the product and Madam Speaker, my prayer to the County Government of Machakos is that they support the farmers through the extension officers who are employees of county government of Machakos.

Secondly, we need also to ensure that the farmers' products have been marketed in the right way. We understand Lecom is there for Machakos and it is not sufficient for it to market the product of the farmers. Therefore what we need to do is to add another society which will also do some marketing for our farmers. Madam Speaker, we understand that since time immemorial coffee has been a cash crop for our people and majority of the farmers through the societies which we have, have had loans and through the chairman of Agriculture Committee and the county government of Machakos, we need to look for a way forward so that the waiver of loans which were given to the farmers through the societies have been waved so that our farmers can start afresh.

We also need to give the farmers the opportunity so that they employ their own people even if they are the old people they are the farmers who own the trees or who owns the coffee and therefore they should be given the powers as they look for the managerial people who have the managerial skills so that they can have powers so that if one misuses their products then can be sacked or there should be also election for the same seat.

Also, Madam Speaker, my prayer is that the societies through the managers should get a direct link for customers especially the European countries because they use coffee more often

and therefore it will give them good amount of money which will result to a profit to them. Therefore I support the motion. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Jeremiah. Let us not repeat Members what has been said because we are now winding up Hon. Kamitu without repeating really what has gone on record.

**Hon. Kamitu:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, yes you have cautioned us not to repeat exactly what has been said so Madam Speaker let me go straight to issues that are going to add value in regard to the Motion that has been brought by respected Hon. Mitaa of Kangundo Central. Many thanks to Hon. Mitaa for this good thinking that you said is very important for us to come here and portray to our important electorate.

*Madam Speaker ni weew'a pyu watwia twi ka repeat ni weew'a history ya kahawa kuma ila kahawa nyi takwa wisi miaka ila ninayo nitwe ni Kamitu na mbesa sya kahawa Madam Speaker oundu waasya kila twaile ithwa yu tuyikulya niki kaawa katheie indi isu syoonthe ila kaawa katheie ke vaa, low productivity, kulea utumia miunda yitu nesa. Nineena in summary form, Madam Speaker. Mo ala matumia miunda yoo tene ko maendie aku ei ni aa nau naithyu ala twi vo niki program ila twaite kuu tutekulalya niki twatheie niki.*

*One Madam Speaker niweew'a ongamii ithye eene tukevua na kivoko twinakyo muvuko kunyuva andu athuku nthini wa cooperatives twina extension officers Madam Speaker, me maofisini me kuivwa misaala ni serikali. Madam Speaker nikulya ta twi mbunge through committee kaitu tukwatane tu draw programme undu ma extension ofisa asu meibwa maofisini nundu nitwisi cooperative ila twinasyo nthini wa Machakos County maumile natwidraw programme.*

*Madam Speaker, kwisila utongoini waku programme yitu ya mbunge nitwithwaa twina mithenya yauthi nza site visits tukanyuvaa twithi ithii syiana within Matungulu within Kangundo within Kathiani tukai tukalilya na tui check andu ala me vau ta cooperative officers maleete kuma niki, extension officers maleete uma niki so that tueke utinda tuineena history. Kila kingi Madam Speaker ndililikania aheshimiwa maitu okwisila nthini wa committee ka agriculture Madam Speaker we are very much aware that Ksh. 3 million revolving fund twavitukithisye mbunge it is been awaited for implementation.*

*Madam Speaker for us to be seen kana nituuthukuma andu maitu ila twinasyo yu nundu twinasyo na twina vinya and we have got brilliant officers Hon. Members in the Assembly Madam Speaker we make use of these Hon. Members tui nza so that if there is any sensitization if there is any civil education to the electorate it is us and that's why we were elected. We should not sit down in the Assembly during the site visits we should make use of that Madam Speaker nundu syindu ila ingi syoonthe nineeniwe that is the way forward with the energy that we have we move out tui tutethye andu maitu. Thank you, Madam Speaker.*

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Kamitu. Hon. Museku.

**Hon. Museku:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. My point its only one Madam Speaker cause most of the points have been spoken and mine is specifically on Lecom. Lecom *ninakwatie* marketing license yu yauta kaawa ka aimi ma Masaku na Lecom yakwata marketing license isu kila ngwenda kukulya nikana nikwenda maofisas ma kambuni isi ikwitwa LECOM; Lecom iminiaa Lower Eastern Coffee Mills na yi Masaku

*nimeenda training na maandikiwa manpower sya division ya marketing yu. Tuikethe tuitengemea o chairman ula utwie ekw'o niumate o kuu Kangundo etewa Katingima na guluvu ila ingi yake vu itwike yu noyo ikui kwika marketing.*

*Twooka kindu kitawa ku market kaawa internationally ni kindu kienda a lot of insight into i process isu ya kuta kaawa nikienda expertise nikienda andu ma mithemba mingi nikana wise kwithia aimi maitu kaawa kao kaka utewa kuuya nza ketewa kwa nzia ila yailite undu weew'a aheshimiwa maiweta vaa nikeenda mundu wisi ni ivinda yiva ila waile utwaa kaawa marketini ni ivinda yiva yila utaile utwaa kaawa marketini kwoou nundu nininoonie Madam Speaker nininoonie kana omo the same officials ala matwie me ovo nomu yu meenda kuspeahead marketing ya kindu kii na you cannot be a jack of all trades ndwithwa wisi kila kindu kyontho mamanthe yu ma recruit professionals itonya kuka yu kuhandle marketing ya kaawa kau kaitu nikana wise ithia kaawa ku nikaateeka nesa na andu maitu ni ma benefit kuna kaawani kau. Nuseo.*

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Museku. We are trying to just summarize by saying what has not been said. Hon. Dominic Ndambuki; I am hoping that you will know what has been said up to this point.

**Hon. Ndambuki:** Thank you Hon. Speaker. Madam Speaker Kathiani Central Ward is one of the areas where we grow coffee and coffee has been known as black gold. Madam Speaker, my contribution is on the point where we want to ensure that we add value along the value chain from the farmers, extension officers to the milling point up to where we are going to sell the coffee. Madam Speaker, times are changing and we also need to input the modern ways of doing things into the coffee farming.

Madam Speaker, as we try to revitalize the coffee business in Machakos County we will need to ensure that we bring on board modern ways of doing things in farming and even modern ways of trading so that we add value across and along the value chain, Madam Speaker. That way we will be adding more value to the coffee business and ensuring that our farmers get good returns. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

*(Applause)*

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Ndambuki. Hon. Kaloki

**Hon. Kaloki:** Thank you, Madam Speaker for giving me this opportunity to make a contribution. *Nienda utungia muvea Mheshimiwa Moses Mitaa nundu wa kuete motion ino ya coffee kaeka ni musumbi wake ona niumutwikitya minister wa agriculture; e vata muno na Agriculture and especially the coffee sector. Oundu andu aingi maasya, ithye tuyiana twaeiwe na kaawa kyu ningutuungiliila kau twaendaa kithiini ukaandikiwa valua ukatwaa sukulu na mbesa syauma sukulu uyandikiwa cheque natwasoma twina thina na tweana nesa na kaawa kaa nikookie katumika nai na isekta yatumiwa nai ni cartels.*

*Nienda unena o syindu itatu nikana tu streamline sector ino tumitunge vala yatuaa na mweene nthi especially kula kwi kaawa ta kuu Kangundo na kula kungi na kuya Mumbuni North. Number imwe capacity building is very key capacity building natui streamline imanagement teams i train iwe undu syaile umanage the coffee societies. Ata? Syiwe I ethwa wi manager na wi accountant ti a maandikaa na*



*tu pencil matrainiwe undu maile for example ku renegotiate loans na mavengi vengi ikanengana loni ikoka makaiv'a na mai reschedule I payment period nundu ithii syokie syathelelwa nundu wa makoani na farmers matwika demotivated na ma abandon kaawa nundu maikwataa mbesa.*

*Kala kangu ngwenda uweta Madam Speaker ni ku review by-laws sya cooperative societies okila kyanenwa ni aheshimiwa ala angi mbeeni wise ithia ti saa syonthe oula wi itina sya kaawa maana atano ona ateona inthi, ona atesy kuandika niwe waile utwika chairman wa kithii kou withia ula unarunie kithii. Kina niwe waendie u run kila kingi na amina kila kingi na aemin maitu maeka kuima kaawa na meew'a woo na makola. Kwoou tureview usakuani wise ithia embwa wina qualification ina nutwika manager wa kithii.*

*Kila kingi ngwenda uweta Madam Speaker ithii i ran iwe ta coffee societies iraniwe ta companies. Ingwa ni Kilalani farmers iandikiwe manager through advertisement and competitive selection yandikiwe secretary na methwe me answerable to the farmers and the board of that factory. Vembwe vena board ya ku oversee wa mismanage ukavutwa.*

*Kala kangu ngwenda uweta Madam Speaker, is what we call successive management. Yu kuu kwitu asee nomo twamatianisya nookaawa na ithye twathi ilovi twathi ikala kuu nauithi kwasaa kaawa nikatumikie nai tuiyenda uvanda akaawa na tuiyenda upaticipate nthini wa kyau management ya ithii ona ma woni tuiyetae kwoou naitu muika ui tui tulikiile management ya ithii kala kangu ngwenda uweta Madam Speaker if you look at for example the biggest coffee estates ta muka mukaa it was the biggest the largest single coffee estate in East Africa umunthi vandu va mate kaawa matesaa ng'u which is a total shame na makomboethya miunda yu withia miveleki ku nthi its a total shame. Enda Wendano wa Matuu farmers, enda Kyanzavi na ii ni mbesa twekiite vu asyai maitu mauwite shares na nundu wa makoani kila ngwasya silikali yaile ulikiila either ikawave bills isu kana makoani kana ika renegotiate na mavengi maka revamp more money into these coffee societies.*

*Then lastly Madam Speaker now that we have Lecom which has recently acquired a marketing license that is not enough, Ninisi vaa ve friend wakwa umwe member wa board ila yi vuvu kana committee ila yi vau. Kila tuenda asya ni atilili we are also recycling some of the management members in Lecom. Nandina vua mundu ula ukwiw'a navua mundu nengi niandekee. Yu wiisa ithia andu ala maanagie angi matuaa Coffee Board of Kenya, KPCU nisyathelile na nomo amwe me Lecom tiwo nengi nayu nokwimbw'a nina experience ya kindu kina ndiale utindaa ni recycle iwe kila vandu ndwaitwe kila vandu.*

*Yu ma pave way for youthful professionally trained managers who can manage that sector.*

*(Applause)*

*Nituenda usyoka uimini nitukite retire very soon asee ma tene ma retire mena kaawa mayamosaa na mayaendaa mituki yu musee euka akela kuu akatinda vaa soko vaa mbililo wa nduka from one shop to the other akakwatwa ni stress akasonga itina wa miaka ili kuna a retire. Tuenda tu protect coffee sector silikali i revamp; I am trying to summarize, more money, i renegotiate mikovo kana dini ila ithii syitu itaitwe natuiandikiwa andu competent nairuniwa ta companies nikana asyai maitu onaitu tubenefit from the coffee sector. Thank you, Madam Speaker.*

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Kaloki. Hon. Musyimi

**Hon. Musyimi:** Thank you Madam Speaker for giving me this opportunity. I take this opportunity Madam Speaker to thank Hon. Mitaa for bringing this good motion. Madam Speaker *nienda asya ningutungia Mheshimiwa Mitaa nundu wa kuete motion ino.* Madam Speaker, *nulikana twi mbunge nininaetie Bill ila ngutungia aeshimiwa aa ma Machakos County manamivitukithisye Bill ila ikuneena uvoa wa cooperatives in Machakos County. Bill isu ndimiseuvya kana ndimi prepare muno nasyaitye aimi ma kaawa muno lakini nundu ndaenda ithwa ni selfish yakwata kila sector ila ingi yonthe ya cooperative.* Madam Speaker, *nyie ta nzaitwe kisioni kii na ninisi aimi ma kaawa thina ula mavitilite nikyo kyatumie muno nzeuvya Bill isu na Bill isu nineew'a muyo ni Mheshimiwa Kamitu undu waweta niwasya ve mbesa tunavitukithisye mbungeni wasya Ksh. 33 billion.* Madam Speaker, *mbesa isu vai vandu vangi syaile kwisila iyuka utethya muimi wa kaawa---*

**Hon. Speaker:** How much? Our budget is not thirty-three billion.

**Hon. Musyimi:** Sorry; Ksh. 33 million, Madam Speaker. *Mbesa isu vala syaile uchaneliwa no kwisila Bill isu tunasevisye because it was a revolving fund ila ikwitha itargetiete kukilya muimi na mbesa isu syesilwa vu muimi wa kaawa akatetheka na kila kineeniwe ni Mheshimiwa Ndawa tuekei ukia mbesa silikali yausevisya channels sya ukwata mbesa enda wose mbesa nundu utena mbesa ndutonya ika development kwoou mbesa isu nundu ningukiia niisila vau kwisila support ya County Government Assembly ino aimi ma kaawa na cooperatives ila ingi endai mwose mbesa nimuufundiwa na ithukuma nesa Bill isu tavyai ni aeshimiwa kana imbwa nimunamikwatie nimunamiadresie nundu ni inaendie mbaka yesila kwa government printer na yathi through yu ni Bill nzeo yu.*

Actually *yetelee kufundiwa na ya fund iwa nyie ni sure nimuutetheka na indi ndyasya kila kyaneenwa ni Museku uvoa wa Lecom Lecom uvoa wayo nayo ituvetangia buloka nundu buloka ila syilikie kuu kati wa aimi weethia twaima kaawa kuu twi ma kuu nitwisene tukilasya twavika mwai wa katano wathathatu tukaambia ona andu aeni mayuka kuu masembete maitumbanasya utuku tukundi twa mithenya ukethia andu mwi engagiwa mumanthe vala muunengana kaawa wenthu mo niki andu asu methia maitumantha nundu ni buloka na sienda kwosa kaawa uu waku ikate itiwe na benefit na nundu ienda utrade na mali ila yaku no eene nimo meuya muno kwi ithye.*

*Koou ithye twiasya ii nituusupport Lecom ituchanelie kaawa witu nesa, itune marketi nesa na ithye nituuminga kaawa witu wa Kangundo na Kangundo tuyasya ta aimi tusevyei kaawa tusyokei miundani ni asanti nivika vau Madam Speaker.*

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Musyimi. I call upon the mover of the motion to reply.

**Hon. Mitaa:** Asante Bi. Spika nachukua nafasi hii nishukuru wenzangu waheshimiwa kwa kujadili huu mswada uliokua mbele yetu kikamilifu wamezungumzia mengi zile shida tumekua nazo katika hii kazi ya ukulima wa kaawa. Bi. Spika zile shida tukonazo si shida geni suluhisho tukonayo na kama wenzangu wamezungumzia cha maana kwanza Bi. Spika ni kuangalia wale wamepatiwa jukumu ya uongozi katika zile cooperatives ikue ni wale watu wakona uwezo wa kuongoza hizo cooperatives.

Bi. Spika kama mwenzangu mheshimiwa nzomo amesema kuna sheria ile mpya tumepitisha katika Bunge la Machakos na katika ile budget tumefanya ya 2021/2022 Bi. Spika kitengo fulani ya milioni thelathini na tatu zimetengwa ndio ziweze kusaidia wakulima wakati

ule wanaenda kununua zile vitu za kutumia wakati wa kulima mashambani kuna fertilizers Bi. Spika kuna madawa na mambo mengine yanaitajika yafanywe ndio hii kahawa ile tunalima ikue imefikia ila kiwango wenzetu wa central, wenzetu wa zile nchi zingine ikifika katika market ikue inaeza shindana na hizo kwa sababu Bi Spika shida nyingi tumekua tukipata kaawa yetu ikifika katika market tunaambiwa ni nya ile kiwango ya chini.

Bi. Spika na matumaini yangu matumaini ya Bunge ya Machakos viongozi wote wa Machakos nituone wakulima wetu wa kahawa kilo moja wanapata ikienda chini shilingi mia moja *Madam Speaker* kwa sasa ata shilingi moja wanalipwa na Bi. Spika ni kitu ya kuuzunisha kwa sababu mwaka mzima unangoja malipo na kilo moja unakuja kulipwa shilingi tano kwa kilo hiyo shilingi tano kabla upate iko ile ada wanatoa unaambiwa kuna ada ya fertilizer, kuna ada ya madawa ata saa zingine Bi. Spika unaenda ukitarajia malipo unatoka ukiambiwa bado unadaiwa Bi. Spika na mwaka mzima umengoja ulipwe.

Hiyo imefanya ile *spirit* ya ukulima wa kaawa iende chini Bi. Spika Mheshiwa Magret kuna jambo alizungumzia Bi. Spika na ni kweli nikizaliwa nilipata nikiambiwa wanawake wa Kangundo ni ngumu kuwaoa labda wengine walikua wanaichukulia vibaya Bi. Spika lakini kahawa ile inaitwa dhahabu nyeusi Bi. Spika *black gold* ilikua imeleta hii area yetu ya Kangundo, Matungulu, Kathiani, Machakos, ilikua imepeleka kiwango juu ya kwamba kama ni maneno ya kisomo watoto wangepelekwa shule kama ni maneno ya hela kwa mfuko pesa ilikua Bi. Spika na wengine kwa kupitia hiyo wakaanza kuogopa hiyo maneno *Madam Speaker* ndio wakasema wasichana wa Kangundo ni ngumu kuwaoa *Madam Speaker* haikua kwa ubaya ilikua ni kwa sababu baba za hao wasichana, mama za hao wasichana walikuwa wamepeleka kiwango ya maisha juu jinzi kwamba ata watoto wao ilikua pia kiwango ya maisha ikue juu.

Bi Spika ni maombi yangu siku moja aswa wakati huu tukona uongozi tujaribu turudishe hicho kiwango mahali kinatakikana kua Bi. Spika uongozi wa cooperatives Bi. Spika saa hizi serikali kuu imetupatia cherry fund na hizo pesa haziwezi kuja kwa mtu hajui kufanya hesabu Bi. Spika hizo pesa saa nyingine nitasamehewa kusema hivi huo uongozi unaitaji pia mtu tukienda kule mbele ikifika ni kiwango ya kuongea kiingereza anaeza ongea kiingereza anaeza ongea kiingereza Bi. Spika.

Hiyo kiwango ile ya uwongozi inatakikana kama ni maneno ya kutumia komputa mwenye amepatiwa uwezo wa kuongoza akue anaeza tumia komputa Bi. Spika hapo ndio nchi ya leo imetufikisha Bi. Spika na kwa hivo ningepata tufanye mabadiliko katika zile uongozi za *cooperatives societies* ile tukonayo tuilete kwa kiwango cha kisasa Bi. Spika. pia kuna zile hela zimepeanwa na *county government* Bi. Spika hizo milioni thelathini na tatu hizi pesa pia tunataka wale watu wanakuja kuzisimamia wakue watu wanaeza eleza matumizi ya hizi pesa kwa sababu hizi pesa pia inaitwa *revolving fund* wanachukua hakuna intrest na pia wanarudisha Bi. Spika kwa hivo hatutaki viongozi wale watakua wamepatiwa majukumu ya kuongoza na ikifika wakati wa kurudisha pesa inakua kuna shida Bi. Spika.

Kwa hivo naomba nishukuru pia wenzangu wa Kangundo Bi. Spika kwa kujitokeza kwa wingi, Bi Spika labda utaniruhusu nitoke nje kidogo nikushukuru kwanza kwa kutupatia hii nafasi ya kuhost bunge mashinani leo mahali tulipo Bi. Spika nikona uhakika wenzangu wa kutoka Kangundo North wengine wako hapa, wenzangu wa kutoka Kangundo West wengine wako hapa, kutoka Tala Ward kwa Mheshimiwa Kamitu wengine wako hapa, na wengine kutoka Kangundo East kwa Mheshimiwa Grace najua wako hapa Bi Spika kwa hivo umetuleta katikati umetukusanyisha mahali itakua nafuu kwa watu wengi kufika na kushuhudia vile bunge inaendeshwa Bi. Spika.

Naomba nichukue hii nafasi nishukuru hawa watoto wa kutoka shule ya D.E.B primary school and secondary school kwa uvumilivu wamekua nao tumekua na wao pamoja ata wao ni maombi yangu siku moja wawai kaa kwa hiyo kiti umekalia ama waweze kukalia hizi viti tumekalia huku mbele Bi. Spika na huu ni mfano mzuri umetuleta karibu na wao wameshuhudia na umewapatia motisha ya kutia bidii katika masomo yao. Bi. Spika naomba nishukuru na nifike hapo. Asante sana. Thank you.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you very much, Hon. Mitaa.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

*(Applause)*

I congratulate you Hon. Members for have made such an important resolution on management of coffee sub-sector. This is in acknowledgement of the importance that agriculture plays in our lives and more so that agriculture is a devolved function of the County government so when you are dealing with this matter you are right on spot you are discharging your function. I do appreciate the sentiments that you have put forward and I do appreciate that the coffee industry needs revitalization for purposes of improving it and so that the income generation from the agricultural sector for the people of this county can be improved.

I am happy that you noted the need and particular the submissions by Hon. Kaloki to bring on board the young people into the coffee sector. It is noted that in the past they have been left out of this and it is actually through the youth that we can have ICT also assist in the management and revitalization of the coffee industry. So this matter is committed for purposes of further processing and indeed actualization of the desire that you had when you were discussing the motion especially the agriculture committee can take it further that is the committee of this House it will be able to liaise with the county department that is dealing with agriculture and so that now these resolutions which we have made can be actualized through the department of agriculture of the County Government of Machakos. Thank you, Hon. Members.

ADJOURNMENT UNDER STANDING ORDER 25(4) TO ENABLE  
MEMBERS ATTEND THE 7TH DEVOLUTION CONFERENCE

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Members, under this Order, we have one business; on the record it is supposed to be processed by Hon. Majority Leader. I see his absence; he gave me his apology and I will call upon Hon. Minority Leader to process the business

**Hon. Kamitu:** Thank you once again, Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker that aware that pursuant to Standing Order 25(1) the Assembly approved an Assembly calendar on 10th March, 2021 and amended 26th May, 2021;

Aware that the calendar provides for the sittings and recess for the House;

Further aware that Standing Order 25(4) provides that the assembly may by resolution alter its calendar or adjournment date;

Aware that the 7th Devolution conference for counties will be held in Makeni county from 23rd to 29th August, 2021 and whose theme is multi-level governance for climate change;

Noting that the conference will assess the gains and the challenges of devolution since 2013 and aware that different counties will showcase their achievements; Aware that the Hon. Members need to attend the conference and learn from their peers on this achievement and what they can best propose for implementation in the county;

Acknowledging that the House was scheduled to go on recess from Wednesday, 25th August, 2021 and further aware that since then the Assembly has been conducting its regular sessions and recess as indicated in the calendar;

Hon. Speaker, I wish to move the motion that pursuant to Standing Order 25(4) the House resolves to alter the adjournment date from Wednesday, 25th August, 2021 to today 18th August, 2021 to enable Hon. Members attend the 7th Devolution Conference in Makueni County from 23rd to 29th August, 2021 and then proceed on recess as per the calendar of the Assembly and resume sitting on 21st September, 2021 at 10.00 a.m. as per the Assembly calendar.

Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Kamitu. Who is seconding your motion? A point of order Hon. Ndawa at this stage; what is the issue?

**Hon. Ndawa:** Thank you, Madam Speaker I am standing on point of Standing Order 52(2) on amendment of a motion. Madam Speaker, when we were crafting the motion with the House Business Committee (HBC), we realized that due to Covid-19 cases, that all Members may not be able to attend the devolution conference and during that meeting, we resolved we include training for the Members who may not be attending the conference.

So, Madam Speaker, I am not amending the motion to change its spirit; I am just amending the motion to read that Members to attend devolution conference and others to attend a training. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Ndawa, you will come again at the appropriate time. I will call you; just sit down. Hon. Kamitu who is seconding your motion?

**Hon. Kamitu:** Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I now call upon deputy speaker Hon. Museku to second the motion. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Museku** seconded.

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Museku. Thank you very much. Hon. Ndawa can you now move your motion

**Hon. Ndawa:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. As I said am basing on Standing Order 52(2) which gives room for amendment of a motion. Madam Speaker, I don't want to change the spirit of the motion but when we were seated in the boardroom as House Business Committee, we got information that the ministry of health has given instructions that the devolution conference will only accommodate 1,000 people and knowing that we have over 2,000 MCAs in the County plus staff in the country, we may not all of us have the chance to attend that devolution conference.

So we resolved that we include a training for the Members who will not be able to attend so Madam Speaker, I am proposing or moving a motion that we include the issue of training for the Members who will not be able to attend the devolution conference and I call upon Hon. King'ori who also is a member of HBC to second my motion. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. King'ori.

**Hon. King'ori:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I want to second the motion noting that even the delegated legislation committee had to go for training but it was rescheduled because of the devolution conference. I think it is high time the delegated legislation committee members be trained during that period. I beg to second.

*(Applause)*

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Members, I note that there is a motion to amend the motion and I would take it as a procedural motion and I am trying to craft the amendments to that motion as proposed so that then you can tell us whether you really want to amend it so am typing now just a few minutes. So, Hon. Members from request by Hon. Ndawa, I notice that there is a proposed motion to amend the current motion and the proposal for amendment will go like this:

That pursuant to Standing Order 25(4) the House resolves to alter the adjournment date from Wednesday, 25th August, 2021 to today Wednesday, 18th August, 2021 to enable members to attend the 7th Devolution conference in Makueni County from 23rd to 29th A August, 2021 and to allow committee report writings by Members who will not be able to attend the devolution conference due to the limitation of numbers owing to the present day Covid-19 public health protocols and then proceed on recess as per the Calendar of the Assembly and resume sittings on 21st September, 2021 at 10.00 a.m. as per the Assembly calendar. The question that we are going to debate is as per that proposal Hon. Members.

*(Question of the Motion as amended proposed)*

So can we proceed and hear your views on the proposed amendments. Hon. Rozina.

**Hon. (Ms.) Kanini:** Asante Bi. Spika. *Madam Spika, nataka kuunga mkono adjournment ili twende tutembea Makueni juu tukiangalia kwa magazeti na social media tunaonaga kama makueni wamepiga hatua zaidi kushinda the other counties in devolution.* Bi. Spika nataka ata pia kuunga mkono *the adjournment* juu tukiangalia ni mwezi wa nane na ni wakati wa kupalilia mashamba ndio tuende tutengeneze mashamba yetu ndio ikue tayari tukiangojea mvua. Kwa hivyo *Madam Speaker, without much a do I support the amendment.*

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Rozina. Hon. Hellen Ndeti.

**Hon. (Ms.) Ndeti:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I stand here to support the motion amendment. Currently I am sure everybody is reading in the news that Delta Variant is very serious a lot of Kenyans especially the elderly are getting sick and dying of this Covid-19 so let

us not be part and parcel of encouraging people to meet in one place and end up getting sick so I am very much in support of this amendment. Thank you.

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Katumo.

**Hon. Katumo:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I stand to support that amendment moved by Hon. Ndawa that because of the situation that we find ourselves in we should not close our eyes in issues that touch on our lives and Madam Speaker you should know that we as leaders of this region, we are been watched and it will be bad for us when we go to Makueni for devolution conference then after that there is a great wave Covid-19 and therefore it will not add well.

It is not important for us to go to Makueni then we leave people of Makueni with that Coronavirus. I would wish that Madam Speaker Hon. Members be given the opportunity to choose where they want to go; if they have said that they only need 1,000 people, let it be 1,000 people will go to Makueni for the devolution conference. The rest will be able to go to other places to work for Machakos County and to make sure we move this agenda of our county forward and therefore I support that amendment by Hon. Ndawa thank you.

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Ndawa, the mover of the motion to amend can you reply briefly.

**Hon. Ndawa:** Thank you, Madam Speaker. I want to take this opportunity to thank my colleagues for supporting the motion. Madam Speaker, we are supposed to lead by example the ministry of health is always telling us to avoid crowded areas and as everybody is aware, we have 47 counties in the Republic of Kenya and every county is willing to send members to Makueni. So it means now if we have to allow all the members of Machakos to go and all other counties send their members, the crowd will be very big and there is danger of infection of this Delta variant of Covid which is killing us.

Madam Speaker, as we talk now, yesterday alone I lost four people due to Delta variant of Covid in my ward and I had more than 10 admitted and in oxygen support machine. So, Madam Speaker, this is something which is very serious and I request that we lead by example by not attending these big crowds. Thank you very much, Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Ndawa.

*(Question of the Motion as amended put and agreed to)*

*Resolved accordingly:*

That this House approves that pursuant to Standing Order 25(4) the House resolves to alter the adjournment date from Wednesday, 25th August, 2021 to today, Wednesday, 18th August, 2021 to enable Members to attend the 7th Devolution Conference in Makueni County from 23rd to 29th August, 2021 and committee report writings for the members who will not be able to attend the devolution conference due to limitation of numbers owing to the present Covid-19 health protocols then proceed on recess as per the calendar of the Assembly and resume sittings on 21st/Sept/2021 at 10. 00 a.m. as per the Assembly calendar.

That being the case, Hon. Members, the motion is amended as per the resolution you just passed so I would now propose the question.

*(Question of the amended Motion proposed)*

I invite you to debate the motion on adjournment. The first one, remember you voted to amend the motion. Hon. Katumo.

**Hon. Katumo:** Hon. Speaker, thank you very much for this other opportunity that you also gave me. I stand to give my input in this amended adjournment motion that we are just altering our calendar it is within calendar that we should have broke for recess on 25th but we have bring it forward and therefore this is an opportunity that is given for us to take a recess and then do other things that also we are not able to do when we are in session.

Therefore I support that we take that opportunity this time round go to that conference devolution conference let us take stock of devolution since 2013. Actually the theme of that devolution conference is very important because it searches on climate change and secondly you find that this will be the last conference that will be held every year; it will be held after every two years. It is important to take stock because this is very important because its our last year as Members of the County Assembly so that those who will be able to come back will be able to know the challenges and these challenges and lessons will make us make counties and this devolution strong going forward.

Therefore I support those who will be going to even write reports for the Assembly; we need business and this is a great opportunity away from the normal business of the House to be able to bring reports like the reports that Madam Speaker you have given to agriculture committee on motion of Hon. Moses Mitaa so that when we come back people of Kangundo, people of Machakos may be able to get what they are missing and that opportunity to grow their coffee and other areas that are important. Therefore, Madam Speaker, I support that amended motion for adjournment. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Katumo. Hon. Alice.

**Hon. (Ms.) Nzioka:** Asante Bi. Spika, kwa kunipa nafasi. Bi. Spika, nikushukuru sana mwanzo ni kwa ajili ya huu mradi ambao umelileta katika Kaunti yetu ambao ni bunge mashinani. Ni mradi ambao tunakutana nawananchi ili kujua kwamba ile kazi tunafanya katika bunge. Katiba yetu ya Kenya, kifungu cha kwanza kimesema uwezo wote una mwananchi kwa hivyo tukiwa hapa wananchi wanaskiza na kuona vile ambavyo tunafanya kazi yetu katika bunge. Nimesimama kuunga mkono mswada ambao umesema kwamba tule na likizo fupi ili kwamba baadhi yetu waheshimiwa kaunti ya Machakos wahudhurie warsha ama mkutano utakao kua Makueni kaunti ni kwa ajili ya kuangalia maendeleo na pia kuangalia mazingara yetu.

Pia Bi. Spika wale ambao hawatakua na uwezo wa kwenda ama ambao hawatafanikiwa kwenda Bi. Spika tuna kazi tunaenda likizo na tukirudi kutoka likizo kuna kazi katika bunge ambayo tunakuja kufanya kwa hivyo tuna kazi tunaenda likizo ilhali kazi inaendelea. Bi Spika, kama vile ambavyo unajua ugonjwa wa *corona* umeenea zaidi. Ukiskiza Machakos yote na Kenya nzima, ungonjwa huu umeenea kwa nini umeenea ni kwa sababu baadhi ya wananchi hawajakua na elimu kujua kwamba ungojwa wa *corona* unapaswa kujikinga namna gani.

Sisi kama waheshimiwa wa bunge, wakati tutapata hii likizo tutapata nafasi ya kutembea na kukutana na wananchi ili kuwaelezea umuhimu wa kujikinga na ugonjwa wa *corona*. Bi. Spika, sisi kama viogozi, ukipoteza mtu mmoja umepoteza taifa maana hujui yule ambaye ameenda anaenza saidia nchi ama kaunti namna gani. Bi. Spika, itakua vizuri kwetu sisi kama



waheshimiwa wa bunge la Machakos tukienda likizo tutakua na nafasi ya kufanya mikutano; mikutano ya watu wachache ili kuwaelezea juu ya maisha yetu na *corona*.

Bi. Spika, huu ugonjwa ulianza na tukafikiria ni wingu ambalo linapita na sasa tumeona na tumejua kwamba ni ugonjwa ambao tunao na tunatembea nao ni Mwenyezi Mungu tu atatusaidia tuone kama huu ugonjwa utaisha. Kwa hivyo Bi. Spika, naunga mkono kusema kwamba twende likizo fupi ili tukafanye hiyo kazi na naamini Mungu atatuongoza katika likizo yetu. Asante sana.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Alice. Hon. Minority Leader, mover of the motion please reply.

**Hon. Kamitu:** Thank you very much, Hon. Speaker. Madam Speaker, *bila kupoteza wakati tumeskia sentiments ambazo waheshimiwa wamesimama kwa hivo* as the mover of the motion Madam Speaker, I have no objection *ile adjournment ambayo imeletwa* with the amendment *tuendeleo namna hiyo na mi nimewawish waheshimiwa ambao wataenda Makueni waende watuletee matunda ya masomo ambayo wataenda waiskize na wale ambao sisi tutabaki katika recess katika committee zetu tuendeleo vizuri, tuendeleo na masomo kwa sababu we normally say training is a continuous process. Kwa hivyo tunawataki mazuri katika likizo yetu na turudi na nguvu ndio tueleze ku serve our electorate. Asante, Madam Speaker.*

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Kamitu. Hon. Members.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

### ADJOURNMENT

**Hon. Speaker:** Hon. Members, at this point, the sitting of the Assembly is adjourned and it will resume on the 21st day of September, 2021 at 10.00 a.m. Have a good afternoon.

The House rose at 2.26 p.m.