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Special Sitting

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The House met at 3.22 p.m.

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

PRAYERS

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

Hon. Speaker: Yes Hon. Ndawa.

Hon. Mbili Ndawa (Matuu, MCCC): Thank you, Hon. Speaker. It is normal when we have visitors in the plenary; we have a demarcation between the House and strangers in the House. I do not see a demarcation so it is only fair enough to have that demarcation in place.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Ndawa.

Hon. Francis Ngunga (Mua, MCCC): In fact, it is true what Hon. Ndawa is raising otherwise they will be cited as strangers and they would be moving out.

Hon. Speaker: It is okay. Then can we have that demarcation.

(A demarcation was set aside)

Hon. Mbili Ndawa (Matuu, MCCC): Thank you, Hon. Speaker. We are now properly seated.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Minority Leader for that correction.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

Hon. Speaker: Members, before I invite the County Executive Committee Member for Finance, Economic Planning, Revenue Management and ICT, I want to make some communication and then I invite the CECM concerned.

Hon. Members of the County Assembly, the County Executive Committee Member for Finance, Economic Planning, Revenue Management and ICT Onesmus Muia Kuyu, ladies and gentlemen, good afternoon and welcome to this sitting.

Section 132 (1) of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 provides that “each financial year, the County Executive Member for Finance shall, with the approval of the County Executive Committee, make a pronouncement of the revenue raising measures for the County Government.

Further, Section 132(2) of the same Act requires the County Executive Committee Member for Finance, to submit to the County Assembly the County Finance Bill, setting out the revenue raising measures for the County Government, together with a policy statement expounding on those measures on the same date that the revenue raising measures are pronounced.

Standing Order 206A of the County Assembly provides for the procedure of pronouncement of budget highlights and revenue raising measures. Hon. Members, when the County Executive Committee Member for Finance, Economic Planning, Revenue Management and ICT will be making the budget highlights and revenue raising pronouncements, he will be heard in silence pursuant to Standing Order 206A(3).

I now take this opportunity to invite the County Executive Committee Member for Finance, Economic Planning, Revenue Management and ICT Mr. Onesmus Muia Kuyu to pronounce the budget highlights and revenue raising measures for 2024/2025. Thank you Hon. Members.

(Applause)

It is now your turn to make the budget pronouncement.

THE BUDGET STATEMENT

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS AND REVENUE RAISING MEASURES FOR 2024/2025

County Executive Committee Member for Finance, Economic Planning, Revenue Management and ICT (Mr. Onesmus Muia Kuyu): Madam Speaker, it is once again an honor and privilege for me to stand before this House to make the public pronouncement of the second budget policy highlights and revenue raising measures for the County Government.

I do this in fulfillment of my fiduciary responsibility as the guardian of the county’s finances and in fulfillment of the requirements of Section 130 and 132 of the Public Finance Management (PFM) Act, 2012.

Madam Speaker, I express my sincere gratitude to the County Executive Committee under the leadership and guidance of H.E the Governor, Hon. Wavinya Ndeti, EBS for their significant efforts in preparing and submitting the FY 2024/2025 budget estimates to the County Assembly.

On the same line, I wish to express my heartfelt gratitude to the Budget and Appropriations Committee for their active and constructive participation during the review of the budget estimates given to the County Assembly on 30th April, 2024.

Madam Speaker, I express my gratitude to the County Assembly for their ongoing and significant involvement in fostering a culture of mutual trust and good faith which supports the

Executive in carrying out its duty. In fact, the County administration has achieved a great deal of milestones thanks to this co-operation and teamwork.

Furthermore, Madam Speaker, please allow me to offer sincere appreciation to all stakeholders whose contribution inspired the priorities of this Budget. These stakeholders included members of various County Government Departments, House Committees, Development Partners, National Government Agencies, the Private Sector and County residents who participated in public forums and made written responses.

Economic Development and Outlook

Madam Speaker, the world is a global village thus our budgeting process has taken into consideration the global economic situation, where global growth, estimated at 3.2 per cent in 2023, is projected to continue at the same pace in 2024 and 2025. The pace of expansion is low owing to challenges arising from a volatile macro-economic environment.

These challenges include but are not limited to:

- Global supply chain disruptions due to ongoing conflicts in Eastern Europe and the Israeli-Palestinian war;
- High interest rates limiting access to credit and exacerbating debt servicing costs;
- Significant losses and damages of goods and life due to frequent extreme weather conditions; and
- High commodity prices such as oil on account increased geopolitical fragmentation and global oil supply cuts
- The fall in public debt slowed compared to the 2021, as it fell 3.6 percentage points of GDP to 92 percent of GDP in 2022.

Madam Speaker, despite the challenging global environment, the Kenyan economy is demonstrating resilience with growth performance well above the global average.

The National GDP grew to 5.6 per cent in 2023 and is projected to grow to 6.0 per cent in 2024, driven by services and household consumption. Inflation rose to 8.6 per cent in 2023 and is projected to drop to 5.9 per cent in 2024, driven by food and energy inflation. Monetary policy is expected to remain tight.

Madam Speaker; Machakos county with a Nominal Gross County Product (GCP) of Ksh.378.4 billion was among the first six counties which had contributed greatly to the National GDP with GCP above Ksh. 350 billion at current prices in 2022. The GCP is useful in assessing regional/county disparities. Further, the GCP shows how each economic activity or sector contributes to the economy of each county and their evolution over time. The GCP growth rate has been positive since the advent of devolution. The county experienced GCP growth rate of 8.16 per cent in 2022.

The recovery of the key agricultural sector following improved weather conditions drove 2023's growth, with tourism also contributing to a stronger showing. While climate change is recognized as a major threat to Kenya's growth profile, global efforts to address climate change, especially reducing greenhouse gas emissions, also offer positive opportunities for the Kenyan economy.

Madam Speaker, H.E. the Governor has on several occasions set out an ambitious socio-economic development agenda that speaks to the County we aspire, that is, one which is a model of excellence with quality life to all citizens in a clean and secure environment.

This agenda remains well anchored in the CIDP 2023-2027 which lays out key initiatives that will put Machakos on a bold new path of rapid, balanced and shared economic growth, job creation at an unprecedented pace and reduced poverty on a sustained basis.

Madam Speaker, the Budget Estimates for 2024/25 lays a strong foundation for achieving H.E. the Governor's blueprint while at the same time addressing the following challenges facing Counties and devolution at large:

1. The need to be efficient and effective in the delivery of service to our people;
2. The need to be prudent and accountable and transparent in our spending and the use of public funds;
3. The need to create an enabling environment for businesses, and in particular for MSMEs in order to accelerate the growth of our County economy and create more jobs for our youth;
4. The need to grow our Own Source Resource to fund more priority projects and programmes.

Madam Speaker, the budget I am presenting today is, therefore, anchored on the premise that the next phase of our development agenda is to empower the great people of Machakos by improving their living standards, creating employment opportunities for women and the youth, promoting unity of purpose and promoting equitable and balanced development across every village in the county.

The budget that I am presenting today is intended to usher in a new thinking and vision for building this county. Therefore, Madam Speaker, the theme for this year's budget is: Consolidating Economic gains to enhance sustainable growth through social-economic empowerment and infrastructure development.

Revenue collection

Madam Speaker, in the last two financial years of 2022/23 and 2023/24, there has been an upward trajectory in revenue collection with several infrastructural investments and a couple of strategies and tactics, we have budgeted for Ksh. 3.3 billion in the FY 2024/25.

The administration invested in the County Revenue Mapping Report in 2023 which showed that Machakos County has the potential to collect approximately Ksh. 6.8 billion annually in Own Source Revenue (OSR). This was supported by a recent Commission of Revenue Authority report. However, there are serious investments that need to be made for the projected revenue to be realized.

The County through the guidance of H.E the Governor prepared Development Plans and Budget Documents which have been subjected to rigorous consultative and participatory processes. This was achieved through public participation across all the 40 Wards, involvement of special interest groups, State and non-State actors, Development Partners, National Government Departments as well as other Agencies in collaboration with our technical teams in Finance and Economic Planning.

Indeed, the County through the guidance of H.E the Governor, was rated No. 2 in the country on public participation and No. 4 on budget transparency by the International Budget Partnership (IBP-Kenya) in Kenya County Budget Transparency survey 2023 released on 24th May, 2024. H.E the Governor takes this opportunity to thank all the actors who made this possible. It is indeed a big honour to the people of Machakos.

Focusing on the future, eyes on the ball

Fiscal Projections for the FY 2024/2025

Madam Speaker; I would like to present the fiscal Projections for the FY 2024/2025. Kenya Vision 2030, Medium Term Plan IV, Bottom up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) and the National Government's announcement of the FY 2024/2025 budget have all been incorporated into the county budgetary framework.

Madam Speaker, the total revenue estimate for fiscal year 2024/2025 is Ksh. 14,255,088,400. This consists of:

- i. Equitable Share Ksh. 9,914,003,936
- ii. Unconditional grants Ksh. 1,708,218
- iii. Conditional grants Ksh. 989,593,052
- iv. Own Source Revenue Ksh. 2,749,783,195
- v. Health Revenue Ksh. 600,000,000

Expenditure Priorities FY 2024/2025 Budget Estimates

This budget, Madam Speaker, is anchored on the CIDP 2023-2027 and the ADP 2024/2025 that have been aligned to the National Development Plans. Through this budget, the County Government will undertake the following specific programs under the identified strategic intervention areas:

- i. Promoting food security.
- ii. Promoting access to clean water and environmental protection.
- iii. Promoting access to quality health care.
- iv. Enhancing access to quality education.
- v. Enhancing infrastructure development.
- vi. Enhancing youth and women empowerment, PLWDs and the vulnerable.
- vii. Promoting conducive business environment.
- viii. Promoting tourism and preserving the rich culture of the County.
- ix. Promoting sustainable land use and urban development.
- x. Enhancing own source revenue

Madam Speaker, I will now expound on those points as follows:

Promoting Food Security

In order to achieve universal food security, the Government has put in place several initiatives into action. Some of these initiatives are:

- i. Provision of affordable agricultural inputs;
- ii. Initiating and supporting community based agricultural initiatives through cooperatives;
- iii. Supporting agri-business by sourcing for markets and value addition;
- iv. Organize training forums for farmers;
- v. Establish networks with research institutions.
- vi. Provide extension services to farmers.

To support these initiatives, Madam Speaker, I propose an allocation of Ksh. 510 million for development on relevant programs in this budget. Out of this, Ksh. 151.5 million for National Agricultural Value Chain Development Project (NAVCDP), Ksh. 104.6 million for

Emergency Locust Response Programme (ELRP) and Ksh. 77.7 million for Crop development and management.

Madam Speaker, to improve livestock production in the County, I propose Ksh. 16.9 million for livestock development in the purchase of certified pasture seeds and breeding stock.

To enhance veterinary services, I have proposed an allocation of Ksh. 30.8 million for construction and rehabilitation of slaughterhouses, purchase of motorcycles to enhance Ward-based farm extension services, vaccines and AI services.

Madam Speaker, the Government recognizes that the blue economy presents significant opportunities. To nurture this sector, we have set aside Ksh. 51 million out of which Ksh. 32 million will be allocated to purchase breeding stock including fingerlings and other related activities.

I propose to allocate Ksh. 17.8 Million to enhance the operationalization of an Agricultural Training Centre.

Madam Speaker; under cooperative development I propose an allocation of Ksh. 35 million for the procurement of modern beehives and Ksh. 19 million for the purchase of certified seeds and seedlings for coffee and cotton, equipment, marketing promotion and agro-processing.

Promoting Access to Clean Water and Environmental Protection

Madam Speaker, clean water is necessary for human survival, socioeconomic growth, and healthy ecosystems, it is essential to sustainable development. Clean water is critical for lowering the illness load while also enhancing citizens' health, welfare, and productivity. It is crucial to climate change adaptation, acting as a vital link between the climate system, human society, and the environment. In this regard, H.E the Governor, has allocated Ksh. 605,611,724 to Water Resource Management, Irrigation, Sewerage Systems and Sanitation Management, Environment and Natural Resources as well as Climate Change.

Madam Speaker, given that Machakos County currently has a shortage of renewable fresh water resources, ensuring that everyone has access to clean, safe water is essential for both national health and food security. Out of the Ksh. 605.6 Million, I propose Ksh. 253.3 Million for water resources management. This will enhance borehole drilling, reticulation, provision of water, desilting and construction of dams, water pans, irrigation weirs and purchase of appropriate hydrological systems.

Madam Speaker, I propose Ksh. 58.3 Million for the management of sewerage systems and sanitation.

Madam Speaker, the County needs to safeguard the environment and adjust to the consequences of climate change in order to achieve its goals. I propose an allocation of Ksh. 19.4 Million for Environment and Natural Resources and Ksh. 264.9 million for Climate Change Mitigation measures. This includes dams and all that so this is over and above.

Enhancing access to quality health care

Madam Speaker, we believe that the well-being of the people who live and work in our county is directly correlated with productivity and, consequently, with the county's economic prosperity. For this reason, the Government proposes the allocation of Ksh. 522.7 Million for health sector programs. This will be channeled in the programs such as completion of community health facilities, upgrading of health facilities, phase 2 of phased health projects, equipping and maintenance of medical equipment.

Enhancing access to quality education

Madam Speaker, education continues to play a crucial role in the advancement of society. The County Government has made significant investments in Early Childhood Development Institutions (ECDEs) to facilitate this. This budget envisages the construction of model care centers at a cost of Ksh. 24.5 Million and new modern ECDE classrooms at a cost of Ksh. 31 Million.

Madam Speaker, There are forty Vocational Training Centers in Machakos County that provide our students with technical training possibilities. We have set aside Ksh. 31.2 Million for capitation of youth polytechnics.

Promoting Infrastructure Development

Madam Speaker, Following the recent heavy torrents that wreaked havoc across the country, most roads are in dire need of rehabilitation. It is on this basis that a total of Ksh. 1.029 billion has been proposed to support the rehabilitation of these roads and accommodate seamless progression of phase 2 of tarmacking major roads. This covers programs such as Ksh. 834 Million for Roads development and maintenance, Ksh. 69 Million for the construction of County Government buildings and Ksh. 79 Million for refined fuel, and lubricants to support own road construction capacity under Rapid Results Initiative Program.

To encourage integrated growth in municipalities and urban centers, the County Government will allocate Ksh. 62.9 million in Phased Spatial Planning and Digitalization.

To promote security and 24 hour economy by opening up market areas for development, I propose an allocation of Ksh. 28 million for County electrification which will be achieved through of solar energy, street and flood lighting and Ksh. 20 million for installation of transformers on 50-50 percent co-shared scheme with Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation (REREC), thus a total project injection of Ksh. 40 million.

Madam Speaker, we aim to conduct urban regeneration and infrastructural developments in the Machakos, Mavoko and Kangundo/Tala Municipalities at a cost of Ksh. 49 Million.

Empowering Youth, Women, PLWDs and the Vulnerable

Madam Speaker, as a government we have put in place a number of policies aimed at the execution of focused interventions. These interventions are aimed at safeguarding the most vulnerable members of our society. In this regard, I propose the bursary allocation of Ksh. 120 million. This is in addition to the Ksh. 31 million that has been set aside for capitation in Youth polytechnics.

Madam Speaker, we have marginalized groups that include the homeless, victims of Gender Based Violence and drug addicts. The Government proposes to allocate the following:

- i. Construction of a Children Rescue Centre / home of the elderly Ksh. 40 million.
- ii. Empowerment of the vulnerable and marginalized under different programs; Ksh. 30 million.
- iii. Provision of assistive devices (Educational Aids and Related Equipment) Ksh. 4.5 million.
- iv. Wikwatyo and table banking funds Ksh. 65 million.

We urge the Hon. Members of this House to fast track the regulations to operationalize these programs.

Enhancing conducive Business Environment

Madam Speaker, The County Government is unwavering in its belief that a number of tactics must be put in place to foster a welcoming atmosphere that is advantageous for conducting business. These tactics aim to provide ease in relation to payment of business licenses and rates, construction approval permits, starting a business, and waiving or exempting fees and charges based on a cost-benefit analysis.

Madam Speaker, The government is focusing on boosting Medium, Small, and Micro Enterprises by constructing and maintaining market sheds, roadside sheds, modern kiosks, boda boda sheds and modern bus stations. I propose to set aside a total of Ksh. 91.5 Million for the purpose.

Promote and preserve the rich Culture of the County

Madam Speaker, To create opportunities for the Youth and nature talents, I propose Ksh. 170 Million for rekindling stalled stadia, developing new stadia and for sporting activities.

The government is purposeful in promoting the county's rich cultural heritage while also creating job opportunities through tourism promotion. Forearmed with this knowledge, active efforts are being made to promote the county as a preferred tourism destination, expand the film industry, and nurture talent. I propose an allocation of Ksh. 39 Million towards this noble cause.

Revenue Raising Measures

Madam Speaker, In order to provide services and promote economic growth, County Governments continue to be unduly dependent on transfers from the National Treasury. The County has huge potential for Own Source Revenue collection which needs to be tapped to support development agenda as contained in CIDP 2023-2027 and subsequent priorities set out in requisite financial years Annual Development Plans.

Since H.E the Governor took over, there has been marked improvements from Ksh. 1.1 billion in 2021/2022 to Ksh. 1.4 billion and Ksh. 1.6 billion as at 18th June 2024, projected to close at Ksh. 1.7 billion for the current financial year. The real revenue potential as scientifically established by Commission of Revenue Allocation and an earlier commissioned revenue mapping exercise places the County at an annual average of Ksh. 6.8 billion at 100 per cent optimum. However, this is a journey that requires considerable infrastructural and recurrent facilitation over a period of time.

Madam Speaker, The increase of Own Revenue Source, careful planning, cautious financial management, and adherence to corporate governance norms are all critical components of any government's success. In order to achieve the targeted Own Source Revenue (OSR) of Ksh. 3.3 billion, the Current leadership is making an effort to implement the necessary tactical and strategic initiatives.

Madam Speaker, In order to minimize human interference, stop leaks, and fully use revenue operations, this budget calls for increased automation of revenue collection. As we embrace a cashless revenue collecting method, this will help improve reporting and collection accountability. The County is also on the last leg of Health Revenue Automation which targets current Level III and II hospitals.

Madam Speaker, In order to achieve our targeted Own Source Revenues, the Government acknowledges the critical role that target setting plays as a performance control instrument. That being said, we will continue to implement the current performance contracts and conduct regular performance assessments, especially with the revenue collecting staff whose recent posting was scientific and pegged on all revenue assets across the County and working under one Government approach.

All the revenue facing departments have reviewed their staff establishment to conform to the revenue raising needs like lands, finance (Revenue), trade, inspectorate and agriculture. There is an ongoing review on mobility and other forms of facilitation.

Madam speaker, billing, and ownership of the various revenue streams have now been housed in their respective departments. This allows the revenue department to focus solely on cashless revenue collection. The County treasury will account for the collected revenue and is the custody of accountable documents. This is in line with provisions of Section 158(1) and (2) of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012.

Madam Speaker, The Finance Bill includes provisions for the enforcement of revenue collection, and fines and penalties will be imposed in compliance with the law. I also urge Hon. Members to fast track the Finance Bill; that is the instrument that will give us the power to effect these fines.

Madam Speaker, by enhancing the skills of our revenue collection employees via training, we hope to increase revenue collection efficiency. H.E the Governor, directed that all revenue and inspectorate officers must be on official uniform with clear identification cards. This has been complied to and the results are evident, thus no more confusions and impersonation as witnessed in the last decade.

Madam Speaker, proper equipping and upgrading of health facilities will provide a one stop shop for the provision of health services that will boost revenue from health-related activities.

Madam Speaker, to enhance the efficiency of County corporations, the Government is in the process of restructuring and re-engineering the County corporations operations and realizing requisite net revenues to supplement the other revenue streams and also to prevent the revenue bleeding.

Implementation of the phase 2 of the County Spatial Plan where we anticipate digitizing all the land records and move all the County land approval transactions online.

Robust implementation of the already complete Valuation Roll which has given graduated land values across the County and will assist us net revenue from identified over 2 million land parcels up from the only 55,000 existing in government records.

Ongoing Waiver of Penalties and interest on land rates, all outstanding plot rent dues and total waiver of land registration fees and regularization of building approvals and occupation certificates is also aimed at boosting the compliance of the regulations in the lands sector as well as revenue.

The ongoing tenure regularization of the land ownership in Athi River under Kenya Informal Settlement Improvement Plan II (KISIP II) is expected to legalize and formalize over 2,000 title deeds which will make it easy for the private land developers to pay rates, building approvals as they develop their land.

To ensure that all County houses are occupied by currently serving county staff and placed on a check off system.....Madam Speaker, we are all aware that this has been a challenge so it is now incumbent on us to ensure that these houses are occupied by current serving members

and will not chase the payments but do a check off to collect the rent at source. The County Government is partnering with the State Department of Housing to develop a further 2,100 units in Machakos and 1,200 units in Athi River which will increase the resource envelope. These house will also be placed under the County and the revenue will be shared so that is an additional 3,300 units.

Under various large land ownership schemes like estates, housing companies, SACCOs, individual plot owners are now allowed to acquire development control approval documents from the County provided they are able to supply the relevant departments with the mother title of the scheme, sale agreement, subdivision scheme, the survey plan and other incidental documents. Therefore we urge our residents of Mavoko, Machakos and Matungulu to take advantage, formalize and acquire building approvals and occupancy certificates. This has been a very big challenge.

The Government has formed and gazetted Machakos County Liquor Control and Licensing Committee which has continually and proactively issued guidelines, monitored progress and offered approvals for liquor licensing. We have also deployed liquor license officers to do licensing and compliance at Sub-County levels.

The County Government has embarked on securing and fencing of livestock selling yards. So far we have fenced three main markets of Kithyoko, Kathiani and Mitaboni. They have entry and exit points for proper revenue management and enforcement. Additionally, we have constructed new slaughter houses in Kimutwa and Mutituni and renovation of Athi River slaughter house. There is a dedicated revenue officer assigned to every public and private slaughter house.

The department of Roads through H.E the Governor, has moved strongly to operationalize bus parks, designation of on street parking, off street parking, reserved parking and loading zones all to be paid.

In order to bring sanity and equality and streamline the Public Service Vehicles Sector, the department of Roads is working on a platform and a system which will enable payment of PSVs through their constituent SACCOs. This will further ensure the loopholes.

Madam Speaker, continuous Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) will be carried out to determine whether the anticipated outcomes are being attained, pinpoint implementation bottlenecks and draw attention to any unanticipated repercussions of tax administration.

Madam Speaker, the current administration has been deliberate about the judicious implementation of priority programs. We shall strive to respect the same and ensure that County resources are used with transparency and accountability, as required by Chapter 12 Section 201 of the Kenyan Constitution, 2010.

Conclusion

Madam Speaker, we commit to complete all viable projects to ensure there is value for public money. It is also good to note that some of these projects require huge investments and may take some time to complete.

Madam Speaker, I wish to thank H.E. the Governor for her guidance and unwavering support during the budgeting period. I also extend my appreciation to my colleagues in the cabinet for their support and understanding. Special thanks to the Chief Officers for their hard work. I would also like to thank the entire Finance, Economic Planning, Revenue Management and ICT team for the good work they are doing in executing their relevant roles.

Madam Speaker, I sincerely thank the House leadership for the exceptional working relationship during the formulation and legislative approval process. Committee members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee, the Budget Committee Technical Team feel appreciated. I am also grateful to all members of the County Assembly, representing the various departmental Committees for their profitable engagements.

Finally, Madam Speaker, It is my pleasure to submit this 12th pronouncement of the budget highlights and revenue raising measures and trust that we will all work together in its implementation. Let us all consolidate the economic gains to enhance sustainable growth through social-economic empowerment and infrastructure development. Thank you and may God bless you.

(Applause)

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, CECM Finance and that was very comprehensive and I believe the House has taken note and we shall be able to move forward. Our Standing Orders do not require that we debate or anything so at this point, I wish to adjourn the House and say thank you CECM and your team and making the pronouncement. We look to having a good and harmonious cooperation going forward with you the Executive. Thank you very much and also Members for listening and adhering to the directives and laws.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Speaker: At this point, the House adjourns to Tuesday, 25th June, 2024 at 10.00 a.m. See you then Members. Thank you.

The House rose at 4.06 p.m.