

**COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF SAMBURU**



**THE HANSARD**

**Tuesday February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

**The County Assembly met at the County Assembly chambers at 2.30 p.m.**

*(The Deputy Speaker, County Assembly of Samburu (Hon. Adamson Lanyasunya) in the chair)*

**PRAYER**

## COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

**The Deputy Speaker,** (hon. Adamson Lanyasunya): Hon. Members, it's my pleasure to welcome you back to the Assembly for yet another session of the first Assembly. This is our fourth calendar year since the inception of the county Assemblies under the new constitution. Permit me to sincerely thank you all for making it here today; I know it has been a long recess.

I believe honorable members took advantage of the long recess to interact with the electorates and respond to the development challenges affecting their respective wards and the interest groups represented in the house. Let me also take this opportunity to humbly thank the Almighty Father for His grace and kindness and most importantly for seeing us through the festive season and join the New Year 2016.

Fellow colleagues, at the close of 2015 calendar year, I cannot miss to mention that you dedicated your time and passed several Bills and substantive motions a gesture that shows commitment and dedication. Several bills have since been assented to and they are now County Laws. It is also my hope that we will expedite the passage of the remaining bills namely:

1. Public Appointments, (County Assembly) Approval Bill, 2015 (2<sup>nd</sup> reading)
2. Petition to County Assembly (Procedure) Bill, 2015 ( 2<sup>nd</sup> reading)
3. Powers, Privileges and Immunities Bill, 2015 (2<sup>nd</sup> reading)
4. County Public Participations Bill, 2015 (2<sup>nd</sup> reading)
5. Early Childhood Education Bill, 2015( 2<sup>nd</sup> reading)
6. County Health Services Bill, 2015 (Committee stage)

In the same breadth, I wish to encourage members to continue generating such important legislations with a view of making Samburu County better than we found it.

Legislative assemblies are houses of rules and decorum and as such, we must strive at all times to give this house a good image. Everywhere we walk we carry the pride and the honor of this house at our back. After all this is an honorable house and must be seen to be so. However this

will only happen when you remain alive to the values that we stand for as County Assembly of Samburu and as espoused in Chapter six of the constitution, Leadership and Integrity Act.

As you are all aware, we have started the second half of the financial year 2015 /2016. This again is the time that you are expected to engage yourselves in the county budget process as outlined in Section 125 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012. You are expected to deliberate and approve development plans outlining county priorities. This is critical as it leads to the formulation of the broad strategic priorities and policy goals that will guide the budget process for the coming financial year and over the medium term. This is a huge responsibility that is bestowed upon you; I'm convinced that having done it before you can do it again. I wish also to remind you that the County government cannot appropriate public funds outside a planning framework developed by the County Executive Committee and approved by the County Assembly.

Hon. Members, by 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2016 the executive is expected to submit the County Fiscal Strategy Paper, 2016 and Debt Management Strategy Paper for tabling in the house. This papers, offer us the opportunity to discuss and approve the sector ceilings for the strategic priorities for the county government that will be the basis for the preparation of the FY 2016/2017 county budget.

Hon. Members, I want to urge committees and individual MCAs to continue generating business for the house. Samburu County has many issues that need to be addressed. Therefore you have a challenge to read between the lines and have your eyes wide open to pick up such issues and convert them to motions, statements and bills so that we deliberate on them more closely in the house and at committee levels. We cannot afford to lack business in the house while in essence we have a lot to do for our people.

Committee sittings are ongoing; and the Assembly calendar for the 4<sup>th</sup> session will be tabled before the house for approval to facilitate smooth disposal of the business of the house.

As I conclude, I wish to once again welcome you to the 4<sup>th</sup> session and it is my hope that we will engage and have an interactive session devoid of unnecessary destructions hell-bent to cause confusion and disharmony. Thank you and welcome back. What is the point of information hon. Leitore?

**Majority Whip**, (hon. Benjamin Leitore): I take this chance first to congratulate the message that you have delivered to the members of the house. Coming back to the assembly requires that we adhere to the rules that govern the business that performed in this house. I am standing on a point of order to ask whether it is in order for the hon. Member for Suguta to sit in this house representing the people of Suguta, the highest populated ward, without being in the right attire. *(A call for point of information is heard in the background)*

**The Deputy Speaker**, (hon. Adamson Lanyasunya): Hon. Linda, you are standing on a point of information?

**Special Elected MCA**, (hon. Linda Naserian): Yes. I would wish to inform the hon. Member for Wamba North ward that while standing on a point of order, any member should be in a position to inform the house on which point of order one is standing. I don't understand in which point of order he is standing on. Thank you.

**The Deputy Speaker**, (hon. Adamson Lanyasunya): Hon. Leitore, on which point of order are you raising your point?

**Majority Whip**, (hon. Benjamin Leitore): Mr. Speaker, allow me sometime to clarify but it is logical that our Standing Order tells on what kind of attire is required of both male and female members of this house. Every member knows what the Standing Orders say about the attire.

**The Deputy Speaker**, (hon. Adamson Lanyasunya): Thank you hon. Leitore for congratulating the Chairman's message. I thought I would get some applause by stumping your feet on the floor.

## MOTION

**Leader of Majority**, (hon. Fabian Lolosoli): Thank you hon. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order number 25 (1) of the County Assembly of Samburu, I wish to move a motion that this assembly approves the Samburu County Assembly Parliamentary Calendar for the period between January to December, 2016. I beg to move, thank you.

**The Deputy Speaker**, (hon. Adamson Lanyasunya): Thank you hon. Members, I now propose the question on the motion as moved by the hon. Fabian Lolosoli that pursuant to Standing Order number 25 (1) of the County Assembly of Samburu, I wish to move a motion that this assembly approves the Samburu County Assembly Parliamentary Calendar for the period between January to December, 2016. *(Silence as there are no contributions on the motion)* Hon. Members, I now put the question. *(Noise from the microphone disrupts the Speaker)* Sorry hon. Members for the malfunctioning of the system. I have to repeat. I now put the question.

*(Question put and motion passed)*

Hon. Member, the time being 15 minutes past 3 o'clock and there being no other business, this assembly stands adjourned until Wednesday morning 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2016 at 9.30 am.