

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF SAMBURU



THE HANSARD

Tuesday 28th, November 2023

The Assembly met at the County Assembly Chambers at 2:30 p.m.

The Speaker, (Hon. Lenamarle Stephen), in the Chair

PRAYER

MOTION

Chairperson Committee on Roads, Transport and Public Works, (Hon. Lekuchula David):

Thank you Hon. Speaker. I beg to move the following Motion,

THAT, this House debates and approves the report of the Committee on Roads, Transport and Public Works on the site visit to consider Implementation Status of Roads Projects done during the Financial Year 2022/2023.

Thank you Hon. Speaker, I beg Hon Silapia to second

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Lenamatiyio Silapia): Thank you Hon Speaker, I stand to second the report.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): I now propose the Question **THAT**, this House debates and approves the report of the Committee on Roads, Transport and Public Works on the site visit to consider Implementation Status of Roads Projects done during the Financial Year 2022/2023.

Chairperson Committee on Roads, Transport and Public Works, (Hon. Lekuchula David):

Thank you Hon. Speaker.

On behalf of the members of the Public Works, Roads and Transport Committee, it is my pleasure and duty to present to this House the Report of the Committee on the implementation status of road projects for the Financial Year 2022/2023.

Mr. Speaker Sir, the sectoral Committee on Public Works, Roads and Transport is constituted pursuant to the provision of Standing Order No.200 (1) of the County Assembly of Samburu Standing Orders and executes its mandate in accordance with Standing Order 200 (4) which provides the following:

- a) *Investigate, inquire into and report on all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operations, coordination, control and monitoring of budget.*
- b) *Study the programme and policy objectives of Departments and the effectiveness of the implementation.*

- c) *Study and review all County legislation referred to it.*
- d) *Study, access and analyze the relative success of the Department as measured by the result obtained as compared with their stated objectives*
- e) *Investigate and inquire into all matters relating to the assigned Department as they may deem necessary, and may be referred to them by the County Assembly.*
- f) *Make reports and recommendations to the House as often as possible, including recommendation of proposed legislations.*

Mr. Speaker Sir, the Committee on Public Works, Roads and Transport is currently constituted comprises of the following Members:

1. Hon Lekuchula David – Chairperson
2. Hon. Dube Osman –Vice Chairperson
3. Hon. Lentukunye Christopher – Member
4. Hon. Lenamatiyio Silapia –Member
5. Hon. Lenanguram James – Member
6. Hon. Loregae Jnae Nakinyi –Member
7. Hon. Lenamparasio Phelix – Member

Secretariat:

1. Mr. Lesiyanga Daniel – Lead Committee Clerk
2. Ms. Letilipa Mercy – 2nd Committee Clerk
3. Mr. Lesiyai Joseph – Researcher
4. Mr. Leshore Emmanuel – Hansard
5. Mr. Lekuchula Jackson – Searjent- At- Arms
6. Ms. Saidimu Victoria – Public Relations Officer
7. Mr. Leshoomo Mani – Serjent- At- Arms
8. Ms. Letipila Naanyu – Legal Officer

Hon. Speaker Sir, when we talk of development, we simultaneously think of roads. Roads and development are spoken at the same breath. The development of County depends on the connectivity of its various places with adequate road network. Roads are the major channel of

transportation for carrying goods and passengers. They play a significant role in improving the socio-economic standards of a region. The benefits that accrue from investing in the road sector are direct, long term and immediately visible. Roads are important assets for any region.

Samburu County is a large County having lagged behind in the development of its road infrastructure prior to devolution; it still needs an array of road network so as to ease accessibility across it and to the most far flung areas of the County.

The Department of Roads, Public Works and Transport has constructed roads and improved connectivity in rural in rural zones in the County since the inception of devolution but there is still a lot that needs to be done to open up our road infrastructure. The County is facing a lot of challenges in the development and management of our road infrastructure mainly due to:

1. Limited access to some areas within the County due to rough terrain that makes some areas inaccessible.
2. Degradation of roads due to heavy rainfall and harsh climatic conditions.
3. Limited and inadequate financing on our roads infrastructure.
4. Incomplete roads construction companies that do shoddy and incomplete works on our roads during construction

MCA Lodokejek Ward, (Hon. Lekuchula David): Hon. Speaker Sir, I take this opportunity to read the acknowledgement of the committee. The committee is grateful to the offices of the Speaker and the Clerk of the County Assembly for the logistical support accorded to it during the site visit exercise. I wish to express my appreciation to the honorable members of the committee for their resourceful input that informed the content of this report. My sincere gratitude also goes to the members of the secretariat for their technical advice and dedication in compiling this report.

It is therefore, my pleasant duty and privilege and on behalf of the committee on Public Works, Roads and Transport to table this report on roads projects: implementation status and its recommendations to this Assembly for deliberation and adoption. The committee upon visiting various road projects across the County observed the following:

- a) The committee observed that the issue of drainage of water in the County feeder roads is a major issue that we urge the department to take note on it.
- b) Most of the County roads are currently not passable due to heavy rains and on hilly places the floodwater has eroded the roads to worse conditions than they were before.
- c) The committee observed that the relevant department to take action and construct culverts on the County feeder roads so as to reduce further destruction.
- d) The department to formulate a strategic plan on road construction to guide its development part and to be clear on the approach to implement road construction projects and set a milestone towards an end.

Committee recommendations.

Mr. Speaker, the committee recommends the following:

1. That the County department of public works, roads and transport should develop road policies to enhance good roads drainage in future.
2. That the department should take action and construct culverts on the County feeder roads so as to reduce further destruction.
3. The department should ensure that after completion of work the monitoring and evaluation team should go across the County to investigate on the projects done and take punitive action against contractors who do not complete their work on time.
4. The department should ensure that after completion of projects a handing over should be done to create ownership of projects by the community.
5. The department should not change project sites without following due process.
6. Incomplete projects should be completed within the same financial year as stipulated in the tender award document.

Hon. Speaker, having read the observations and the recommendations of the committee, before the house debates the document, I want to apologize to the house as we are missing a page about the Samburu West roads. When I received the document I realized that the information on the roads in Samburu West is missing. The motion is already in the order paper and we did not want to cause some inconvenience. So I would like you, Hon. Speaker, to protect me from that. That

information will be circulated to this house immediately after this session. I urge my colleagues to debate and adopt the report. Thank you Hon. Speaker.

Minority Leader (Hon. Leleruk James): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to standing order 52, subsection 3, I request you to defer putting of a question to this motion because I am the one who raised the question about some roads of our Wards missing. Particularly in my Ward where I actually have a lot of issues on those roads. It is unfair if this debate will be debated when I know my Ward is not represented. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

MCA Lodokejek Ward, (Hon. Lekuchula David): Hon. Speaker I have no problem with you deferring putting the question because I know the report will be ready in a few minutes. I want Hon. Leleruk to know that the roads we are discussing here or the report that we are debating is not about this financial year, the 2023-2024 financial year. We are discussing projects that have already been done from financial year 2022-2023. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

The Speaker, (Hon. Lenamarle Stephen): We can debate Samburu North and Samburu East but we will put the question tomorrow at 9:00am when we get the report on Samburu West. Is that okay Hon. Minority Leader?

Minority Leader (Hon. Leleruk James): Mr. Speaker, it is in order but we also need time because we want to ventilate and see if our concerns are correct. We are also part of representing the whole County, not only Samburu North and Samburu East. We need to do it as a collective house. I do not see the reason why we can debate the two Sub-Counties and one is left out. I do not think we are doing the right thing Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker, (Hon. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon. Minority Leader, what I said is that we discuss the two Sub-Counties then tomorrow at 9am , because the Chair has told us that immediately after this house the Samburu West report will be circulating. You will have the document the whole night then at 9am tomorrow we will discuss the Samburu West roads. After that we will put the question. It just be like a continuation of what we are supposed to do.

Minority Leader (Hon. Leleruk James): If they truly have the report let them bring it in ten minutes' time. I am ready to debate it. I doubt there is that report.

The Speaker, (Hon. Lenamarle Stephen): Do you have the report, Chair?

MCA Lodokejek Ward, (Hon. Lekuchula David): Hon. Speaker we have the report. It is only that it was not included in the compilation .the secretariat will do that immediately after the house. I want to make a few things here clear so that once honorable members are going through the document as you can see we have two types of tables here, we have a table with a yellow painting here that reads the Samburu County Roads Implementation Report for the Financial Year 2022/2023 as at 10th July 2023. This information...

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Order Hon. Chairman, you know yours is yellow but ours is not yellow. So just tell us the page number...

Chairperson, Committee on Public Works, Roads and Transport, (Hon. Lekuchula David): Sorry, just the check the page with several columns. The item, description of the road, contract amount and contractors name, I think you can see that at almost the far end of the document.

(Point of Order from Hon. Leleruk)

MCA Suguta MarMar Ward, (Hon. Leleruk James): Mr. Speaker I just want to make some clarification here because it is not a coincidence why all the roads are here and the purpose and all the roads that are in inquiry is not for 2022/2024 it is for 2022/2023. I also need the clerks so that if you bring that report bring it with a table like this one showing roads that I am specifically pointing figures that it has a lot of queries and it has been said that it has been completed. At the moment the Suguta Ward has no roads that you can access to go to Suguta town. These are the roads that I am tending to request and if the Committee did correctly it is not a coincidence that it will miss all pages, thank you Mr. Speaker.

Chairperson, Committee on Public Works, Roads and Transport, (Hon. Lekuchula David): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I think my brother Hon. Leleruk needs to go through the document but not hurriedly just concluding preempting that the missing report is not a correct report. You have to wait my brother until you see the report and that is the time that you may argue about the report because if you do not have the report I do not think there is anything that we can argue about it.

What I was saying is that the other page of the document that contains these columns is the report from the Department and the other one in chapter two that is titled Site Visit Committee Observation on the site visit, these are the observations of the Committee after visiting those projects in those different places. So, you will find that we have the projects name, the Committee comments and the percentage that we have seen on the work that has been done; either 60%, 100%, 40% and we already have the comments from the Committee. Those are the few things that I wanted to make clear Hon. Speaker so that the Hon. Members will just go through the document when they are aware on what is going on, thank you.

MCA Nachola Ward, (Hon. Lorunyei Lawrence): Thank you Hon. Speaker. I beg that you consider all the sides because according to the procedure of this Hon. House we need to check the work done by the Committee if they correspond with their observation and recommendation. We now see that the observation and the recommendation is there but as the Hon. Member has said that they cannot verify the recommendation because the site visits of some of the roads are not there.

Unless you give a ruling or your observation that we continue to debate and then tomorrow we continue. It is in order for us to debate now because I see my Nachola is there and then I can go to the recommendation and their observation, but those roads in the West they will not contribute because now it will be incomplete when we are discussing Hon. Speaker. My observation is that according to Standing Order 52/3 says that we differ and then tomorrow we discuss everything at once we are together rather than in bits. That is my opinion, thank you Hon. Speaker.

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Nareyo Stacy): Thank you Hon. Speaker for this opportunity. I would like to emphasize on this again that this is not the first time we are bringing inaccurate and incomplete reports in this House; I think we discussed this in this same House and I think the trend is still ongoing and according to the Standing Order number 93, Members shall be accurate on the information and bring complete reports to this Hon. House.

This is not just any other House but an Honorable House and should be honored. I support what Hon. Lorunyei has said that the report should be brought complete so that we can go through it and debate on it, thank you Hon. Speaker.

MCA Angata Nanyekie Ward, (Hon. Leshimpiro Paul): Thank you Hon. Speaker. I do not know whether I am supposed to support this report. According to the Committee it is a report with the various findings and recommendations but I do not know whether I am supposed to support it when it is absolutely contrary to what I know especially in my Ward now that the report contains some roads in my Ward. But as you rule that we can debate but defer to putting of the question to a later date which you have already given then I do not think that there is any problem for us it is just in order for us to continue debating on it based on what is readily available and then we can proceed on what is going to be added tomorrow.

According to this report on the roads in Angata Nanyekie there are three roads according to the report. I do not know whether the Committee really understood what was done in the particular road; because I think that before you go for the site visit you need to get the BQ of that road so that when you are going to visit that road you know exactly what you want to understand whether it was done or not.

An example is there is this road in Angata Nanyekie Ward, improvement of Nkirenyi to Lpusi to Barsaloi road and then the Committee saw that it was graded but poorly done and in my understanding according to the BQ that road was supposed to have only the structures, two slabs and a culvert so I do not know whether there was a volunteer contractor who went there to grade that road because according to the specifications according to the BQ it only had the structures So maybe it will be good if I understand there was a volunteer contractor who graded the road that is one.

Secondly, the third road opening of Silango to Lkujita to Moriyo road the committee saw that the road is not passable nothing has been done by the contractor but they have gone ahead to give that contractor 35% of the work they have done. so which is now which? Is it that the road was done to 35% or nothing was done because those are two different statements so my understanding to that road what I know there was a very rogue contractor who did the work of that road, he deliberately made about 50 meters of that road completely impassable, he did the dosing and the grading of fairly some parts of the road but for reasons know to him and he was very rude he just decided not to make a 50 meters part of that road and that made it impossible to pass.

That is the situation in that road now, your recommendations here you said that the Department needs to take the sector of Monitoring and Evaluation needs to observe, to see the projects are being completed there is handing over and people take the ownership of the projects and that they accept that they are well done or poorly done. However, if not indicated here what needs to be done to such contractors because they are plenty if not all of them I know they are few contractors who do their work diligently well but they are plenty of them more than 75% of them they do absolutely shoddy work and the Department is absolutely in bed with them in fact they collude together.

Nachola Ward MCA, (Hon. Lorunyei Lawrence): Point of Order

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Point of Order from Hon. Lorunyei

Nachola Ward MCA, (Hon. Lorunyei Lawrence): Hon. Speaker a few roads that we continue discussing or we differ because the Hon. Member is continuing to debate, I would like to get your guideline

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): we said that we continue to debate the sub counties that we have tomorrow at 9:00 AM we will continue with the debate with now what we are going to get. The chairman assured us that after this session we will have the report, after that we put the question that is tomorrow.

Ang'ata Nanyokie MCA, (Leshimpiro Paul): thank you Hon. Speaker I tend to believe that some Members sleep in the House for some minutes because you clearly ruled that we continue debating until tomorrow we continue with the other part, it is also not in order that members do subject your rulings to a further scrutiny debating against what you have already ruled.

(Laughter...)

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Just continue Hon. Leshimpiro

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Nareyo Stacy): Point of Order Mr. Speaker

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Point of Order from Hon. Stacy

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Nareyo Stacy): Hon. Speaker we did not want to refute of what you have concluded but we are just requesting you to give a direction to this Honorable House

and especially to the chairpersons of all committees to ensure that they bring appropriate and reports that are already finished not just any other report thank you.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): thank you Hon. Stacy I think the Chairman said that the report is already there is only when they were maybe printing, that is where they omitted the Samburu West. We give them the benefits of doubt immediately after this you circulate that document so that we debate the Samburu West tomorrow morning that is 9:00 AM. Let us now continue debating what we have now continue Hon. Leshimpiro.

Angata Nanyekie MCA, (Leshimpiro Paul): thank you Hon. Speaker and I was on a point that there are engineers especially on the Department of Works the Roads somehow are sleeping on their job or they are sleeping in one bed with the contractors. What I was expecting to see from this report is possibility of roads that were given certificate of completion and fully paid but nothing has been done in such roads I know of, if not one two, It does not appear in this report.

So, the committee seems not to be satisfied with what the Department has just given them that is one place that needs to be really checked that because we are relying entirely on the Department of Roads and Works that they give us the certificate of completions to almost all the projects even to different Departments and not necessarily not to Roads.

The problem has been they give certificate because they get the kickbacks they do not care if that project is complete, is good or not sufficient. That is what I expected to see in that report I also did not expect to see the contradictions in the report that nothing was done and then 40% was given so for me I do not know if the committee relied entirely on what the Department gave them or what they found but for me if I was in this committee I think they need to go back because when we do the debate of a few roads here am seeing about some few wards, some wards were not visited.

What happens to such areas because they could have given us a sample of even two or three projects in every ward then we can at least analyze and say it is the nature or the status of roads in our County, but these are few roads am not sure they are all but I think they are few they need to go back and give us a sufficient report, thank you Hon Speaker.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon. Lealmusia.

Ndoto Ward MCA, (Hon. Lealmusia Ali): thank you Mr. Speaker Sir, for giving me this opportunity to say something on this report Mr. Speaker Sir I am surprised by this report I think Ndoto Ward it cannot only have one road and I disagree totally that this improvement of Masikita and Ndikir e Laurri road did not even exist in 2022-2023, actually I created this road 2023-2024. Allocation has been there and up to this time when I am debating that even the BQ's had not been issued.

I do not know where this road comes from we are told here that the road was graded but need more culverts. I am surprised in fact I made an effort to go and see even the whole Department of roads chaired by the CEC the engineers and they told me this road was not going to be done because we had very little money.

We only had 4 Million so they said this road we will advertise and it has already been advertise and am very sure that it is in the process of being issued and they said it will only be done because they assessed maybe around 10 kilometers and the report here states clearly that 60% has been done I do not really know if there were some, I do not know who did it.

2022/2023, there was a road done, part of it by mistake they did part in Elbarta Ward and even I met the contractor and he said clearly that was an error and I do not know that road 2022/2023 was not even factored here because up now, Lesirikan is almost taken by water and we revisited and we said, we agreed with the department that the contractor who did that should go back to the ground and do his bit.

It is only that we had a lot of rains, so really if this is what we are going to depend on honestly I really do not know what we are talking about unless somebody was dreaming because this road has not been touched and this one I can assure this honorable House late alone 60 percent. So do not know why I disown this Report and am not even willing to debate on this.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon. Silapia.

Specially Elected Member, (Hon. Lenamatiyo Silapia): Thank you Hon. Speaker, I totally agree with Hon. Members on the issue of Report. I think it is the failure of the clerks to produce the Report we come up with it when we finished our visit to the roads. Am sure this one is not the

Report we come up with it. When we talk about the issue of the roads that Hon. Lealmusia is talking about, please Speaker protect me to finish my points.

MCA Angata Nanyokie ward, (Hon Leshimpiro Paul): Point of order)

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon. Leshimpiro, what is your point of order

MCA Angata Nanyokie, (Hon. Leshimpiro Paul): Hon. Speaker I do not think the Member is in order to blame the clerks who have no opportunity to express or defend themselves. That will not be in order Hon. Speaker.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Thank you, let us not blame those who cannot defend themselves, so you can continue, Hon. Silapia

Specially Elected Member, (Hon. Lenamatiyo Silapia): Okay thank you Hon. Speaker, but for sure when I look at this part of the percentage, we requested the department to give us the project of 2022/2023.

MCA Elbarta Ward (Hon. Leitoro Jeremiah): Point of order

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): what is the Point of order, Hon. Leitoro

MCA Elbarta Ward, (Hon. Leitoro Jeremiah): when I go through this Report, one of the signature that I see in this Report belongs to Hon. Silapia unless she confirm that the signature does not belong to her and let us not also forget that it is Hon. Silapia who seconded the Report.

This give us a reason that truly this Report is half baked and as much as you have already ruled on this matter Hon. Speaker, I will still request you that you can able to have this debate fully debated on when the Report is fully satisfactory. Because if you have a Member of the committee denying that the Report is not the actual one that they come up with, so I do not see the sense why we continue debating in this Report. Thank you Hon. Speaker.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Continue Hon. Silapia

Specially Elected Member, (Hon. Lenamatiyo Silapia): Thank you Hon. Speaker, let me just read a point of order from standing order 84(1), it says any Member may arise a point of order at any time during the speech of another Member stating that the Member rise on a point of order

and that Member may be required to indicate the standing order upon which the point of order is based.

So Hon. Speaker, protect me because the Hon. Members are just rising on a point of order within indicating our standing order which is one of our guidelines. But let me speak my heart, when I look at this Report surely I sign but if some of the pages are missing and I know we completed the all work of the Samburu County indicating the North, Samburu central and also Samburu East, surely and we left it with the clerks, that is why am blaming them because, I really remember that we visited North, we visited roads in west even the Suguta Ward roads and why are not here surely and we have the secretariats who were supposed to make sure that this papers are not missing.

Am not really opposing the Report but it really shows that somebody somewhere is not doing his job because our secretariats, that is their work surely to make sure the Report is comprehensive and make sure that all pages are there. Then I do not know what has happened surely but let me blame our clerks because they could have look at the Report whether they have the all information about the three sub-county but surely me I will blame the clerks, the secretariats. Thank you Hon. Speaker, we will continue but we will make sure we will put the other pages tomorrow.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon. Chair, Members are disowning the Report, may be now you can tell us whether the Report is authentic,

MCA Lodokejek Ward, (Hon. Lekuchula David): Thank you Hon. Speaker, the Report is the Report that we compile may be the Hon. Member, she is a weak gender that is why she feels she is not comfortable with the comments that some of the Hon. Members are making here.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Point of order from minority leader.

Minority leader, (Hon. Leleruk James): it is not fair for the Hon. Member to refer a Hon. Member of this House as a weak gender.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon. Lekuchula, I want you to withdraw that statement and apologies.

MCA Lodokejek Ward, (Hon. Lekuchula David): Thank you Hon. Speaker, I withdraw and apologies

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Thank you now, move, and go ahead.

MCA Lodokejek Ward, (Hon. Lekuchula David): Thank you Hon. Speaker, we did our best, actually we tried to visit all the sites including the far north, the Nyiro and Ndoto and you know Hon. Speaker my brother Hon. Leshimpiro.

MCA Ndoto Ward, (Hon. Lealmusia Ali): point of order Mr. Speaker sir

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Point of order from Hon. Lealmusia

MCA Ndoto Ward, (Hon. Lealmusia Ali): Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, I really do not know whether the Hon. Member Chair of this committee is in order to say that they covered all these places unless they visited another Ndoto, I do not know

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon. Lekuchula

MCA Lodokejek Ward, (Hon. Lekuchula David): Thank you Hon. Speaker, I said before we visited all these sites that we have recommended or the ones we made the comments and what we are using, we are using the document that we received from the department that is telling us the name of the project, the contractor that did and the percentage that was done and once we go to the ground, we use our own eyes when we observe the projects. So you can find another project which was, may be it has been done may be three months ago or four months ago, so from there may be the natural calamities for example rains, you know we are engineers so that we can recommend exactly what is there, you just write the observations that your making in your own eyes.

Specially Elected Member, (Hon. Asha Mohammed): Point of order Hon. Speaker.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Point of order from Hon. Asha

Specially Elected Member, (Hon. Asha Mohammed): Hon. Speaker does it mean that the committee did not go to the site?

MCA Lodokejek Ward, (Hon. Lekuchula David): Honorable Speaker, maybe the Honorable Member is not understanding me clearly, because I have said, we are recommending what we have seen, the observation that you see here, whatever we have seen on the ground is what we have written here. So, the few things that are missing, is just a normal error to a human being, that you can be printing and miss two or three papers but that is not a big deal. Once we come up with the full information, full report, if the Members have any other queries, then we have time to answer those queries.

I want to respond to my brother, Hon. Leshimpiro, once he said the recommendations of the committee that we did not recommend what the department to do concerning the contractors who do shoddy works. When you read our committee recommendations, serial number 3, it says; *The department should ensure that after completion of work, the monitoring and evaluation team should go across the County to investigate on the projects done and take punitive action against contractors who does not complete the work on time.*

So, once we have this punitive action, maybe you can be disbarred from having any other contract or any other punitive actions. I do not know maybe you can recommend Honorable Members any other action that you can think it is more... Thank you Honorable Speaker, the report is ours and we are okay with the report maybe the few things that we can see here, these are typing errors that we are missing here. Thank you, Honorable Speaker.

MCA Waso Ward, (Hon. Lemantaan Kelvin): Thank you Hon. Speaker, thank you Hon. Chair, I personally find very hard that for the Hon. Chair to say, he has visited all the sites and I can see Lojuk-lerata and Lare-soro Nakuomoru roads nothing has been done but, in the award, here, Lare-soro, Nakuomoru are 100% and grading of Lojuk-lerata is 70% while in real sense those ones are not touched.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Take your seat Hon. Chair, I have not given you time to... now you can continue.

MCA Lodokejek Ward, (Hon. Lekuchula David): Sorry, Honorable Speaker, you know, when somebody says something and you have actually seen with your eyes, it is so funny that someone can tell you there is nothing that has been done in those roads. Lojuk-lerata, I was the one who

was leading that team and actually including my sister, Hon. Silapia, I can even show you the pictures that I have, the road was done but actually, there is a very soily place that we also recommended in our comments here, we have included in our recommendations that, that road needs murrum because there is too much soil, so once even the contractor has done it, then in a few months the roads has already erupted with those soil whatever.

I actually agree that the road is bad, but you know when allocating these funds to this project, sometimes you find the money allocated to these projects are underbudgeted because for example Lerata-lojuk, the contractor did the road and then there is another very big *shimo* on the road. So, the contractor decided because he cannot accommodate to do the road, because the budget is not enough, so he decided to leave the road which is the actual place and the he continued on the other side.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon. Lemantaan, do you have anything? is it the same road?

MCA Waso Ward, (Hon. Lemantaan Kelvin): Just additional, you know when the contractor gives a quotation to the road, he knows how much he will use to do the work and also the engineers, they are the ones who approve the budget on how much money allocated to the project. So, I do not think it is appropriate for you to say the money was not enough because you were not the one doing the work. Thank you.

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Stacey Nareyo): Thank you Honorable Speaker, I think I have not heard the Chair of the Committee respond to Hon. Ali's question on improvement of Masikita to Ndirir-elaur road, I do not think he has answered the question, I think it is a serious issue since he is saying the road has not even been made, there is nothing that has happened, but it shows on the report that the road has been finished and it only needs more culverts.

So, I just want you to respond to that and also, Hon. Speaker, I would just like to request the Hon. Chair to own the mistakes that they have done as a committee and to keep their secretariat on toes because this should not be an ongoing thing every time. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): Hon. Chair who was leading the team that went to Ndoto?

MCA Lodokejek Ward, (Hon. Lekuchula David): Hon. Speaker, the team that went to North, was led by the Hon. Lenamparasio together with Hon. Dube and Hon. Nakinyi and I think you can even say, you can even know some of the members the way they are, some Members are very active, others are not active but for the team that went to North, those are very active guys. I know Lenamparasio will not go and come back without reaching the point.

Actually, it is true, there are some members here when you give them a task to perform, you will just doubt them and I am sorry for that. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): So, chairman what we can do, at 9 in the morning tomorrow, if one of the three is present, I think he or she should stand in front of this House and tell us whether there is improvement of Masikita to Ndikir-elaur road. Is that in order?

MCA Lodokejek Ward, (Hon. Lekuchula David): Hon. Speaker, I request more time until afternoon, so that the Honorable members will be here and the secretariat have done their work.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): I said, if one of them will be around tomorrow at 9, because you do not need more time to think, just to answer because you were there. So, 9 in the morning if one of the three, as long as you will not tell them to disappear. So, if one of them is around, then they should answer Hon. Lealmusia's question. Just yes or no.

MCA Lodokejek Ward, (Hon. Lekuchula David): Thank you Hon. Speaker sir.

The Speaker, (Mr. Lenamarle Stephen): So, we can stop at that so that the Chairman and his team go prepare the document that is missing and then now you circulate to Members, so that tomorrow 9am, we continue with the discussion, after that we put the question.

ADJOURNMENT

Honorable Members the time 5 minutes to 4 O'clock and there being no any other business, this Assembly now adjourns until Wednesday 29th November 2023 at 9:00AM.