COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF SAMBURU



THE HANSARD

Wednesday October 14th, 2015

The County Assembly met at the County Assembly chambers at 9.30 a.m.

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

PRAYER

STATEMENTS

MCA Maralal ward, (hon. Elly Loldepe): Thank you hon. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order number 41 sub-section 2 (c), I hereby request for a statement from the Chair of Committee on Roads, Public Works and Transport concerning street lighting in Maralal town and especially densely populated areas of Loikas, Cereal Board and Mbukiwa-Catholic road. These roads experience high human traffic especially at night and are therefore a security concern which should be addressed immediately. Several concerns have been raised by the community to the department on the need to have bridges constructed along Loikas River, Lporos and Tamiyoi areas. It seems that the department is neglecting these areas in terms of bridges and security lighting. It is in light of this that we request the department to inform this house on the unplanned areas for storm-water management in Maralal town. They should also detail on who the contractors are, the work which is in progress and the ones which have been accomplished in the said areas. This is in preparation for the *elnino* rains. There have been alerts of the rains and the concerned areas have been left without lights, bridges and storm-water management. The Chair should enquire into and report on:

- 1. Whether the department is aware of the neglect to these areas of Maralal town and what plans it has for street lighting.
- 2. What plans the said department has to construct foot and road bridges along the said rivers and streams at this time that we are expecting heavy rains.
- 3. What measures does the department intend to put in place to prepare for the impending *elnino* rains in Maralal town to curb storm/flood water in the town.

To elaborate, since we were elected, several community meetings have been held, visitations made to the said offices on the need to have the areas covered with street lights, especially Loikas, Maralal DEB and Mbukiwa-Catholic road, because the number of people, especially women who bring charcoal to town, is enormous. When we saw the street lights project coming to completion, it was only heading towards the rich while the poor continued with their desperation, yet they are the ones who hustle into the middle of the night while the rich have their vehicles to light their paths as they go home. The poor have been left to walk in mud and

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darkness. They have been mugged in many cases. We need the concerned department to take this as an urgent issue. The community has raised concerns and we have had to intervene. There have always been demands for people to go public through the media and demonstrations because they have seen there is a lot of neglect on the said areas. Concerning the Loikas River, immediately after elections I raised this concern that there was alot of sand harvesting which led to very deep gulleys in the said river. There was a case where two children drowned in the area. If it rains today, almost three quarters of the children who attend Loikas Primary School will never go to school. There is a place called Soko Mjinga where many people use that road. Every time it rains, there is always a case of either death or houses being swept away. Yet the department is not even concerned with what is happening in that area despite those being the priorities that we gave to them. We need this to be treated as a matter of emergency and it must be done immediately. I think the hon. Chair should tell us what the department is doing because they have always given false promises to the community. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker, (hon. Adamson Lanyasunya): The Chair for Roads, Water and Public Works (*silence*). Any members of the committee? Hon. Linda Naserian.

Special Elected MCA, (hon. Linda Naserian): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I hereby stand on behalf of the Chair of the committee to request for more time since the chair is not present and we would table the statement as soon as the committee is in a position to give the response, thank you.

The Deputy Speaker, (hon. Adamson Lanyasunya): Can we slot it to tomorrow afternoon's session?

Special Elected MCA, (hon. Linda Naserian): It is okay hon. Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker, (hon. Adamson Lanyasunya): That is good. Sometimes back, pertaining hon. Elly's concerns, I remember there was a bridge which was planned for construction just immediately after the former cattle dip. There are so many children from Lkuroto that go to Saint Paul and Mbukiwa through there and the bridge was not done. There was also a foot bridge

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which was also planned at Lkuroto near Canon Letoiya's place. As you relay that message, include those inputs in your statement. Hon. Elly.

MCA Maralal ward, (hon. Elly Loldepe): Thank you hon. Speaker for reminding me to make more elaborations. We had taken to the department the following areas along Loikas River:

- Just above Loikas Primary School close to Leshapaye's home covering children from Lmutaro and Sagumai areas.
- 2. Just at a point near Runo where there is a lot of traffic especially from Allamano and town.
- 3. An area at a point near a community borehole within Loikas area.
- 4. A bridge at Soko Mjinga.
- 5. Below Mbukiwa academy near former cattle dip.
- 6. The area towards Lkuroto which we raised to the department, gave them the details and we even went with the engineers severally to visit the place.
- We had also gone to a place in Tamiyoi where we gave them the priorities and even the BQs were completed but nothing is going on.

A place towards Lokuto where children from cereals board area go towards Lokuto Primary School.Thank you. **Deputy speaker**, (hon. Adamson Lanyasunya): Linda Naserian

MCA nominated (hon. Linda Naserian): Thank you Mr. Speaker, it is a concern for a proper and accurate response to the raised concerns I would beg the house to give the committee until Thursday afternoon to bring response because tomorrow will have sessions throughout and we may not have time to sit as a committee, thank you.

Deputy speaker, (hon. Adamson Lanyasunya): so is it Thursday next week?

MCA nominated, (hon. Linda Naserian): no, this week Thursday afternoon. (After consulting in silence) oh, Sorry Mr. Speaker, then we are going to table the response tomorrow in the afternoon, I thought it was on Tuesday,

Deputy speaker, (hon. Adamson Lanyasunya): ok, thank you. Hon. Lorunyei.

MCA Elbarta ward, (Hon. Lawrence Lorunyei): hon. Speaker, pursuant to standing order 41 (ii) (c), I hereby request for a statement from the chairperson sectoral committee on physical planning, housing and urban development pertaining the status of *Lkuroto* community land

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which is constantly claimed by Maralal sanctuary and *Noomotio* farm. Hon speaker, in light of the above, the chairperson should inquire into and report on:

- i. How much land remains for that community?
- ii. At what stage is the land adjudication of Lkuroto community done?

Thank you Mr. Speaker sir.

Deputy speaker, (hon. Adamson Lanyasunya): I actually wrote the statement so hon. Lorunyei is asking on my behalf since I am chairing the session today so and I think the clerk did not put much of the concern. So thank you hon. chair as I can see you around and active and what I was saying yesterday that there is still conflict at the sanctuary with the plots which were allocated by the local authority and there was an objection put by KWS. There is also the army area at *Muramur* which is owned by the army. So we want to know what happened as just like the Milimani settlement which is going on in terms of registration, we also want to know the state of Lkuroto community as they are also getting worried. Welcome hon. chair.

MCA Ndoto ward, (hon. Raisy Letura): thank you hon. chair, I want to request for time to respond to this statement until Wednesday, morning session next week, thank you.

MCA Maralal ward, (Hon Elly Loldepe): thank you hon. speaker. And just to shade some light as we prepare for the detailed report, I think as the representative of Lkuroto area, personally I had several meetings with the department and we have had some promises made. Last week we wrote a letter to Kenya army requesting to have a meeting with them this week but unfortunately they have just received and they are in a meeting (interrupting by the chair lands).

MCA Ndoto ward, (hon. Raisy Letura): hon speaker, I do not know on whose behave the hon. chair is answering the statement that was directed to the department of lands. However much we understand the issues on the ground, we need an official statement and if the hon. member for Maralal ward is going to give it out officially then I do not think I will be in a position to bring a response again to this House, thank you.

Deputy speaker, (hon. Adamson Lanyasunya): thank you hon. chair and thank you hon. Elly for that information as you are the representative of the area and thank you for the work you are doing. I request you to give the hon. chair all the evidences you have when they sit for the official meeting so that he can answer to the house appropriately, thank you. So that statement is then slotted on Wednesday. Hon. Leshoomo.

MCA Lodokejek ward, (Hon. Jerias Leshoomo): Thank you hon. speaker. pursuant to standing order number 41 (ii) (c), I hereby request for a statement from the chairperson of sectoral committee on physical planning, housing and urban development pertaining to the department of

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lands concerning the planning of Lesidai soko, Loosuk center, and Loolkunono center during 2014/2015 financial year. We have not yet seen any development from that visit. In light of the above, the chairperson should inquire into and report on what happened to the process because it never (inaudible). These are not the only centres that the department listed to the planning of 2014/2015; I remember the team visited Lesirikan and Kisima centre for the same purpose and yet we have not seen anything from these centres up to date, thank you Mr. speaker.

MCA Ndoto ward, (hon. Raisy Letura): I again want to mention that, that same Wednesday, I will combine the two responses the same morning, thank you Mr. Speaker. I understand the problem as stated by member for Lodokejek ward was doubled up from cord party and yes, I understand it and I want to say that the department is moving and I am sure that there were some towns that were advertised or put on the newspaper, when the sixth day for declaration for start of the work was done. My committee, which is a very committed committee of these house will soon convene a mitting to the department so that we get briefs on what is happening so that we bring the right response to the house Mr. speaker. I fully agree that we have got issues especially on the issue of planning of our towns and now that again we are on the issue of a community land and we do not know where it is going to take us because we can see that all powers will be in the hands of the CS if the bill passes and it is already in the second reading at the national assembly. So I agree completely that the concern of the members is valid and it needs to be addressed. On Wednesday morning next week, I will sure table the response, thank you.

Deputy speaker, (hon. Adamson Lanyasunya): Ok, thank you hon. chair, then we will slot it on Wednesday morning next week. And just to strengthen information on your query from the department..... **The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Adamson Lanyasunya):** When Grace was actually the CEC for that department that was before she went for transfer, the department had meetings and the department actually centres committees maybe in Loibornkare and Lesidai *soko* (market), of Lolkuno center and Loosuk, and we had meetings with the committee they brought their instruments and they curved out the town areas but when I visited the department recently they were like they were not very much aware and initially they were in the Government system so it is awkward for areas that are planned and that are budgeted and they are left in the middle and if the timeframe is not enough for you to get that information you can just bring the information across the County so that the rest of the wards can benefit on that, what plans that the department have in terms of planning in the completed towns in every ward, thank you.

MCA Elbarta Ward (Hon. Romano Leakono): Thank you Hon. Speaker Sir, I just raise on a point of information that there are so many statements due for answer from the various chairs, even when they are answered at times they are never taken seriously, so I think that the House needs to change their mode of operating to make sure that the chairs are serious and make sure that when Members raise questions they are given satisfactory answers, and on the same note personally I have three un answered statements that are still pending until now, one is on the

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same Chair Hon. Raisy Letura MCA for Ndoto, the other one is with the Majority Leader concerning the food to the people of Samburu North mainly and Samburu East, actually it was an urgent matter that has gone under the bridge I urge this Hon. House to take its works seriously, thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Adamson Lanyasunya): I think that I will urge the clerks to bring them to my office the statement tracker all the pending statements so that I also handle the as liaison committee and I also request the Members because it is also a burden to the chairs and their deputy's when they are not present then the statement stays unanswered and yet most of the time they are out for official duties, so I also urge the chairs that when you have meetings in your committee to delegate to the Members because at any given time it is hard to get an entire committee absent in the house, so that we get the statement answered, Hon. Leshoomo.

MCA Lodokejek Ward (Hon. Jarius Leshoomo): Thank you Mr. Speaker, pursuant to standing order No. 41/2/c, I hereby request for a statement from the Chairperson of the committee on Medical Services, Public Health and Sanitation concerning the approved activities meant to be implemented since the financial year 2013/2015, in view of this the Cahir person should also inquire in to and report on:

- 1. The list of all approved activities that have not been implemented since the financial year 2013/2014
- 2. The reasons as to why they have not been implemented

Mr. Speaker, this is just one of the departments that we are asking this statement but I think that some departments did not actually implement what was budgeted for in the previous years, since 2013/2014 and I think that it is prudent for certain departmental sectors to table reports to this house so that we can know of the projects that were implemented and those that have not been implemented since the financial year 2013/2014, Thank you Hon. Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Adamson Lanyasunya): Hon. chair For Medical Services, Hon. Lekupe.

Chair For Medical Services (Hon. Ltipilisa Lekupe)Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Speaker, naomba nafasi hadi wiki ijayo alhamisi saa nane.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Adamson Lanaysunya): Ahsante sane mheshimiwa Lekupe, swali hilo ambalo limeelekzwa kwa idara ya kamati yako, pengine waandishi wa kamati hilo hawakuliweka vizuri, swali hilo pia linauliza kuwa kuna maternity ambayo ilipangiwa na ilikua kwa budget 2013/2014 na pia Lolkunono dispensary lilijengwa na hadi siku ya leo haina madawa wala nurse(muuguzi), na vile limesemwa, linaendelea kuuliza kuwa idara hilo lilete mipango yao

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ya kila ward kwa mwaka huu ndio Members (Waheshimiwa) pia wapate kufuatilia, kwa hivyo utaweka mambo hayo pia kwa jibu ambalo utaleta siku hiyo, ahsante, Hon. Loldepe.

MCA Maralal Ward (Hon. Elly Loldepe): Thank you Hon. Members, on behalf of the Hon. Member for Loosuk ward, Hon. Adamson Lanyasunya, I wish to seek a statement. Pursuant to standing order No. 41/2 c, I hereby request for a statement from the chairperson of the sectorial committee on public works, Water and Sanitation, regarding the Loosuk security road, the road which stretches from Lmisigiyoi to pura and also Poro road which was supposed to be graded and fully marammed there are still very bad areas that need to be compacted like the area between Lesidai market and Lesidai Primary school, further the Loikurkur Lchingei road has very bad spots at Mugur area which is almost impassable, the department was also to increase or extend the concrete area at Maralal High School and Sirata Ngare Narok river stiff points, which have not been completed to date, it is in light of the above that the Chairperson should inquire into and report on the plans that the department have on this financial year 2015/2016 to develop the said roads, thank you Hon. Speaker Sir.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Adamson Lanyasunya): Hon. Chair for Lands, Hon. Linda

Nominated MCA (Hon. Linda Naserian): Thank you once again Hon. Speaker, on behalf of the Chair for Roads, Public Works and Transport, I wish that the committee do table its repose on next week on Wednesday afternoon, thank you.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Adamson Lanyasunya): Thank you Hon. Linda, thank you Hon. Members, the time being 22 minutes past 10 o'clock and there being no any other business, this Assembly stands adjourned until afternoon 14th October 2015 at 2:30 pm, thank you.