

**COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF SAMBURU**



**THE HANSARD**

**Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2020**

**The Assembly met at the County Assembly chambers at 8:30 a.m.**

*The Deputy Speaker, County Assembly of Samburu, (Hon. Jonathan Lemoosa) in the Chair*

**PRAYER**

**PROCEDURAL MOTION.**

**The Deputy Speaker,** (Hon. Jonathan Lemoosa): Hon. Majority Leader.

**The Leader of Majority,** (Hon. Christopher Lentukunye): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I stand to move a procedural Motion **THAT**, notwithstanding the provision of Standing Order 98(4), the House orders that each speech in debate on Report of Committees or any other report submitted to the House for which limitation of time has not been specified be limited as follows:

A maximum of sixty (60) minutes for the Mover in moving and thirty (30) minutes for in replying, a maximum of ten (10) minutes for any other Member speaking except the Leader of the Majority party and the Leader of the minority party who shall be limited to a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes each and that priority be accorded to the Leader of the Majority party and Leader of Minority party in that order.

Thank you Mr. Speaker, I call upon Hon. Leshoomo to second the Motion.

*(Hon. Jerias Leshoomo bows to second the Motion)*

**The Deputy Speaker,** (Hon. Jonathan Lemoosa): Hon. Members, I now propose the question **THAT** notwithstanding the provision of Standing Order 98(4), the House orders that each speech in debate on Report of Committees or any other report submitted to the House for which limitation of time has not been specified be limited as follows:

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**MCA Lodekejek Ward,** (Hon. Jerias Leshoomo): Mr. Speaker, I stand to support the motion.

**The Deputy Speaker,** (Hon. Jonathan Lemoosa): Thank you. The Hon. Benjamin Leitore.

**MCA Wamba West Ward**, (Hon. Benjamin Leitore): Thank Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I stand to support the motion. Mr. Speaker, my point of supporting the motion (*The Speaker advises the Members to consult in lower tones*), is that we have to go with time Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker the current Assembly is a more modern House compared to the Assemblies there before. Because Mr. Speaker I would wish that in our next procedural motion, that limits the debates on the Report of the Committees or the address of the Governor. Mr. Speaker, you know this is a digitalized Assembly that in most cases we do share ideas and communicate on several issues through our WhatsApp pages and so many other platforms that are digital in nature. So most of our time should not be taken by only speaking or communicating through the floor of the Assembly. So Mr. Speaker this is digitalized House, and we should make our contributions based on our views as pertains to the address of the Governor in the most precise able way, so as to save time because the digitalization of most of our systems not limited to our contributions during those very important motions, should be precise so as we save our time to so many other important issues that are of County importance. So Mr. Speaker, I support.

**The Deputy Speaker**, (Hon. Jonathan Lemoosa): Thank you the Hon. Benjamin Leitore. Hon. Dube

**Specially Elected MCA**, (Hon. Osman Dube): Asante sana Mheshimiwa Spika. Mheshimiwa Spika naunga mkono mjadala huu, ni kweli Kiongozi Wa Wengi na Kiongozi Wa Wachache wapewa dakika ishirini kila mmoja. Ni mzuri. Waheshimiwa wengi wakipewa dakika tano ni sawa. Mheshimiwa Spika vile Mheshimiwa Leshoomo amesema, ingawaje ameomba msamaha, ata walemavu wanaweza simama kwa dakika thelathin, sio tu kwa dakika kumi. Lakini yeye ameomba msamaha Mheshimiwa Spika siwerudia. Mimi ninaunga mjadala mkono.

**The Deputy Speaker**, (Hon. Jonathan Lemoosa): Asante sana, nimeshukuru. Ameomba msamaha na hatarudia hayo. Mheshimiwa Zamzam.

**Specially Elected MCA**, (Hon. Zamzam Ismail): Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, I raise to support the motion. Mr. Speaker sir, I support the specified time limit. Mr. Speaker sir, that is very much in order. I am saying it is in order because, the speakers who will be standing on the floor of the

House contributing to the motions and debates are politicians. And Mr. Speaker sir we know politicians can talk and talk for hours and hours. So when there is specified time limit, you will go straight to the point and in five minutes you can express yourself and explain all that you want. As I sit, I am supporting the motion. And thank you Mr. Speaker sir.

**The Deputy Speaker,** (Hon. Jonathan Lemoosa): Thank you the Hon. Zamzam. The Hon. Leshimpiro.

**MCA Angata Nanyokie Ward,** (Hon. Paul Leshimpiro): Thank you Hon. Speaker. Hon. Speaker, I stand to support the motion. First, the address of the Governor is a detailed information that covers the entire County and all the departments. So it has a lot that would be discussed by the Members. It therefore means that almost each and every Member will need an opportunity to say something in regard to the address of the Governor. For that reason, if we are all given an opportunity of five minutes, I think it is enough to put a number of points across and everybody will have an opportunity to say accordingly. It is also an important framework because there is also an opportunity for the Mover of the motion to move and also to reply. Which means that any Member that has issues or queries that need to be answered there is also an allocated time that would be used to answer those questions. So I support that it is in order, the five minutes, may not be that enough but given the number of Hon. Members that need to speak, it is still in order. Thank you.

**The Deputy Speaker,** (Hon. Jonathan Lemoosa): Thank the Hon. Leshimpiro Paul. Hon. Members, I think listening very carefully to the Hon. Members contributions, the issue of actually time, in our Standing Orders the Governor's speech is given specifically four days. And actually if every Member in the House has to take about five minutes each, it amounts to about one hundred and forty minutes. Divide by sixty, which is in each day we will have actually debated the Governor's speech on at least two and half hours times four days. So I think the issue of time is humble, because maybe you have not explained or actually pointed out your concerns in the first day, the second day and the third day definitely we will have exhausted. So I think that time of five minutes per Member is not only one day, but you should say five minutes times four days per every Member that is sufficient time. Because actually if we say for example, we

will have ten minutes per Member times twenty-eight of us plus the Speaker it will give us about two hundred and eighty minutes. Hon. Leshipayo.

**MCA Porro Ward**, (Hon. Joseph Leshipayo): Thank you. Hon. Speaker. The Hon. Speaker, I also stand to support the procedural motion that gives this honorable House the limitation of time when we transact any business Hon. Speaker. Hon. Speaker, time limit is very important for this honorable House. It differentiates this honorable House from the community *barazas* Hon. Speaker. I really support this procedural motion Hon. Speaker. Thank you.

**The Deputy Speaker**, (Hon. Jonathan Lemoosa): Thank you so much the Hon. Leshipayo. We are almost actually going through, but we want to ventilate into this matter of actually limitations. It is very important. And I want to call upon. Hon. Doris for an insight.

**Specially Elected MCA**, (Hon. Doris Lenkirasi): Asante Mheshimiwa Spika. Pia mimi nasimama kuunga hoja hii mkono. Nikiongeza tu ya kwamba, hii madakika ambayo Kiongozi Wa Wengi na Kiongozi Wa Wachache nafikiri ingeonzwa kidogo iwe dakika ishrini, kwa sababu pia wao tunajua wanawakilisha watu wengi. Kwa hivyo ningependa tu kama inawezekana waongezewe dakika tano. Na pia ningesema tu ya kwamba ni mzuri ya kwamba wakati umewekwa ndo tu mtu asiongee vile anafikiria. Kwa sababu kuna watu wana maneno mengi, pia wao wajue kupanga maneno katika hiyo wakati amabyo wamepewa. Asante Bwana Spika.

**The Deputy Speaker**, (Hon. Jonathan Lemoosa): Thank you so much Hon. Doris. I would like to reiterate the last line and allow me to read in English, our second last and that of course and that priority be accorded to the Leader of the Majority and the Leader of the Minority Party. That priority gives them a little more time after the sixty if actually it is not enough. So actually by saying the Majority Leader, the Minority Leader; will have sixty minutes that is one hour. If it is not sufficient after everybody else going for; the Mover thirty minutes, other Members ten minutes, but the priority will also be given to them after the sixty. So actually I think you are in order and that it has been taken care of. Hon. Dube.

**Specially Elected MCA,** (Hon. Osman Dube): Mheshimiwa Spika sitini inatosha, kwa sababu Mheshimiwa Spika Kiongozi Wa Wengi na Kiongozi Wa Wachache ni watu maneno chache. Yote wawili Mheshimiwa Spika. Kwa hivyo Mheshimiwa Spika inatosha kabisa.

**The Deputy Speaker,** (Hon. Jonathan Lemoosa): Thank you. And that is why we have last line of the motion that gives them that priority by saying that priority be accorded to them, after the elapse of the sixty minutes. So it has been taken care of and have been given that honour. The Hon. Leshoomo Jerias.

**MCA Lodokejek Ward,** (hon. Jerias Leshoomo): Thank you Hon. Speaker. I also stand to support the procedural Motion on the limitation of the debate on the report of the Committees. I think that some Members did not understand the Motion properly: on my opinion, they are taking 60 minutes from the Majority Leader and for the Minority Leader and I do not think that the Motion reads like that, this is the mover of any Motion or any Bill or any Committee, any person Chairing the Committee, policy, or any Bill in the House then that is the mover of the Motion, the Majority Leader as the Leader of the House and the Minority Leader who they were awarded each 15 minutes and can be extended regarding the Bills mover for the Motion or the can be extended regarding the priority of the Bills or the Motion. In my opinion the Ministry or the limitation of time is proper in this case; in my opinion for those who do not understand the Motion properly then they can take into consideration the time and the numbers of Members of the House, because if we say that we give each Member 60 minutes in the House then I think that that time is too much Mr. Speaker. I do not think that any Member in this House can speak for 30 minutes, I thank you Mr. Speaker.

**The Deputy Speaker,** (hon. Jonathan Lemoosa): Thank you hon. Jarius. I think that every Member has understood though the interpretation differs since all that the Members were trying to say or bring forward is that we give more time to the Leader of Majority and the Minority Leader if their time is not sufficient. You have put it correctly that they are at leave as the Majority Leaders of the party since they carry the whole party they are given a leave or privileged outside what has been said here and for that I am thankful; we say that we need some sort of control in our debates. This will give us some focus and it will give us room to manage our

time. Apart for our Leaders who still need some time because most of us also give their own sentiments to lead us to talk on our behalf, but as you have said it then they have the legitimacy to talk on our behalf since they are our leaders. As the Members have agreed as they have also ventilated on the matter then that let me also put the question that notwithstanding the Provisions of Standing Order number 98(A) (4) this House orders that each speech in debate or report on Committees or any other report submitted to the House or which limitation of the report or specified be limited as follows; a maximum of 60 minutes for the mover in moving the party for 30 minutes in replying and a maximum of 10 minutes for each and any other Member speaking except who shall I be limited for a maximum of 15 minutes each and that priority be accorded to the Leader of the Majority Party and the Leader of the Minority Party.

*(Question put and passed)*

Hon. Members the time being 23 minutes past ten o'clock and there being no any other business this Assembly stands adjourned until Wednesday February the 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 2:30 pm, thank you.