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GARISSA COUNTY ASSEMBLY



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ORDER OF THE DAY

THURSDAY 19TH OCTOBER, 2023 AT 2:30 P.M.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1. Administration of Oath
- 2. Communication from the Chair
- 3. Messages
- 4. Petitions
- 5. Papers
- 6. Statement

(STATEMENT SOUGHT FROM THE CHAIR COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL PROGRAMME)

Hon Speaker, Pursuant to the provision of Standing Order No 41 (2) (c), I would like to request for a statement from the chairperson, Special Programme concerning the County's preparedness towards the anticipated EI-Nino rains.

Hon Speaker, Aware that the National Meteorological department has advised that as a result of the sea surface temperatures in the central and eastern Pacific Ocean becoming unusually warm, El- Nino rains would likely occur in the country from October and may likely extend to December, 2023

Hon Speaker, Further aware that the Committee on special programme is mandated to oversight the department of special programmes under the ministry of County Affairs, pubic service and intergovernmental relations in the County.

Hon Speaker sir, the previous El- Nino rains have negatively affected the residents of the county, interms of widespread flooding, displacement of communities, damage to infrastructures, and disruptions of agricultural activities as well as loss of life and livelihoods.

Hon. Speaker sir, in the statement the Chairperson should inquire into and report on;

1. The level of County's preparedness towards the anticipated El- Nino Rains?

2. A County mapping of the likely areas to be adversely affected by flooding and the mitigation measures?

3. Public awareness strategies being employed by the department to sensitize people on the effects of El- Nino rains?

4. The drainage system preparedness strategies in readiness for the anticipated heavy down pour to avert a looming waterborne diseases outbreak, destruction of property and likely loss of Lives?

(STATEMENT SOUGHT BY HON ADEN HASSAN ODHOWA MCA DERTU WARD)

- 7. Notice of motion
- 8. Motion and bills

Hon. Speaker Sir, I beg to move the following motion;

THAT, AWARE THAT, Pursuant to Article 6(1) and the first schedule of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 that sets out Garissa County as one of the Counties within the Kenyan territory.

FURTHER AWARE THAT, section 52 (1) of the County Government Act, 2012 establishes the office of the village Administrator and section 52(4) of the same Act outlines the roles of such an office.

NOTING THAT, section 53 (1) of the County Government Act, 2012 does establish the village council at the local level and whose functions are further set out in section 53(2) of the same Act.

COGNIZANT OF THE FACT THAT, the role and the importance of the said office in the effort to strengthen devolved systems of governance as set out in Articles 174 and 176 (2) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010.

FURTHER RECORGNIZING THAT, Article 187 (2) (b) provides for functions transferred and assigned by paragraph 14 of part 2 of the fourth schedule of the constitution of Kenya, 2010 to Garissa County Government in ensuring and coordinating the participation of communities and locations in governance at the local level.

CONCERNED THAT the continued delay in establishing the said office as provided for by the above relevant sections of the County Government Act, 2012 is an impediment to the effective service delivery and a contravention of the constitution of Kenya, 2010.

FURTHER CONCERNED THAT, there is need to fast track relevant county legislation establishing and operationalizing the office of the Village Administrator and Village Council in Garissa County Government.

NOW THEREFORE, this motion urges the County Executive to come up with the necessary legal framework establishing the office of the Village Administrators and subsequently transmit the Legislative Proposal to the County Assembly for ratification.

HON. OMAR ABDI HASSAN MCA DAMAJALE WARD