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ORDER OF THE DAY

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

PRAYER

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

Hon. Speaker, I beg to lay the following report on the table of the House today, morning 2024;

1. The report of the appointment Committee on the vetting of CECM nominee Agriculture, Livestock and Pastoral Economy

(HON MOHAMED ABDI FARAH-MAJORITY LEADER)

Hon. Speaker, I beg to lay the following report on the table of the House today, morning 2024;

1. The report of the committee on Lands, Housing, Physical Planning and Urban Development on the vetting of nominees to position of Garissa Municipality Board Members

(HON KHADIJA IDRIS MOHAMED -COMMITTEE CHAIR)

6.	Notices of motion	

- 7*. Questions and Statements
- 1. (STATEMENT SOUGHT FROM THE CHAIR COMMITTEE ON WATER AND IRRIGATION SERVICE)

Hon. Speaker, Pursuant to standing Order 47 (1) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the chairperson of the Sectoral Committee Water and irrigation services regarding the dysfunctional water boozers in Balambala and Lagdera constituency

Hon. Speaker, the right to water is explicitly recognized in the 2010 Constitution. Under Article 43(1)(d) of the Constitution, every person has the right to "clean and safe water in adequate quantities." This establishes water as a fundamental human right, affirming the state's obligation to ensure access to clean water for all citizens.

Hon. Speaker, Additionally, the Water Act 2016 further supports the constitutional mandate by outlining the regulatory framework for the management, conservation, and provision of water services in the country. This constitutional right has profound implications for water governance, policy, and service delivery across Kenya. The county government is required to prioritize water infrastructure and ensure that even marginalized and rural communities have access to clean water.

Hon. Speaker, it is unfortunate to note that the people of Balambala and Lagdera are not able to enjoy this right due to the dysfunctional water boozers. They were intended to provide essential water services to residents living in the far end of the county, have exacerbated the already severe water problem in the region. They were also meant to bridge the gap in water access, especially in areas lacking proper infrastructure. However, their malfunction or failure has left many communities struggling with prolonged water shortages, further stressing their livelihoods and wellbeing. This highlights the urgent need for a sustainable, reliable, and well-maintained water supply system to meet the growing demand and secure the basic right to clean water for all residents.

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

- 1)Whether the department is aware of the dysfunctional water boozers in Balambala and Lagdera constituency? If yes
- 2). What Plans are there by the department to operationalize water boozers and ensure reliable water supply to the affected communities?
- 3) What long-term plans are in place to prevent future breakdowns?
- 4) How will the department ensure timely maintenance and upgrades to this critical infrastructure?"

(STATEMET SOUGHT BY HON ABDIWELI ADEN ABDULLAHI-MCA SAKA WARD)

8. Motions and Bills