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**COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF GARISSA**

**GARISSA COUNTY ASSEMBLY**



**Third County Assembly  
(NO.095)**



**Third Session  
(110)**

**THIRD COUNTY ASSEMBLY – (THIRD SESSION)**

**ORDER OF THE DAY**

**WEDNESDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2024 AT 2:30 P.M**

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**PRAYER**

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

**(HON ADOW OMAR SAID-MCA HULUGHO WARD)**

**Hon Speaker, I beg to give notice of the following motion;**

**AWARE THAT**, recruitment in the county is governed by the values and principles of public service as articulated in Article 232(1) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010

**FURTHER AWARE THAT**, pursuant to Section 66 of the County Government Act, 2012, as read with the County Public Service Human Resource Manual, the County Public Service Board is mandated to declare vacancies through advertisement in a prescribed format, adhering to procedures set out in the Act

**NOTING THAT**, on 14th October 2024, the County Public Service Board advertised vacant positions for various cadres within the Department of Health and Sanitation

**CONCERNED THAT**, an inquiry by the Committee on Health of the Second County Assembly revealed multiple instances where health workers declined postings to their assigned facilities in

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sub-county hospitals, leading to transfers to others preferred sub-county hospitals without adequate replacements

**RECOGNIZING THAT**, the Committee recommended that all recruitments must consider facility-based advertisement to prevent such occurrences;

**FURTHER NOTING THAT**, to address these challenges, the Second County Assembly of Garissa, in July 2020, passed a report from the Committee on Health and Sanitation Services recommending facility-based advertisements for recruiting and posting healthcare workers in county and sub-county health facilities

**ACKNOWLEDGING THAT**, the Assembly, through the office of the Clerk, communicated these resolutions to the then County Executive Committee Member, who is currently the County Executive Committee Member for Health, for implementation

**DEEPLY CONCERNED THAT**, the recent advertisement by the County Health Department, through the County Public Service Board, failed to comply with the Assembly's recommendations, neglecting facility-based advertisement, a non-compliance with the resolutions of the Assembly and contrary to the provisions of Article 183(3) of the Constitution of Kenya and Assembly Standing Order 212

**NOW THEREFORE**, this Assembly urges the County Department of Health and the County Public Service Board to:

1. Issue a corrigendum for the recent advertisement to incorporate facility-based advertisement before the application deadline.
2. Ensure future recruitments adhere to facility-based advertisement to promote equitable distribution and retention of healthcare workers in all county health facilities.

**7\*. Questions and Statements**

**1. (STATEMENT SOUGHT FROM THE CHAIR COMMITTEE ON HEALTH)**

**Hon. Speaker**, Pursuant to standing Order 47 (1) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the chairperson of the Sectoral Committee of Health regarding lack of public health officer in lower Fafi health center where the only officer was purged from the payroll.

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**Hon. Speaker,** Article 43 (1) (a) of the constitution of Kenya 2010 provides every person the right to the highest attainable standards of health, which includes the right to health care services.

**Hon Speaker,** the Sub County medical officer of health (SCMOH) in Nanighi wrote several requests to the department of health in order for them to reinstate **Mr. Abdirizack Hussein Hassan P/NO 20180097563**, the only public health officer who worked in the center and no action taken.

**Hon. Speaker,** Additionally, the residents of Nanighi are suffering due to lack of inspections. The butcheries are in bad state and hotels are operating in a poor hygiene condition. Hon. Speaker, the County Government is mandated to provide health care services to all and the people of Nanighi Ward are not exception.

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

1. Why is the department not reinstating the public health Officer in lower Fafi healthcare center?

**(STATEMENT SOUGHT BY HON ABDULLAHI IBRAHIM SIGAT- MCA NANIGHI WARD)**

**2. (STATEMENT SOUGHT FROM THE CHAIR COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, ICT, VOCATIONAL TRAINING AND LIBRARY SERVICES)**

**Hon. Speaker,** Pursuant to Standing Order 47(1)(c), I seek a statement from the Chairperson of the sectoral Committee on Education regarding lack of Early Child Development Education (ECDE) Quality Assurance and Standards Officers within our county.

**Hon Speaker,** as you may be all aware, the recent Human Resource Audit by the county recommended the purge of the only ECD Quality Assurance and Standards Officer in Fafi Sub-County, leaving the sub-County without essential oversight and affecting quality education system in the County.

**Hon Speaker,** in line with Article 43(1)(f) and Article 53(1)(b) of the Constitution of Kenya, which guarantee every child's right to free and compulsory basic education, it is crucial to address these gaps. The Basic Education Act No.14 of 2013 further mandates maintaining high standards and a supportive learning environment.

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**Hon Speaker**, in the statements the chairperson should inquire into and report on:

1. The capacity of the directorate of quality assurance, in terms of the number of ECD Quality Assurance and standards officers?
2. The deployment and distribution of ECD quality Assurance Officers in every sub-county?
3. Plans to address the lack of quality Assurance Officer in Fafi Sub-County?
4. Recent quality Assurance Assessments conducted in Fafi-Sub- County ECD Centers, and Findings?

**(STATEMENT SOUGHT BY HON ABDULLAHI IBRAHIM SIGAT- MCA NANIGHI WARD)**

**3. (STATEMENT SOUGHT FROM THE CHAIR COMMITTEE ON COUNTY AFFAIRS, PUBLIC SERVICE AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATION)**

**Hon. Speaker**, Pursuant to Standing Order 47(1) (c), I wish to request a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on County Affairs, Public Service and Intergovernmental relation regarding the implementation status of Garissa Integrated Scio-economic Development Plan (GISED P)

**Hon Speaker**, Pursuant to Articles 185 and 195 of the Constitution of Kenya 2010, vests legislative authority and oversight powers to the County Assemblies.

**Hon Speaker**, GISED P program presents a significant opportunity for the County Government of Garissa, with the potential to address key socio-economic challenges and enhance the quality of life including both refugees and the host community.

**Hon Speaker**, the County Assembly has not been adequately involved in its oversight and approval of GISED P as it clearly enshrined in the constitution of Kenya 2010. As elected representatives of the people of Garissa, we have constitutional obligation to ensure that any county development program is subjected to the necessary legislative review and that it meets the aspirations of the people.

**Hon Speaker,** in the statement the chairperson should inquire into and report on;

1. Why has the Garissa Integrated Socio-Economic Development Plan (GISED P) not been presented before the County Assembly for approval, despite its significance to the county's development? What specific steps are being taken to ensure that the plan is reviewed and approved in a timely manner, and what is the expected timeline for this process?
2. What is the coverage area of the GISED P? Does the plan apply to the entire county, or it is focused on specific sub-counties?
3. Can you provide a detailed update on the current implementation status of the Garissa Integrated Socio-Economic Development Plan (GISED P) and the key milestones achieved since its inception?
4. What concrete measures has the county department taken to actively involve local communities and key stakeholders in both the planning and execution phases of the Garissa Integrated Socio-Economic Development Plan (GISED P)?
5. What specific funding model or mechanisms are currently in place to support the implementation of the Garissa Integrated Socio-Economic Development Plan (GISED P)? Additionally, how does the county department plan to ensure sustainable financing for the program over the long term, and what strategies are being employed to diversify funding sources beyond government allocations?
6. What specific challenges is the county department currently encountering in the implementation of the Garissa Integrated Socio-Economic Development Plan (GISED P)? Additionally, what concrete strategies and actions are being employed to effectively address these challenges, and how does the department plan to measure the success of these interventions?
7. Has there been any structured public participation process for stakeholders at both the refugees and the host community level? If so, could you provide details on how and when it was conducted?
8. How is the county department collaborating with national government agencies and other stakeholders to enhance the effective implementation of the Garissa Integrated Socio-Economic Development Plan (GISED P)?

**(STATEMENT SOUGHT BY HON ABDIRAHMAN MOHAMED ALI- MCA SANKURI WARD)**

**8\*. Motions and Bills**

**1. PROCEDURAL MOTION**

**(HON ADOW OMAR SAID-MCA HULUGHO WARD)**

**Hon Speaker, I beg to move the following motion;**

**That,** the notice of motion given on this afternoon urging the County Department of Health and that of County Public Service Board to Issue a corrigendum for the recent advertisement to incorporate facility-based advertisement before the application deadline and Ensure future recruitments adhere to facility-based advertisement to promote equitable distribution and retention of healthcare workers in all county health facilities be exempted from the provision of standing order 57 (6) (b) of the county assembly standing orders that a notice of motion be given at least one day.

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**(HON ADOW OMAR SAID-MCA HULUGHO WARD)**

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

**THAT**, aware that the Salaries and Remuneration Commission (SRC) issued guidelines to county governments regarding the provision of housing benefits for Governors and Deputy Governors, as stipulated in SRC letters Ref. Nos: SRC/TS/CGOVT/3/61 dated 18th December 2013, 24th October 2016, 25th August 2017 and SRC letter Ref. No: SRC/TS/CGOVT/3/61/VOL.V.(44) dated 14<sup>th</sup> August 2020.

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**FURTHER AWARE** that the SRC extended the deadline for the construction of these residences to June 30, 2022, to allow counties time to allocate funds and prioritize construction on public land owned by the counties

**COGNIZANT** of the fact that the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, under Article 174, emphasizes the devolved government's responsibility to promote social and economic development and provide proximate, easily accessible services throughout Kenya;

**CONCERNED** that Garissa County has not yet complied with these SRC guidelines, continuing to incur unnecessary expenses on rent for official residences contrary to SRC guidelines;

**DEEPLY CONCERNED** by the lack of progress in the construction of these residences, which undermines the efficient use of public funds and violates the principles of accountability and prudent financial management

**NOW THEREFORE**, this Assembly urges the County Executive of Garissa County to:

1. Comply with the SRC guidelines by allocating adequate funds for the construction of official residences for the Governor and Deputy Governor.
2. Prioritize the construction of these residences on public land owned by the county, adhering to the specified acreage limits and cost caps: Ksh 45 million for the Governor's residence and Ksh 40 million for the Deputy Governor's residence.
3. Provide a detailed report on the progress of these constructions to this Assembly within six months, ensuring transparency and accountability.

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**QUESTIONS & STATEMENTS**

**ORDER NO. 7 - QUESTIONS**

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It is notified that, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 50 (1), the **following County Executive Committee Members** will respond to questions in plenary today Wednesday (Afternoon), October 16, 2024 —

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ORDINARY QUESTIONS

**I. The County Executive Committee Member for County Affairs, Public Service and Intergovernmental Relations-**

**01/2024**

**The Hon. Omar Abdi Hassan MCA Damajale Ward to ask the County Executive Committee Member for County Affairs, Public Service and Intergovernmental Relations: -**

Could the County Executive Committee Member -

- (i) Elaborate on when the county government plan to operationalize All the Sub-Counties and place the relevant officers at the sub-county level?