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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
6. Notices of motion
- 7*. Questions and **Statements**

1. (STATEMENT SOUGHT FROM THE CHAIR COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION)

Hon. Speaker, Pursuant to Standing Order 47(1)(c), I Wish to request a statement from the Chairperson of the sectoral committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriation regarding the current status and management of development projects across Garissa County, particularly those funded by the exchequer

Hon. Speaker, it is critical for members of this House and the residents of Garissa County to have a transparent and comprehensive understanding of the development landscape. Such information is essential for gauging progress, ensuring accountability, and assessing the equitable distribution of resources. This insight enables informed policy decisions, fosters public trust, and ensures that development efforts align with the needs and priorities of our communities.

Hon. Speaker, while development projects play a vital role in transforming lives, challenges often arise in tracking, implementing, and reporting on these initiatives. Issues such as incomplete projects, delays, misallocation of funds, and limited public engagement can diminish the positive impact intended by these investments.

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

1. How many development projects funded solely by the exchequer have been undertaken in Garissa County since August 2022, specifically in the Water, Health, and Education sectors?
2. How are these exchequer-funded projects distributed across each ward within Garissa County? Kindly specify the exact locations by ward and sub-county.
3. What are the budget allocations and actual expenditures for each of these exchequer-funded projects? This information will aid in assessing transparency and value for money.
4. What roles and responsibilities do county technical teams have in supervising these exchequer-funded projects, including the process for approving payments?
5. What is the current implementation status of each exchequer-funded project? Kindly indicate whether projects are completed, ongoing, delayed, or halted, along with reasons for any delays or interruptions.

(STATEMENT SOUGHT BY HON HASSAN DAHIR NOOR- MCA BARAKI WARD)

2. (STATEMENT SOUGHT FROM THE CHAIR COMMITTEE ON HEALTH)

Hon. Speaker, Pursuant to Standing Order 47(1)(c), I rise to request a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Health regarding the current status and plans for the utilization of the maternity wing constructed during the 2015/16 in Jarajara Ward, and the overall state of healthcare provision in the ward.

Hon. Speaker, despite significant investment in constructing this 20-bed capacity maternity wing, it has remained locked and unused to date. The facility lacks necessary infrastructure such as beds, an electricity connection, and essential medical equipment, rendering it non-functional and leaving the community without access to the maternal healthcare services it was meant to provide.

Hon. Speaker, the only health facility in Jarajara Ward is currently staffed by a single nurse, which severely limits its capacity to serve the population effectively. Although a lab technician is assigned to the facility, there is no laboratory space or materials available. This is particularly concerning given the high rate of malaria infections driven by rice farming practices that create standing water, providing ideal mosquito breeding grounds.

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

1. Why is the maternity wing in Jarajara Ward not operational, despite its intended purpose? What are the reasons for the lack of essential infrastructure such as beds, electricity, and medical equipment?
2. Why is there a shortage of healthcare personnel at the health facility in Jarajara Ward, and what is being done to address this staffing gap?
3. Why is there no functional laboratory at the health facility in Jarajara Ward, especially given the prevalence of malaria and other health issues? What interim solutions are in place for diagnosis and treatment?
4. Why are there no specific measures in place to address the high malaria infection rates in Jarajara Ward, particularly in areas affected by standing water from rice farming?

(STATEMENT SOUGHT BY HON HUSSEIN ADEN DUROW-MCA JARJARA WARD)

3. (STATEMENT SOUGHT FROM THE CHAIR COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION)

Hon. Speaker, Pursuant to Standing Order 47(1)(c), I rise to request a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Education regarding the status of Early Childhood Development (ECD) infrastructure and programs in Shanta Abaq Primary School and the broader county.

Hon. Speaker, the ECD section of Shanta Abaq Primary School is facing significant challenges due to the lack of modern, spacious, and well-ventilated classrooms. The existing classrooms are old, small, and in a dilapidated state, which is insufficient to accommodate the growing number of pupils. This situation hampers the learning environment and impacts the quality of education provided.

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

1. Why is the ECD infrastructure at Shanta Abaq Primary School in a dilapidated state, with inadequate and poorly ventilated classrooms? What is being done to address this issue?
2. Why has the uji (porridge) feeding program for ECD learners not been consistently implemented, and what is the current status of this program in the county?

3. Why has the county not implemented a lunch feeding program for ECD learners, despite its success in improving enrollment and retention in other areas?
4. Why have Shanta Abaq Primary School and other ECD centers in the county not been equipped with necessary play and learning materials to enhance the learning experience for young children?

(STATEMENT SOUGHT BY HON FAKRUDIN HAJI SADIK -MCA GOREALE WARD)

4. (RESPONSE TO STATEMET SOUGHT FROM THE CHAIR COMMITTEE ON WATER AND IRRIGATION SERVICES)

1. What are the main reasons for the water shortage in those schools?
2. Are there any projects aimed at improving water supply in these schools?
3. How does the county government plan to address the immediate need for clean water in these schools?

(STATEMENT SOUGHT BY HON ADEN HASSAN ODOWA-MCA DERTU WARD)

8. Motions and Bills
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