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GARISSA COUNTY ASSEMBLY



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### **ORDER OF THE DAY**

### WEDNESDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2024 AT 9:30AM

## **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.(RESPONSE TO STATEMENT SOUGHT FROM THE CHAIR COMMITTEE ON GENDER AND CULTURE)**

- 1. What is the current estimated number of homeless children in Garissa County, and what specific factors contribute to this issue?
- 2. What measures is the county government implementing to provide shelter and support services for homeless children?
- 3. How is the county government collaborating with NGOs and other stakeholders to ensure the welfare and protection of homeless children?

# (STATEMENT SOUGHT BY HON FATUMA M. SHIDE-NOMINATED MCA)

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# 2.(STATEMENT SOUGHT FROM THE CHAIR COMMITTEE ON GENDER AND CULTURE)

**Hon. Speaker**, Pursuant to Standing Order 47(1)(c), I rise to seek a statement from the Chairperson of the Committee on Gender, and Culture regarding the status of the data collection exercise of Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) and children with special needs in Dertu Ward and the larger Garissa County.

**Hon. Speaker**, Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) and children with special needs constitute a significant segment of the population that is disproportionately affected by poverty, lack of access to education, inadequate healthcare, and other critical social services;

**Hon. Speaker**, the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, in Article 54, guarantees the rights of Persons with Disabilities to be treated with dignity, to access reasonable accommodation, and to be included in all spheres of public life, while Article 21(3) obligates all levels of government to prioritize the rights of marginalized and vulnerable groups;

**Hon. Speaker**, an accurate and comprehensive data on PWDs and children with special needs is critical for effective policy-making, equitable allocation of resources, and targeted interventions to improve their quality of life.the lack of such data in Dertu Ward and Garissa County at large has contributed to the exclusion of PWDs and children with special needs from key development programs and resource allocation;

**Hon. Speaker**, lack of public awareness, cultural stigmatization and inadequate efforts by local authorities have hindered families from disclosing and registering individuals with disabilities;

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

- 1. What measures are in place to conduct a comprehensive enumeration exercise of Persons with Disabilities and children with special needs in Dertu Ward and across Garissa County?
- 2. What strategies are being employed to collaborate with relevant stakeholders, such as the National Council for Persons with Disabilities (NCPWD), local leaders, and community-based organizations, to ensure the success of this initiative?
- 3. What steps are being taken to address cultural stigmatization and encourage families to report and register individuals with disabilities in their households?

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4. Is there any plan to fund this enumeration exercise and subsequent programs targeting PWDs and special needs children within Garissa County?

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

8. Motions and Bills.