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**SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER**

**ORDER OF THE DAY**

**WEDNESDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 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
- 7\*. Questions and **Statements**

**1. (RESPONSE TO STATEMENT SOUGHT FROM THE CHAIR COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND PASTORAL ECONOMY)**

1. When does the Department of Agriculture plan to open access roads and canals in Saka Ward?
2. What specific measures are being implemented to ensure the timely provision of seedlings and farm inputs to farmers in the area?
3. How does the Department intend to support farmers in overcoming existing challenges related to agricultural production and infrastructure?

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

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**2. (RESPONSE TO STATEMENT SOUGHT FROM THE CHAIR COMMITTEE ON WATER AND IRRIGATION SERVICES)**

1. Whether the department is aware of the water crisis affecting Bula Rahma, Daley location. If yes?
2. When will the department intend to restore water supply in Bula Rahma, Daley location?
3. Whether the County Government in conjunction with GARUWASCO has put in place proper water and sewage infrastructure?
4. What measures is the department taking to ensure safe and accessible water for the residents of Bula Rahma?

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

**3. (RESPONSE TO STATEMENT SOUGHT FROM THE CHAIR COMMITTEE ON WATER AND IRRIGATION SERVICES)**

1. What is the Company doing in regards to maintenance of Rural boreholes?
2. The number of water projects undertaken by the entity and the distribution per ward?
3. The interventions so far done by STAWI, the areas of operation and the criteria used to settle?

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

**4. (RESPONSE TO STATEMENT SOUGHT FROM THE CHAIR COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND PASTORAL ECONOMY)**

1. When does the department plan to provide fencing for the existing horticultural containers in Saka Ward?
2. What are the steps being taken by the department to ensure timely implementation of this essential infrastructure for horticultural projects?
3. The measures the department is putting in place to assist farmers in maintaining and protecting the horticultural containers after the fencing is completed.
4. How the department plans to expand such agricultural support programs to other areas in the county to promote productivity and sustainability.

**(STATEMENT SOUGHT BY HON ABDIWELI ADEN-MCA SAKA WARD)**

**5. (RESPONSE ON THE STATEMENT SOUGHT FROM THE CHAIR COMMITTEE ON WATER AND IRRIGATION SERVICES)**

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?

**(STATEMENT SOUGHT BY HON. ABDIWELI ADEN -MCA SAKA WARD)**

**6.(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)**

**7. (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?
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.**

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

**That, aware that**, Article 54(1)(c) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, provides that persons with disabilities are entitled to reasonable access to all places, public transport, and information;

**Further aware that**, Article 27(6) mandates the State to take legislative and other measures to ensure that marginalized groups, including persons with disabilities, are not discriminated against and can access opportunities on an equal basis with others;

**Noting that**, the Persons with Disabilities Act, 2003, obligates public institutions, including county governments, to make adjustments to public buildings and facilities to accommodate persons with disabilities;

**Cognizant of the fact that**, an inclusive society can only be achieved when public spaces and infrastructure are accessible to all citizens, particularly persons with disabilities, to enable them to enjoy their full rights and freedoms;

**Concerned that**, many county buildings in Garissa County do not meet the standards of accessibility and mobility for persons with disabilities, effectively excluding them from accessing essential services and participating fully in social, economic, and political life;

**Deeply concerned**, that the lack of accessible infrastructure contravenes the principles of inclusivity and equity as envisioned under the Constitution and the County Governments Act, 2012;

**Now therefore**, this Assembly resolves to urge the County Executive Committee Member for County Affairs, Public Service and Intergovernmental relation to:

1. Undertake a comprehensive inspection of all county-owned buildings and facilities to assess their compliance with accessibility and mobility standards for persons with disabilities.
2. Develop and implement a detailed plan to retrofit and upgrade non-compliant buildings and facilities to meet the required accessibility standards, including ramps, elevators, and assistive signage.

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3. Ensure that all new county buildings and facilities are constructed in full compliance with accessibility requirements, as stipulated under the Persons with Disabilities Act, 2003, and other relevant legal frameworks.
4. Collaborate with relevant stakeholders, including disability advocacy groups and professional bodies, to ensure that the modifications are in line with best practices and address the diverse needs of persons with disabilities.
5. Submit a report to this Assembly detailing the findings of the inspections, the status of ongoing compliance efforts, and a clear timeline for the implementation of necessary upgrades to ensure full accessibility.

**(HON FATUMA ADEN ABDI-NOMINATED MCA)**

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