

BARINGO COUNTY ASSEMBLY

THE HANSARD

The House met on Tuesday, 11th October 2022 at 2:47 PM

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kimosop) in Chair

PRAYERS

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kimosop): Clerk!

MOTION

THANKS FOR GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday 6th October 2022 at 2:30pm)

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kimosop): Members as you can see in your order paper we still have this motion, debate on the address by the Governor. We are going to resume the debate from where we left on Thursday the 6th October 2022.

As everyone here knows that you cannot contribute to a motion twice and this is a continuation of the motion we had, so clerk let me have the names of those who had already contributed just for the record so that we can begin from where we had reached.

Just to refresh your memory, those who had contributed are;

1. Hon. Diana Siriti
2. Hon. Sam Lourien
3. Hon. John Tarus
4. Hon. Earnest Kibet
5. Hon. Kiplagat
6. Hon. John Aengwo
7. Hon. Robert Cheruiyot
8. Hon. Paul Lolgisoi
9. Hon. Clement Lomaringoria
10. Hon. Kipruto Kimosop
11. Hon. Michael Chebon
12. Hon. David Sitei
13. Hon. Wisley Lekakimon

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So the rest of the Members who had not contributed will now have a chance to make a contribution on the Governors address. So the floor is open, Members. Yes Hon. Jane and we will make arrangements for her to contribute from where she is.

Hon. Jane: Bwana Spika kwanza nataka kukupongeza kwa kupata kiti cha naibu wa Spika, na sisi pia ambao tumechaguliwa kuwa wabunge maalum na wanao wakilisha wadi. Kulingana na hotuba ya Gavana alisema kuwa katika nchi ya Kenya sisi ni wacha Mungu na alitaja kuhusu mfalme Daudi mwenye alikuwa anafanyia kazi nchi yake hadi akafa ndipo wengine wakaendeleza kazi yake.

Kwa hivyo kama sisi tunapaswa kufanya kazi katika kaunti yetu na tuendele kutumikia watu wetu kwa vile tumechaguliwa kuwafanyia kazi, najua kwamba hawa wanatungoja huko nje tufanyie kazi.

Bwana Spika, lingine ni kuhusu mazingira yetu, hii wiki wikendi nilienda upande wa Kerio Valley huko mto Kapnarok na niliona kweli mazingira imeharibiwa sana. Wachomaji makaa wamechoma hadi miti imeisha, ndovu sasa wamehangaika na wanakutana na wananchi, na wamechoma makaa zaidi hadi imeshangaza. Mhe. Spika kunao wenye wameajiriwa huko lakini wanachunga nab ado hawajaajiriwa vilivyo kwa hivo wanafaa wapewe hio kazi na waajiriwe ipasavyo ndio waendele kuchunga mazingira.

Mhe. Spika Gavana pia aliguzia swala la elimu, walimu wa chekechea ningetaka waweze kulipwa ili wapate haki yao na waendele kufunza na kusaidia katika mambo ya chakula. Lingine ni kuhusu uwanja wetu hapa, nashukuru Mhe. Kibet kwa sababu yeye ndiye anafanya kazi mingi kule kijijini wakiendeleza vijana katika mambo ya michezo ya mpira hasa wakati wa likizo. Tunataka hata viongozi wetu waige huo mfano katika vijiji vyao ili watoto wasiwe wanarandaranda. Mhe. Spika naunga mkono mjadala huu . Asante.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kimosop): I have allowed the Hon. Member some extra time because apart from just contributing to the speech by the Governor it is also her maiden speech in this House, so we will still stick to our time frame in contributing to the motion and just to remind you, the standing orders allows us to have four straight sessions to debate the speech of the Governor and I think today is the fourth session.

So Members who had not made their contribution should know that this is now the opportunity that they have and at the end of this we will be having the reply by the majority leader and I think we will have come to the end of the debate by the Governors speech. Next Member, Hon. Linah Sote.

Hon. Sote: Asante sana Mhe. Spika. Nimefurahi sana siku ya leo sababu bado tuko na muda wa kujadili mjadala wa Gavana. Mhe. Spika mimi ni mmoja wa waliokuwa hapa mwaka wa 2013 na kweli kuna miradi tulianzisha lakini hatukukamiliza .

Wakati Gavana aliguzia hiyo miradi nikafurahi, kwa maana katika Baringo hatutaki kuharibu fedha zetu, tunataka tukianza mradi wowote tukamilishe kwa mfano kuna hospitali ilijengwa Kibiriokonin Saimo Soi na hadi wa leo hakuna Daktari na pia hakuna dawa.

Mhe. Spika naunga mkono hoja ya Gavana tuungane wote na tukamilishe miradhi iliyobakia ndivyo tutaona vile tutaendelea. Asante sana Mhe. Spika.

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The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kimosop): Thank you Hon. Member. Yes Hon. Evalyne Korir.

Hon. Ever: Thank you. First I want to thank God for giving us a chance to serve in the third Assembly and also to congratulate you on your election as our Deputy Speaker. I also want to thank my Party for nominating me to this House as a nominated MCA and also thankful on behalf the fellow MCAs nominated in my party for giving us a chance to serve in the third Assembly.

Hon. Speaker, I support the Governors speech especially on the challenges, he talked about the three challenges that our County is facing , first concerning the school fees payment, he talked about the challenges that the parents face during fee payments.

In our Constitution Article 53 (i) (b), it states that every child has a right to free and basic compulsory basic education and Article 55 (a) states that the state shall take measures including the affirmative action programs to ensure that the youth access relevant education and training.

Therefore, Mr. Speaker I am happy that our Governor spoke about this as one of his agenda in his Government and I am sure that he is going to put measures concerning how he is going to see... especially for the young generation , the ECDEs how the teachers are going to be remunerated.

Mr. Speaker, I am also in support of the feeding program for the schools, sometimes back I worked with the world food program and I visited some schools and my observation was that if you get to a school where they are receiving the food you will see the turnout of pupils being high compared to schools that were not receiving food.

So I will ask our County Government to support the school feeding program, again concerning the joblessness in our County, our Governor spoke about it and I am in support that our youth mostly are the ones who face the challenge.

I understand there was a Bill in the Second Assembly that was in an advanced stage concerning the women the people living with disability and also the marginalized. I am asking this Honorable House to kindly speed up and pass that bill so that the concerned will also get to enjoy. Concerning the hiring in our Assembly kindly let us consider the youth. In case there are some positions especially the Chief Officers positions and all that, let us give the youth a chance especially those who are just from the collages, the universities, I know they have what it takes to be employed in our County. I support the Governors speech. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kipruto): Thank you Hon. Member. I don't know whether it was the maiden speech by the Hon. Member and in maiden speech it is always good to thank where you came from and also how you came to this House, so that was a good contribution. Yes Hon. Lemlem.

Hon. Lemlem: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I arise to support the speech of the Governor and fundamentally on few issues that I have just picked. The first one is the Governor underscored the aspect of working together as a County Assembly and Executive and indeed in his speech he mentioned that we should be complimenting one another and he likened it to the two parts of a machine of a vehicle that are functioning towards one goal.

That is going to be critical for all of us to realize the vision for Baringo. I support the unity and the opportunity that the Executive and this House will work together though we are of different parts but one functioning machine to ensure that we realize the need for our people.

He mentioned also like King David our role is to serve; I think fundamentally on the important side that is why we were elected, we are not different from those who did not succeed to come to this House, we have been elected because we have been given the opportunity to serve the people of Baringo.

So for this five years we are going to be servants instead of being the bosses of the people so I support that and again in his speech he mentioned that anything we are going to do be it budget we should connect it with the bottom up model as laid down by our president William Samoei Ruto so we all fit into the model that will change this Country and this County.

He also mentioned something about incomplete projects especially flagship projects for example in my ward about Maoi abattoir, the completion of Marigat town planning and the upgrade of Marigat town, that indeed touched my special attention because of the reason why the people of Marigat elected me it was a priority that we upgrade Marigat to be our next center or town like Kabarnet.

Mr. Speaker that will give me status of similarity to that of Mayor here, you see when I mention upgrade of Marigat he is very busy doing other things... so that will bring me status of similarity same to that of this Hon. Member and it will have assisted the people of Marigat, of great concern which we should all work towards is the Kshs. 40 billion economy that he mentioned in his speech that by 2027 Baringo County should have been transformed to a Kshs. 40 billion economy and should be able to employ over 50 thousand people.

Mr. Speaker that is a dream that if it comes to pass, I think we will change from dependency County to a self-reliance County, I support the speech of the Governor and many other things. I watched the way the Governor was... I could see the energy in him, and the readiness to serve the people of Baringo.

So I am proud to be associated with the speech of the Governor and we are ready to serve alongside him though we are doing the oversight role while we are doing the implementation .Mr. Speaker I also urge this Hon. House that as we are moving in to the five years term let us be servants, let no one be left behind, let us be one because in unity we are going to achieve a lot. With those few remarks I support. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kimosop): Since I don't see any more hands go up, I will give it to the majority leader who actually tabled this motion as a tradition of this House to make his reply comments.

Hon. Lokorio (Deputy Majority Leader): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I want to utilize this time to congratulate you for having been elected as the Deputy Speaker of this Assembly and in the absence of the Speaker substantive you are the Speaker, congratulations.

Secondly, may I also use this time to more sincerely thank Hon. Members for contributing positively to this motion and as I had said before his Excellency the Governor made a very good statement on how he would wish to manage Baringo County.

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Hon. Members it is really an honor to all of us and I thank you for supporting the motion. I also take this opportunity to thank the people of Barwessa for electing the one and only Joshat Lokorio to be their MCA, I thank and assure them that I will diligently and honestly serve them in these five years term and they will be well represented in this County Assembly. Thank you and May God bless you all and may God bless Baringo County.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Kimosop): Hon. Members with the reply by the majority leader that now marks the end of the discussion.

(Loud consultations)

Order! Hon. Ernest let us consult in low tones, the majority whip and the deputy majority whip.

I was saying with the reply by the majority leader it now marks the end of this motion which was the debate on the address by the Governor, this kind of a motion does not require us to put a question, we treat this motion more or less like the motion on County importance and it is that kind of a motion that we all put our contributions and we actually don't put a question at the end of it.

Members I must thank you for your vibrant contributions, I thank you for your recommendations which are heavily captured on HANSARD and I hope that the Executive will borrow heavily from the contributions that Members brought up, very seasoned well thought up contributions.

ADJOURNMENT

Order Members! This House stands adjourned until tomorrow Wednesday 12th October 2022 at 9.30 AM.

The House rose at 3.15pm.