BARINGO COUNTY ASSEMBLY

THE HANSARD

The House met on Tuesday 28th February, 2023 at 9:42AM
The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi) in Chair

PRAYERS

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Sergeant at Arms we do not have quorum kindly ring the quorum bell

(Quorum bell rung)

Sergeant at Arms we still don't have quorum...

(Quorum bell rung)

Clerk, we now have quorum.

COMMUNICATUION FROM THE CHAIR

ISSUES OF MEMBERS VISITORS AND USE OF CAFETERIA

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Members we have received information from the office of the Sergeant at Arms on security and the Catering department of the issue of members going to the cafeteria with more than two visitors. Members note that from your orientation and Speakers rules and the rules of this House, a member is allowed to entertain two guests at a time.

It has been noted that members bring more than two visitors occupying more tables hence disadvantaging seats meant for other members. Tables labeled members are strictly for members only and such need not to be accessed by visitors. Members are advised to go on the lower side of the cafeteria if they have visitors.

Sergeant at Arms are directed that only members sit on the upper area of the cafeteria. Lets remember to bring two guests at a time, thank you.

STATEMENTS

NUMBER OF HEALTH SERVICES AND PROFESSIONAL STAFF PER FACILITY

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. David Sitoi MCA Bartabwa.

Hon. Sitoi: Thank you Mr. Speaker today morning I received response to a statement that I sought...

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Sitoi you seek your statement then the Chair will respond kindly re read the statement.

Hon. Sitoi: Mr. Speaker while you were away it was agreed that we should not reread a statement but if that is the guidance, I will read.

Mr. Speaker I seek statement from the Chairperson Health Services Committee on the following matters of concern;

The constitution of Kenya 2010 under Article 43(a) provides that every person has the right to the highest attainable standard of health which includes the right to health care services, including reproductive health care.

- i. How many health facilities are in Baringo County per level and or classification and location in the County?
- ii. How many health professionals do we have in Baringo County and what are their areas of specialization?
- iii. How are the said health professionals distributed per facility in the County?
- iv. What is the department doing to ensure that all health facilities have the minimum requisite staff for optional operations?

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Chairperson Health Services Committee.

Hon. Lokorio: Thank you Speaker Sir, responding to question sought by Hon. Sitoi on matters health facilities in Baringo County per level, health professionals that we have in our County, hospitals and professionals in all cadres and what the department is doing.

Mr. Speaker, reference is made on a letter dated 6th December 2022 with the Ref; BCA/HSC/47/VOL.111/003 on request for statement from the Department of Health. Speaker Sir is attached herein is very elaborate information of all levels beginning from level 3 distributed staff in Baringo which would clearly answer the question sought by Hon. Sitoi.

Mr. Speaker Sir, it is a long list that I bear Hon. Sitoi and ask Hon. Members to go through the list because it is very elaborate. In case a member wants clarification from the statement I am ready to clarify.

Mr. Speaker, I know Hon. Sitoi is satisfied. The last bit is, the answer is already here but to add to that going forward we as a department have made arrangements to renew the contract for all the staff whose contracts will be expiring in June 2023...

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Lokorio you have issued a statement and where is it in the response?

Hon. Lokorio: The information is found within this document I was only emphasizing that we are not badly off in terms of staffing Mr. Speaker sir.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Lokorio next time let the CEC put all the information in writing because what you are telling us we do not know if it is your own formulation or given...proceed

Hon. Lokorio: Guided Mr. Speaker sir. With that I ask members for Committee on Health Services to allow members to give input on the statement, thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Lemlem.

Hon. Lemlem: Thank you Mr. Speaker I applaud the Committee they have tried; these are baby steps and they are heading on the right direction. However, a quick scan on the document is that the Referral Hospital has a total of 265 staff yet that hospital has always been in the media for poor service delivery. I doubt if the mentioned personnel are present and in my submission is that can the Committee put names and faces on these numbers otherwise this House is likely to be misled.

The Chair is new in the House compared to us who were in the previous Assembly. Health issues are more complicated. I was with the committee in the previous Assembly and I insist that faces need to be put in these numbers and it would help Baringo in knowing them.

For example, a whole referral hospital has one accountant, a mortuary attendant is one. These numbers are not genuine and I beg this House that it is high time we put faces and names to these numbers. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Miriam Katurkana.

Hon. Katurkana: Thank you Mr. Speaker. In regard to this list, I can see from Nginyang' health center where I come from, we don't have a nutritionist. We have 2 nurses and it is a lie to say that we have one community health worker and also for the small health centers like Nyaunyau and Tuwo, the nurses who are supposed to be working there are in Nginyang' health center. It is good for the health committee to see to it that nurses posted to those small health centers are in their respective centers.

Also, the community health workers in Nginyang' health center are the ones doing the nutritionist's work and they are almost 10. I oppose this because it is not in order. This statement is based on guess work because we come from that place. Where did they get that one nutritionist and community worker?

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Lolgisoi

Hon. Lolgisoi: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I dispute some information given to us as not accurate. One, Kiserian Dispensary is missing. There was a clinical officer attached to Kiserian. He was given a study leave and was later posted to Kabarnet. Currently that facility does not have a medical practitioner, clinical officer or a nurse. We also have erroneous information indicating that Mukutani dispensary was taken to Tiaty Sub-County instead of Marigat Sub-County. So when you assign haphazardly without assigning facilities where they are supposed to be, how can I oversight this? In fact that facility is supposed to be renovated because people are resettling after they were displaced by floods and we want clear information.

This report may have been prepared elsewhere not by the CEC of health services because to the best of my knowledge, Mukutani is in Baringo South, Marigat District. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Keter.

Hon. Sharon: Thank you Mr. Speaker. First I congratulate the Committee for doing a better job than they did last time. I have looked at question 4, of the Statement by Hon. Sitoi on; what is the department doing to ensure that all health facilities have the minimum requisite staff for optimal operations?

I don't think this question has been answered. In this document, there are dispensaries where there are zero health workers. They either ignored this question because there is nothing that they are doing to ensure the facilities have enough health workers to give quality and efficient health services to the people of Baringo County.

They should go back again and give proper answers. I back up what Hon. Lemlem has said and we want to see the department putting names to these numbers. I also agree with Hon. Miriam Katurkana that this seems to be guess work which is so unfortunate and we don't want people to take the issue of health carelessly. The Constitution provides that every person has a right to access quality health services. I ask the Chair Health Committee to take this matter...I know you are taking this matter seriously but put more effort to it.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Linah Sote.

Hon. Linah: Asante kwa nafasi hii Mhe. Spika. Nilikuwa napitia hizi hospitali na nikapata kwamba zingine hazina mfanyikazi hata mmoja ilhali Baringo kuna mahali ambapo kuna adhari kwa wanyama kama nyoka. Ningependa Mwenyekiti atusaidie tena kutuletea habari sahihi kwanini hospitali hazina madaktari.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Jeruto.

Hon. Kiptalla: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I have three comments to make about this report. First, the Committee on Health Services is not serious because one, in the County Referral Hospital's last report, there were subordinate staff who were not in this list and today they are not there. Two, the Chairman Health Services is not doing his work because honestly you cannot bring a report to this House which is incomplete and the level which the Speaker has put this Committee is on a very serious note. Actually they have been given a red line but they are still bringing very shoddy work to the House.

(Applause)

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): It seems we have exhausted...Hon. Kiprono.

Hon. Kiprono: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I agree with the other Members that the Chair and the whole committee should be serious because if you look at the list on my Ward, Kabimoi dispensary which has 2 staff and at the end of the summary it has one nurse. Who are these other staffs? Is he a ghost worker? We need to know the other staff. Another thing is on the summary at the end. You find that...this thing was done hurriedly and instead of even putting the name of a Sub-County, look at a place they have written Kabartonjo instead of Baringo North. Or is it only Kabartonjo hospital? Is there no dispensary inn Barwessa or any other place?

They have even given us Marigat instead of Baringo South. It was done hurriedly and I ask the Committee to be a bit serious so that when they bring a document it should be owned before bringing it to the House.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Siriti and Hon. Jerotich, who is senior because all of you are second, term MCAs?

(Laughter)

Let's go to Hon. Jerotich because she was in the first Assembly. On that basis she becomes your senior.

Hon. Kiptui: Asante Mhe. Spika. Ukiangalia hii ripoti, utaona ya kuwa hawa watu wenye wako katika hii kamati ya afya hakuna kazi yenye wanafanya kwa sababu ukiangalia kama Baringo Central, Sacho, unaona ya kuwa kuna nurse mmoja. Wakati huyu nurse hayuko, nani uhudumia watu? Inamaanisha kuwa hii hospitali hufungwa. Ningetaka tufuatilie ripoti kamili kwa sababu watu wanaumia sana hata ukienda hapa Hospitali ya Rufaa...

(Loud Consultations)

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Lekakimon...

(Laughter)

Hon. Kiptui: Tunamaanisha ya kuwa watu wanaumia na tunataka Mwenyekiti wa kamati ya afya tafadhali turudi pale tuulize mwenye alileta hii ripoti kwa sababu naona tunadanganyana na watu wanaumia. Sisi kama Waheshimiwa tuko hapa kuwatetea watu wetu wa Baringo. Bw. Spika ningependa umwambie mwenye anasimamia kamati ya Afya arudi nyuma na atuletee ripoti ingine. Hii si ripoti.

(Laughter)

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Diana Siriti

Hon. Siriti: Thank you Mr. Speaker...

(Loud Consultations)

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Members, kindly consult in low tone.

Hon. Siriti: I submit a concern that I am the most senior member because I have consecutively served for 2 terms.

(Laughter)

I have some concern on this statement. If you see for Churo health center or the centers that are in Churo/Amaya Ward, in Churo Amaya they said that we have 4 nurses and RCOs are two and one lab technician. Mr. Speaker, I am there 24/7 and the report that they have gave is a lie. Mr. Speaker maybe the department takes past reports but recent reports should be submitted to this House. Maybe they didn't do a research on this statement.

Mr. Speaker question four that Hon. Sitoi, I asked, what is the department doing to ensure that all health facilities have the minimum requisite staff for optimal operations? Mr. Speaker the department gathered their information without considering this question. What plans to they have to ensure that dispensaries for instance Kasilangwa dispensary have required services because you are now reporting to me that everything there is zero, is that what you were supposed to do?

Mr. Speaker, there is nothing reported to indicate what is going to be done for the dispensary to be operational. The committee should go back and ensure that this report reflects what is in the community and they can see that the Members are representing their interests.

Mr. Speaker issues to do with health are very emotive and taking any reports to come and read in this House... Mr. Speaker, I request my able Chair Hon. Lokorio to go back and bring us another report. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Lolgisoi you can only speak once in a motion but if it is a point of order you have the floor. What is the information?

Hon. Lolgisoi: Mr. Speaker you know numbers don't lie and numbers show certain communication. When you give us a zero then question four giving a zero then zero will tell us that you are doing nothing.

When you score a zero we are telling you that there is no information so to question four, what information are you giving us? Now what we request you Mr. Speaker sir is give a ruling in this House for the Committee to go back or to bring us the CEC to this House for him to hear what we are saying. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Lolgisoi I was looking for the information you were requesting for...

(Laughter)

Hon. Lolgisoi: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Information is about the zero number . Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): What is it Hon. Jeruto you have spoken on this issue. What is your information and I hope it is a genuine one.

Hon. Kiptalla: Mr. Speaker, I would like to inform this House that even the CEC health is not a serious man, the last time this thing was signed for the CEC, this time again the report is signed for, meaning this information is not genuine.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Sitoi.

Hon. Sotoi: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Allow me to take this opportunity to thank the Chair and the committee members ...

(Loud consultations)

Mr. Speaker there is a lot of consultations

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Members let us consult in low tones.

Hon. Sitoi: Mr. Speaker the response that we have received today is an improvement of what we had received in the previous sitting but that notwithstanding when I look at this report, allow me to start from where Hon. Jeruto left. For the previous report someone signed for the CEC health and in this response somebody has also signed and we don't know this person.

Mr. Speaker I don't know whether it is worth discussing this report that has been signed by somebody that we do not know because personally I don't know who signed it.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): What is your point of order Hon. Jerutich

Hon. Kiptui Jerotich: Asante sana Bwana Spika.Mwenye kiti anatuambia kwamba hajui ni nani alitia sahihi...

(Loud consultations)

Lakini ni mwanakamati...

(Laughter)

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Jerotich you are out of order.

(Laughter)

Hon. Sitoi: Thank you Mr. Speaker. That shows how serious this issue is because I believe Hon. Jerotich wanted to raise a serious issue. Mr. Speaker we are discussing a report that we do not know the author and we do not know the person who signed because it has been signed for, and we are discussing a matter that touches on the lives of the residents of Baringo.

Mr. Speaker, I don't know whether the CEC...., if we make recommendations we end up owning this report because looking at this report, yes it is a hybrid of what we received last time, there are some great improvements but then I want to invite Members to look at it carefully.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): What is your point of information Hon. Lemlem?

Hon. Lemlem: Thank you Mr. Speaker. My point of information is that the tradition of this House is that we only debate on a document that has been signed by the cabinet member or the colleague in the absence of a cabinet member because we know this Government is busy so it is hard that we have discussed the information in this House the whole morning that we cannot ascertain who signed it.

Mr. Speaker, I request that you give direction and the minimum as by the standing orders is that if the CEC is not there the report should have been signed by a colleague and the name featured there and in the absence of all the CECs it should be the CS.

This is not a House to be taken left right and center, and I request the learned friend Hon. Lokorio that next time he should be the first guy to disown such document so that the House doesn't go round discussing a strange document. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Sitoi.

Hon. Sitoi: Mr. Speaker I think that is the direction I would want us to take and before that if today I lay some facts fair, if we detail some information in this document, the CEC health ought to be impeached because a serious department like health does not require a joker and I say that with a lot of confidence.

Mr. Speaker, these Members were elected by the people of Baringo who also elected the Governor, so we demand on behalf of those people that we deserve something better especially in health than what we are being served here.

Mr. Speaker I read this report, I wish I would have been supplied with this report earlier but when you look at this report and I want to invite Members from Tiaty to read very carefully, this County has continously marginalized the people of Tiaty.

Mr. Speaker out of this list, the facilities that don't have health staff are 31 and out of that 17 are in Tiaty, 10 are in Baringo North and 4 are in Baringo South. That makes 31. Mr. Speaker, I want to know what we will do as an Assembly to save the people of Tiaty, to save the people of Baringo North and Baringo South.

Mr. Speaker it is not right to say, probably I know the response that someone can give is because nobody wants to work in Tiaty and nobody wants to work in those remote parts of Baringo North and Baringo South.

Mr. Speaker, I know there are people from Tiaty who are nurses, there are people from Baringo South who are nurses and they are willing to work in those areas. Mr. Speaker, I request that we agree that this report is a foreign report, we don't know who authored it, so Mr. Speaker guide us if we are making recommendations on a report that has been authored by somebody that we don't know. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Let me give this opportunity to the health committee to respond to the said issues before I make a ruling.

Hon. Lokorio: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir. I really appreciate that the Hon. Members have taken their good time to go through the report and make their comments. However, your comments at are so inhuman that you cannot even stop to appreciate what we have done. I plead with you that going forward we allow ourselves to improve on what we already have.

Mr. Speaker in responding to the issues raised by Hon. Lemlem, how I wish he was here so that I could ... right. Hon. Lemlem asked whether we could supply names of officers to this House. Mr. Speaker the law and the norm and the ethics don't allow mentioning names of specific people working in health centers unless if it is the management that we are allowed to give the names and the titles.

Otherwise I would like to ask Hon. Lemlem...

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): What is your point of order Hon. Sitoi?

Hon. Sitoi: Mr Speaker I don't think the Chair is right to imply that we cannot give names of the people who are serving the people of Baringo. These are employees who are employed to serve the people of Baringo. If we cannot name them then Mr Speaker who do we have!

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Proceed Hon Logorio, the Chair will give a ruling on those issues.

Hon. Lokorio: Hon Speaker thank you. On that note Hon Speaker, I am guided, if going forward and done consultations on the same that we could only supply names and the titles for officers are at the management level, however, already in a statement that we read last week we realized that we supplied names which have already been read here, names of all the medical officers in every Sub County against the titles and areas of specialization. So I am just answering Hon Lemlem and we can remind ourselves Hon Lemlem on the same names because...

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): What is your point of order Hon Lemlem?

Hon. Lemlem: Thank you Hon Speaker my point of order is that is the member in order to mislead the House. Actually what we read last time was basically numbers like these and again these are our employees and when I said we wanted to put faces to name if they cannot bring the names can the Chair have the names so that we know exactly this is so and so . What I am implying and I am helping the Chair these numbers are cooked and he should just get that and get to the bottom of it. The Chair is not in order to say that we had names last time. We did not have them thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): There are so many points of orders, points of concern. Let me start with Hon Siriti then we go to Hon Jeruto then Hon Sharon

Hon. Siriti: Mr Speaker, I am tempted to say that the committee of health did not sit to peruse this document. They are not aware of what is in this document.

(Applause)

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Chair Health Services Committee you will respond to that.

Hon. Jeruto: Point of information Mr Speaker sir. If the Chair health has refused to give us names of the health officers we can still go to the labour committee to give us the names.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Keter.

Hon. Sharon: Mr Speaker, I want to refer members to the data protection act. I understand that the law prohibits the giving of names but the law also says these people can consent to the giving of this information and since they work in Baringo and they care about the Baringo people then they should give consent and their names can be given to us so that we can make proper review of this matter

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon Jeruto and Hon Sharon once the Speaker will deliver a ruling he will address those issues. What is it Hon Lekakimon is it a point of order?

(Laughter)

Hon. Lekakimon: Thank you Mr Speaker, according to your ruling you said members of the health committee to react.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): The Chair health is still on the floor once he finishes, I will give you chance to react.

Hon. Lekakimon: Thank you Mr Speaker.

Hon. Lokorio: Thank you Mr Speaker and we stand guided all the time. Mr Speaker, I just want to again ask members to relax we will reach where we want to go. Hon Sitoi sought this question I believe with the reason that we want to improve service delivery in Baringo County. As such let us indulge so that we are able to see how best we can serve our people and we will only do that in this House. So you bear with us allow us to provide the information that we have as members of the committee and as your colleagues.

With that I want to respond to the concerns raised by Hon Katurkana. Nginyang Health facility and Nyaunyau health facility, with due respect health sector is a very serious sector. Nobody would wake up and make a weird statement. They are so guided and so there is nothing like

guess work. Unless we did not satisfy you with the answers. I want to inform you that we did not do a guess work and going forward maybe we can go deeper to look into the concerns that you may not have also realized we provided and there we go.

Hon. Lolgisoi information again that we were supplying a statement that are not very accurate, yes Kiserian clinical officer who was posted was brought back to County referral hospital. I think that was a mistake and probably we want to own the fact that if there was such a mistake we will go back to the CEC and repost not necessarily the same but another officer to your station. So you will bear with us and allow us to look into that. Mukutani, I think it was a typing error it is not in Marigat but Baringo South.

Hon Members you realize that most of the information that is in the data base is probably the old reporting so we could only improve and because of this report we will have time to improve on these small things that instead of Marigat it is Baringo South. Hon. Lolgisoi your statement to the effect that we have not supplied information was so unfair to us. We already supplied the information maybe not adequate but going forward we will guide the Hon CEC so that he will address the small concerns. Thank you for making your very good statement

Hon Keter sought answers to question 4 of Hon Sitoi's statement that is what were we going to do. To respond to that Hon Speaker as I said we have the UHC programme and in this programme Hon Speaker and as guided earlier I think I agree that CEC should have supplied the information attaching and stating that we already have a renewal contract for the medical staff that the contracts are already expired. Renewed to begin from the 1st July 2022. In areas that we have zero posting and again you will realize that we have a problem as a County in every sector be it in agriculture, health or water we still have problems to do with staffing. Going forward, I am sure the same will be addressed adequately.

However, Hon Keter I want to appreciate the fact that indeed you made a statement that we did good work despite the fact that it was not satisfactory that was your statement. Thank you so much. On your statement again you asked whether we can supply names of all the staff against probably their level of training. I stand guided by Hon Speaker and has he has said he will make a ruling on the same so I will not dwell on that we will be guided.

Hon Lina statement on snake bites and anti-venom; her statement is a very good one and it has come at a very good time. As a department we have discussed at our level and we have given our recommendations on what should be done going forward and we already have an elaborate system on installing coolers or refrigerators in every health facility in areas that have problems to do with snake bites.

Hon Jeruto thank you for your statement and I just want to respond by saying most of these reports could be having some typing errors and we will improve on that but I appreciate the fact that the report at this level is complete and maybe we only need to improve on it. Going forward please don't hit us too hard we will improve.

Hon Kiprono asked a question to do with Kabimoi health facility and said there is only one staff so I appreciate again the earlier statement that I had made that we could be using the old system of reporting. We are working on a very elaborate health system management that is so modern that we are in the process of installing in all health facility in the level of sub County so going

forward Hon Kiprono we will improve on that. You mentioned about who signed the document I will allow members that are in this committee to prepare so that we can handle the same together.

Hon Jeruto saying that no job has been done honestly speaking there is a job done because we already have a report and if you can be so kind allow us to only improve on the report. We are not lying to ourselves neither are we lying to the department or the CEC. We only need to relax and we will move forward together.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon Logorio, kindly address the members through the Speaker.

Hon. Lokorio: I am guided Hon Speaker. Hon Siriti asked about staffing issues in Churo Amaya Ward, it is true yes but we cannot handle that specifically as a committee on what could be happening there for now, I would wish that Hon. Siriti gives us time for us to supply her with an answer as soon as she wants.

On Question IV as sought by Hon. Siriti about Kasilagwa dispensary, I am sure that with this report we will utilize it to improve on such areas, I am sure that should it be that these people were there then you will not have realized that there was a problem, however I want to appreciate the fact that you are there always and I would encourage that we share so that we can improve service delivery to our people.

Lastly, on the concern raised by Hon. Sitoi... Mr. Speaker, on the response as to why the signature therein does not bear the name of the CEC, as a committee we will find out why someone else signed twice on behalf of the CEC however I want to inform you that every bit of this information tells us that it came from health department, just look at the logo, stamping, dating and all these, however if we indeed wanted the CEC to sign then Hon. Speaker we stand guided so that going forward we will also ask them to have information that originates from the respective CECs.

Mr. Speaker, Health department is a very busy department and we have people who are positioned at various levels assigned to certain duties, in my experience having worked in the Ministry of Health for more than 20 Years, what is so important is the information, whoever signs may not... I know we are legislatures and we need a thorough work, I then want to ask Hon. Sitoi that going forward so that it becomes very specific... but as a medical officer we would wish to note that any person designated at that level to sign is allowed to sign so long as it is a true picture of what is happening within the Health facilities.

The Hon. Sitoi, I want you to appreciate all of us for the very good work we've done and indeed yes you have said that this is a hybrid of what we had already supplied last week, with the same spirit kindly give us the opportunity and appreciate us that we have the hybrid product compared to the last one and allow us to improve.

Hon. Lemlem, I want to appreciate the fact that you appreciated us however we will improve on a few things the way we have just said.

On matters of Tiaty as raised by Hon. Sitoi, honestly speaking Tiaty Sub-County has a lot of insecurity problems and I am sure even Hon. Members from that area will appreciate to the fact that it could only be very ideal if the natives would work in that area, otherwise you post an

officer from Mumberes Eldama Ravine, he will find a lot of difficulties working there, we must appreciate certain things and know what we can do.

Hon. Speaker, going forward I think if Hon. Sitoi is really concerned with how we could help the people of Tiaty then we can propose that the ministry members....

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): What is the point of order Hon. Siriti...

Hon. Siriti: Mr. Speaker I want to correct what Hon. Lokorio that he said about Tiaty being affected by insecurity, Mr. Speaker we don't have to generalize issues, the place where I represent and where I come from that is Churo is a safe place just like where here, so one should not generalize the entire Tiaty and take advantage by saying that Tiaty is insecure hence they cannot be supplied with the services in Baringo County.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Lokorio, I think you need to summarize and noting what Hon. Siriti has stated that not all parts of Tiaty are insecure and as such you need to be factual in your findings so that we don't bring in other issues, kindly wind up and respond to the issue raised by Hon. Siriti whether the Committee of Health discussed on this. I also need to get an opportunity to respond on the same on the available opportunity.

Hon. Lokorio: Thank you Mr. Speaker for your guidance, going forward Mr. Speaker I will not generalize, I will address every area as you have guided. I was concluding by saying that Hon. Siriti asked whether we went through the statement, Mr. Speaker we have had four meetings since last week on Tuesday with the committee and Hon. Siriti is asking whether we went through this report, Mr. Speaker we've had a lot of meetings as a committee doing consultation and finding out whether we are on the right track and indeed we own the report.

Mr. Speaker, we are only asking that going forward we will improve where we may not have really satisfied your concerns, thank you Mr. Speaker and allow me to ask me to ask the Hon. Members that serve in the committee to give their contributions and I want to begin with the Hon. Vice Chair to say something...

(Laughter)

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Lokorio, I asked you to give the response to the question asked by Hon. Siriti whether the committee had a chance to discuss this report and if they had then I will not give them the opportunity because they had an opportunity to interrogate their report...

Hon. Lokorio: Mr. Speaker we are working seamlessly as a team, there may be response that I may not have satisfactorily responded to, allow me Mr. Speaker to give one or two members to help me...

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Let us hear Hon. Ng'otie

Hon. Ng'otie: Thank you Mr. Speaker, you see Mr. Speaker we are dealing with a Chairman who is not aware whether he is the CEC or the Chairman or the Speaker...

(Laughter)

Kindly sir I think he needs an induction to know where he is supposed to act up to and where the CEC takes over, he is confused and I think we reject this report and then we get a proper report and he should know that he is the Chair but not the CEC and he cannot give direction who to speak and who to help him, thank you.

(Applause)

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Lekakimon, as a member of Health Committee confirm to me because if you had an opportunity to discuss then I am not going to give you a chance.

Hon. Lekakimon: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, it is true that I am a member of the committee and I want to give some contribution concerning this, Mr. Speaker sir....

(Loud Consultations)

I will answer your question Mr. Speaker sir, just give me....

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Lekakimon that will help me to know whether I will give you audience or not because if you had an opportunity to consider the report then I will not give you the opportunity.

Hon. Lekakimon: We didn't have the opportunity to go through the report and I want to speak my mind

(Laughter)

Mr. Speaker sir, Just give me time to speak...

(Loud consultations)

As much as I own the report as a committee member, we also must consider to own a report with some amendment and some way forward, Mr. Speaker sir, the committee of Health Services constitute members from all the Sub-Counties, we have representatives from every Sub-County in this committee and if we could have met and interrogated the report then Tiaty could have been addressed by the members that come from Tiaty and any other issue that has been raised.

I want to say Mr. Speaker that in any committee going forward before the report is brought to the Assembly the committee should sit with the CEC and the people concern to interrogate so that when a document comes to this Assembly then we are all going to protect and defend the report because we had a discussion over it, in fact as I stand here one of my dispensary is omitted that Kailer dispensary, it is not in the report and I am a member of the committee...

(Laughter)

What I want to say Mr. Speaker...

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): What is the point of information Hon. Sitoi?

Hon. Sitoi: You know Hon. Speaker when we were in campaigns there is something Hon. Lesonet used to call *Ponuek* and this member has been in transit always when we have our committee meetings, we had deliberations with the Chairman and other members of this committee, to try to allude that this committee is not responsible and that we have not met is misleading Hon. Speaker, we met and discussed the report and I would request that the concerns

he has should be brought to the committee after this session and then we can guide him but we will not agree that the committee never sat and agreed.

Hon. Lekakimon: Mr. Speaker I am a senior Member of this Assembly, and so health is of concern to all of us, Mr. Speaker as I talk of health as a committee member I also know that I am affected as a representative of my Ward and anything that is here ...

(Loud consultations)

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Members let us hear from Hon. Lekakimon in silence.

Hon. Lekakimon: Mr. Speaker you see, when you insinuate that some members are travelling it should be known that we have duties that you have assigned us and we have duties that members do, we even members who are in Nairobi on duties of this House. So we cannot peg a report that was not fully answered as a member of the committee and you want us to say it is a true report.

Statement number four is not addressed in this report and that is where we wanted as a committee that we don't want any health center to be zero, we may ask the department to employ some people so that all the health facilities have people to work and attend to people. Mr. Speaker, when members come here and defend a report that require some amendment then we are misleading the House and the people who will be affected are the people on the ground.

Mr. Speaker, we are always concerned with the referral of the County, we are concerned about the officers working in the County, Mr. Speaker I raised this issue in the Committee that we have medical superintendents who are working in Nairobi, Eldoret and the like towns and they are earning from this County and we telling this House that we are defending and representing the people of Baringo, if a person is working elsewhere and he is earning from here is it right to say that things are going right?

Mr. Speaker we want to give this House a report that is valid and we need to correct the messes and this House can give direction for any officer who is working outside this County and yet he/she is earning in this County has to be corrected. Mr. Speaker when you tell me in my Ward I have two clinical officers and I have just come from there and that Hospital the other day was in PIC and PAC report that nobody is there what are we telling this Assembly, so what we want to say going forward, give this committee time to meet with the CEC for health and the director for health to interrogate this report and bring to this House a report that will work in the Assembly, thank you Mr. Speaker.

(Applause)

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon Sitoi you are lifting your hand and... this is a House of rules and procedures you cannot stand and talk. Hon. Robert.

Hon. Cheruiyot Kiplagat: Thank you Hon. Speaker I apologize for arriving late. We have had meetings and at the rise of the Assembly we will be meeting the CEC again concerning this particular department of Health. Mr. Speaker something I have observed in the department as the Chair had said we were informed that we cannot list the names of the staff here. You get to appreciate that there are some departments in Government like intelligence you cannot give the names of officers serving on those departments. We were informed that the names cannot be

given and we need to move from that direction. We appreciate members for this report that it is giving us the right photos and latitude so that each member can check in their respective dispensaries for oversight. Once they exhausted what is in these report and countercheck and even know the names from their wards. If we put the pressure on the committee to provide the name of an individual then we may not be able to utilize the report as it should.

Mweshimiwa from churo if there is a dispensary that does not have a staff let us use this opportunity to find reasons why we don't have anybody serving there then we push the department to employ one. In Kabimoi for example it is indicated that there are two support staff and one nurse the MCA has confirmed that the nurse is available and he knows the nurse by name so we don't need to provide the name for him but he is saying that the other two staff are not available and he does not know where they are. What he needs to do as a representative of the people and for purposes of oversight let him go and ask the community about committees sitting in that particular dispensary why the staff indicated in the report are not available and what their names are.

If we use a collaborative approach and a broader way of doing oversight in this Assembly we will maximize our results but if we start checking what the committee has not done without exhausting ...

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): What's the point of information Hon. Sitoi?

Hon. Sitoi: Mr. Speaker when I listen to members talk, the committee on Health Services is responsible to take care of the health of the people of Baringo County. When you look at this thing and you listen to Hon. Robert talk Mr. Speaker sometimes I get annoyed because if you say that you interrogated this report and you did not even realize that question four was not responded to and there are major disparities to this thing. Mr. Speaker I did not want to contribute because I wanted you to rule that this report is foreign to this House.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Sitoi what is the information?

Hon. Sitoi: Mr. Speaker the information is that these members of health are supposed to tackle issues that affect our people, Mr. Speaker look at the balancing of health officers.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Sitoi you are debating the report.

Hon. Sitoi: Mr. Speaker the information is that the health committee need to be factual if they had quorum in that meeting that they are purporting to have held let them tell us who were the members and we also want to see the attendance register of that meeting

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Now that's a point of information

Hon. Cheruiyot Kiplagat: Mr. Speaker Hon. Sitoi is focused on question four which is saying what is the department doing to ensure that all health facilities have the minimum staff for optimal operation. We cannot be able to provide all this document will give us the right foundation for us to proceed to other...

(Loud consultations)

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Let us give Hon. Robert an opportunity to talk all of you will get a chance

Hon. Cheruiyot Kiplagat: Hon. Sitoi is the Chair on the committee of lands and if you check that particular committee there is lack of enforcement officers in that department.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Robert kindly restrict yourself to the report and kindly wind up.

Hon. Cheruiyot Kiplagat: Mr. Speaker kindly allow us to use the report to help us in this Assembly and the County as a whole.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): What's the point of order Hon. Siriti and Hon. Lokorio

Hon. Siriti: Mr. Speaker sir we are in this Assembly of Baringo and we are being paid for sitting here. When the committee sits and does not provide correct information it means that they are testing us. How can the Chair sit twice for a meeting yet he cannot give the correct information. We are here to serve the people of Baringo and if you are not ready then leave the committee we look for another member who is ready to serve us.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): What's the point of order Hon. Sitoi.

Hon. Sitoi: Are the members of health committee in order to tell us that they had a meeting and they are not giving us evidence of that meeting to discuss these deliberations

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Lokorio.

Hon. Lokorio: Mr. Speaker with a lot of respect

(Loud consultations)

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Members lets respect the House. This is a House of rules and procedures.

Hon. Lokorio: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I think we are almost taking the wrong direction. If a member can ask that we provide a list of attendance honestly speaking.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Lokorio you are on a point of order what's your point?

Hon. Lokorio: My point of order Mr. Speaker as directed earlier as I said if a member feels that the information provided is not adequate give us time to provide the inadequacy because we already provided information.

The Speaker (Hon. Kemboi): Hon. Lokorio that's not a point of order. Any other person from the heath committee.

Hon. Members we have had an opportunity to hear all the members concerning the issue and the response to the statement by Hon. Sitoi and as you can see from the responses from the debate this morning it's a weighty issue and so many points of orders have been raised which the Speaker needs to give a ruling on the same. Allow me to adjourn the ruling to 2:30pm this afternoon I will deliver a well thought ruling on the same and give further directions.

ADJOURNMENT

Order members! This House stands adjourned till this afternoon at 2:30pm.

The House rose at 10.00AM

