

BARINGO COUNTY GOVERNMENT

**SECOND ASSEMBLY
(No. 070)**



**FIFTH SESSION
(210)**

BARINGO COUNTY ASSEMBLY SECOND ASSEMBLY – (FIFTH SESSION) ORDERS OF THE DAY

WEDNESDAY 7TH JULY, 2021 AT 9:30 AM

ORDER OF BUSINESS

PRAYERS:

1. Administration of Oath
2. Communication from the Chair
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7. Statements
8. Motions/Bills

7. STATEMENTS

018/2021 Hon. Musa Cheruyiot, MCA, Koibatek Ward, seeks a statement from the **Chairperson Environment and Natural Resources Committee** on the following matters of great concern:

- i. If he is aware that Sabatia Forest, Esageri Forest and Koibatek Forest respectively have collectively been the bedrock of food security and bread basket of Eldama Ravine-Sub County and in extension the entire county through the sustainable *Shamba System*?
- ii. Is he further aware that the Kenya Forest Service (KFS) and the communities living around these forests have had a symbiotic relationship through the said *Shamba System* having practised it from the pre-independence era till last year 2020 when a circular from the Cabinet Secretary for Environment and Natural Resources outlawed planting of maize within the said forests which has been the sole source of livelihood of our people?
- iii. Is he aware that the affected farmers have been planting and caring for tree seedlings and taking care of tree plantations and in return they used to be awarded small parcels of land within the forests upon registration to till and plant their crops as they protect the said forests?
- iv. Is he further aware that most of the affected people are landless (natives of Baringo County) whose lives have now been disrupted since they depended on this system to earn their sustenance and livelihoods?
- v. What measures has the county government put in place to ensure that the affected families do not starve due to acute food shortage and do find an

alternative source of livelihood if decision to scrap *the Shamba System* in these particular forests is not reversed?

(NEW)

019/2021: Hon. John Tarus, MCA, Sacho Ward, seeks a statement from the **Chairperson Water and Irrigation Committee** on the following matters of concern:

- i. If he is aware that there has been acute shortage of water in Kabarnet town frequently and for a long period of time?
- ii. If he is further aware that the power was disconnected recently by the Kenya Power and Lightning Company (KPLC) due to accrued unpaid water bills?
- iii. What measures has the County Government put in place to rectify water scarcity and come up with permanent solution including a cheaper source of power?

(NEW)

ADJOURNMENT