



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT – (FOURTH SESSION)

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDERS OF THE DAY

TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2016 AT 2.30 P.M

ORDER OF BUSINESS

PRAYERS

1. Administration of Oath
2. Communication from the Chair
3. Messages
4. Petitions
5. Papers
6. Notices of Motion
7. Statements

8*. MOTION – ADOPTION OF THE REPORT ON THE BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2016/2017
(The Chairperson, Budget and Appropriations Committee)

THAT, this House adopts the Report of the Budget and Appropriations Committee on the Budget Estimates for the National Government, the Judiciary and Parliament for the Financial Year 2016/2017, laid on the Table of the House on Tuesday, 7th June, 2016 and pursuant to the provisions of Section 39 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 and Standing Orders 235 and 239, **approves** the issuance of a sum of **Kshs. 1,674,321,238,405** from the Consolidated Fund to meet the expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2017 in respect of the Votes, as indicated in the First Schedule, and the issuance of a sum of **Ksh. 12,400,000,000** from the Equalization Fund to meet the expenditures as indicated in the Second Schedule **subject to:-**

(i) inserting the following new sub-paragraphs immediately after the sub-paragraph (d) under further recommendations on page 39–

(e) *Allocate Ksh 4,896,765,057 for the recurrent expenditures for the 'Senate Affairs' programme under the vote Parliamentary Service Commission.*

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- (f) Allocate Ksh 4,985,234,943 for the recurrent expenditures for the 'General Administration, Planning and Support Services' programme under the Vote Parliamentary Service Commission.*
- (g) Allocate Ksh 3,200,000,000 for the development expenditures for the 'General Administration, Planning and Support Services' programme under the vote Parliamentary Service Commission.*
- (h) Allocate Ksh 15,348,000,000 for the recurrent expenditures for the 'National Legislation, Representation and Oversight' programme under the National Assembly.*
- (ii) inserting a new sub-paragraph (xxii) under Paragraph 98 (Recommendations) as follows:
- (xxii) Increase the capital allocation to the Vote 1065 State Department for University Education under the programme University Education for Turkana University by Kshs 600 Million.*
- (iii) inserting a new sub-paragraph (xxiii) under Paragraph 99 (Recommendations) as follows-
- (xxiii) Reduce the capital allocation to the State Department for Energy under the programme Power Transmission and Distribution programme by Kshs. 600 Million from the following: Ksh 300 million from Turkwel-Lokichar line and Kshs. 300 million from off-grid diesel power stations.*
- (iv) inserting the following new sub-paragraph immediately after the sub-paragraph (d) under further recommendations on page 39 –
- (e) Allocate additional Ksh 1,000,000,000 to the development expenditure for the 'Economic Policy and National Planning' programme under the Vote State Department for Planning and Statistics for the National Government Constituencies Development Fund.*
- (v) deleting the words appearing immediately after the words *'Equalization Fund and that'* appearing under 'further recommendations (c)' on page 38 and inserting therefor the words -

'Consultations be done with the leadership of the respective marginalized counties on the distribution of these funds before the enactment of the Appropriation Bill for 2016/2017.'

- (vi) inserting the following new sub-paragraphs immediately after paragraph (d) under the further recommendations on page 39 –
- (e) Increase the Recurrent Expenditures for the ‘Senate Affairs’ programme under the Vote Parliamentary Service Commission by Kshs.500,000,000;*
 - (f) Increase the Development Expenditures for the ‘General Administration, Planning and Support Services’ programme under the Vote Parliamentary Service Commission by Kshs.950,000,000;*
 - (g) Increase the Recurrent Expenditures for the ‘National Legislation, Representation and Oversight’ programme under the Vote National Assembly by Kshs.1,600,000,000;*
 - (h) Reduce the Development Expenditure for the ‘General Administration, Planning and Support Services’ programme under the Vote Judicial Service Commission by Kshs.1,000,000,000; and*
 - (j) Reduce the Recurrent Expenditure for the ‘General Administration, Planning and Support services’ programme under the Vote Judicial Service Commission by Kshs.261,000,000.*
- (vii) by deleting sub-paragraph (xvi) under increments relating to Lake Basin Development Authority (LBDA) on page 34;
- (viii) by deleting sub-paragraph (xvii) and (xviii) under increments on page 34 and substituting thereof with the following -
- (xvii) Increase Kshs.700 million for Tourism Development and Promotion Programme under the Ministry of Tourism for the following:
 - Tourism Finance Corporation by Kshs.500 million for onward lending in line with the corporation’s mandate.
 - Ronald Ngala Utalii College by Kshs.200 million for construction and civil works.
 - (xviii) Increase Kshs. 200 million to Trade Development and Promotion under the Ministry of Tourism towards the construction of access road to Meru National Park.
- (ix) Increase recurrent allocation by Kshs.50 million to the General Administration, Planning and Support Services Programme for the National Treasury towards the Kenya Trade Networks.
- (x) Deleting the sub-paragraphs (xv), (xvi), (xviii), (xix) and (xx) under reductions on page 36 and 37 and replacing it with the following –

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(xv) Reduce KSh. 457 million of the proposed capital expenditure from the State Department for Special Initiatives Programme under Model Street Family Rehabilitation Centre in the Ministry of Devolution and Planning.

(xviii) Reduce capital allocation Kshs. 376.2 million under General Administration, Planning and Support Services Programme in the National Treasury from the following:-

- Rehabilitation and Expansion of Herufi Data Centre by Kshs. 120 million.*
- Upgrading, Integration of Pension Management by Kshs. 31 million*
- Equity and subscriptions in International Financial Institutions by Kshs. 47.7 million.*
- Establishment of secure and coordinated border control by Kshs. 17 million.*
- Treasury-Bima-Herufi Security System –car scanners, fire system, CCTV by Kshs. 10.5 million.*
- State Officers and Public Officers Car Loan Scheme Fund by Kshs. 150 million.*
- Public Sector Accounting Standards Board by Kshs. 10 million.*

(xix) Reduce capital allocation Kshs. 463.4 million under Public Financial Management Programme in the National Treasury from the following:-

- Renewal of Oracle Licences, Annual support for IFMIS Applications and Hardware by Kshs. 50 million.*
- Development, Implementation of IFMIS Academy & Oracle SOA Suite by Kshs. 50 million.*
- Installation, Operationalization of Data Recovery by Kshs. 156.4 million.*
- Provision of Procure to Pay–System Integration for Parastatals by Kshs. 200 million.*
- The National Sub-County Treasury Services by Kshs. 7 million.*

(xx) Reduce capital allocation Kshs. 50 million under Economic and Financial Policy Formulation and Management Programme from Professional capacity development for policy analysts in the National Treasury.

- (xi) effecting the consequential amendments to the total sum approved and the First schedule accordingly."

(Motion as Amended)

(Question to be put)

9*. SPECIAL MOTION – FORMULA FOR EQUITABLE SHARING OF NATIONAL REVENUE ALLOCATED TO COUNTIES

(The Chairperson, Budget and Appropriations Committee)

THAT, pursuant to the provisions of Article 217 of the Constitution, as read together with Section 16 of the Sixth Schedule to the Constitution, this House **concurs** with the Senate and **approves** the following Second Basis for Equitable Sharing of National Revenue allocated to Counties:

No.	Parameter	Current Formula (First Basis)	Proposed Formula (Second Basis)
1.	Population	45%	45%
2.	Basic Equal Share	25%	26%
3.	Poverty	20%	18%
4.	Land Area	8%	8%
5.	Fiscal Responsibility	2%	2%
6.	Development Factor	-	1%
	TOTAL	100%	100%

10*. THE KENYA ROADS BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 26 OF 2015)

(The Leader of the Majority Party)

Second Reading

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, June 14, 2016)

11*. THE WAREHOUSE RECEIPTS SYSTEM BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 12 OF 2015)

(The Leader of the Majority Party)

Second Reading

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, March 10, 2016)

**12*. THE PUBLIC FINANCE MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL
(NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 4 OF 2015)**

(The Leader of the Majority Party)

Second Reading

**13*. THE KENYA REGIMENT (TERRITORIAL FORCE) (REPEAL) BILL
(NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 39 OF 2015)**

(The Leader of the Majority Party)

Second Reading

**14*. THE COUNTY ALLOCATION OF REVENUE BILL (SENATE BILL
NO.3 OF 2016)**

(The Chairperson, Budget and Appropriations Committee)

Second Reading

(Resumption of debate adjourned on Wednesday, June 15, 2016 – Afternoon Sitting)

**15*. THE ELECTION LAWS (AMENDMENT) (No.3) BILL (NATIONAL
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 63 OF 2015)**

(The Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs)

Second Reading

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, June 07, 2016)

**16*. THE COUNTY ASSEMBLIES POWERS AND PRIVILEGES BILL (SENATE
BILL NO. 14 OF 2014)**

(The Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs)

Second Reading

**17*. THE PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS (COUNTY ASSEMBLIES APPROVAL)
BILL (SENATE BILL NO. 20 OF 2014)**

(The Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Administration and National Security)

Second Reading

**18*. THE POTATO PRODUCE AND MARKETING BILL (SENATE BILL NO. 22
OF 2014)**

(The Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Cooperatives)

Second Reading

*** Denotes Orders of the Day**

N O T I C E S

The House resolved on Wednesday, February 10, 2016 as follows:-

- I. **THAT**, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 97(4), each speech in a debate on a **Report of a Committee**, including a Report of a Joint Committee of the Houses of Parliament or any other Report submitted to the House, shall be limited as follows: - A maximum of sixty (60) minutes for the Mover in moving and thirty (30) minutes in replying, and a maximum of ten (10) minutes for any other Member speaking, except the Leader of the Majority Party and the Leader of the Minority Party, who shall be limited to a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes each; and that priority be accorded to the Leader of the Majority Party and the Leader of the Minority Party, in that Order.

 - II. **THAT**, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 97(4), each speech in a debate on **Bills sponsored by a Committee, the Leader of the Majority Party or the Leader of the Minority Party** shall be limited as follows:- A maximum of forty five (45) minutes for the Mover, in moving and fifteen minutes (15) in replying, a maximum of thirty (30) minutes for the Chairperson of the relevant Committee (if the Bill is not sponsored by the relevant Committee), and a maximum of ten (10) minutes for any other Member speaking, except the Leader of the Majority Party and the Leader of the Minority Party, who shall be limited to a maximum of fifteen Minutes (15) each (if the Bill is not sponsored by either of them); and that priority in speaking be accorded to the Leader of the Majority Party, the Leader of the Minority Party and the Chairperson of the relevant Departmental Committee, in that Order.
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NOTICE PAPER

Tentative business for

Wednesday (Morning), June 22, 2016

(Published pursuant to Standing Order 38(1))

It is notified that the House Business Committee, at their last meeting, approved the following **tentative** business to appear in the Order Paper for Wednesday (Morning), June 22, 2016:-

A. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE

The Banking Bill (Amendment) Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 62 of 2015)
(The Hon. Jude Njomo, M.P.)

B. MOTION - DECLARATION OF CATTLE RUSTLING AS A NATIONAL DISASTER & ESTABLISHMENT OF A SPECIAL FUND FOR VICTIMS

(The Hon. William Cheptumo, M.P.)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Wednesday, April 20, 2016 – Morning Sitting)

(Balance of time 2hrs 30 min.)

C. MOTION – DECLARATION OF KAMUKUNJI GROUNDS A PROTECTED NATIONAL MONUMENT

(The Hon. Yusuf Hassan, M.P.)

D. MOTION – PROVISION OF WATER TO ALL PUBLIC FACILITIES

(The Hon. Andrew Mwandime, M.P.)

E. MOTION – PROVISION OF HONORARIUM FOR VILLAGE ELDERS

(The Hon. Malulu Injendi, M.P.)

NOTICE PAPER II

Tentative business for

Wednesday (Afternoon), June 22, 2016

(Published pursuant to Standing Order 38(1))

It is notified that the House Business Committee, at their last meeting, approved the following tentative business to appear in the Order Paper for Wednesday (Afternoon), June 22, 2016:-

A. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE

The Miscellaneous Fees and Levies Bill (National Assembly Bill No. 30 of 2015)
(The Leader of the Majority Party)

B. THE KENYA ROADS BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 26 OF 2015)

(The Leader of the Majority Party)

Second Reading

(If not concluded on Tuesday, June 21, 2016)

C. THE WAREHOUSE RECEIPTS SYSTEM BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 12 OF 2015)

(The Leader of the Majority Party)

Second Reading

(If not concluded on Tuesday, June 21, 2016)

D. THE PUBLIC FINANCE MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 4 OF 2015)

(The Leader of the Majority Party)

Second Reading

(If not concluded on Tuesday, June 21, 2016)

E. THE KENYA REGIMENT (TERRITORIAL FORCE) (REPEAL) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 39 OF 2015)

(The Leader of the Majority Party)

Second Reading

(If not concluded on Tuesday, June 21, 2016)

F. THE COUNTY ALLOCATION OF REVENUE BILL (SENATE BILL NO.3 OF 2016)

(The Chairperson, Budget and Appropriations Committee)

Second Reading

(If not concluded on Tuesday, June 21, 2016)

G. THE ELECTION LAWS (AMENDMENT) (No.3) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 63 OF 2015)

(The Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs)

Second Reading

(If not concluded on Tuesday, June 21, 2016)

H. THE COUNTY ASSEMBLIES POWERS AND PRIVILEGES BILL (SENATE BILL NO. 14 OF 2014)

(The Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs)

Second Reading

(If not concluded on Tuesday, June 21, 2016)

I. THE PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS (COUNTY ASSEMBLIES APPROVAL) BILL (SENATE BILL NO. 20 OF 2014)

(The Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Administration and National Security)

Second Reading

(If not concluded on Tuesday, June 21, 2016)

J. THE POTATO PRODUCE AND MARKETING BILL (SENATE BILL NO. 22 OF 2014)

(The Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Cooperatives)

Second Reading

(If not concluded on Tuesday, June 21, 2016)

NOTICE PAPER III

Status of Business before Committees

Wednesday (Afternoon) June 22, 2016

In accordance with the Speaker's Communication of Wednesday, October 14, 2015, it is notified that, during the Sitting of ***Wednesday, June 22, 2016 (Afternoon)***, the Chairpersons of the following Committees will be called upon to apprise the House on the Status of the Business pending before their respective Committees:-

A. Joint Committee on National Cohesion and Equal Opportunity

B. Joint Committee on Parliamentary Broadcasting and Library

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APPENDIX

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

SCHEDULE of Questions for

Tuesday, June 21, 2016

It is notified that, pursuant to Standing Orders 191 and 216, the Cabinet Secretaries *for Interior and Coordination of National Government; Public Service, Youth and Gender Affairs and the Cabinet Secretary for Energy and Petroleum* will appear before the following Departmental Committees on Tuesday, June 21, 2016 at the times hereunder:-

<u>Departmental Committee</u>	<u>Cabinet Secretary</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Venue</u>
(i) Committee on Administration and National Security	<i>Cabinet Secretary for Interior and Coordination of National Government</i>	10.00 - 11.30 am	<i>The National Assembly Chamber</i>
(ii) Committee on Labour and Social Welfare	<i>Cabinet Secretary for Public Service, Youth and Gender Affairs</i>	10.00am – 11.30 am	<i>The Mini Chamber, County Hall</i>
(iii) Committee on Energy, Information and Communication	<i>Cabinet Secretary for Energy and Petroleum</i>	11.30 am – 12.30 pm	<i>The Mini Chamber, County Hall</i>

The Committees' Agenda has been determined as follows-

AGENDA

(Published pursuant to Standing Order 170E (2))

1. Prayers
2. Communication from the Chairperson(s)

I. Questions under the Departmental Committee on Administration and National Security

Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and Coordination of National Government:

- (i) **Question No. PVT/09/2016 by the Member for Endebess (The Hon. (Dr.) Robert Pukose, M.P.):**

Considering that there are about 700 Kenya Police Reservists in Trans Nzoia County deployed to provide security in several private and government institutions, and as such

generate Appropriation-in-Aid (A-in-A) on account of their services, could the Cabinet Secretary inform Honourable Members on the total amount of money generated from this service; provide information on how these funds are being accounted for by the Inspector General of Police; state how much money is paid to Kenya Police Reservists in terms of wages, allowances and other benefits; and further provide audited accounts of the said A-in-A for the years 2013, 2014 and 2015?

(ii) Question No. 004/2016 by the Member for Wajir South (The Hon. Abdullahi M. Diriye, M.P.):

Could the Cabinet Secretary inform the Committee what the Government is doing to protect chiefs in Mandera, Wajir and Garissa Counties following the killings of Chiefs Mohamed Bare Abdullahi on 20th June 2015 and Muktar Maalim on 23rd April, 2015 by suspected Al-shabaab militants; the measures so far taken by the Government to bring the perpetrators to book; and the plans in place to support the families of the slain chiefs?

(iii) Question No. 005/2016 by the Member for Yatta (The Hon. Francis Mwangangi, M.P.):

Could the Cabinet Secretary inform the Committee the status of implementation of the proposed medical cover for the National Police Service staff; further provide a breakdown of usage of the Kshs. 5,000 risk allowance deducted monthly from officers in the 2014/2015 financial year to provide medical cover; and the status of the proposed National Police Service Hospital to be constructed on a twenty-eight acre piece of land in Embakasi, and the Kenya Police Staff College in Loresho?

(iv) Question No. 007/2016 by the Member for Lurambi (The Hon. Raphael Otaalo, M.P.):

Could the Cabinet Secretary explain to the Committee why the training of Mr. Gregory Arsulu Isaac, who had been recruited into the General Service Unit (GSU) under Admission Number 004295, was abruptly terminated after three months yet he had successfully passed the recruitment exercise; apprise Members on claims made by the Service that Mr. Arsulu was medically unfit considering that he had passed the recruitment test by providing medical and academic testimonials; and further inform Members on the timelines for re-admitting him back into the GSU College at Embakasi to complete his training and be fully conscripted into the Service?

(v) Question No. 010/2016 by the Member for Borabu (The Hon. Ben Momanyi, M.P.):

Considering that the conflict between Borabu and Sotik constituencies has been raging on for many years leading to loss of lives and damage to property, as witnessed by the recent attack at Rainyaemo on 17th March 2016 that left several innocent Kenyans dead and the setting ablaze of a school near Rainyaemo Police Station, could the Cabinet Secretary inform Honourable Members the measures being pursued by the Ministry to address the solution with a view to providing long-term and amicable resolution of the conflicts?

II. Questions under the Departmental Committee on Labour and Social Welfare

Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Public Service, Youth and Gender Affairs

(i) Question No. 014/2016 by the Member for Samburu North Constituency (The Hon. Alois Lentoimaga M.P.):

Considering that the Youth Empowerment Centre in Baragoi, Samburu North Constituency was fully funded by the Government of Kenya, and in view of the fact that the project has been handed over by the contractor but the Centre is not operational due to lack of information, communication and telecommunication facilities leaving the personnel idle and highly underutilized, could the Cabinet Secretary appraise Honourable Members on the timelines within which the facility will be fully operational in order to assist in developing the youths for whom it has been constructed?

(ii) Question No. 015/2016 by the Member for South Mugirango Constituency (The Hon. Manson Nyamweya, M.P.):

Considering that Article 232(1)(i) envisages equity and diversity in representation of Kenya's communities in appointments; could the Cabinet Secretary explain to the Committee why the ongoing countrywide recruitment of youths by the National Youth Service (NYS) to perform various public works is skewed, particularly in Kisii County, where majority of the youth have been recruited from specific Constituencies, excluding other Constituencies in the County; the guidelines used in the recruitment exercise; measures that the Ministry is taking to ensure that the recruitment reflects equity and diversity of every constituency and whether this does not result in double allocation of funds to similar projects since the Constituencies Development Fund and County Governments are engaged in works similar to what the NYS is recruiting youths to perform?

(iii) Question No. 016/2016 by the Member for Wajir West Constituency (The Hon. Abdikadir Ore Ahmed, M.P.):

Could the Cabinet Secretary apprise Members on the reasons why there are no National Youth Service (NYS) Programmes in Northern Kenya; indicate the expected timelines for starting these programmes; explain the rationale by which youths who did not attain Form Four level of education are being excluded from the NYS Programmes; and further state the short-term and long-term plans the Government has in addressing the lack of employment and lack of sufficient skills among the youth?

(iv) Question No. 017/2016 by the Member for Mavoko Constituency (The Hon. Patrick Makau, M.P.):

Could the Cabinet Secretary apprise Members on the criteria being used by the Ministry in identifying constituencies in which to implement National Youth Service (NYS) Programmes; state the criteria used to determine the total number of youths to undertake the NYS projects in different constituencies; enumerate the total number of youths recruited in each constituency; provide a breakdown of how the NYS funds in the constituencies have been used so far; and further clarify whether there will be Phase II of the implementation of these programmes?

III. Questions under the Departmental Committee on Energy, Information and Communication

Questions to the Cabinet Secretary for Energy and Petroleum

(i) Question No. 059/2016 by the Member for Lamu County (The Hon. Shakila Abdalla, M.P.):

Could the Cabinet Secretary confirm to the Committee that a license was issued for the coal power project in Lamu contracted to Amu Power; explain why he approved the project without consultation of the local leaders who happened to hear of its tendering process in the media; state whether the provisions of Section 30 of the Energy Act 2006 regarding conditions for licensing were observed; confirm whether a feasibility study was carried out considering that Lamu is a UNESCO World Heritage Site having a Marine Reserve and a National Reserve less than twenty (20) kilometers from the proposed project site; and further highlight the efforts, if any, that were undertaken by the Ministry in determining that a coal power plant is the most sustainable, cost-effective and beneficial energy solution for the country?

(ii) Question No. 060/2016 by the Nominated Member (The Hon . Isaac Mwaura, M.P.):

Considering that the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) established under the Energy Act, 2006, is mandated to, among other duties, regulate electrical energy, petroleum and related products, renewable energy and other forms of energy; in view of the fact that the Energy (Petroleum Pricing) Regulations, 2010 were gazetted vide Legal Notice No. 196, providing for the setting of the maximum wholesale and the retail prices of petroleum products at a wholesale depot or retail dispensing site; conscious of the concerns that petroleum companies and oil cartels continue to exploit consumers by charging very high prices in respect to the petroleum products even in the face of the global oil prices being at the lowest, could the Cabinet Secretary clarify why the oil prices in Kenya are still high, and further state the measures the Ministry is taking to ensure consumers are not exploited?

(iii) Question No. 061/2016 by the Member Mwingi Central Constituency (The Hon. Joe Mutambu, M.P.):

Considering that in December 2013, the National Government signed a Coal Concession with a Chinese Company by the name of Fenxi Mining Group and Kenya's Great Lakes Investments to extract and process coal in Mui Basin in Kitui Central Constituency, an undertaking that was expected to be one of Kenya's most reliable and easily accessible base for electricity generation, yet the process has not kicked off to-date despite lapsing of the set timelines, could the Cabinet Secretary inform the Committee why there have been inordinate delays in the commencement of the exploration exercise in the said region; and further state the course of action the Ministry has undertaken since the stipulated time for exploration has already expired?
