

# REPUBLIC OF KENYA



## THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT (FIRST SESSION)

### CONVEYANCE OF PUBLIC PETITION

(No. 8 of 2022)

### REGARDING GRAFT INVESTIGATIONS AT WEST KANO IRRIGATION SCHEME

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**Honourable Members,** Article 119 of the Constitution accords any person the right to petition Parliament to consider any matter within its authority. Further, Standing Order 225(2)(b) requires the Speaker to report to the House any Petition other than those presented by a Member.

In this regard, **Honourable Members,** I wish to report to the House that my office has received a petition from one Pastor Ochieng' Odindo of P.O. Box 25, Nyang'ande, Kisumu County calling for *investigations into alleged cases of corruption at West Kano Irrigation Scheme.*

The Petitioner is concerned about the manner in which the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC) Western Region Office in Kisumu mishandled investigations into alleged misuse of Government Rehabilitation Fund, Economic Stimulus Program Fund, and Farmers Own Saving Funds by the management of West Kano Irrigation Scheme.

He avers that EACC Western Region officers have failed to make any conclusion on allegations of corruption filed by himself and other residents in August 2015.

The Petitioner further decries failure by the same officers to investigate misappropriation of thirteen tractors granted through collaboration with the Government of Japan, as well as embezzlement of Rice Sales Funds released by the Government of Kenya. He is thus aggrieved by EACC Western Region's failure to conclude any of the investigations and equally failing to update the complainants on any progress made thereof.

The Petitioner thus prays that this House uses its authority to intervene on behalf of poor farmers and beneficiaries of West Kano Irrigation Scheme by seeking conclusion of the aforementioned investigations by EACC Western Region office in order to recommend appropriate action against culpable officers.

**Honourable Members,** having established that the matter raised in the Petition is well within the authority of this House, I hereby commit the Petition to the Public Petitions Committee for consideration pursuant to Standing Order 208 A. The Committee is required to consider the Petition and report its findings to the House and to the Petitioner in accordance with Standing Order 227(2).

**I thank you.**

  
**THE RT. HON. MOSES WETANG'ULA, EGH, MP**  
**SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

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