



**REPUBLIC OF KENYA**

**THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – SECOND SESSION**

**THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2023 (MORNING SITTING)**

1. The House assembled at Thirty Minutes past Nine O'clock in the morning.
2. The Proceedings were opened with Prayer.
3. **Presiding** – Hon. David Ochieng, MP (Second Chairperson).

4. **PAPERS**

The following papers were laid on the Table of the House: -

- 1) First Half National Government Budget Implementation Review Report for the Financial Year 2022/23 from the Office of the Controller of Budget;
- 2) Reports of the Auditor-General and Financial Statements in respect of the following Institutions for the year ended 2022 and the certificates therein: -
  - a) *Central Bank of Kenya;*
  - b) *Public Sector Accounting Standards Board; and*
  - c) *University of Nairobi Pension Scheme 2007.*
- 3) Reports of the Auditor-General and Financial Statements in respect of the following Institutions for the year ended 2021 and the certificates therein: -
  - a) *Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology;*
  - b) *Rift Valley Institute of Science and Technology;*
  - c) *Kenyatta University Teaching and Research Hospital;*
  - d) *Moi Teachers Training College - Baringo; and*
  - e) *University of Nairobi.*
- 4) Reports of the Auditor-General and Financial Statements in respect of the following Constituencies for the year ended 2021 and the certificates therein: Kitui Central;
  - a) *Machakos Town;*
  - b) *Narok North;*
  - c) *Makueni;*
  - d) *Nakuru Town East;*
  - e) *Kitui West;*
  - f) *Mwingi West;*
  - g) *Kiambu;*
  - h) *Tongaren;*
  - i) *Shinyalu;*
  - j) *Nambale;*
  - k) *Kiminini;*
  - l) *Kiambaa;*
  - m) *Ikolomani; and*
  - n) *Butere.*

*(The Majority Whip)*

5. **QUESTIONS**

The following Questions were asked –

- i). Question No.001/2023 by the Member for Mandera County (Hon. Umul Ker Kassim, MP) regarding prolonged drought in Mandera County.

*(To be replied by the Cabinet Secretary for East African Community, the ASALs and Regional Development before the Departmental Committee on Regional Development)*

- ii). Question No.002/2023 by the Member for Sigor Constituency (Hon. Peter Lochakapong, MP) regarding shooting of livestock by police officers in Mosol Location.

*(To be replied by the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration before the Departmental Committee on Administration and Internal Affairs)*

- iii). Question No.003/2023 by the Nominated Member (Hon. Umulkher Harun, MP) regarding tax exemptions on sanitary pads.

*(To be replied by the Cabinet Secretary for Education before the Departmental Committee on Education)*

6. **MOTION – DEVELOPMENT OF POLICY ON STANDARDIZATION AND PRODUCTION OF SCHOOL UNIFORMS IN THE COUNTRY**

Motion made and Question proposed-

**THAT**, aware that school uniform which is a variety of standardized clothing worn by students in educational institutions, create homogeneity among students irrespective of their socio-economic status or fashion preference; further aware that school uniforms keep students focused on education, not clothes, reducing peer pressure and bullying, enhancing school pride, unity and community spirit as they go a long way in contributing to students' sense of belonging to their school's population; appreciating that in Kenyan education system, schools across the Country, whether private or public schools require that students wear school uniform in order to be allowed to attend

classes; concerned that the cost of uniforms has continued to escalate becoming prohibitively expensive for the poorest within the community with some schools demanding that parents pay uniform money to specific school accounts, a move that locks out many children whose parents cannot afford the expensive uniforms as listed by schools, now therefore, **this House** therefore **resolves** that the government through the Ministry of Education develops a policy on standardization and production of school uniforms in the country.

*(Hon. Gathoni Wamuchomba, MP -22.02.2023)*

Debate resumed;

Debate concluded;

Mover replied;

Question deferred.

7. **MOTION – CONTINUOUS REGISTRATION OF BENEFICIARIES TO THE OLDER PERSONS CASH TRANSFER PROGRAMME IN THE COUNTRY**

Motion made and Question proposed-

**THAT**, aware that Article 57 of the Constitution outlines the measures to be taken to ensure the rights of elderly persons; noting that the elderly persons particularly from vulnerable background who are in dire need across the country require financial aid for their sustainability in regard to their health and wellbeing; recognizing that the *Older Persons Cash Transfer (OPCT) Programme* launched in 2007 with the purpose of facilitation of a monthly cash transfer to the disadvantaged and vulnerable elderly persons from identified deserving households who are 65 years and above across the country; concerned that registration of persons of 65 years and above was last conducted in the year 2016; cognizant of the fact that there are many elderly persons who have since attained the age of 65 years and are yet to be registered under the *Older Persons Cash Transfer Programme*; further concerned that the programme has in the recent past undergone unprecedented encounters in regard to new entries, technological mode of fund transfer developments, digital registration of elderly persons, inadequate monitoring and irregular receipts of funds; **this House resolves that** the national government through the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection undertakes continuous and timely registration of elderly persons under the *Older Persons Cash Transfer Programme*.

*(The Hon. Thuddeus Nzambia, M.P.)*

Debate arising;

[Change of Chair from Hon. David Ochieng, MP (Second Chairperson of Committees) to Hon. (Dr.) Rachel Nyamai, MP (Sixth Chairperson of Committees)]

And the time being One Minute past One O'clock, the Second Chairperson of Committees interrupted the proceedings and adjourned the House without Question put pursuant to the Standing Orders.

8. **HOUSE ROSE** - at One Minute past One O'clock

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**M E M O R A N D U M**

The Speaker will take the Chair-  
Today, Wednesday, March 1, 2023 at 2.30pm

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