



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – (FOURTH SESSION)

THE SENATE

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2025 AT 2.30 PM

1. The Senate assembled at thirty Minutes past Two O'clock.
2. The proceedings were opened with Prayer said by the Speaker.

3. **QUORUM OF THE SENATE**

The Speaker, having counted the Honourable Senators present at the commencement of the Sitting and confirming that there was no Quorum, directed that the Bell be rung for ten minutes, pursuant to Standing Order 40;

And there being a Quorum before the expiry of the ten minutes;

The Speaker invited the Clerk to call the Orders of the day.

4. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR**

The Speaker conveyed the following Communications from the Chair:

a) Visiting Delegation from the Parliament of Zambia

“Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, in the Speaker's Gallery this afternoon, of a visiting delegation of Members of Parliament and Staff from the Parliament of Zambia. The delegation is undertaking a benchmarking study visit in the Centre for Parliamentary Studies and Training (CPST).

Honourable Senators,

I request each member of the delegation to stand when called out so that you may be acknowledged in the Senate tradition –

1. Hon. Malungo A. Chisangano, MP - First Deputy Speaker
(Chairperson and Leader of Delegation);
2. Hon. Stephen Kampyongo, MP - Member;
3. Hon. Machila Jamba, MP - Member;

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| 4. Hon. Remember Mutale, MP | - Member; |
| 5. Hon. Anthony Kasandwe, MP | - Member; |
| 6. Hon. Harry Kamboni, MP | - Member; |
| 7. Ms. Cecilia Sikatele | - Deputy Clerk (Corporate Affairs); |
| 8. Mr. Tennieson C. Nyangu | - Principal Clerk (iPST); |
| 9. Dr. Mweemba Muungo | - Director (Finance); |
| 10. Mr. Rodger Sambo | - Senior Accountant; |
| 11. Ms. Muka Kazela | - ADC to the Hon First Deputy Speaker; and |
| 12. Ms. Komiwe Kaba | - International Relations Officer. |

Honourable Senators,

In our usual tradition of receiving and welcoming visitors to Parliament, I extend a warm welcome to the delegation and, on behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, wish them a fruitful visit.

I thank you.”

b) Visiting Delegation from the Parliamentary Service Commission (PSC) of the Transitional National Legislature (TNL) of the Republic of South Sudan

“Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, in the Speaker’s Gallery this afternoon, a visiting delegation of Commissioners and senior staffers of the Parliamentary Service Commission of the Transitional National Legislature (TNLA) of the Republic of South Sudan. The delegation is on a study tour on structure, functions and operations of the Kenya’s Parliamentary Service Commission.

Honourable Senators,

I request each Member of the delegation to stand when called out so that you may be acknowledged in the Senate tradition –

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| 1. Hon. Stephen Ajongo Akol, MP | -Commissioner; |
| 2. Hon. Mary Bicensio Wani, MP | -Commissioner; |
| 3. Hon. Regina Joseph Kaba, MP | -Commissioner; |
| 4. Hon. Regina Richard Aban, MP | -Commissioner; |
| 5. Hon. John Orach Nyiker | -Commissioner; |
| 6. Mr. Dominic Bandima Alber Paul | -Commissioner; |
| 7. Mr. Henry Amoko | -Executive Director,
Parliamentary Service
Commission of TNLA; |
| 8. Mrs. Akeer Tracy Aru | -Director of Budget, TNLA; |
| 9. Mr. James Thiam Lual Nyang | -Budget Officer, TNLA; and |
| 10. Anei Deng Anei | -Secretariat, Parliamentary
Service Commission of TNLA. |

Honourable Senators,

On behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, I extend a warm welcome and wish you a fruitful visit.

I thank you.”

c) Visiting Delegation from Sunnyside Learning Centre – Kajiado County

“Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, in the Public Gallery this afternoon, visiting students and teachers from Sunnyside Learning Centre, Kajiado County. The delegation comprises of thirty-one (31) students and four (4) teachers who are undertaking a study tour to the Senate.

Honourable Senators,

On behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, I extend a warm welcome and wish you a fruitful visit.

I thank you.”

d) Visiting Delegation of staff from the Kilifi County Assembly

“Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, in the Speaker’s Gallery this afternoon, a visiting delegation of Staff from the Kilifi County Assembly. The staff are in the Senate attending a training programme on the proper procedures and protocols for commissioning and handling a new mace.

Honourable Senators,

I request each Member of the delegation to stand when called out so that they may be acknowledged in the Senate tradition –

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| 1. Mr. Michael B. Ngala | - Clerk, Kilifi County Assembly; |
| 2. Mr. Omar Chuphi | - Chief Sergeant-at-Arms; |
| 3. Mr. Alfred Mumba | - Senior Sergeant-at-Arms; |
| 4. Ms. Clara Dama | - Sergeant-at-Arms II; |
| 5. Mr. Elijah Koi | - Sergeant-at-Arms II; |
| 6. Ms. Martha Nyundo | - Sergeant-at-Arms II |
| 7. Mr. Mwagandi Kiponda | - Clerk Assistant II; and |
| 8. Mr. Samson Katana | - Asst. Sergeant-at-Arms. |

Honourable Senators,

On behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, I extend a warm welcome and wish you a fruitful visit.

I thank you.”

e) Visiting Delegation from Moi Forces Academy – Nairobi County

“Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, in the Public Gallery this afternoon, visiting students and teachers from Moi Forces Academy, Nairobi County. The delegation comprises of one hundred and forty (140) students and seven (7) teachers who are undertaking a study tour to the Senate.

Honourable Senators,

On behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, I extend a warm welcome to the delegation and wish them all the best during their visit.

I thank you.”

f) Visiting Delegation from Kianyaga High School – Kirinyaga County

“Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, in the Public Gallery this afternoon, visiting students and teachers from Kianyaga High School, Kirinyaga County. The delegation comprises of one hundred and ten (110) students and four (4) teachers who are undertaking a study tour to the Senate.

Honourable Senators,

On behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, I extend a warm welcome and wish you a fruitful visit.

I thank you.”

g) Visiting Delegation from Technical University of Kenya (TUK) in Nairobi County

“Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, in the Public Gallery this afternoon, of visiting eleven (11) students from the Technical University of Kenya (TUK) in Nairobi County. The delegation is in the Senate for a one-day academic exposition.

Honourable Senators,

In our usual tradition of receiving and welcoming visitors to Parliament, I extend a warm welcome to them and, on behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, wish them a fruitful visit.

I thank you.”

5. PAPERS LAID

The following Papers were laid on the Table of the Senate:

- i) The Environmental Management and Co-ordination (Access to Biological Resources and Benefit Sharing) Regulations, Legal Notice No. 19 of 2025.
- ii) The Environmental Management and Co-ordination (Deposit Bonds) Regulations, Legal Notice No. 20 of 2025.
- iii) Corrigendum on the Environmental Management and Co-ordination (Air Quality) (Amendment) Regulations, Legal Notice No. 21 of 2025.
- iv) Corrigendum on the Environmental Management and Co-ordination (Sand Harvesting) (Amendment) Regulations, Legal Notice No. 22 of 2025.
- v) Corrigendum on the Environmental Management and Co-ordination (Water Quality) (Amendment) Regulations, Legal Notice No. 23 of 2025.
- vi) Corrigendum on the Environmental Management and Co-ordination (Waste Management) (Amendment) Regulations, Legal Notice No. 24 of 2025.
- vii) Annual Report of the Power of Mercy Advisory Committee (POMAC) for the financial year 2022/2023.
- viii) Report of the Office of the Controller of Budget (COB) on the County Governments Budget Implementation Review for the first half of financial year 2024/2025.
- ix) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Nyandarua County Assembly Car Loan and Mortgage (Members) Fund for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
- x) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of Murang'a Level 5 Hospital – County Government of Murang'a for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
- xi) Report of the Auditor General on Financial Statements of JM Kariuki Memorial County Referral Hospital – County Government of Nyandarua for the year ended 30th June, 2024.

(The Deputy Senate Majority Whip)

6. QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS**Requests for Statements Pursuant to Standing Order 53 (1)**

- i) The Senator for Marsabit County (Sen. Mohamed Chute, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Roads, Transportation and Housing regarding the delayed completion of Sololo Level V Hospital in Marsabit County.

- ii) Nominated Senator (Sen. Raphael Chimera, MP) on behalf of the Senator for Uasin Gishu County (Sen. Jackson Mandago, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries regarding the status of purchase of wheat from Kenyan farmers.
 - iii) Nominated Senator (Sen. Hezena Lemaletian, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Information, Communication and Technology regarding the recent BBC investigation exposing the exploitation of young Kenyan girls on TikTok Live.
 - iv) The Senator for Kajiado County (Sen. Lenku Ole Kanar Seki, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Information, Communication and Technology regarding the administration of the Universal Service Fund (USF).
 - v) The Senator for Kajiado County (Sen. Lenku Ole Kanar Seki, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Information, Communication and Technology regarding the status of implementation of the National Digital Superhighway and the Last Mile Connectivity projects under the Universal Service Fund (USF).
7. **MOTION - REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND FISHERIES ON A PETITION TO THE SENATE REGARDING THE CATASTROPHIC MAIZE DISEASES THAT FARMERS IN BOMET COUNTY HAVE ENDURED FOR THE LAST TWELVE YEARS**

Order read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries on a Petition to the Senate regarding the catastrophic maize diseases that farmers in Bomet County have endured for the last twelve years, laid on the Table of the Senate on Thursday, 5th December, 2024.

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries – 05.03.2025)

Debate interrupted on Wednesday, 5th March, 2025 (Afternoon Sitting) resumed for the Question to be put;

Before the Question was put, and pursuant to Standing Order No. 84 (2), the Speaker ruled that the Motion does not affect counties;

And the Speaker having ascertained that there was Quorum, pursuant to Standing Order 42 (1);

Question put and agreed to.

RESOLVED ACCORDINGLY

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries on a Petition to the Senate regarding the catastrophic maize diseases that farmers in Bomet County have endured for the last twelve years, laid on the Table of the Senate on Thursday, 5th December, 2024.

8. **MOTION - REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND FISHERIES ON A PETITION TO THE SENATE REGARDING GRAFT INVESTIGATION BY THE ETHICS AND ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION (EACC) ON THE WEST KANO IRRIGATION SCHEME**

Order read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries on a Petition to the Senate regarding graft investigation by the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC) on the West Kano irrigation scheme, laid on the Table of the Senate on Thursday, 5th December, 2024.

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries – 06.03.2025)

Debate interrupted on Thursday, 6th March, 2025 resumed for the Question to be put;

Before the Question was put, and pursuant to Standing Order No. 84 (2), the Speaker ruled that the Motion does not affect counties;

And the Speaker having ascertained that there was Quorum, pursuant to Standing Order 42 (1);

Question put and agreed to.

RESOLVED ACCORDINGLY

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries on a Petition to the Senate regarding graft investigation by the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC) on the West Kano irrigation scheme, laid on the Table of the Senate on Thursday, 5th December, 2024.

9. **THE PUBLIC FUNDRAISING APPEALS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 36 OF 2024)**

(The Senate Majority Leader)

Order for Second Reading read;

Order deferred.

10. **THE ENVIRONMENT LAWS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 23 OF 2024)**

(Sen. Abdul Haji, MP)

(Second Reading)

***(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 13th February, 2025)
(Division)***

Order deferred.

11. **THE COUNTY CIVIC EDUCATION BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 4 OF 2024)**

(Sen. Esther Okenyuri, MP)

(Second Reading)

***(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 13th February, 2025)
(Division)***

Order deferred.

12. **MOTION - REPORT OF THE MEDIATION COMMITTEE ON THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 12 OF 2023)**

(Vice- Chairperson, Mediation Committee)

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Mediation Committee on the Conflict of Interest Bill (National Assembly Bills No. 12 of 2023), laid on the table of the Senate on Thursday, 5th December, 2024 and further that pursuant to Article 113 (2) of the Constitution and Standing Order 167 (3) of the Senate, approves the mediated version of the Bill.

***(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 27th February, 2025)
(Division)***

Order deferred.

13. **MOTION - REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LABOUR AND SOCIAL WELFARE ON AN INQUIRY INTO THE WELFARE OF WORKERS IN EXPORT PROCESSING ZONES (EPZS) IN MOMBASA AND KILIFI COUNTIES**

Order read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare on an inquiry into the plight of workers in the Export Processing Zones (EPZs) in Mombasa and Kilifi Counties, laid on the Table of the Senate on Tuesday, 1st October, 2024.

*(The Chairperson, Standing Committee of Labour and Social Welfare –
06.03.2025)*

Debate interrupted on Thursday, 6th March, 2025 resumed;

And there being no Senators wishing to contribute;

Mover replied;

Before the Question was put, and pursuant to Standing Order No. 84 (2), the Speaker ruled that the Motion does not affect counties;

And the Speaker having ascertained that there was Quorum, pursuant to Standing Order 42 (1);

Question put and agreed to.

RESOLVED ACCORDINGLY

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare on an inquiry into the plight of workers in the Export Processing Zones (EPZs) in Mombasa and Kilifi Counties, laid on the Table of the Senate on Tuesday, 1st October, 2024.

14. **MOTION - CONSIDERATION OF THE JOINT REPORT OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND LEGAL AFFAIRS AND THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE, LEGAL AFFAIRS AND HUMAN RIGHTS ON ITS CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT OF THE NATIONAL DIALOGUE COMMITTEE (NADCO) AND THE REPORT OF THE MULTI-SECTORAL WORKING GROUP ON THE REALIZATION OF THE TWO-THIRDS GENDER PRINCIPLE**

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Justice, Legal Affairs and Human Rights)

THAT, the Senate adopts the Joint Report of the National Assembly Departmental Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs and the Senate Standing Committee on Justice, Legal Affairs and Human Rights on its consideration of the Report of the National Dialogue Committee (NADCO) and the Report of the Multi-Sectoral Working Group on the realization of the Two-thirds Gender Principle, laid on the Table on Thursday, 13th February, 2025.

Order read;

Order deferred.

15. **THE HERITAGE AND MUSEUMS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 8 OF 2023)**

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Heritage and Museums Bill (Senate Bills No. 8 of 2023) be now Read a Second Time.

(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare)

Debate arising;

And there being no more Senators wishing to contribute;

Mover replied;

Pursuant to Standing Order 66 (3), the Mover requested the deferment of the putting of the Question to a later date;

And the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Veronica Maina, MP), acceding to the request, deferred putting of the Question to a later date.

16. **THE COUNTY HALL OF FAME BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 18 OF 2023)**
(Sen. Miraj Abdillahi Abdulrahman, MP)

(Second Reading)

Order deferred.

17. **THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 46 OF 2023)**
(Sen. Johnes Mwaruma, MP)

(Second Reading)

Order deferred.

18. **THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 49 OF 2023)**
(Sen. Lenku Ole Kanar Seki, MP)

(Second Reading)

Order deferred.

19. **THE NARCOTIC DRUGS AND PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES (CONTROL) (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 1 OF 2024)**
(Sen. Kathuri Murungi, MP)

(Second Reading)

Order deferred.

20. **THE COUNTY OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 3 OF 2024)**
(Sen. Ledama Olekina, MP and Sen. William Kisang, MP)

(Second Reading)

Order deferred.

21. **THE SPORTS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 33 OF 2024)**
(Sen. Edwin Sifuna, MP)

(Second Reading)

Order deferred.

22. **THE COUNTY STATISTICS BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 5 OF 2024)**
(Sen. Ali Ibrahim Roba, MP)

(Second Reading)

Order deferred.

23. **THE STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 10 OF 2024)**
(The Senate Majority Leader)

(Second Reading)

Order deferred.

24. **THE COUNTY WARDS (EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 20 OF 2024)**
(Sen. Karungo Thangwa, MP and Sen. Godfrey Osotsi, MP)

(Second Reading)

Order deferred.

And there being no other business on the Order Paper, the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Veronica Maina, MP) adjourned the Senate at eighteen minutes past Six O'clock without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Orders.

25. **SENATE ROSE** – at eighteen minutes past Six O'clock.

M E M O R A N D U M

*The Speaker will take the Chair on
Wednesday, March 12, 2025 at 9.30 a.m.*

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