



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – (FOURTH SESSION)

THE SENATE

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

MORNING SITTING

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 02, 2025 AT 9.30 A.M.

1. The Senate assembled at thirty minutes past Nine 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. **QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS**

QUESTIONS

- i) Question No. 002 by the Senator for Marsabit County (Sen. Mohamed Chute, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Foreign and Diaspora Affairs on the repatriation of the Kenyan refugees currently residing in Ethiopia was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- ii) Question No. 007 by the Senator for Migori County (Sen. Eddy Oketch, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Co-operatives and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) on the non-payment of terminal dues to employees of the former Kenya Cooperative Creameries (KCC) whose services were terminated in 1999 was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- iii) Question No. 042 by Nominated Senator (Sen. Veronica Maina, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Co-operatives and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) on the revival of the Kimuri Coffee Factory in Kigumo Constituency was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.

5. **MOTION - REPORT OF THE 14TH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE PLENARY ASSEMBLY AND RELATED MEETINGS OF THE FORUM OF PARLIAMENTS OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE GREAT LAKES REGION, HELD IN LIVINGSTONE, ZAMBIA, FROM 15TH TO 19TH APRIL, 2024**

(Sen. Ali Ibrahim Roba, MP)

THAT, the Senate notes the report of the 14th Ordinary Session of the Plenary Assembly and Related Meetings of the Forum of Parliaments of the International Conference of the Great Lakes region, held in Livingstone, Zambia, from 15th to 19th April, 2024 laid on the Table of the Senate on Thursday, 30th May, 2024.

Order deferred.

6. **MOTION - REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION TO THE 2024 JOINT UNITED NATIONS – INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION PARLIAMENTARY HEARING HELD AT THE UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS IN NEW YORK, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FROM 8TH TO 9TH FEBRUARY, 2024**

(Sen. Veronica Maina, MP)

THAT, the Senate notes the Report of the Parliamentary Delegation to the 2024 Joint United Nations – Inter-Parliamentary Union Parliamentary Hearing held at the United Nations headquarters in New York, United States of America from 8th to 9th February, 2024 laid on the Table of the Senate on Tuesday, 17th September, 2024.

Order deferred.

7. **MOTION - REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE PARLIAMENTARIANS' DIALOGUE AT THE AFRICA CLIMATE SUMMIT, 2023 HELD IN THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY CHAMBER, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS, NAIROBI ON 3RD – 6TH SEPTEMBER, 2023**

(Sen. Moses Kajwang', MP)

THAT, the Senate notes the Report of the Proceedings of the Parliamentarians' Dialogue at the Africa Climate Summit, 2023 held in the National Assembly Chamber, Parliament Buildings, Nairobi, on 3rd – 6th September, 2023, laid on the Table of the Senate on Wednesday, 2nd October, 2024.

Order deferred.

8. **REPORT OF THE SENATE DELEGATION TO THE HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM (HLPF) 2024 ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

(Sen. Hamida Kibwana, MP)

THAT, the Senate notes the Report of the Senate delegation to the High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) 2024 on sustainable development, held in New

York, United States of America (USA) from 8th – 17th July, 2024, laid on the Table of the Senate on Thursday, 20th February, 2025.

Order deferred.

9. **MOTION - ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL TEACHING AND REFERRAL HOSPITALS IN KENYA**

(Sen. Johnes Mwaruma, MP)

THAT, AWARE THAT Article 43 (1) (a) of the Constitution of Kenya provides that every person has the right to the highest attainable standard of health, including reproductive health care;

NOTING THAT in Kenya, we have five National Teaching and Referral hospitals with Kenyatta University Research and Teaching Hospital in Kiambu County and Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital in Eldoret, Uasin Gishu County being the only ones outside Nairobi County;

CONCERNED THAT the bed capacity, medical equipment and human capital in these National Teaching and Referral hospitals are not sufficient to absorb all the patients seeking specialized treatment;

FURTHER CONCERNED THAT many Kenyans with critical health conditions travel long distances in order to access specialized services in Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital in Eldoret or Nairobi where the other four National Teaching and Referral hospitals are located, leading to high cost of travel, augmented disease and in some cases deaths along the way;

NOW THEREFORE the Senate urges-

1. The Ministry of Health to:

- i. Establish National Teaching and Referral hospitals in the Coast, Eastern, North Eastern, Nyanza and Western regions; and
- ii. Fully equip the National Teaching and Referral Hospitals with modern medical equipment, medical supplies and personnel; and

2. The County Governments to allocate more funds to their respective health dockets to adequately facilitate their County Level 5 and Level 6 hospitals in order to enhance provision of critical health services to reduce the demand for such services from the National Teaching and Referral Hospitals.

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

10. **SENATE ROSE** – at eleven minutes past Twelve O'clock

M E M O R A N D U M

*The Speaker will take the Chair on
Wednesday, April 02, 2025 at 2.30 p.m.*

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