



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – (FIFTH SESSION)

THE SENATE

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, JULY, 30, 2026

1. The Senate assembled at thirty Minutes past Two O'clock.
2. The proceedings were opened with Prayer said by the Temporary Speaker (Sen. Wakili Hillary Sigei, CBS, MP).

3. **QUORUM OF THE SENATE**

The Temporary Speaker (Sen. Wakili Hillary Sigei, CBS, MP) 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. **PAPERS LAID**

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

- i) The Twenty Third (23rd) Edition of Biannual Report on the status of alcohol and drug abuse control in Kenya by the National Authority for the Campaign Against Alcohol and Drug Abuse (NACADA).

(The Senate Majority Leader)

- i) Report of the Regional Seminar: African Parliaments for Climate Action on reducing methane, promoting development, held at Emara Ole Sereni Hotel, Nairobi, Kenya from 14th to 18th May, 2026.

(Sen. Mohamed Faki, MP on behalf of Sen. Moses Kajwang', MP)

- ii) Statement on the business of the Senate for the week commencing Tuesday, 4th August, 2026.

(The Senate Majority Leader)

5. **NOTICE OF MOTION - RECONSTITUTION OF SELECT COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE**

(The Deputy Senate Majority Whip)

THAT, NOTWITHSTANDING, the resolutions of the Senate made on 12th February, 2025, 2nd December, 2025 and 17th June, 2026, on the approval of Senators to serve in various Select Committees of the Senate.

a) pursuant to Standing Orders 197, 199, 228 and the Fourth Schedule to the Standing Orders, the Senate approves the following Senators nominated by the Senate Business Committee to serve in Standing Committees of the Senate as follows –

(i) Standing Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries

Sen. Edwin Sifuna, CBS, MP to replace Sen Beatrice Ogolla, MP.

(ii) Standing Committee on Energy

Sen. Beatrice Ogolla, MP to replace Sen. Moses Kajwang', CBS, MP.

(iii) Standing Committee on Health

Sen. Shakila Abdalla Mohamed, MP to replace Sen. Joseph Githuku, MP.

(iv) Standing Committee on Information, Communication and Technology

Sen. Moses Kajwang', CBS, MP and Sen. Beatrice Ogolla, MP to replace Sen. Shakila Abdalla Mohamed, MP and Sen. Hezena Lemaletian, MP.

(v) Standing Committee on National Cohesion, Equal Opportunity and Regional Integration

Sen. Godfrey Osotsi, CBS, MP to replace Sen. Beth Syengo, MP.

(vi) Standing Committee on Roads, Transportation and Housing

Sen. Hamida Kibwana, MP to replace Sen. Crystal Asige, MP.

(vii) Standing Committee on Trade, Industrialization and Tourism

Sen. Enoch Wambua, CBS, MP to replace Sen. Hamida Ali Kibwana, MP.

b) pursuant to Standing Orders 193, 194, 197 and 199, the Senate approves the following Senators nominated by the Senate Business Committee to serve in Select Committees of the Senate as follows –

(i) County Public Accounts Committee

Sen. Joseph Githuku, MP, and Sen. Justice (Rtd.) Stewart Madzayo, EGH, MP to replace Sen. Johnes Mwaruma, MP and Sen. Edwin Sifuna, CBS, MP.

(ii) County Public Investments and Special Funds Committee

Sen. Johnes Mwaruma, MP, and Sen. Hezena Lemaletian, MP to replace Sen. Eddy Oketch, MP and Sen. Godfrey Osotsi, CBS, MP.

6. **NOTICE OF MOTION - REPORT OF THE REGIONAL SEMINAR: AFRICAN PARLIAMENTS FOR CLIMATE ACTION ON REDUCING METHANE, PROMOTING DEVELOPMENT, HELD AT EMARA OLE SERENI HOTEL, NAIROBI, KENYA FROM 14TH TO 18TH MAY, 2026**
(Sen. Moses Kajwang', MP)

THAT, the Senate notes the Report of the Regional Seminar: African Parliaments for Climate Action on reducing methane, promoting development, held at Emara Ole Sereni Hotel, Nairobi, Kenya from 14th to 18th May, 2026, laid on the Table of the Senate on Thursday, 30th July, 2026.

7. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR**

The Deputy Speaker conveyed the following Communications from the Chair:

a) **Visiting delegation of Elders and Members of Presbyterian Church of East Africa (PCEA) from Nyeri County**

"Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, in the Public Gallery this afternoon, of fifty-four (54) elders and members of the Presbyterian Church of East Africa (PCEA) from Nyeri County, who are in the Senate on the invitation of the Senator for Nyeri County.

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

I thank you."

b) **Visiting delegation of Committee Members from Kithino Housing Cooperative Society Limited in Meru County**

"Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, of a visiting delegation of Committee Members of Kithino Housing Cooperative Society Limited from Meru County, who are seated in the Public Gallery.

The delegation is visiting the Senate for an exposition.

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

I thank you.”

c) Visiting delegation of teachers and students from Mogorwa Primary and Junior School in Baringo County

“Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, of a visiting delegation of two (2) teachers and seventeen (17) students from Mogorwa Primary and Junior School in Baringo County who are seated in the Public Gallery.

The delegation is visiting the Senate for an academic exposition.

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

I thank you.”

d) Visiting delegation of teachers and students from St. Francis Girls DolDol School in Laikipia County

“Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, of a visiting delegation of two (2) teachers and fourteen (14) students from St. Francis Girls DolDol School in Laikipia County who are seated in the Public Gallery.

The delegation is visiting the Senate for an academic exposition.

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

I thank you.”

e) Visiting delegation of teachers and students from St. James Kasambuya School in Kitui County

“Honourable Senators,

I would like to acknowledge the presence, of a visiting delegation of four (4) teachers and twenty-five (25) students from St. James Kasambuya School in Kitui County who are seated in the Public Gallery.

The delegation is visiting the Senate for an academic exposition.

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

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8. QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS**a) Statement pursuant to Standing Order 52(1)**

The Senator for Machakos County (Sen. Agnes Kavindu, MP) made a Statement regarding the rising cases of brutal killings and the discovery of mutilated bodies in Machakos County. The Senator observed that the incidents had created fear among residents, undermined public confidence in the security agencies, and heightened concerns over insecurity, citing the recent discovery of mutilated human remains in Masinga Sub- County.

The Senator condemned the killings and called upon the relevant security agencies to expedite investigations, apprehend and prosecute the perpetrators, and strengthen security measures to prevent further incidents.

The Senator also urged members of the public to cooperate with the security agencies by providing information that could assist in bringing those responsible to justice.

b) Requests for Statement pursuant to Standing Order 53(1)

- i) Nominated Senator (Sen. Essy Okenyuri Nyaituga, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee Labour and Social Welfare regarding the decentralisation of medical assessment services for Persons with Disability (PWDs).
- ii) The Senator for Machakos County (Sen. Agnes Kavindu, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare regarding irregularities identified in the payroll of the County Government of Machakos.
- iii) The Senator for Kirinyaga County (Sen. James Murango, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Finance and Budget regarding stalled development projects undertaken by the County Government of Kirinyaga since 2013.
- iv) The Senator for Murang'a County (Sen. Joe Nyutu, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Land, Environment and Natural Resources regarding the ongoing tree harvesting activities within the Aberdare forest ecosystem.
- v) The Senator for Kisumu County (Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, SC, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare regarding the increasing number of university and college graduates entering the labour market in Kisumu County without corresponding employment opportunities.
- vi) The Senator for Bungoma County (Sen. David Wakoli, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Health regarding the exclusion of health administrative officers from the payment of extraneous and risk allowances.

- vii) Seneta wa Kaunti ya Kilifi (Sen. (Rtd.) Stewart Madzayo, Mbunge.) aliomba kauli kutoka Kamati ya haki, Masuala ya Kisheria an Haki za Kibinadamu kuhusu ukosefu wa huduma za mahakama kwa wakazi wa Bamba katika Kaunti ya Kilifi.
- viii) The Senator for Nandi County (Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare regarding the employment terms of long- serving contract nurses at Mathari National Teaching and Referral Hospital.
- ix) The Senator for Nandi County (Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Land and, Environment and Natural Resources regarding the persistent water shortage in Wajir County.
- x) The Senator for Migori County (Sen. Eddy Oketch, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Land, Environment and Natural Resources regarding the pollution of rivers Kuja and Migori due to gold mining in Migori County.
- xi) The Senator for Migori County (Sen. Eddy Oketch, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Health regarding the state of emergency obstetric care at Migori County Referral Hospital.
- xii) The Senator for Samburu County (Sen. (Dr.) Lelegwe Ltumbesi, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare regarding the employment status of long-serving casual employees of the county government of Samburu and the implementation of the recommendations in the special audit report of the Auditor General on payroll management for the County Executive of Samburu (2025).
- xiii) The Senator for Marsabit County (Sen. Mohamed Chute, MP) sought a Statement from the Standing Committee on Roads, Transportation and Housing regarding the exclusion of the urban Goda- Lataka section from the ongoing construction of the Sololo- Anona-Golole-Uran Goda Road.
- xiv) Request for Statement by the Senator for Nairobi City County (Sen. Edwin Sifuna, MP) from the Standing Committee on Labour and Social Welfare regarding the welfare of workers at Hela Intimates EPZ Limited in the Kitengela-Athi River Zone was **dropped** in the absence of the Senator.

c) Statement pursuant to Standing Order 57(1)

The Senate Majority Leader issued a Statement on the business of the Senate for the week commencing Tuesday, 4th August, 2026.

9. **MOTION - RECONSTITUTION OF SELECT COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE**
(The Senate Majority Leader)

Order read;

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Order deferred

10. **THE ASSISTED REPRODUCTIVE TECHNOLOGY BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 61 OF 2022)**

(Sen. Catherine Mumma, MP, Co-Sponsor)

(Second Reading)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Wednesday, 17th June, 2026 – Afternoon Sitting)

(Division)

Order read;

Order deferred.

11. **THE KENYA ROADS (AMENDMENT) (NO. 3) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 34 OF 2025)**

(Second Reading)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 21st July, 2026)

(Division)

Order read;

Order deferred.

12. **THE REFERENDUM BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 3 OF 2026)**

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

(Second Reading)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Thursday, 23rd July, 2026)

(Division)

Order read;

Order deferred.

13. **THE MINING (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 22 OF 2025)**

(Sen. Karen Nyamu, MP)

(Second Reading)

(Resumption of debate interrupted on Wednesday, 29th July, 2026 – Afternoon Sitting)

(Division)

Order read;

Order deferred.

14. **MOTION - CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON DELEGATED LEGISLATION ON ITS CONSIDERATION OF THE TRAFFIC (SCHOOL TRANSPORT) RULES, 2026 (LEGAL NOTICE NO. 11 OF 2026; THE TRAFFIC (MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION) RULES, 2026 (LEGAL NOTICE NO. 13 OF 2026); AND THE NATIONAL TRANSPORT AND SAFETY AUTHORITY (OPERATION OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLES) REGULATIONS, 2026 (LEGAL NOTICE NO. 14 OF 2026)**

(The Chairperson, Select Committee on Delegated Legislation)

THAT, the Senate adopts the Reports of the Select Committee on Delegated Legislation on its consideration of the -

i)The Traffic (School Transport) Rules, 2026 (Legal Notice No. 11 of 2026;

ii)The Traffic (Motor Vehicle Inspection) Rules, 2026 (Legal Notice No. 13 of 2026); and

iii)The National Transport and Safety Authority (Operation of Commercial Vehicles) Regulations, 2026 (Legal Notice No. 14 of 2026);

laid on the Table of the Senate on Wednesday, 10th June, 2026; and that pursuant to Section 18 of the Statutory Instruments Act, the Senate resolves to annul the Traffic (School Transport) Rules, 2026 (Legal Notice No. 11 of 2026; the Traffic (Motor Vehicle Inspection) Rules, 2026 (Legal Notice No. 13 of 2026); and the National Transport and Safety Authority (Operation of Commercial Vehicles) Regulations, 2026 (Legal Notice No. 14 of 2026).

Order deferred.

15. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

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

(The Senate Majority Leader)

*(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 2nd June, 2026)
(Division)*

Order deferred.

16. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

THE STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 10 OF 2024)

(The Senate Majority Leader and the Senate Minority Leader)

*(Resumption of debate interrupted on Tuesday, 2nd June, 2026)
(Division)*

Order deferred.

17. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**
THE ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT DISPOSAL RECYCLING AND REUSE BILL
(SENATE BILLS NO. 5 OF 2025)
(Sen. Peris Tobiko, MP)

Order deferred.

18. **THE PUBLIC SERVICE INTERNSHIP BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO. 63 OF 2022)**
(The Senate Majority Leader)

(Second Reading)

Order read;

Order deferred.

19. **THE STREET NAMING AND PROPERTY ADDRESSING SYSTEMEN BILL**
(SENATE BILLS NO.43 OF 2024)
(Sen. Fatuma Dullo, MP)

(Second Reading)

Order read;

Order deferred.

20. **THE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 4 OF 2026)**
(Sen. Karen Nyamu, MP)

(Second Reading)

Order read;

Order deferred.

21. **THE CROPS (AMENDMENT) BILL (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BILLS NO.8 OF 2023)**
(The Senate Majority Leader)

(Second Reading)

Order deferred.

22. **MOTION - REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON DEVOLUTION AND**
INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS ON THE CONFERMENT OF CITY STATUS
TO THIKA MUNICIPALITY

Order read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Senate adopts the Report of the Standing Committee on Devolution and Intergovernmental Relations on the conferment of City status to Thika Municipality, laid on the Table of the Senate on Wednesday, 15th July, 2026 and, that pursuant to section 8 (6) of the Urban Areas and Cities Act, approves the conferment of City status to Thika Municipality.

(Vice Chairperson, Standing Committee on Devolution and Intergovernmental Relations MP)

Debate arising;

And there being no more Senators wishing to contribute;

The Mover replied;

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

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

The Temporary Speaker (Sen. Wakili Hillary Sigei, MP), for the convenience of the Senate pursuant to Standing Order 34(2)A adjourned the Senate at Thirty-three minutes past Six O'clock without Question put.

23. **SENATE ROSE** – Thirty-three minutes past Six O'clock.

M E M O R A N D U M

*The Speaker will take the Chair on
Tuesday, 4th August, 2026 at 2:30 pm*

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