



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – (FIFTH SESSION)

THE SENATE

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 07, 2026 (MORNING SITTING)

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

3. **QUORUM OF THE SENATE**

The Deputy 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 no Quorum at the expiry of the ten minutes, the Deputy Speaker directed that the Bell be rung for a further ten minutes;

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

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

4. **QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS**

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- i) Question No. 010 by the Senator for Kisumu County (Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, SC, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Mining, Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs on the status of blue economy programmes undertaken by the National Government in Kisumu County was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- ii) Question No. 077 by the Senator for Mombasa County (Sen. Mohamed Faki, MP) on behalf of the Senator for Kilifi County (Sen. Justice (Rtd.) Stewart Madzayo, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Mining, Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs on National Government investment in the blue economy in Kilifi County was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- iii) Question No. 065 by the Senator for Kisumu County (Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, SC, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Information, Communications and the Digital Economy on circulation of false emergency information, digitally manipulated content and impersonation

of public institutions or officials online was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.

- iv) Question No. 081 by the Senator for Mombasa County (Sen. Mohamed Faki, MP) on behalf of the Senator for Kilifi County (Sen. Justice (Rtd.) Stewart Madzayo, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Information, Communications and the Digital Economy on prevention of online gender-based violence was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- v) Question No. 033 by the Senator for Nairobi City County (Sen. Edwin Sifuna, MP) on behalf of Nominated Senator (Sen. Catherine Mumma, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Education on the high rates of teenage pregnancies among school-going girls was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- vi) Question No. 067 by the Senator for Nandi County (Sen. Samson Cherarkey, MP) on behalf of Nominated Senator (Sen. Veronica Maina, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Education on non-operationalization of the Education Standards and Quality Assurance Council was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- vii) Question No. 034 by Nominated Senator (Sen. Shakila Abdalla, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Education on the policy and regulatory framework governing the wearing of religious attire and symbols in basic education institutions was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- viii) Question No. 055 by Nominated Senator (Sen. Joyce Korir, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Education on payment of outstanding dues to intern teachers, the criteria for their absorption and the incorporation of JSS in all primary schools across the country was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- ix) Question No. 058 by the Senator for Kakamega County (Sen. (Dr.) Boni Khalwale, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Education on the status of secondary school principals in Kenya was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- x) Question No. 060 by the Senator for Kisumu County (Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, SC, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Education on revocation of the accreditation of the Kenya Institute of Management (KIM) was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- xi) Question No. 079 by the Senator for Mombasa County (Sen. Mohamed Faki, MP) on behalf of the Senator for Kilifi County (Sen. Justice (Rtd.) Stewart Madzayo, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Education on the distribution of teachers across the counties was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- xii) Question No. 080 by the Senator for Mombasa County (Sen. Mohamed Faki, MP) on behalf of the Senator for Kilifi County (Sen. Justice (Rtd.) Stewart Madzayo, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Education on National

Government infrastructure development projects in public schools in Kilifi County was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.

- xiii) Question No. 066 by the Senator for Kisumu County (Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, SC, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Co-operatives and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) Development on compensation and support mechanisms for Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (SMEs), informal traders and other business establishments affected by public demonstrations was deferred in the absence of the Cabinet Secretary.

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

5. **SENATE ROSE** – at fifteen minutes past One O'clock.

M E M O R A N D U M

*The Speaker will take the Chair on
Wednesday, October 07, 2026 at 2:30 p.m.*

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