



NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

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The House met at 2.30 p.m.

[The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Diana Mwangangi) in the Chair]

PRAYER

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Members, you may now be seated.

QUORUM

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Clerk, confirm if we have quorum.

(The Clerk-at-the-Table confirmed there was no quorum)

My attention has been drawn to the lack of quorum. Sergeant-at-Arms, please ring the Bell for 10 minutes.

(Quorum Bell was rung)

Hon. Members, we have attained the requisite quorum. Clerk, let us proceed. Order, Hon. Members, we are on session.

MESSAGE

NOMINATION OF SELECTION PANEL FOR RECRUITMENT OF COUNTY SECRETARY

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Whip, take your seat. Honorable Members, Standing Order 45 (1) relating to messages from the Governor, provides that:

“The Speaker shall read to the County Assembly any message from the Governor or the Senator of the County delivered to the Speaker for communication to the County Assembly.”

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In this regard, Hon. Members, I wish to report that I received a letter referenced NCC/ /GOV/Admin/093/2025, dated 19th August 2025, from the Governor.

Hon. Members, the message regards the nomination of a selection panel for the purpose of recruiting a suitable candidate for appointment as County Secretary. I now wish to convey the following message:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 44 and Section 58A of the County Governments Act, 2012, I hereby nominate the following individuals to constitute the selection panel to undertake a transparent and competitive recruitment process: -

1. Ms. Sarah Migwe - Chairperson;
2. Esmeralda De Souza - Member representing the private sector;
3. Brian Amadi - Member, lawyer and duly enrolled advocate of the High Court of Kenya, member of the Law Society of Kenya;
4. Mr. Isaiah Chibi - Member, accountant and a member of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Kenya; and
5. Mr. Dennis Miskellah - Member representative of Workers Union.

Hon. Members, I now direct that the Select Committee on Appointments proceeds with the vetting of the nominees as members of the selection panel for the purpose of recruiting a suitable candidate for appointment as County Secretary. Thank you, Hon. Members, you may proceed.

(Several Members entered the Chamber)

NOTICE OF MOTION

INVESTIGATION ON ALL PUBLIC LANDS AND OPEN SPACES IN THE COUNTY

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Samson Ochieng' Jera, you have a Notice of Motion, please proceed to read.

Hon. Samson Ooko: Thank you, Madam Speaker, I wish to give Notice of the following Motion:

AWARE THAT Article 67 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 establishes the National Lands Commission with its functions being amongst others to; manage public land on behalf of the National and County Governments; and, to initiate investigations, on its own initiative or on a complaint, into present or historical land injustices, and recommend appropriate redress;

CONCERNED THAT public land and open spaces reserved for the development of essential public amenities such as schools, hospitals, markets, recreational facilities and other infrastructure critical for public service delivery has been irregularly allocated, illegally occupied, or developed by private individuals and entities, thereby denying residents access to essential services and impeding the County Government's ability to implement critical development projects;

DEEPLY CONCERNED that the continued grabbing and encroachment of these parcels of land undermines the urban planning frameworks, violates land use regulations and contributes to the deterioration of service delivery in sectors such as education, healthcare, and sanitation;

NOTING that the National Land Commission (NLC) is constitutionally mandated to manage public land on behalf of National and County Governments, and is empowered to initiate investigations into historical and current land injustices;

NOW THEREFORE, this Assembly urges the County Executive in conjunction with National Land Commission to; -

- i) Conduct a comprehensive audit and investigation on all public land and open spaces in Nairobi City County that have been irregularly allocated, occupied, or developed in the County;
- ii) Publicly share the outcomes of the investigations and table a comprehensive report with recommendations to the relevant National and County Government institutions including the County Assembly for further action; and
- iii) Take appropriate action to reclaim such parcels of land where illegality has been committed either by the Commission or the Courts of Law.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

STATEMENTS

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT REGARDING STATUS OF CONFIRMATION OF OFFICERS EMPLOYED WITHIN THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Hashim Kamau.

Hon. Hashim Kamau: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 47 (2) (c), I wish to request a Statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Labor and Social Welfare regarding the status of confirmation of officers employed within the County Executive, commonly referred to as the 'Green Army'.

Hon. Speaker, the matter concerns 55 staff members engaged on terms designated as permanent and pensionable. These officers continue to perform their duties but, to date, have not been formally confirmed in their appointments. It is further alleged that this protracted delay is linked to purported failures in their performance appraisal process.

Hon. Speaker, the continued non-confirmation of staff who have served beyond their probationary period raises serious concerns regarding compliance with Section 42 of the Employment Act, 2007 regarding the maximum duration of a probationary contract, and Section 71 of the County Governments Act, 2012, which provides for the automatic confirmation of a public officer upon the lapse of the probationary period without a formal decision.

Furthermore, any decision to deny confirmation on the basis of performance must adhere to the principles of Article 47 on Fair Administrative Action and Article 41 with regard to Fair Labor Practices of the Constitution, which mandate procedural fairness, including the right to be heard as stipulated under Section 41 of the Employment Act.

Hon. Speaker, in the statement, the Chairperson should inquire into and report on:

1. A comprehensive list of the names and corresponding employee numbers of the fifty-five (55) staff members involved;
2. A detailed statement of the specific reasons, supported by documentary evidence for the non-confirmation of the aforementioned staff, and an explanation of how the process complied with the requirements of Section 41 of the Employment Act and the constitutional right to fair administrative action; and
3. Certified copies of the relevant official documentation, including minutes from the County Public Service Board and minutes from the sector that formally considered and resolved the non-confirmation of the employees, including the dates of such resolutions.

Thank you Madam Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Chairperson, Labour Committee? Vice Chair. Do we have any Member of Labour Committee in the House today to make an undertaking on behalf of the Committee? Yes, Hon. Kimemia.

(Hon. Anthony Gathumbi spoke off the record)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Facilitate the communication device for Hon. Kimemia.

Hon. Anthony Gathumbi: Sorry for that, Madam Speaker. I request the Member to give us two weeks to bring the information.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Two weeks, that is noted. Hon. Mugambi?

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT REGARDING ALLOCATION OF LAND ALONG MOI DRIVE

Hon. Mark Mugambi: Thank you Hon. Speaker. First, I thank members for *gucokia guoko* and---

Hon. Temporary Speaker: You are reminded to use parliamentary language.

Hon. Mark Mugambi: Anyone who has not done that, kindly make sure you see me. Hon. Speaker, I have a statement request which is titled allocation of plot LR No. Nairobi/Block 109//2380, that is an open space along Moi Drive.

Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 47 (2) (c), I wish to request for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Lands, Planning and Housing regarding the allocation of L.R No. Nairobi/Block 109/2380, an open space along Moi Drive.

Hon. Speaker, the parcel of land is legally designated as an open space/public utility land and is situated along Moi Drive. I seek clarity concerning what I perceive as improper allocation of the said parcel of land, that contravenes its original purpose and exacerbate a critical public infrastructure deficit.

Hon. Speaker, in the Statement, the Chairperson should inquire into and report on:

1. What was the original legally mandated intended use of this open space, L.R No. Nairobi/Block 109/2380, as per the Nairobi Integrated Urban Development Plan - that is the new plan - and the relevant Physical Planning Act;
2. On what grounds was this parcel designated for public use allocated to a private entity;
3. Full disclosure of the allocation process including beneficiary's name, the purpose of the allocation and the public benefit that was cited, to justify the alienation of this vital land;
4. Why was this land allocated for an alternative use when there is severe and pressing need for dedicated bus terminus to service the matatus and buses plying the Moi Drive route? In the current situation, public vehicles stop and pick haphazardly along the road because of this infrastructural gap; and
5. Steps that the County is taking to safeguard public land from potential land grabbers.

Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Is the Chairperson Planning Committee in the House today? Vice Chair of Planning Committee? Do we have any Member of the Committee to give an undertaking on behalf of the Committee?

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Madam Speaker, I thought Hon. Mark Mugambi is a Member of the Committee.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Are you a Member of the Planning Committee, Hon. Mugambi?

Hon. Mark Mugambi: Hon. Speaker, for the last eight years I have been in this House, I have never been a Member of the Planning Committee.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Madam Speaker, I misquoted because the yester years of Hon. Mugambi in his life in this Assembly, he was the main collector of the Transport Sector. I was confusing between Transport and Planning. He had a lot of criminality those days; the *mashimo* mentality.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: He has confirmed that he is not a Member of the Planning Committee.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Allow us to respond to this, two weeks after the recess of CASA Games.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Roro, I believe you have heard the commitment for two weeks. We have Hon. Mark Mugambi.

Hon. Mark Mugambi: Alias Roro.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Proceed, Hon. Mugambi

Hon. Mark Mugambi: Two weeks is fine with me. However, I think the Majority Leader and the Committee should help me, as we wait for the two weeks after the CASA Games, to put a caveat on any approval of plans that might be issued to the said plot. Thank you.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Chairperson, Water Committee, you have a response to a Statement by Hon. Kiogora. Is Hon. Kiogora in the House?

Chairperson, Planning Committee also has a response to a Statement requested by Hon. Samuel Kago. Hon. Kideda, are you the one giving this response to the Statement?

RESPONSE TO STATEMENT REGARDING SURRENDER
AND SUB DIVISION OF LAND IN MWIKI WARD

Hon. Lily Kidenda: Thank you, Madam Speaker. The Sectoral Committee on Lands, Planning and Housing is established by the Standing Order No. 209, and is mandated by the Third Schedule of the Standing Orders to investigate, enquire into, and report on all matters related to County planning and development, including statistics, land survey, mapping, boundaries and fencing, housing, and outdoor advertising.

The Member of the County Assembly representing Mwiki Ward, Hon Samuel Kanyi Kago, MCA, requested for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Lands, Planning and Housing regarding the surrender and sub division of land in Mwiki Ward. The holding parcel number LR No. 9363/65, LR No. 936/85, LR No. 30393, LR No. 30393/1585 and LR No.30393/1988.

In the statement the Member requested for report on the following aspects:

1. Whether there was a surrender of land for public use during the sub division of the parcel numbers; LR No. 9363/65, LR No. 9363/85, LR No. 30393, LR No. 3039/1585, and additionally LR No. 30393/1988 in Mwiki Ward, and if there is any details and proof of documents and maps provided; and
2. Whether the developer of LR No. 30393/1988 have approvals from the County for the ongoing constructions, proof of the same should be provided, and steps that the County Government is taking to ensure that all surrendered pieces of land are tracked, accounted for, and a register of the same maintained.

Hon. Speaker, pursuant to the Provision of Standing Order No. 47 (2) (d), the Committee invited the County Executive Committee Member for Built Environment and Urban Planning to its meeting on Wednesday 6th August 2025. The Member who requested for the Statement was also invited to the meeting.

On Wednesday 6th August 2025, the Committee held a meeting with the CEC of the Sectorial Committee and the officials deliberated responses to this statement. Hon Samuel Kago, Member of County Assembly, was in attendance.

In this regard, I wish to report to the Assembly as follows:

(Hon Temporary Speaker spoke off the record)

Hon. Lily Kidenda: I will highlight, thank you, Hon Speaker. I appreciate that because it is fairly long. Let me come to what is critical.

On the 6th September 2012, an approval for the sub division for LR No. 9362/65 into 224 plots was issued by the County.

(Hon Temporary Speaker spoke off the record)

Hon. Lily Kidenda: Thank you, Hon Speaker, I appreciate your intervention.

The approval was later disapproved on the 28th July 2015 and the titles currently in the name of Karanja Kago. I would like to mention that this is no relation to Mweheshimiwa Kago, the one who asked this of the Committee. Allow me to go to what I believe is critical.

In this regard, Hon. Speaker, the Committee requested the Executive Committee Member responsible for the Built Environment and Urban Planning to immediately deploy multi sectoral enforcement team to the parcel land in order to protect it, because what came out, as the Committee was deliberating, was misinformation and some steps that were taken that had not been regularized. And allow me to just highlight this:

1. Suspend all irregular construction on the parcels of land until the developers comply with relevant guidelines.
2. Remove all structures on parcels of land that were surrendered for public use on legally subdivided plots.

Consequently, the CEC M reported as follows via a letter that was addressed to us:

- i. The County Executive planning and enforcement officers carried out a site visit on the said LR numbers and established as follows:
 - a) The parcel of land has no sub division approval from Nairobi City County Government, and comprises of Industrial Commercial and Residential Development, without approvals from the County. Enforcements notices were served to the illegal developments to suspend irregular constructions and operations;
 - b) On LR 9663/85/83. the parcel of land is owned by one Joel Kanyi Kimani and Josephine Njeri Ngugi, as per the ownership document provided by the developer. Enforcement notice was served to the developer, and submission was done vide an application number Blooper BOW 00054/N, that has not been approved

(Hon Temporary Speaker spoke off the record)

Hon. Lily Kidenda: Are you talking about section b?

(Hon Temporary Speaker spoke off the record)

Hon. Lily Kidenda: Allow me to read. Thank you, Hon Speaker.

- c) On LR No. 30393/1988, the parcel of land is owned by Bright Shine Housing Limited, as per the ownership document provided by the developer. The said parcel of land was subdivided into two portions and was approved by the

County. The developer has developed multiple dwelling units without the approval of the County.

- d) LR No. 30393/158 the parcel of land is a public land for church use. There is illegal subdivision of it and there exist an illegal development that was removed by the Planning Compliance and enforcement officers. Notice was served on site, and one, Mr. Joseph Kimani arrested.

A report on the findings of the site visit is hereby attached.

Madam Speaker, Hon. Sam Kago, MCA, was present at this presentation and was satisfied with the response. I beg to lay this response. Thank you.

Hon. Samuel Kago: Madam Speaker, I do not fully agree with the report because some of the things said, I am hearing for the first time, and the report has not been shared with me. When I attended the committee meeting, the CECM did not respond on the developer who has put up a whole estate without paying a coin to the County Government. I have also heard that some public land, LR. No. 9363/3, is registered to one Joel, and I wonder what happens thereafter.

(Hon Temporary Speaker spoke off the record)

Hon. Samuel Kago: Madam Speaker, I was present in the meeting, and the CEC did not present any documentation on the developer developing this parcel of land. Nothing was discussed. He was to come back to the Committee meeting to answer on the development of the plot. I was never invited again. My question on whether the developer on LR. No 30393/1988 has approvals from the County for ongoing construction and proof of the same should be provided. The developer is doing a whole estate in a 100 hectare of land without proper documentation. and that was never discussed.

(Hon Temporary Speaker spoke off the record)

Hon. Alvin Palapala: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I wonder if the Member thinks that Members of the Planning Committee are mad people. He came before us and returned the report back to us yesterday. We agreed on everything that has been read here. Nevertheless, if he is not satisfied, then he can bring the matter back to the Committee. I therefore wonder if he is a normal human being.

Hon. Samuel Kago: Madam Speaker, I think he needs to withdraw that and respect the people of Mwiki.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: *(Off the record)* ... lies on the supplementary issues that you have raised

Hon. Samuel Kago: Madam Speaker, am I not a normal human being? He has said I am not normal.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: You are a normal human being.

Hon. Samuel Kago: The Chair should withdraw.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Take your seat, Hon. Kago! Chairperson, Planning Committee, withdraw that.

Hon. Alvin Palapala: Madam Speaker, I am wondering...

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Withdraw because you do not have the capacity to gauge his madness or sanity.

Hon. Alvin Palapala: Okay, Madam Speaker.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: You lack evidence that he is mad.

Hon. Member: Do you work in Mathare?

Hon. Alvin Palapala: No, I do not work in Mathare...

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Since you are not experienced in that sector and haven't studied it, withdraw your statement so that we proceed.

Hon. Alvin Palapala: Thank you, Madam Speaker for your guidance. I withdraw the statement and apologize.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Clerk, let us proceed. Yes, Majority Leader.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: Allow me to pass the information that practice for CASA games is proceeding from today. Liaise with your team captains to know the field for training, because we do not have a specific field. It is very important for us to have this information. Thank you.

BILL

Second Reading

NAIROBI CITY COUNTY HEALTH SERVICES BILL, 2025

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Moses Ogeto.

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Hon. Speaker, the Chair for Water should understand that when the Majority Whip is on his feet or the point of order he is...

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Just proceed

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Hon. Speaker, I beg to move:

THAT, the Nairobi City County Health Services Bill, 2025 (Assembly Bill Number 3 of 2025) be read for the Second Time.

Hon. Speaker, before I call the seconder, it is good to bring the gist of this Motion before the House. You are aware that Nairobi County has a population of 5.7 million during the day and 4.9 million at night. Out of my analysis, we are able to have 120 health facilities that are operational currently...

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Fiunifiu and Hon. Palapala, consult in low tones. We are transacting important business

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Five Level V and 11 Level IV hospitals, and other health facilities. The gist of this Bill, Hon. Speaker, is like the Ward Development Programme, which we started around 2015 with my colleague Hon. Peter Anyule Imwatok and Hon. Anthony Kiragu. We said that every ward must get equal share of its services and taxes that is paid to this County.

This Bill seeks to tackle issues health. That every ward in the Nairobi City County should have a health facility constructed and equipped to the standards that are guided. The Hon. Member

for Lindi said that he does not have a public health facility in his ward while I have two in my ward. I believe that this Motion is going to cure that.

Hon. Speaker, we have five Level V hospitals while Nairobi has a population of 5.7 million people. This means that hospitals are very few. This Bill is going to reinforce monies received from grants administratively, and all equipment to be upgraded to the standards of the Aga Khan Hospital.

I believe that the Bill was shared on our portal. If you may allow, Hon. Speaker, I read the objectives of the Bill.

This Bill provides preliminary provisions for promoting access to health facilities, facilitation, and realization of the rights and care, provided for under Article 43 of the Constitution on realization of consumer health rights. It also gives the principles of health service delivery, which includes management of health services and adopt the Health systems approach, as prescribed by the World Health Organization. If you go to Rwanda – and I happen to have travelled there during the First Assembly – their system works efficiently. You cannot proceed to a level V hospital before going to a level II or III hospital. That is what I believe even the President wants to cure by introducing Universal Health coverage. This Bill will ensure that one works.

Hon Speaker, part two of this Bill has given the functions of the health services. The sad thing which I know most may complain, is decentralization of the procurement services, which will be at the Level IV hospitals.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon Fiunifiu, just settle down or you excuse yourself.

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Thank you, Hon Speaker. This Bill will ensure that procurement functions, which are usually done at City Hall, some will be done at the hospital level. This will ensure that our facilities will have enough medicine.

This Bill gives the Health Committee powers of approving a board. People here used to approve boards without consulting this House. This Bill is going to give that platform to ensure that the Members of this House are able to approve the Board Members of this Level V hospitals and generally the big board which will ensure that the management of these hospitals.

Finally, Hon Speaker, this Bill also decentralizes every money received. The CEC Member for Finance will ensure that he safeguards these monies and sends to the facilities. The superintendents will have to approve at the hospitals.

For those few remarks, Madam Speaker, I have been really wanting this Bill to come to this House. I request the Vice Chair for Health, Hon Lily Kidenda, to second me.

Hon. Lily Kidenda: Hon Speaker, I would like to confirm that this Bill has come before the Committee. We have looked at it, digested it, and asked the questions that are necessary. It has become obvious to us that if we do not look at this Bill in the critical way that it deserves, we are going to allow ourselves to really get back to the dysfunctionalities that sometimes plague our hospitals.

Madam Speaker, as has been articulated by the author of the Bill, health systems that are being floated or are being put forward are as approved by the World Health Organization and that have been proven in some other countries, and their working has improved the health services. It

is also important to note that it will define and clarify some roles that are now vaguely articulated in the bills that we currently have. It will further ring fence the FIF. Finally, Madam Speaker, the approval of the Board by the oversight arm will bring the kind of order that we need.

With those few remarks and many more that I cannot say now, I would like to second the proposal of this Bill. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

(Question Proposed)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon Members, you may now debate. Hon Imwatok Peter Jateso.

Hon. Peter Imwatok: I was sharing with the Member who was crying about my Chair for Planning, and I was telling him we are also planning for Health here today. He has left,

Madam Speaker, first of all, allow me to congratulate my able Majority Whip and the entire Committee of Health for bringing this robust Bill. In this House, I have seen Bills, and Hon Anthony Kiragu can concur with me, I have never seen such a big and comprehensive Bill. Most Bills are about ten pages. I was just speaking to the Whip here that during my stay in this County, I was once upon a time disappointed to meet a blogger running a level V hospital called Pumwani. He was the Chief Administrator, and at the same time blogger of the Governor. You all know who he is currently in this county; the lord of *vipindi* and a content creator

Madam Speaker, the objective of this Bill is to enable the First Schedule of the Constitution that provides the Bill of Rights to Health. It is important for this House to enact our own laws.

Madam Speaker, on the procurement bit, you hear County Government of Nairobi has paid KEMSA more than Kshs 400 million for medical supplies. I dare say today, it is high time KEMSA also puts up its house in order. For those who do not know, the County Government procures from KEMSA, but the suppliers are the same officers from the County Government. If I explain in a minute, you give an order of Kshs.500 million to KEMSA, then KEMSA calls the same Chief Officer or CECM to provide for them a supplier who imports this medicine from India or China, which takes long time to import. Hon Speaker, if this Bill is going to decentralize the issue of essential procurement from the centralized point of view to the smallest unit, which is the clinics, the sub-county health at level III, level IV, and level V, I think this County will move in a proper direction.

More important, Madam Speaker, is the establishment of the County Health Board. We should not joke with the lives of people. They say health is my wealth, not what I own. Today, if you are indisposed, you don't have the mind, as the way you are leading us now. The only remedy for you to be okay is to be available in a hospital that has every essential required of you. This cannot be practical if the Board of Directors of these specific hospitals are supporters and running behind the cars during campaigns. We can put you on a Stadium Board, Social Services Board, Betting Board, or Liquor Board. Go and do those shenanigans there. But when it comes to the issue of health, we want the Assembly to take a center stage. Once again, I congratulate the owner of

the Bill and the entire Committee for accepting that whole this Board must be sanctioned by the Assembly.

Madam Speaker, I am aware of a hospital whose one of the board members is a *TikToker*. Everything happening in this hospital, including when a bed is being raised from one theater to the other, he takes a picture and puts it on TikTok. That is not the job of a board member. I am aware of a board member who is upset with the CEO because the CEO refused to allow him to bring in a contractor to supply oxygen for the hospital. We need people of substance who can sit on a board with an interest of health, not an interest of procurement on these boards.

Once again, this Assembly will be called upon to properly vet who is supposed to, who is able to, and who is capable of sitting on this board. Madam Speaker, the most important thing to me is that out of 85 wards, at least every ward must have a clinic. When I was born in Makongeni, many years ago, we had Makongeni clinic, which has not been renovated seven years now. In Eastlands, we were not taking a journey to go to the hospital, especially for vaccination. They place you in the syringe on the rear part, and your mom leaves you at the door of the clinic to go back to the house. But nowadays if you want take a child to a hospital, you have to take a journey.

Madam Speaker, I believe upon the passing of this Bill, the Committee on Health will do a proper audit of all 85 wards to establish which ward does not have a basic clinic. That will be a plus to our people.

Lastly, Madam Speaker, is to appreciate the entire House for accepting my leader to bring this particular Bill before this House. I believe we will all work together to make sure that this House will be counted when history is written. As my brother, Hon. Ogeto said, congratulations to the entire Health Committee and the entire House. I am looking forward to seeing the Third Reading of this Bill and subsequently passing it. I beg to support.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Matara.

Hon. Silas Matara: Thank you, Hon. Speaker for this opportunity. First, I extend gratitude to our able Whip for bringing this well-thought-out Bill, which is going to go far in terms of achieving several intended purposes. I take cognizance of the fact that the Bill lives up to the spirit of devolution, whereby each and every ward – and it is important to note that my ward does not have any health facility. Therefore, having a law to ensure that each and every ward benefits by having a health facility, will go a long way towards my people being able to access health, which is a constitutional right.

It is also important to take note that I have heard of the issue about this Assembly being given the power to approve members of the board. Hon. Speaker, the boards have been used as an institution to settle political failures or to settle political individuals by the powers that be. Therefore, having this House take part in the processing and approval of those boards will bring sanity to that sector. It will only be my wish that this Bill is not going to lie on the shelves and it is going to see the light of day in terms of passage. Also ensure that once it is passed, the Executive is going to put mechanisms in place to develop a policy framework and regulation to give life to this Bill. With those few remarks, I beg to support. Thank you.

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Hellen Okello, it looks like you wanted to contribute, or I got the wrong signal. I now call upon the mover to reply.

Hon. Moses Ogeto: Madam Speaker, first and foremost, I want to sincerely thank the Vice Chair for Health Services, Mheshimiwa Kidenda, and the Leader of the Majority, Hon. Peter Anyule Imwatok Jateso. I could wish also Hon. Mugambi adds Roro to be his official name, just like Jateso. Hon. Speaker, I also want to thank Hon. Matara for thinking about it.

Hon. Speaker, as I reply, this is history that this House must write. During the First Assembly, Hon. Maina, who Hon. Mark Mugambi took over from, is the pioneer of the Ward Development Fund Programme Act. The Executive frustrated by the virtue that it needed a lot of funding. My plea to the Chair and the Vice Chair of this Committee is that before we finish our Third Assembly, the implementation of at least every ward having a basic clinic will be my success in the Third Assembly. I can be in a position to say my success in the First Assembly was able to bring a WDP Act. So this one, I believe the Committee will do that.

Hon. Speaker, when it goes to the Third Reading, I encourage Members, as the leader has approached me, to go and do amendments for strictness here. The Leader of the Majority has said bloggers are not supposed to be appointed to these boards. I welcome the amendment so that we can have strict people here who can manage the facilities. We need professional to run these facilities.

We need our universal health coverage, which the President always says that he wants it to reach every mwananchi. We want them to start learning from Nairobi because Nairobi is the City of hope. Hon. Mark Mugambi, now you can tell the President that we have an Act that will ensure that the universal health coverage works. Therefore, there will be no excuses that this one is not working, because I know you have proximity to the President. That is why I am sending you.

Hon. Speaker, with those few remarks, I want to thank Hon. Members and thank the House for such support. Thank you.

(Question put and agreed to)

(The Bill was accordingly read a Second Time and committed to the Committee of the Whole House)

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Hon. Members, I wanted to state that when Members request for statements, they should be serious with it and follow it up to the conclusion. There is a statement that was requested by Hon. Kiogora. He has been missing for quite a number of sittings when the Chair is ready. I now give a direction that he be given a final notification so that we also do not seem to ask request for a statement for the sake of it. Thank you very much.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Temporary Speaker: The House stands adjourned to tomorrow, Wednesday 15th October 2025 at 2: 30 p.m. I direct that the Assembly Business Committee meets after this sitting. Thank you.

The House rose at 3: 50 p.m.