NAIROBI CITY COUNTY



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SECOND ASSEMBLY - THIRD SESSION

REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS

Hon. Speaker,

Pursuant to Standing Order 45 (2) (c), I wish to request a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Environment and Natural Resources regarding the use of asbestos in roofing despite being banned.

Hon. Speaker, there are buildings across the city in public schools and other public buildings which still retain asbestos roofing despite the same having been strictly out allowed.

Hon. Speaker, for instance the roof in Daima primary school was made of asbestos. Unfortunately, it is now well known that using asbestos as a roofing material is highly toxic since, when inhaled or swallowed, the microscopic asbestos fibers, may not be able to dissolve or expel from the body. Moreover, recent research shows the danger on exposure of asbestos substances hence putting the lives of the classroom users at risk.

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

- i) List of all County schools and County public buildings with asbestos roofing;
- ii) When does the County Government plan to safely remove and dispose the hazardous roofing in its schools and other County public buildings;
- iii) Immediate measures put in place by the County government to safeguard the health and well-being of children in schools such as Daima with asbestos roofing;

Hon. David Okello MCA MEMBER FOR HURUMA WARD

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