NAIROBI CITY COUNTY



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SECOND ASSEMBLY - SECOND SESSION

REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS

Hon. Speaker,

Pursuant to Standing Order 45 (2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Environment and Natural Resources regarding the illegal dumping of waste in rivers across the County.

Hon. Speaker, the County's four main rivers, namely Ngong, Nairobi, Mathare and Mbagathi, flow through informal settlements. The illegal dumping of waste, solid as well as industrial in some parts of the City, has greatly impacted the lives of residents in informal settlements where these rivers flow, seeing as most have nearly become open sewers.

For example, Mathare river which runs through the Mathare slums and Ngong river through the Kibera slum which, despite its large human population, has no sewage and solid waste disposal system. It also passes through the Industrial Area where some industries discharge their waste into it.

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

- i) Measures put in place by the County government to strictly enforce environmental standards to prevent the dangerous pollution of the County's rivers;
- ii) Report detailing the historical pollution of the rivers and efforts the County government has put in place to return the rivers to their former glory;
- iii) Names of industries or persons or landlords who discharge their solid waste into any of the rivers and action taken against them;

iv) Plans to clean the rivers over the long run and steps taken to commence the said plans.

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Hon. Patricia Mutheu, MCA
MEMBER FOR MLANGO KUBWA WARD

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