GOVERNMENT OF NAIROBI CITY COUNTY



THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

SECOND ASSEMBLY

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REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS

Subject: Dilapidated Drainage Systems in the County

Hon. Speaker,

Pursuant to Standing Order 45(2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Transport and Public Works regarding the dilapidated drainage system in the County and particularly in Buruburu Phase 3 and Magunga Court in Harambee Ward.

Hon. Speaker, drainage blockages occasioned by floods has become a perennial problem in the County and unless quick action is taken, it is likely going to be costly for the County to reconstruct or do complete overhaul of drainage systems.

Hon. Speaker, the ongoing rains continue to wreak havoc and destroy the already worn out drainage system in Buruburu Phase 3 and Magunga Court. This has resulted into stalled vehicles and inflexible traffic jams, impassable roads with potholes that have turned into hollows, fallen trees and collapsing and run-down houses where electrical appliances and other household valuables are destroyed by flood waters.

Hon. Speaker, in light of Article 42 and 43 (1) (b) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 which provides for the rights to a clean and healthy environment and reasonable standards of sanitation, immediate attention and consideration is needed.

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

- i) Reasons for delayed construction of proper drainage systems in the County and particularly in Buruburu Phase 3 and Magunga Court;
- ii) Short term measures the Nairobi Metropolitan Services has put in place to control and manage perennial floods;
- iii) Measures put in place to mitigate communicable diseases brought about by the floods;
- iv) Long term plans the NMS is putting in place to create alternative drainage routes;
- v) The time frame within which repair works of the old drainage systems and brokendown roads in Buruburu Phase 3 and Magunga Court will commence; and,

vi) Whether the youths in Harambee Ward will be engaged in drainage construction works

Hon. Antony Kimemia Gathumbi, MCA MEMBER FOR HARAMBEE WARD

Date. 5 -11 - 2020.