GOVERNMENT OF NAIROBI CITY COUNTY



THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

SECOND ASSEMBLY

(FIFTH SESSION)

REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS

Subject: Delayed Completion of Early Childhood Development Centers in 17 No. Sub counties

Hon. Speaker,

Pursuant to Standing Order 45(2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of Sectoral Committee on Children, Early Childhood Education and Vocational Training regarding the stalled Early Childhood Development (ECD) projects that were to be constructed in all the 17 Sub counties.

Hon. Speaker, the Kenyan Constitution of Kenya, 2010 devolved to County governments the responsibility to deliver quality Early Childhood Development and Education (ECDE) services among them being to increase infrastructural facilities suitable for children.

However, the County Education Sector remains adamant to fast-track realization of the same as it has neither tendered afresh for completion of the ECD centers nor communicated reasons the 17 NO. ECD Centers have not been completed to-date since 2018 fully aware that there was a Company awarded that contract and was on the ground.

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

- i) The reasons implementation of 17 No. ECD Centers have stalled since 2018 under the watch of the Education Sector:
- ii) Whether the Contractor awarded the tender was facilitated by the County with security due to alleged harassment by goons;
- iii) Reasons payments of certificates raised have not been paid to-date; and,

iv) Measures the County Executive is putting in place to ensure the ECD Centers are duly completed in a timely manner as they come in handy in containment of Covid-19 surge by ensuring children keep and maintain recommended social distance.

Hon. Patrick Mbangula, MCA MEMBER FOR HOSPITAL WARD