

Statement requested by  
Hon. Patricia Musili on  
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THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

SECOND ASSEMBLY

(FIFTH SESSION)

REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS

***Subject: Alleged Insecurity for locals living near Ndakaini Dam in Murang'a County***

Hon. Speaker,

Pursuant to Standing Order 45(2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of Sectoral Committee on Water and Sanitation regarding status of Ndakaini Dam and its environs in terms of alleged rising cases of insecurity and provision of water to local residents.

Hon. Speaker, Article 43 (1) (d) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 provides the right to clean and safe water in adequate quantities for every person. As such, the Northern Water Collector Tunnel Phase 1 scheme was designed to divert raw water from Maragua, Gikigie and Irati Rivers by means of weir control intakes and convey the intercepted raw water through an 11.8KM long tunnel with 3.2M diameter to Ndakaini Dam Reservoir which was intended to increase water to Nairobi by 140,000m<sup>3</sup> per day

Hon. Speaker, A total cost of Kshs 2.7 Billion which is funding of the National Government with the support from World Bank and Belgium was used to implement community water projects to benefit local residents. However, it is still unclear whether the local residents benefitted from this critical resource which they have protected for decades.

Hon. Speaker, there has also been allegations on insecurity at the dam where dead bodies are perennially being retrieved.

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

- i) Whether the Nairobi City Water and Sewerage Limited Company has enhanced provision of clean water of adequate quantities for the locals living in Ndakaini and its environs;
- ii) Efforts being made by the NCWSC to create watertight barriers that safeguard this water source while also enabling the local residents sustainably benefit from the same; and
- iii) Measures the County Executive and NMS is putting in place to reduce water leakages and limit water rationing in the County