

NAIROBI CITY COUNTY


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 THIRD ASSEMBLY - FIRST SESSION

REQUEST FOR STATEMENT


Hon. Speaker,

Pursuant to Standing Order 47(2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Environment and Natural Resources regarding air pollution in the County and in particular by industries located in Njiru Ward

Hon. Speaker, Article 42 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 stipulates that every person has the right to a clean and healthy environment, which includes the right to have the environment protected for the benefit of present and future generations through legislative and other measures, particularly those contemplated in Article 69.

Hon. Speaker, the residents of Nairobi are exposed to unhealthy concentrations of air pollutants that cause adverse health effects in humans leading to respiratory and cardiovascular diseases as some studies indicate. Nairobi being one of the fastest urbanizing city in the region and hence increased economic activities more so industrial zones which proportionally increase air pollution. This compromises the quality of air.

Hon. Speaker, the industries located in Njiru Ward have been polluting the environment by emitting toxic smoke particularly at night. These emissions not only affect the health of the residents but also contributes to global warming.

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

- i) A status report on implementation of the Nairobi City County Air Quality Act, 2021 and policy;
- ii) Whether the industries located in Njiru ward are compliant with both National and County regulatory frameworks on emissions.
- iii) Measures the County Executive has taken to ensure that industries reduce their emissions across the County.

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Statement read on 29th Nov
 Response due on 14th Dec 2022
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 29th Nov, 2022