

GOVERNMENT OF NAIROBI CITY COUNTY



THE NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

THIRD ASSEMBLY

(SECOND SESSION)

REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS

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HON. SPEAKER

Hon. Speaker,

Pursuant to Standing Order 47(2) (c), I wish to request for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Water and Sanitation regarding perennial water challenges and rationing in the County by the Nairobi City Water and Sewerage Company Limited in parts of the County, particularly Karen Ward.

Hon. Speaker, Article 43 (d) of the Constitution presupposes that, every person has a right to clean and safe water in adequate quantities and part 2 of the 2nd schedule of the Constitution apportions water and sanitation services function to the County Governments. In the recent years, parts of the County have been experiencing water shortage or complete lack of the commodity. For instance at Mukoma Road in Karen Ward, there has been lack of water supply for the past one (1) year due to disconnection by the Nairobi City Water and Sewerage Company Limited.

Hon. Speaker, because of the disconnection, residents of Karen Ward along Mukoma Road are undergoing undue suffering due to lack of adequate clean water supply. This is despite the Nairobi City Water and Sewerage Company Limited developing a schedule on rationing of water across the County. Furthermore, the estates along the said road have connected water pipes, however, the said residents are living without running water for approximately one (1) year now. The lack of water has affected hundreds of households and businesses in the said area, which in turn poses a health hazard not only to the residents of Karen but also across the County and beyond.

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

- i) Reasons by the Nairobi City Water and Sewerage Company Limited for not supplying running water to Karen Ward residents along Mukoma Road;
- ii) Measures the County Executive is taking to ensure residents of Karen as well as businesses are supplied with clean water in adequate quantities; and
- iii) Steps that the Nairobi Water and Sewerage Company is taking to ensure that all estates in Karen Ward have genuine water meters from the said Company.

Antony Maragu
HON. ANTONY MARAGU, MCA
MEMBER FOR KAREN WARD

DATE.....*1/11/2023*

*Response due
in 2 weeks.
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