



NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY  
THIRD ASSEMBLY - SECOND SESSION

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**REQUEST FOR STATEMENT**

Subject: Alleged irregular felling of trees in the County

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 alleged irregular felling of trees in the County, specifically in Kileleshwa Ward

Hon. Speaker, environmental conservation and prevention of pollution by extension are some of the functions set out in Part II of the Fourth Schedule of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 based on which this Assembly exercises oversight in line with by Article 185 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010. Hon. Speaker, there is an established regulatory procedure to be followed by residents of Nairobi before embarking on cutting trees. however, some people exploit enforcement loop holes to cut vegetation and trees contrary to the country's aspirations to enhance tree cover.

Hon. Speaker, for instance, in Kileleshwa Ward, a piece of land (LR. No. 209/4501/4) which was previously illegally occupied by squatters has had big and old trees felled by unknown people in collusion with Sub-County Administrator in order to irregularly erect structures.

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

- i) Whether proper procedure was followed in felling of the trees on the said piece of land including obtaining relevant approvals from the County;
- ii) Whether public participation was conducted in order to ensure that residents in the area gave their views before felling the trees and in anticipation of further developments on the said piece of land;
- iii) Policy and regulatory steps that the County Executive has taken to protect existing tree and vegetation cover in the County in line with climate change mitigation efforts.

HON. ROBERT ALAI, MCA.  
MEMBER OF COUNTY ASSEMBLY, KILELESHWA WARD.

Date: 17/10/2023

I Statement sought by Hon Robert Alai: on 17th Oct  
Response to be issued in 2 weeks time -  
  
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