

Combined Reports of the Public Budget Hearings for

Estimates of Expenditure and Revenue Held in Eight

Centers on 20^{th} May, 2014 and in Nairobi on 22^{nd} May,

Key Issues from the Public hearings

The following are the Key Issues arising from the Public hearings

1.0 Roads and Bridges

The public felt that development of roads network is key to economic growth as it would open up new areas, facilitate movement of people and goods to the markets and promote trade. The public therefore requested for the construction, rehabilitation or maintenance of roads and bridges as follows.

- i) Completion of the flyover to connect Mbita Point with Rusinga Island Homa Bay- Mbita Road (C19)
 - Construction of Mbita-Sindo-Magunga road (D210)
- ii) Construction of the following roads;
 - Narok-Nakuru
 - Narok-Maasai Mara
 - Eoro-Ekule-Kongoni
 - Narok-Kilgoris and Suzwa-Konza
 - Kibwezi-Mutomo-Kitui-Mwingi-Taraka
 - Maralal-Baragoi
 - Garissa-Wajir-Mandera road to bitumen standard.
- iii) Improvement of the following roads to bitumen standard;
 - Lungalunga Matuga Kinango road C106
 - Kombani Kinango-lungalunga-Mariakani
 - Marere Tiribe
 - Kinango Mariakani
 - Lungalunga Vanga
 - Mabungo Marima
 - Galani Shimoni
 - Kinango Samburu
 - Kinango Mazeraz.
 - Kanana Shimoni
- iv) Upgrade to Bitumen standard the following roads;
 - Engineer-Kirima D393 13 km,
 - Kirima-Ndinda D392 17km,
 - Murungaru-Gilgil D391 30 km,
 - Kapteni-Geta-Ndunyu Njeru D389 47 km,
 - Gatura-Njambini-Karati C67 km,
 - Kariam-Olbollosat-Mailikumi D388 29km,

- Gwakiongo-Tumaini-Gilgil D385 43 km,
- Gilgil-Machinery D390 25Km
- v) Tarmacking of the following roads;
 - Chwele -Sirisia Lwakhakha (29km),
 - Busia Malaba,
 - Misikhu Naitiri Tongaren Matunda ,
 - Kapsokwony Kopsiro Namwela (38km)
- vi) Built access roads in Samburu north to enhance security and ensure easier movement of patrol teams
 - Construction of a direct road between Samburu and Turkana
 - Hasten tarmacking of Rumuruti- Longaloyani road.
- vii) Construction of Seyia Bridge to link Samburu South and North at an estimated cost of Ksh 300 million.

2.0 Ferries and Jetties

To promote transport along the Kenyan coast and in Lake Victoria the public recommended procurement of ferries for use at Kenyan coast and in Lake Victoria as well as construction of jetties as follows;

- i) Procurement of public ferry at a cost of Ksh. 100 million for lake Victoria
- ii) Construction of a new jetty for ship docking in Kwale County
- iii) Upgrading Shimoni jetty to a port.
- iv) Ferry services to be extended to more areas along the Kenyan coast

3.0 Airports and airstrips

The public recommended rehabilitation or upgrading of airstrips and airports as follows;

- i) Rehabilitation of Kitui airstrip.
- ii) Upgrade Bungoma, Webuye and Kakamega Airstrips.
- iii) Rehabilitation and upgrading Kisima airstrip in Maralal

- iv) Renovation of Ukunda airstrip.
- v) Commercialize Wajir Airport including considering its location.

4.0 Health

The public felt that despite the health services having been devolved to the counties the national governments have a role to play especially in support of Level 5 hospitals which are referral hospitals that attend patients from several counties. The public also felt the National government should assist counties in the provision of medical care as most hospitals have been underprovided.

The public recommended as follows;

- i) Conditional grants to be given for level 5 hospitals as was the case for 2013/14 financial year. More funding to be allocated for all level 5 hospitals.
- ii) Establishment of level 5 hospital in Kitui
- iii) Establishment of level 5 hospital in Nyandarua by upgrading J.M. Kariuki hospital, upgrading Ndaragwa and Wanjohi health centers to level 4 hospitals.
- iv) Establishment of a medical training college in Kipipiri, Narok, Samburu and Wajir.
- v) Upgrade Narok district hospital to level 5.
- vi) Rehabilitate and upgrade the Samburu level 4 hospital to level 5 (to be county referral hospital as well as recruit and train more mid-wives on safe delivery methods.
- vii) Increase allocation for people with albinism from Ksh 100 million to Ksh. 153.6 million.
- viii) Further, 4 radiotherapy machines in regions with large number of people with albinism including Western, Coast and Eastern regions at approximately Ksh. 680,000,000 and Ksh. 1.6 million to provide reading boxes for pupils with albinism.
- ix) Construction of referral hospital in every county.

5.0 Agriculture

The public felt that even if agriculture is fully devolved the national government should support the counties especially through irrigation to promote food security. Further, the public recommended as follows

- i) The construction of 8 Mega dams in Nyeri to be allocated Ksh. 11 billion through the National irrigation Board as well as irrigation projects along Tana in Garissa, Bute and Gurar in Wajir and Banisa in Mandera
- ii) Equitable sharing of resources from National Government allocated for the development of Pyrethrum.
- iii) Strategic grain reserves to be upgraded in order to store other Agricultural products such as milk, horticultural products among other commodities that go to waste when there is bumper harvest.
- iv) Establishment of fish processing plant for Lake Victoria at a cost of Ksh. 100 million.
- v) More resources to be allocated for livestock value chain management and research on livestock production.
- vi) Construction of Kanyonyo wholesale market.
- vii) Farmers to be allowed to purchase the quantity of fertilizer they wish and have tractors availed to help farmers produce food crop. A fertilizer factory to be constructed in Nyandarua.,
- viii) Subsidizing prices of fertilizer including considering reduced tax and providing adequate supply and correct timings to boost food production.
- ix) Import duty to be raised to curtail wheat imports which make wheat prices un-competitive
- x) Prevention of human animal conflict by protection of wildlife invasion to farm.
- xi) Maize milling plant and a juice processing plant to be constructed in Kwale County to ensure farmers earn more from their crops and to create employment for the youth.
- xii) The amount allocated for fisheries development in the budget to be increased.

- xiii) Fish ponds to be promoted in the coastal areas.
- xiv) Government to investment in large scale farming in Matuga and Msambweni.
- xv) Construction of a soil analysis laboratory to assist in aiding agriculture improvement as well as provide funds to support small-scale farmers to purchase farm inputs.
- xvi) Establishment of a tanning and meat factory in Maralal as well as construction of an abattoir in Narok.
- xvii) More funds to be allocated for livestock vaccines.
- xviii) Construction of Mega dam for Bute town in Wajir North
- xix) Construction of NCPB stores in each Sub-County
- xx) Agriculture Finance Corporation to be revived.
- xxi) Provide better breed of animals for diary and chicken farmers.
- xxii) Revival of Webuye Pan-Paper factory, Malakisi Ginnery, Kitinda Milk factory
- xxiii) Construction of a fertilizer plant as well as subsidizing prices of fertilizer, adequate supply and correct timings of fertilizer,
- xxiv) Establishing a potato biscuit factory.
- xxv) Establishing a chicken slaughterhouse in Chwele, a tea factory in Mt. Elgon and sunflower processing plant to create employment.
- xxvi) 15% of the budget (approximately Ksh. 6.8 billion) to be directly targeted towards enhancing food security through water harvesting, storage for small scale farmers, value addition, training and capacity building.
- xxvii) Reduce tax on imported chicken feeds.
- xxviii) Ksh. 3 billion to be allocated for establishment of strategic food and water reserves in each county. Each county to be allocated Ksh. 63.83 million for county strategic food reserves.

xxix) Funds allocation to orphans, elderly and the disabled to be channeled through county food security committees, the committees will be established to oversee proper targeting of beneficiaries monitor and evaluate the implementation process and provide exit strategies for the beneficiaries as well as monitor food security and nutrition situation.

6.0 Education

The following were the recommendation for the sector;

- i. Establishment of an equalization fund to improve the infrastructure of Maasai Mara University and other newly established universities.
- ii. Increase allocation on sanitary towels to ensure every school gets a monthly supply
- iii. Increase funding for FPE, FSDE and allocate funds to construct schools for disabled.
- iv. Allocate Ksh 1.8 billion for a library research centre.
- v. Construction of two secondary schools of excellence in each constituency in Kwale County, one for each gender.
- vi. Funding of 4 special schools in Ndaragwa,
- vii. Re-construction of Muriru and CCM primary schools in Nyeri. (The schools have been declared health hazard by the Ministry of Health.)
- viii. Construction of primary school in each sub location in Nyandarua. Rehabilitation and provision of dilapidated infrastructure in Primary and Secondary schools.
 - ix. Upgrading of Nyandarua Institute of Science and Technology into a fully-fledged University.
 - x. Funding of the earmarked Aberdare Teachers College, Construction of teachers training college in Ol-kalou and in Mbita as well as construction of a polytechnic in Samburu.
 - xi. The overall allocation for Education in the 2014/15 budget to be increased and resources to be provided for adult education in Kwale.

- xii. Allocation for promoting teachers in the 2014/15 budget to be used to recruit more teachers to reduce pupil teacher ratio and recruit 20,000 instead of 5,000 teachers.
- xiii. Posting 700 more teachers in the Wajir region.
- xiv. Increase allocation for recruitment of new teachers
- xv. Increase the allocation for the school feeding programme to over Kshs 3 billion and allocation for bursaries for secondary education to be increased.
- xvi. Ban of pubs in residential areas to be enforced to reduce truancy in schools and introduce evening classes for pastoral communities to ensure access to education.
- xvii. Purchase of vehicles for all County Directors' of Education
- xviii. Increase hardship allowance for teachers in the hardship region.
 - xix. Increase funding for ICT facilities to develop a basement for the implementation of the Laptop project as well as for security of primary schools in anticipation of the Laptop programme.

7.0 Water and Sanitation

The public felt that there should be more allocation for water provision and made the following recommendation;

- Construction of three major dams along Malewa, Wanjohi and Kinja Rivers as well as Funding of Leshau Karago-ini water project.
- ii. Construction of Umaa water dam.
- Completion of the Masinga Kitui water project and provision of funds for Kiambere- Mwingi Water project.
- iv. Reduce the number of development authority's working in Nyandarua County to one development authority and one water service board as well the County to be represented in the Board.
- v. The allocation to the counties through the development authorities to be made public.

- vi. Funds to be allocated for the construction of mega dams to harness rain water for domestic use in north eastern area
- vii. Completion of Umaa water dam in Kitui
- viii. Construction of a mega dam in Samburu County for livestock and irrigation.
 - ix. Rehabilitation of water pans in Ndaragwa
 - x. Construct sewerage system in Maralal and Ol-Kalou.

8.0 Security

To provide the necessary security the public requested for the following;

- i) Purchase of patrol speed boat for the police to provide security as well as establishing a permanent naval military base in one of the islands in Lake Victoria to protect the territorial waters and people.
- ii) Construction of a police station/police post near the Kenya-Tanzania border to curb insecurity arising from the porous border and to have a trained and armed security guard in every estate.
- iii) Allocation of funds for the recruitment of police reservist, enhance police housing programmes, purchase vehicles as well as purchase motorbikes for chiefs and motorboats for sea patrols.
- iv) Allocation of funds to purchase a helicopter for emergency response and surveillance in the Coast region
- v) Allocate funds for allowances for village elders/ Village Chairmen who can act as informers and provide intelligence to deter crime. Provide for retired security officers to ensure they do not turn into crime and home guards to be included in government payroll to boost their morale. Anti-poaching efforts to incorporate the locals to ensure sustainability.
- vi) Funds to be allocated for refurbished and digitization of police posts.
- vii) Kenya police reservists be included in government payroll to boost their morale
- viii) Allocation for National Youth Service to have an institution in every county to provide discipline and opportunity for the youth.

- ix) Funds to be allocated for an army or GSU base to be built in in Samburu
- x) The AIE for each sub-county to be enhanced from the current Ksh 320,000 to Ksh 1,000,000 per year
- xi) County Commissioners and Sub-County Commissioners to be given vehicles, allowances for stationery, airtime and monthly stipend
- xii) Land to be purchased to construct houses for security officers, develop one police post in every ward with gazzeted cells
- xiii) A prison to be constructed in Kimilili. An additional 50 officers to be provided in each sub-county and risk allowance to be allocated to the officers.
- xiv) Additional funding for National Police Oversight Authority to fund core areas such as investigations, complaints management, inspections and monitoring as well as staff salaries.
- xv) 15% of the total budget allocated to security in the country to be allocated to initiatives that will combat insecurity and maintain peace at the community level.
- Allocation for the state department of interior to be increased by Ksh. 63.6 billion and budget allocation for fuel to the Kenya National Police Service increased from Ksh. 586 million to Ksh. 2.2 billion to improve their response to crime country wide.
- xvii) Ksh. 503 million for provision of safe houses/ shelters for sexual and gender based violence.

9.0 Energy

On energy the public recommended the following;

- Construction of power stations along River Nzoia at Nabuyole falls, river Malakisi, river Kibisi and river Kuywa,
- ii. Sugar factories to be encouraged to produce power from the baggase
- iii. Investment in wind energy in Mt. Elgon. Harnessing wind energy from strong winds at Ndemi/Malewa/Lereshwa and Turasha regions.
- iv. Completion of the remaining dams of the Seven Folks Dam Projects to provide additional hydropower, provide water for domestic, industrial use and irrigation.

10. Environmental Conservation

The public proposed for environmental conservation measures to be undertaken by encouraging people to plant trees as well as more funds to be allocated for disaster management fund and in particular;

- i. More funds to be allocated for compensation of pastoralists who lose their animals during drought. The public further requested for a policy to implement the same.
- ii. Establishment of a Warehouse fully equipped with disaster management equipment.
- iii. More funds to be allocated for conservation of Mau forest.

11. Judicial and administrative services.

The public recommended the following;

- i. Provision of conditional grant for the construction of Nyandarua County Headquarter.
- ii. To enhance judicial service delivery and reduce distance travelled to courts the participants requested for construction of a magistrates court in Ndaragwa and a high court in Ol-kalou.
- Additional allocation of Ksh. 110.2 million for Kenya Law Reform Commission as follows;
 - Ksh. 19.2 million for recruitment of seven additional senior legal officers and one communication expert;
 - Ksh.5 million for resource centre/library;
 - Ksh. 36 million for lease and re-modeling of office accommodation;
 - Ksh.20 million for training staff, county legal officers and other technical officers;
 - Ksh.15 million for medical insurance
 - Ksh.15 million for lease or purchase of motor vehicles to be used for county based stakeholder consultation.
- iii) Additional allocation for National Gender and Equality Commission amounting to Ksh. 114.5 million as follows;
 - Ksh. 3.4 million for rent shortfall

- Ksh. 1.1 million for salary deficit for current staff
- Ksh. 80 million for programmatic interventions such as creating enabling legal frameworks, complaints handing and redress, mainstreaming issues of vulnerable populations, public education, monitoring of substantive financing of equality and inclusion, internal organizational development and growth.
- Ksh. 30 million for recruitment of additional staff

12 Other recommendations

- i. 15% of the national budget which is Ksh3.36 billion of the budget from the ministries of Labour, Social Security and Social Services, Ministry of Industrialization and Enterprise Development, State Department for Commerce and Tourism, Agricultural Productivity and Agribusiness Project(KAPAP), National Agriculture and Livestock Extension Programme (NALEP), Public Service Commission, National Youth Service and creation of youth and women enterprise fund which amount to Ksh. 22.4 billion be allocated towards creation of employment ensuring markets are accessible and promotion of the small scale businesses.
- ii. Construction of a land registry in Samburu as well as issuance of title deeds was requested in Samburu, Mbita and Rangwe.
- iii. Mapping of the minerals deposit areas as well as providing funds to assist in exploitation of minerals.
- iv. Academies to be established to enable the nurturing of talents from the Youth and a cultural centre to preserve the local culture from becoming extinct.
- v. A fund to be created for compensation of the families or residents who get killed in human wildlife conflict.
- vi. More funds are allocated for orphans, vulnerable and elderly persons as well as protection of boy child who are not going to school but engaging manual labour
- vii. Modalities' for reducing the public wage bill to be developed as well as salary harmonization in the public sector.
- viii. Increased allocation to NACADA to better deal with drug and alcohol abuse. Construction of rehabilitation centres for drug addicts in Nyeri and Miharati

- ix. A separate vote for the National Youth Council to be created for the council to establish offices and recruit staffs in the 47 counties. Develop policies advisory and research for the youth, trainings, logistics, transport and communication.
- x. Completion of economic stimulus projects.
- xi. Allocation of funds for promotion of sports at grassroots level and improvement of sports infrastructure.
- xii. Establishment of the girl watch project.



KENYA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT

REPORT OF

PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET ESTIMATES 2014/2015

HELD ON 20^{TH} MAY 2014 IN

OL-KALOU, BUNGOMA, KWALE, KITUI, MARALAL, NAROK, WAJIR,

MBITA

AND

NAIROBI

ON

 22^{ND} MAY 2014

1.0 Introduction

The budget estimates for Executive, Parliament and Judiciary for 2014/15 financial year were submitted to the National Assembly on 30th June, 2014 Pursuant to Articles 221 (1), 127 (6) (c) and 173 (3) of the Constitution. The esimates were committed to the Departmental Committees for review and scrutiny as per Standing Orders 235 (4). In fulfilment of the provisions of the Constitution Article 221(5) and Standing Orders 235 of National Assembly, the Budget and Appropriation Committee went out to consult on the estimates for 2014/15.

Public hearings were held for one day in public forums across the country in nine centers namely; Ol-kalou, Bungoma, Kwale, Narok, Maralal, Mbita, Wajir, and Kitui on 20th May, 2014. The final public hearing was held in Nairobi on 22nd May, 2014.

Objectives of public hearings

The objectives for public hearings were;

- To allow the public to participate in the budget process in adherence to Article 221(5) of the constitution.
- To give the public an opportunity to participate in the budget process and create public ownership of the budget.
- To collect the public views on the budget estimates on areas where more resources are required to enhance service delivery or savings can be done without affecting service delivery.

The hearings were conducted in an open forum. The participants were also encouraged to make memoranda either individually or through groups. The participants were also informed that submission can as well be made via email to the Kenya National Assembly.

Reports for all the centres were compiled as below;



KENYA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

REPORT ON

PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET ESTIMATES

2014/2015 FY

HELD IN ACK-HALL OL-KALOU

ON

20TH MAY, 2014

1.0 Introduction

The budget estimates for Executive, Parliament and Judiciary for 2014/15 financial year were submitted to the National Assembly on 30th June, 2014 as per the constitution. The estimates were committed to the departmental committees for review and scrutiny. Article 221(5) of the Constitution states that before the National Assembly considers the estimates, the views of the public through public consultations regarding the budget estimates should be sought.

It is in this regard and in line with the Standing Orders and the Constitutional provision regarding public consultations that the public hearings were conducted. It is expected that Budget and Appropriation Committee shall consider the views of the members of public in the preparation and submission of their report to the National Assembly.

1.1 Venues for Public Hearings

Public hearings for 2014/15 budget estimates were held for one day in public forums across the country in eight (8) centers—which include Bungoma, Ol kalou, Narok, Mararal, Kwale, Mbita, Kitui and Wajir. The final national public hearing was held in Nairobi on 22nd May, 2014 for all organized groups and individuals.

1.2 Objectives of public hearings

- To have public participate in the budget by determining how resources are used.
- To create public ownership of the budget.
- To collect views on government plans of financing the 2014/15 budget.
- To collect views on area where more resources are required to create more employment.
- To identify areas where more resources are required to enhance service delivery.
- To identify areas where savings can be done without affecting service delivery.

In Ol Kalou the public hearings were conducted on 20th May, 2014 at ACK- hall in Ol Kalou town. The hearings were conducted in an open forum. The participants were also encouraged to make memoranda either individually or through groups. It was further emphasized that submission can as well be made via email to the Kenya National Assembly.

1.3 Participants

There were participants from various segments of the society including Members of Parliament and residents of Nyandarua and Nyeri counties.

Members of Parliament in attendance

1. Hon. Dorcas Kedogo

- MP Vihiga County (Chairperson)

2. Hon. Samuel Gichigi

- MP Kipipiri

3. Hon. Pricilla Nyokabi

- MP Nyeri County

4. Hon. Francis Waweru Ndiritu

- MP Ndaragwa

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Sergent at Arms

It is therefore my pleasant duty and privilege, to present the report on the public hearings on the 2014/2015 budget estimates held in Ol-Kalou

Signed

The Hon. Dorcas Kedogo, MP Chairperson of Delegation 27th May 2014

2.0 Courtesy call to various offices

2.1 Remarks by the County Commissioner

The team made a courtesy call to the County Commissioner Mr. Wilson Njega who welcomed the team to the County. The team briefed the commissioner on the objectives of the public hearings which was meant to give everybody a chance to participate in decision making on the way government finances for 2014/15 are to be used to implement projects to achieve the government development agenda of Achieving Economic Transformation for a shared Prosperity.

The Commissioner informed the team that the provincial Administration offices are grossly underfunded to effectively and efficiently carry out the expected functions. He particularly emphasized the need to increase the allocation for general office supplies including fuel which is underfunded in a way that it affects the operations at 7 litres of petrol per day and funds for servicing the vehicle as well as the issue of necessary stationery. The problem was reported to be affecting even those below the county commissioners in the whole country.

Further, the County Commissioner informed the team that County Commissioners would require 50 liters of petrol per day while Sub-County Commissioner would require 70-80 liters per day since they also support the Division officers and chiefs.

The funds allocated per quarter should therefore be increased to about Ksh 200,000 per quarter for the County Commissioner while the Sub-county Commissioner should be allocated about Ksh 300,000.

On the issue of salary, the team was informed that there is a major difference between what is offered by the National Government and what is offered by County Government in favor of staff working for County government. There is need for harmonization of the same to reduce the number of staff leaving the National government to County government.

2.2 Remarks by Deputy Governor

The team made a courtesy call to the Deputy Governor Mr. Waithaka Mwangi in the absence of the Governor who was attending a meeting in Nairobi. The Deputy Governor gave a short history of Nyandarua County; He stated that Nyandarua has always been administered from Nyahururu town which has been in Laikipia County politically but in Nyandarua administratively since independence. Nyahururu town has since been put under Laikipia County after the creation of counties. However, Nyandarua County depends on Nyahururu town for a number of facilities that are not available in the County that include Land registry, Courts and some sub-county offices for Nyandarua are still being administered from Nyahururu.

The county did not inherit administrative headquarters and the facilities thereof but has to rent buildings in Ol-kalou town for both the governor and County Assembly since the former County councils offices are in Nyahururu.

He informed the team that the district is a settlement area that is not well connected to the other neighboring counties. He sighted poor road network as the main challenge affecting economic situation in the county for example roads E580, C67 and D388.

Deputy Governor further informed the team that the county is served by three development authorities namely; Uasin Gishu North Development Authority, Uasin Gishu South Development Authority as well as Tana River Development Authority. However, allocation of funds to carry out development projects is not felt in the county. The county therefore requested to be put under one development authority and funds allocation for the County to be made public.

The county was reported to be in need of resources to develop water and sewerage system, construct offices such as governor's office and county assembly as well as land registry, upgrade JM ol-Kalou hospital to level 5.

2.3 Courtesy call to Nyandarua County Assembly

The team also paid a courtesy call to the County Assembly speaker where they were welcomed by the leader of majority in the Assembly. The leaders of Majority reemphasized on the need for offices for the County Government. Thereafter the team went to the ACK-Hall for public hearing.

3.0 Report on public budget hearing

3.1 Opening Remarks by the chairperson.

The chairperson welcomed the participants to the meeting and thanked them for attending the forum. She reminded them citing article 221(4&5) of the constitution that it was a constitutional requirement to hold the public hearings on the budget so that the public can participate and own the budget. She informed the meeting that it was the fourth time the public hearings were being conducted. She assured the meeting that their views were very important and that everyone was going to be given a chance to express their views and give their proposals on the estimates. The chairperson gave budget highlights to the meeting and a copy of a brief on the 2014/15 budget proposals was distributed to all the participants for informed participation.

The participants were informed that similar meetings were going on in seven other centers in the country and that the national one would be held on 22nd March, 2014

at KICC in Nairobi where members of the Public who would not have participated in the regional ones have a chance to participate. The meeting was also informed that they could email their views direct to the Kenya National Assembly.

4.0 Public views of the budget

4.1 Roads

4.1.1 Nyandarua County

Participants from Nyandarua County expressed their desire for the roads to be constructed. They observed that many people in the county depend on Agriculture, and mainly horticulture for the source of their livelihoods. To this end, they emphasized to the Budget and Appropriation Committee on the need to have good road network for their produce to reach the market. The roads were of paramount significance to link the centres of production with the centres of consumption (Market)

In their submission, participants from Kinangop for instance noted that their constituency is served by road network which is mainly not all weather roads. Additionally, the only all weather road in the constituency is Magumu-Ndundori road C69. The meeting heard that All other roads are of murram roads which become impassable during the rainy season.

The participants requested that the roads below be given priority.

Table1: Priority Roads Projects

Road	approximate distance	Remarks
Upgrade to Bitumen standard of Engineer- Kirima road D393	13 Km	Open up Kinangop constituency to Naivasha
Upgrade to Bitumen standard of Kirima- Ndinda road D392	17 Km	Opens up Kinangop constituency to Naivasha, Nakuru County
Upgrade to Bitumen standard of Murungaru-Gilgil road D391	30 Km	Links up Kinangop constituency to Kipipiri and Gilgil Nakuru County.
Upgrade to Bitumen standard of Kapteni- Geta-Ndunyu Njeru road D389	47 Km	Link up Kinangop to Kipipiri constituency through Ndunyu-Njeru-geta-wanjohi- mutenguri junction-demi kapteni
Upgrade to Bitumen	75Km	Connects Kinangop constituency to

standard of Gatura- Njambini-Karati road C67 Other roads requested for improvement to bitumen standard are D388	29km	Gatura in Gatanga constituency, Muranga County.It also opens up South Kinangop to Naivasha, Nakuru County. Kariam,ol bollosat, maili kumi
D385	43km	Gwa kiongo,tumaini,Gilgil
D390	25km	Gilgil-Machinery The road connects two
		sub-counties of Kipipiri and kinangop and to the NCPB AT Lereshwa.

4.1.2 Nyeri County

Participants from Nyeri requested the Budget and Appropriations Committee to consider devolving Kenya Rural Roads Authority and grants be channeled through the County Governments. They further requested the Committee to reconsider using old classification on roads claiming that they were not consulted when the current classification was being done.

4.2 Health

4.2.1 Nyandarua

The participants requested that at least one Health centre per constituency in Nyandarua County be upgraded to level 4 Hospital for example Wanjohi H/C in Kipipiri. They also proposed that J.M. Kariuki Ol –Kalou hospital be elevated to level 5 hospitals and be equipped with the necessary facilities. Additionally they proposed that a Medical training College be set up. To this end, the participants indicated that Kimuru Primary school is willing to donate 52 acres of land for the project.

4.2.2 Nyeri County

Participants from Nyeri County expressed concerns about resource allocation towards the Nyeri Level 5 Hospital. In their submission to the committee, they indicated that level 5 Hospitals are intended to provide specialized care and treatment; they are high volume facilities which extend their services to more than one county.

The participants were informed that there were seven level 5 hospitals formerly referred to as provincial Hospitals and the additional four High Volume hospitals of Kisii, Meru, Machakos and Thika giving a total of eleven. In 2013, it was recognized that the transfer to the Hospitals to the Counties could lead to under financing of

the facilities. The logic was that regional Hospitals serve people from many counties but by transferring them to a single county (where they are located) that county would then use its resources to serve other counties.

It is from this perspective that participants from Nyeri submitted that the Nyeri level 5 Hospital supplements the work of Kenyatta national Hospital. In the first year of implementing devolved system of government funding arrangements were put in place to support counties which were hosting the aforementioned 11 facilities. If host counties are to pay for the level 5 alone, it would lead to under financing for lower level health facilities and ultimately affect the decentralization of health services as provided for in the constitution.

It is from the foregoing that Nyeri County requested the Budget and Appropriation committee to reconsider and reinstate conditional grant allocated in 2013/14 to sustain level 5 hospitals.

The participants also wanted to draw to the attention of the Committee the following issues which are critical to Health care.

The initial proposed grant in FY 2013/2014 was Ksh. 10 billion for Level 5 Hospitals which was based on the fact that Provincial Health services alone received nearly Ksh. 8 billion in 2012/2013. Adjusting for inflation and adding the cost of additional four level 5 facilities, the figure was adjusted to Ksh. 10 billion in 2013/2014.

The Ksh. 10 billion was reduced to Ksh 3.4 billion. It was argued that those counties hosting such facilities get disproportionate advantage from them and should use some of their own funding, while this would be topped up through the conditional grant. These counties were therefore expected to fill the Ksh. 6.6 billion gap.

The meeting was further informed that Kenya is a signatory to the Abuja declaration where it committed to allocate 15% of its budgetary allocation to Health care and therefore the sector should be allocated more funds.

4.3 Water

4.3.1 Nyandarua

The county has experienced inaccessibility to quality and quantity water. The participants from the county proposed that the National Government should consider building mega dams to provide clean water in abundance to the locals and other areas which are mainly arid and semi arid. The participants suggested to have 3 mega dams constructed each along Rivers Malewa /Pesi, Wanjohi and Kinja to get water for both domestic and agricultural use for a large population in

Kinangop, Kipipiri and ol-kalou. They also requested for the funding of Leshau water project to serves more than 13,000 households.

The participants observed that despite the fact that Nyandarua has been endowed with several water catchment areas, the various authorities and water service boards which are mandated to construct water reservoirs have not given necessary support to the county. The participants therefore requested the committee to help them have representation in the boards to enable them have their rightful share.

4.3.2 Nyeri County

The participants requested that the 8 Mega dams irrigation in Nyeri to get part of the designated Ksh 11billion through the National irrigation Board. The completion of the dams will be able to offer sustainable food supply to the rest of the Country and further help in protecting Mt. Kenya and the Aberdare which are national water catchment areas.

4.4 Education.

4.4.1 Nyandarua

The Participants decried at the low number of teachers. They proposed employment of 5,000 teachers by the National Government was very low considering that in Nyandarua County, 600 teachers would be retiring from the service in the course of the year. The proposed number will therefore not replace both the number retiring and those who leave the service through natural attrition.

Nyandarua county requested for a University (upgrade Nyandarua institute of Science and technology to a university since it has ample land and has received a lot of support from the citizens), Teachers Training college, a medical training College (KMTC) branch for the county at Kimuru primary school which is ready to donate land from its 52 acres of land and special schools to be constructed in the county.

4.4.2 Nyeri

Participants were informed of two public schools which were classified by the Ministry of Health as schools posing a Health hazard to the pupils and were therefore supposed to be demolished and built afresh. The costs of constructing the two schools, identified as Muriru primary and CCM primary schools in Kieni Constituency were estimated to be Ksh 12 million and Ksh 10 million respectively.

4.5 Agriculture

Pyrethrum Board of Kenya belongs to farmers in pyrethrum growing counties of Nyandarua, west Pokot, Baringo among others. The participants took cognizant of the fact that its Assets are in Nakuru and neighbouring counties hence the need for equitable distribution of the Assets. The participants were informed that Information available was that some of the assets could not be accounted for.

Participants observed that agriculture is 98% devolved; hence counties need to share the assets because they can't remain with the National Government. During the FY 2014/2015, the National government has allocated huge financial resources for the development of pyrethrum and dairy sector. Nyandarua County demanded that a mechanism be formulated for allocating funds and Nyandarua be given its rightful share.

4.6 Administration and shared services

The participants noted that Nyandarua County was lacking critical infrastructure in the delivery of services. County Administrative Headquarters, County Assembly, Residence for the Governor, the Deputy and the speaker, Lands Office and sports ground for nurturing talent were lacking. The participants requested for a special grant to construct a head-quarter as it has a unique need. The other counties inherited the former district headquarters and associated infrastructure.

4.7 Judicial services

The participants observed that the people of Ndaragwa have no single court in the constituency they travel long distances for judicial services and the entire Nyandarua County has no High court. The participants therefore requested the Committee to consider making a recommendation to the House to enable them have judicial services closer to all the constituencies in the County but also a High court constructed in the next financial year to reduce travels to Nyeri or Nakuru for High court services.

4.8 Energy

The participants suggested that more rural electrification projects to continue in all the schools. They urged the Committee to consider wind generated energy project from the strong winds of Ndemi, Malewa, Lereshwa and Turasha plains. It was submitted to the Committee that the energy generated would be used in wind driven boreholes in the region.

4.9 Drug Abuse

Drug and subsistence abuse was reported to be a challenge that was affecting a large number of people. The participants requested the Committee to consider in the estimates for 2014/2015 a budget for Rehabilitation centre in Nyeri County and other counties within Central Kenya region at an estimated cost of Ksh 9.7Million.

The centre would provide drug and alcohol counseling and support services to individuals' family and groups in the community.

In Nyandarua County it was requested that a rehabilitation centre be constructed at Miharati which is an area hard hit by drug and substance abuse.

4.10 Other Observations

- · Creation of Gender based violence in all police stations in Central Kenya
- Increase the allocation for Youth Fund and CDF
- Increase also the allocation for bursaries to the needy students.
- Employment of ECD teachers.
- Retain the old classification of roads.
- Completion of on-going economic stimulus programmes.
- Fast track the payment of terminal benefits to retired teachers.
- Modernization of police housing.
- Review of the formula for classifying marginalized counties so as to include
- Nyandarua as a marginalized County
- Construction of modern open air market in Nyeri.
- Setting up of fertilizer factory in Nyandarua.

Table 2 below indicates a summary of the priority projects that the participants requested for funding.

Table 2: Summary of sector by sector issues prioritized at the public hearings

Sector			Remarks		
1. Roads		Roads		Connections	
	a)	Upgrade to Bitumen standard of Engineer- Kirima road D393	13 Km	Open up Kinangop constituency to Naivasha	
	b)	Upgrade to Bitumen standard of Kirima- Ndinda road D392	17 Km	Opens up Kinangop constituency to Naivasha, Nakuru County	
	c)	Upgrade to Bitumen standard of Murungaru- Gilgil road D391	30 Km	Links up Kinangop constituency to Kipipiri and Gilgil Nakuru County.	
	d)	Upgrade to Bitumen standard of Kapeni-Geta- Ndunyu- Njeru D389	47 Km	Link up Kinangop to Kipipiri constituency through Ndunyu-Njeru- geta-wanjohi-mutenguri junction-demi	

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	e)	Upgra standa Njamb	ard of	Bitumen Gatura- i road C67	75Km	Connects Kinangop constituency to Gatura in Gatanga constituency, Murnga County.It also opens up South Kinangop to Naivasha, Nakuru County.
	f)	improv		quested for bitumen 88	29km	Kariam, Ol bollosat, Maili kumi
	g)	D385 D390			43km 25km	Gwa kiongo,tumaini,gilgil Gilgil-Machinery The road connects two sub-counties of Kipipiri and kinangop and to the NCPB AT Lereshwa.
2.	Health		- Estal Karii - Estal - Upgr	olishment o uki Hospital olishment o ading of Nd	f level 5 Ho l. f Medical tr aragwa He	l 5 Hospital ospital in Nyandarua by upgrading J.N raining College in Kipipiri alth Centre to Level 4 th Centre to level 4
3.	Water Agricul		River The obillio Fund The service being Reha Equir alloca Strat Agric other	Upgrading of Wanjohi Health Centre to level 4 Construction of three major dams along Malewa, Wanjohi and Kinja Rivers The construction of 8 Mega dams in Nyeri to be allocated Ksh. 11 billion through the National irrigation Board Funding of Leshau Karago-ini water Project. The County to be under one Development Authority and water service boards under one management besides Nyandarua County being represented in the Board. Rehabilitation of water pans in Ndaragwa. Equitable sharing of resources of the National Government allocated for the development of Pyrethrum. Strategic Grain Reserve to be upgraded in order to store other Agricultural products such as Milk, Horticultural products among		
4.	Educati	ion	 Funding of the earmarked Aberdare Teachers College Funding of 4 special schools in Ndaragwa. Rehabilitation and provision of dilapidated infrastructure in Primary and Secondary schools. Re-construction of Muriru and CCM primary schools in Nyeri. (The schools have been declared health hazard by the Ministry of Health.) Setting up of necessary Infrastructure for the upgrading of 			

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			Nyandarua Institute of science and Technology into a fully fledged		
			University.		
			 Construction of Primary school in each sub location. 		
			- Purchase of vehicles for all County Directors' of Education.		
	5.	Judicial	- Construction of High Court in Nyandarua.		
		services	- Construction of Magistrate court in Ndaragwa.		
	6.	Administra	Provision of conditional grant for the construction of Nyandarua County		
		tive and	HQ,		
		shared	Harmonization of salaries for both those working for county government		
		services	and national government		
	7.	Energy	- Funding of rural electrification for more transformers and extension		
		00	of more lines.		
			- Consider harnessing wind energy from the strong winds of		
			Ndemi/Malewa/Lereshwa and Turasha regions.		
	8.	Drug	- Construction of Rehabilitation centres in Nyeri and Miharati.		
		Abuse			
Č.	9.		- Consideration of Hon. Musila legislative proposal to enable teachers		
vegge		chers	receives their terminal benefits with their last salary.		
			- Address the plight of teachers who retired between 1997- 2002.		
	10	Security	The allocations for County Commissioners to be increased to efficiently		
			and effectively carry handle security issues.		
			Allocate more funds for security of Primary schools in anticipation of the		
			Laptop programme.		
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5.0 Conclusion

The chairperson gave highlight of the issues raised and informed the participants that they would be considered when finalizing the Budget and appropriation committee report to the National Assembly on 2014/15 budget. She concluded by thanking all the participants for their participation.

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REPORT OF MBITA PUBLIC HEARINGS ON PROPOSED BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 2014/15 FINANCIAL YEAR MONDAY 19TH MAY – WEDNESDAY 21ST MAY, 2014 HOMABAY COUNTY, KENYA

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Chapter One

Introduction

1.1 Background Information

Pursuant to Article 221 (1), 127 (6) (c) and 173 (3) of the Constitution, the 2014/2015 financial year Budget Estimates for the National Government, Judiciary and Parliamentary Service Commission were submitted to Parliament on 30th April 2014. Specifically, Article 221 (4) and (5) of the Constitution states that a Committee of the National Assembly, in this case the Budget & Appropriation Committee (BAC), shall seek representation from the public in the process of discussing and reviewing the Budget Estimates before making recommendation to the National Assembly.

1.2 Legal Basis for the Public Hearings

The public hearings on estimates of revenue and expenditure is conducted in accordance with the public finance principle of openness and accountability including public participation in financial matters as enshrined in article 201 (1) of the Constitution of Kenya, the Budget and Appropriation Committee is required to conduct a public hearing on the budget estimates for 2014/2015. This exercise is anchored in Article 221(5) of the Constitution and further provided for in Section 39 (2) of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 which mandates the relevant committee of the National Assembly to discuss and review the estimates and make recommendations to the National Assembly, taking into account the views of the Cabinet Secretary responsible for Finance and the public on the proposed "seek from the public and representations recommendations to recommendations shall be taken into account when the committee makes its recommendations.

Accordingly the Budget and Appropriation Committee organized for the 2014/15financial year budget public hearings in the following nine (9) centres:

Kwale, Bungoma, Mbita, Narok, Ol-Kalau, Wajir, Maralal, Kitui and Nairobi.

The Mbita Centre public hearings took place at ICIPE Guest House, Mbita Town, and HomaBay County on Tuesday 20th May 2014. The hearings were conducted through open forum where members of the public were invited to give their views. The list of the people who attended the forum is attached as annex to this report.

1.3 Mbita Constituency

Mbita Constituency is one of the constituencies in Homa Bay County. The Constituency Area is 420.80 Sq. Km. According to the housing & population census report of 2009, the estimated population is 111,409. The wards under Mbita constituency are Kamasengre, Kasgunga Central, Kasgunga West, Kaswanga, Rusinga East, Gembe, Lambwe East, Lambwe West, Wakula and Wakinga. Mfangano Island is the largest island in Lake Victoria and its population constitutes 30% of the population of Mbita Constituency.

1.4 Objective of the Public Hearings

This is the fourth year of public hearings on the budget estimates by Parliament since the promulgation of the Constitution in 2010. In the previous year's consultations, Parliament was able to take in account the views of the public in finalizing its reports on the estimates of Revenue and Expenditure. These important concerns were incorporated in all the Committees reports on the Budget Estimates tabled in the House and also incorporated in the respected approved Budget.

This year's public hearing exercise is expected to provide an opportunity for the National Assembly to collect seek views from members of the public that will inform the finalization of the 2014/2015 budget estimates and in particular obtain views on:

 Areas where more resources are required to enable creation of more job opportunities. • Identify areas of wastages and possible areas for rationalization

1.5 Composition of the Delegation

The delegation to Mbita Public hearings was led by Hon. MutavaMusyimi, M.P as the leader of the delegation. The following Members of Parliament who were also part of the team attended the Public Hearing:

- 1. Hon. Millie Odhiambo, M.P. Host
- 2. Hon. Alfred Agoi, M.P.
- 3. Hon. Jared Opiyo, M.P.
- 4. Hon. Isaac Mwaura, M.P.
- 5. Hon. Omondi George W. Mallan, M.P.

The Members of Parliament were accompanied by the following Parliamentary staff:

1. Mr.JoashKosiba Fiscal Analyst

2. Mr.DansonKachumbo Fiscal Analyst

3. Ms.MaimunaKawasi Secretary

4. Ms.RahabChepkilim Hansard Recording

5. Mr. Boniface Mugambi Sergeant- At- Arms

The following representatives of the National Government were in attendance:

1. Mr.ObelOjwang'- Deputy County Commissioner, Mbita

2. Mr. Patrick Lumuba Assistant County Commissioner

3. Mr. Yusuf Huka Assistant County Commissioner.

4. Mr.BenardKogolla District Education Officer

5. Mr. Nanga Officer Commanding Police Division (OCPD) Mbita

It is therefore my pleasant duty and privilege, to present the report on the public hearings on the 2014/2015 budget estimates held in Mbita

Signed

Hon. MutavaMusyimi, M.P Chairperson of Delegation 23rd May 2014

Chapter Two

Experiential Visit to Rusinga Island

2.1 Introduction

The leader of the delegation and members agreed to meet with fishermen along the beaches in Rusinga Island. This experiential visit gave the delegation an opportunity to understand the workings of the fishermen along the lake and to understand the opportunities and challenges faced by the fisher folks. These would in turn help members of Budget & Appropriation Committee to have a firsthand experience and knowhow they can beincorporated in the national budget for 2014/2015. RusingaIsland is the Second largest Island in Lake Victoria.



Figure 1: Members of the Delegation taking a boat ride to Litare Beach, Rusinga Island

2.2 Priority Areas for Fishermen of Rusinga Island

The fishermen at Litare beach, Rusinga Island identified the following as they key priority areasthat they felt the government need to allocate resources in the budget estimates for 2014/2015financial year

(a) Security in the Lake

The fishermen were concerned that they were being harassed by other fishermen from neighbouring countries such as Uganda and Tanzania which has their patrol boats and officers controlling the activities in Lake Victoria and confisticate fish and fishing equipments from Kenyans. They urged the National Government to allocate funds for the construction of a marine police post in Mfangano Island. The government should also consider establishing a naval military base in one of the islands to protect Kenya's territorial waters.

(b) Emergency Rescue Responses

The fishermen informed members that when an accident occurs they have difficulties retrieving the bodies. The people around the lake did not have the necessary equipment of retrieving bodies which had immersed in the deep waters of the lake. More often than not the people who drowned in the deeper parts of the lake were left there to be eaten by animals because of lake of emergency rescue equipments. They requested the government to provide them with patrol boats and trained divers who can quickly respond during emergency.

(c) Access to Affordable Capital

The fishermen told members of the delegation that they did not have access to affordable capital to support their businesses. When they approached the banks, they were asked for collateral such as title deeds which they don't have. Furthermore the interest rates that the banks were charging were too high for them to pay.

(d) Fish Processing Plant

The fishermen were concerned on exploitation by the middlemen who were taking the advantage of lack of a fish processing plant and refrigeration facilities to preserve the fish. The urged the national government to consider establishing a fish processing plant in the island.

(e) Temporary Fishing Ban by the Government

The fishermen informed the delegation that they face harassment by the government officials and at times government place temporary ban on fishing which disrupts their economic activity. The requirement of 10mm fishing nets by the government for small fish (omena) was unrealistic since the 10mm fishing nets is too wide for fishing the small fish (omena).

The fishermen urged the Budget and Appropriation Committee to ask the government to uplift the ban of fishing during year because it wastheir livelihood and poverty levels were high and that government should revise the requirement of 10mm fishing net for small fish.

2.2 Remarks by the Chairman and Members of the Delegation

The delegation noted that the fishermen faces several challenges such as security in the lake; lack of fish processing plant; access to affordable credit; and government temporary ban on fishing among others. The Committee also noted that some of the issues raised were for the Governor and the County Government of Homa Bay to look into and allocate adequate funds to undertake. In their remarks, the Chairman and Members of the delegation advised the fishermen:

- a) The fishermen were urged to seek audience with their elected county officials so that they can help them tackle some of the issues such as emergency rescue response in the lake.
- b) The fishermen were urged to form co-operatives and groups to access Uwezo Fund which is charging an interest of 1 percent and is accessible since it is managed by a committee under the Constituency Development Fund (CDF) framework.
- c) The Committee promised to look into other issues raised by the fishermen and which fall under the functions of the national government.



Figure 2: Members of the Delegation Taking a Photo with Fishermen at Litare Beach, Rusinga Island.

Chapter Three

Public Hearings at ICIPE Guest House

3.1 Opening of the Meeting

The session was opened by the leader of the delegation and Chairman of Budget and Appropriation in the National Assembly with a word of prayer. He then introduced the members of the delegation and invited the host Member of Parliament to make her welcoming remarks.

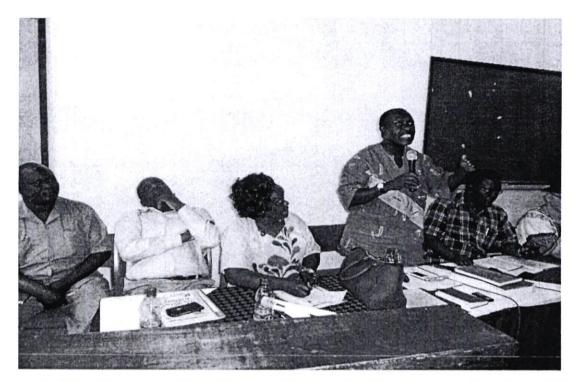


Figure 3: The Chairman. Hon MutavaMusyimi addressing the Public at ICIPE Guest House

3.2 Theme and Overall Budget Estimates for 2014/2015

The Chairman invited a member of the delegation (Hon. Isaac Mwaura) to provide the theme and brief overview of the overall budget estimates for 2014/2015 financial year. The 2014/15 budget is based on the Jubilee Government's Development Strategy dubbed 'economic transformation for a shared prosperity'. The strategy focuses of the budget will be on the following five Key Result Areas of the Jubilee Government Social Contract:

- a) Creating conducive business environment for employment;
- b) Investing in agricultural transformation and food security;
- c) Scaling up investments in key infrastructure, energy and water;
- d) Investing in quality and accessible healthcare services and education as well as social safety nets; and
- e) Further entrenching devolution for better service delivery and enhanced rural economic development.

The overriding theme for the 2014/2015 budget is strongly anchored on the Medium Plan II for the Vision 2030 which seeks to make Kenya a globally competitive and prosperous nation with a high quality of life by 2030. In order to achieve this vision, it is imperative that expenditure allocations for the 2014/15 budget are geared towards attaining the key flagship projects highlighted in the Second Medium Term Plan. He iterated that large portion of the budget will be financed through collection of taxes.

3.3 Submissions by the Public

The Chairman invited members of the public on the floor to make their written and verbal submissions on the proposed allocations for spending by the national government as contained in the budget estimates for 2014/15 financial year.



Figure 4: Host M.P **Hon. Millie Odhiambo** addressing the Meeting

The members of the public made submissions on the following thematic areas:

(a) Health and Sanitation

There shortage of clean water which brought forth many water borne diseases. The health sector in the Mbita Constituency was poorly funded and lacked the required personnel to attend to the sick. The hospitals and dispensaries within the area are not fully equipped with ARVs and Antibiotics

(b) Security

The fishermen complained of harassment by police from Uganda and Tanzania in the Lake. The fishermen lose their fishing gear and fish to security officers from the neighbouring country of Uganda and Tanzania. The government should provide speed patrol boats to the security officers to boost security in the lake and to reduce incidences of piracy from the neighbouring countries.

(c) Transport and Communication

The public raised concerns on the interconnectivity problems faced by the residents living in the several islands in the region. There is no means of transport owned by the government to connect the people living in Rusinga and Mfangano Island to Mbita Point. The current ferry service in the areas is owned by a private investor and the public suffers a lot when there is a breakdown. The County as adequate land at Kabunde Airstrip which shold be considered for upgrading to a national airport by the government.

(d) Constituency Development Fund (CDF) Allocation

The public appreciated the work that the Constituency Development Fund (CDF) has done since its inception. It was proposed that the allocation to the fund should be increased to 10% of the total revenues collected by the national government.

(e) Energy and Roads

The members of the public raised concerns over the erratic and unreliable power supply in the region which greatly affects business activities. The government should exploit the potential of solar in the region to provide adequate and reliable power supply.

The following roads were identified as priority by the members of the public:-

- The construction of flyover at Mbita causeway has stalled. There is need for the completion of the flyover to connect Mbita Point with Rusinga Island (C 19).
- The completion of Homa Bay- Mbita Road (Road C19)
- The construction of Mbita- Sindo MagungaRoad(D 210)

(f) Education

The performance of schools in the county is generally poor. There was need for teachers to be allocated hardship allowance so that they get the motivation to teach better.

3.5 Summary of Other Emerging issues

The following is a summary of other emerging issues raised by the members of the public.

- (i.) High unemployment levels among the youths should be addressed
- (ii.) There was need for new species of fish to be introduced in Lake Victoria
- (iii.) There was need to have a teachers training school for teacher
- (iv.) There was need for the government to start programs that would protect the boy's child education. The small boys in the area do not want to go to school but rather go to the quarry and the lake to work.
- (v.) Mbita Ice Plant should be made operational
- (vi.) More funds should be allocated for orphans, vulnerable and elderly persons
- (vii.) Equalization fund should be used to build a sports academy for the youth.
- (viii.) The government should provide title deeds to the residents of the areas including RangweWest citizens.
 - (ix.) The government should find ways of how to reduce the spiral wage bill

- (x.) The health sector should be allocated a bigger percentage that what was allocated for in the proposed estimates. The Abuja declaration states that the health sector should be allocated around 15 percent of the total budget.
- (xi.) Enhancement of fibre optic cables especially in the rural areas so that Kenyans become more digital
- (xii.) Need for the roads to be tarmacked for easy access of various wards in the constituencies.
- (xiii.) Use of Lake Victoria water for irrigation of agriculture
- (xiv.) The government should build a police station in Lambwe Valley; post a an Officer Commanding Police Division (OCPD); and post an assistant county commissioner (D.O) to the areas to coordinate national government functions
- (xv.) There was need for hostels to be built for the university/college students
- (xvi.) There was need for the government to introduce subsidies in the Justice sector to address the high cost of access to justice.

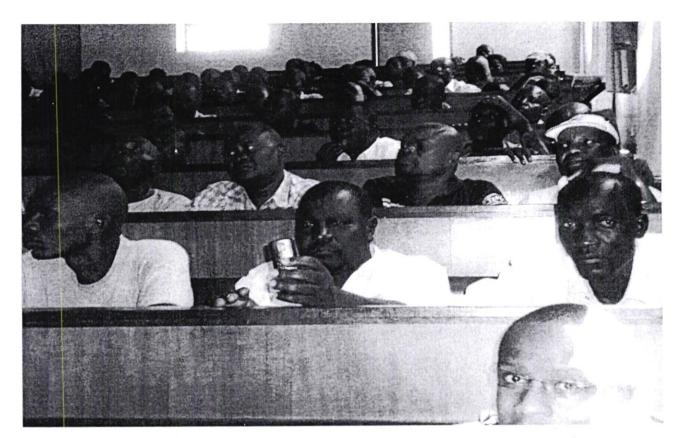


Figure 5: Members of the Public keenly listening to the proceedings

Chapter Four

Summary and Conclusion

4.1 Summary

The leader of the delegation and the Chairman of the Budget and Appropriation Committee in the National Assembly informed the members of the public that his committee shall set aside at least Kshs. 200 million in the budget estimates for 2014/2015 for the priority projects identified by the public in Mbita.

The following projects were agreed upon by the members of the public and the delegation as the key priority areas that should be considered for funding in the 2014/2015 budget:

- 1. The completion of fly over at Mbita Causeway (C19)
- 2. The procurement of public ferry for transportation at a cost of Kshs. 100 million.

- 3. Establishment of fish processing plant at cost of Kshs. 100 million
- 4. The completion of the road from Homa Bay- Sindo- Mbita (D 210)
- 5. The purchase of patrol speed boat to the Police to provide security in the lake.

4.2 Conclusion

The Chairman and Members of the delegation thanked members of the public for attending in large numbers and articulating their issues. In conclusion, the delegation urged the public to be less dependent of the government. They also encouraged the use of Public Private Partnership (PPP) between the government and the public to realize completion of some of the projects. The government should look into finding a lasting solution to the insecurity within the waters of Lake Victoria. The government should consider establishing a permanent naval military base in one of the islands in Lake Victoria to protect the territorial waters and the people of Kenya.

(Annex I list of attendance in Mbita)

REPUBLIC OF KENYA



$\label{eq:kenya} \mbox{KENYA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY}$ $\mbox{ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT-SECOND SESSION}$

REPORT ON $\label{eq:public} \textbf{PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE 2014/2015 FISCAL}$ YEAR

HELD AT WAJIR GUEST HOUSE HALL IN WAJIR $20^{\rm TH}~{\rm MAY},\,2014$

A.INTRODUCTION

The 2013/14 financial year Budget Estimates for the National Government, Judiciary and Parliamentary Service Commission were submitted to Parliament on 30th April, 2014. This is Pursuant to Articles 221 (1), 127 (6) (c) and 173 (3) of the Constitution, Section 37 (2) of the Public Finance management Act, 2012 and also in accordance with the National Assembly Standing Order Number 235.

Specifically, Article 221 (4) and (5) of the Constitution provides that a Committee of the National Assembly, in this case Budget and Appropriation Committee (BAC), seeks representation from the public in the process of discussing and reviewing the Budget Estimates before making recommendation to the National Assembly for consideration.

In this regard, the Budget and Appropriations Committee has planned to undertake public hearings for the 2014/15 budget estimates in the following centres: Wajir, Mbita, Bungoma, Narok, Kitui, Maralal, Ol Kalou, Kwale, and Nairobi City.

The public hearings on budget will be conducted through a way of allowing open forums and submission of memoranda from individuals as well as organizations; and it expected that citizen views will be collected to provide a valuable input in the budget and in particular help identifying areas additional resources will be required so as to spur realization of employment opportunities as well as help in identifying points of extravagant expenditure that the Budget and Appropriation Committee will focus on, in the finalization of the budget consultations and decision making.

B. PREPARATION

The team arrived in Wajir on Monday the 19th of May in readiness for the function on 20th May, 2014.

On the material day, the venue (Wajir Guest House premises) was set where the members of the public were already seated waiting for the commencement. The team from the National Assembly comprised of the following:

- 1. Hon. Fatuma Ali Ibrahim, CMP Chairing
- 2. Hon. Mohamed Elmi, MP
- 3. Hon. Abbas Mohamed, MP

National Assembly officers present were:

- Josephat Motonu Fiscal Analyst, PBO
- 2. Adan Ahmed Abdi Fiscal Analyst, PBO
- 3. Elijah Ichwara Hansard Officer

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The team wishes to sincerely thank the office of the Clerk of the National Assembly for the technical and financial facilitation towards the success of the exercise.

Recognition also goes to the members of the public who took time out of their busy schedules to come out in numbers and participate in this national exercise. This was a real gesture of patriotism.

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HON. FATUMA ALI IBRAHIM – CHARING	THE	PUBLIC	HEARING	IN
WAJIR				

C.CONDUCTING THE ACTUAL BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

The public hearing started at 9.50 am with a word of prayer from the chair of the day, Hon. Fatuma Ali Ibrahim and thereafter self introductions were conducted for the Members present.

The chairperson, in her opening remarks, informed the gathering that the event is also held simultaneously in 8 other centres across the country and that the views from the members of the public will be incorporated in the Budget and Appropriation Committee report to the House.

Also, she proceeded to point out the expectations of the FY 2014/15 public hearing on the budget. She presented the highlights of the overall budget together with the breakdown thereto. She reiterated the fact that it is the budget of the National Government that is under discussion in accordance with the law and especially in view of the Fourth Schedule (distribution of functions between the National and County Governments). Finally, she then opened the floor to the members of the public to make their submissions and present views regarding the budget.

SECTORAL ISSUES

(a) Transport

The words 'Pathetic, horrible and excruciating' were overwhelmingly used by every participant in the forum to describe the situation of Garissa — Wajir - Mandera Road (B9). They gave accounts of how business is hampered by the poor road due to the longer period that trucks and busses ferrying retail goods take to its destination. The participants lamented that even after more than fifty years of independence; it is still unfortunate that the vast region with two international boundaries does not have an inch of tarmac road.

Residents therefore plead that the government should allocate substantive amount of this year's budget towards the construction of this road to bitumen standards. This will greatly improve living standards by easing movement of goods and services to revamp business in the region.

Another area in the transport sector that they said needs urgent attention is the commercialization of Wajir International Airport. The airport does not have a cargo section and its access to the public is practically difficult since it is situated in a military barracks.

(b) Education

Being a region that has the lowest literacy rate, low teacher-student ratio and high drop-out rate, education was also considered another major concern. It was observed that there is an estimated 70,000 shortage of teachers in the country and 700 in Wajir County alone (cited official statistics). Therefore, there was a concern that the proposed budget for recruiting only 5,000 new teachers in the next financial year is being insensitive and that perhaps 20,000 more teachers need to be recruited and 700 posted to Wajir County as a matter of affirmative action. There was also a concern that only one Quality Assurance officer is posted to the region a situation that might have led to dwindling academic standards.

Decentralization of recruitment of lower cadre staffs of the Ministry is important. Staffs such as drivers who are posted to the region always find their way back leaving a gap, increasing of hardship allowance to teachers in ASAL areas can be a good measure to control absenteeism in schools.

Wajir County requires a full-fledged public university in order to satisfy its growing appetite for higher education and a certain percent of the presidential bursary secondary school be earmarked for ASAL areas.

It was observed that there was construction of a technical training institution that had been started in Wajir with support from African Development Bank, but the works had since stalled and the contractor went away.

It was also proposed that perhaps, a teachers' training college may be established in the area which may only need about KSh. 2B

(c) Security

Residents of Northern Kenya are alive to the fact that real development cannot be realized without proper security and that insecurity in northern Kenya will have an impact to the realization of growth in the country. Therefore, arising from this public hearing, they suggest the budget of 2014/2015 to consider the following recommendations in order to curb growing insecurity:

- Recruitment of police reservist Participants are of the view that
 empowered, well trained and uniformed reservists will have a big impact in
 controlling the runaway insecurity in pastoralist areas. Many said they are
 speaking from experience and this should not be wished away
- Enhanced police housing programmes Police in the borders are living
 in deplorable conditions albeit the massive risks they have to endure and
 should therefore be given a priority in the housing program and equipping
 them with modern equipment.

(d)Water

Water crisis in the region is a permanent issue that remains etched in the locals minds. Over the years, water crisis in the pastoralist dominated arid region has taken a toll on peoples' lives with devastating consequences on their livelihoods.

Their concerns are not only quality of safe drinking water but about access for home use as well as livestock since they trek long distances to fetch water. Consequently, participants suggested that the situation is dire and requires mega projects in order to contain the situation at least in the long-term.

Harnessing rain water harvesting into mega dams is one solution that was suggested by participants to the perennial water shortage in Bute town. With a population of 50,000 people, the district headquarters of Wajir North has no permanent source of water. They requested that this project be incorporated into this year's budget.

(e) Health

Not much has been said about the health sector as this was devolved function to county governments. However, a training college for nurses and mid-wife was suggested to be built in Wajir County as that will be a control measure for shortage of such staffs. There was also a suggestion for procurement of drugs to hospital to be done promptly.

(f) Equity, poverty reduction and social protection for vulnerable groups

Equalization fund that is envisaged in article 204 of the constitution is not enough to tackle the glaring inequality that the region has endured for over fifty years and should therefore be increased by a certain percentage point. Women empowerment programs that are a flagship project of vision 2030 should be given more allocations in this year's budget. People living with disability needed more money in their budget in order to cushion themselves against vulnerabilities that come with their situation.

(g) Food Security and Agriculture

Agriculture is not the main stay of people in Northern Kenya but with increased irrigation there are places that are productive for crop production according to participants in the forum.

Areas along river Tana in Garissa County, Bute and Gurar in Wajir county and Banisa in Mandera county has been touted as frontiers in food security if given the necessary attention. Therefore, the budget of this year should consider an irrigation project in either of these places if not all. Through this, residents said that they believe food insecurity will be solved.

The public hearing on the budget in Wajir came to a close at around 1.00 pm with a word of prayer from one of the participants.

D. SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 1. The Budget and Appropriation Committee to consider allocating funds for the construction of Garissa Wajir Mandera Road (B9) 99% of speakers said roads as of priority.
- 2. Posting 700 more teachers to schools in the region particularly Wajir County
- Construction of mega dams in major settlements.

- 4. Recruiting more police reservists and reinforcing the existing security personnel in major towns and along the border to enhance security in the region
- 5. Completion of all economic stimulus projects such as abaoirs and technical traiing institute.
- 6. Increase National Government finance to deliver maternal health services.

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KENYA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

REPORT ON

PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET ESTIMATES 2014/2015

HELD IN BUNGOMA COUNTY

ON

20TH MAY 2014

Preamble

The Constitution has recognized the role of public participation in the budget making process. Article 221(5) requires the Budget and Appropriations Committee to seek representation from the public in discussing and reviewing of the budget estimates. These views shall be taken into consideration when the BAC makes its recommendations to the National Assembly.

In line with the provisions of the Constitution, the BAC undertook public hearings for the 2014/15 budget estimates in the following nine centers: Mbita, Bungoma, Narok, Kitui, Wajir, Samburu, Ol Kalou, Kwale and Nairobi City.

The public hearing exercise in Bungoma was held on Tuesday, 20th May 2014 at Mabanga Farmers Training Center in Bungoma County. The hearings were done in an open forum where public were allowed to participate through attending the hearings, making presentations, presenting memorandums, requests and proposals.

The participants were drawn from various segments of the society including Members of Parliament, Parliamentary Staff, National Government Administration Officers from Bungoma County, Bungoma County Government staff, representatives of various Non-Governmental Organisations working in Bungoma County as well as residents from Bungoma County.

The Budget & Appropriations Committee members who attended the public hearing were:

- 1. Hon. Alfred Sambu, MP Chairperson of Delegation
- 2. Hon. Mary Emaase, MP Vice Chairperson, BAC
- 3. Hon. Dr. Reginaldah Wanyonyi, MP
- 4. Hon. Suleiman Murunga Kasuti, MP
- 5. Hon. Silverse Lisamula Anami, MP

The Parliamentary Service Commission staff who attended the public hearings were:

- Benjamin Ng'imor Parliamentary Budget Office
- 2. Catherine Burure Parliamentary Budget Office
- 3. Boniface Mushila Sergent-At-Arms
- 4. Agnes Learat Hansard

It is therefore my pleasant duty and privilege, to present the report on the public hearings on the 2014/2015 budget estimates held in Bungoma.

Signed

The Hon. Alfred Sambu, MP Chairperson of Delegation $23^{\rm rd}$ May 2014

1. Overall 2014/2015 Budget

The total expenditure for 2014/2015 amounts to Ksh 1.59 trillion. This can be broken down as follows:

- i. Ksh 1.12 trillion for Executive
- ii. Ksh 26.45 billion for Parliament
- iii. Ksh 19.16 billion for Judiciary
- iv. Ksh 5 billion for Contingencies Fund
- v. Ksh 3.4 billion for Equalization Fund
- vi. Ksh 226.66 billion for County Government Share

The total expenditure will be financed from revenues and grants. The total amount of funds from revenues and grants is projected to be Ksh 1.24 trillion. This can be broken down as follows:

- i. Ksh 1.05 trillion from tax revenue
- ii. Ksh 36.21 billion from non-tax revenue
- iii. Ksh 94.22 billion from Appropriation-in-Aid
- iv. Ksh 57.99 billion from Grants

This indicates a deficit which will be funded from borrowings raised domestically and externally. The total borrowings expected to be approximately Ksh 370.52 billion.

2. Public views on the 2014/2015 Budget Estimates

The public hearing was linked into five thematic areas so as to help direct the consultations and achieve concrete views from the public. The thematic areas were:

- i. Security and Governance,
- ii. Education,
- iii. Agriculture and food security,
- iv. Energy
- v. Transport and Infrastructure

The public were divided into five groups each handling one thematic area. They deliberated on pertinent issues affecting the country with respect to the topics and made presentations. The following issued were raised in the Bungoma public hearing exercise:

2.1Security and Governance

The participants indicated that security remains a threat to the whole nation. Funding for it should be prioritized by the government. Under the docket, all arms should be considered and facilitated to undertake their functions effectively and efficiently. It was noted, that the National Government Administration Office (NGAO) have continuously been ignored despite them being the face of the National Government in the Counties. The participants made the following observations:

- i. The Authority to Incur Expenditure (AIE) for NGAO offices in each sub-county was very low. This could not cater for the operations by the officers. They proposed that it be enhanced from the current Ksh 320,000 to Ksh 1,000,000 per year.
- ii. These NGAO officers lacked proper equipment to undertake their operations. These included vehicles for County Commissioners and Sub-County Commissioners and motor cycles for Chiefs since the current vehicles are very few.
- iii. The government should consider motivating the village elders and peace committees for them to effectively undertake community policing and the nyumba kumi initiative. The motivation can be inform of allowances for stationery, airtime and monthly stipend.
- iv. The participants welcomed the move to construct housing units for Regular and Administration Police. However, they noted that the houses are constructed on land which is for National Government Administration Officers like Chief's Camps and Sub-County Commissioners Offices. The government should not only allocated funds for construction of houses but also funds for purchase of land where these housing units will be constructed.
- v. The government should develop one police post in every ward with gazzeted cells. This will minimize the congestion currently faced in a number of police cells and also reduce costs and risks incurred with moving suspects to different police stations. A prison should be constructed in Kimilili.
- vi. The government should mount surveillance cameras and erect streetlights in all county headquarters and urban centers so as to improve security and reduce cases of carjackings.
- vii. NGAO officers should be funded to undertake researches and studies in security issues. The government tends to be more reactive in combating crime rather than proactive. Undertaking researches and studies will ensure the officers understand the issues happening in their areas and improve prevent crime from happening.

- viii. The participants welcomed the proposal to recruit 10,000 police officers. However, this translated to only 23 police officers in each sub-county. They noted that this was still quite low and the government should consider increasing it to 50 officers per sub-county.
 - ix. The government has allocated Ksh 1.6 billion for police medical insurance scheme. However, many other field officers who work hand in hand with the police including chiefs and sub-chiefs do not enjoy these benefits yet they are also exposed. The government should consider allocating them risk allowances.

2.2 Agriculture and Food Security

The participants indicated that agriculture was the backbone of the country and it should be adequately funded. The observations raised by the public were as follows:

- i. The government should consider erecting agro-processing plants in the region. The produces in the region lack market and value addition can be a better method to ensure better market for the produces. The agro-processing plants should including a potato biscuit factory, a chicken slaughterhouse in Chwele and a tea factory in Mt Elgon. The Webuye Pan-Paper Factory, the Malakisi Ginnery and Kitinda Milk Factory should also be revived.
- ii. The cost of Fertilizer is too high. The government should consider developing a fertilizer factory in the region in subsequent years. However, it should currently ensure farmers get fertilizers at subsidized prices. The fertilizer should also be adequate and the timing right.
- iii. The sunflower produces in the area are transported to Eldoret and Nakuru for processing into cooking oil. The government should consider putting up a sunflower processing plant in the region.
- iv. The region has over-relied on sugar production. The sugar companies in the area should diversify their outputs. The government should also undertake researches on better breeds of sugarcane that will reduce the maturity time.
- v. The participants raised an issue with the taxes on imported chicken feeds indicating that this discourages trade and promotion of the chicken industry in the region. The government should reduce this tax.
- vi. The Agricultural Finance Corporation (AFC) should be revived to enable farmers to access loans.
- vii. The government should provide better breeds of animals in the area to improve on production especially for dairy and chicken farmers. The current breeds of animals in the area are quite indigenous and of low quality.

- viii. Construct National Cereals and Produce Board stores in each sub-county to eliminate unscrupulous middlemen.
 - ix. A forensic audit should be undertaken for the Nzoia Sugar Company. There is a leadership problem in the company and most farmers have not been paid. The outstanding debt is approximately Ksh 450 million. The participants proposed that the farmers be paid cash on delivery.

2.3Transport & Infrastructure

The participants noted that there was a lot of confusion in the infrastructure subsector especially on which level of government is supposed to undertake roads construction in the county. Some roads projects are taking too long to be finalized while others have been shoddily done. They also proposed that atleast 16 km of tarmac road be constructed in each constituency. The following are their observations:

- i. Chwele -Sirisia Lwakhakha road (29km) needs to be tarmarked. This is a link-road to Southern Sudan
- ii. The Busia Malaba road should be tarmacked.
- iii. Misikhu Naitiri Tongaren Matunda road should be tarmacked
- iv. Kapsokwony Kopsiro Namwela road (38km) need to be tarmacked
- v. The Mashambani Muyayi road should be finalized, it has taken too long
- vi. Gravelling roads in Kaptama, Mt Elgon is a waste of money
- vii. The Bungoma Airstrip should be upgraded. This will enhance efficient transportation of the perishable goods produced in the county as well transportation of people.

2.4Energy

The participants noted that the region suffers frequent blackouts. This has severely affected business in the area. The government should ensure stable power supply in the region and across the nation. The accessibility of power in the area is still low and more funding should be set aside for power transmission. The following are some of the concerns raised:

 The government should also consider construction of hydro-electric power stations in some high potential areas in the Western Region especially along river Nzoia at Nabuyole falls. Other high potential rivers include Malakisi, Kibisi and Kuywa. ii. Sugar factories in the area should also be encouraged to produce power from the baggase waste they produce. Alternative sources of energy should also be encouraged like investment in wind energy in Mt Elgon, solar energy and biogas. The government should also encourage use of energy saving technologies.

2.5 Education

- i. The participants noted that nationwide, there is understaffing of teachers in both Primary and Secondary schools. They proposed that the government should increase the number of teachers employed from 5,000 to 15,000.
- ii. The allocations for free primary education and free day secondary education should also be increased due to the increased costs.
- iii. Funding should be set aside for children with disability and construction of schools for the disabled in all parts of the country.
- iv. The allocation for provision of sanitary towels to girls should be increased from Ksh 400 million to Ksh 800 million.

2.6 Other Concerns Raised

- i. The public hearings are conducted in centralized areas in a region yet people from far flanked areas who would want to participate are not given a chance. Future public hearings should consider facilitating representatives from each county in the region to attend the hearings. The County Commissioners should be informed early enough to mobilize people in their regions to participate in the hearings.
- ii. The participants raised concern with the conditions for access of Uwezo Fund by the youth was quite tedious and it made it an unfavorable option for many. There is need for this to be reviewed.
- iii. The cash transfers for the elderly were not equitably and transparently distributed. Also the number of beneficiaries per sub-county was too small and it doesn't cover all persons. There is need for the amount and structures to be reviewed.

Summary of the key sectoral issues raised by the public

Sector	Remarks	Proposal
Security and	The Authority to Incur	• The AIE for each subcounty
Governance	Expenditure (AIE) for NGAO	should be enhanced from the
	offices in each sub-county was	current Ksh 320,000 to Ksh
	very low to cater for their	1,000,000 per year.

Sector	Remarks	Proposal
	operations	
	These NGAO officers lacked proper equipment to undertake their operations.	 County Commissioners and Sub-County Commissioners be given vehicles Chiefs be given motor cycles
	Motivation of the village elders and peace committees for them to effectively undertake community policing	• Provide allowances for stationery, airtime and monthly stipend.
	Construction housing units for Regular and Administration Police is done on NGAO offices land	• The government should allocate funds purchase of land where these housing units will be constructed.
	Need for additional police posts and gazzeted cells to minimize congestion	 The government should develop one police post in every ward with gazzeted cells. A prison should be constructed in Kimilili.
	Additional police officers in each sub-county	The government should aim at providing additional 50 officers in each sub-county
	Many NGAO field officers including chiefs and sub- chiefs do not enjoy have risk allowances	• The government should consider allocating them risk allowances.
Education	Understaffing of teachers in both Primary and Secondary schools.	• Employ additional 15,000 teachers
	Inadequate allocation for free primary education (FPE) and free day secondary education (FSDE) due to the increased costs.	• Increase funding for FPE and FSDE
	Funding construction of schools for the disabled in all parts of the country.	Allocate funding to construct schools for disabled
	Provision of sanitary towels to girls should be increased	• Allocation be increased to Ksh 800 million
Agriculture and Food Security	Reviving of dormant agro- processing factories	Webuye Pan-Paper Factory,Malakisi GinneryKitinda Milk Factory

Sector	Remarks	Proposal
	The cost of Fertilizer is too high.	 Construction of a fertilizer plant Subsidizing prices of fertilizer Adequate supply and correct timing of fertilizer
	The government should consider erecting agroprocessing plants in the region. The produces in the region lack market and value addition can be a better method to ensure better market for the produces.	 potato biscuit factory chicken slaughterhouse in Chwele tea factory in Mt Elgon Sunflower processing plant in the region.
	High taxes on imported chicken feeds Lack of affordable loans for	 The government should reduce this tax. Agricultural Finance
	farmers	Corporation (AFC) should be revived
	The current breeds of animals in the area are quite indigenous and of low quality.	• The government should provide better breeds of animals for dairy and chicken farmers
	Extortion by unscrupulous middlemen	• Construct National Cereals and Produce Board stores in each sub-county
Energy	Exploitation of hydro-electric energy potential in the area	Construction of power stations along River Nzoia at Nabuyole falls, river Malakisi, river Kibisi and river Kuywa
	Alternative sources of energy should also be encouraged	 Sugar factories to be encourage to produce power from the baggase Investment in wind energy in Mt Elgon

Sector	Remarks	Proposal
Transport and Infrastructure	Roads to be tarmacked	 Chwele -Sirisia - Lwakhakha road (29km) needs to be tarmarked. This is a link-road to Southern Sudan Busia - Malaba road should be tarmacked. Misikhu - Naitiri - Tongaren - Matunda road should be tarmacked Kapsokwony - Kopsiro - Namwela road (38km) need to be tarmacked
	Upgrading of Airports in the region	• The Bungoma Airstrip, Webuye Airstrip and Kakamega Airstrip and should be upgraded.

(Annex II list of attendance in Bungoma)

REPUBLIC OF KENYA



KENYA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY 11th PARLIAMENT – SECOND SESSION

REPORT OF PUBLIC HEARINGS ON BUDGET ESTIMATES 2014/15

HELD IN SAMBURU COUNTY

20th May, 2014

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Overview

The budget estimates for the financial year 2014/15 for the National Government, Judiciary and Parliamentary Service Commission were tabled in the House on 30th April, 2013. These Annual Estimates were consequently committed to the respective departmental committees according to their mandates for discussion and review as required by standing orders 235(3). Pursuant to Article 221(5) of the Constitution, the National Assembly organized Public hearings on the proposed budget estimates for 2014/2015 FY on 20th May 2014 and 22nd May 2014. The hearings were held in nine centres around the country. These counties include; Samburu, Kwale, Homabay, Narok, Kitui, Wajir, Bungoma, Nyandarua and Nairobi.

1.2 Objectives of the Public Hearings

This year's public hearings were expected to collect public views that will allow for the finalization of the 2014/15 budget estimates. In Samburu, the public hearings were conducted on 20th May, 2013 at the Catholic Church Multi Purpose Hall. Individuals made oral and written submissions to the Budget and Appropriations Committee delegation present on four thematic issues which are:-

- Infrastructure and Energy
- Education
- Security
- · Agriculture Development

1.3 Budget and Appropriations Committee Members present during the Hearing

Hon. Members

- 1. Hon. Jonathan Lati Lelelit
- 2. Hon. Bitok Kirwa
- 3. Hon. Francis Njenga
- 4. Hon. Abdikadir Aden

Secretariat

1. Joseph Ndirangu

Fiscal Analyst II

2. Daniel Mwanzia

Fiscal Analyst II

3. John Nganga

Audio Recorder

4. Manuel Leparachau

Sergeant at arms

1.4 Acknowledgements

We acknowledge the role played by the National Assembly in facilitating the logistics for the successful public hearings in Samburu County at Maralal. The role played by the Members of Parliament, members of the public who attended and the secretariat. The support accorded to the team by the County Government of Samburu and County Commissioner's Office is highly appreciated.

It is therefore my pleasant undertaking and acknowledgment, on behalf of the delegation of Budget & Appropriations Committee to present the report of the public hearings held in Samburu County.

Signed:

Hon. Jonathan Lati Leleit, M.P. Chairman of the Delegation.

2 Meeting with the Samburu County Leadership and Paying Courtesy call to the County Commissioner Office

2.1 Remarks by the Deputy Governor for Samburu County

The Meeting started at 10:00a.m and was held at the Samburu West Constituency CDF office. Leaders in attendance were the County Deputy Governor, Budget and Appropriations Committee delegation led by Hon. Lati Lelelit, Samburu County Speaker, Members of the County Assembly and Local Opinion Leaders. Leaders stated that the county has been neglected and marginalized for a long time by the previous governments and they appreciated that the Budget and Appropriations Committee for choosing to visit the County and seek the views of the public on the budget estimates for 2014/2015. They stated that the county has no tarmac road but stated that there was hope since the National Government is facilitating upgrading to bitumen standards of the Rumuruti – Maralal Road. They also highlighted that the Government need to consider invest in harnessing other potential sources of energy like solar and wind in the County. Leaders stated that the security problem in the County can be solved if the access roads are built.

The delegation also paid a courtesy call to the office of the County Commissioner of Maralal. The County Commissioner informed the delegation that his office was in good working relations with the County Government. He further stated that his office will not interfere with the functions of the County Governments but will only be responsible for the National Government functions.

3 Opening Remarks

3.1 Opening of the meeting

The meeting started at 11.00pm with a word of prayer from Pastor Lenalepisho, followed by self introductions by participants. The county commissioner welcomed visitors and participants to the event and gave a brief speech whereby he encouraged participants to contribute and participate actively in the budget process. He welcomed the deputy governor who thanked the team from parliament for choosing Samburu County for the budget estimates public hearings and asked those present to freely give their views.

The Deputy Governor welcomed the area Member of Parliament Hon. Jonathan Lati Lelelit who was the chair, to welcome other members of parliament present. Hon. Abdikadir Aden took participants through the highlights of the proposed budget estimates for 2014/15 after which the Chair opened the floor for participants to make their contributions.

4 Issues raised at the public hearing

4.1 SEYIA BRIDGE

Members of public proposed a bridge to be constructed on Seyia river to link Samburu south and north, facilitate movement of people and vehicles and curb loss of lives during rainy seasons. The river draws its waters from the highlands of Samburu and Laikipia counties and during rainy seasons it makes the road across Seyia impassable. The estimated cost of constructing the bridge is Kshs.300m according to feasibility study conducted by county government of Samburu to ascertain actual cost and design.

4.2 Health and Sanitation

Members of public wanted the Samburu level 4 hospital rehabilited and upgraded to level 5 hospital which can act as the county referral hospital. This is because the county is vast and currently the nearest referral hospital is in Nakuru which is very far.

Participants also suggested that more mid-wives to be recruited and trained on safe delivery methods since most women especially those in rural areas use mid-wives for delivery. They also proposed construction of sewerage system in maralal town

4.3 Road Infrastructure

Participants lamented about the poor state of roads in the county and proposed the following; tarmacking of Rumurutu-maralal road be fast-tracked, construct the road between Rumuruti-Longaloyani, construct Maralal-Baragoi road and construction of a direct road between Samburu and Turkana counties.

4.4 Security

The participants noted with great concern lack of security in the county due to cattle rustling and proposed the following measures to counter insecurity in the area;

- i) Built an Army or GSU base in Samburu
- ii) Built access roads in Samburu north to ensure easier movement of patrol teams
- iii) Home guards (KPRs) be included in the government payroll to boost their morale and hence their performance
- iv) Empower the youth through formal education to enable them join gainful employment instead of engaging in cattle rustling
- v) Increase allocation to security department
- vi) Built a polytechnic in the county to equip the youth with technical skills

4.5 Agriculture and Livestock

Members of public proposed construction of a mega dam in the county to act as water reservoir and source of water for livestock and irrigation which will help fight food insecurity/hunger in the County.

They also proposed that cattle farmers be trained on better methods of cattle rearing like cross breeding. They asked for a meat and tanning factory to be established in the county for value-addition at county level.

4.6 Education

Members of public present requested that a teachers training college and medical training college be constructed in the county.

The issue of high teacher-pupil ratio was raised and participants requested the national government to employ more teachers to reduce the ratio and enhance quality of education.

4.7 Land titles deeds

The participants raised the issue of lack of title deeds for the land owned by most locals which makes them unable to acquire bank loans since they lack necessary collateral. This they noted has slowed down the rate of economic development in the area.

They are requested that land registries be established in every county

4.8 Energy and environment

Use of safe and sustainable sources of energy was raised and participants proposed use of green energy like solar and wind energy, as well as massive tree planting and anti-deforestation policy and campaign. They suggested that the government should provide incentives to investors for exploration and use of minerals available in the county.

Participants also noted that electricity was not well distributed to rural areas of the county other than towns and asked for the rural electrification programme to be expanded to reach more people especially those in rural areas. This they said would boost growth of businesses, create employment and wealth.

4.9 Kisima Airstrip in Maralal Town

Members of the public noted that Samburu County has a lot of tourism potential due to its rich cultural diversity and wildlife. Inorder to unlock this resource there is need to rehabilitate and upgrade Kisima Airstrip in Maralal town. This will go along way in ensuring faster movement of persons and goods.

4.10 Disaster management fund

Participants proposed setting up of a National disaster management fund to cater for disasters which may occur in the country and proper disaster preparedness at national and county level.

4.11 Other Issues

On health care, the issue of leasing health care equipment at Ksh.3.0b was opposed and participants wanted the government to buy them instead of leasing.

5 Summary of Key Issues

During the public hearing in Samburu County for the proposed 2014/15 budget useful information was gathered that may be incorporated in the final budget. The following are the key issues raised and which may need further attention:

- 1. Construction of Seyia bridge to link Samburu south and north, enhance connectivity and curb loss of lives during rainy seasons.
- 2. Rehabilitate and upgrade the Samburu level 4 hospital to level 5(to be county referral hospital)
- 3. Tarmacking of Rumuruti-Maralal road be hastened
- 4. Built access roads in Samburu north to enhance security
- 5. Safe and Sustainable sources of energy
- 6. Empower the youth through formal education to enable them join gainful employment
- 7. Construct a mega dam in Samburu county
- 8. Construct an airstrip in maralal
- 9. Construct a direct road between Samburu and Turkana
- 10. Construct Maralal-Baragoi road
- 11. Construct sewerage system in Maralal
- 12. Home guards (KPRs) be included in government payroll to boost their morale
- 13. Construct a teachers training college
- 14. Construct medical training college in Samburu
- 15. Built bus stage at Maralal town
- 16. Issue title deeds to locals
- 17. Establish tanning and meat factory at the county
- 18. Rural electrification
- 19. Environmental conservation by planting trees
- 20. Employ more teachers to reduce teacher-pupil ratio
- 21. Recruit and train more mid-wives on safe delivery methods
- 22. Introduce disaster management fund

6 Concluding Remarks

Hon. Stephen Bitok Kirwa thanked participants for actively participating in the exercise and reminded them to keep their leaders on check regarding development of their county.

Hon. Francis Njenga Kigo assured he is in the lands committee of the National Assembly he would pursue the issue of titles deeds to ensure wananchi get titles not only in Samburu County but also in other counties. Since land ownership is a very sensitive issue. He also told participants that spatial data (GIS) had been done and now it was easier to capture, store, manipulate, analyze, manage, and present all types of geographical data.

Hon. Abdikadir Omar Aden told the participants that he will partner with area MP to ensure at least one project is considered for funding by the budget committee.

The Chairperson Hon. Jonathan Lati thanked the participants for their active participation and assured them that their proposals would be considered in when preparing the final budget especially the first four as listed in-order of priority.

(See Annex III List of attendace in Samburu)

REPUBLIC OF KENYA



KENYA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ELEVENTH PARLIAMENT - FIRST SESSION

REPORT OF PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET ESTIMATES 2014/2015

HELD IN MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY,

NAROK

ON

20TH MAY 2014

1. Introduction

On 30th April 2014, the Cabinet Secretary for Finance submitted to the National Assembly, the proposed budget estimates for financial year 2014/15.

Pursuant to Article 221 of the constitution and Standing Order 235, once the budget estimates have been submitted, they stand committed to the Budget and Appropriations Committee and the various departmental committees without question put. The departmental committees are required to consider, discuss and review the estimates and submit a report with recommendations to the Budget and Appropriations Committee. The Budget Committee shall make recommendations to the National Assembly.

Article 221(5) of the constitution and standing order 235(5) provide that in reviewing and discussing the estimates, the views of the public shall be sought and taken into account when the committee makes its recommendations on the National Budget to the National Assembly.

In this regard, the National Assembly held countrywide public hearings in various centres on 20th and 22nd May 2014.

2. Conduction of the Public Hearings

The Kenya National Assembly identified nine (9) centres countrywide where public hearings on the proposed budget estimates were conducted, namely; Bungoma, Mbita, Narok, Ol Kalou, Kitui, Wajir, Kwale, Maralal and Nairobi.

The objectives of the public hearings were to:

- 1) Adhere to the article 221(5) of the constitution which allows for public participation in the budget process
- 2) Give an opportunity for all Kenyans to participate in the budget process; and
- 3) Collect the views of Kenyans regarding the proposed budget estimates he Narok public hearings were held in Maasai Mara University on Tu

The Narok public hearings were held in Maasai Mara University on Tuesday 20th May 2014. The hearing was conducted through an open forum where members of the public were invited to give their views. Members of the public were also invited to submit written memoranda to Parliament on or before 27th May 2014.

The delegation to Narok comprised of the following Members of Parliament:

- i. Hon. Benjamin Langat, M.P Chairperson
- ii. Hon. Patrick ole Ntutu, M.P
- iii. Hon. Moses ole Sakuda, M.P
- iv. Hon. Eng. Stephen Ngare, M.P.
- v. Hon. Joseph Limo, M.P
- vi. Hon. Richard Moitalel ole Kenta, M.P

Members were accompanied by:

i. Ms. Millicent Ojiambo
 ii. Mr. Jonathan ole Lemurt
 iii. Ms. Rose Ometere
 iv. Ms. Eva Kaare
 Fiscal Analyst
 Hansard reporter
 Serjeant-at-arms

3. Acknowledgements

The Kenya National Assembly acknowledges the dedication and support of the County Commissioner's office and the Maasai Mara University administration for mobilizing the people, preparing the grounds and ensuring that the event was successful.

4. Courtesy call

The team paid a courtesy call to the County Commissioner of Narok, Mr. Kassim M. Farah.

The team also paid a courtesy call to the Vice Chancellor's Office, Maasai Mara University.

5. Opening Remarks by Members of Parliament

Members of Parliament welcomed the public to the budget hearings, informing them that the budget is an important document for implementation of public policies. Public participation is important to ensure the views of the citizens are incorporated in the budget. This is a big breakthrough for the public as envisaged in the constitution since the public will be able to influence the development process directly through the national budget.

The public was urged to identify crucial projects in the area and the committee would ensure that their views are incorporated in the final national budget.

6. Submissions on the overall 2014/15 budget

Regarding the overall national budget, the public expressed the following sentiments:

- i. National resources should be distributed equally without prejudice.
- ii. Despite resource allocations to significant development projects, residents noted with concern that such funding was being diverted at implementation levels. For instance, the Narok-Nakuru road has been allocated funds in previous budgets but the road has never been tarmacked. This re-allocation of funds hinders progress of various projects in the country. There is need

therefore to ensure that resources are utilized on what they were budgeted for.

- iii. It was noted that corruption is affecting budget implementation due to pilferage of resources.
- iv. The public recommends that the allocation to CDF be increased as CDF projects have greatly benefited the community.
- v. Residents note that little action has been taken after previous public hearings and request Members of Parliament to prioritize the concerns raised by the public.
- vi. Residents noted that some counties have not utilized the funds allocated properly and requested the Members of Parliament to ensure that the utilization of county resources is followed up and audited.

7. Submissions on specific thematic areas

On the following thematic areas, the residents of Narok County gave the following submissions:

1. Roads/infrastructure

General infrastructure was a major concern of the residents. Individuals and groups decried the poor state of roads in the county, especially the Narok – Nakuru road and the Narok - Maasai Mara Road.

i. The Narok Nakuru road connects the two towns passing through a region that is generally taken to be the county's bread basket having a good history of high yields of wheat, potatoes and 75% of total Kenyan barley production. Over a long period of time, farmers in the region have continually suffered huge losses amounting to millions of shillings yet this is an economical powerhouse road which also serves Mau, the second largest water tower in Africa. Being close to a water tower, rains are heavy throughout the year making the 60 km road impassable. This has had the effect of increasing the cost of transporting farm produce. The poor state of the road also encourages illegal logging. It has been estimated that it costs approximately ksh. 50 million per kilometre to tarmac a road. The residents therefore request Ksh. 3 billion to be set aside in the current budget to tarmac the Narok – Nakuru road.

- ii. The Narok Maasai Mara road is in a poor state according to residents despite connecting to the seventh wonder of the world (Maasai Mara game reserve). The road is approximated to earn Kenya over Ksh. 3 billion annually directly through tourism, and billions more indirectly through employment, market for curio and agricultural products. The poor state of the road limits its potential to earn the country higher revenues. Residents expressed concern that if Tanzania completes tarmacking the road through Serengeti, the country will lose tourists to Tanzania. Residents therefore request for Ksh. 3.5 billion to be set aside to tarmac the Narok Maasai Mara road.
- iii. Eoro-Ekule-kongoni road was also of concern since it traverses the very productive Melili region with high potential for dairy and barley production. Residents argue that tarmacking the road will lead to accelerated value addition in agricultural products and increase the country's revenue earnings.
- iv. Connection to Kilgoris and the entire Trans mara region is still a problem since one has to traverse several continues to the place. The region is quite productive and construction of a road to link to the region will ease the movement of goods and services.
- v. Consider construction of highway from Suswa to Konza.

2. Livestock

This sector remains the most vibrant in the region and is rated to be a multi-million industry if well tapped. Construction of an abattoir in the county will be of great value in reducing the high rate of poverty which was estimated as above 50%. Currently the residents can only access markets in far off places and they incur losses as a result of poor prices quoted by middlemen as well as huge transport costs.

More funding was requested to go towards livestock value chain management andresearch on livestock production as this will boost the productivity of the sector.

More funds should be set aside for production of vaccines to ensure constant supply of vaccines to avoid losing livestock. Currently, livestock farmers have had to endure regular vaccine shortages which place the animals at risk.

3. Health

Despite the health sector being devolved in the new constitution, residents still feel that the national government should assist counties in provision of medical care as most hospitals have been neglected. The residents requested for the capacity of the Narok District hospital to be enhanced to a level 5 hospital in order to bring crucial services closer to the people.

Residents also requested for the construction of a Medical Training Centre in the county since the county to enhance access to healthcare.

4. Crop farming

Wheat and barley farming dominates two thirds of crop production in the county. However, farmers have been abandoning wheat farming due to high input costs which have made wheat farming very expensive. There is need to reduce input costs of wheat.

Farmers requested to be allowed to purchase the maximum amount of fertilizer they want and the tax on fertilizer should be reduced to enhance affordability.

Irrigation projects should be funded in the area in order to enhance food production and reduce impact of drought.

The residents expressed concern over continued importation of wheat during harvesting seasons despite good produce from farmers in the region. The increased supply leads to lowered prices and farmers fail to break-even. They urged the government to raise import duty on wheat to curtail imports and allow the forces of supply and demand to determine prices as cartels in the sector distort the market for personal gains.

5. Education

Despite the introduction of free primary education, the region still lags behind in general literacy levels. The rate of transition from primary level to secondary level is still low and needs to be addressed. The government should consider evening classes for the pastoralist communities in order to ensure that all pastoralist children have access to education.

The residents were of the opinion that the laptop project is unrealistic since pupils are still learning under trees in some areas and where there are schools, most of them lack electricity. Funds should be therefore be channelled towards energy and more specifically rural electrification in order to ensure electricity in schools.

Maasai Mara University, the only university in the region, requested for an equalization fund for 'young' upcoming universities to be able to improve their infrastructure to the level of the more established universities. Despite the increase in number of students, it lacks the required infrastructure to become a centre of excellence in the region. The University requests for assistance in the construction of a library and a research centre. This is estimated to cost a total of Ksh. 1.8 billion.

6. Security

For a long time, the region has enjoyed relatively good security and was rated the best place to do business in the country. However, recently there has been increased insecurity and the region has suffered reputational losses. Residents living along the Kenyan-Tanzania border continue to live in fear due invasion by unknown people through the porous border. They therefore urge the government to construct at least one police station at the centres along/or nearer to the border. Currently, the nearest police station is several kilometres away from the border rendering it porous with increased incidences of cattle rustling.

Furthermore, every estate should have trained and armed security guards.

7. Conservation and Environment

The Mau forest, one of the largest water towers, is found in the region with major rivers originating from the forest. The residents request for increased efforts towards conservation of the water tower. Ewaso Ngiro Development Authority leads in conservation efforts in the region but its efforts are curtailed by lack of enough funding from the government. There is need therefore to increase funding to this Authority.

NEMA is playing a minimal role in environmental issues in the rural areas and residents are of the opinion that government allocation to the body is a waste of public resources. Industries contributing to pollution should be held liable.

Tree planting should be encouraged through schools and communities as part of the conservation efforts.

8. Human wildlife conflict

People bordering the national reserve interact with wild animals quite often. This has increased incidences of human wildlife conflict with many people being killed by the wild animals. They call for increased allocation and audit of funds for compensation of those affected.

Poaching has become a major problem in the region, and residents echo the government for allocating 1.79 billion for anti-poaching.

9. Mining exploration

The government should invest in mining exploration in the area and indeed the entire country as only the foreigners benefit from mining in the country.

10. Disaster Management

Funds should be set aside funds for disaster management in the area especially due to flash floods. Furthermore, there is need for food relief in the area during period of drought.

The public also requested for increased funding to purchase livestock during adverse weather conditions which in the past has led to many deaths of livestock. There is need for a clear policy on this process.

11. Road Safety

Maasai Mara is in the process of coming up with a Road Safety and Security Institute.

12. Nurturing talents/ culture

The local culture is facing a threat of extinction. The community therefore requested for the formation of a cultural heritage centre in order to preserve the local culture.

Furthermore, the community requests the establishment of talent academies in the area in order to identify and nurture talent in the area.

6. Concluding Remarks

Members thanked the public for the fruitful deliberations and encouraged them to embrace public participation as a way of influencing government policy. They informed the community that every effort would be taken to ensure that the issues they had raised are addressed. At least two projects from the region will be prioritized in the budget.

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REPUBLIC OF KENYA



KENYA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

REPORT ON THE PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING ON 2014/2015 ESTIMATES

HELD IN KITUI COUNTY

ON

 20^{TH} MAY 2014

THE 2014/2015 PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS- KITUI COUNTY, MULTIPURPOSE HALL

The Constitution of Kenya, specifically Article 221 (4) and (5) requires a Committee of National Assembly; in this case The Budget and Appropriation Committee (BAC), to seek public representation and these recommendations have to be considered when the committee makes its recommendations to the National Assembly.

In this regard, the Budget and Appropriation Committee organized for the FY 2014/2015 Budget Hearings in 9 regions among them: Narok, Mbita, Kitui, Kisumu, Nairobi, Bungoma, Kwale, Maralal, Ol Kalou, and Wajir. This report focuses on Kitui as one of the regions.

The delegation to Kitui comprised of the following Members of Parliament:

Hon. Nelson Gaichuhie, M.P - Chairperson

Hon. Makali Mulu, M.P.

Hon. Daniel Nanok, M.P.

Hon. Muriuki Njagagua, M.P.

Hon. Tiyah Galgalo, M.P.

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It is therefore my pleasant duty and privilege, to present the report on the public hearings on the 2014/2015 budget estimates held in Kitui.

Signed

The Hon. Nelson Gaichuhie, M.P. Chairperson of Delegation 27th May 2014

Summary of the 2014/2015 Budget

The total expenditure for 2014/2015 amounts to Ksh 1.59 trillion. This can be broken down as follows:

- vii. Ksh 1.12 trillion for Executive
- viii. Ksh 26.45 billion for Parliament
 - ix. Ksh 19.16 billion for Judiciary
 - x. Ksh 5 billion for Contingencies Fund
 - xi. Ksh 3.4 billion for Equalization Fund
- xii. Ksh 226.66 billion for County Government Share

The total expenditure will be financed from revenues and grants. The total amount of funds from revenues and grants is projected to be Ksh 1.24 trillion. This can be broken down as follows:

- v. Ksh 1.05 trillion from tax revenue
- vi. Ksh 36.21 billion from non-tax revenue
- vii. Ksh 94.22 billion from Appropriation-in-Aid
- viii. Ksh 57.99 billion from Grants

This indicates a deficit which will be funded from borrowings raised domestically and externally. The total borrowings expected to be approximately Ksh 370.52 billion.

Public views on the 2014/2015 Budget Estimates

The Kitui budget hearing was attended by various groups of people, among them: the National Assembly Members, the Kitui County Government officials, County Representatives, KNUT officials, Civil Society Officials, Religious Leaders, Opinion Leaders, and business leaders among others.

Priorities as presented in the Public Hearing,

a) Water

With all the people that presented their views, approximately 95% strongly proposed the completion of Umaa Dam. Umaa water dam is an important project not only to the people of Kitui County, but also to the surrounding counties. The project has stalled for a long period, denying the people the chance to use the resource. The project has some materials on the ground.

Construction of Umaa Dam

The construction of Umaa dam is echoed by almost all participants in the area. Among those who sounded their views in support of this project includes the Kitui County deputy governor. The construction of the dam was a government of Kenya initiative to increase water storage capacity to provide clean and reliable water supply to over 100,000 residents of Kitui town and its environs. The dam was earmarked with other five dams across the country but Umaa dam is the only that has stalled for a long period. Upon its completion, the dam is expected to provide 2500M3 of water per day to the target population.

Umaa dam stalled as a result of a dispute between the contractor and the client (NWC&PC) over a payment claim to cover extra works done. The dam stalled when it was 60% complete. The contract sum for the project was Ksh 873 Million, which then was considered adequate for completion of the project. A total of Ksh 500 Million was paid leaving a balance of Ksh 373 Million by the time it stalled.

There is need to revive the project considering the amount of work that has already been completed. It is necessary to revive the project this financial year to avoid further depreciation of previous works, plant and equipment, and materials on the site.

It is estimated that Ksh 650 Million is required to revive the dam. The funds will cater for:

- a. Payment of confirmed extra variation works and incidentals
- b. Completion of the balance of contract works
- c. Project commissioning
- Provision of funding for the Kiambere-Mwingi water project. The project is an important resource to the county and the neighboring communities.
- Completion of the remaining dams of the Seven Folks Dam projects. The
 project will inject additional hydropower to the national grid besides
 provision of water for both domestic and industrial use and irrigation.
- Provision of funds for the completion of the Masinga- Kitui water project. The project is ongoing but requires more funds to ensure its completion.

The Committee and the secretariat visited the Umaa Dam for inspection. It was evident that there were materials on site that were abandoned after the project stalled. In addition, the Equipments were were also on site and a guard keeping vigilant which needs to be used immediately to avoid further depreciation and likely vandalism. The project is approximately 60 percent complete and it is estimated

that an allocation of Ksh 650 Million is sufficient to revive the dam. The law suits on the Umaa dam project has been resolved between the concerned parties, thus the project can be completed with no objections.

The construction works for Umaa dam stalled in January 2011 following a dispute between the contractor and NWC&PC/the client. The dispute reportedly arose from the payment of a claim raised by the contractor to cover extra works done on the dam foundation. The matter is currently under arbitration. By the time the project stalled it was about 60% complete.

The contract sum for the project was Ksh.873 Million which was then considered adequate for completion of the project. Out of this contract sum, it is understood some Ksh.500 Million had been paid to the contractor leaving a balance of Ksh.373 Million by the time the project stalled.

b) Roads/Infrastructure

- The construction of the road linking Kibwezi- Mutomo- Kitui- Mwingi-Taraka. The road is an important project to the region and even to the entire country. The construction of the road will bring various benefits to the various counties linking up the road. The road will ease Mombasa road traffic including reducing the number of accidents, reducing cost of transportation, among other business benefits. The roads will ensure efficiency in business as well as allowing maximum exploration of mineral deposits in the area.
- Provision of funding for the rehabilitation of the Kitui Airstrip, which is an important economic project for the entire country. It will improve investment in the region through opening up the area.

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> The two projects were echoed by every participant in the public hearing that took place at the Kitui County Multi-Purpose Hall.

c) Business

- Provide funds for the development of satellite marketing centers. Satellite
 marketing centers will ensure that producers sell their produce at the best
 prices and enjoy a regular market for their products.
- Construction of a Kanyonyo wholesale market which will serve approximately 23 counties, as well as assisting in decongesting Nairobi. The market will be an important economic avenue for the people in ensuring

increased availability and supply of products. This will not only improve economic growth, but will also reduce insecurity through provision of jobs.

d) Health

- Development of Referral hospitals in every county. This will improve the
 provision of health across the country and will enable a greater number of
 people to access the service. The hospital will cater not only to the residents
 within the county, but also the neighboring counties.
- Provide adequate funds to support people living with disability (PLWD). The
 disabled people need more attention in terms of budget allocation.

e) Agriculture

- Construction of a soil analysis laboratory to assist in aiding agriculture improvement. There is need to perform soil analysis in order to match the right soil to the right breeds of plants. Soil laboratories are not available in Kitui region and they depend on the Nairobi laboratories.
- Provide funds to support small-scale farmers. Small-scale farmers are facing
 the challenge of purchasing inputs because of the high cost. Providing funds
 will enable most of them to farm and improve their economic status as well
 as boosting food security.

f) Education

- Provide adequate funds to improve educational infrastructure. Poor educational infrastructure is limiting the educational performance. Thus, increasing the allocation will enable the improvement of educational infrastructure.
- Increase allocation for the recruitment of new teachers. The country is facing shortage of teachers and their need to reduce the wide gap. Kitui County has a shortage of 5,000 teachers, thus the need to increase the allocation.
- Increase funding for ICT facilities. This is important in developing a basement for the implementation of the Laptop project. It will improve learning and sharing of information in education.

Others projects mentioned:

Provide funds for the mapping of the mineral deposit areas

- Provide funds to assist in exploitation of minerals found in the region.
- Establishment of the Girl Watch Project
- Establishment of a Warehouse fully equipped with disaster management equipment
- Provide adequate funds to construct mega dams in strategic areas

Annex: 1 Petition Letter from The County Government of Kitui on the Project.



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Hon. Rev. Mutava Musyimi
The Chairman
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National Assembly
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Dear

REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ALLOCATION TO FACILITATE COMPLETION OF THE STALLED UMAA DAM IN KITUI DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2014/2015

1.0 Introduction and Background Information

The construction of Umaa dam was a Government of Kenya initiative to increase water storage capacity to provide clean and reliable water supply to over 100,000 residents of Kitui town and its environs. The dam is perhaps the only incomplete one among the five major dams that were earmarked for construction across the country in 2009 to 2012 period, namely: Badasa in Marsabit County, Kiserian in Kajiado County, Maruba in Machakos County and Chemususu in Baringo County. The dam is sited in Kitui Central Constituency across Nzeeu River, five (5) kilometers North East of Kitui town with a catchment of 12 km². The expected reservoir capacity is one million cubic metres of water.

The initial design of Umaa dam was carried out by the then Ministry of Water Development in 1992. The design for the dam was subsequently reviewed in 2008 by a consultant engaged by the National Water Conservation and Pipeline Corporation (NWC&PC), to whom the Ministry had assigned the project execution responsibility. The works commenced a year later in 2009.

The project funding was provided by the National Government through the Ministry of Water & Irrigation, whilst implementation was the responsibility of NWC&PC. Once complete, the dam is expected to provide 2500m³ of water perdayto the target population.

2.0 Current Implementation Status

The construction works for Umaa dam stalled in January 2011 following a dispute between the contractor and NWC&PC/the client. The dispute reportedly arose from the payment of a claim raised by the contractor to cover extra works done on the dam foundation. The matter is currently under arbitration. By the time the project stalled it was about 60% complete.

The contract sum for the project was Ksh.873 Million which was then considered adequate for completion of the project. Out of this contract sum, it is understood some Ksh.500 Million had been paid to the contractor leaving a balance of Ksh.373 Million by the time the project stalled.

3.0 Justification for Funds Required to Revive the Project.

In view of the aforesaid, the objective of providing additional storage and enhance water supply to Kitui people has not been met, yet the Government has sunk about half a billion Kenya shillings in the project. At the same time, previous works, plant & equipment, and materials on site continue to depreciate. Further delay in completion of the stalled project would deny the people of Kitui access to water services while costs continue to escalate. Furthermore, the Bill of Rights under Article 43 of the Constitution of Kenya (CoK 2010) recognizes safe and clean water as a fundamental basic human right which will be fulfilled upon completing the project.

In order to revive the dam project, funding required would be about Ksh.650 Million which will cater for:

- a) Payment of confirmed extra variation works and incidentals.
- b) Completion of the balance of contract works.
- c) Project commissioning.

4.0 Request

On behalf of thepeople of Kitui County, I wish to express my appreciation to the Members of National Assembly budget and Appropriations Committee for visiting and holding an inclusive and highly consultative national budget public participation forum on *Tuesday the 20th of May, 2014* in our County. The national budget Public participation forum provided the people of the County an opportunity

to voice their views on the priority projects requiring financial support from the National Government.

I trust that our views and the projects we identified including the *Stalled Umaa Dam* and the *Kibwezi- Kitui-Tseikuru Road* would be allocated funds by Parliament and the National Government during the 2014/2015 Financial Year.

Yours
Dr. Julius M. Malombe
GOVERNOR, KITUI COUNTY

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60	HON. PHOCHE KIZEE	COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KITUI
61	BONIFACE MULU	CITIZEN NEWSPAPER
62	HON. ANNASTACIA MUTUNGA	COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KITUI
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REPUBLIC OF KENYA



KENYA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

REPORT ON PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET ESTIMATES 2014/2015

HELD IN KWALE DISTRICT CULTURAL HALL

ON

 20^{TH} MAY 2014

Introduction

Pursuant to Articles 221 (1), 127 (6) (c) and 173 (3) of the Constitution, the 2014/15 financial year Budget Estimates for the National Government, Judiciary and Parliamentary Service Commission were submitted to Parliament on 30th April, 2013.

The constitution under article 221(5) provides that in reviewing and discussing the estimates, a Committee of Parliament shall seek recommendations from the public. In regard to this, Parliament held countrywide public hearings in various centers on 20th May 2014.

Conduction of the Public Hearings

The Kenya National Assembly identified nine (9) Centers where public hearings on the proposed budget estimates were conducted, namely; Kwale, Narok, Mbita, Bungoma, Kitui, Wajir, Maralal, Ol Kalou, and Nairobi City.

The objectives of the public hearings were to:

- 1) Adhere to the article 221(5) of the constitution which allows for public participation in the budget process,
- 2) Give an opportunity for all Kenyans to participate in the budget process and
- 3) Collect the views of Kenyans regarding the proposed budget estimates.

The Kwale public hearings were conducted in Kwale district cultural hall on Tuesday 20th May 2014 as from 10am. Members of the public were given opportunity to raise their concerns and views regarding the budget which were recorded by Parliamentary Staff for submission to Budget and Appropriations Committee for incorporation in the Committee's final report.

Members of Parliament who conducted and attended the Public Hearings:

- 1. Hon. Khatib Mwashetani, M.P. Chairman
- 2. Hon. Ishrad Sumra, M.P.
- 3. Hon. George Wanjohi, M.P.
- 4. Hon. Peter Gakuya M.P.

Members were accompanied by:

1. Mr. Robert Nyaga

Chief Fiscal Analyst

2. Mr. Solomon Liria

Sergeant-at-arms

3. Mr. Rodgers Kilungya

Hansard Reporter

4. Mr. Abel O. Nyagwachi

Fiscal Analyst

It is therefore my pleasant duty and privilege to present the report on the public hearings on the 2014/2015 Budget Estimates held in Kwale.
Signed
Chair Person of the Delegation 27 th May 2014.

Opening session

The meeting started at 11:00 a.m. with a word of prayer. The chief of Simba Location in Kwale County then welcomed the members of public and called upon the County Commissioner of Kwale County. The County Commissioner informed the members of Public on the purpose of the public hearings and welcomed the Chairman Hon. Khatib Mwashetatni.

The Chairman Introduced the Members of Parliament and Parliamentary staff present, he then gave a brief overview of the 2014/15 budget estimates and highlighted some of the main areas of focus and the resources that have been allocated.

Overview of the 2014/15 budget

- Total budget of National government: Ksh. 1.59 trillion comprising of Ksh. 874 billion for recurrent expenditure and Ksh. 487 billion for development.
- Ksh. 5 billion is set aside for contingencies, or unforeseen events
- Ksh. 3.4 billion is allocated to the Equalization Fund to be used to provide water, health and other services to less privileged areas of the country.

Proposed revenue allocation to county governments according to the bill passed by the National Assembly is Ksh. 226.66 billion. The bill is now before Senate.

Highlights of national government expenditure in 2014/15 include the following:

- Ksh. 9.5 billion for irrigation, including Ksh. 3.5 billion for Galana project
- Ksh. 116.7 billion for a roads
- Standard Gauge Railway project is allocated Ksh. 19.4 billion
- Ksh. 1.65 billion for upgrading airports including Malindi
- Ksh. 10.6 billion for rural electrification
- Ksh. 29 billion is provided to enhance security, including Ksh. 2.9 billion to recruit 10,000 new police officers, and Ksh. 3.5 billion for police equipment
- Ksh. 28.2 billion for free day secondary education, Ksh. 13.5 billion for free primary and Ksh. 2.3 billion for 5000 teachers
- Constituency Development Fund is allocated Ksh. 27.97 billion

The Thematic areas Identified for Submissions were;

- Security and Governance
- Education
- · Transport and Infrastructure
- Agriculture and Food Security

Members of the public gave the following submissions:

a) Security and Governance

- The National Government should spend more on police housing and vehicles.
 Expenditure on police vehicles should be increased to include purchase of vehicles or motorbikes for chiefs.
- Marine police in Kwale County should be provided with adequate motorboats for sea patrols.
- The Coast region should get a helicopter for emergency response and surveillance.
- The National Government should provide allowances for village elders/ Village Chairmen who can act as informers and provide intelligence to deter crime.
- Retired security officers should be taken care of by the government to ensure they do not turn to crime.
- Police and National Intelligence Services () recruitment should be done fairly
 and be based on merit. The public felt that nepotism in recruitment had
 made the institution ineffective. NIS officers should only be recruited from
 disciplined forces.
- Anti poaching efforts should incorporate the locals to ensure sustainability.
- The Kwale police station should be refurbished and digitized.
- The National Youth Service should have an institution in every county to provide discipline and opportunity for the youth and deter them from becoming criminals.

b) Education

- The National Government should Increase expenditure on sanitary towels to ensure every school gets a monthly supply.
- Two secondary schools of excellence should be constructed in each constituency in Kwale County, one for boys and one for girls.
- The overall allocation for Education in the 2014/15 budget should be increased.
- The National Government should provide resources for adult education. The
 members of public noted that adult education had been very useful in the
 area, because it provided information and knowledge that improved the
 standards of livings.
- Money allocated for promoting teachers in the 2014/15 budget should be used to recruit more teachers.

- The Government should Increase the allocation for the school feeding programme to over Kshs.3 billion.
- Building of schools should not be left to poor parents; the National Government should provide resources for provision of school infrastructure equitably across the country.
- The allocation for bursaries for secondary education should be increased to ensure all children in Kenya have access to secondary education.
- The Government should ensure that the ban of pubs in residential areas is enforced to reduce truancy in schools.

c) Transport and infrastructure

Members of public proposed that the following roads should be improved to bitumen standard or repaired:

- i. Lungalunga Matuga Kinango road. C106
- ii. Tarmac Kombani Kinango lungalunga Mariakani Road,
- iii. Marere Tiribe road,
- iv. Kinango Mariakani road,
- v. lungalunga vanga road,
- vi. Mabungo Marima road,
- vii. Galani Shimoni road,
- viii. Kinango Samburu road,
 - ix. Kinango Mazeraz road.
 - The Government should construct another jetty for ship docking in Kwale County
 - The Government should improve the quality of roads being constructed.
 - Renovation of airports and airstrips should include Ukunda airstrip.
 - Shimoni jetty should be upgraded to a port.
 - Ferry services should be extended to more areas along the Kenyan coast.

d. Agriculture livestock and fisheries

- Tractors should be availed for poor farmers to help them produce food crops.
- The National Government should provide protection from destruction of crops by wild animals to avoid human animal conflict.
- A maize milling plant should be constructed in Kwale County to ensure farmers earn more from their maize crops and to create employment for youth in the County.

- A juice processing plant should be constructed in Kwale County to improve the income of fruit farmers in the County who currently have to sell their fruits to middlemen at throwaway prices.
- The national budget should provide for money to help residents of the coastal region to get title deeds for their farms. This is because some of the farmers cannot invest in land which may be confiscated before they harvest.
- The amount for fisheries development in the budget should be increased especially for the coast region.
- In the past the Government has promoted fishponds in hinterland areas. The residents of the coastal region proposed that similar policies should be introduced to help them acquire sea fishing gear.
- The Government should invest in large scale farming in Matuga and Msambweni.

e) Water and environment

• Increase allocation for water, especially the provision of domestic water for residents of Kwale town and other parts of the County.

f) Other proposals on the budget

- Infrastructure in district hospitals around Kwale should be upgraded.
- The government should provide allocation of a fund for men similar to the Youth Fund and Women Enterprise fund.
- The allocation to Youth Fund, Uwezo Fund and Women Enterprise Fund should be increased.
- Resources should be provided for promotion of sports at grassroots level and improvement of sports infrastructure.
- Money for elderly persons should be increased to ensure all eligible people benefit.
- The budget should allocate money to promote tourism in Shimba hills forest, in the past promotion of beach tourism has been the major focus.
- Funds should be provided to deal with alcohol and drug abuse.
- The County government allocation for Kwale should be increased.
- The National Government should make a provision for wildlife compensation for people who have been attacked by wild animals.
- Low absorption and corruption in the National Government should be addressed urgently.
- The members of public requested that during the next budget hearings itemized budget for each County should be provided to help them hold implementers accountable.

- In future the budget summary should be provided to members of the public in advance.
- Transport for members of public from far places should be provided by MPs to avoid only having people from the immediate vicinity.

Concluding remarks, Hon. Khatib Mwashetani, M.P.

He thanked everyone who created time to attend the important occasion and assured them that their views would inform the drafting of the final Budget Report by the Budget and Accounts Committee. The Chair also asked the members of public to give him the most important areas of consideration from the day's submission.

The following areas were identified as priorities by the people of Kwale in order of ranking;

- 1. **First Priority**: Improvement to bitumen standard of Lungalunga Matuga Kinango Road (C06).
- 2. **Second Priority**: Increasing of the County Government allocation for Kwale.
- 3. Third Priority: Upgrading of Shimoni jetty to a port.
- 4. Fourth Priority: The National Government should provide allowances for village elders/ Village Chairmen to support national government in security provision.
- 5. Fifth Priority: Construction of new jetties in Kwale County.
- 6. **Sixth Priority**: Increasing of the allocation for fisheries development at the coast.

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NAIROBI

ON

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Introduction

Pursuant to Articles 221 (1), 127 (6) (c) and 173 (3) of the Constitution, the 2014/15 financial year Budget Estimates for the National Government, Parliament and Judiciary were submitted to Parliament on 30th April, 2014.

The constitution under article 221(5) provides that in reviewing and discussing the estimates, a Committee of Parliament shall seek the views of the public and consider them in making recommendations on the budget. In this regard, Parliament held countrywide public hearings in various centres on 20th May 2014 and in Nairobi on 22nd May 2014.

Conduction of the Public Hearings

The Kenya National Assembly identified nine (9) Centres where public hearings on the proposed budget estimates were conducted, namely; Kwale, Narok, Mbita, Bungoma, Kitui, Wajir, Maralal, Ol Kalou, and Nairobi.

The objectives of the public hearings were to:

- 1) Adhere to the article 221(5) of the constitution which allows for public participation in the budget process,
- 2) Give an opportunity for all Kenyans to participate in the budget process and
- 3) Collect the views of Kenyans regarding the proposed budget estimates.

The Nairobi public hearing was conducted in Kenyatta International Convention Centre on Thursday22nd May 2014 from 10.00 am. Members of the public and various institutions were given opportunity to raise their concerns and views regarding the budget which were recorded by Parliamentary Staff for submission to Budget and Appropriations Committee for incorporation in the Committee's final report.

The following Members of Parliament conducted the Public Hearings:

- 5. Hon. Mutava Musyimi, M.P Chairperson
- 6. Hon. Mary Emaase, M.P Vice Chairperson
- 7. Hon. Jamleck Kamau, M.P.
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Opening session, Hon. Mutava Musyimi, Chairman

He welcomed the members of the public to the public hearings, noting the crucial role that they play in the budget process.

A brief overview of the 2014/15 budget estimates was given, highlighting some of the main areas of focus and the resources that have been allocated.

Overview of the 2014/15 budget

- Total budget of National government is Ksh. 1.59 trillion comprising of Ksh.874 billion for recurrent expenditure and Ksh. 487 billion for development.
- Ksh.5 billion is set aside for contingencies
- Ksh.3.4 billion is allocated to the Equalization Fund to be used to provide water, health and other services to less privileged areas of the country.
- Counties have been allocated a total of Ksh. 226.66 billion.

It is proposed that the national government allocation will be spent as follows:

- Ksh. 9.5 billion for irrigation, including Ksh. 3.5 billion for Galana project
- Ksh. 116.7 billion for roads
- Standard Gauge Railway project is allocated Ksh. 19.4 billion
- Ksh. 1.65 billion for upgrading airports including Malindi
- Ksh. 10.6 billion for rural electrification
- Ksh. 29 billion is provided to enhance security, including Ksh. 2.9 billion to recruit 10,000 new police officers, and Ksh. 3.5 billion for police equipment
- Ksh. 28.2 billion has been set aside for free day secondary education, Ksh. 13.5 billion for free primary and Ksh. 2.3 billion for 5000 teachers
- The Constituency Development Fund is allocated Ksh. 27.97 billion

The following commissions and institutions presented their views:

- The Kenya Law Reform Commission
- Independent Policing Oversight Authority

- African Women's Studies Centre-University of Nairobi
- Thika Level 5 Hospital
- Kenya Women Parliamentary Association
- Kituo cha Sheria-Albinism Foundation
- Bunge la Mwananchi
- International Budget Partnership
- National gender and equality commission
- Kimbilio Trust

Individual members of the public also gave their submissions on the proposed budget.

1. The Kenya Law Reform Commission

The Kenya Law Reform Commission has been allocated Ksh.108 million in the 2014/15 budget against a proposed requirement of Ksh.375 million. This amount is only enough to cater for staff salaries. The commission therefore proposes an additional allocation of Ksh. 110.2 million. This comprises:

- i. Ksh. 19.2 million for recruitment of seven additional senior legal officers and one communication expert;
- ii. Ksh.5 million for resource centre/library;
- iii. Ksh. 36 million for lease and remodelling of office accommodation;
- iv. Ksh.20 million for training staff, county legal officers and other technical officers;
- v. Ksh.15 million for medical insurance
- vi. Ksh.15 million for lease or purchase of motor vehicles to be used for county based stakeholder consultation.

2. Independent Policing Oversight Authority (IPOA)

IPOA was allocated Ksh. 215 million in the 2014/15 budget against a proposed requirement of Ksh. 429.3 million resulting in a shortfall of Ksh.214 million. It was pointed out that the entire amount allocated is for recurrent expenditure with nothing allocated for development expenditure. The Authority therefore requests for additional funding from the government to fund core areas such as investigations, complaints management, inspections and monitoring as well as staff salaries.

3. African Women's Studies Centre-University of Nairobi

According to a research study carried out by this centre, 7.1 million (18%) of Kenyans are often or always hungry. The AWSC-UON therefore prioritizes the following six critical areas that need urgent attention in the budget:

i. Family support programme: given the level of food insecurity in the country, the National Government, through the County Governments, should establish a family support programme for those severely affected by hunger.

The National government can directly focus on the household and ensure that they have access to food through either increased production, creation of employment for casual labourers and opportunities, and access for markets and trade.

The AWSC-UON proposes that 15% of the budget(approximately Ksh. 6.8Billion) should be directly targeted towards enhancing food security through water harvesting, storage for small scale farmers, value addition, training and capacity building.

The centre proposes that 15% which is 3.36 billion of the budget from the ministries of Labour, Social Security and Social Services, Ministry of Industrialization and Enterprise Development, State Department for Commerce and Tourism, Agricultural Productivity and Agribusiness Project(KAPAP), national agriculture and livestock extension programme (NALEP), Public Service Commission, National Youth Service and creation of youth and women enterprise fund which amount to Ksh. 22.4 billion be allocated towards creation of employment ensuring markets are accessible and promotion of the small scale businesses.

ii. Cash Transfer

Majority of Kenyans have registered with their dissatisfaction with the management, allocation and distribution of funds to the elderly, orphans and vulnerable children as well as persons living with disabilities. The AWSC-UON proposes the establishment of food security county committees to oversee proper targeting of beneficiaries, monitor and evaluate the implementation process and provide exit strategies for the beneficiaries.

iii. Strategic food and water reserves for Counties

Wastages and losses of farm produce incurred due to diseases and pests, poor weather, destruction by wild animals and lack of adequate storage facilities

has resulted in immense food insecurity. The AWSC-UON therefore proposes that a budget of Ksh. 3 billion be allocated for establishment of strategic food and water reserves in each county. Each county should receive Ksh. 63.83 Million for county strategic food reserves.

iv. Drugs and Alcohol abuse

The AWSC-UON proposes increased support to NACADA to better deal with drug and alcohol abuse. The centre further proposes the establishment of a fund for rehabilitation of the affected people especially the youth.

v. Increased security

The AWSC-UON proposes that 15% of the total budget allocated to security be allocated to initiatives that will combat insecurity and maintain peace at the community level which in turn ensures food security in food insecure counties such as Isiolo, Turkana and Mombasa

vi. Implementation mechanism for county food security programme

AWSC-UON proposes the establishment of county food security committees to monitor the food security and nutrition situation and evaluate progress of the implementation of the food security programmes in the county, provide guidelines for appropriate targeting, criteria selection of food insecurity families and individuals in the county among others.

4. Bunge la Wananchi

Bunge la Wananchi expressed concern over Ksh. 63.6 billion shortfall in the security budget. The institution felt that the budget allocation of Ksh. 146.8 billion is not enough to cater for the security of the country and urges the allocation for the state department of interior to be increased by Ksh. 63.6 billion. Furthermore, the institution also recommends that the budget allocation for fuel to the Kenya National Police Service be increased from Ksh. 586 million to at least Ksh. 2.2 billion so as to improve their response to crime country wide. The current allocation of Ksh. 97.6 million for fuel to constituencies implies that constituencies will only be able to provide seven litres of fuel per day whereas that of Ksh. 143 million means that the 1,200 vehicles will have to make do with just 2 litres of fuel a day.

5. Kituo cha Sheria

According to the presentation of Kituo Cha Sheria in partnership with Albinism Foundation of East Africa, the current allocation of Kshs. 100 million for people with albinism (PWAs) is insufficient. They request the budget to be increased by Ksh. 53.6 million to Ksh. 153.6 million in order to be able to enhance provision of sunscreen to PWAs.

Kituo cha Sheria urges the government to provide at least 4 radiotherapy machines in regions with large PWA populations including Western, Coast and Eastern regions at approximately Ksh. 680,000,000.

Kituo cha Sheria also recommends an allocation of Ksh. 1.6 million (Ksh. 2000 each) for pupils with albino to get reading boxes since they are short sighted and suffer from nystagmus, a condition that necessitates bending posture while reading and writing to be able to get closer to the book.

6. Kenya Women Parliamentary Association

KEWOPA observed that the conditional grant of Ksh. 3.74 billion for Level 5 hospitals should be reinstated as the current division of revenue makes it difficult to track how much has been allocated to the level 5 hospitals. Furthermore, KEWOPA calls for additional funding as Ksh. 3.74 billion for all the 11 level 5 hospitals in the country is inadequate, noting huge gaps in funding for crucial infrastructures in the health sector.

7. Thika Level 5 Hospital

The hospital request for the conditional grant to Level 5 hospitals to be factored in the budget as it is currently not factored. A proposed allocation of Ksh. 396 million in the 2014/15 financial year will enable the hospital to continue projects initiated with the 2013/14 grant and to construct a reproductive unit. Projects and the vision of the hospital will however be greatly affected if the conditional grant were to be stopped.

8. National Youth Council

The National Youth Council requested for their own vote so as to establish offices and recruit staffs in the 47 counties. The council requested funds to establish policies, advisory and research to youth country wide. They also requested allocation for trainings, logistics, transport and communication so as to execute its mandate fully.

9. Kimbilio Trust

The institution expressed concern over an increase in reported sexual and gender based violence crimes. Currently, organizations dealing with sexual and gender based violence have no safe houses/women shelters to host gender based violence survivors. The institution therefore requests for Ksh. 503 million for provision of safe houses/ shelters. This will also lead to positive justice outcomes since the survivors can pursue legal redress and prosecution for their cases without fear of the perpetrator. The organization proposes that the project be piloted in 1 to 3 counties depending on funds.

As a way forward, it was pointed out that organizations involved in provision of services to survivors of SGBV in partnership with the government must help develop an effective and comprehensive strategy on setting up of safe houses or shelters. Furthermore, there is need for integrated support for the victims, for example, telephone lines, emergency shelters, psychological care amongst other needs.

10. International Budget Partnership (IBP)

The institute lauded the introduction of the new programme based budget and the fact that it can be accessed online. However, Parliament should request for more information to be included in the Programme Based Budget such as information on wages, Appropriations-in-Aid and State corporations.

The IBP notes that most ministries are under-spending their development budgets. Parliament should demand adequate justification for specific allocations in 2014/15 budgets, such as free maternity.

11. National Gender And Equality Commission (NGEC)

The commission pointed out that the NGEC has been hugely underfunded at Ksh. 189.25 million and this will hinder even its key operational activities. The commission therefore requests an additional allocation amounting to Ksh. 114.5 million. This comprises the following:

- i. Ksh. 3.4 million for rent shortfall
- ii. Ksh. 1.1 million for salary deficit for current staff
- iii. **Ksh. 80 million for programmatic interventions** such as creating enabling legal frameworks, complaints handing and redress, mainstreaming issues of vulnerable populations, public education, monitoring of substantive financing of equality and inclusion, internal organizational development and growth.
- iv. Ksh. 30 million for recruitment of additional staff

The Members of the Public gave the following submissions:

i. KRA should not subject athletes to tax since they have already been levied tax abroad. He also suggested tax exemption as a reward to be given to those who report tax evaders. Mr. Waweru was also concerned with the wage bill and recommends government to do away with allowances to its staffs. He

- added that cash transfer is not necessary and instead urged the government to give incentives to the manufacturing and energy sectors.
- ii. The National Treasury should provide budget allocations to peace committees and community policing through county commissioners offices in order to discharge their duties in enhancing community policing and the nyumba kumi initiative.
- iii. As an austerity measure, it was pointed out that a significant cost can be reduced by doing away with supply of flowers in public offices and during public functions.

8. Concluding remarks, Hon. Mutava Musyimi, Chairman

He thanked everyone who created time to attend the important occasion and assured them that their views would inform the drafting of the final Budget Report by the Budget and Appropriations Committee.

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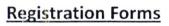
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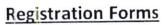
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The Chairman
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Dear Hon Musyimi

REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ALLOCATION TO FACILITATE COMPLETION OF THE STALLED UMAA DAM IN KITUI DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2014/2015

1.0 Introduction and Background Information

The construction of Umaa dam was a Government of Kenya initiative to increase water storage capacity to provide clean and reliable water supply to over 100,000 residents of Kitui town and its environs. The dam is perhaps the only incomplete one among the five major dams that were earmarked for construction across the country in 2009 to 2012 period, namely: Badasa in Marsabit County, Kiserian in Kajiado County, Maruba in Machakos County and Chemususu in Baringo County. The dam is sited in Kitui Central Constituency across Nzeeu River, five (5) kilometers North East of Kitui town with a catchment of 12 km². The expected reservoir capacity is one million cubic metres of water.

The initial design of Umaa dam was carried out by the then Ministry of Water Development in 1992. The design for the dam was subsequently reviewed in 2008 by a consultant engaged by the National Water Conservation and Pipeline Corporation

(NWC&PC), to whom the Ministry had assigned the project execution responsibility. The works commenced a year later in 2009.

The project funding was provided by the National Government through the Ministry of Water & Irrigation, whilst implementation was the responsibility of NWC&PC. Once complete, the dam is expected to provide 2500m³ of water per day to the target population.

2.0 Current Implementation Status

The construction works for Umaa dam stalled in January 2011 following a dispute between the contractor and NWC&PC/the client. The dispute reportedly arose from the payment of a claim raised by the contractor to cover extra works done on the dam foundation. The matter is currently under arbitration. By the time the project stalled it was about 60% complete.

The contract sum for the project was Ksh.873 Million which was then considered adequate for completion of the project. Out of this contract sum, it is understood some Ksh.500 Million had been paid to the contractor leaving a balance of Ksh.373 Million by the time the project stalled.

3.0 Justification for Funds Required to Revive the Project.

In view of the aforesaid, the objective of providing additional storage and enhance water supply to Kitui people has not been met, yet the Government has sunk about half a billion Kenya shillings in the project. At the same time, previous works, plant & equipment, and materials on site continue to depreciate. Further delay in completion of the stalled project would deny the people of Kitui access to water services while costs continue to escalate. Furthermore, the Bill of Rights under Article 43 of the Constitution of Kenya (CoK 2010) recognizes safe and clean water as a fundamental basic human right which will be fulfilled upon completing the project.

In order to revive the dam project, funding required would be about **Ksh.650 Million** which will cater for:

- a) Payment of confirmed extra variation works and incidentals.
- b) Completion of the balance of contract works.
- c) Project commissioning.

4.0 Request

On behalf of the people of Kitui County, I wish to express my appreciation to the Members of National Assembly budget and Appropriations Committee for visiting and holding an inclusive and highly consultative national budget public participation forum on *Tuesday the 20th of May, 2014* in our County. The national budget Public participation forum provided the people of the County an opportunity to voice their views on the priority projects requiring financial support from the National Government.

I trust that our views and the projects we identified including the **Stalled Umaa Dam** and the **Kibwezi- Kitui-Tseikuru Road** would be allocated funds by Parliament and the National Government during the 2014/2015 Financial Year.

Yours

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