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[The Speaker (Hon. Teya) in the Chair]

PAPER

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SELECTION OF THE COMPOSITION OF COUNTY ASSEMBLY COMMITTEES

The Majority Leader (Hon. Masira D.): Mr. Speaker Sir Report of the committee on Selection of the composition of County Assembly Committees. Yes! Mr. Speaker sir house calendar for the second County Assembly, First Session.

NOTICE OF MOTION

ADOPTION OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE REPORT ON THE COMPOSITION OF COUNTY ASSEMBLY

The Majority Leader (Hon. Masira D.): I give a Notice of Motion that the County Assembly considers debate and adoption of the Selection Committee Report on the composition of County Assembly with or without amendments.

The Speaker (hon. Teya): Thank you hon. Members, majority leader is leaning on the job, you should excuse him .majority leader the business today is purely yours to make the report.

The Majority Leader (Hon. Masira D.): Thank you Mr. Speaker sir soon you will be seeing it well flowing .I give a Notice of Motion that the County Assembly debate the Notice of motion to adopt the following Members to the committee on appointment pursuant to standing order 185

Hon. Moffat Teya -speaker

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Hon. Duke Masira -leader of majority Hon. Denis Nyaribo - minority leader Hon. Callen Atuya - member Hon. Richard Onyinkwa - member Hon Daniel Raban Daniel Masira - member Thank you Mr. Speaker.

MOTION

THANKS OF COUNTY ASSEMBLY

The Majority Leader (Hon. Masira D.):Mr. Speaker continuation of the Motion that pursuant to provisions of Standing Order 20(9),The Thanks Of County Assembly be recorded for explanation of public policies contained in the address of governors during the opening of the second assembly delivered on Tuesday September 26th 2017. Thank you Mr. speaker .

The Speaker (Hon. Teya) Hon. Members as you are all aware last time we had the sitting, we interrupted the motion discussing the governor's address to constitute the selection committee and house business committee. Motion was suspended and as earlier agreed by you we are supposed to have a maximum of four sittings discussing the same speech of the governor his Excellency Nyagarama .So, today forms the third sitting, therefore as moved by the Leader of Majority, we would like to proceed with the discussion of the governors address.

Member for Nyamaiya Wards (Hon. Masira R.): Thank you hon. Speaker, I think the time we were given over the weekend enabled some of us go through the speech of the governor. Last time we contributed but we found out other issues within the speech which we feel we should contribute. In health department the governor has mentioned about the doctors plaza which is coming up, we appreciate this and completion for the same as soon as possible. This will be a private wing and those able to use it will be happy to receive health services privately or can see doctors privately within the facility .I would wish when mentioned about health centers and dispensaries of about 100 which are in place .How can it be possible that at least every ward we put facilities in each of the health centers before a patient is transferred to a sub county hospital we have a health center which is well equipped within a ward which will attend to other cases more especially we need x ray equipment in each ward because for instance motorbike riders cause accidents

Member for Nyamaiya Ward (Hon. Masira R.): And whenever they have to be involved in an accident, they have to be transferred, maybe from various wards to sub county hospitals. In the process of transferring them, some of them lose a lot of blood, before they get to the hospitals thus affects them seriously. By bad luck, some of them pass on the way before they get to the hospitals.

The speech of the Governor was good however, we want to have a facility in a ward which is well equipped and well been developed to avoid referrals of patients to other hospitals

due to lack of equipments and have a doctor in the every ward, who can attend to patients especially in emergencies, do surgery and other activities before they are transferred.

If I take an example of Nyamaiya, of transferring a patient who has been involved I n an accident from Motontera Dispensary to Nyamira headquarters, he may lose blood by the time he gets to Nyamira Referral Hospital. If we can have equipments like; X-rays and other equipments closer it can help.

Lastly, the Governor mentioned about developing the youth sector. The youths are not automatically qualified for manual work; they have gone to school as young as they are. We need to have a way in which qualified youths from the colleges and universities can accommodate them in various areas of their professions in our county to gain experience because every job which is advertised at the county level or nationally it requires people with experience. How are they going to gain this experience in form of internship? This will open opportunities when there is an advertisement of a job that needs an experienced youth who can take up that job. If we depend on Youth Empowerment Programme jobs and other then we are discouraging them from going to school. We need to come up with a policy, as County Assembly and County Executive for the internship program for our youths so that they can get more experience Honorable Members the speech of the Governor being the first one; it is an eye opener more especially when we are going to make County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) which will guide us in the next five years.

Thank you, hon. Speaker.

Special Elect (Hon. Mosiori): Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir. Let me first salute His Excellency Hon. John Obiero Nyagarama's speech for being one of the speeches that has been presented to me officially and I am very much humbled. But when I wondered when I was going through this, whether it is a mere story book or a serious document. It is superfluous and superficial. The hon. Governor, in his wisdom, reads to us and acknowledges our effort as the Assembly to have young youths but he does not make any single sentence of a commitment that in his administration, that he shall give opportunity equally and even favorably to the them. I read it and I felt like at one point he betrayed or at least he lacked his personal emotional support for what he was reading for example, when we are told that the youths that they shall be given playing fields for soccer; yet this county has several offices. He does not make even a single utterance on how these if they must play who are going to play, and what is the insurance for them in case of accidents or they are injured while training? Because I have a case in which I want to refer to.

(Hon. Nyanchama stood at his place)

Mr. Speaker protect me I am making my speech on the Governor's speech presented to me and to us and Hon. Nyanchama has made his case before.

Member for Itibo Ward (Hon. Nyanchama): Mr. Speaker, I know the speaker who has just sat believes in a lot of rumors that he is even unable to see what the Governor said about the

digital villages. I do not want to show him because I know his level of qualification that he went in one line of learning that is why I know he may not understand even some of these sentences but I will read one of them. And he will tell me which field it is covering in order to nurture and promote digital development on (ICT) Information and communication Technology. When I talk about village digital development this is focusing on the youth. When there are villages they will be devolved, for instance a place like Nyairang'a where he comes from he could have been given a credit even for only this one mark. He is being unfair, that he is able to only look at the negatives. Therefore, the one contributing is hostile, and should now make a very fair judgment on his report.

Thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): Hon. Mosiori proceed.

Special Elect (Hon. Mosiori): Mr. Speaker, thank you. I understand Hon. Nyanchama, wants us to focus on the positives but I want to say that we are not only here to represent the positives. We are here to say, what the report did not capture and that is the main thing. And I want to say, there is no iota of commitment to fight corruption to say what those people involved in corruption and what moral standing he is taking as a Governor not even mentioning that they shall immediately step aside. This I expected because we have had a record of so many cases against the executives and I thought the new era could say directly that we eager in fighting corruption. Having said that; I want to say that the speech though voluminous gives very little hope to the young people.

About tenders, we have 30 percent for youth and women.

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): What is your point of? Is it point of order or point of information?

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

ACKNOWLEDGE OF VISITOR AT THE SPEAKERS' GALLERY

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): Before you go on, Hon. Members I would like to inform you that we are joined by Counsel Charles Rigoro who is seated at the Speaker's Gallery. Welcome counsel, please you may now sit.

Thank you.

Member for Magombo (Hon. Onyinkwa): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I would love to bring to the attention of my dear Honorable that it does not require a whole Governor's speech to give you knowledge that you are supposedly having. When you want to call this speech superfluous it is a betrayal of this House for the following reasons; number one, on the youths this County Government has provided a whole ministry with a huge budget.

Member for Magombo Ward (Hon. Onyinkwa): In every financial year amounting to around one hundred and sixty eight million and that is public knowledge. All you need is to peruse the right information to know the kind of work the Governor has done for this County.

Relating to the youth, the term youth refers to the youth who go to secondary schools, youth who go to university who this speech is proposing that a county university is in place, youth who go to polytechnics and youth who get out of schools and get employed so that it should be with utter respect that the contributing Member should stand here and may be appreciate what has been done and we request him to add value to what has been premised in the current status of the County Assembly. Thank you very much

Special Elect (Hon. Mosiori): Thank you Mr. Speaker, let me also in his own interest remind him that I appreciate the role of the Governor in the administration of the county however it is not my role as a Member of the County Assembly to sing praise for the Governor, to be jubilant of what the Governor does. I am a Member here to represent what the ordinary people are thinking and telling me so that I can raise it here. I want to say that in the end we want a commitment and not just a statement, we wanted it to appear as if it was flowing from His Heart not from the written document and that is where we are getting differently .I even do not want to discuss about that because it is pending, talking of the Ministry of Youth and everyone knows what the nominees look like and there is no youth in that list.

However, I feel personally that this County Executive arm telling us that there shall be a water drilling machine and there shall be two fire fighting machines. When there was money allocated to the Executive for five years and there was no fire fighting machine in those five years .These are story books we want the Governor to match what he says with actions and so, I without discussing so much on what this speech has, what I understand and I have gone through it and have shared is that, the Governor was acting statesman while doing different things. I and I am calling on this House and through the creation of implementation committee to strictly follow whatever legislation we shall do and see if this County Government is put into account because what we are seeing here is completely different from what had been pronounced earlier, budgeted and money allotted.

I rest my case. Thank you.

Special Elect (Hon. Onyancha): Thank you Mr. Speaker, in the spirit of the youth His Excellency the Governor said that the youth require supportive policies and environments in order for them to pursue other things other than drug abuse. The Governor should include; because when we talk of inclusivity of the youths, this should be reflected from the Executives, Chief Officers where we even have a youth department or a youth ministry where our agendas will be streamlined. In his speech the Governor talked about the hospitals being brought closer to people and today as we speak, the services are not there for example where I come from we have a dispensary; Kenyambi dispensary; people from Kenyambi normally go to Ting 'a dispensary which has more equipment and services that are not in that dispensary where we have mere structures and no services. When we are talking about machines in these hospitals, take an example of our referral hospital the theatre does not have equipment, if one needs a surgery, they would have to seek referral Moi referral Eldoret or Tenwek Hospital or Kisii Level 6 or elsewhere.

Member for Nyamaiya Ward (Hon. Masira R.): Hon. Speaker, I think we need to understand and whatever we say we need to look at the origin and what should be handled. When we are talking about referral, I do see people in Aga Khan, Nairobi Hospital or Mater Hospital being referred to India for further treatment. It doesn't mean that in those hospitals may be a facility or a doctor missing there, there are other specialists required that are not available. That is why we have Level 5, level 4 and other referral hospitals like Kenyatta and Moi so these differences must be there. The services you require when you are referred from a dispensary, the first place you are referred to is a health centre, if you do not get the services there then you are referred to where you can get specialized doctors in the diseases you have.

I think the Hon. Member when he talks about machines, he should come out clearly and tell us which machines he thinks are supposed to be in the Hospitals because we got some machines in the hospitals like we got a dialysis machine, a (CT) Computed Tomography scan machine, an X-ray machine. We need to come up with the kind of machines we require in these hospitals. We are human beings and never satisfied. We do not just oppose, I could prefer someone raising issues which can be achieved at the County level and not just opposing because other people are opposing just to oppose the speech. Let us be sincere and be very specific on what we are talking of. Thank you Hon. Speaker.

Special Elect(Hon. Onyancha):Thank you, Mr. Speaker, in the Nyamira Level 5 Hospital we do not have (ICU) Intensive Care Unit facilities and this one if given time I can substantiate because we have lost lives and missed equipment for operation in that theatre. Mr. Speaker, His Excellency the Governor talked of construction of three theatres in Nyamira. We do not need three; we only need one that is well equipped. There is no need of using lots of resources for structures when we need the same for equipment.

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): Hon. Charles Barongo what is your point of information?

Member for Bomwagamo Ward (Hon. Barongo):Mr. Speaker, Honourable Member is misleading the House. I want to inform the House that we start with either the right or left leg for a journey. The Nyamira level 5 we are talking about was a dispensary, grew to a health centre, to a district hospital then within devolution it is now level 5, so, the Honourable Member should know we are moving ahead .When we are talking about three theatres, he seems not to know the types of theaters and what equipment to be laid in the theatres. Hon. Onyancha you are twisting the speech of the Governor .The speech is very right because we are moving. I want him to go back and read properly so that he can understand what he is talking about in the floor of this House.

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): Hon. Mosiori what is your point of information?

Special Elect (Hon. Mosiori): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I wish to inform Members who are debating to allow other Hon. Members to give their exact views of the Governor's speech without unnecessary interruptions. This is not a question and answer session. This is an expression of someone's understanding of the speech and history of the issues. Whoever wants to defend the Governor later can wait for a question and answer session. We are saying this is

incessant, discouraging and has affected most of our members from presenting what actually they believe in their hearts which is true and is their perception. I still seek guidance but honestly we are posing a great challenge because of these incessant points of orders.

Member for Ekerenyo Ward (Hon. Nyabaro): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I think we should not sit down as Hon. Members of the last House and watch for others to mislead the House. Like the issues of theatres, as the Hon. Members, who were at the First House, agreed that each sub-county should have a theatre. For instance, the case of a woman who is giving birth in Nyamusi, Bokeira ward, being rushed to Nyamira, this will be inhumane. Let every Ward have a theatre. So, the information that we interrupt to give is the right information and is what is contained in the Annual Development Plan (ADP) and the development mentioned in the speech has already been allocated funds. Giving information is not wrong, I disagree the Hon. Mosiori that we relax without intervening. We cannot sit and see other Hon. Members mislead the House.

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): Thank you Hon. Nyabaro if you may tie your tie properly so that you may look fit to be in the House.

Member for Itibo Ward (Hon. Nyanchama): Mr. Speaker to strengthen on what Hon. Nyabaro is stressing, this is a House of records and we cannot be fed with rumors and prejudice. If the Members have no information on exactly what is happening in most of our hospitals and schools, they should take their time to learn before they wash their dirty linen in public. The Orders are very clear that once a Debate is going on, somebody has to rise on a point of order, point of information, point of clarification. I have raised that the Orders are very clear and I will encourage the Members to study the Standing Orders to learn and understand what happens. For instance, if I mention about Nyamira Hospital, we are being misled. We cannot sit here waiting to be told that he only needs to make three theatres: Keroka, Gesima, Ekerenyo and Nyansiongo. We have this information and I ask our Hon. Members that they learn from us and be excellent.

Special Elect (Hon. Onyancha): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I want inform hon. Members that I am well versed and well educated. I know what I say and mean it when I say it. The point that I want to deliver home is not about making structures in the name of theatres. That is why I said it is good to have one that has equipment instead of having three or five that have no equipment. To proceed on His Excellency the Governor's speech, on water resources, His Excellency proposing to purchase a borehole drilling machine, this is long overdue to have one. The boreholes we have in the county, to drill one is roughly Ksh. 8 million, which is almost equivalent to buying a drilling machine. We could have had a drilling as early as yesterday.

On Information Communication Technology (ICT), His Excellency has proposed to have ICT centers across the County. That one is welcome considering that we have very many youths who want to do research, who would want also to update themselves with the current affairs. That one also is welcome.

On street lighting, I have realized the Kisii - Chemosit road, specifically Sironga, we only have one street light, and I think it is because of the solar system, it can barely lit like three meters from where it is placed and therefore we are always scared on the security issues because

we only have one. When you are coming towards the headquarters, Konate- Nyamira road, the lights that have been placed there cannot light beyond three meters. The town is still is in darkness.

Again on water resources, when I grew up we had piped water but as time went by I cannot see even a pipe passing around our homes. It defeats logic when the people of Keroka can be having water while we miss it at the headquarters where we do the supply from. It is not bad for the people of Keroka to have water, but even your kids must get food before you give to your neighbor.

Member for Nyamaiya Ward (Hon. Masira) on a point of order. I want to inform the Hon. Onyancha and clarify that the source supplying water at Keroka is not in Nyamira. We have many sources supplying water to various towns, like the one in Nyamira we are having water from down here. In Keroka the source is Rigoma which supplies water to Keroka through Nyansiongo. So, the issue having water or not does not connect us completely. This is a house of records; therefore let us not mislead the house.

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): Hon. Onyancha can you substantiate your statement that water being used in Keroka is supplied from the county headquarters.

Special Elect (Hon. Onyancha): Mr. Speaker, hon. Members are not getting me right. Why am saying so? It is because Keroka, which is a sub-county town, can have water while the headquarters has no water.

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): Is there a problem for Keroka to have piped water whereas the headquarter does not have? Where is the problem Hon. Onyancha?

Special Elect (Hon. Onyancha): Mr. Speaker, I did say even in my contribution.

It is not bad that some people of Keroka to have that water because it is part of Nyamira county , however, we are missing the resources in the head quarters where offices are and thus the reason as to why it is a concern that needs to be looked upon .To proceed his Excellency in his speech said that we need to improve on our revenue collection points in automating our revenue collection regime, it is long overdue in a times we are even convinced in doing so , as a citizen of this county I do not see it good to tax people while we do not have even the basic facilities in those area of trade .I could personally like has the way his Excellency the governor has put it we need these areas as early as yesterday and even have serenity on our roads. It is surprisingly that this morning I almost ran on a barrier that is next to a pooling station where they wanted to arrest a matatu that was evading the way. We as a House need to come up with a policy where every citizen who apply any trade in this county know that it is their responsibility to pay tax and that we have collection center; that is it when a matatu that has stopped the person goes to the point pays the tax instead of putting a barrier that at times are very risky to those of us who are not entitled to personal cars .

To end my contribution about the sports we have had few fields and stadiums around for sports that were in place and under construction. Allow me bring to your attention that indeed we have a lot to nurture the talents of our youths that are going up while other counties and at

the national outlet they are getting support, but in our county Nyamira we have not natured or young people with talent, who are many and I want to end there.

Member for Manga Ward(Hon. Okero): Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir I am in the support of the speech of the governor as I can say it was his vision for the coming five years for this county of Nyamira actually when I look at the speech it really touches what the common man is feeling from down the villages, first on agriculture I think his strategies are his speech it is plain but it has was it takes to change our well put and I as I can say in agriculture in Nyamira as a whole ; fruit industries if we happen to have one - we will encourage our farmers to grow fruits and that will be part of employment and source of income to our people. When it comes to education libraries is something that is personally I my ward I have ,managed to bring up two libraries in my ward for our people. When we say we need one library in sub county it beats the logic as we know the cost of education right now has sky rocketed and gone high parents back in the villages cannot afford because you all know how expensive it is to take children to school to study without text books. In these libraries we need technology in there. Computers where people can do their research, newspaper where people can just go get informed on the happenings of nation. I stand to support it and also, urge honorable members that when we come to budgeting we increase that, that we do not need one library instead we need three libraries in our wards to support our people .

On health when I look at the speech of the governor I saw he managed to have 1d00 health centers including ; health dispensaries , hospitals , and for the level five that b o ne was from the past five years .My question is that is a good start for health is paramount and everybody need healthy; for healthy nation, healthy people is a progressive nation, my question is about the standards we have set for the health care facilities right now when you go to a hospital people queue in line, dispensaries which do not have machines, that do not have even ambulances . How do you expect a person who is sick back in the village to make it to the hospital without means to the hospital? SO, we should have it, we need a modern ambulance in every ward, a modern ambulance that has all equipment, paramedics who can attend to this cases. We take this as eye opener such that when we get back to budget we do what it is - necessary so that we save our people back in the villages .Also in our markets the in the governors speech said that we need to fence our markets we do not need to only fence our markets, we need to have facilities when I was looking at the annual budget of what already has been allocated for various wards it is a lot of money just for fencing; millions of money a, simple toilet goes at Kshs 1.2M for Kshs 300, 000 you can build a modern toilet that have modern facilities with aseptic tank instead of having a toilet that will be full and the starting constructing another one in the two- three years instead of havening a modern toilet that has a septic tank and have somewhere we can have an exhauster that can empty that one, so that there can be continues and avoid repeating the same excursive all the time. I will stand to support that when we get into serious business we put this things in place, build up modern and

that can change and save our people lives. As we capture that in our (CIDP) County intergraded Development Plan, to ensure these things get to our people

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): Hon. Obongia I first allow you to make your maiden speech first before you contribute to the governors' address

Special Elect (Hon. Yaro): Thank you Mr. Speaker I first want to begin by thanking the Almighty God for giving me this opportunity to serve Nyamira as a Member of the County Assembly, also want to thank my party for giving me this opportunity also for considering me, it is a rare opportunity, to thank his Excellency the governor for welcoming us specially and making us feel at home I know we do not know anything now but he welcomed us and all of you the members of the county assembly and the Assembly staff has made us very comfortable here . I am very grateful at personal level I want to begin with a health I want to support my colleague with whatever he said about health and I appreciate all of you, want I want is that we work together, and embrace the virtue of honesty, openness, togetherness, love and all that so that we make Nyamira shine at the end of the five years. At least we want to make a change in Nyamira. Let us put God first, we pray for the county. Whatever that is wrong, we approach it in the right way and you know with team work and with all these Members of County Assembly here we will go to greater heights by the end of five years.

Secondly, I am in support of this speech because it has captured everything. What we do not want to see is a very huge volume of pages with empty words but I see every department is captured and then I want specifically talk about healthcare. I believe a healthy nation is a productive nation. It is because you are healthy the reason as to why you are here in the Assembly; if it were not so you would not be here, the point where health begins, and then we go to other sectors.

I want support my able Member of County Assembly here hon. Okero said we need a healthy society, which is a healthy Nyamira county. Whatever he said will be implemented and I know Nyamira will move to greater heights after five years then we usher in the third Assembly.

Then next I want to talk about education; being an educationist I love education so much. I want to look at education at different levels; that is from (ECDE) Early Childhood Development Education, then primary, then secondary, then university. Those are different levels of education. We want to begin with Early Childhood Development Education and as my colleague hon. Monica Mwamba spoke last week we need to impress Early Childhood Development Education because it is the foundation of these children. Whatever that has been said here by the governor is that we need to increase these structures. We all know the importance of children who are learned, let us go back to the wards and make sure that Early Childhood Development Education classes are enough and the teachers are enough. One teacher teaching sixty pupils in an Early Childhood Development Education class will not be able to manage these pupils very well. These pupils are very hectic to handle. We are supposed to look at the structures and the number of those children who are in those classes then we know how we are supposed to distribute these resources on these Early Childhood Development Education

classes. The county gives bursaries but they give these bursaries late and I know the challenges the principals of these schools go through.

The county government of Nyamira should be timely when they are giving these bursaries so that students are sent away.

Member for Itibo Ward(Hon. Nyanchama): Mr. Speaker I am happy that hon. Member needs to know it took us a lot of time to come up the policy, the document, the bill and of course we were trying to impose it on a national program which also gives the bursaries. So, it is only the last bursary allocation which was delayed and we already allocated a lot of millions for this year 2017/2018 and it will come on time.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Special Elect (Hon. Yaro): Thank you hon. Nyanchama for the information. I am happy that the governor has in mind an idea of coming up a university college in Nyamira. I pray that whatever we have allocated for the university works out. By so doing we are creating job opportunities for the youths. For the county to grow we need the contribution of the youths. Even the county staff is all about the youths, I know they have ideas, I know we should be very ready to create jobs for the youths.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Member for Gachuba Ward (Hon. Nchore): Thank you Mr. Speaker on the side of education bursaries and from the speech of the governor he said that 20,000 students benefited from the bursaries but from my ward they allocated some money to some students and surely some of those did not benefit from those bursaries. About water, the speech of the governor did not address about Bonyunyu Dam. I need to be guided by the Members who were here in the last assembly do they know about Bonyunyu Dam?

Member for Magwagwa Ward (Hon. Omayio): Thank you Mr. Speaker, let me first thank the people for Magwagwa ward and God for he has brought us this far. He has taken care of us. I also want to wish well the hon. who were elected to this house and if they depend and rely on god I am very sure that this house will do much. Let us also unite for this house to go ahead. In the last assembly we were each a brother's keeper; we were not egocentric, we were not self seekers. If I could be absent my brothers and sisters could take care of me.

Member for Magwagwa Ward (Hon. Nyachae): We will emulate the same Mr. Speaker that we will all take care of ourselves and this will enable us to create a good environment for us to serve our people who have sent us here. Having said that I also thank God that He has given us a young and vibrant Speaker and I am very certain you have enough time that you can as much as God is helping you to learn you can have time and enough time actually to take this County forward and it has given you enough time to create your future as well. Mr. Speaker, having said that I would like to go back to the Governor's speech, and actually thank the Governor, for giving us, as Hon. Raban puts it always, is that he gave us an eye opener. However when I went through that speech, I feel there is not much and satisfactorily given. Like in terms of land I never heard anywhere that the Governor mentioned about land and you know Mr.

Speaker, everything almost in this world, and especially Nyamira County, starts from land. As hon. Barongo said, that you start with the left or the right, so when you start all your projects anything that you think about land. We have a lot of land in Nyamira County, the government land, which is lying idle the Governor did not mention on how he is going to make use of this land. Maybe if there are no projects that can be put on this land, he would be thinking of putting more trees or even creating picnics for these young hon. members like Mosiori who are very much anxious.

Why I talk about land, we have had several, can I call them wars because like in Kisii County and Nyamira County, we have a problem in Keroka, we have another problem in Kisii town that is *Jogoo*. Mr. Speaker, when you think about land, this will enable you think on how secure your territory is because in the process of securing your territories, this will increase your revenues. Like now Mr. Speaker, for the last five years, I thought we could set the base and identify all the problems of Nyamira County, so that we could know which is our property, where do we get our revenues from? Like if I can be specific and give an example of Kisii bottlers. I am very certain that that plant is in Nyamira land, and we are not gaining from it.

I remember in 1997 God forbid I was the late Hon. Anyona's goon when he was seeking for parliamentary, we had a polling station at Jogoo Primary, that belongs to Nyamira County and you know Anyona served Kitutu Masaba whereby Kitutu extends to almost where Kisii County Assembly is because we are not interested to take care of our boundaries that is where we are losing a lot and I am very certain had we fought for that we could get enough revenue Mr. Speaker. Leave alone that, Keroka market, I never heard even the Governor mention what measures that he has put so that to regain that town completely because like last time, we had given funds that we wanted some stalls to be erected on the boundaries that could identify that this is the boundary for Nyamira and this is the boundary for Kisii County but nothing has been done.

I therefore, there are so many issues that the Governor tried to make, of course he tried to show that he wants to do something but indeed he never made any references. Mr. Speaker even the idea of de linking us or even de touching us from the (GWASCO) Gusii Water and Sewerage Company is a good idea yes, but how? You cannot say that in that process you can buy a machine that can drill boreholes in the County. And you see, that machine can only work in one month and thereafter where does it go? That is waste of resources. I would not love to have so much information, but if it is relevant because I have enough information because I have my right to deny any information unless he is informing the House. Mr. Speaker can I continue, protect me please.

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): Yes.

Member for Magwagwa Ward (Hon. Nyachae): Thank you. Mr. Speaker, the idea of buying or purchasing this machine, I could not support it Mr. Speaker because even the geologists can tell you that digging more boreholes, can affect...is it called the ozone layer, or

what is it? It can affect there is that rock that is down there, so it is not even allowed to drill so many boreholes.

The Speaker (Hon. Moffat Teya): Hon. Nyachae, the ozone layer is not found on the ground, you are misleading the house.

Member for Magwagwa ward (Hon. Nyachae): I am sorry but you can understand I tried to ask what word to call it but I think I have communicated. The point is at home. I thought the Governor could tell us how much he is prepared to secure and protect the water springs. In fact Nyamira County we are so much blessed especially in my ward, I do not need boreholes, and we are much blessed by natural boreholes which are natural springs which are highly recommended than even the boreholes. I thought the government could give us or the Governor could tell us how much he is prepared to protect and maintain them so that we can have clean water which is very much recommended.

Member for Magwagwa Ward (Hon. Nyachae): Thank you. Mr. Speaker on the side of public administration, I never heard the Government say how prepared they are to put structures on public administration. One of the reasons why devolution came is that we want everything to reach at the common *Mwananchi*. Like in his Government, we brought a Motion last time, on putting good structures right from the Governor to the common *Mwananchi* but I never heard whether he is prepared to put all those structures so that it enable the County Government serve its people to the latter.

In fact as he said all these, like in the side of revenue collection, the problem we are having is that we did not have, like in the last regime, curious and anxious and people who have effort in revenue collection and those who have skills and those who are creative. I thought he could even say, having said that he is targeting to get more revenue, he could get a way of employing serious people who can supervise on that or who can work on that because this is why as I said like if you come from town, you realize Kisii County harvesting Murom from our land. In fact we are asleep because that Murom is our resource and is money but we do not gain but if we had serious men and women who could take care of our resources, and be strict on revenue collection. I am very certain our County would go higher in terms of revenue collection. We have like in my place, we have this project of brick making, that is clay is mould and brick is made. But you realize there is no information; I thought the Governor would tell us that he is employing more people to give more information.

Member for Magwagwa Ward (Hon. Nyachae): and civic education on how we can get this revenue or collect revenue from such projects. Having said that never heard the Governor talk of trade on coffee cooperatives and I we all know that in Nyamira in Agriculture, coffee and tea are our main cash crop. Given that we take a lot of time in improving these co-operatives by giving our people information that we can get enough money for our people. Actually I will ask Hon. Nyagarama because I know he has thorough knowledge on tea but in this case I call him egocentric because he should have initiated so many issues and enlightened our people on best modes of growing tea and help them.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): Thank you, Hon. Mwamba Monica. Members I would like to refer you to Standing Order which in told you to go and read, Standing Order No. 58(1) No Member shall speak more than once to a question except in Committee of the whole County Assembly and Standing Order No.54;

Every Member desiring to speak shall address a request to the Speaker.

I have seen a few Members stretch hands to each other and pointing. Hon. Members please let us desists from such and do so honorably. When you are addressing, kindly address the Speaker and refer to that Member as honourable Member without pointing fingers or pointing to that Member.

Thank you .Hon. Mwamba

Special Elect (Hon. Mwamba): Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir, I want to give my statement on education. As much as there Governor's speech dealing with vulnerable children, poor children and needy children, I would have also felt that we should also need to motivate our girl child. A kitty should be put forward could have also considered both day schools and boarding schools since children in boarding schools have a lot to do and they pay more than the day schools. We should provide a ratio that could be used in giving loans. Another issue I would talk about is people living with disability, it is my wish if possible; I remember being a teacher I have seen children suffering but they do not have a way to assist them, if possible these one would be inclusive because we could be asked by God who have you touched and I feel these also belong to us and we should take pain to consider them more.

Initially being a woman we should know how girls suffer. I feel in health they could have talked of how to help the young children by provision of sanitary towels; it is a small thing but it can be very expensive because you know how much old mothers strain to get cash to buy for them know the government substitutes and the county should take pain to substitute that cash.

On trade, our Hon. Members have contributed a lot on how we can generate more revenue in our County, let me tell you that Nyamira is very rich except the way that we shall solicit the revenue front the regions around us is very difficult. That one should be taken care of so that we tackle modalities of being able to get more money because we can see from other a read that there is no money being collected and there is no transparency. If you need this County to be prosperous we should g down to the local markets and look for good modalities and not harassing those Members and then you get more money for this County.

Member for Bomwagamo Ward (Hon. Barongo): On a point of order. Mr. Speaker, thank you very much and I would like to inform Hon. Member through you that till we bury this type of system of staying in different counties like Homabay, Kisumu, Kisii mostly people working in these county 90 percent stay in Kisii town, they use the vehicles and facilities of this County to go to Kisii county and sleep there, the fuel they are using and that money is for the county. They are sleeping at Kisii County; they eat at Kisi County and come here to look for sanitary places only. We are worried. I am putting to the Honourable Members that we are going

for vetting for this ministers and Chief officers and senior people who will come to this floor, we will ask them first of all those who will be fortunate to be in that committee, ask them where they hail from and where they stay and where they will sleep if they will be given that job that is disease, one that you cannot ill it, is becoming bas since there quarters of ministers stay in Kisii.

Let us draw them from Nyamira and use our hotels like Guardian, Barcelona and any other hotel available here so that we eat there, so that the hotel management buys tomatoes from here, from our sisters, from our mothers and improve economy from Nyamira. There is no need of going to Water-buck for facilities that we can get here in Nyamira. It really pains me that I want to cry but I do not want to cry in this house.

Thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): Thank you, Members let us restrain ourselves to the address and when we are speaking refer to us where you are talking from

Special Elect (Hon. Mwamba): Lastly let me finish on Trade because much has been said about Trade in our county. But to expand more, we should look for ways to make our local gardens for our farmers, look for maize and organize seminars and provide them with loans so that as they plant their vegetable they can bring more revenue to our county.

Special Elect (Hon. Mouni): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I Sir. First, I want to appreciate the speech given by His Excellence the Governor. Indeed much has been said here and the speech itself had covered all areas and all departments. What is remaining is implementation. With me there are real issues I want to talk about. He talked about the street lights. From the Nyamira stage to where Equity Bank is, it is well lit. Other places do not have the street lights. Let him expand.

Special Elect (Hon. Mouni): To put more posts to areas where we have small scale business. We have mothers who are just selling tomatoes to other sides. Two, Most of Hon. Members have said about the roads. In this town, the roads have worn out. We do not have roads. For example where I come from, Nyairicha, indeed you cannot pass. If you have a vehicle you will have to leave it far from your home. So let the implementation be done in time before everything gets worse.

The Majority Leader (Hon. Masira D.): On a point of order. Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir. I would like to inform Hon. Mouni that there are classes of roads. Others are for the County Government and others for the National Government. The road she has said is under the National Government and is not classified under the County Government.

Special Elect (Hon. Mouni): Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir. I am talking about the smaller road which was opened recently by the County Government of Nyamira. I know those ones which are for the County and the National Government. I cannot talk about the National Government here.

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): Hon. Mouni what is the name of that road?

Special Elect (Hon. Mouni): It is Nyairicha-Family Bank road. That is the one that I am talking about. Hon. Barongo said that our officers are staying in Kisii and in fact there are so

many factors that make them to stay there. I have done an observation of this town. I have seen as to why they are going there. One, when we talk of health, we must have health facilities, water and other services in this town.

Member for Bonyamatuta Ward (Hon. Mocheche): On a point of order. Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir. I think the business in our hands is not Hon. Barongo's speech. We are discussing and deliberating on the Governor's speech. So kindly, direct the member on the floor of the House to restrict herself to the Business o0f the day.

Special Elect (Hon. Mouni): Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir. Thank you Hon. Mocheche. For sure we have said for a long time in this town without water. Even when we visit the washrooms there's no water to wash our hands with. What we have is rain water. When the Governor says that he is going to sink bore holes in Nyamira town. It is not bad but they will not be very many rather than having water from Kisii Company (Real name is Gusii Water and Sewerage Company. We should have our water company here to have sufficient water for domestic use.

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): Hon. Mouni which Kisii Company are you talking about?

Special Elect (Hon. Mouni): Kisii Water Company from Kisii.

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): Hon. Mouni which one is that?

Special Elect (Hon. Mouni): Victoria. Gusii Water which originated from Victoria water. I think, Mr. Speaker Sir, Nyamira is ours and indeed we should not look for mistakes only. When you are at there, I feel you work for the Nyamira people at any cost. And I do not think that you are there to watch things happen and you do not react to them. So, I would like to say that our Governor should implement. If he implements it will be okay.

Hon. Mwamba said about education. Two years ago, Education in Nyamira, we elevated the standards of our children in this county. They were very low and a year in between the five years it went to where it was. I am urging the stakeholders to put their efforts and hands into their children. Without education we cannot do anything. Education is our power for our children. Let us support them. Let us support the teachers and everybody who is for education. The young children need conducive environment which is not there. Some of the children sit down in classes without chairs. The ones which were made last time when our honorable members were in office actually are not enough. Let us raise the number so that we can have good education standards in Nyamira County.

Member for Gesima Ward (Hon. Maroko): Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir. A much as I recommend the speech of the Governor, I have a few observations which, if need be, should be added so that this prim force idea can work. One of the things I noted in the speech is about the ECDE which is a devolved function in the county. I noted with a lot of concern that the ECDE classes we are talking about in some of the wards, they either do not have classes or if they are there, they are not enough, and if they were constructed they are not operational. If I may point out an example is an ECDE class in my Ward at Nyaronge. The floor is broken, meaning it is not operative. So I do not know what mechanism and measures is the Governor is going to put in

place so that those people who were involved are brought to book. Whatever they did was shoddy job so that the children who will use the classes will have a meaningful and can benefit from the resources which we have put in those facilities.

Another idea is about the teachers of ECDE. Some are not enough and some are doing their jobs and it is my view that he could have come up with an idea where we are having a system where they are monitored, trained and from an area where we have coordinators from the ward level. This will open opportunities to have people man the ECDE which is a devolved function. And also have a senior man at the sub-county level who reports to the director or to the county. At the same time, I am of the opinion that if he could have come up with an idea, because some of those children are very young. When you compare them with those in private schools that attract and nurture them by giving them nutritional supplements. But in those schools do not get nutritional supplements. The children are hungry and that leads to low enrollments. That is why they are taken to private schools. Let us have a way of coming up with a solution where we can have more enrollments so that we can create opportunities for people to get jobs in our ECDE area.

The other thing which is going along with that one is Youth Polytechnics. The polytechnics some are not functioning because they do not have admissions. The enrollment is too low. When you check on the reason why we have low enrollment, initially when this function was devolved, there was a subsidy given to these facilities by the National Government, they used to give Kshs. 15,000 to every student but when that subsidy stopped, nothing is given to the students. Let us look for a way to set aside some money for the subsidy to attract students to nurture talents from these students. When we leave them idle outside there, they end up in drug abuse and they are not taken care of and at the end of the day the youth we are talking about they are not attracted to join these youth polytechnics. So it is my view if he can look at that issue from that angle. At the same time we have a way those polytechnics are managed. Some of the managers they do not know what they are doing. They are not marketing them to increase admissions.

You get a polytechnic like one which is in Itibo, they are just there managing the building; there is only one manager and one guard, and the money which is there, there is no value for money because there is no admission. What can we do so that we can have more? And if possible I was of the opinion and request if we can look for more, and ensure that we improve and get some principles in those polytechnics. Get one at the county level, at the institution itself, so that those people can market. go and get admission and get those polytechnics , operating .We have two in an area at Gesima and at Itibo those polytechnics from the time when they were constructed and are operating so my worry is , while I am supporting those members who said that we have structures, for the case that is money which has been invested and has not make any value to our people .

Member for Magombo Ward(Hon. Onyinkwa) thank you Mr. speaker I just want to make an inquiry from hon. Mokaya to distinguish between the role of the Governor and the

role of the Assembly, by telling me if the monitoring and oversight is the role of the governor or the role of the Assembly.

Thank you.

Member for Gesima Ward (Hon. Maroko): Hon. Member you are inquiring from me, the role of the Assembly; I was only trying to add value what the governor was trying to put across to us so that it can come out and benefit the common *Mwananchi*.

Special Elect(Hon. Mokua):Thank you Mr. Speaker for this chance I would like to inform my able MCA hon. Maroko ; that I was o0nce a board Member in Gesima polytechnic, our people are very difficult , most of those people want to drive these polytechnics as a clan thing , they people of that community feel like the polythenic is meant for them alone ., they want to employ mangers, board members who are from their clans thus own that facilities completely. I really do not know what we are going to do on dealing with this issue because it has really discouraged the students from joining such institution that have issues. I do not know how we are going to bring our people together so that they understand the facility is made to help them at large and not only the clan that owns that facility. I would like to inform him that an issue at Gesima Polytechnic is about clanisim, and know how to deal with that first. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): That question will be answered here as we continue to discuss the Governor's address.

Member for Gesima Ward(Hon. Maroko): Mr. Speaker I was only raising a concern when I go to trade I was also admiring what the governor brought up, I was moved at the markets as I happen to come from Gesima Market, which is an old market; there is a lot of revenue which is supposed to be collected there but it does not have any structures so I was worried, is it they do not want any revenue from that market because I know there is revenue there but it is not collected.

Can they go there and may be come up with a method so that they can collect revenue. For that matter I was also concerned with Keroka, I have tried to observe and look at the method at which the Governor tried to come up with. I am only worried with the rules which are going to help in the vetting of paying tax , because when I was asking those people who are collecting revenue at Keroka they told me they do not have rules or laws which can make them execute anybody who is evading not to pay tax, so is as of the opinion if there was a bill which is to enacted can I be given concepts and if it is there then we look for those people who are supposed to tap by collecting revenue, we are not getting that revenue. And in those markets, I was of the opinion that if they could talk of maybe fencing those markets, coming up with structures and maybe he could have mentioned of coming up with the right industries in those markets. Like people coming up with these small lantern lightings using solar so that our boys, those ones who are given money from the so called cooperatives and get loans, can start some

small industries and earn some living for them. So instead of talking *Jua-kali*, I would have wished him to talk of light industries.

And when I come to water, I am so much worried of thinking high when we are supposed to have started from somewhere. There is no single spring in my area which has been done by the County Government and when you compare Kisii County, for example, they did about 45 springs for the entire County. Can we know how many springs were done and if they were done, where were they because from I come from there is no spring. About the boreholes, I agree, they have done much. I have like four boreholes in the area where I come from and I congratulate the MCA who was there. He managed to have four boreholes there but the boreholes are not functional there is no water. And it beats logic what actually happened. And when I am looking on what we talk about health facilities, I agree, he is talking of having done 100 dispensaries. In my ward where I come from there is a sub county Hospital which I must highly say that project is like a white elephant, I have been to that place, the building is about to collapse, and substantiate that because I have pictures and there is an X ray machine in that place and that facility is leaking so if such facilities can be done and then maybe they are put in use and they are operational then we will accept to adopt and say that this speech is carrying weight. But when we are talking of structures, which at times when you look at them, there are no tangible thing, then we question. He talked about employing qualified staff and that statement did not auger very well with me because do you mean the staff who are there are not qualified. That is demeaning the staff in the health sector so I was aging concerned about the way the health sector is being handled as you can agree with me, a lot of hospitals are not functioning right now as we are talking. Our people are seeking services of the private hospitals and nobody is taking interest in that. Therefore, I am kindly requesting if he can convert some of the money to ensure our doctors go back to work to save the lives of our people. The other area I am concern about health is the nature of the structures which have are constructed. We have dispensaries in the county having maternity provisions; and you understand maternities are very sensitive. In some of the wards, the floors are not made to fit the circumstances in the wards. You can agree with me that they need to have tiles because of sanitary reasons. You cannot clean a floor of cement especially when you know the conditions and circumstances which take place in maternity areas. There is dispensary in Mochenwa which is about to operate, the floors should be checked so that measures are taken. The roads were opened but do not have murram. Most of them were done during the end of the term and therefore I am requesting that money is given so that the roads are murramed and drainage done. We used to have some areas where the counties are supposed to gain from the national government that is from Kera and Kura.

Areas that we cannot benefit are from that money because of the gazzetement. I am worried whether even the governor indicated here that we are supposed to benefit from the national government by getting some money. There are some of those which we need to put the foot down and demand because we pay tax.

On agriculture, I did not hear him mention about green houses, I did not hear his Excellency the governor talk of fishponds. There is a factory coming up in my area at Matunwa, it is only the National Government which has been promising and cess has been coming to our county, I do not know whether the governor has the plans of giving Matunwa some subsidy so that my people by taking more tea instead of taking to where the county would not get some revenue. Mr. Speaker talents need to be natured in youths, I did not hear his Excellency the Governor talk about; for example a tournament, which can attract and motivate our youth. I wish to whisper to him if he can include the tournament I can support him by donating two balls so that the youth can see that they are being recognized.

Another area is on health, hon. Okero indicated that we do not have basic machines, like the machine for checking blood pressure, a glucometer. Some of us had to donate some of these basic machines when we were campaigning; I donate uniforms, where you would not differentiate patients and medics. The document is good, I am urging the implementation team plays its roles to ensure what we have been promised comes to pass.

Thank you for listening and for not interrupting

Special Elect (Hon. Mokaya A.): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I would also like to make some remarks concerning the speech of his Excellency the Governor.

Special Elect (hon. Mosiori): On a point of order. I am seeking to know if the e hon. Member is in order having initially presented his case.

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): He did contribute his last seating bit today's sitting he has not contributed.

Special Elect (Hon. Mokaya A.): Thank you Mr. Speaker for that opportunity, as much as we want to put more effort to educate our children, we need to ensure that the rate of children dropping out of school is very minimal. Most of the children have left school at a very tender age and we end up increasing insecurity and poverty in our county. I request his Excellency the Governor to ensure children do not drop out of school. The bodabodas has engaged these children and therefore they do not want to learn. When children find education difficult they run to be bodaboda riders. Let us safeguard these children so that we do not get problems when we are growing economically. Let me talk about the section of youth, as much as the Governor want to empower the youth, let us look at the age of our youth who are just outside there from schools and riding bodabodas. You find that most of these boys do not have identity cards; others have not attained eighteen years when they are eligible to get identity cards and start riding motorcycles. We are risking the lives of youths with motorcycles therefore I request the County Government, His Excellency, to look on the mechanism of reducing this behavior of children dropping out of school and given motorbikes without attaining the age of eighteen and have identity cards. Sacco's, is another thing that was captured in His Excellency's speech, emphasizes about youth Sacco's most of these Sacco's more especially the Boda Bodas Sacco which was just put in place by His Excellency the Governor, the majority of youth, are just crying outside there; having contributed and have not benefited out of those Sacco's. So these

Sacco's are not supporting the members who are now the youth who need them to grow. The moment the committees get this money, they just go and start their own business and therefore I request whenever the Governor's call to improve on the Sacco's, put more effort on the Sacco's, let His Excellency, look for mechanisms to ensure that these Sacco's benefit direct youth.

Another issue concerning health, as much as we want to put facilities and others, we should not forget these diabetic cases whereby most of the people are diabetic. And they cannot afford these medicines, like insulin, from these dispensaries and hospitals. Therefore, we need at least the County Government to ensure that these diabetic patients get these medicines at affordable or subsidized prices. Also they should just obtain this medicine from the nearby dispensaries instead of somebody travelling from Bokeira or from Magwagwa coming all the way to Nyamira to look for that insulin. What I recommend, like now it is a disaster, this disease is a disaster, let us just have maybe even free medicine like what is happening with the HIV/AIDs so that we just help our people. Even the young kids nowadays, they are contracting this disease, therefore we need at least to look for a way how we can assist this diabetic cases.

Finally, on the section of Agriculture, as much as the County Government has done so much, in Agriculture, we need one thing to be done, to have soil sampling labs because our farmers are practicing farming without knowing exactly what to plant. We need at least agriculture officers and research centers whereby we can just obtain knowledge on what should be done on a certain piece of places like now what type of crop can do well in Magwagwa, in Bokeira so we do not have that one because taking a soil sample is costly. So we need at least to have affordable prices or affordable facility within Nyamira that can be doing soil sampling. We also need researchers because our crops are not doing well. They are infested with pests so we need at least the officers who can advise farmers on how to handle pests in our community so that we increase productivity from our farmers because that is the backbone. Otherwise, I thank you Mr. Speaker.

Minority Leader (Hon. Kebaso): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also stand to give my view on the Governor's speech. Briefly on three areas, number one, on the issue of food security, I welcome the idea of the construction of a milk processing facility. As one of those who come from milk rich areas, this is really a good idea and I welcome. But my worry is in my ward where I come from; there is one investor who has really invested in milk processing facility. But to my surprise, he goes as far as Bomet, which is Rift Valley to get milk from there. So it came to my notice that we do not have sufficient supply of milk in our County. I therefore feel that it is also a good idea as we are thinking of coming up with this facility it is also good to first educate our farmers on how to improve their dairy animals so that we can improve on quantity of the milk supply in our County. On the same area, having previously worked with the Yes Youth Can program, the practical research that was carried out, it was proven that 50 percent of our youth and women group have a common interest in poultry farming and I have not seen anywhere where it has been covered. I feel that this is an important sector that should also be taken seriously and it should be featured also alongside fish farming.

On the same issue I am also sure that those who are keen enough, almost 30 or 40 percent, of eggs consumed in Kisii and Nyamira, are imported from Kampala. That is why I feel that this is also an important sector that should be carried with a lot of seriousness. Lastly on street lights, from my ward, one of the major shopping centers which is Nyansiongo or famously known as Kijauri, yesterday I employed one person to do a practical research for me and I discovered that 30 street lights were put up but only 17 are in working state. 13 are not working, either due to vandalism or due to lack of routine maintenance. I therefore also feel that as much as we are putting up the street lights, we should also look for means and ways of protecting our street lights from vandalism and also employ somebody to carry out a routine maintenance so that we can achieve their meaning.

Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Member for Kemera Ward (Hon. Morara): Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir. I also take this opportunity to contribute and add value and some sugar to the speech that our Excellency delivered to us last Tuesday. I have got only one area that I want to contribute that is water. From the speech, the Governor said that he has got two solutions on how to solve shortage of water in our area that was number one, delinking Nyamira County from (GWASCO) that is Gusii water and sewerage Company. Two, he is ready and was willing to purchase a borehole drilling machine to our area. Those were good solutions, but I think they are tertiary solutions according to me. In my own opinion, I feel as hon. members we should look for primary solutions to water shortage in our area. That is, some years back around 20 or 15 years ago, our County used to have a lot of water but not GWASCO or the lack of the drilling machine that has caused the problem of water in our area.

Member for Kemera Ward(Hon. Morara):so I am suggesting that now that we are coming up with House Committee, the water committee in charge of environment and water and Natural Resources will come up with problems that has caused the water shortage in the County and their solutions for example in our area here we have people encroaching wet lands and secondly our people have not been trained in modes of conserving water and also poor farming; people have left the planting tea and coffee and now planting gum trees which are affecting rivers and water catchment areas. I feel before we go to drilling of boreholes, we should look solving the main causes of water shortages ,if we enact laws in this House that will deal with water in future, then we will have solutions instead of going to short term solutions.

Thank you

Special Elect (Hon. Mogere): Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir, for this opportunity to contribute to the Governor's speech. I would like to add up to what other Honourable Members have said. I will start with the roads, when coming from Esise I don't know how much budget was put for the Esise road because the roads are impassable. I can attest that when I went to condone with Hon. Nyarang'o in a certain family and actually we were stuck on the road .Our Governor and the entire House need to know this when you do the budget actually have Esise take priority. When I am talking about women, the women are not mentioned in the speech, I

would request that the women be included in the budget more especially when it comes to the women groups. Let us know what the women want to do and especially the widows. Moving to water, I would still refer to Esise since I happen to hail from two wards; Esise and Nyansiongo. Esise has a serious problem with water. In Kineni they dug a borehole which I do not understand the people it is meant to serve, I would like the committee of water to look at that issue .When we talk about revenue collection, in Nyansiongo ward within town, I see men and women with automated machines and I don't know whether it is only Nyansiongo in Nyamira County that should be paying since I have seen like two or three.

When we talk of security lights I do not know what they were looking at when they were having them up. From Nyansiongo I can confirm that we have like thirty or thirty one and only sixteen are working. The spacing they gave to the street lights according to me wasn't the best, as we come back to the House Business, the concern committee Members should follow up with Nyansiongo and know how many were to be given to each Ward. I have not seen any security lights in Esise Ward not unless Hon. Nyarang'o knows of any and anyway if they exist there is none working .Esise really needs security lights because that is where we have serious security issues and even if we had serious security lights, things like cattle rustling will easily be curbed. I move to agriculture and in the last like four years, Borabu Constituency has had a problem of food shortage, since things like maize having been missing and I know Hon. Nyaribo Denis knows that, Hon. Irene Sese is aware. The Members who will be in charge of agriculture committee, kindly let us have professionals study the soil, last time we had a seminar where our soil from Borabu was taken for a study but till date we do not have answer on the same.

Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir.

Member for Esise Ward (Hon. Nyarang'o): On a point of order. Yes, Mr. Speaker Sir, I was late because the Kipsigis came and arrowed one of my teachers; Rianyaemo Primary school and he is now recuperating in Tenwek Hospital and also two cows were stolen so I went to console them although the cows were recovered. I didn't see the national government coming to our assistance and we feel that this big problem still persists at Esise .We are really suffering at Esise and the milk they are talking about could only be milk if we have security. I want to contribute on one item on sports. Nyamira County produced the first man to appear in the national sports in the year 1954 that is one Nyandika Mayioro, he hails from Esise and incidentally the first person to win a Kenyan gold medal was Naftal Tengo who comes from Nyaronge and that was in the year 1968 and now deceased. The first boxer to win a gold medal was a Kisii from Wanchare.

Kisii land has been producing leading sports men up to independence but after independence the Africans have spoilt the sports by not being able to nurture the talents and remember the first Kenyan gold medal in athletics in relay was won by Charles Asati and another Kisii that one might never be achieved again since it is yet to win till date. No Kenyan has won a boxing medal since Robert Angira won it. Kisiis particularly Nyamira have got talent. The

question of having stadiums here and there is not really the main factor; the biggest issue is how we manage our sports. During the colonial days we had primary sports, secondary sports then they also had location sports that involve everyone and remember our young people finish university at the age of twenty. In my ward there are two boreholes which were drilled two or three years ago but I am indeed surprised that they are not working. I assume that a huge amount was used in drilling these boreholes. I am suggesting that those boreholes which were drilled be put in place, be operational before we drill new boreholes. On ECDE, much has been said by my colleagues and I do not want to repeat. I also request that the Budget on ECDE be increased so that we employ coordinators in Wards to coordinate the processes of ECDE. On top, we may employ Establishing Officers who will oversee the staffing of ECDE teachers. Finally, in his Speech, the Governor talked about the Nyamira University of which sincerely I was touched and if we compare all then neighboring counties have universities. In Narok they have Maasai Mara University, Kisumu has Maseno University, Migori they have Rongo University, Kisii has Kisii University. It is only Homabay and Nyamira Counties where we do not have universities. My wish, God willing, that we have a university in Nyamira County soonest possible. Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir.

The Majority Leader (Hon. Masira D.): Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir. I honestly want to thank the Hon. Members for intense and massive contributions that you have given to the Governor's Speech. I would like to ask with the four sittings that I asked we debate the speech; I wish to ask that we end the Debate of the Governor's Speech today. With your permission and guidance. Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir.

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): Leader of Majority, you are supposed to move a Motion. You do not ask.

The Majority Leader (Hon. Masira D.): I now move the Motion that we end the Debate on the Governors' Speech.

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): Thank you Leader of Majority. Hon. Members, on Wednesday last week, a Motion was moved by the Leader of Majority to have four sittings to discuss the Governor's Address. Today this is the third sitting and the Leader of majority is moving a Motion that ends the discussion there. So the Leader of Majority has moved a Motion that we end the Governor's address. I would like to see who seconds the Motion.

Member for Magombo Ward (Hon. Onyinkwa): Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir. I second the Motion for the following reasons. Looking at the aggressiveness and the way Members have applauded and supported the speech together with additional contributions and enormous work has been done. Secondly, the Governor seems to have given this House a guideline that will help the Committees to detail further on the matters he brought aboard on the speech. I therefore second the Motion. Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir.

(The question proposed)

Special Elect Member (Hon. Mosiori): Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir. I think the mover of the Motion is right in his mind having listened all of us contribute and truly there is no need to have repetitive discussion. It will become extremely over staging what has been said. I only sympathize, with Members who have been busying themselves writing note in preparation for the final day to make their contributions and am seeing one of them right here next to me. The Speech to the Assembly is not a matter that ends. It can be referenced in the next discussions not necessarily as a Debate. It can be quoted or referred to. I support the end of the Motion to the Speech.

The Speaker (Hon. Teya): Any further debate on the Motion that we end the Governor's Address today? Thank you. As Hon. Mosiori has said, the address will form part of our policy document for us to be suing to work and develop the Annual Development and the CIDP for the next five years. Therefore, putting to end this discussion does not mean we will not revisit it. It is his policy document and any time you can refer to it and bring it, refer to any page and any address in that case that you feel was mentioned in his Speech.

(Question was put and agreed to)

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Members the assembly stands adjourned until tomorrow Wednesday 4th of October AT

9.30 Am

The House rose at.4:15PM