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(The Hansard)

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The Assembly met at the Assembly Chambers at 11:30 a.m.

The Speaker, Hon. Ndegwa Wahome, in the Chair

Prayer

QUORUM CALL AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE SITTING

(Clerk-at-the table confirms that there is quorum)

Speaker: Quorum having been established, we can proceed with the business of the second part of this special sitting. First order

PAPER(S) LAID

1. NYANDARUA COUNTY BUDGET ANNUAL ESTIMATES FOR FINANCIAL YEAR
2016/2017

Yes Member for Njabini Kiburu, and Chairperson Committee on Budget and Appropriations, Hon. James Kiiru Gachomba.

Hon. James Gachomba: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I wish to table the Report of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations on Nyandarua County Budget Annual Estimates for Financial Year 2016/2017

Speaker: I don't think that is the paper, or have you decided to table them as they came?

Hon. James Gachomba: Yes, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker: Very well the Report of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations on Nyandarua County Budget Annual Estimates for Financial Year 2016/2017 is duly tabled. Next order

2. ADDENDUM TO THE SUBMITTED PROGRAM BASED BUDGET ESTIMATES

Yes Member for Njabini Kiburu, and Chairperson Committee on Budget and Appropriations, Hon. James Kiiru Gachomba.

Hon. James Gachomba: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I wish to table an Addendum to the submitted program based budget estimates from the CEC Finance and Economic Planning as submitted through the clerk.

Speaker: Very well, the document that has been tabled was sent as an addendum to the budget estimates for Financial Year 2016/2017 and has been tabled as an annexure. Next order

NOTICE OF MOTION

COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND ASSEMBLY BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE FY 2016/2017

Speaker: Yes Member for Njabini Kiburu and Chairperson Committee on Budget and Appropriation, Hon. James Gachomba.

Hon. James Gachomba: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I beg to give notice of the following motion:

THAT this House does adopt the Report of the Budget and Appropriation Committee on the County Executive and Assembly budget estimates for the FY 2016/17 as a report of this House and the recommendations therein as the resolutions of this House.

Speaker: Very well, the notice is duly given. Next Order

PROCEDURAL MOTION

COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND ASSEMBLY BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE FY 2016/17

Speaker: Yes Member for Njabini Kiburu and Chairperson Committee on Budget and Appropriation, Hon. James Gachomba.

Hon. James Gachomba: Thank you, Mr. Speaker; I beg to move the procedural motion that with the leave of the House, the motion that this House does adopt the report of the Budget and Appropriation Committee on the FY 2016/17 budget estimates for the county executive and assembly tabled in the Assembly on the 4th May 2016 and the addendum thereto whose notice has been given during this sitting, be exempted from the requirement of Article 46, 5 (9) (b) of the Standing orders which requires that notice of a motion be given at least one day before appearing on the order paper. This is necessitated by the fact that we are required to pass this budget before the deadline tomorrow and have our operations and development expenditure factored in the budget. I call Hon. Kieru to second

Speaker: Yes member for Gatimu, Hon. John Kieru Wambui

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir, I wish to second

(Question on procedural motion proposed)

(Motion on procedural motion put and agreed to)

MOTION

COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND ASSEMBLY BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE FY 2016/17

Speaker: Yes Member for Njabini Kiburu and Chairperson Committee on Budget and Appropriation, Hon. James Gachomba.

Hon. James Gachomba: Thank you Mr. Speaker I beg to move the following motion:

THAT this House does adopt the report of the Budget and Appropriation Committee on the FY 2016/17 budget estimates for the county executive and assembly tabled in the Assembly

on the 4th May 2016 and the addendum thereto whose notice has been given during this sitting as a report of this House and the recommendations therein as the resolutions of this House. Mr. Speaker, the committee went to Masada Hotel in Naivasha and compiled this report which I believe every member has a copy of. Let us go to chapter one of the report:

Pursuant to Section 129 (1) of the Public Finance Management Act No. 18 of 2012 the County Executive Committee member for Finance submit to the County Executive Committee for its approval—

- (a) The budget estimates and other documents supporting the budget of the county government, excluding the county assembly; and
- (b) The draft Bills at county level required to implement the County government budget, in sufficient time to meet the deadlines prescribed by this section.

In addition, Section 129 (2) provides that following the approval by the County Executive Committee, the County Executive Committee member for finance shall—

- (a) Submit to the county assembly the budget estimates, supporting documents, and any other Bills required to implement the budget, except the Finance Bill, by the 30th April in that year

Further, Section 129 (3) provides that each County Assembly clerk shall prepare and submit to the County Assembly the budget estimates for the County assembly and a copy shall be submitted to the County Executive Committee member for finance and prepares and presents his or her comments on the budget estimates presented by the County assembly clerk.

Nevertheless, Section 129 (5) provides that the County Executive Committee member for Finance shall ensure that the budget process is conducted in a manner and within a timeframe sufficient to permit the participants in the process to meet the requirements of the Constitution and the Act. Presumed by that, Section 129 (7) provides that upon approval of the budget estimates by the County Assembly, the County Executive Committee member for finance shall prepare and submit a County Appropriation Bill to the County assembly of the approved estimates.

Pursuant to Section 129 of the Public Finance Management Act 2012 the County Treasury prepared and submitted to the County Executive Committee the County Annual Budget Estimates for the FY2016/2017.

Subsequently, the same was submitted to the County Assembly on 29th day of April, 2016 through the Office of the Clerk and was laid before the House on Wednesday the 4th May, 2016 at 2.30 pm for further scrutiny, consideration and approval.

Pursuant to Section 130 (1) the County Executive Committee member for finance submitted to the county assembly the following documents in respect of the budget for the financial year 2016/2017—

- (a) a budget summary that includes—
 - (i) a summary of budget policies including revenue, expenditure, debt and deficit financing; and
 - (ii) an explanation of how the budget relates to the fiscal responsibility principles and the financial objectives;
 - (iii) a memorandum by the County Executive Committee member for finance explaining how the resolutions adopted by the county assembly on the budget estimates have been taken into account;
- (b) budget estimates that include—
 - (i) a list of all county government entities that are to receive funds appropriated from the budget of the county government;
 - (ii) estimates of revenue projected from the Equalisation Fund over the medium term;
 - (iii) all revenue allocations from the national government over the medium term, including conditional and unconditional grants;
 - (iv) all other estimated revenue by broad economic classification;
 - (v) all estimated expenditure, by Vote, and by programme, clearly identifying both recurrent and development expenditures; and

- (vi) Information regarding loans made to the county government, including an estimate of principal, interest and other charges to be paid by that county government in the financial year in respect of those loans.

Consequently, pursuant to the provision of Section 129 of the Public Finance Management Act No. 18 of 2012 and Article 205 of the County Assembly Standing Orders, the County Assembly received the County Government Budget Estimates for the Financial Year 2016/2017.

Pursuant to Section 131 (1) of the Public Finance Management Act, the County assembly considers the county government budget estimates with a view to approving them, with or without amendments, in time for the relevant appropriation law and any other laws required to implement the budget to be passed by the 30th June in each year.

In view of this and pursuant to Article 205 of the County Assembly Standing Orders, the later having been received was duly committed to all Sectoral Committees for consideration and compilation of the respective Committee reports and recommendations within a period of 21 days. The Sectoral Committee(s) scrutiny was effective from the 4th day of May 2016 and the Committees exercised their mandates and subsequently submitted their recommendations to the Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Pursuant to the provision of Section 131 of the Public Finance Management Act No. 18 of 2012 and Article 202 of the County assembly Standing Orders, and article 196 of the Constitution of Kenya the County Assembly **scheduled to conduct the public hearings on the Annual Budget Estimates having advertised for the activity in the electronic and print media as per the programme below.**

Table: 1.1 Schedule of activities on the public participation

Day & Date	Time	Venue	Wards
Monday, 13 th June, 2016	10.00 to 2.00pm	Karangatha A.I.C Hall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nyakio • Magumu • Githabai • Njabini/Kiburu
Tuesday, 14 th June, 2016	10.00 to 2.00pm	Engineer Catholic Hall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gathaara • Engineer • Murungaru • North Kinangop
Wednesday, 15 th June, 2016	10.00 to 2.00pm	Kiambogo P.E.F.A Church Hall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geta • Kipipiri • Githioro • Wanjohi
Thursday, 16 th June, 2016	10.00 to 2.00pm	Ol'kalou town; ACK Church Hall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Karau • Kaimbaga • Rurii
Friday, 17 th June, 2016	10.00 to 2.00pm	Rutara; Catholic Church Hall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mirangine • Kanjuiri Ridge
Monday, 20 th June, 2016	10.00 to 2.00pm	Kasuku; D.O Hall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weru • Gathanji • Charagita • Gatimu
Tuesday, 21 st June, 2016	10.00 to 2.00pm	Mairo-Inya; Catholic Hall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shamata • Central • Leshau Pondo • Kiriita

In reference to the above, the Committee conducted the public hearings within the County at Sub-County level where the public noted that the current budget should be pegged at accomplishing the goals of the pillars envisaged in the vision 2030 blue print. The public hearings were conducted as scheduled and the recommendations as raised and discussed during the public hearings are attached here at as **Appendix III**.

The Committee sought leave and upon approval, it travelled to Masada Hotel, Naivasha from Thursday, the 23rd June to Sunday, the 26th June 2016 where it held sittings and scrutinized the following among others-

- a) the Sectoral committee recommendations;
- b) the recommendations on priority projects and programmes from the public;
- c) the programme based budget for the financial year 2016/2017 as submitted to the County Assembly; and
- d) the addendum to the programme based budget for the financial year 2016/2017 as submitted to the County Assembly;

The Committee notes that pursuant to Section 26(4) of the Public Finance Management Act (County Government) Regulations 2015, the County Treasury submitted a statement of deviations on the County Fiscal Strategy Paper 2016. The latter prompted negotiations between the County government entities.

In addition, and pursuant to Section 104 of the Public Finance Management Act No. 8 of 2012 and following further consultations and engagement between the County Executive and the County Assembly, on the 23rd day of June 2016, the County Treasury submitted an addendum on the Programme Based Budget FY2016/2017 to the County Assembly through the office of the Clerk (*Ref: NYA/CNT.GOVTF&EP/Budget/3/1/25*)

The Committee scrutinized the correspondences and after in-depth analysis, it has made the following observations and findings. The Committee observed that the County Annual Budget Estimates for the financial year 2016/2017 factors all the County government entities that are to receive funds appropriated from the budget and therefore adheres to the provision of Section 131 (b) (i) of the Public finance Management Act 2012.

Further, pursuant to Part II of the Fourth schedule in the Constitution, the Nyandarua County government established the following structures and classified them into five sectors in order to facilitate devolution, namely:-

- **Governance Sector**

The sector comprises of the following departments-

- i. Gubernatorial Office;
- ii. Office of the County Secretary;
- iii. Communication, Legal, ICT & Intergovernmental Affairs;
- iv. County Public Service Board; and
- v. Finance and Economic Planning.

- **Agriculture Sector**

The sector comprises of the following department-

- i. Agriculture, Livestock Development and Fisheries

- **Infrastructure Sector**

The sector comprises of the following departments-

- i. Roads, Public Works and Transport; and
- ii. Lands, Housing and Physical Planning.

- **Human Resource Sector**

The sector comprises of the following departments-

- i. Health services
- ii. Education, youth culture and social services

- **Productive Sector**

The sector comprises of the following departments-

- i. Tourism, Youth Affairs Wildlife and sports
- ii. Industrialization, cooperatives and trade
- iii. Water, environment and natural resources

- **Legislative**

This is the independent entity of the County Government that is responsible for representation, oversight and legislation.

The Committee observed that the County Annual Budget Estimates for the financial year 2016/2017 adheres to the provision of Section 131 (b) (ii), (iii) and (iv) of the Public Finance Management Act 2012 since it provides for the estimates of revenue projected from the Equalisation Fund over the medium term, all revenue allocations from the national government over the medium term, including conditional and unconditional grants and all other estimated revenue by broad economic classification.

Table II: Sources of revenue for the financial year 2016/2017

Source	Projected Amount
National Transfers	4,731,317,027
Local Collections(including VSDF and FIF)	430,000,000
Maternal health care	50,740,000
Road maintenance Levy fund	71,407,030
User fee foregone	13,898,986
Leasing of medical equipment	95,744,681
European Union Grant	110,000,000
Donor fund- DANIDA	18,860,000
TOTAL	5,521,967,724

The Committee observed that the County Annual Budget Estimates for the financial year 2016/2017 adheres to the provision of Section 131 (b) (iv) of the Public Finance Management Act 2012 since it shows all the estimated expenditure, by Vote, and by programme and clearly identifies both recurrent and development expenditures; (**Appendix I**)

It's the role of the County Treasury to enforce fiscal responsibility principles, in this regard, pursuant to Section 107 (1) of the Public Finance Management Act; a County Treasury shall

manage its public finances in accordance with the principles of fiscal responsibility set out in subsection (2), and shall not exceed the limits stated in the regulations.

Further, Section 107 (2) of the Public Finance Management Act stipulates that in managing the County government's public finances, the County Treasury shall enforce the following fiscal responsibility principles—

- a) the County government's recurrent expenditure shall not exceed the county government's total revenue; and
- b) over the medium term a minimum of thirty percent of the County government's budget shall be allocated to the development expenditure;

Pursuant to Section 116 (1) of the Public finance Management Act the County Executive Committee member for finance has established public funds and the same has been subsequently approved by the County Executive Committee and the County assembly.

The funds are:-

- i. County Bursary Fund;
- ii. County Emergency Fund;
- iii. County Trade Fund; and
- iv. County Mortgage Fund.

It's vital to note that, proper framework on the implementation of the funds has been established and therefore the allocation for the funds is appropriate.

The Committee notes that the County Annual budget estimates for the financial year 2016/2017 objectively focus on the social needs of the electorates.

The following are the major allocations for the estimated expenditure on recurrent and development

The County government has planned to undertake the following flagship projects in the financial year 2016/2017

- **Department of Health Services**

Name	Amount
Flagship project – J. M. Kariuki Hospital upgrade	35,894,762
Flagship project - Engineer Hospital upgrade -	35,000,000

- **Department of Roads, Public Works and Transport**

Name	Amount
Infrastructure upgrade in County Headquarters (Cabro works, lighting, others)	50,000,000
Infrastructure upgrade at Kinangop Sub County Headquarters (Engineer)	25,000,000
Construction of County Executive Offices (County's Contribution)	66,000,000

Notably, the Committee observed that the allocation of 25million for Infrastructure upgrade at Kinangop Sub County Headquarters (Engineer) to be used on the tarmacking (low seal volume) on the strand of 800meters along road c69 Gathaara Ward and road c69 Engineer Ward

- **Department of Lands, Housing and Physical Planning**

Name	Amount
Construction of Buildings (Office)- Flagship	25,000,000

- **Department of Tourism, Youth Affairs, Wildlife and Sports**

Name	Amount
Upgrading of Ol'kalou Stadia- Flagship	60,000,000

- **Department of Water, Environment and Natural Resources**

Name	Amount
Nguruka water project	10,000,000
Suguroi water project	17,000,000
Kitiri water project	10,000,000
Magomano water project first phase	10,000,000

The Committee observed that the project identified as Magomano water project is in Kipipiri Sub County and serves a smaller population and therefore resolved to change the name to Mugitiri Water project that instead serves a larger population and cuts across the three wards, namely Geta, Wanjohi and Kipipiri.

3.6.2 Other major prioritization of the County Budget Estimates for the financial year 2016/2017

The County budget has factored the following as the other major priorities.

- **Compensation and other benefits to employees**

Name	Amount
Compensation to employees	1,554,124,355
County Pension Fund	26,434,702
County Executive Gratuity Fund	28,619,850
General Medical Insurance	100,000,000

- **Department of Lands, Housing and Physical Planning**

Name	Amount
Survey of townships & squatter villages	27,000,000
Spatial planning and digitization	30,000,000

- **Department of Education, Gender, Labour and Social Services**

Name	Amount
Equipping of ECDE's	8,000,000
Construction of buildings and others (ECDE Classrooms)	42,000,000
Other current transfers (Youth Polytechnics)	8,000,000
Infrastructure and Civil Works for hostels	12,000,000
Equipping of workshops	10,000,000
Infrastructure and Civil Works for twin workshop	13,000,000
Construction of buildings and others (social hall)	9,000,000

- **Department of Tourism, Youth Affairs and Sports**

Name	Amount
upgrading of ward sports stadia	8,000,000
Construction and upgrade of market sheds	12,500,000
Development of lake Ol Bolossat (leisure park)	10,000,000

- **Department of Agriculture, Livestock Development and Fisheries**

Name	Amount
Rehabilitation of community dams	10,000,000

- **Department of Health Services**

Name	Amount
Purchase of equipment's to equip maternities, theatres and dispensaries (in all needy wards)	30,359,560
acquisition of strategic stocks (Health products)	106,800,000
Leasing of medical equipment's	95,744,681
Transfer to sub counties	14,000,000

Hospital Transfers	54,000,000
HSSF Danida	18,860,000
User fee foregone	13,898,986
Maternal Health care	50,740,000
Dispensary/Health Centres transfers	9,411,600
Purchase of an incinerator for J. M. hospital	10,000,000

- **Equal resource allocation to ward projects and special interest groups**

Name	Amount
Construction and maintenance of other Ward development projects (12million per ward)	300,000,000
Construction and maintenance of Ward roads and bridges (8million per ward)	200,000,000
Ward water projects (5million per ward)	125,000,000
Special interest group projects	16,000,000

Mr. Speaker

The members of the County Assembly consulted with the respective departments and the electorates and listed the specific projects in equivalence to the allocations.

Notably, the Committee observed that more projects were submitted in comparison to the funds available. The latter prompted the Committee to only consider the projects with the equal amount per departments as per consensus allocations. (**Appendix I and Appendix III**)

- **Department of Roads, Public Works and Transport**

Roads maintenance(Fuel Levy Fund)	71,407,030
Other infrastructure and civil works(bus parks)	16,000,000
Purchase of firefighting vehicles and equipment	40,000,000
Electricity(Including floodlights)	26,035,000

- **Department of Agriculture, Livestock Development and Fisheries**

Name	Amount
Pack house completion	10,000,000
Construction of horticultural grading sheds	10,000,000
Tissue culture laboratory for potato seed multiplication (European Union Grant)	115,500,000
Veterinary Service Development (VSDF) on Subsidized A.I	30,000,000
Input Cost Reduction Subsidized Fertilizers	10,000,000

These areas of prioritization in the County Budget Estimates FY 2016/2017 should be implemented accordingly and the relevant sectors and departments to regularly report to the County Assembly on the status of implementation as provided by the law.

The above notwithstanding, the Committee has made the following recommendations.

Pursuant to Section 131 (1) of the Public Finance Management Act, the County assembly has considered the county government budget estimates for the financial year 2016/2017 and aware of the need to evaluate, review and consider the estimates within the stipulated timeframe with a view to approving them, with or without amendments.

Presumed by that, I therefore urge the House to consider and resolve that:-

1. Appendix I; the Nyandarua County Government Annual Budget Estimates for the financial year 2016/2017 is adopted as the base for expenditure on recurrent and development vote for the year ending 30th June, 2017.
2. Pursuant to Section 129(7) of the Public Finance Management Act, the County Executive Committee member for finance to prepare and submit to the County Assembly the County Appropriation Bill of the approved estimates and ensure that the expenditure appropriations in the Bill are in a form that-

- (a) Is accurate, precise, informative and pertinent to budget issues; and
 - (b) Clearly identifies the appropriations by Vote and programme.
3. The County Treasury and sectoral departments to report to the County assembly in fourteen days (14) effective from the 30th June 2016 on the status of implementation of projects/programmes for the financial year 2015/2016 and consider allocation of funds in the first supplementary budget estimates for the FY2016/2017 for payment of complete and unpaid bills for projects/programmes implemented in the same year in order to reduce accumulation of pending bills.

In conclusion, Mr. Speaker, the County Executive should fast track the development agenda in order to ensure that efficient and effective service delivery is enhanced and implemented by the blue print for the financial year 2016/2017 in order to meet the needs of the citizenry.

Thank you Mr. Speaker, I beg to move and I call the vice chair to second.

Speaker: Yes Member for Mirangine and Vice Chairperson, committee on Budget and Appropriations.

Hon. David Ndirangu (Mirangine): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I rise to second. I do not have much to say as every member has this document in their possession. However, I will speak for the marginalized wards in this county that do not have nominated members and are therefore not benefitting from the money allocated to such members. I feel, Mr. Speaker that they ought to be compensated in some way.

(Hon. Nancy Ng'ang'a rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it county member from Kipipiri, Hon. Nancy Ng'ang'a

Hon. Nancy Ng'ang'a: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I need your guidance because the member on the floor has been called by his chair to come and second but he is now complaining about the nominated members making us feel as if we are not part of this House.

Speaker: I do not think the member for Mirangine was complaining about the nominated members. All he was asking for is the application of equity for the wards without nominated members. Proceed member for Mirangine.

Hon. David Ndirangu (Mirangine): Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir, for the intervention and clarification. I regret that the member misunderstood my concern. All I am asking for is equity. I second.

(Question proposed)

Speaker: Yes Member for Gatimu, Hon. Kieru Wambui

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir, I rise to support this report because I agree with the committee and I believe I am speaking for the rest of the members. I call the mover to respond

(Consultations)

Speaker: Yes member for Gathaara, Hon. Daniel Kibebo

Hon. Daniel Kibebo: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir, for noticing me. I rise to support this report because we need to get down to implementing our development projects as soon as possible.

(Loud consultations)

Speaker: Order members, we are discussing the budget estimates for the financial year 2016/2017 which will inform our operations and development expenditure effective Friday of this week and I urge us all to pay attention to the member on the floor. Proceed member for Gathaara

Hon. Daniel Kibebo: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir, as I was saying, I am in support of the document and I appreciate the good work done by the committee. I would like to echo what the member for Mirangine has said, let it not be seen as if we are fighting our fellow specially elected

Hon. Members, but it is my request that the wards that have not benefitted with such an allocation be considered in the coming supplementary budget.

Speaker: I thought the chairperson of Industrialization, Trade and Cooperatives would comment on page 14 where the construction and upgrade of market sheds has been put under the tourism department

Hon. Daniel Kibebo: Thank you Mr. Speaker for the guidance. Last time we pointed out the error of placing market sheds under the Finance and Economic planning department and directed that they be placed under the Department of Trade and Industrialization but I see now they have been erroneously placed under the department of tourism

Speaker: I report that in the annexures the money has already been moved to the rightful department.

Hon. Kinyanjui Gachari: I also rise to support the document even as I highlight some issues. Some areas have only benefitted from the ward fund, the water fund and road fund while others have benefitted from very many projects. A case in point is that of Ndaragwa where we got very little as compared to a Ward like Engineer which benefitted a lot

(Hon. Mwangi Gichuki rises on a point of order)

Speaker: How is the member for Shamata out of order?

Hon. Mwangi Gichuki: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I want the member, before he even thinks of mentioning Engineer, to get his facts straight. The projects have been tabulated and I want him to show this House what specific projects he is talking about. We do not want a person who is responsible for delaying the budget process because he cannot even submit his projects of only 22 million in time and he now wants to talk of other projects in other people's wards.

(Laughter)

We are doing the budget at 11.30 .a.m. because someone did not submit their projects in time. These are the issues we should be discussing. The member cannot even handle the Kshs. 22 million allocated to his ward.

(Consultations)

Speaker: Order Members. Member for Engineer, your objection is upheld, only because the member for Shamata has not substantiated how some wards have benefitted more than others. Proceed member for Shamata

Hon. Kinyanjui Gachari: Thank you Mr. Speaker, although I came late

(Hon. Michael Kirumba on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it member for Kipipiri?

Hon. Michael Kirumba: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I feel that this debate is now taking a wrong turn. It has become very personal and I can promise you that at the end of the day, there will be no victor. I seek your guidance Mr. Speaker.

Speaker: Very well, members you will appreciate that we have no luxury of time. We have to pass this budget today so that we give the CEC Member for finance this budget today and have him prepare the appropriations bill so that it appears on the Kenya Gazette tomorrow. As of now, member for Shamata, kindly address the issues in this budget that touches on your area.

Hon. Kinyanjui Gachari: Some flagship projects have not been captured in this budget like Muthama road and Kirima water project that supplies water all the way to Mairo Inya. I am especially pained by Muthama road which connects the people of Olkalou to Ndaragwa and Nyeri. Not a single culvert has been installed here. Thank you Mr. Speaker

Speaker: Yes member for Murungaru and the leader of majority Hon. Kariuki Muchiri

Hon. Kariuki Muchiri: Thank you Mr Speaker, I support this report but I have a few comments. I stood on the floor of this House when we were doing the budget for the financial year 2015/2016 and I raised the issue of John Macharia dam and the chairperson committee on budget is aware of that. I must commend all those concerned for not removing this bridge from the budget.

In the same financial year I was given a flagship project worth Kshs. 4 million. It is on the floor of this House that I complained, this is on page 16, and the name of that road is Machinery-Murungaru-Wangu road.

(Consultations)

Speaker: Order members!

Hon. Kariuki Muchiri: It is the only flagship project in this county that has ever been given such little funds. I was promised by the Chairperson Committee on Budget and this house that this road will be given sufficient funds...

(Hon. Mwangi Gichuki rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it member for Engineer Hon. Mwangi Gichuki?

Hon. Mwangi Gichuki: Mr Speaker, we need clarification on what qualifies a project to be called a flagship project so that we can be able to tell the whether the ward got a flagship projects and how it came to be a flagship project.

Speaker: Member for Engineer you are, obviously... and I believe you know that you are out of order. This was an issue that was addressed by the House and the House agreed to mitigate on it. I remember there were three wards and it was agreed that in the next financial year's supplementary budget their issues would be addressed and I believe that Murungaru was one of them. The member for Murungaru is alluding that issue. I do not want to go to the nitty-gritty of it but the reason why those issues were being raised here is because the chairperson committee on

budget addressed those issues. Let the member for Murungaru represent his people and the chairperson committee on budget will be able to respond on what happened.

Hon. Kariuki Muchiri: Thank you Mr Speaker for your protection, I am not the one who put that road as a flagship project it was the executive and I do not know the criteria they used. It came to the floor of the House as a flagship project. For that road to be completed it needs about Kshs. 15 million if we do not want to leave unfinished projects. I remember when the governor came to Murungaru when a certain cold store was being handed over to the government this issue arose. He promised that this road will be completed. Hon. Kirumba was there. When an Ad Hoc committee was formed it was removed just because the road is in the leader of majority's ward Mr Speaker. I am praying that...

(Hon. Kieru Wambui rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it member for Gatimu Hon. John Kieru Wambui?

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Mr Speaker I would like the member to substantiate the claims that the road was removed by the Ad Hoc committee that was formed to articulate the matter because it is in his ward and because he is the leader of majority.

Speaker: The leader of majority you should substantiate or withdraw that remark because it can be offensive that we are punishing the leadership of this House. Proceed.

Hon. Kariuki Muchiri: Mr Speaker, I will substantiate that statement, if you look at page 9 of 29 and look at it critically on the projects in health you will see projects that have been repeated even three times so that they can be completed. What was so special about this road Mr speaker? Tell me. I was hit below the belt...

(Hon. David Ndirangu (Mirangine) rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it member for Mirangine Hon. David Ndirangu Ngigi?

Hon. David Ndirangu (Mirangine): Personally as the member for Mirangine, I hate it when members shed crocodile tears. I know for sure that this project was not a thought of the executive. We have those members that go to the executive at night.

(Laughter)

I know that this is not the only flagship project that was in that list, there was Murungaru village drainage allocated Kshs. 3 million. We have Macharia dam and tomorrow he will call it Njeri and it has Kshs. 6 million.

(Laughter)

Speaker: Order member for Mirangine! I think we are again going the wrong direction and it sometimes becomes very difficult for the speaker. That is why I declined to be part of that committee that was looking into those issues. The removal of the projects across the county was to get money to satisfy the budget ceilings for the assembly. That was the basis for doing this. I should not be communicating this from here, because you had entrusted me with that duty to see to it that justice is done during that deliberation. Member for Murungaru make your presentation and let us not go that direction.

(Hon. Mwangi Gichuki rises on a point of information)

Do you require information member for Murungaru?

Hon. Kariuki Muchiri: Honestly I do not.

(Laughter)

Mr Speaker, I wanted to draw your attention to that and even I stand here to speak on behalf of the people of Murungaru, it would not be in order for even other projects that this government has started...

(Hon. Wahome Kamoche rises on a point of order)

Speaker: How is the member for Murungaru out of order?

Hon. Wahome Kamoche: Mr Speaker, I rose on a point of information not point of order

Speaker: Member for Murungaru do you require any information from the member for Rurii?

Hon. Kariuki Muchiri: The answer is no.

(Laughter)

I want to drive this point home and it is important that the members hear about this. This is about a road but there are other projects which have been started by the government. It would be very wrong for this government to leave projects hanging yet we do not know how it will be in 2017. It would only be fair Mr Speaker that those projects that are in this budget are finished. This is not only for Murungaru, I am fighting for other projects in the county.

(Hon. Mwangi Gichuki rises on a point of order)

Speaker: Member for Engineer, how is the member for Murungaru out of order?

Hon. Mwangi Gichuki: He is out of order because when we had a meeting between us and the executive lead by the governor, a point was made to everyone that if you know that you have a project that must be finished, within your WDF ensure that you put enough money to finish that project. The member for Murungaru had a provision of Kshs. 20 million to be able to do that. If he was not able to do it is not our fault.

The other information is that it is only the member for Murungaru in this assembly who has an independent project of Kshs. 6 million and a bodaboda shed of Kshs. 400,000. As he complains he should know that he is the only member who has a unique project. We should move to another thing and not keep on talking about a single thing.

Speaker: Hon. Members I would want you to address other issues because actually, that is why I said that I do not want to get into this debate, the only reason that these projects were removed by the Ad Hoc committee is because there were other two programs in Murungaru. That was the only basis for the Ad Hoc committee to remove these projects and they left other two. Member for Murungaru, please proceed.

Hon. Kariuki Muchiri: Thank you Mr Speaker, honestly speaking there is no way that I can contribute to this document without mentioning my ward and other projects of this county Mr speaker. It would be very unfair. Mr Speaker, allow me to touch on the areas that I feel I should make contributions on. I have mentioned those projects in the health sector which are ongoing and they have been there. Funds were added to those projects. The four major water projects are going to specific wards. When people talk about Murungaru they should see other projects in other departments that were not removed.

I want to go the argument by the member for Engineer that I could have used my ward development fund to finish a 16 kilometre road. How can it be finished with only Kshs. 20 million? It is not sufficient. Why didn't the four wards that have benefited in the water department development expenditure use their Kshs. 20 million for those projects?

This House cannot make a decision today and withdraw it tomorrow, I ask this House and the chairperson budget committee to look into that issue when the supplementary budget comes since it was agreed in this same House. With those few remarks I support.

Speaker: Member for Wanjohi Hon. Joseph Mumba Gichini

Hon. Mumba Gichini: Thank you Mr Speaker sir, I rise to support the report. I however have an issue in page 13, in the Water department, there is Nguruka water projects, Sugo water project, Kitiri water project and Magomano water project. As the representative of Wanjohi we did not sit with this committee to agree to have a water project Mugitiri. The observation by the committee is that Magomano water project is in Kipipiri Sub County and it resolved to change the

name to Mugitiri water project. I am the one that represents Wanjohi and know the projects in the ward. I do not know where the committee got information. I am urging the house to make an amendment to delete the name Mugitiri and let the name Magomano remain.

Speaker: Member for Wanjohi you can only highlight the report. It is meant to guide the members. Highlight so that the budget chairperson can note the same. If we had sufficient time we would have crafted a motion of amendment. The committee of the whole House can allow you to move the amendment. Proceed.

Hon. Mumba Gichini: Thank you Mr Speaker

(Hon. Kieru Wambui rises)

Speaker: What is it member for Gatimu?

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Mr Speaker I am seeking your guidance. I do not know whether this is a point of order. If you look at the content of the report on that page and the content of the addendum where we are reading from the information is contradicting. Is it the report or the addendum?

Speaker: I was expecting that in the contribution, members would raise those issues because like now in the report it appears that Magomano water project is getting Kshs. 10 million but from the addendum they are getting only four million. According to the addendum Kshs. 6 million was reduced from Magomano but the report talks about Kshs. 10 million.

(Hon. Kieru Wambui rises on a point of order)

Order member for Gatimu!

I said that the addendum is very clear that the reduction of Magomano water is by Kshs. 6 million. Member for Kipipiri I understand you but you realize that what you are reading in page

29 of 29 is the itemised budget and not the addendum. The addendum is the one that is informing any changes in the budget. The addendum has been tabled and it must be in everyone's file.

(Hon. Kieru Wambui rises on a point of order)

Hon. Kieru Wambui: My point of order is in line with what Hon. Mumba has said that the resolution of the committee was that the name changes but it remained the same in the addendum so it did not change. What are the implications of that? That was my point of order.

Speaker: I think that I have given direction that the report is purely for information purpose. When the name remains to be Magomano definitely that is what will be adopted. Hon. Mumba you do not have any cause to worry. The only thing you should be worried about is that you have lost six million shillings in the process.

Proceed Member for Wanjohi

Hon. Mumba Gichini: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Every ward was allocated Kshs. 5 million for water projects. But the budget document indicates that my ward was allocated Kshs. 2.5 million. Where is the remaining Kshs. 2.5 million if they were not allocated for Magomano project?

Speaker: The Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Appropriation should respond to that one; I had not factored that one. Every ward must be allocated Kshs. 5 million for water projects. Magomano water project was a suspension project; it was not factored in the Kshs. 5 million.

Yes Member for Leshau Pondo, Hon. Josphat Kamau

Hon. Josphat Kamau: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I rise to oppose the motion on the report; purely to oppose Mr. Speaker. I'm even opposing this budget Mr. Speaker. I want to go on record as one member who opposed a budget.

(Hon. James Gachomba rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it chairperson of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations?

Hon. James Gachomba: Mr. Speaker, one cannot oppose a budget, they can only amend it.

(Consultations)

Speaker: Order! Order Members! The chairman of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations is out of order. This House might not be able to move a vote or programme beyond 1% of the budget; but it can reject the budget. That is within the power of this House.

Proceed member for Leshau Pondo

Hon. Josphat Kamau: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Let me say that I wish to reject the budget; or say that I am not satisfied by the budget estimates that have been tabled on the floor of this House Mr. Speaker. It is not once that the Executive has gone public claiming that Kshs. 20 million would be allocated for upgrading of Aberdare Teachers Training College. It was once when the Deputy President had presided over a *harambee* in my ward that our Governor announced that the County Government would allocate Kshs. 20 million for upgrading of the said institution. The institution trains students from our County and even beyond. So I'm not saying this because the institution is in my ward.

The promise that the Governor made has to be honoured. The second time our Governor said that was during a past Madaraka Day function.

I remember the money was incorporated I the budget for the last financial year, but it was cunningly withdrawn. When the Governor was put to task to explain the reason for this, he said that the Hon. Members of this House are the one who withdrew the money from the budget.

During the Njata TV event at Mairo Inya, the Deputy Governor said that the said money was incorporated in the budget for the financial year 2016/2017 as grant to the aforementioned institution. But the money has not been incorporated Mr. Speaker. Now you want to tell me that I will tell my people that I failed in my duty of representing them?

I want to go on record as having reject the budget in question for the reason that the said Kshs. 20 million was not incorporated as promised by the Governor.

Even the President promises people what is in the National Government. The Governor could not have promised what was not to be incorporated in the budget.

Unless I'm guided, I will not change my position. The chairperson of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations should go on record on whether the said money will be incorporated in the supplementary budget.

We were in agreement that weather roads leading to the institution should be upgraded. But the money for the same was no incorporated in the budget.

At this point I'm one Member who has completely rejected the budget Mr. Speaker.

With those remarks, I oppose.

Speaker: Yes Member for Kipipiri and the Deputy Leader of Majority, Hon. Michael Kirumba

Hon. Michael Kirumba: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I rise to support this motion. However, I wish to draw the attention of this House on roads maintenance levy on page 10 of the report. The vote was in the budget for the last financial year but some wards never benefited from it. It is not clear how the money under this vote is distributed Mr. Speaker. Now the levy fund in the budget is Kshs. 71 million. We may not know how the money will be distributed. Those wards that never benefited from the fund last financial year should benefit from the same this financial year.

We have not really addressed the issue of Sub County headquarters. Some towns like Engineer and Ol'kalou are shared by at least two wards. But some headquarters would lie in one ward, thereby making the latter disadvantaged in terms of monetary allocations. In Kipipiri Sub County, for example, the headquarters would lie in one ward, that is, Kipipiri Ward. So you would find that much of the allocations to Kipipiri ward would go to cater for development needs in the Sub County headquarters. This issue has not been addressed in the budget. That issue may not be addressed now but it is good to go on record on the same.

The Leader of Majority talked of Machinery-Murungaru-Ndemi road. The names of the roads sometimes confuse people. When I saw the word Machinery, I thought of the bridge between Kaimbaga and Miharati and thought that it was the one being referred to. We have always discussed the said bridge. It would make access to our County Headquarters through Kaimbaga from Kipipiri and Kinangop easier. When, for example, there was demonstration at Miharati and the main road to and fro Ol'kalou was blocked, the MCAs who were curtailed from driving to Ol'kalou would have used the above mentioned road were the said bridge in good condition. Even the Member for Mirangine, Hon. David Ndirangu, would have used the said road since on the same day he was travelling to Nairobi.

(Laughter)

The Majority Whip has also talked of a road that should make it easier to travel from Ndaragwa to Ol'kalou. These are some of the things that we should be addressing.

So, the said bridge connecting Kaimbaga and Miharati should be considered. The Committee on Budget and Appropriations should consider whether the money for general maintenance could be used to construct the bridge. If the bridge is constructed, Members from wards in Kinangop and Kipipiri will, for example, use the above mentioned road to access the new County Assembly Chambers from their homes. Actually, construction of the said bridge would have even future benefits Mr. Speaker.

Lobbying for implementation of some of the projects we are talking about is very important and that cannot be done when one is sleeping. That is the practice even in the Commonwealth countries.

I support the motion. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Speaker: Yes Member for Kanjuiri Ridge, Hon. Suleiman Kimani

Hon. Suleiman Kimani: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I rise to support the motion. However, there is a road that runs from my ward to Nakuru County that needs to be upgraded. Although the road may not be factored in the budget in question, I wish to go on record for having said that upgrading of the said road needs to be considered in future. The road I'm talking about joins Ndunduri-Nakuru and Nakuru-Nairobi highways. Upgrading of the road was allocated Kshs. 4 million in the budget for the last financial year and completion of the same should have been allocated money in the budget in question. The road should be considered in the next supplementary budget. Kshs. 15 million was budgeted for complete upgrading of the road. That road is very critical in enhancing transportation of agricultural products from my ward.

Mr. Speaker, Kshs. 400,000 for construction of a toilet my ward was omitted in the budget in question. This project is part to be part of ward development projects. I do not know when the same will be included in the budget.

Ngorika water project appears...

Speaker: Member for Kanjuiri Ridge, in order for the Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations to get it properly

Speaker: Member for Kanjuiri Ridge, in order for the Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations to get it properly you are saying that you allocated Kshs. 400,000 for a toilet within the Ward development projects but it has been left out. You want to say that the funds for ward development in Kanjuiri Ridge is Kshs. 11,600,000 and not Kshs.12 million.

Hon. Suleiman Kihika: That is true. There is this one for the nominated member from Kanjuiri Ridge Cool Pastures Roads allocated Kshs. 1 million but it is indicated in the department of agriculture. It should be removed from the department of agriculture to the department of roads.

Ngorika water project is indicated twice instead of having Kanjuiri water project and Ngorika water project. There is need for that amendment. In roads. Ward development projects there is a road that was allocated Kshs. 600,000. I want to make an amendment so that some of the E.C.D.E classes can be renovated.

(Consultations)

Speaker: Order members! I think the member for Kanjuiri Ridge is through but for purpose of time I think I will be chairing the Committee of the Whole House. You may not be able to change a vote from one department to another. Member for Karau Hon. Samuel D Kamau

Hon. Kamau Ngotho: Mr Speaker, I feel sad whenever you talk of 1% as you refer to P.F.M.A 31. This house has restricted by the Senate and by the National Treasury and I do not know whether to add the National Assembly. Article 187 and subsequently P.F.M.A 125 and 126 explains our role as the MCAs. This is something that the CAF lead by Hon. Kieru and Hon. Nancy has failed. They sat and allowed that to happen. This issue has not gone to court yet but they want to go to court and I think that as Nyandarua we should have gotten a court order so that we could change the budget as much as we would have wanted.

I want to read a sentiment that was put in the social media by the person in charge of government press who calls himself Wanyeki. This House under our watch might be reduced to nothing.

“I do support our governor on the issue of the budget. Our MCAs are poking some flammable fire apparatuses with their bare hands. Their arrogant utterances that they shall not pass the budget if each is not given Kshs. 30 million on flimsy grounds of water, ward

development fund and whatever else. Since we have 25 MCAs that translates to Kshs. 750 million or Kshs. 0.75 Billion. This is an egregious act of greed, a bare war and hollow ugly competition for attention. We all together want to dismiss their demands as whims of a choking donkey, a shameful rowdy lot that has reached the climax in their disregard of their public welfare. This money belongs to the people and we shall not entertain this madness in our time. Warming up for demos # copied.”

Mr Speaker we sat, on sheer goodwill, and came to a consensus and then a person that gives the government information does this on social media. I believe that this is total disregard of this house and its leadership. Proper step must be taken against this kind of a person. They should either apologize or tell the governor that we are going to censor them.

I want to tell the executive that it should not take us as the lesser people in this engagement. Public participation is entailed in the constitution. These projects we want done are ward development projects. They will not be done by the MCAs they will be the same people that will implement. Those projects are water projects, road projects, those that directly touch the livelihood of Wanjiku. Mr Speaker when you engage with the governor tell him that we want this person to apologize on social media within 7 days. Let us see disciplinary measures. The governor was one time on the case of on Kimone Kimone when he called the budget the governor’s budget. He never used any abusive word as it is the case with this person. These are abusive and derogatory words that have been used by this creature. It should be taken seriously. The members, the speaker of this house; all of us are very agitated by these comments.

This level of English in this post is not the level of this young man. The members who are active on social media can attest to that. He uses very ungrammatical English language. Another person wrote the post and he told him to copy paste. If these are governor’s words he should tell us. So that we can know the kind of engagement that we have with the executive. Before I forget, there is this issue of Aberdare Training College. I am not speaking about it because Hon. Josphat Kamau is one of my closest friends in this Assembly. However, I accompanied him during one of

the sporting activities and the MP of the area was saying that Hon. Josphat Kamau let Ksh.20 Million that was in a budgetary allocation to disappear under his watch. Then the Governor also blamed the members. I remember Hon. Gachari, Hon. Maina Ndiritu and Hon. Peter Mwangi were there when the Governor alleged that it was the MCAs and the Speaker that removed the allocation. We are putting this college allocation in jeopardy.

Mr. Speaker, I heard the other day that an MP from Nyandarua was made the chairman of a group that intended to go to court and fight the National Budget although I don't know whether this can be authenticated. I also hear that the MP was almost slapped by H.E. the President. I don't know how true that is but the members from that region can inform us further.

Mr. Speaker, when the Governor makes such a claim that Ksh.20 Million was to be given to Aberdares Training College and then the Hon. Member did not push the Executive to facilitate. It is the work of the Leader of Majority to follow up because the Governor is always on record of giving out projects when he tours various parts of the County. He said he was in Kiriita ward and given a certain project some money. This is what made the Kericho Senatorial seat to almost go because the Deputy President had gone and promised various projects which were later not captured in the budget.

Therefore, when the Governor makes remarks in various wards, let the declarations be factored in the budget just like the views of the people during public participation. The budget Chairman must get that issues that are deliberated or said by the Governor as official communication that they should be funded should be in the budget. With those many remarks, we pray for the Member of Kipipiri that things will not go from bad to worse. Thank you, I support.

Speaker: Yes, Member for Kaimbaga, Hon. Kimani Njiraini.

Hon. Kimani Njiraini: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I would like to thank the Committee on Budget and Appropriations. I will go directly to the issue pertaining to the headquarters. If there is any money allocated to headquarters of the County, Kaimbaga should be considered because the

headquarters touch on Kaimbaga and Karau wards. Kaimbaga should not be left behind because we have estates such as Jua Kali, Site, Huruma, and Jerusalem which needs some development since they are part of the county headquarters. The lighting of the headquarters should also extend to the aforementioned estates because many people who work in the town hail from Kaimbaga ward.

Mr. Speaker, this budget we are preparing is very good but implementation is a major problem. For instance, there was the construction of *boda boda* sheds in the financial year 2015/2016. They are yet to start in Ol'kalou sub-county although they may have started elsewhere. If we do not implement the project, these monies will go back to the treasury. We have tried as an Assembly to play our role but the Executive is failing us.

Further, I wish to mention something about the money set aside for land. The county government was to acquire parcels of land for public utilities such as Gichungo Dispensary. However, this is taking a lot of time.

The issue of beautification of the Ol'kalou town is another burning issue. Kaimbaga ward should not be left behind. It was left behind in the fourth financial year of this assembly and all those estates I had mentioned before are complaining. These too are voters of Nyandarua.

Mr. Speaker, most of the road construction materials come from Kaimbaga ward. All the money allocated for road maintenance in the ward are used well and do very good roads. However, the lorries ferrying road construction materials damage these roads. Therefore, it is important that we get more allocation for road maintenance in the ward because the lorries leave behind a lot of mess.

It is a great disappointment to this Hon. House and the County Government at large that we never asked for Ksh.30 Million. If you multiply 25 wards and Ksh.25 Million, we shall get Ksh.625 Million. This a small amount in a budget of around Ksh.5 billion. It is a great disappointment when you hear the Executive complaining that we need Ksh.30 Million because it would still leave with huge amount of money for them. This is a drop of water in an ocean. In fact, our people need more money even in the tune of Ksh.100 Million for development. We don't want

to see those vehicle running up and down; we want development. These people in the Executive do not fight areas where the Governor plans to launch projects, instead, they fight the attempts by members to have money for development increased. This is a great a disappointment because this money does not go to individual Hon. Members but the people they represent. Thank you.

Speaker: Yes, Member for Rurii, Hon. Peter Wahome Kamoche. Please be brief and confine yourself to the matters of the budget.

Hon. Wahome Kamoche: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise to support the budget but with some reservations. On page 10 of the report you find a European Union grant of Ksh.110 Million. Grants and Donations Act stipulates that the money ought to be declared and directed to the course for which it was given. However, we have not been told where the money will be directed in the entire budget. This is the same for Ksh.71 Million for levies which was declared but they have not indicated how the money shall be used. These are the monies that are left ‘hanging’ somewhere for some people to misappropriate because they have been declared in the budget and we have passed the budget and all what is left for them is to misuse the funds. None of the MCAs seated in this house has indicated that they have a project that shall be funded using European Union grant. This is contrary to the law.

Mr. Speaker, something is going wrong. In fact, many things are wrong. For instance, the mortgage and car loans regulations have already become problematic. That is the reason I was saying, as we prepare this budget we ought to ensure that whatever the Governor says in terms of launching projects on the ground, let them be captured in the budget. For instance, if he says that he shall do Muthama road, let it be captured in the budget. At the end of the day, it is the Governor who will appear in the signboards and not the MCAs. So, whatever we are saying is for his own political benefit.

Further, on the issue of Ward Development Fund, we put various projects and I am hoping that this House could provide us with a window for amendments. Some projects have been mentioned and you come to learn later that they have been factored in the other end of the budget.

This will lead to duplication of projects especially in Rurii and Passenga among other areas. Ultimately, our aim is to benefit the people of Nyandarua.

Mr. Speaker, Hon. Kamau Ngotho has mentioned a very important issue. Someone approached me in Rurii Ward and started pointing fingers at me. I could not understand why but I came to realize that that thing had been trending on face book. I felt dishonoured and I was completely ashamed. Mr. Speaker, in Rurii ward where we are to drill a borehole, we have the money and land but up until now the project has never began. The group with this initiative is also registered. If this amount of money gets returned, it would a total disservice to the people. It is only a matter of sending someone to come and drill a borehole. If you go to Passenga, the C.O. has drilled a borehole in his home which was not in the budget....

Speaker: Member for Rurii, I will stop you there. Let us not deal with the budget that is for implementation. We are dealing with the 2016/2017 budget and you know very well that we do not have enough time. Please raise concerns about the budget of the financial 2016/2017 if you have them. About the other issues, you can comfortably raise them with the Committee on Budget and Appropriations. Proceed Hon. Member.

Hon. Wahome Kamoche: Thank you Mr. Speaker. All I wanted to say is that some amendments be allowed so that in instances where there might duplication of money, some measures can be put in place to correct it. Again, we would like to know where the grant of Ksh.110 Million from European Union and Ksh.71 Million from levies will be directed because the budget is not clear. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Speaker: Yes, Member for Magumu and Leader of Minority Party, Hon. Peter Githinji Ngumba.

Hon. Githinji Ngumba: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I rise in support of this motion. However, I have some issues touching on my ward. I would have wished to see something planned to be done on *Soko Mpya*. This is a huge public utility that was constructed by the National Government along Nairobi-Nakuru highway and handed over to the County Government on February this year. The market has not been opened and it is a matter of major concern that needs to be addressed. I

therefore wished to see something in the budget touching on the market. I am requesting the committee on budget to do something about it come the Supplementary Budget.

Secondly, Mr. Speaker, I would like to say that during the financial year 2014/2015, Magumu was allocated money for a toilet in the Department of Industrialization but this has never been implemented. After consultations with the department, I was promised that the succeeding financial year would factor in the toilet. This came to naught. Apparently, there is a dire need for a public toilet in Magumu. I am sure you understand the uniqueness of Magumu being densely populated and therefore we do not only need one toilet but many others. I would therefore wish to request the committee on budget to consider the people of my ward during the supplementary budget.

Further, I would wish to be allowed to submit my ward projects in the order of priority. If this is done, I would be very grateful because they will begin with what the people feel is needed most. Thank you, I support. I now call the mover to respond.

Hon. James Gachomba: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I would like to commend the Hon. Members...

(Consultations)

(Hon. Mwangi Gichuki rises)

Speaker: Order Members! Already the mover has risen to respond. And I think there is no one procedure that once the mover is told to come and respond that the Speaker has lost his saying.

(Hon. Kieru Wambui rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it Member for Gatimu?

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Is it in order for Member for Engineer to be crisscrossing this House as though it is his own territory? He seems not to even recognize the authority of the House because he is not bowing when crossing from that side to this side. I am therefore requesting that you invoke all your powers provided in the Standing Order.

(Laughter)

Speaker: Order Members! Hon. Kieru Wambui, you know you are out of order. Member for Engineer is still in the same position that he was sitting.

(Hon. Kimani Gachuhi rises)

What is it Member for Weru?

Hon. Kimani Gachuhi: It is not that much important but it requires to be not noted. The Hon. Member telling others to observe rules and regulations of the House is actually not observing them himself. He is improperly dressed.

Speaker: Actually, Member for Weru has not requested any sanctions to be taken against the said Hon. Member. I think we delivered a very elaborate communication on the dress code for men but this being a budget making process...

(Hon. Mwangi Gichuki rises)

Speaker: What is it Member for Engineer?

Hon. Mwangi Gichuki: My concern is that the Hon. Speaker did not notice the members almost had my pants down denying me a chance to contribute...

(Laughter)

Speaker: Please proceed Hon. James Gachomba.

Hon. James Gachomba: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I wish to thank Hon. Members for their contributions towards the 2016/2017 budget. There are some issues that have been raised by the Hon. Members. And since you know our 'envelope' or the County 'envelope' cannot accommodate all their priorities, we shall look at the issues raised during the supplementary budget. Member for Murungaru had raised an issue about Machinery-Wango-Murungaru road and therefore, we are requesting for the B.Q. so that we can know how much the road might cost. The other issue was raised about Magomano road in Wanjohi ward which was allocated Kshs. 2.4 Million and I will check with the clerk whether it has been factored in the budget.

On the issue of Aberdares Teachers College (ATC), we had actually put the money in the Supplementary Budget but it was the Governor himself and his team who removed it. Therefore, if he can go out there and talk ill of the members, I think he is not in order and we should not do

something like that. I think we should consider the road going to the ATC which the Member for Leshau says it will cost about Ksh.3 Million for grading during the Supplementary Budget. On the issue raised about roads by Member for Kaimbaga, I would like to state that every contractor going for construction materials in that ward pays cess, fuel levies and quarry charges. Therefore, Hon. Njiraini should be telling us that he is enjoying the benefits of having a quarry in his doorstep. This is unlike Kinangop where they get these construction materials from Naivasha which is about 20 kilometres.

Again, I wish to thank the Hon. Members for their wonderful contributions. With those remarks, I beg to move. Thank you.

(Question put and agreed to)

Speaker: The motion is taken and deliberations of the same shall move to the next stage. Hon. Members, there is an issue that the Member for Karau ward has raised. This is not an issue that we can leave out because it has actually attracted a lot of comments and activities in the social media. We are saying, as an Assembly, that the views were misguided and incorrect. Ours was only to ask for more money for *Wanjiku*. And, we don't want to know whether that was the position of the Executive if necessary we shall be able to do a motion of censure and interrogate that issue. I saw it and I was waiting for the members to come up with it. They used very derogatory and insulting words to the members of this House who mean well for Nyandarua people.

ADJOURNMENT

At this point, we shall adjourn for 30 minutes until 2.10 p.m., today that is, 28th day of June 2016 to resume as the Committee of the Whole House because this document might take us until late into the night.

(The House rose at 2.40 p.m.)