

SIAYA COUNTY ASSEMBLY

OFFICIAL REPORT

First County Assembly- Third Session

Wednesday, 18th March, 2015

The House met at the County Assembly Chambers at 9.00 a.m.

[The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Muhulah) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

QUORUM CALL AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF SITTING

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Muhulah): Do we have enough quorum, Madam Clerk?

(The Clerk at the Table confirmed the lack of quorum)

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Muhulah): Serjeant-at-Arms, can you ring the bell for 15 minutes.

(The Division Bell was rung)

(Several Hon. Members walked into the Chambers)

Hon. Ngure: Are we in Session?

Hon. Gare: Point of information, Mr. Temporary Speaker!

Hon. Temporary Speaker (Hon. Muhulah): What is it *Mjumbe wa West Sakwa*?

Hon. Gare: I would want to inform the Member who has just talked that the House is in Session. Our Standing Orders explain very clearly that when we don't have quorum, the bell has to be rung for ten minutes, and if no quorum is present at the expiration of the ten minutes, the Speaker may direct that the bell be rung for a further five minutes. We are in Session and already we are transacting, that is why we are standing through the Chair.

Hon. Ngure: Much obliged!

Hon. Temporary Speaker: Thank you so much, hon. Gare.

(The Division Bell was rung for the second time)

(The Clerk at the Table confirmed the lack of quorum for the second time)

The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Muhulah): Members, under the Standing Orders No. 32 (2), it directs that in a situation where the quorum isn't there, the Speaker shall call for the division bell to rung for 10 minutes. We gave that chance for the bell to be rung for 10 minutes, the situation persisted, and we again gave a chance for the bell to be rung for 5 minutes. Abiding with the Standing Orders of this House, the quorum is still not there for this Session. That calls for the House to adjourn till today at 2.30 pm in the afternoon.

So, the Chair directs that all the business for this morning be scrapped from the Order Paper and new ones be introduced.

Chief-Whip, please communicate to the Chairs of these respective Committees to see the Speaker and explain the situation.

This House stands adjourned until 2.30 p.m.in the afternoon.

The House rose at 9.30 a.m.