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The House met at the County Assembly Chamber at 2.30 p.m.

[The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Odongo) in the Chair]

PRAYER

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

INFORMAL MEETING

Hon. Deputy Speaker: I would like to urge Members to remain behind after the afternoon session for informal meeting.

NOTICE OF MOTION

CALENDAR OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY

Hon. Oor: Thank you, Hon. Deputy Speaker, Sir.

Pursuant to SO No. 25 (4), this House approves the Calendar of the County Assembly (Regular Sessions) for the Fourth Session (2020) contained in the schedule.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you for giving that notice of Motion.

STATEMENT

Hon. Oor: Thank you, Hon. Deputy Speaker, Sir. I have a statement to make pertaining to theft of drugs from the County Hospitals around Siaya County.

As we realize, KEMSA is the body that supplies Siaya County with Medical drugs, but it has come to my notice that quite a number of Siaya Chemists are stocking drugs from KEMSA, which were meant for hospitals in Siaya County.

A very good example was an operation that happened in Central Sakwa where the officers in charge made a sting operation from Bondo Sub-county hospital in some health facility in Central Sakwa and found drugs bearing GK labels there and being stocked and stored in various chemistries in Bondo.

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Therefore, I think this is a worrying matter because when KEMSA distributes the drugs it is to help the poor, vulnerable and the common citizens of this County. This is a very serious issue and that this House must take very serious and act on.

The procedure is that immediately the drugs are delivered they are supposed to be taken to the central stores in Siaya County and at this point, some of the drugs seem to grow legs and disappear while in some stores or centers they are even stolen.

This is really a serious matter. I would urge us to bring it out strongly as I call upon the chairlady for Health, Hon. Abigael Perpetua to take it up and liaise with the CECM so that they can organize such several sting operations in Siaya County in the numerous chemists in Siaya County so that those who are caught are taken legal action against.

Apart from that, I would urge the chairlady to get in touch with Hon. Member for Central Sakwa who unfortunately is not with us today so that we know what actually happened to the drugs seized, what happened to the chemist owner, and what action was taken against the officers found culpable in this scandal.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you very much, Hon. Odawa for your concern and Statement, but I would urge that you put it in writing and bring it so that it can be committed to the relevant Committee, which is Health.

Hon. Juma: I want to correct the Hon. Odawa. He said that the Hon. Member for Central Sakwa is not in the House while he is very much present.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you, but that has been overtaken by events and I have already given a directive that it be done in writing.

I want to bring to your attention, Members that under Statements Hon. Omwende had something that is not appearing on the Order Paper but I will allow him to proceed.

Hon. Omwende: Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir. Pursuant to Standing Orders 41(2)(c), I rise to seek a Statement from the CECM Education, Youth affairs, Gender and Social services on the executions of the implementation of budgetary allocation for various PWD projects in Siaya County.

In the Statement, the CECM should provide the details of the utilization of the Kshs. 5 million budgetary allocations for FY 2018/2019 that was meant for the construction and equipping of sheltered workshop for PWDs in Ugunja Sub County.

The CECM should also explain why the sheltered workshops have not been completely constructed and is not equipped despite utilization of the fund allocated for the same.

He should also provide the details of the utilization of the Kshs. 10 million budgetary allocation for PWD affairs including but not limited to expenditures incurred on the planning and actualization of the FY 2019/2020 international day for the person living with disability under the special interest group in the FY 2019/2020

He should also explain the plans the County Government has in utilizing the PWD projects

- a.) Construction of and equipping sheltered workshop in Ugunja Sub County for FY 2019/2020
- b.) Public participation of the PWD in the proposed PWD Bill that is FY 2019/2020

Hon. Mboha: Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir I need your guidance on this particular matter of Statements. Once he has written the Statement, is it going to be put in the

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Order Papers afresh or we are going to discuss things that are just statements. We need some guidance on that so that we know that in the next Business we are going to slot in the statements. If that is the case it would be repetitive.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Thank you Hon. Mboha. I have heard your concern I have permitted him. He requested that they give out the statement and as the authority I have already permitted him that is why he is reading it. It stands committed to the relevant committee.

Hon. Ochola: Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir. Just to address the concern of the Member, you are right in order under our Standing Order to allow a Member to give statement on the hour in the House and what we will only require because I am also interested is that statement. Subsequently, it will be given to us in hard copy and it will not have any other chance to be brought in the House so there will be no duplication.

MOTION

APPROVAL OF THE CALENDAR OF THE HOUSE FOR THE FOURTH SESSION 2020

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Yes, Hon. Oor, Majority Leader.

Hon. Oor: Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir. I wish to move the following Motion: THAT, pursuant to Standing Order 25(4) this House approves the calendar of the County Assembly regular session for the Fourth Session 2020 contained in the Schedule.

I request Hon. Oriaro to second.

Hon. Oriaro: I second.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

MOTION

ADJOURNMENT

The Temporary Speaker: There being no other Business this House is adjourned until tomorrow Thursday, 20th February, 2020 at 2.30 p.m.

The House rose at 3.24 p.m.