

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

SIAYA COUNTY ASSEMBLY

THE HANSARD

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Wednesday, 13th May, 2020

The House met at the County Assembly Chambers, at 2.30 p.m.

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

PRAYERS

MOTION

EMERGENCY FUND FOR FLOOD VICTIMS

Hon. Oor: I wish to move the following Motion:

Aware that the County Government of Siaya has an emergency fund to address any unforeseen disaster in the County Budget Estimate for 2019/2020.

Further aware that the long rains has been too heavy causing many rivers and water streams to burst their banks thus the rising waters are causing havoc across the county both economically and socially.

Noting that most families adversely affected and displaced by floods from their homes and are currently seeking shelter in schools, churches and others residing along the roads.

Concerned that the displaced are in dire need of humanitarian assistance both financially and materially especially at this time when the country is also faced with Covid-19 pandemic.

Further concerned that the County Government has started to distribute relief food and other basic needs to the flood victims in some parts of this county.

This House resolves that within 7 days after adoption of this Motion the CECM Governance and Administration furnishes the Committee on General Oversight with a comprehensive Report together with a work plan on how the County Executive intends to utilize the emergency fund to reach and address the challenges faced by flood victims across the county.

I request Hon. Winga to second.

Hon. Winga: I rise to second.

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(Question proposed)

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Yes, Hon. Olasi.

Hon. Olasi: Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir. I tend to disagree. I thought the Mover should have asked for a progressive Report. He has noted a concern twice that the County Government has already moved in and is buying food for the families. I know it is a problem in Alego-Usonga, East Ugenya and West Ugenya

The Mover also recognized the concern that we are faced with Covid-19 pandemic. I would dare us to call upon the CECM Governance and Administration to furnish us with the report. My prayer is that they furnish us with a progressive report of where they have reached because we don't know exactly when this Corona is ending.

As we pray that we be furnished by comprehensive report, I don't know what you mean by comprehensive report and yet the rain continues to wreak havoc in the county. Some amendments should be done to this Motion. That is my prayer.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Do you support?

Hon. Olasi: I don't support.

Hon. Deputy Speaker: I call upon the Mover to reply.

Hon. Oor: Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker. We should know the areas that have been given the relief food and the areas that have not received the same. The MCAs are here to do oversight, so the executive should give us a report on how they paid the Kshs. 17million because we cannot say yes yet we have not seen how they have used the money.

Some areas like in Ugunja, nothing has happened. This is tax payer money so we must monitor how it has been used.

Hon. Olasi: The Mover is the Majority Leader of the House and he should be informing the House!

Hon. Opanga: Point of order!

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Yes, Hon. Opanga!

Hon. Opanga: Hon. Deputy Speaker, Sir. Is the Majority Whip in order to interject when the mover was replying and you had already made a ruling?

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Majority Leader, proceed and reply!

Hon. Oor: What I know is that we need a comprehensive report. When something is wrong I have to point out. If you think that my reply is not good to you then come and consult me and we discuss.

(Laughter)

Thank you, but this is the real thing and it is the real report that we need.

(Question put and agreed to)

MOTION
ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members, let's be upstanding for adjournment.

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(Hon. Members on their feet)

Hon. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members, there being no other Business, the House stands adjourned until tomorrow Thursday 14th May, 2020 at 2.30 p.m. in the Chambers.

The House rose at 3.09 p.m.