

REPUBLIC OF KENYA THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT - (FOURTH SESSION) THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

_____ (No. 028 of 2025) _____

ON

GUIDANCE ON CONSIDERATION OF THE BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2025/2026

Honourable Members

- 1. Article 221 of the Constitution, as read together with Section 39 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012, requires the National Assembly to consider the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure of the National Government, Parliament and the Judiciary for each financial year. These Estimates, once approved by the National Assembly, form the basis for the Annual Appropriation Act.
- 2. Honourable Members, as you may be aware, the Estimates have since been submitted and tabled before the National Assembly as required by the law. Consequently, and pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 235, the Estimates now stand committed to respective Departmental Committees and the Budget and Appropriations Committee for consideration.
- **3.**The departmental committees are required to engage with the relevant stakeholders to ensure the participation of all players in the process.

- **4.** It should be noted that the Budget and Appropriations Committee is required to discuss and review the Budget Estimates and make recommendations to the House, taking into account, the recommendations of the Departmental Committees, the views of the Cabinet Secretary for the National Treasury and the general public.
- 5. Honourable Members, I also wish to inform the House that I have received the draft Finance Bill, 2025 from the Cabinet, which relates to the revenue raisings measures for the Budget submitted. It will be committed to the Departmental Committee on Finance and National Planning for consideration and public participation upon publication and first reading.
- **6.** Indeed, Members will note that the House is scheduled to proceed for recess at the rise of today's Sitting. This break will provide adequate time for committees to embark on this activity, among others.
- **7.** Finally, I encourage Members to actively acquaint themselves with the contents of the Estimates and to participate in the exercise and ensure that their views and those of their electorate are taken into account during the consideration of the national budget.
- 8. The House is accordingly guided.

I thank you!

THE RT. HON. (DR.) MOSES F. M. WETANG'ULA, EGH, MP SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Wednesday, 30th April 2025