



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – (FOURTH SESSION)

THE SENATE

ORDER PAPER

MORNING SITTING

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 04, 2025 AT 9.30 AM

PRAYER

1. Administration of Oath
2. Communication from the Chair
3. Messages
4. Petitions
5. Papers
6. Notices of Motion
7. Questions and Statements (as listed in the Appendix)
8. **MOTION - REPORT OF THE LIAISON COMMITTEE ON THE ACTIVITIES AND OPERATIONS OF SELECT COMMITTEES DURING THE THIRD SESSION (2024)**
(The Chairperson, Liaison Committee)

THAT, the Senate notes the Report of the Liaison Committee on the activities and operations of Select Committees during the Third Session (2024) pursuant to Standing Order 224 (2), laid on the Table of the Senate on Wednesday, 28th May, 2025.

9. **MOTION - REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION TO THE 2024 JOINT UNITED NATIONS – INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION PARLIAMENTARY HEARING HELD AT THE UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS IN NEW YORK, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FROM 8TH TO 9TH FEBRUARY, 2024**
(Sen. Veronica Maina, MP)

THAT, the Senate notes the Report of the Parliamentary Delegation to the 2024 Joint United Nations – Inter-Parliamentary Union Parliamentary Hearing held at the United Nations headquarters in New York, United States of America from 8th to 9th February, 2024 laid on the Table of the Senate on Tuesday, 17th September, 2024.

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10. **MOTION - REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE PARLIAMENTARIANS’ DIALOGUE AT THE AFRICA CLIMATE SUMMIT, 2023 HELD IN THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY CHAMBER, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS, NAIROBI ON 3RD – 6TH SEPTEMBER, 2023**

(Sen. Moses Kajwang’, MP)

THAT, the Senate notes the Report of the Proceedings of the Parliamentarians’ Dialogue at the Africa Climate Summit, 2023 held in the National Assembly Chamber, Parliament Buildings, Nairobi, on 3rd – 6th September, 2023, laid on the Table of the Senate on Wednesday, 2nd October, 2024.

11. **MOTION - ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL TEACHING AND REFERRAL HOSPITALS IN KENYA**

(Sen. Johnes Mwaruma, MP)

THAT, AWARE THAT Article 43 (1) (a) of the Constitution of Kenya provides that every person has the right to the highest attainable standard of health, including reproductive health care;

NOTING THAT in Kenya, we have five National Teaching and Referral hospitals with Kenyatta University Research and Teaching Hospital in Kiambu County and Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital in Eldoret, Uasin Gishu County being the only ones outside Nairobi County;

CONCERNED THAT the bed capacity, medical equipment and human capital in these National Teaching and Referral hospitals are not sufficient to absorb all the patients seeking specialized treatment;

FURTHER CONCERNED THAT many Kenyans with critical health conditions travel long distances in order to access specialized services in Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital in Eldoret or Nairobi where the other four National Teaching and Referral hospitals are located, leading to high cost of travel, augmented disease and in some cases deaths along the way;

NOW THEREFORE the Senate urges-

1. The Ministry of Health to:
 - i. Establish National Teaching and Referral hospitals in the Coast, Eastern, North Eastern, Nyanza and Western regions; and
 - ii. Fully equip the National Teaching and Referral Hospitals with modern medical equipment, medical supplies and personnel; and

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2. The County Governments to allocate more funds to their respective health dockets to adequately facilitate their County Level 5 and Level 6 hospitals in order to enhance provision of critical health services to reduce the demand for such services from the National Teaching and Referral Hospitals.

NOTICE

The Senate resolved on 13th February, 2025 as follows: -

THAT, pursuant to Standing Order 111 (1), the Senate resolves that debate on a Motion not sponsored by the Majority or Minority Party or a Committee shall be limited in the following manner: -

A maximum of three hours with not more than twenty minutes for the Mover, twenty minutes for the Majority Party Official Responder, twenty minutes for the Minority Party Official Responder and fifteen minutes for each other Senator speaking and that fifteen minutes before the time expires, the Mover shall be called upon to reply.

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APPENDIX

1. QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS

QUESTIONS

Question No. 001 **The Senator for Marsabit County (Sen. Mohamed Chute, MP) to ask the Cabinet Secretary for Energy and Petroleum:**

- a) Could the Cabinet Secretary explain why Tari Adhi, Dub Gindole, Dogogicha, Isacko Umuro, Old Gabra Scheme, Sales Wario, Konso Banchale and other villages in Marsabit County remain without electricity connection, despite the installation of electricity transformers in the said villages?
- b) What steps has Government taken to operationalize all the electricity transformers installed across Marsabit County?
- c) Could the Cabinet Secretary also indicate the level of access to electricity in Dub Goba, Gar Qarsa, Wario Duba, Manyatta Konso, Karantina, Kofia Mbaya, Parkishon, Lakartinya and Nasikawe villages in Marsabit County, and explain what the Government is doing to achieve full electricity coverage in those villages?
- d) What is the status of the requests for installation of electricity transformers and extension of electricity connection in Ilpus, Kituruni and Kubi Bagasa villages in Marsabit County?

Question No. 068

The Senator for Marsabit County (Sen. Mohamed Chute, MP) to ask the Cabinet Secretary for Energy and Petroleum:

- a) Why has the Last Mile Connectivity programme not been implemented in the entire Marsabit County despite similar programmes being successfully rolled out in most parts of the country?
- b) What steps has the Government taken to ensure Loyangalani, Kargi, Korr, Forole and all other areas in Marsabit County without electricity are connected?
- c) Could the Cabinet Secretary provide details on the funds allocated for Last Mile Connectivity projects so far in Marsabit County, the contractors involved and the projected timelines for their completion?

Question No. 031

The Senator for Kisumu County (Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, SC, MP) to ask the Cabinet Secretary for Mining, Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs:

- a) What regulatory framework exists for mining in Kenya, particularly regarding the safety of miners and prevention of child labour, and could the Cabinet Secretary explain the attendant enforcement mechanisms?
- b) Has the Ministry conducted assessments or surveys to establish the extent of illegal gold mining operations in Kisumu County and, if so, could the Cabinet Secretary disclose the findings and explain any efforts by the Ministry to regularize the illegal mining operations?
- c) What training or capacity-building programmes does the Ministry offer to small-scale miners in Kisumu County regarding modern, safe and sustainable mining practices, in view of the various fatalities already recorded?
- d) Could the Cabinet Secretary explain the steps taken by Government to mitigate the negative environmental impact of gold mining operations in Kisumu County?

Swali Nambari. 047

Seneta Mteule (Sen. Miraj Abdillahi, Mbunge) kuuliza Waziri wa Madini, Uchumi Samawati na Maswala ya Bahari:

- a) Wizara imeweka mikakati ipi kuhakikisha ya kwamba wavuvi nchini Kenya wamepata mafunzo ya kisasa ili kuongeza mapato yao?
- b) Je, Waziri anaweza kutoa maelezo kuhusiana na matumizi ya shilingi bilioni moja zilizotolewa na Idara ya Masuala ya Kimataifa ya Serikali ya Kanada (*Global Affairs Canada*) kufadhili Mradi wa Wanawake Wanaoshiriki katika Biashara za Baharini, maarufu kama "*Investing in Women in the Blue Economy in Kenya (IIW-BEK) project*", na kuweka wazi majina ya kampuni na vikundi vilivyofaidika, kaunti wanazotoka waliofaidika, fedha walizopokea na lini walipokea fedha hizo?
- c) Je, Waziri anaweza pia kueleza ni hatua gani zinazochukuliwa na Chuo cha Bandari Maritime Academy na Mamlaka ya Usimamizi wa Bandari kuhakikisha kuwa vyeti vya mafunzo vinavyokabidhiwa na Chuo hicho vinapata utambuzi kamili wa kimataifa?

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Question No. 034 The Senator for Kitui County (Sen. Enoch Wambua, CBS, MP) to ask the Cabinet Secretary for the National Treasury and Economic Planning:

- a) What is the current status of pension disbursements to former Members of Parliament, who served between 1979 and 1992?
- b) Has National Treasury undertaken any review or adjustment of these pensions to ensure they remain fair and sustainable, considering the rising cost of living and inflation over the years?
- c) What policy measures has the Government put in place to ensure pensions align with prevailing economic conditions?

Question No. 035 The Senator for Kirinyaga County (Sen. James Murango, MP) to ask the Cabinet Secretary for the National Treasury and Economic Planning:

- a) Could the Cabinet Secretary provide a breakdown of all taxes and levies imposed throughout the entire tea supply chain?
- b) What specific taxation measures is the Ministry planning to implement in the Financial Year 2025/2026 to eliminate double taxation and other unnecessary taxes that overburden farmers and stakeholders in the tea industry?
- c) Could the Cabinet Secretary outline the challenges faced in previous attempts to eliminate some of these excessive taxes and levies on tea, and explain actions taken to address them?

Question No. 048 The Senator for Kisumu County (Sen. (Prof.) Tom Ojienda, SC, MP) to ask the Cabinet Secretary for the National Treasury and Economic Planning:

- a) What immediate measures are being implemented by the Government to address the extensive delays in processing pension claims of retired civil servants, and could the Cabinet Secretary provide a timeline for full digitization of pension records and transition to an end-to-end Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system for a more streamlined process?

- b) How is the Ministry addressing the pervasive corruption and bribery within the Pensions Department, including claims of pension payments to non-existent/ “ghost” pensioners?
- c) What is being done to ensure that pension funds, which have persistently faced significant carryovers due to underfunding and liquidity challenges, are prioritized and allocated adequate funding in future budgets?
- d) Could the Cabinet Secretary also explain any proposed regulatory reforms aimed at harmonizing outdated pension laws with contemporary digital financial management practices?

Question No. 079

Nominated Senator (Sen. Karen Nyamu, MP) to ask the Cabinet Secretary for the National Treasury and Economic Planning:

- a) Could the Cabinet Secretary state the medium-term strategy to reduce the fiscal deficit from 4.9% to a sustainable level?
- b) What measures is the Ministry undertaking to support counties noting that the 2025 Budget Policy Statement projects GDP growth at 5.3% and stable inflation, yet county governments face a contracting fiscal space and rising costs?
- c) What interventions is the Ministry implementing to address the pending bills crisis in county governments, particularly in Nairobi County, where pending bills have accumulated to approximately Kshs. 121 billion, and what mechanisms are being enforced to ensure timely settlement of supplier debts and prevent further accumulation?
- d) How does the National Treasury plan to manage increased domestic borrowing by the Government without crowding out private sector credit and stifling economic growth in light of constrained external financing and the lapse of the International Monetary Fund’s (IMF) Extended Fund Facility (EFF) and Extended Credit Facility (ECF) program, signed in April, 2021?

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NOTICE PAPER

Tentative Business for

Wednesday, June 04, 2025

(Published pursuant to Standing Order 43 (1))

It is notified that the Senate Business Committee has approved the following **tentative** business to appear in the Order Paper for Wednesday, June 04, 2025 (Afternoon Sitting).

A. BILLS AT THE SECOND READING STAGE

- i) ****THE BUSINESS LAWS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 51 OF 2024)
(The Senate Majority Leader)
- ii) *THE COUNTY GOVERNMENTS (STATE OFFICERS REMOVAL FROM OFFICE) PROCEDURE BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 34 OF 2024)
(Sen. Karungo Thang'wa, MP)
- iii) *THE COUNTY GOVERNMENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 39 OF 2024)
(Sen. George Mbugua, MP)
- iv) *THE LABOUR MIGRATION AND MANAGEMENT (NO. 2) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 42 OF 2024)
(Sen. Tabitha Mutinda, MP)
- v) *THE STREET NAMING AND PROPERTY ADDRESSING SYSTEM BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 43 OF 2024)
(Sen. Fatuma Dullo, MP)

B. BILLS AT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE STAGE

- i) *THE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 54 OF 2023)
(Sen. Eddy Oketch, MP)
- ii) **THE LOCAL CONTENT BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 50 OF 2023)
(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Energy)
- iii) *THE STREET VENDORS (PROTECTION OF LIVELIHOOD) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 41 OF 2023)
(Sen. Esther Anyieni Okenyuri, MP)
- iv) *THE SPORTS (AMENDMENT) BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 33 OF 2024)
(Sen. Edwin Sifuna, MP)

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C. MOTIONS

- i) REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND BUDGET ON THE FOURTH BASIS FOR ALLOCATING THE SHARE OF NATIONAL REVENUE AMONG COUNTIES
(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Finance and Budget)
- ii) CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF PROF. NGŪGĪ WA THIONG'O
(Sen. Danson Mungatana, MP)
- iii) CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE, LEGAL AFFAIRS AND HUMAN RIGHTS ON ITS CONSIDERATION OF A PETITION TO THE SENATE BY MR. LABAN OMUSUNDI REGARDING THE INTRODUCTION OF A FRAMEWORK FOR RECALLING NOMINATED MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLIES (MCAs)
(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Justice, Legal Affairs and Human Rights)
- iv) CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE, LEGAL AFFAIRS AND HUMAN RIGHTS ON ITS CONSIDERATION OF A PETITION TO THE SENATE BY MR. BAKARI HALIFAN MUNGE AND THREE (3) OTHER RESIDENTS OF KWALE COUNTY REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF AN AWARD BY THE ENVIRONMENT AND LAND COURT FOR COMPENSATION TO AND RESETTLEMENT OF THE OWNERS OF RAMISI PHASE 1 BLOCK 5056 IN KWALE COUNTY
(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Justice, Legal Affairs and Human Rights)
- v) REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON DEVOLUTION AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS ON A PETITION TO THE SENATE BY MR. LABAN OMUSUNDI CONCERNING THE BRANDING OF PUBLIC PROJECTS WITH IMAGES OF GOVERNORS AND MEMBERS OF COUNTY ASSEMBLIES (MCAs) AND BRANDING OF COUNTY VEHICLES
(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Devolution and Intergovernmental Relations)
- vi) REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE, LEGAL AFFAIRS AND HUMAN RIGHTS ON ITS CONSIDERATION OF THE SESSIONAL PAPER NO. 3 OF 2023 ON THE KENYA POLICY ON PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Justice, Legal Affairs and Human Rights)

- vii) REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON DEVOLUTION AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS ON ITS INQUIRY INTO THE STATE OF MARKETS IN VIHIGA AND BUNGOMA COUNTIES ARISING FROM A STATEMENT SOUGHT BY SEN. GODFREY OSOTSI, MP AND SEN. DAVID WAKOLI, MP
(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Devolution and Intergovernmental Relations)

- viii) PROGRESS REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL COHESION, EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AND REGIONAL INTEGRATION INTO AN INQUIRY ON THE DIVERSITY AND INCLUSIVITY IN THE STAFF COMPOSITION OF STATE AGENCIES IN KENYA
(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on National Cohesion, Equal Opportunity and Regional Integration)

- ix) REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENERGY ON THE COUNTY OVERSIGHT AND NETWORKING ENGAGEMENTS IN WAJIR COUNTY
(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Energy)
