UASIN GISHU COUNTY ASSEMBLY

HANSARD

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[Mr. Speaker (Hon. Isaac Terer) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

INVITATION TO THE COUNTY LEADERS' BREAKFAST MEETING

Mr. Speaker: Honourable Members, I wish to make the following communication. I have an invitation of Honourable Members by the National Council of Churches, North Rift region. This is an invitation to a county leader's breakfast meeting on national values. This breakfast meeting shall be held on Friday 13th May 2016 from7:00 AM to 9:30 AM at Sirikwa Hotel in Eldoret.

DRAFT CODE OF CONDUCT AND ETHICS

Mr. Speaker: Honourable Members, I have also received draft code of conducts and ethics from the county Public Service Board. This is a proposal by the board on code of conduct and ethics. You realise that for the county assembly service, we already finalised with this. I will commit this particular document to the committee on public service management for their consideration and reporting back to the House. Otherwise Honourable Members, I wish us good deliberation on this afternoon sitting.

PAPERS LAID

THE SECOND REPORT ON THE UASIN GISHU SECOND SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET 2015/2016 AND UASIN GISHU COUNTY SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION BILL 2016

Mr. Speaker: Honourable Chair, Budget and Appropriation, do you have a paper to table?

MCA Ngetich: Thank you, Mr. Speaker Sir. I would wish to lay the following papers: the second report on the Uasin Gishu second Supplementary Budget 2015/2016 and Uasin Gishu County Supplementary Appropriation Bill 2016.Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: Yes, the report is deemed as duly tabled on the Floor of the House. It is now the property of the House for the Members' consumption.

NOTICE OF MOTION

UASIN GISHU COUNTY SECOND SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET 2015/2016

Mr. Speaker: Honourable Jonathan Ngetich, Chair Budget and Appropriation Committee.

MCA Ngetich: Thank you, Mr. Speaker Sir. I would wish to give notice of the following motions:

That this County Assembly do adopt the committee of Budget and Appropriation's second report of the Uasin Gishu County Second Supplementary Budget 2015/2016 dated 11th May 2016 tabled on the same day with or without amendments.

REDUCTION OF PUBLICATION PERIOD OF BILL FROM SEVEN DAYS TO ONE DAY

Secondly, I want to give notice of the following motion:

That notwithstanding the provision of the Standing Order No.117, this County Assembly resolves to reduce the publication period of the Uasin Gishu County Supplementary and Appropriation Bill, (Bill No.15) 2016 from seven days to one day.

RESOLUTION TO TAKE MORE THAN ONE STAGE OF BILL IN ONE SITTING

Lastly, I would like to give notice of the following procedural motion:

That notwithstanding the provision of the Standing Order No.118 (1), this County Assembly resolves to take more than one stage of the Uasin Gishu County Supplementary and Appropriation Bill (Bill No.15) 2016 in this sitting. Thank you, Mr. Speaker Sir.

Mr. Speaker: Thank you very much. In view of the nature of the Bill, the same may be moved and the Bill may be introduced at the earliest at the Floor of the House.

MOTION

SOIL SAMPLING TO DETERMINE CAUSE OF YELLOWING OF MAIZE

(Resumption of Motion interrupted morning 11.5.2016)

Mr. Speaker: Honourable Members, this is a continuation of the business which was interrupted in the morning in view of time and still I want to apologise for not having been able to start in time in the morning session. We have a problem with our Hansard recording system. We are in the process of putting up the new system. So you bear with us. Those members who had contributed you know the provision of the standing orders; you don't have to contribute twice. So it is now for those Members who had not contributed to this motion to contribute accordingly.

(Point of order)

Mr. Speaker: Sorry, what is out of order?

MCA Werambo: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I thought it could be in order we continue where we left in the morning and the Member who was contributing when we were overtaken by time. So I thought we could continue from there. Thank you.

Mr. Speaker: Thank you, Honourable Members. I am sorry for that oversight. The Honourable Members for Kapseret will hold her horses; we allow the Honourable nominated Member Caroline Birgen, to finalise her submission.

Mr. Speaker: Honourable Caroline!

MCA Caroline: Thank you, Mr. Speaker Sir. Actually before I was interrupted I thank the honourable member for bringing such a wonderful motion and I had said that I am a farmer professionally and the people of Uasin Gishu had hope with the county government led by our

able governor, His Excellency Jackson Mandago, because he took a photo with maize plantation and most people voted him when they saw that maize. Actually this is so unfortunate that our farmers are suffering. I thank the member who brought such a motion. The yellowing of maize is caused by many factors; this is due to lack of green pigment called chlorophyll. If we carry the soil test and fertilizer sampling because most of our farmers if you work around, I have been working around and even my farm, I was there the other day and the maize plants have turned yellow. It is so unfortunate and the reason for the maize turning yellow is because of factors such as poor drainage, damage to roots, compacted roots and soil, high soil Ph and nutrient deficiency in our plants. If we do our soil test and we find that our soil is acidic we can advice the farmers. We remember that other time we passed a motion and we bought a soil tester in this county worth ten million and actually it has helped our farmers though we still need to continue using the soil tester to help our farmers to test their soil and know the status of the soil. This will help the farmers. They will be advised on the best fertilizer to use in our plants. My small research - as I had said I am a farmer - one acre is suppose to produce 38-50 bags and it's so unfortunate that nowadays we get 15 bags. We have a lot of challenges and if the farmers know the status of their soil, they will be advised of the best fertilizer. Recently most of these experts, the extension officers have been advising our farmers to use NPK. It has three components: nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium and you know nitrogen supplies different nutrients to our soil which is very necessary and has different activities in our soil. Nitrogen it meant assist in the growth of leaves, phosphorus in development of roots, seed, flora and fauna and potassium helps in strengthening the stem growth, movement of water in plants and promoting in flowering and fruiting. most farmers are advised to use NPK instead of DAP because, according to the research, it was found that NPK dissolves faster in soil and if the farmers used it, they are in a better position of their crops being the best. When our farmers were advised it unfortunate that the maize have turned yellowish. Despite other factors kept constant the farmers have realised that they are becoming yellow. This fertilizer also needs to be checked to find out if this fertilizer had expired since the farmers are actually suffering and we don't know who will compensate these farmers. We realise the other time that farmers had also suffered from the problem of lethal maize necrosis. I heard that few members were compensated. This is another problem and disaster that will force these members to desist from farming and do other things. Personally I have grown maize for food only. I decided to plant nippier grass and other things. I saw farming is wasting me because I put a lot of inputs on maize from planting until harvesting but when I go to sell I got loss. It is better to buy maize than investing in doing this. I do support this motion that we need to do a lot of research, the soil to be tested and farmers to be advised on the best fertilizer and fertilizer sampling to be done so that we know where the problem was. Actually if the fertilizers are fake or expired then there is need to compensate these farmers. Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir.

Mr. Speaker: Thank you, honourable Caro for making this House to know you are a farmer. I was only hoping that you did not plant yellow maize. Honourable Member for Kapseret.

MCA Tuwei: Thank you so much, Mr. Speaker Sir. I stand also to support the motion which is urgent for county government to work with the national agencies in ensuring the root cause of the problem that facing the farmers is known. This is one of the motions which is very crucial and has to be handled as a matter of agency because of our farmers in Uasin Gishu who exercise good maize farming. When I read the report of the motion it makes me worried because we have always known that Uasin Gishu including Trans Nzoia which I have also been informed that it is also affected and yet it is the bread basket of maize in Kenya. We really need to handle the matter urgently and get solution which will assist our people. Most us of were educated through this kind of farming. I am told that the farmers got there seeds and fertilizers from National Cereals and Produce Board (NCPB) stores. I get to doubt because I can't believe the government

can give its people substandard fertilizes or seeds. I am so keen in seeing report because we are urging them to give us a report so that we can establish the causes of the problem that our farmers are actually facing. All in all agriculture is one of the sectors which are almost fully devolved function. We really need to assist these farmers by ensuring that the whole of Uasin Gishu our officers engage in soil sampling so that their work is to give orders of what is being required by these farmers. for example if the soil have been sampled in Moi's Bridge the report is brought to the NCPB so that when those farmers from Moi's Bridge come to buy the fertilizers and the needs, they are also advised that this is best for their places. We really need to empower our farmers to exercise planting on time because you realise that most of the farmers, because of very many challenges, end planting when the rain is almost subsiding. When such a case happens you realise that the crops yields and issues such as stunted growth is experienced. Our farmers need to be empowered on proper planting time. They also need to be empowered on the importance of using the right fertilizer and seeds on farming. I am really interested in knowing this report because I know of late we passed a motion which was urging the county government to partner with national government in ensuring that we really look into the issues of our farmers. We all know that our farmers have been exploited by the middlemen. We are told that most of them end up manufacturing these seeds and fertilizers which have not been approved to be of the right quality to be used. We really need to assist our farmers so that they are not actually exploited by these middlemen. This motion has come at the right time because our farmers who grow wheat are about to plant. Therefore, as a government, we actually need to move with speed because we don't want find to this problem being experienced by wheat farmers. I wish to urge my colleagues to actually pass this motion so that our mothers and fathers who are serious farmers can be assisted for once. Therefore I support this motion. Thank you.

Mr. Speaker: Thank you, Honourable Member. Honourable Member for Kapsoya!

MCA Kemboi: Thank you, Mr. Speaker Sir. I rise to support the motion. First and foremost, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the member who brought this motion, as we know it is a matter of concern most of our famers were affected this year. I am also a victim because I am a famer. Most of the maize in my area where I come from and where I represent famers were affected. In all the farm plantations maize are yellow but there was a point of concern because the fertilizers came when it was late and famers were being advised to use NPK and most of our farmers are fond of using DAP, though experts were saying that DAP has brought acidity to the soil. So this time round we need our researchers to go to the famers and test the soil acidity and confirm what is happening with our farms. So this is a matter of urgency and I beg this House to pass this motion because it is a matter of concern to our famers. Thank you, Mr. Speaker Sir.

Mr. Speaker: Thank you very much. Honourable Salome Busienei.

MCA Salome: Thank you, Mr. Speaker Sir. I stand strongly to support this motion. First of all may I just thank Honourable Member for Soy for coming up with this motion. Thank you for that. Mr. Speaker, may I just say that this motion is needed to be passed urgently because this issue has actually affected the famers. I as a famer I am really affected together with the county and also Trans Nzoia County. As you know, Mr. Speaker Sir, these two counties are the counties that feed this country, so I am worried about how this country is going to move if at all these counties are going to be affected. Therefore immediate investigation needs to be done, Mr. Speaker, because we are facing danger in this county. I support this motion.

Mr. Speaker: Thank you very much, Honourable Salome. Honourable Pius, Member for

Tembelio.

MCA Kigen: Thank you very much, Hon Speaker, for giving me this opportunity. First of all I want to thank the Hon Member who brought this motion. Hon Speaker, this is a motion which is touching the lives of the people of this county. Hon Speaker, this is a serious issue and, Mr Speaker, I think we should reach a time where we should say as the representatives of the farmers that enough is enough, Hon Speaker. Our farmers have really suffered and I don't know who will save them if not this House. We start from seeds. To get seeds, Hon Speaker, people suffer so much until a times people start selling maize and seeds from their stores and our farmers have been calling this one s*ix choge (uncertified maize seed),* in another language, Hon Speaker. As if it is not enough, to get fertilizer also is problem to the extent that the other day when our Deputy President and our Governor---
Hon Speaker, I want to tell you those farmers would not have planted by now. Do we need to wait until the Deputy President comes here or our Excellency the Governor? For how long will farmers suffer in this county? Uasin Gishu is the bread basket. Is it true?
Mr Speaker, some of us have thought it otherwise because our farmers are suffering, people are importing maize and they are selling it with good prices and others have brought in cheap maize which has destroyed the spirit of farming in this county. Hon Speaker, the other aspect also is market. These farmers plant at the end of the year; cereals don't buy our maize, the milers don't buy our maize. Now what do we do as farmers, Hon Speaker? This time if you visit anywhere even as you go along the way all maize is yellow in colour. Another old man was telling me all his maize is yellow and I don't know if we will eat that kind of maize. If you talk of the market it is a problem, getting seeds is a problem, getting fertilizer is a problem and the cost of production is also exorbitant. Farmers have really suffered and if nothing is done I think soon we will organize a very big demonstration that nobody will stop may be only when Jesus Christ comes because we will not suffer forever. The prayer of this motion, Hon Speaker, and we would want to say that if it is passed, it should be taken to the other side by our Sergeant-at-Arms in full uniform. We want this report immediately because the planting season for wheat is nearing. We should get the results of this fertilizer before our wheat farmers go to the farm. We should get it but if that is not the case then leave it to us. We can go and get fertilizer in other places even at the shops. We want examination to be done and if it will be discovered that the fertilizer is expired, as we have already heard some rumours, if somebody has brought or imported expired fertilizer to Kenya, Mr speaker, I think somebody will see those of us from this place we are only circumcised ones and this will be hot. The other day my farmers from three cooperative societies deposited sh50 million to buy fertilizer at the National Cereals and Produce Board: Tuiyoluk sh20 million, Kimoning Cooperative Society sh10 million, Kaptuli sh5 million and then Elgeiyo Border totalling tosh 50 million, Hon Speaker. The money our people spent to buy fertiliser Hon Speaker, fertiliser that has made maize to whiten, Mr Speaker. This is serious, Mr Speaker, we want examination done.

(Point of Order)

Mr. Speaker: What is out of order, Hon Naomi?

MCA Naomi: Mr Speaker, is it in order for the Member to issue threats to the concerned parties. The basis has not been established whether it is the soil or fertiliser.

Mr. Speaker: Honourable Member, are you issuing threats or are you stressing a point?

MCA Kigen: I am expressing a point, Honourable Speaker, and I can repeat it even ten times because I am bitter, Honourable Speaker, and if somebody is not bitter then sure you are not in this country or in this county.

Mr Speaker: Do you need information, Honourable member?

MCA Kigen: Yes, I need; he is the mover and I need that information, Mr Speaker.

MCA Chirchir, I: Thank you, Mr Speaker. I need to inform this House, the question exactly is the fertilizer because a farmer who got both the fertilizer from the shop other than the subsidised fertilizers the maize is green and doing well. The fertilisers that were bought and subsidised from the NCPB especially the first lot, Mr Speaker, are the ones that are affected and we have farms to demonstrate that.

MCA Kigen: It is true. I remember even my neighbour, the time we went to cereals there were no fertilizer and it was almost raining, Mr Speaker, so they just went to the shops. If you see their maize it is green; it does not even need spectacles to see, Honourable Speaker. Honourable Speaker, I want to urge that this test be done and analysis be done immediately and, as soon as we get it, let the results come to this House and we will make a decision as, as stakeholders in this county. Honourable Speaker, I totally support this motion. Thank you so much.

Mr. Speaker: Thank you. The Honourable Nominated Member Naomi.

MCA Naomi: Thank you, Mr Speaker. I stand to support this motion. It is really a point of concern. I support the prayer of this motion sampling and analysing. I was trying to think a bit widely that plant growth is directly dependant on three issues. One, that is seedlings, two, fertilizer and third, nature of the soil. When we talk about the nature of soil here, suppose we do soil analysis, and while analysing that we look at the content of basis or rather the basis of plant nutrient like the nitrogen content, phosphorus, content, potassium, PH and humus. We can also look at total sulphur content and other physical characteristics such as soil permeability and density.

The second question we can ask ourselves, does fertilizer affect crop growth? The answer can be yes or no. why yes? Yes because maybe a times because the fertilizer has some problems or maybe the nutrients content is not balanced or other reasons best known to scientists. It can also be NO in this way: maybe the soil nutrients is not balanced, it's a bit of acidic or the other things. In supporting this motion it is my prayer that when this sampling analysis is being done let it be done once and for all for the case of fertilizer, seedlings and the nature of the soil. I strongly support the motion. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr Speaker: I wish to remind the House that actually sampling was done and most farmers in this county were advised on the particular type of fertilizers.

(Applause)

Going by the experience, the matter of concern seems to be zeroing down to fertilizer. I think we are on course. Honourable whip, Majority Whip, Sing'oei.

MCA Sing'oei: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also rise in support of this motion that was brought by honourable Isaac Chirchir, Member representing Soy Ward. I think you have said it right because I remember last year the county Government of Uasin Gishu went round to do soil sampling and if you go to the ministry or the department of agriculture, you will find a chart showing the areas that are supposed to use 23:23:0 NPK, as it was said by somebody. Some

areas are allowed to use DAP or at least recommended. There are certain facts that I think Members have also raised or concerned. If you go to a farmer that used DAP - because we need to also narrow it down as you said to a certain particular fertilizer - if you go to the farmers or farms that used DAP the growth and the maize are looking normal. I have heard Honourable Chirchir say that even those who used the same fertilizer 23:23:0 and bought it from maybe other distributors the maize is normal. I think we are almost narrowing it down that if it was because of soil then even using another type would become yellow. If it was the seeds then it would still be showing using the other fertilizer. I want to believe because I had raised this issue with the CEC Dr. Cyril and he said he was working on something. I don't know because he was not able to tell me exactly what he was working on. He had also alluded that the first lot of the fertilizer is the culprit of this yellowing of maize. My question to our county government is whenever we are given fertilizer or any farm input, I think it is our responsibility to make sure that we guarantee quality and we need to establish a bureau in our county to ensure that farmers whenever there is any input from any quarter it must be tested to show that it has sufficient nutrients for our crops. I support this motion. I know we will talk about soil sampling, but I support that let us start with the culprits so that we can assist the farmers who are yet to plant like the wheat farmers and the other farmers who are going to need this fertilizer from the cereals board. In supporting this motion we are also asking our county government to be on alert not just becoming fire fighters so that whenever we are not only fertilizers but also the seeds that ensure the seeds are of quality so that we don't do an aftermath and complain. What we are doing now most farmers who plant maize have already done so. The damage has already been done; we are moving this motion maybe for the next planting season and also to save those who are doing wheat farming. We need, as a county, also to establish a quality assurance measure so that we are able to detect if there is and not trust that the national government the ministry of agriculture are able to do it. If you look at some of the things being sold at the supermarkets, we have the bureau of standards and some things are malfunctioning yet they have the logo. We need to go a notch higher. I stand to support this motion. Thank you

Mr. Speaker: Honourable Chirchir, the mover.

MCA Chirchir, I: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In reply, Mr. Speaker, I want to ably congratulate the members, that are standing with our farmers this evening so that they relieve this county and this country of the cartels. This is as a result that this country has been held hostage by middlemen and cartels that can bring in anything so that they can get money, Mr. Speaker. I want raid in on the Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS) that they are really sleeping on their job. In fact the standard in this county, Mr. Speaker, and this country is really wanting to an extent that the whole nation can suffer in food security which is one of the things that country must take care as number one in any country, Mr. Speaker. That the Kenya Bureau of Standards, that is, giving standard on what is required in this county is really sleeping on their jobs. We want to ask them that they randomly take the sample from the farmers. As we also pursue the matter through the County Government the Kenya Bureau of Standards should also follow it with a lot of urgency.

Mr. Speaker, I want to also to say that the effect of NPK, as other members alluded, that it might be fertilizer or not. this is a process whereby the actual conversion of the nitrogen to nitrates by a bacteria known as azotobacter in the soil is inhibited to an extent it is not converted to nitrates to allow, during photosynthesis, the creation of chlorophyll that assists in food creation of the plant and that is the science behind it. We cannot allow any other person inhibit that process, Mr. Speaker. I do congratulate the members and I am urging the Government with immediate effect - and as I have said that this motion be taken to executive immediately from this sitting so that it can be acted upon and the affected members are even compensated. We can sue as a

county; we can sue to the world standard, Mr. Speaker on the kind of consumption. This is not a dumping ground for the people who have exhausted their things. We can sue the supplier of this fertilizer as well as the Government for negligence to our farmers.

Mr. Speaker, so we are not threatening anyone, but we want justice to be done to our farmers once and for all. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and I urge members to support this motion once again.

Mr. Speaker: Thank you, Honourable members. I wish to appreciate the level of research that has done and put in to the contribution in to this motion. This is indeed a timely motion because it touches on the main economic activity in this county. I will now put the question as follows.

(Question put and agreed to)

Mr. Speaker : Honourable Members, the motion is taken and, in view of the importance of this motion and the request that has been made during the submission of various members , the resolution of this House will be made ready before the end of the day and the same shall be delivered to the County Executive in the in the form and format so requested by Members and those would be my Orders.

Next Order!

MOTION

SECOND REPORT ON UASIN GISHU COUNTY SECOND SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET 2015/2016

Speaker: Honourable Jonathan Ngetich, Chairperson Budget and Appropriation Committee.

MCA Ngetich: Thank you, Mr. Speaker Sir. I rise to move the following motion:

That this county Assembly do adopt the Committee of Budget and Appropriation second report on Uasin Gishu county second supplementary budget 2015/2016 dated 11th may 2016 tabled on the same date with or without amendments.

MCA Ngetich: Mr. Speaker Sir, I believe that all of us Honourable members who are here have a copy of the second report of the second report of Budget and Appropriation Committee.

Mr. Speaker Sir, we are approaching the end of our financial year; we have two months to the end of the financial year. The Committee of Budget and Appropriation together with the CEC, Finance and Economic Planning, Mr. Speaker, sat and analysed the expenditure of executive development budget together with the executive recurrent Budget.

Mr. Speaker, a lot of questions were raised. The questions raised surround the absorption capacity of the executive on our budget and having sat on various occasions, Mr. Speaker, it necessitated the executive to come up with the supplementary budget. One, to ensure that monies that are not likely to be consumed in one department and another department is likely to use, Mr. Speaker, necessitated the supplementary budget. Two , Mr. Speaker is that there are votes in recurrent that were underfunded and the second reason as to why we are doing this supplementary budget is to correct underfunded votes, Mr. Speaker, in both the county Assembly and the executive in recurrent.

Mr. Speaker Sir, allow me not to re-read the whole report in view of the size of the report and time. Mr. Speaker sir the membership of the budget and appropriation committee comprises of eleven members as out lined in the standing Orders and our obligation and roles as stated in the report. The area of concern and I wanted raise so that these members can note and I have already noted because we have held various Kamukunjis

Mr. Speaker, the areas of concern to the department of finance and economic planning is that we decreased votes from other areas in the same department by sh18million and increased to other sector in the same department by ah15 million. So the net effect in the department of finance is the reduction of sh3million Mr. Speaker.

In the department of ICT, Mr. Speaker, we reduced sh10.17 million and added on the same sh10 million to other areas in ICT and the net effect is a reduction of sh7million.

Mr. Speaker, the roads department we reduced 47million in other sectors of development that we felt will not be consumed and added extra sh130 million and that the net effect is an increase of sh82million in the department of roads.

In Health Department, we decreased sh70 million and added sh20 million to be taken to the Ward Hospitals for completion; the net effect is a reduction of sh70 million.

In the Department Of Agriculture we reduced sh114 million and increased sh20 million for the supply of Acaricides, vaccination and seedlings so the net effect is a reduction of sh94 million.

In trade we reduced sh40 million and added sh10 million, so the net effect is 30 million. In the Department Of Education, we reduced sh59 million and added sh101 million, so the net effect is an increase of sh42 million in the Department Of Education. For Public Service Board, we had given them around sh4 million for purchase of a motor vehicle. They purchased motor vehicle with around sh3.2 million so there was a remainder of Ksh.727 000; we reduced that amount. In the Lands Department we did not touch anything on lands but we increased sh30 million for land banking. In water, we did not touch anything in water but we increased sh51 million.

If I may give a summary of what we did and what this money are to do, Mr. Speaker, in Roads Department it will be very important to note that gravelling of our roads is very important and it takes the shortest time possible for all the identified roads in Uasin Gishu County to be graveled. So instead of returning the money to the National Treasury for us to get back in the next Financial Year, we would rather re-allocate to departments that can easily consume and one of such departments is roads. So with roads it is to do with gravelling of our County roads.

In the Department Of Health, we have the construction of Sub-County Hospitals, it is a continuation. We have Ziwa, Burn Forest - I am not sure of Moiben and Turbo. The construction is ongoing. We may not pay at the course of this Financial Year. That is why we decided to re-budget those monies to areas where we can easily consume. Therefore, there is a reduction of sh70 million for the Sub- County Hospitals and we added sh20 million to our ward hospitals to be given to the Committees through the FOSA (Front Office Services Activity) Account so that the monies can be absorbed.

In the department of Agriculture we have construction of cooling structures that were identified. Around 38 cooling structures were to be constructed in Uasin Gishu County. The tenders were given few weeks ago. The process will take a long time. To start construction it may take another six months. Some did not apply; some lots were not applied, so it was re-tendered. It is now in the evaluation stage. Considering time frame of evaluation and the like, we are not likely to consume that money. That is why we are reducing sh94 million from the department of

Agriculture so that we can re-budget in the next financial year as budget to complete those projects.

(Point of order)

Mr. Speaker: Yes, Honourable Pius, what is out of order?

MCA Kigen: Is it in order, Honourable Speaker, that of all the members of this committee, of all of them, it is only the chair who is here? So we do not understand whether it is by design or it is a go-slow sabotage. Note that it is only the Chairperson who is here, so I do not understand. I seek your indulgence Honourable Speaker on this.

Mr. Speaker: Honourable Members, I have not noted that myself. It has not caught my eye but, Honourable Members, so long as we have a quorum and we have the mover of a particular motion which has been approved and brought to the Floor of the House, then the business of this House has to continue. The fact that we do not have members of a particular committee so long as the mover of this motion is in then it will be up to him to defend that particular report because the presumption is that the report was unanimously agreed at the committee level. Now that it is in the Floor of the House, it will be in order that we proceed with the business of the day. Proceed, Honourable Member.

MCA Ngetich: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I had not even realized that also but I would want to inform this House that this is no longer a committee report; it is the whole House report. It was the report of the committee but it has been tabled in the House. So I think it will be okay if we as well discuss.

I was giving an explanation on the various votes. In education department you realize that that is an area that can easily consume the money and the sh100 million in that department would easily be taken to our ECDE classrooms. Around 140 ECDE classrooms have been identified and that will assist us in absorption so that in the next financial year we can do something else. I have just mentioned the department of water also. Remember when we were discussing the County Fiscal Strategy Paper we gave the Department of Water, Environment and Natural Resources as the priority number one for Uasin Gishu County. We wanted to start with this supplementary budget. That is the reason we added sh51 million. This sh51 million will be spread across all areas of Uasin Gishu County in the units of wards. In the Department of Lands we added sh30 million for the same; this is for the land banking. Areas have been identified, roads that are not connecting, some necessary ECDEs that do not have land, the County Government has identified areas to purchase land, to connect roads and the likes.

Let me mention something to do with the County Assembly. In the County Assembly we have only sh4 million that was taken from recurrent to development. As you mentioned, Mr. Speaker, while giving the message today, our Hansard system needs to be improved so that will go a long way in improving the Hansard system. I believe that when that system comes I will not be leaning the way I am doing right now. It will consider my height when those gadgets come.

Considering all this and considering the time frame that we have, I want to kindly request this House that we do approve this report, we do approve the second Supplementary Budget for Uasin Gishu County for us to realize the development that we promised our people. With those many remarks, I urge our Whip to second because my members are not here. Thank you.

Mr. Speaker: Honourable David Sing'oei.

MCA Sing'oei: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. For the first time I have the privilege of being a member of this committee and given the opportunity to second this motion it is my honour to say I oblige. Given the fact that supplementary budget is done mainly because some projects were either under estimated or over estimated and also the other constraints, the issue of the IFMIS (Integrated Financial Management Information System) could not allow most of the departments to absorb the budget . Given the fact that we have less than two months to implement the budget, it is very important that we do a supplementary budget and allocate some of the funds to departments that are in need, whereas we intended to give money in our next financial year. But if we are able to do it now, why not give them. I also want to take this opportunity, as I second this motion, to dispel the rumour that the National Government has always been trying to use against the County Governments, that counties have been given money and the money has been returned to the National Treasury. I do not understand why we capitalize on that. We all know that the money does not go back to the National Government. Whenever there is money that has been returned it goes to our County Treasury to be re-allocated back to the same programmes. So I do not see the reason why we are always saying when the money goes back the people of Uasin Gishu are going to say a, b, c, and d.

This County Government has tried the much they could with all the challenges of the IFMIS (Integrated Financial Management Information System) to implement the budget. But because of the challenges and the teething problems of devolution, they have not been able to do so. Let us not lie to the people of Uasin Gishu or the people of Kenya that when you do not spent money, the money goes back to the National Government. I want us to dispel that rumour so that people know that if there was a road to be done that road will be done now or even tomorrow and the money for that programme will either be re-appropriated in this supplementary budget or it is going to come in the next financial year.

That is why every year our budget is swelling. Our budget this year was around sh7 billion. The reason is not because we have been given sh7 billion by the National Government; it is because we have been rolling over some funds to the following financial year. Hopefully when we get the budget for this year, some money obviously because of the challenges we have faced will roll over to the next financial year. It may go up to sh8 billion but we are also asking the county government to speed up the process so that we are able to deliver services to our people. This document we went through at the *Kamukunji* and I am satisfied that what the County Government intends to do in the next one or two months meets the standards of Financial management of resources. I stand to second this motion and request our Honourable Members to support it, Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

Mr. Speaker: Thank you, Honourable David Sing'oei.

(Question Proposed)

Mr. Speaker: Honourable Member for Kapseret.

MCA Tuwei: Thank you, Mr. Speaker Sir. I stand to support the report moved by Honourable Jonathan. The Supplementary Budget has come in at the right time when we need it. I want to point out some of the issues that I find them not in order. When we look at the report on the proposed second supplementary, the item number nine is telling us the department of lands during the first supplementary budget were given sh168, 461, 103. During this supplementary budget that we are yet to pass you realise that it has been noted as sh198 461 103. This is a department which has been given some more allocation. When you look at the schedule, the Order Paper that we have in the Supplementary Budget II notes, when you look at the department of lands it is the vice versa. It is talking of the First Supplementary being Ksh.198

461 103 while the second one is talking of sh168 461 103. My point here is that I guess maybe there was some bit of errors that need to be re-done because I know this is a department that was given more allocation but not the other way. There are some departments that were unable to --- though we have not ended this Financial Year, there are some departments that have re-allocated the funds and some of the reason for re-allocation is that maybe those departments are sleeping on their job. This is because, why should a department seek for this amount of money and at the end of the Financial Year they are unable to consume. That brings to my attention that there could be some likelihood that the department is not doing their work properly. Allow me to notify those departments because they really need to pull up their socks, we could not be doing this. Some of the departments are like the Department on Finance, The Department of ICT, Department of Trade and Department of Health. They are unable to consume what they requested. So they really need to do something in their departments.

I think we are doing something good because we will not want to be embarrassed by the end of the financial year because we have thought it wise to reallocate our Budget and ensure that these funds are actually consumed in the right way. There have been some notions by the public that when this money is not consumed it is taken back to the National Treasury, which is not the case. So to avoid such embarrassment, I urge the concerned departments to do their work on time. This County Government is embracing the issue of Public Finance Management Act that talks of the development being not less than 30%. When you look at the Supplementary Budget it has touched some of the developments such as construction of the ECDEs. It has also touched on the department of water where extension of water supply, the department of Lands, department of roads and public works has also been touched.

I support this motion and urge my colleagues to support it so that development can be done to the people of Uasin Gishu. Thank You Mr. Speaker sir.

Mr. Speaker: Honourable Pius Member for Tembelio.

MCA Kigen: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also stand to support this motion. In most cases a Supplementary Budget is unavoidable owing to various instances. At times it can be necessitated by shortfall in vote heads or rather the realization that the departments are not able to spend the money that has been allocated to them. I would like to congratulate the committee led by the Chair, Member of Kaptagat who is my neighbour for what they have done in their wisdom to re-allocate some of the vote heads which ordinarily would not have been absorbed or would have deficiencies. I want also to thank the CECs through the efforts of the committee for realising that indeed they need to be sincere that really they will not be able to absorb those funds in view of the time left before the end of the season. Last year they argued so much until they convinced us that they were able to absorb only to make the rating of our county to drop by double digit. This year out of experience the committee of Budget and Appropriation has embraced upon the various departments that really it will not be practically possible for them to absorb some of the funds and I want to thank them for accepting that.

I want also to congratulate the committee for setting priorities, putting more funds on water, ECDEs and Roads. I think it is a good gesture on their part and that shows their sensitivity to the felt needs our people. Indeed water is so dear to our people and is next to their chests and it is so important to our mothers. We still appeal that maybe in the coming budgets that we will put more resources on water the way we did for infrastructure. I also want to thank them for putting more money on ECDEs; most of our ECDE structures are dilapidated and they are in bad state and, if we were to rely on the usual budget, it would take some of our wards 15 years to complete all the ECDEs but with this, I want to thank the committee that they thought of it and I

am happy that Tembelio will get eight new additional facilities which ordinarily if we were to go by the previous criteria it would take eight years. I want also to congratulate them for bringing more money on roads and health. Most of our roads although passable are still in dilapidated state, we need to gravel and install drainages. I thank them for that. The other aspect that is important is the implementation aspect; we need to ask our self. Are we really doing our role as far as implementation and oversight is concerned? We need to pull up our socks so that even with this remaining period and for this amount that we have allocated I would wish to ask the implementation committee to really assist us here to ensure these funds are channelled through the newly established FOSA (Front Office Service Activities). Although we know it is a new creature, we believe that it is going to serve us because we know as the project management committee did. We need to know also that, as Honourable Whip said, that this year the budget we were saying it is at sh7 billion but really indeed most of the funds were rolled over. This will not give this county and the people of Uasin Gishu the benefit. We would like to urge and insist that we spend and absorb. The more we absorb the more the CRA (Commission for Revenue Allocation) will allocate funds to this county. That is the secret that most of the counties are doing. I know of a county which started with sh5.4 billion and because they consumed everything now they have moved up to sh6 billion. So that is another secret that our county needs to realise so that we will also get more money from the National Government. Thank you so much. I beg to support.

Mr. Speaker: Honourable Muya!

MCA Muya: Thank you very much, Mr Speaker Sir. I want also to rise in support of the report on Budget and Appropriation Committee of the second supplementary budget. Mr Speaker, before I support I want to commend the good work that has been done by Budget and Appropriation Committee with the help of all sectoral committee to make sure we have realised this important document for this great county of Uasin Gishu. Mr. Speaker, supplementary budget in all governments is very key because it informs the government on where there were excess and shortages so that the implementation of a financial year can be done to make sure the citizens of a given country have been served to their expectations. I want to say congratulation to the CEC finance and the officers that they worked together to make sure that they relooked into what the leadership of the county were saying. I want to say that indeed as people of Uasin Gishu County, we have issues with our road networks ,we have issues with our waters and if you look keenly you find that is what informed the budget and appropriation committee to see there is need to do addition and subtraction in some ministries and I am sure if we are going to pass this budget today ,Uasin Gishu is not going to remain the same again because it will help us even in the absorption capacity that we have today and I am sure there are plans underway to make sure this supplementary budget is going to be implemented to the letter. I don't want to take much of the time because a lot of good has been said by the speakers before me ,and I want to say that for sure that supplementary budget have taken time of this honourable members from last week ,the whole of yesterday. I saw Honourable Members sitting in a *Kamukunji* trying to internalise this important document for the sake of Uasin Gishu people. I am sure what they were presenting today is for the good of the whole county and therefore, I don't want to sit down before commenting that it's only the other day the business of this House was delayed because of the IT department in this county assembly and with this supplementary budget all these is going to be addressed.

Mr Speaker, even our procurement even the leadership of this assembly are using modems to make sure that the operations of these assembly is up to date. Passing this supplementary budget will convince us that all these will be things of the past, because they are going to make sure that the ICT, the Hansard Department, is going to be given a facelift so that the problem that we have

been facing as an assembly will be the thing of the past. Mr. Speaker, without much ado I want to say, Honourable Members, thank you, thank you very much for the support you have shown and the committee I deputise. We have other issues. I know we have men and women of wisdom as honourable members that know what is before us that we finalise with this issue, we support fully and we make sure we finalise the business of the day for the sake of Uasin Gishu people. I fully support and urge the whole House to fully support this report of Budget and Appropriation Committee of supplementary budget. Thank you and I support the report. Thank you.

Mr. Speaker: Honourable Anne.

[The Speaker (Hon Isaac Terer) left the Chair]

MCA Anne: Thank you so much, Mr. Speaker sir. I rise in support of the second supplementary budget of Uasin Gishu County. a budget is a tool that is used in sharing resources and given that these is the second budget, it doesn't break a bone if we pass it as it is. I have looked at the assembly budget over time. I have been wondering the installation of machines, the biometric machines that has not been used and at least today, I have seen in the supplementary budget where it has been captured that some money has been set aside to finalise on the website and the biometric software. I look forward that this budget has come to really facilitate the completion so that we are able to log in and so that the money does not go to waste because a lot has been put there. I have seen the priorities have been really captured well; water a given priority. Since I was born my mother has been carrying water over years and she is aging and the issues of arthritis are coming in. The cry in the whole county has really been water. I look forward that this budget will be able to address the challenges facing women and the whole county at large because water is key. I have seen also on roads, with the rains that are continuously pouring, there is need for our roads to be repaired here and there and it will really require some money. My plea is that, as we pass this supplementary budget, our oversight is going to yield fruits if we, as committees, bring in quarterly reports , so that we are able to interrogate and also call the in-charge to give us answers why the delay. That will be able to put tarmac and to ensure they are also moving with the speed that is required. As I conclude, I would wish that the controller of budget uses a better terminology this round because those two words, the end of the financial period uses a very strong term that steal the peace of so many Kenyans, that counties were unable to spend. Such statements are too strong especially as we go towards elections and most of us are looking to come back.

Mr. Speaker Sir, I wish he should get a better terminology this time round so that the members of the public don't see that they elected group of members that were not able to consume the funds and they will have a good reason to replace us yet we still want to enjoy our come-back. I strongly support the budget and look forward that the allocation given to education should really be able to address the special programs for women especially on pads, *Always,* to our school-going girls so that they are not affected; their education can continue as usual. Otherwise I strongly support this supplementary budget and request members that we pass it so that we can move forward as a county. Thank you.

Deputy Speaker: Hon Rosebella.

MCA Rosebella: Thank you. I rise in support of this report on the second supplementary budget for this county. Indeed we need this supplementary budget, just because a budget, as one of the members has said, is a tool that activates the programs and activities of this county and without a budget we cannot move or implement any project or activities. Supplementary budget is there to cushion the under-budgeted votes and also to help the budgets that have been over-budgeted. Time is not on our side; we have two months to end of this financial year of

2015/2016 and if this supplementary budget is not done we will go back to the scenario that since the inception of this county government, we have always gone in record. This budget will act in ensuring that we are able to at least absorb all the money. If we cannot absorb the money we will still go the record. This will remedy that and by doing so, I want to congratulate the Committee of Budget and Appropriation especially on the side of development. Just as members have said that on the side of water, the load of women will be offloaded from their shoulders when they have the water and the taps right at their doorstep. I stand to support the report .Thank you, Mr Speaker Sir.

Deputy Speaker: Honourable Members, before we proceed I would like to wish to seek your indulgence that we are transacting a very important business and we don't want a challenge in terms of quorum. Therefore let be patient, Honourable Members, so that we can save on the other orders of the day.

Hon Deputy Whip.

MCA Caroline Birgen: Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I want to take this opportunity to thank the committee members led by our able chair of budget honourable Ngetich for sitting and working on this supplementary budget. actually we thank the members and we can see what they did was something wonderful and we can compare what they have budgeted and actually they have used--- they have said that the money that is unlikely to be used is supposed to be absorbed to avoid the propaganda that there is one member who said - not the member of this House - that when he was coming he found the money of Uasin Gishu going back to Nairobi. Actually we have seen that that they have budgeted for department of roads and we have seen that roads department are taking a bigger amount of money. Actually we are seeing, that department, has enabled our county to get grader of roads our county government has been congratulated. We see that they have seen to it that it is good to add the money for that department. Again we see there is enough money for education as it is known the ECDE was devolved and we need more money to develop our ECDEs. Surely I thank the committee members as we also see that there was some money that was not there for land banking and they provided the money. This is where the money will used to buy the available land maybe if they need a school or even a place to put a dip and there is no public land they will be able to buy the land using the money .We also see that there is money for water and actually our women have undergone problems and frustrations looking for water from far and this will be able to help them a lot. The only thing I didn't see is the money for disaster management. I didn't see as they did not add money for disaster management. I urge the committee that in future like now we have a lot of challenges with the rains we have blessing from God and we can see every member has the challenges in their wards. When you walk around you see there is a lot of water so we could need a lot of money for disaster management and rescuing the situation as per now. Thank you, Mr. Speaker Sir.

Mr Speaker: Honourable Salome.

MCA Salome: Thank you, Mr. Speaker Sir, for giving me this chance to support this motion in that this supplementary budget should be passed without any question. Why do I say this is because this is a key to any development of this county, any activity of this county? We are around the corner whereby this year is ending, so we need as leaders to stand and agree and let this motion to be passed. At least we can use amount that has been located to our different departments. We as leaders either nominated or elected, we are here to work for this county or to work for our people. Therefore we need to use that money that has been allocated to different

departments and even prove to people that we are leaders who can work for them. Mr. Speaker Sir, I stand to support this motion. Thank you.

Deputy Speaker: Therefore now put the question, Honourable Members.

(Question put and agreed to)

Deputy Speaker: Honourable Members, the second supplementary budget 2015/2016 has been adopted. Honourable Jonathan Ngetich.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

REDUCTION OF BILL'S PUBLICATION PERIOD FROM SEVEN DAYS TO ONE

MCA Ngetich: Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir. I stand to move the following procedural motion:

Notwithstanding the provisional Standing Order No 117; this county assembly resolves to reduce the publication period of the Uasin Gishu county supplementary appropriation bill (bill No 15) 2016 from seven days to one day.

Mr. Speaker Sir, we only have six weeks before the end of our financial year. Once we have approved this supplementary budget, Mr. Speaker Sir, it has to be loaded into our IFMIS system both in the national Controller of Budget's office and the office of the County Controller Budget, Uasin Gishu and our system in the County Government of Uasin Gishu, which would take another one week. Mr. Speaker, if we were to wait for one week to approve the budget or the publication of the appropriation bill, we will not realize the intention of the supplementary budget. Mr. Speaker, I beg to request this House that we reduce the publication period from seven days to one day and I request Honourable Sugut to second.

Deputy Speaker: Honourable member for Megun.

MCA Sugut: Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir. Because of the seriousness of the matter, I second the motion.

Deputy Speaker: I therefore now propose the question, Honourable Members.

(Question proposed)

Deputy Speaker: Ensuing debate.

(Silence)

Deputy Speaker: I now put the question

(Question put and agreed to)

Deputy Speaker: Honourable Members, it has been resolved that the publication period of the Uasin Gishu county second supplementary bill be reduced to one day and we can proceed to the next stage.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

RESOLUTION TO TAKE MORE THAN ONE STAGE OF BILL IN ONE SITTING

Deputy speaker: Honourable Jonathan.

MCA Ngetich: Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir, I stand again to move the procedural motion:

That notwithstanding the provision of Standing Order No 118 (1) this county assembly resolves to take more than one stage of the Uasin Gishu Supplementary Appropriation Bill (Bill No 15) 2016 in this sitting

Mr. Speaker, again we are supposed to discuss the three different stages of approving bill. Mr. Speaker, during different days because this is a money bill and considering the urgency, I request this House that we take the three stages during this sitting or the two remaining stages during this sitting and request my able chair Honourable Muya to second. Thank you.

Deputy Speaker: Honourable Muya.

MCA Muya *(Seconded by bowing).*

Deputy speaker: Thank you. I now propose the question

(Question Proposed)

Deputy Speaker: Ensuing debate.

(Speaker resumed to the Chair)

Mr Speaker: I therefore put the question

(Question put and agreed to)

Mr Speaker: Honourable Members, now we would be able to move to the next stage of this Uasin Gishu County Second Supplementary Appropriation Bill (Bill No 15) 2016 in this sitting.

BILL

UASIN GISHU COUNTY SECOND SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION BILL (BILL NO 15) 2016

Second Reading

Mr Speaker: Thank you, Honourable Members. We now proceed with our business in terms of the supplementary orders of the day. Next order!

Mr Speaker: Honourable Jonathan.

MCA Ngetich: I stand to move the motion that the Uasin Gishu County Supplementary Appropriation Bill, Bill No 15 2016, be now read the second time. Mr. Speaker Sir, as requested to do all the three stages in this sitting, as a matter of urgency, I request this House that we support it and move it. Mr. Speaker, now that the Appropriation Bill be read the second time and, with those many remarks, I request honourable Rosebella to second.

Mr Speaker: Honourable Rosebella.

MCA Rosebella *(Seconded by bowing)*

Mr Speaker: Thank you, Honourable Members. I then propose the question

(Question Proposed)

Mr Speaker: Honourable Members, I will now put the question.

(Question put and agreed to)

Mr. Speaker: Honourable members, the House recedes to committee of the Whole House for the purposes of considering this bill.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE

[Speaker (Hon Isaac Terer) left the Chair]

IN THE COMMITTEE

[Hon Hosea Korir in the Chair]

Uasin Gishu county supplementary appropriation Bill, Bill No .15.

Clause 2

(Clause 2 agreed to)

Clause 3

(Clause 3 agreed to)

Clause 4

(Clause 4 agreed to)

Clause 5

(Clause 5 agreed to)

First Schedule

(First Schedule agreed to)

The Short Title

(The Short Title agreed to)

The Long Title

(The Long Title agreed to)

MCA Ngetich: Thank you, chair person. I beg to move that the committee do report to the assembly its consideration of Uasin Gishu County Supplementary Appropriation Bill (Bill No16), 2016 and its approval thereof without amendment.

(Question put and agreed to)

[Full House resumed]

[Hon. Isaac Terer in the Chair]

REPORT

Mr Speaker: Chair

Chairperson: Thank you, Honourable Speaker. I beg to report that the committee of the whole House has considered the Uasin Gishu Supplementary Appropriation Bill, (Bill No.15), 2016 and its approvals therefore without amendments. Thank you.

Speaker: Thank you. Mover

MCA Ngetich: Thank you, Mr Speaker. I beg to move that the House do agree with the committee on the said report. Thank you.

(Question Proposed)

(Question put and agreed)

Speaker: Mover.

MCA Ngetich: Thank you, Mr Speaker Sir. I beg to move that the Uasin Gishu County Supplementary Appropriation Bill, (Bill No.15) 2016 be now read the third time. I want to take this opportunity to thank all members who participated during this short time in preparing this supplementary budget 2016. I want to thank you members of this county assembly, office of the Speaker, office of the Clerk, CEC finance and economic planning; all of our clerks and everybody who participated in making this report a success. If the county assembly of Uasin Gishu we move in the same speed I know the goals that people of Uasin Gishu send us to do will be answered well and at end of the day we will have done good. If the people of Uasin Gishu County will not reward us, God in heaven will give us rewards. Thank you, Mr Speaker. I request Honourable Flora to second that the Bill be read the third time. Thank you.

MCA Cheptum *(Seconded by bowing)*

Mr Speaker: Thank you, Honourable members. I will then propose the question.

(Question proposed)

(Bill read the Third Time)

Mr Speaker: Honourable member for Kipkenyo.

MCA Rono: Thank very much, Mr Speaker, for giving me this opportunity. Thank you, chairman and vice chair budget, thank Hon. Pius Kigen for you decorum today, thank you Honourable members, thank you God and thank you Uasin Gishu. Amen.

Mr. Speaker: Thank you. Honourable Jeremiah

MCA Sang: Thank you, Mr Speaker Sir. I rise in the support of supplementary budget before this House today. I want to thank the chair and the committee of Budget and Appropriation and similarly the CEC Finance and Economic Planning and all the departments for coming up with

this supplementary. The reason as to why we have this second supplementary today, supplementary budget necessitated by the fact that we are now remaining with one and half months to end the current financial year and there is likelihood that some amount in the departments will not be consumed. County government of Uasin Gishu have touted twice that we have this supplementary so that come 30th June 2016; no money will be returned to the treasury. I want to comment this assembly for passing this supplementary budget at the same we urge the CEC and the executive so that same be transact can be uploaded into the IFMIS and the same be send to the controller of budget for approval and the remaining time between now and 30th June 2016 is known for implementation. I also want to thank the government of Uasin Gishu for coming up with the proposal that we have a FOSA account. In that we have to thank the CEC, Governor and the assembly that we have to establish a FOSA account for all this money that have been floated in the departments. it is the belief of this assembly and the government of Uasin Gishu that we are going to consume the budget that is before us and come 30th June 2016 we will not have problems with the people of Uasin Gishu that the money have been returned to the treasury. I want to call upon the implementing authorities to make sure that the money that have been appropriated today will be spend and the beneficiaries will be the people of Uasin Gishu. I support and thank the county assembly and government of Uasin Gishu. Thank you.

Mr. Speaker: Thank you very much. Honourable Chirchir.

MCA Chirchir, I: Thank you, Mr Speaker, as I rise in support of this motion. We have passed the Bill and my request is that with immediate effect the executive do immediately provide us with the programmes on this supplementary budget. In the department of roads, where I am the chair, I will liaise with the immediate concern with the CEC and CO so that we can get the right programmes that can be run and the money can be consumed within the shortest time and we have the positive results for the people of the Uasin Gishu County. I am urging all other departments---

Mr Speaker: Point of information. You need information Honourable Chirchir.

MCA Chirchir: Yes. He is member of roads committee and I am applied to allow him given the opportunity.

Mr Speaker: Okay. Honourable Hillary.

MCA Rono: Mr Speaker. The information here is that I would to give to the Honourable member and other members of these House that in the committee of the environment, energy, water and natural resources, there are also some programmes which we will prepare, just as in the other committees. Thank very much, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: Proceed, Honourable Chirchir.

MCA Chirchir, I: That is great contribution, Mr Speaker, and I congratulate the member for the information that this House knows that in the department of water there is a programme also and I am asking the House that when all the programme will be at our tables let the entire House sit and see the programmes, approve, consult where the amendments are required so that all of us we read from the same page. Thank you, Mr Speaker, I support.

Speaker: Yes, Honourable Sugut.

MCA Sugut: Thank you, Mr Speaker Sir. Mine is to congratulate all those who have worked tirelessly towards this Bill. We know budget is the driver of the economy of this county. You

know because the challenges that we had with IFMIS, we have delayed so such that we have very little time for us remaining. We have got hardly two months to clear what all we have and I think our appeal is the executive. We already know the programmes are there that my concern is how fast they shall implement what we have. That is the challenge that we have. We know the electorate, the *wanjiku* cannot understand when the money was not spent, and they don't understand that language. We need to spend this money as fast as possible so that when we move to the next financial year which is just at the door step, we should to have cleared what we have passed today. Otherwise may I thank the chairman finance and all those who have worked tirelessly to make sure that the figures are right. It is not an easy thing. I know they have worked very tirelessly; we thank you for the work done. May I also thank this House for passing this supplementary budget which is very important for this county but my appeal is that as we move to the next financial year we need to be more serious so that we spend our money earlier than this. We know it is going to be a very big challenge in the remaining time for us to spend this money but my appeal is let us wok together with the executive so that the projects are pushed right to the wards. We already know the programmes which are waiting for this money. So I appeal on those who are concerned that let this thing be speeded up so that in the few days ahead we shall see things rolling out. We are waiting for the bursary for our children in school. We have written letters in our offices, there are waiting for money and we this would be the first thing be done as quickly as possible. So thank you very much, let us all work together so that by 25th June 2016 all the cash would have been spent. Thank you, Mr Speaker Sir.

Mr. Speaker: Thank you. Honourable Salome.

MCA Salome: Thank you, Mr Speaker Sir. May I take this opportunity to appreciate our chair of budget for actually what he has done. I can say you have done an excellent work. May God bless you and have that spirit .To Honourable members, I want to thank you because of the cooperation and team work we have shown each other, may you be blessed. Thank you.

Mr. Speaker: Thank you very much, Chair. Mover, you have a right of reply.

MCA Ngetich: Thank you, Honourable members, thank you for the commitment you have heard over this supplementary budget. Thank you all and let us continue with the same spirit and Uasin Gishu County. We will realise a lot from this county assembly. Thank so much.

Mr. Speaker: Thank you.

Question put and agreed to)

Mr. Speaker: Congratulations, Honourable members, for passing the second supplementary Bill for this county and, as it been rightfully said members, it will be now the joint responsibility of the committee of this House as well as the members individual effort to ensure that this budget is actually executed as passed by this county assembly. Remember that it is the oversight role of this county assembly that will see into it that all the projects that have been earmarked for funding are actually funded and that the people of this county get the real touch of what is going on. Honourable members, as I finish, in pursuant to the standing order No 1, there is a communication that came in between while we were sitting. This is a notice of first annual general meeting for Pioneer 2013 Investment Cooperative Society Limited. The first annual general meeting shall be held on 12th May 2016 at the county assembly main committee hall as from 12 noon. Members the agenda of the meeting shall be as follows:

I. To receive the progress report from the interim chairman.
II. Determine the maximum borrowing powers of the society.

III. Consider and approve the estimates of income and expenditure for the ensuing financial year.
IV. Amend the bylaws to include lending to members
V. Approve savings and loans policy.
VI. Appoint the cooperative society bankers and auditors
VII. Election of the cooperative society's office bearers for the ensuing year.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Speaker: Thank very much, Honourable members, and there being no other business, this House stands adjourned until tomorrow at 2:30 PM

The members rose at 5:30 PM