



**REPUBLIC OF KENYA**

**THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT – (SECOND SESSION)**

**THE SENATE**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

**MORNING SITTING**

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER, 27, 2023 AT 9.30 AM**

1. The Senate assembled at thirty Minutes past Nine O'clock.
2. The proceedings were opened with Prayer said by the Speaker.
3. **QUORUM IN THE SENATE**

The Speaker, having counted the Honourable Senators present at the commencement of the Sitting and confirming that there was a Quorum, invited the Clerk to call the Orders of the day.

4. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR**

The Speaker conveyed the following communications from the Chair:-

**i.) Invited Dignitaries during the Sittings of the Senate in Turkana County**

“Honourable Senators,

I take this opportunity to acknowledge the presence of invited dignitaries who have joined us on this special occasion of the Sittings of the Senate in Turkana County.

I request each guest to stand when called out so that they may be acknowledged by the Senate.

They are:-

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| 1) Sen. David Ekwee Ethuro, EGH               | - | Former Speaker of the Senate  |
| 2) Sen. (Prof.) Malachy Charles<br>Ekal Imana | - | Former Senator Turkana County |
| 3) Sen. John Munyes, EGH                      | - | Former Senator, Turkana       |

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| 4) Mr. Geoffery E. Kaituko, ACIARB- | County and former Cabinet Secretary Energy & Petroleum  |
| 5) Mr. Erastus Ekitela Lokaale      | Principal Secretary, State Department for Labour and Skills Development and former Speaker, Turkana County Assembly |
| 6) Mr. Chare Mato                   | Former Speaker, Turkana County Assembly   |
| 7) Mr. James Warata                 | Clerk, Marsabit County Assembly   |
| 8) Ms. Ajuma Nasanyana              | Deputy Clerk, Baringo County Assembly   |
| 9) Ms. Ikal Angelei                 | High Fashion Model  |
| 10) Mr. Chris Erukudi Member        | Environmental Activist and founder, Friends of Lake Turkana Lodwar Municipality Board                               |

On behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, I wish to thank our guests for honouring our invitation and joining us on this auspicious occasion.

I thank you”.

**ii.) Visiting teachers and students from PAG Secondary School and St. Augustine Boys’ Primary School in Turkana County**

“Honourable Senators,

In the Speaker’s gallery, we have students, accompanied by teachers from PAG Secondary School and St. Augustine Boys’ Primary School in Turkana County who are in the Senate on an education tour.

Honourable Senators,

In our usual tradition of receiving and welcoming visitors to Parliament, I extend a warm welcome to them and, on behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, wish them a fruitful visit.

I thank you!”

**iii.) Visiting students from the Kenya Medical Training College (KMTTC), Lodwar Campus in Turkana County**

“Honourable Senators,

In the Speaker’s gallery, we have thirty (30) students, accompanied by two (2) tutors from the Kenya Medical Training College, Lodwar Campus in Turkana County who are in the Senate on an education tour.

Honourable Senators,

In our usual tradition of receiving and welcoming visitors to Parliament, I extend a warm welcome to them and, on behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, wish them a fruitful visit.

I thank you!”

**iv.) Visiting lecturers and students from Turkana University College**

“Honourable Senators,

In the Speaker’s gallery, we have twenty-seven (27) students, accompanied by three (3) lecturers from the Turkana University College who are in the Senate on an education tour.

Honourable Senators,

In our usual tradition of receiving and welcoming visitors to Parliament, I extend a warm welcome to them and, on behalf of the Senate and on my own behalf, wish them a fruitful visit.

I thank you!”

**5. PAPERS LAID**

The following Papers were laid on the Table of the Senate :-

- i.) Report of the Standing Committee on Energy on its inquiry into the high cost of electricity in the Country.

*(The Chairperson, Standing Committee on Energy)*

- ii.) Report of the Standing Committee on Finance and Budget on the County Governments Additional Allocations Bill (National Assembly Bills No. 23 of 2023)

*(The Senate Majority Whip on behalf of the Chairperson, Standing Committee on Finance and Budget)*

**6. QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS**

**QUESTIONS**

- a) **Question 036** by the Senator for Kajiado County (Sen. Seki Lenku Ole Kanar, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Energy and Petroleum on compensation to land owners affected by the construction of electricity

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transmission lines in Kajiado County was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.

- b) **Question 052** by the Senator for Marsabit County (Sen. Mohamed Said Chute, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Energy and Petroleum on transmission of electricity by Lake Turkana Wind Power Plant (LTWP) was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- c) **Question 049** by the Senator for Kakamega County (Sen. (Dr.) Boni Khalwale, CBS, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for Mining, Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs on the state of gold mining activities in Kakamega County was answered by the Cabinet Secretary.
- d) **Question 011** by Senator for Laikipia County (Sen. John Kinyua Nderitu, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration on the state of security in Laikipia County, and the wider North Rift region was deferred in the absence of the Cabinet Secretary.
- e) **Question 012** by the Senator for Laikipia County (Sen. John Kinyua Nderitu, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration on the abuse of Ketamine was deferred in the absence of the Cabinet Secretary.
- f) **Question 025** by the Senator for Marsabit County (Sen. Mohamed Said Chute, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration on vacancies in positions of Chief and Assistant Chief in Kenya was deferred in the absence of the Cabinet Secretary.
- g) **Question 026** by the Senator for Marsabit County (Sen. Mohamed Said Chute, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration concerning delay in the recruitment of National Police Reservists (NPRs) in Marsabit County and the wider Northern Frontier Counties was deferred in the absence of the Cabinet Secretary.
- h) **Question 032** by the Senator for Kirinyaga County (Sen. James Murango, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration concerning the kidnappings along the Makutano – Sagana highway in Kirinyaga County was deferred in the absence of the Cabinet Secretary.
- i) **Question 045** by the Senator for Turkana County (Sen. James Lomenen, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration concerning the security situation in West Pokot and Turkana Counties was deferred in the absence of the Cabinet Secretary.
- j) **Question 018** by the Senator for Turkana County (Sen. James Lomenen, MP) to the Cabinet Secretary for the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration concerning the release of the pastoralists from

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Turkana County, who were arrested and charged in Uganda was deferred in the absence of the Cabinet Secretary.

7. **PRIMARY HEALTH CARE BILL (SENATE BILLS NO. 44 OF 2023)**

Order for Second Reading read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

THAT, the Primary Health Care Bill (Senate Bills No. 44 of 2023) be now read a Second Time.

*(The Senate Majority Leader – 26.09.2023)*

Debate interrupted on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2023 resumed;

The Deputy Speaker interrupted debate on the Motion at thirty minutes past twelve O'clock to allow the Cabinet Secretaries present to respond to Questions scheduled in the Order Paper.

The Deputy Speaker, for the convenience of the Senate and pursuant to Standing Order 1, and in order to allow Cabinet Secretaries to respond to Questions addressed to respective ministries, adjourned the Senate at forty-five minutes past One O'clock, without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Orders.

8. **SENATE ROSE** - at forty-five minutes past One O'clock.

**M E M O R A N D U M**

*The Speaker will take the Chair on  
Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at 2.30 p.m.*

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