

## COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KISUMU



### COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KISUMU

### **THE HANSARD**

#### *Official Report*

#### **THIRD ASSEMBLY – FOURTH SESSION**

**Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2025**

**House met in the Main Chamber at 2:30 p.m.**

**(The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Nereah Okombo) in the Chair)**

### **PRAYERS**

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, I would like to direct the Sergeant-at-Arms to ring the quorum bell for the first five minutes.

*(Quorum bell rung for the first five minutes)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Clerk, take us through the order of the day.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Next order!!

### **PAPERS LAID**

THE NOTIFICATION FOR NOMINATION OF DR. K’ONYANGO CHARLES OTIENO TO  
THE POSITION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER FOR LANDS, PHYSICAL  
PLANNING, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

KISUMU COUNTY EXECUTIVE QUARTERLY REPORT AND FINANCIAL  
STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 2024

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KISUMU COUNTY REVENUE BOARD AMENDED ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FY ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2024

THE AUDITOR GENERAL'S REPORTS AS LISTED BELOW

*(Papers laid by Hon. Okumu on behalf of the Leader of Majority)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta "B"): Honourable Seth Okumu.

**Hon. Okumu** (MCA, East Seme): Thank you Madam Speaker. Allow me to lay the following Papers on behalf of our able Leader of Majority. Pursuant to the provisions of section 6(1) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) No. 5 of 2017, I wish to table today Tuesday 25th February, 2025, the Notification for Nomination of Dr. K'Onyango Charles Otieno to the position of Executive Committee Member for Lands, Physical Planning, Housing and Urban Development.

Two, pursuant to the provisions of Section 166 (1) of the Public Finance and Management Act 2012, I wish to table today Tuesday 25th February, 2025, Kisumu County Executive Quarterly Report and Financial Statements for the period ended 31st December, 2024.

Three, pursuant to the provisions of Section 164(1) of the Public Finance and Management Act 2012, I wish to table today Tuesday 25th February, 2025 Kisumu County Revenue Board Amended Annual Report and Financial Statements for the FY ended 30th June, 2024.

Four, pursuant to the provisions of Section 32 of the Public Finance and Management Act, 2012, I wish to table today Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2025, Reports of the Auditor General on;

1. Kisumu County Car Loan and Mortgage Scheme Fund for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
2. Chulaimbo Level IV Hospital for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
3. Migosi Sub County Hospital for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
4. Kisumu County Referral Level IV Hospital for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
5. Lumumba Sub County Hospital for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
6. Nyakach County Level IV Hospital for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
7. Kisumu County Alcoholic Drinks Control Fund for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
8. Kisumu Water and Sanitation Company Limited for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
9. Kisumu County Emergency Fund for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
10. Kisumu County Social Health Insurance Fund for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
11. Kisumu Executive of Kisumu for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
12. Kisumu County Social Health Insurance Fund for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
13. Ahero County Level IV Hospital for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
14. Jaramogi Oginga Odinga Teaching and Referral hospital for the year ended 30th June, 2024.

15. Kisumu County Gulf Water Services Company Limited for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
16. Kisumu County Lakefront Development Corporation for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
17. Nyanas Water Services Company Limited for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
18. Kisumu County Revenue Board for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
19. Kisumu County Revenue Fund for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
20. Kisumu County Receiver of Revenue- Revenue Statements for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
21. City of Kisumu for the year ended 30th June, 2024
22. Kisumu County Climate Change Fund for the year ended 30th June, 2024.
23. Muhoroni County Level IV Hospital for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
24. Kisumu County Education Fund for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

*(Hon. Okumu lays before the House the reports for consideration)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, I want to confirm receipt of Notification for Nomination of Dr. K’Onyango Charles Otieno to the position of Executive Committee Member for Lands, Physical Planning, Housing and Urban Development. This is committed to the Select Committee on Appointment and you should report back within the period specified in the Public Service Act.

Honourable Members, I am also confirming receipt of the Kisumu County Executive Quarterly and Financial Statements for the period ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024. I have also received the Kisumu County Revenue Board Amended Annual Report and Financial Statements for the Financial Year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024. These two Financial Statements stand committed to the Departmental committee on Finance and ICT which shall report back within a period of 21 days.

Chairperson, Departmental Committee on Finance and ICT, Hon. Carren Ajwang’, I hope you do not have a backlog in your House Committee. Are you able to report back within that time frame?

**Hon. Carren Ajwang’** (MCA, Kaloleni Shaurimoyo): Thank you, Honourable Speaker. The Committee shall try to do it within the specified time frame. Thank you.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Thank you. Honourable Members, we also have a number of Auditor General reports:

1. The Kisumu County Car Loan and Mortgage Scheme Fund for the year ended 30th June 2024.

2. Auditor General Report on Chulaimbo Level IV Hospital for the year ended 30th June 2024.
3. Auditor General Report on the Migosi Sub-County Hospital for the year ended 30th June 2024.
4. Auditor General Report on the County Referral Level IV Hospital for the year ended June 30th 2024.
5. Auditor General Report on Lumumba Sub-County Hospital for the year ended 30th June 2024.
6. Auditor General Report on Nyakach County Level 4 Hospital for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024.
7. Auditor General Report on County Alcoholic Drinks Control Fund for the year ended 30th June 2024.
8. Auditor General Report on Kisumu Water and Sanitation Company Limited for the year ended 30th June 2024.
9. Auditor General Report on the Kisumu County Emergency Fund for the year ended 30th June 2024.
10. Auditor General Report on Kisumu County Social Health Insurance Fund for the year ended 30th June 2024.
11. Auditor General Reports on Kisumu Executive on Kisumu Executive for the year ended 30th June 2024.
12. Auditor General Report on Kisumu County Social Health Insurance Fund for the year ended 30th June 2024.
13. Auditor General Report on Ahero County Level IV Hospital for the year ended 30th June 2024.
14. Auditor General Report on Jaramogi Oginga Odinga Teaching and Referral Hospital for the year ended 30th June 2024.

15. Auditor General Report on Kisumu County Gulf Water Services Company Limited for the year ended 30th June 2024.
16. Auditor General Report on Kisumu County Lakefront Development Corporation for the year ended 30th June 2024.
17. Auditor General Reports on Nyanas Water Services Company Limited for the year ended 30th June 2024.
18. Auditor General Reports on Kisumu County Revenue Board for the year ended 30th June 2024.
19. Auditor General Reports on Kisumu County Revenue Fund for the year ended 30th June 2024.
20. Auditor General Report on Kisumu County Receiver of Revenue Statements for the year ended 30th June 2024.
21. Auditor General Report on City of Kisumu for the year ended 30th June 2024.
22. Auditor General Report on Kisumu County Climate Change Fund for the year ended 30th June 2024.
23. Auditor General Report on Muhoroni County Level 4 Hospital for the year ended 30th June 2024.
24. Auditor General Report on County Education Fund for the year ended 30th June 2024.

This is a total of twenty-four reports to the Select Committee on Public Investments and Public Accounts. Honourable Ouko, the Chairperson, Public Investments and Public Accounts, I do not know whether you will be able to report back within 21 days. Yes, Chair.

**Hon Ouko** (MCA, West Kisumu): Honourable Speaker, I confirm that we shall work on the report and report within the specified period. Thank you.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, the Chairperson, Select committee on Public Investments and Public Accounts and his able team has confirmed.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Next order!!

## NOTICES OF MOTION

### APPROVAL OF THE CALENDAR OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY REGULAR SESSIONS FOR THE FOURTH SESSION OF 2025.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Okumu.

**Hon Okumu** (MCA, East Seme): Thank you Madam Speaker. On behalf of the Leader of Majority, allow me to give the following Notices of Motions:

1. Approval of the Calendar of the County Assembly Regular Sessions for the Fourth Session of 2025. Madam Speaker, that pursuant to the provision of Orders No 26 (1) of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders, that this Assembly approves the Calendar of the County Assembly Regular Sessions for the Fourth Session 2025 as contained in the schedule of this Order Paper. Thank you.
2. Madam Speaker, it is also notified that the Select Committee on Assembly House Business at its last meeting approved the following tentative Business to appear in the order paper for Wednesday 26th February 2025 at 9 a.m.: -
  - a) Approval of the calendar of the County Assembly regular session for the Fourth Session.
  - b) Debate on the State of the County by H.E. the Governor to the County Assembly.  
Thank you Madam Speaker.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Next order!!

## MOTION

### PROCEDURAL MOTION

#### LIMITATION OF DEBATE ON MOTIONS

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Seth Okumu.

**Hon Okumu** (MCA, East Seme): Thank you Madam Speaker. Please allow me to move this Motion; that pursuant to the provision of Orders No. 95 (1) of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders, that this Assembly Orders that each speech in a debate on any Motion including a Special Motion be limited in the following manner: -

A maximum of two (2) hours with not more than twenty (20) minutes for the Mover and five (5) minutes for each other Member speaking, except the Leader of Majority Party, who shall be limited to a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes, and that ten (10) minutes before the expiry of the time, the Mover shall be called upon to reply, and that priority in speaking be accorded to the Leader of Majority Party and the Chairperson of the relevant Sectoral Committee in that order.

I ask Honourable Benson Adegga to second.

**Hon. Adegga** (MCA, Kajulu): Thank you Madam Speaker I second the same.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Adegga you seconded the same. What is the same that you are seconding?

**Hon Adegga** (Kajulu): I am sorry, Madam Speaker. I second the motion as moved by Honourable Okumu.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, Honourable Adegga has seconded the Motion on the Limitation of Debate on Motion as has been read by Honourable Seth Okumu. The Motion having been read and seconded, I want to open it for debate. Hon Rakwach.

**Hon Rakwach** (MCA, Kolwa East): Thank you Honourable Speaker. Going by the mood of the House may I call upon the Mover to reply.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Rakwach, unless I get confirmation from the House, I can see a number of Members on their feet. Honourable Bill Oliver, the Gen Z of the House is on his feet. Yes, Honourable Bill.

**Hon. Oliver** (MCA, Kobura): Madam Speaker, what I want to say is that this was a procedural motion, so I do not see any need to debate it further.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Bill, you are out of order. Honourable Members, Honourable Bill is just confirming what Honourable Rakwach has said. The Member is satisfied and the mood of the House is that the mover to reply. Yes, Honourable Seth, you are called upon to reply.

**Hon. Okumu** (MCA, East Seme): Thank you, so much Honourable Members, for agreeing with the timeline set in debating in the House. It is my belief that that, it is important to let everyone of us participate in any motion that is brought before the House, but giving precedence to the Leader of Majority Party, which is ODM, and the Chairperson of House Committees who are concerned with the motion that is before the floor. Madam Speaker, I beg to reply. Thank you.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Thank you. Next order!!

### PROCEDURAL MOTION

#### LIMITATION OF DEBATE ON BILLS SPONSORED BY PARTIES OR HOUSE COMMITTEES.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, I did not put a question of adoption. The recess has been long.

*(Laughter)*

The recess has been long, and the Speaker does not have the monopoly of knowledge. Honourable Members, the motion having been read, moved, seconded and debated upon, I want to put a question of adoption.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, the Procedural Motion on the Limitation of Debates on motions stands adopted today, 25th February 2025, at 15.05 hours.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Next order!!

### PROCEDURAL MOTION

#### LIMITATION OF DEBATE ON BILLS SPONSORED BY PARTIES OR HOUSE COMMITTEES.

*(Motion Moved by Honourable Seth Okumu on behalf of the Leader of Majority)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Seth.

**Hon. Okumu** (MCA, East Seme): Thank you, Madam Speaker. We have just finished the Limitation of Debate on Motions. Now, please allow me to move a Procedural Motion on Limitation of Debate on Bills Sponsored by Parties or House Committees on behalf of the Leader of Majority, Kennedy Ouma.

Madam Speaker, that pursuant to the provisions of orders No. 95(1) of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders, this Assembly orders that each speech in a debate on Bills sponsored

by a House Committee, the Leader of Majority Party or the Leader of the Minority Party be limited as follows;

A maximum of 35 (thirty-five) minutes for the mover in moving and 15 (fifteen) minutes in replying. A maximum of 30 (thirty) minutes for the Chairperson of the relevant House Committee, if the Bill is not sponsored by the relevant House Committee. And a maximum of 5 (five) minutes for any other Member speaking except the Leader of Majority, who shall be limited to a maximum of 15 (fifteen) minutes if the Bill is not sponsored by the member, and that priority in speaking be accorded to the Leader of Majority Party and the Chairperson of the relevant Departmental/Sectoral Committee in that order, Madam Speaker. I ask the Honourable James Omollo to second.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable James Omollo.

**Hon. Omollo** (MCA, West Nyakach): Thank you, Madam Speaker. I beg to second the Procedural Motion on Limitation of Debate on Bills Sponsored by Parties or House Committees.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, a Procedural Motion on the Limitation of Debate on Bills Sponsored by Parties or House Committees has been moved by Honourable Seth Okumu on behalf of the Leader of Majority and seconded by Honourable James Omollo. I therefore want to propose that the motion be open for debate. Honourable Members, before you unanimously decide to call the mover to reply, consider that we also have Honourable Benny Pete Oiko in the House. So, unless you consult with Benny, that he concurs with the limitation of debate.

**Hon. Oiko** (MCA, Kabonyo-Kanyagwal): Madam Speaker, the limitation as instructed sounds good, but there are times when a member is agitated and there are times when Members need to digress here and there. When that time comes, the office, the chairperson will be understandable. This is a formality; we have no problem. They set rules. But when that time comes, when Mr. J wants a little more time, It is my hope that the Chairperson/Speaker will understand.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Rakwach, you are on your feet.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Ochele.

**Hon. Ochele** (MCA, East Kano Wawidhi): Madam Speaker, I believe that we were not sent here to be calling the movers. We are here to debate. So, this trend of Honourable Rakwach always being on his feet to invite the mover to reply...

*(Hon. Rakwach rises on a Point of Order)*

**Hon. Rakwach** (MCA, Kolwa East): Point of Order Madam Speaker.

**Hon. Ochele** (MCA, East Kano Wawidhi): That is on a light note Madam Speaker, I want to debate.

**Hon. Rakwach** (MCA, Kolwa East): Whether on a light note, Honourable Speaker, I am on a Point of order, Madam Speaker.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Rakwach, you are standing on a Point of order. Which order are you standing on?

**Hon. Rakwach** (MCA, Kolwa East): Honourable Speaker, we know the rules of this House.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): What did you say your order was that you are rising on?

**Hon. Rakwach** (MCA, Kolwa East): In fact, Honourable Speaker, you can refer to Order No. 86. I wonder why Honourable Ochele is on his feet, Honourable Speaker.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, I am making reference to the provisions Order No. 86, and it is retraction of apologies. So, Honourable Rakwach, you are very much out of order to continue. Kindly allow Honourable Ochele to continue.

**Hon. Ochele** (MCA, East Kano Wawidhi): Thank you, thank you Madam Speaker.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo): Honourable Rakwach, you stood on Statements of Facts, which is not Order No. 86. Honourable Ochele, continue.

**Hon. Ochele** (MCA, East Kano Wawidhi): Thank you, Madam Speaker. You are aware that referring to the provisions of the Constitution and Standing Order. So, your decision is always appropriate. Madam Speaker, I just wanted to contribute a bit, and in line with what Honourable Benny Oiko Pete has just said. At times, the motion on a Bill becomes very emotive, and a Member might be blessed with wisdom, oozing points. Such situations, Madam Speaker, I believe the sitting Chairperson (Honourable Speaker) on his or her wisdom can extend time so that a Member who has been blessed with wisdom can allow the wisdom to flow and build their points. Otherwise, in a number of occasions, Madam Speaker, we are normally limited.

Madam Speaker, the procedure says five. But in certain instances, especially when you are occupying the chair, Madam Speaker, you usually limit us to 3 (three) minutes. So, I propose that it should be 5 (five) minutes and above. Madam Speaker, naturally, this Assembly and specifically this House is a mirror image of the National Assembly. And the National Assembly, Madam Speaker, they are not limited too much despite the huge number that speak in that House. Here, we are only 47 (Forty-seven) Members, Madam Speaker, and at times, we limit ourselves too much and we are leaving the assembly too early when certain points have not been exhausted. So, I am just beseeching whoever will be sitting, the Speaker, the Deputy Speaker, and the panellists, and whichever Member who will have the privilege of sitting in the throne to consider points and facts not to be left out. Otherwise, thank you, Madam Speaker.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo): Thank you Honourable Ochele.

*(Silence)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, silence means we are satisfied with the arguments of our colleagues. I therefore want to call upon Honourable Rakwach who had earlier stood on his feet to call the mover to reply. Honourable Rakwach you're still on, you will not stand.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Seth Okumu.

**Hon. Okumu** (MCA East Seme): Thank you so much Madam Speaker. I want to thank the Members who have contributed to this motion on Limitation of Debate on bills Sponsored by the Parties or House Committees.

Madam Speaker, I do agree that sometimes we need a little bit more time to explain our points but taking into consideration that all of us should contribute on a Bill, and that is why we are providing limitation of time so that you can summarize all your points and make it very short so that everybody can find opportunity to speak. Madam Speaker, the limitation is maximum, maximum time that is being given but the minimum time has not been kept. So, I want to agree with the concerns of the Honourable Chairperson that sometimes you might be forced depending on the need to finish discussion on a Bill to even limit the time further so that it's not beyond what we have approved today but still allows what members needed to say on a bill.

Thank you so much Madam Speaker. I beg to reply.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, a Procedural Motion on the Limitation of Debate on Bills Sponsored by Parties or House Committees has been moved, seconded and debated upon. I therefore want to put a question for the adoption for this report.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Member, the Procedural Motion on the Limitation of Debate on the Bill sponsored by Parties or House Committees stands adopted today Tuesday 25th February 2025 at 15:16 Hours.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Next order!

## MOTION

### PROCEDURAL MOTION ON THE LIMITATION OF DEBATE ON INDIVIDUAL MEMBER'S BILLS

BY

HON. KENNEDY OOKO, MCA, AHERO

(LEADER OF MAJORITY)

*(Motion Moved by Hon. Okumu on behalf of the leader of Majority)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo): Honourable Seth Okumu.

**Hon. Okumu** (MCA East Seme): Thank you Madam Speaker. On behalf of my Majority Leader, the Honourable Kennedy Ouma please allow me to move a motion for Adoption on Limitation of Debate on Individual Member's Bill.

Madam Speaker, that pursuant to the provision of Orders No. 95 (1), of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders, this Assembly orders that each speech in a debate on Bills not sponsored by a committee or the Leader of Majority party be limited as follows.

A maximum of 2 (two) hours with not more than 20 (twenty) minutes for the mover in moving and 10 (ten) minutes in replying. A maximum of 20 (twenty) minutes for the Chairperson of the relevant House Committee and a maximum of 5 (five) minutes for any other member speaking except the Leader of Majority who shall be limited to a maximum of 15 (fifteen) minutes and that priority in speaking be accorded to the Leader of Majority Party and the Chairperson of the relevant Departmental/Sectoral Committee in that order. Thank you so much Madam Speaker and I ask the Honourable Ben Adega to second.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Adega.

**Hon. Adega** (MCA, Kajulu): Thank you, Madam Speaker. I second the Limitation of the Debate on the Individual Member's Bill.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, a Procedural Motion on Limitation of Debate on Individual Member's Bill having been moved and seconded, I want to propose that it be open for discussion. I can see Honourable K’Omudho of Muhoroni/Koru Ward smiling. I don't know whether he has many, many thanks to the mover. Hon. K’Omudho.

**Hon. K’Omudho** (MCA Muhoroni/Koru): Many thanks Madam Speaker. Indeed, I am privileged this afternoon and with a lot of happiness having taken quite a big break, having not spilled my good words in this Honourable House. I stand in the afternoon in support of the raised subject and to inform you as to understand going over the time constraints and the time measurements as delivered by the Major Leader in the House.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, I don't know whether Honourable Oginga has something to say because the member has a very broad smile on her face. But if she doesn't...

**Hon. Oginga** (Nominated Member): Thank you Madam Speaker. I'd like to call the mover to reply.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo): Honourable Seth Okumu, you've been called upon to reply.

**Hon. Okumu** (MCA East Seme): Thank you so much Honourable Members. I want to thank you for agreeing for a Limitation of Debate on motions moved by Individuals. I know these are motions that you move yourself. If you agree with the time, then who am I to even speak further Madam Speaker? I beg to reply.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo): Honourable Members, Procedural Motion, the Limitation of Debate on Individual Members' Bill having been moved, seconded, unanimously agreed and replied upon. I want to put a question for adoption.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo): Honourable Members, the Procedural Motion on the Limitation of Debate on Individual Members' Bill stands adopted today, 25th February 2025 at 1521 Hours.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Next order.

## MOTION

### PROCEDURAL MOTION ON THE LIMITATION OF DEBATE ON REPORTS

BY

HON. KENNEDY OOKO, MCA, AHERO

(LEADER OF MAJORITY)

*(Motion moved by Hon. Okumu on behalf of the Leader of Majority)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo): Honourable Seth Okumu.

**Hon. Okumu** (MCA East Seme): Thank you Madam Speaker. On behalf of my able Leader of Majority, the Honorable Kennedy Ooko, allow me to move motion for adoption on Limitation of Debate on Reports.

Madam Speaker, that pursuant to the provisions of Orders No. 95 (1) of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders that this Assembly orders that each in a debate that speech in a Debate on a Report of a House Committee, a Session or Paper, or any other report submitted to the Assembly be limited as follows.

A maximum of 3 (three) hours with not more than 20 (twenty) minutes for the mover in moving and 10 (ten) minutes in replying. Further, a maximum of 5 (five) minutes for any other member speaking except the Leader of Majority party who shall be limited to a maximum of 15 (fifteen) minutes. Finally, that priority be accorded to the Leader of the Majority Party in that order. Thank you so much Madam Speaker. And I ask the Hon. Mickey Ochieng to second. Thank you.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Mickey.

**Hon. Mickey** (Nominated Member): Thank you Madam Speaker. I take to second the motion.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, Procedural Motion on the Limitation of Debate on Reports has been moved and seconded. I want to propose that the motion be opened for discussion.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Ochele.

**Hon. Ochele** (MCA East Kano Wawidhi): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I tend to agree with the motion as read by the Acting Leader of Majority. However, when it comes to reports Madam Speaker, this is where members who do thorough research will be having loaded information on a given report.

Madam Speaker, given five minutes, I believe that a number of us might not have adequate time to express their concerns. Most of myself and my brother, Hon. Bennie Oiko. Five minutes on a report, most reports on Audit, where calculations and the previous differences are presented, I would rather propose that we increase the time from 5 (five) minutes to 10 (ten), maximum. I request Honourable Bennie Oiko to second.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Ochele, before you seek for a seconder in that amendment, we all know the procedure of amendment that amendments have to be done prior to the debate. I believe the Order Paper was circulated early enough for any amendment to have been given, Honourable Ochele. It is my belief that, you are a very senior member who understands the Standing Orders. So, what you are talking of is very sensible, and that is the truth, but you ought to have submitted your amendment earlier.

So, at this point, yes, Hon Ochele....

**Hon. Ochele** (MCA, East Kano Wawidhi): Madam Speaker, today being the day we are discussing the procedural motions about the limitations, I believe that, even my case can be treated as a special case, because everything is like starting afresh. The procedures are being laid today by the Acting Leader of Majority.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Ochele, allow me to take you through the provisions of Order No. 52, which provides for the procedures for amendments to motions. And this is a motion on the Floor, which states that;

*“Unless otherwise provided in these Standing Orders, any amendments to a motion which a member wishes to propose in accordance with these Standing Orders may be moved, and if necessary, seconded at any time after the question upon the motion has been proposed, and before it has been put”.*

When every amendment under paragraph, okay, Honourable Ochele, you are allowed to put, to forward your amendment, but procedurally, you don't do your amendments on the Floor. I hope you understand, Hon Member.

**Hon. Ochele** (MCA, East Kano Wawidhi): I can proceed?

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): You can proceed, but just as you said earlier, there are times that with the wisdom of the Speaker on the Honourable Speaker, if time allows and if time demands for an extension of debate, you may be allowed to surpass the given time frame. So, Honourable Member, I believe that your concerns will be considered.

**Hon. Ochele** (MCA, East Kano Wawidhi): Madam Speaker, that is as good as you say it, but particularly at times when certain reports become emotive, and the Speaker on the Chair maybe is a member for East Seme, and we are discussing a report touching on “Kit Mikayi”, and the points we are giving is to tax those who visit Kit Mikayi.

Obviously, Madam Speaker, that member, the Speaker on that day, will not allow us to proceed. So, if you can allow us just to amend this, it is my belief that you'll be questioning members who may wait to extend on their debate.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Ochele, we are talking about procedures. I do not want to bend the procedures of the House, but usually, as you said earlier, as Honourable Member, we are 47, but not all of us debate. So, somebody may lend you their time, and as always, members have always gotten time to express their views and sufficiently debate. So, I do not see why we should worry so much.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Rakwach, what do you want to say?

**Hon. Rakwach** (MCA, Kolwa East): Madam Speaker, I would wish to contribute to the motion.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta B): On the amendment, or on the motion?

**Hon. Rakwach** (MCA, Kolwa East): On the motion being debated.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): On the motion. Okay, but we conclude, Honourable Ochele, you are satisfied?

**Hon. Ochele** (MCA, East Kano Wawidhi): Madam Speaker, I may not be satisfied, but once the Speaker has made a ruling, who am I now to oppose? I can't insist on continuing with the amendment. Thank you.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Thank you, Honourable Ochele. I am making my ruling based on the provisions of Standing Order No. 53 that the proposer of an amendment to a motion shall, before moving it, hand the proposed amendment in writing, signed by the proposer to the Clerk, at least two hours before the order is read. So, that procedure alone limits me, even if I wanted to give a nod to that amendment. So, I hope you are well advised.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Rakwach.

**Hon. Rakwach** (MCA, Kolwa East): Thank you, Honourable Speaker. I also wish to contribute to the motion, which is before the Floor and I really need to borrow a leaf from Honourable Ochele, because we are all aware that sometimes, reports brought to this House are very emotive, and we cannot limit the individual Members contributing to the motion.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Rakwach, you don't contribute on a matter that has been concluded, because the point raised by Honourable Ochele has been ruled on.

**Hon. Rakwach** (MCA, Kolwa East): Thank you, Honourable Speaker. It is not on amendment, but on the motion, on the parent motion, which was proposed by Honourable Ochele and seconded by Honourable Mickey. That is the one I am contributing on, I am debating on.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Rakwach the motion that Honourable Mickey seconded was a Procedural Motion on the Limitation of Debate on Reports. You are talking of Members not having sufficient time to debate upon reports. That was Honourable Ochele's argument, which I have ruled on, based on the provisions of Standing Order No. 53.

**Hon. Rakwach** (MCA, Kolwa East): Honourable Speaker, that is what I am arguing on, but now not on amendment, on the motion itself. So, get my points first.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Order!! Honourable Rakwach.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Yes, Honourable Onditi.

**Hon. Onditi** (MCA, Ombeyi): Thank you, Madam Speaker. I stand here to support the motion as read by the Acting Majority Leader, Honourable Seth Okumu, and seconded by Madam Honourable Mickey Ochieng.

Madam Speaker, I believe that rules are not created to punish people. Rules are created to guide people and create order. Madam Speaker, all the speakers or people who have gotten a chance to sit on the Speaker's seat, or who are sitting on the Speaker's seat, Madam Speaker, I believe they are people who are able and have sound mind. When times like what we are debating on whether the report is bulky or whatever it is, it is my belief that time the Speaker will apply his or her wisdom to guide the House.

And this House, Madam Speaker, we have a precedent. There are certain cases whereby we have a very important motion and we are always running out of time. And this House has amended and created more time for debate.

Madam Speaker, I therefore agree with the motion as read that there is no alarm. Let's adopt it as it is. When such time comes, the Speaker on the seat will apply his or her wisdom and the House will decide on what the best way forward. Otherwise, thank you, Madam Speaker.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Thank you, Honourable Onditi.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Yes, Honourable James Omollo.

**Hon. Omollo** (MCA, West Nyakach): Thank you, Madam Speaker. May I call the mover to reply?

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Thank you. Before the mover stands to reply, I saw the truthful man getting on his feet.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Samuel Onyango, did you have a contrary opinion?

**Hon. Onyango** (MCA, Railways): Thank you Madam Speaker, I want to concur with Honourable James Omollo.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta B): Thank you. Honourable Seth Okumu the floor is yours..

**Hon. Okumu** (MCA, East Seme): Thank you so much, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, I want to thank the members for agreeing on Limitation of Debate on Reports. Madam Speaker, the contribution of members being limited to 5 (five) minutes is not in isolation. Remember, we are also agreeing that reports should not be discussed in more than 3 (three) hours.

So if we only have 3 (three) hours and we have 47 members, and assuming each needs to talk, then we need to have a limitation so that we give an opportunity for everyone to contribute. But, Madam Speaker, this is not cast on stone, and we can always amend to allow members to give as many points as possible on a report that will be necessary for making recommendations about that report. Thank you so much, Madam Speaker. I beg to reply.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, a Procedural Motion on the Limitation of Debate on Reports having been moved, seconded, debated upon, and replied. I wish to put a question of adoption.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, the Procedural Motion on the Limitation of Debate on Reports stands adopted today, February 25th, at 15:35 hours.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Next order!!

## MOTION

PROCEDURAL MOTION ON THE LIMITATION OF DEBATE ON THE ADDRESS BY  
THE GOVERNOR

BY

HON. KEN OOKO, MCA, AHERO

(THE LEADER OF MAJORITY)

*(Motion moved by Hon. Seth Okumu on behalf of the Leader of Majority)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Seth Okumu.

**Hon. Okumu** (MCA, East Seme): Thank you very much, Madam Speaker. I rise to move a motion for the adoption of Limitations on the Debate regarding the Governor’s Address, on behalf of the Honourable Ken Ooko, the esteemed Leader of the Majority Party.

Madam Speaker, pursuant to the provisions of Order No. 95 (1) and in line with the provisions of Standing Order No. 22(5) of the Kisumu county Assembly Standing Orders, that this House proposes that the debate on the motion concerning the Governor’s Address be limited as follows:

- a) Each member shall have a maximum of 10 (ten) minutes to speak.
- b) The mover shall be allocated 15 (fifteen) minutes for both moving and replying.
- c) The Leaders of the Majority and Minority Parties shall each be granted 20 (twenty) minutes.

Madam Speaker, I wish to clarify that the Leader of the Minority Party will have 20 (twenty) minutes, as the motion by the Governor is always moved by the Leader of the Majority Party. I want Honourable Carren to second.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Carren Ajwang’.

**Hon. Carren** (MCA, Kaloleni/Shaurimoyo): Thank you Honourable Speaker. I rise to second the Procedural Motion on the Limitation of Debate on the Governor’s Address. Allocating each member a maximum of 10 (ten) minutes, 15 (fifteen) minutes for the mover to present and reply, and 20 (twenty) minutes for the Majority Leader is appropriate and in order. Thank you.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Yes Hon. Bill.

**Hon. Bill** (MCA, Kobura): Thank you, Madam Speaker. I rise to support this motion, as the Governor’s address is a critical matter that covers nearly all departments, highlighting past achievements and outlining future plans for our county. Given its broad scope, it can evoke strong discussions. However, I believe that allocating each member 10 (ten) minutes to contribute is sufficient. If one is well-prepared and organized, this time is adequate to address key sectors and effectively convey their points in this Honourable House. I, therefore, fully support this motion.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Thank you Honourable Members. The motion on the Limitation of Debate on the Governor’s Address has been duly moved and seconded. I now propose that we open it for discussion.

No, no, Honourable Members—Billy is already debating! What is happening today?

To clarify, the motion was seconded by Honourable Karen, and Billy has already contributed. Let us proceed with the debate accordingly.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Yes Honourable Onditi.

**Hon. Onditi** (MCA, Ombeyi): Thank you Madam Speaker I wish to call the mover to reply.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Thank you Honourable Onditi Honourable Seth Okumu.

**Hon. Okumu** (MCA, East Seme): Thank you, Madam Speaker. The Governor’s Speech is of great significance, as it provides insight into the county’s current state and outlines the policies aimed at addressing key issues. Allowing Members more time to discuss this speech is an added advantage, as it ensures a thorough and meaningful debate, leading to quality discussions and well-informed recommendations from this House. I appreciate the Members for agreeing to the proposed time limits, and with that, I beg to reply.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, the Procedural Motion on the Limitation of Debate on the Governor’s Address has been moved, seconded, thoroughly debated, and sufficiently replied to by Honourable Seth, the mover. I now put the question for its adoption.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable members, the Procedural Motion on the Limitation of Debate on the Address by the Governor stands adopted today 25th February 2025 at 1542 hours.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Next order!!

## MOTION

### PROCEDURAL MOTION ON THE LIMITATION OF DEBATE ON ADJOURNMENT MOTION

BY

HON. KEN OOKO, MCA, AHERO

(LEADER OF MAJORITY)

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Seth Okumu.

**Hon. Okumu** (MCA, East Seme): Thank you, Madam Speaker. Please allow me to move this motion for the adoption of Limitations on Debate regarding the Adjournment Motion, on behalf of the esteemed Majority Leader, Honourable Kennedy Ooko. Madam Speaker, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 26, Part 3, that this House proposes that debate on any motion for the adjournment of the Assembly to a date other than the next normal sitting day, in accordance with the Assembly’s calendar, be limited as follows:

- a) A maximum of 3 (three) hours for the entire debate.
- b) Each member shall be allocated no more than 5 (five) minutes to speak, except for the Leader of the Majority Party, who shall be given up to 10 (ten) minutes.
- c) Priority in speaking shall be accorded to the Leader of the Majority Party.
- d) Additionally, if the proposed recess does not exceed 10 days, the debate shall be limited to a maximum of 30 (thirty) minutes.

Thank you, Madam Speaker. I now call upon the Honourable Vitalis, to second the motion.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Vitalis.

**Hon. K’Omudho** (MCA, Muhoroni Koru): Thank you, Madam Speaker. Thank you, Honourable Member. I rise to second the motion before this House.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members the Procedural Motion on the Limitation of Debate on Adjournment Motion has been moved and seconded and I therefore want to propose that this motion be open for discussion.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Yes Honourable James Omollo

**Hon. Omollo** (MCA, West Nyakach): Thank you Madam Speaker, I wish to call the mover to reply.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Seth, you have been called upon to give your reply.

**Hon. Okumu** (MCA, East Seme): Thank you, Madam Speaker. I have presented motions that are clear and self-explanatory, allowing Members to read and quickly reach a consensus. We acknowledge that while some adjournments are scheduled in the Assembly’s calendar, others arise due to the need to engage in significant County matters, such as attending the County Assemblies Forum Annual General Meeting. Madam Speaker, setting time limits for such discussions ensures that every Member has an opportunity to contribute whenever the House adjourns. Thank you, Madam Speaker, and with that, I beg to reply.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, the Procedural Motion on the Limitation of Debate on the Adjournment Motion has been moved, seconded, and unanimously accepted. The mover has also given their reply. I now put the question for its adoption.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, the Procedural Motion on the Limitation of Debate on Adjournment Motion stands adopted today 25th February 2025 at 1547 hours. Next Order!!

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, there being no any other business to transact, the House stands adjourned to Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2025 at 9.00 a.m. Thank you.

*(House rose at 3.45 p.m.)*

**Addendum**

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