Wednesday 18th February, 2015

Afternoon Session from 2.30 p.m

(Speaker's procession)

(Prayers)

Clerk to the Assembly (Mr. Nicolas Okola): First Assembly, Third Session, Order Paper No. 4 of Wednesday 18th February 2015 at 2.30 P.M: Administration of Oaths.

Silence

Clerk to the Assembly (Mr. Nicholas Okola): Order No. 2: Communication from the Chair.

Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Hon. Members, I have some communication to make and I need your attention please. It is a letter from the Administration about bringing of your passports and it ,

Kindly and urgently inform Members of County Assembly that the Kenya Anti-Corruption Commission need the following information on or before 19th February 2015 at 10.00 a.m for members who travelled to Israel, Singapore and China?

1. Photocopy of the front page of the passport and back
2. Copies of pages showing the date of departure from Kenya, date of arrival to the respective country and date of arrival back to Kenya.
3.

Order! Hon. Members, I know the third one is hard to get but you can bring the two and give it to the Secretary of Clerk.

Secondly, there is a letter from Kenya Netball Federation. This letter is addressed to the Speakers of Nairobi County, Kilifi County, Bungoma County, Homabay County and Kisumu County. (Attached letter).

I want this letter to go to the Chair, Children, Culture and you need to see your team practicing. Next order!

Clerk to the Assembly (Mr. Nicholas Okola): Order No. 4: Petitions.

Silence

Clerk to the Assembly (Mr. Nicholas Okola): Order No. 5: papers

Silence

Clerk to the Assembly (Mr. Nicholas Okola): Order No.6: Notices of motion

Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Yes Hon. Majority Leader

Majority Leader (Hon. Samuel Ongow): Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir, I want to give a notice of motion to the Commencement of the Governor's Speech.

Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Next Order

Clerk to the Assembly (Mr. Nicholas Okola): Order No. 7: Statements

Hon. Marlin Akinyi: Mr. Speaker, I wish to give a statement and it is going to all members that ….(interrupted)

Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Is it a person statement?, because I can only allow personal statements.

Hon. Marlin Akinyi: I just wanted to inform them that tomorrow is a report from Implementation Committee and copies were given to them last year December, and they have them in their offices so I am only reminding them to carry those copies.

Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Next order

Clerk to the Assembly (Mr. Nicholas Okola): Commencement of Business.

Order No. 8 Motion: Debate on the Speech of His Excellency the Governor of Kisumu County Hon. Jack N. Ranguma to County Assembly.

Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Yes Leader of Majority.

Leader of Majority (Hon. Samuel Ongow): Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir, I rise to move a motion that the Speech by His Excellency the Governor of Kisumu was yesterday debated by this Hon. House. The Governor touched on many key areas like Service Delivery where he said despite a blotted and dysfunctional structures and demotivated personnel from the defunct Local Authorities he has delivered timely and efficient service to the people. He also talked about the preparedness the County has put in place ready to combat the Food Security in the County. His Excellency also talked about the tourist sites which have been identified which includes, Kit Mikayi, LwandaMagere etc. These are very key areas that I would want to request Hon. Members to debate on very soberly for the betterment of our County. He has also considered giving 7 million to small traders and want to reaffirm his commitment to help women and small traders in their endeavors. On Education, he touched on things like bursary for the needy children in this County. He significantly gave a progress in the health sector where he has given 40% of our annual budget for health development. In infrastructure, the Governor throughout the County has curb perennial flood menace and has now embarked on a de-silting program. He has also put in place irrigation and flood control in areas like Ombeyiriver, Miriu, Akwanya, to mention but a few.

In Kisumu City, the Governor has received 40 million Euros from AFD which is going to improve the living conditions of the people of Kisumu through development of infrastructure and facilities, slum upgrading and local capacity building. Mr. Speaker, I therefore request Hon. Members to discuss this so that we get way forward. I will request the Minority Deputy Leader Hon. Joshua Auko to second.

Minority Deputy Leader (Hon. Joshua Auko): Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir, I rise to second the speech of the Governor as stated by Hon. Leader of Majority.

Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Hon. Members, the motion for the debate of His Excellency the Governor's speech has been properly moved by the Majority Leader and seconded by Deputy Minority Leader and I want now to propose the question that the Speech of His Excellency the Governor, Hon. Jack Ranguma be debated. Yes, Hon. Aslam Khan

Hon. Aslam Khan: Thank you very much Mr. Speaker Sir. I stand here to talk about the speech which was given by His Excellency the Governor of Kisumu, Hon. Jack Ranguma. As I rightly put it, I would say that the speech was fair because it lacked some issues that he did not touch.Mr. Speaker Sir, our Governor made commitments on how we are going to improve our County and we do agree that even though we scored 1.1 % on Development equivalent to 1.7 billion in the year 2013/2014, the County spent 98.9% of the recurrent expenditure of 1.97 billion, all in all we do believe and accept. On the other hand Mr. Speaker Sir, let us not walk the talk in the County Government. Out of 98.9% money spent 75% is being paid to personnel which means we have a blotted wage bill. We are only left with 23% for the operations and maintenance.

Mr. Speaker Sir, as it has been in the Public domain, the Members of the County Assembly and Executives have been going on honeymoons, if you look at the expenses of conferences, hospitality and catering, we have spent a total of 16.8 billion shillings. Going back to the debate of His Excellency the Governor, Mr. Speaker, he failed to touch on horticulture and the Kisumu International Airport which I would not call a white elephant but I would call it a white Rhino because Rhino's horns are very expensive. We should think of how we are going to invest in such projects for Kisumu County. Thank you.

Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Hon. Faridah

Hon. Faridah Ahmed: I want to suggest

Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Are you in appoint of order or what?

Hon. Faridah Ahmed: Yes. I want to suggest that we may go sector by sector of what has been covered in the speech rather than going general.

Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Hon. Faridah, I think you will be out of order because people have divulgence different ideas on the report and guiding them on a route to follow will not be possible.

Hon. Islam Khan: Mr. Speaker, sir I was trying to put in some percentage and monetary value and why I was talking about Airport Mr. Speaker, it was the same airport that was built to improve the livelihood of our people in the County and other Counties so that we can export horticulture, fish products and others. I remember last year in His Excellency the Governor's speech, he talked about Mamboleo slaughter house and exportation of meat, it is not noted anywhere how far this work has gone yet it was going to do a very good job and the people of this County would have immensely benefited and I really

also remember the Governor talking about the multiplication of animals in Muhoroni, after that we want to look for a market.

I was also eager to know about the fish industry in our County. We posed and pushed for a big catchment area in the lake region which was the largest in the East Africa but the Fish Industry is not doing well in the expense of those who are buying at a cheaper price and taking to places like Nairobi. There is a general outcry about the solid waste, we were told that there was a place which was bought where we could relocate the waste products but it is not in the Speech. I wish it could be put so that we know how this big problem is going to be resolved.

On gender, youth, the Governor talked very well but he did not talk about minority. Mr. Speaker Sir, I represent Minority in this County in ODM party who is the majority in this house, there is nowhere mentioned minority and I would urge the Governor if he could also consider the minority status. On the side of the job appointments, I do not know what criteria used to shortlist the applicants in this County, it is sad to note that out of 360 applicants for the position of drivers only 5 women were cleared for the interview. On Minorities, only two were given chances for shortlisting. I don't know how we are going to help the minority of this County. All in all to the best of my knowledge, I believe it is the bridge that is still not brought closer that is why we are still behind in the Development of this County. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): The ICT department, you are letting us down, these gadgets are not working well. Hon. Lydia then I will give the Chief Whip.

Hon. Lydia Odhiambo: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I also want to give my input on the speech of His Excellency Hon. Jack Ranguma which was delivered in this house yesterday. 1st I would like to congratulate him for a speech well documented. If you look at what has been presented to us here, it is very good put practical point of view, it might not be the way it is. I want to thank the Governor for having organized for the signing of performance contract but my worry is, what is the impact of that? I believe after having the performance contract, they know where the County is as far as the development is concerned and I hope he would come up clearly and tell us the impact of the performance contract, and at that point I thought is when we would know it is what brought about the sacking of some of the CEC.

He stated well that he had organized some partnership with local banks which are going to help facilitate issues to do with youth, people living with disability but it is vague, he has not explained how far he has gone and what plans are in place. At least he should have come out so clearly on that. He also talked about the 7million that was given out to small scale traders and I would ask, where was this 7 million given, which sub-county, which special group, because as far as I am concerned, it is a lie. I also want to talk about an automation of revenue. We passed a motion here in the assembly on automation of revenue because we realized that for us to develop as a County, the revenue has to go up. Most of the time we were told that the developments that we have could not be fast-tracked because of lack of money on revenue collected. He has indicated that in the near further they are going to launch automation but he has not indicated the particular date or day.

The Governor has also talked about the rehabilitation Centre for livestock upgrading in Muhoroni, I have shared with my colleagues who come from that particular area and they are perturbed they are not even aware so I do not know if Muhoroni he is saying is part of Kisumu or not. He also talked about the white sorghum project and he has indicated the various areas where this sorghum is going to be distributed and as a person who represent the County I want to say that most of these places did not receive the sorghum including Nyakach that he has indicated in the list. So my question is, where were these sorghum taken, were they taken to people's houses? Or were they given to specific people, I worried because as you are waiting for bumpy harvest, in Nyakach in some areas there are a lot of issues as far as that is concerned.

I also want to talk about 30% procurement rule. The constitution has given us 30% for the Youth, people with disability and women and in as much as the County has complied I want to urge the Government to ensure that this is adhere to. On health, he said 40% has already been used yet the health sector has not improved a lot. I want to say that we are all aware that the Health sector in this County is the worst despite being allocated high percentage.

Tractors, indeed the 23 tractors were launched, I was privileged to have attended the launch. As we speak, we do not know where these tractors are but we are told in this speech that they are in each sub county. If they were 23 and we have 7 sub-counties I believe each sub county should have at least two. I believe and you will agree with me that even these tractors could be nowhere to be seen. He has greatly said how in his Government he has managed to bring Supermarkets, like Naivas, Tumaini, Woolmarts, Bata shoes, sincerely speaking , is this really a county? I rest my case.

Hon. Nereah Okombo: Appoint of information.

Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Granted

Hon. Nereah Okombo: Mr. Speaker, I think the Governor was very clear in his speech when he said that the County under his Governorship witnessed the reversal of investors behavior in Kisumu, the Governor did not say that he brought supermarkets such as Tumaini or so in Kisumu, so when a member stands here to mislead the County and deliberately decides to misquote the Governor then I think she has something else that she is not telling this House. Mr. Speaker, we all know that health has received very good improvement as far as facilities like ICU and timely service to the people that are concerned. I go to Public Hospital Mr. Speaker, I take my child for clinics to Jaramogi Oginga Odinga Referral Hospital and the services are greatly improved and so we live to give credit where it is due and we make proverbs where appropriate but let us not condemn each and every point when we know we are making wrong statements.

Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Yes, Hon. Chief Whip.

Chief Whip (Hon. Isaya Onyango): Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir, first let me thank God who has allowed me to close the year and now I have come back alive. I want to comment on the Governor's speech of yesterday. I have very few remarks to make. The Governor talked about food security for Kisumu County which I think is basic because each member of this County need food but before we talk about

food security, we should talk about human security. The Governor did not talk about that in his speech and I want to remind this house that last month, three Hon. Members of this house were attacked , Hon. Olum and Hon. Aloo and Hon. Ogosi, it means there is a big insecurity problem in this County. Let us take security seriously otherwise all of us are going to lose their lives in this Assembly. Mr. Speaker, I read somewhere in the papers last week that the criminals that were arrested on the case of Hon. Aloo escaped. We have not been told what happened because all the time if we ask about these cases, nobody is telling us, it means therefore that there is a lot of insecurity in this County. It would have been better for the Governor to put his feet down and ensure that the security is observed not only to the MCAs but also to the people of the entire County.

It is in the public domain that we have 47 Counties in Kenya but if you are listening to radio, and if you are a keen reader, you will find that Kisumu County is best in argument. We make good news on things of no importance. You do not expect and it would not happen, this house will never be one if you keep on squabbling and argue. We will never achieve what we what for this County. Mr. Speaker, it is true that there is decline in revenue collection. The Kisumu Municipal Council in 2012/2013 collected over 900 million, the Kisumu County in 2013/2014 collected less than 700 million. There is something wrong because if before the Kisumu Municipality alone could collect 900 million, something must be done. That is why we said in this House that we cannot have an acting Minister for Finance for three or two years and in terms of collection, we must have a strong ministry. Even if you increase the taxes, it would not help this County, that is why I am saying that the Governor failed to address the issue of Revenue Collection. How are we going to enhance revenue collection. We need to have a strong policy for this revenue collection.

A member has talked about it here, wage bill. It was yesterday somebody asked the Governor, why some Counties had scored even 38% and he was saying that the huge amount goes on wage bill. Mr. Speaker, if we cannot control our employment system, we are still going to have a problem and we are not going to help this County. I even said it was better to leave Kisumu City, Muhoroni and others the way they were so that they remain collecting revenue and they are still employees of the County Government.Right now they are still employing everybody Mr. Speaker, we are not going to develop this County. We also need a policy that guide this employment. We either do away with development and pay wage bill. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Yes, Hon. Ogonyo

Hon. Willis Ogonyo: Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir for catching my eyes. I have two contributions to make towards the speech of His Excellency the Governor, Hon. Jack Ranguma.

Hon. Elijah Omondi: A point of order Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Yes Hon. Elijah

Hon. Elijah Omondi: Is it right for Hon. Ogonyo to mislead the house that he has caught your eyes and it is him who is confusing the house Mr. Speaker. Can he address you properly!

Hon. Willis Ogonyo: Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir for giving me this opportunity. I wanted to put two issues on the Governors' speech. The Governor did not capture what is said as the Sustainable Economic Growth, that is to say we do not have food on the table for our people because there is no even agricultural societies he has intended to build, there is no institutions for earnings of our people, development means having food on the table. We even have dairy farming societies which were not featuring, poultry farming, these kind of small farming are essential for our people and here we are every financial year and we cannot obtain economic growth. He should address us that in our concurrent budget, we will be able to at least put up these societies which are essential for our people at the ward level.

(43:08)

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Yes Hon. Osano.

Hon. Joseph Osano: Thank you very much Mr. Speaker, I rise to discuss the Speech of H. E the Governor of Kisumu County, the Speech was a booklet and that tells you where we are going and it means that we expect a lot of things to come in the near future. If you look at the Speech it has around 16 bulletins well elaborated and I want us to ask yourself and I want to start from where my colleague has left on the issue of revenue collection, it is not history we can compare with other counties, let take for example Siaya County, you cannot compare Siaya County and Kisumu County for example the things we have in Kisumu County are far much ahead and it will take Siaya county a lot of years to have them. Mr. Speaker Siaya County collect around Kshs 1.4 billion and it is not even a City, how many supermarkets are there in Kisumu County, I think something is wrong.

Mr. Speaker I can remember that when we started this session around 2013, the then minister for finance projected Kshs 3 billion as revenue collection which to me was the right collection because if Siaya County is capable of collection Kshs 1.4 billion then Kisumu County can be able to collected whet the then Finance minister projected, in fact we can be able to collect more than that figure, what is really happening, just the other day when we went for binding we were told that the projection is going to be Kshs 900mllion right from Kshs 3 billion and the parameters that they are using are the same, Mr. Speaker I think that there is something wrong in this County revenue collection department and it was not captured in this Governor Speech.

Just the other day we were told that the reason that we are not doing a lot in term of development in our County is because we do not collect enough revenue, I have gone through this Governor Speech, and there is no place I see where H.E the governor is addressing this issue of revenue collection . Allow me to say this Hon. Members, in last year's Governors Speech H.E the governor talked of Footing ship on Lake Victoria in fact he talked of "Mende", my dear friends yes we have the lake here (interrupted).

Hon. Moses Ochelle: Point of Order Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Granted.

Hon. Moses Ochelle: Mr. Speaker I find the Hon. Member n the floor completely out of Order because in this House we have official Languages which we all know and if he has to paraphrase he has to do that on a document that has been laid before the House.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Yes Hon. Osano can you use dequorum please.

Hon. Joseph Osano: Mr. Speaker if you were keen before I said that, I said if you may allow me, that alone is a parliamentary language, it would have been wrong if I would just say "Mende Mang'eny", I started by saying allow me to say what My Governor said (interrupted)

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Order! Hon. Member but I did not allow you, so you are out of Order.

Hon. Joseph Osano: It's Ok but it has been passed by event**,** but that is what my Governor said, if you may allow let me go on Mr. Speaker just the other day we passed a motion here in this House that reduced the experience of job employment and I remember very well my colleague who normally sits here besides me, the Governor did not talked about anything to do with job creation and yet we are saying that we want to empower our youths instead we are creating other position and as the Chair of Finance has said that the workforce is blotted and it is really consuming a lot of finances, it is a big problem and I think it should have been addressed by the Governor.

Mr. Speaker, look at the strategic plan of Kisumu County, I believe that you cannot compare Kisumu County with any other County in Kenya, Kisumu Links two major Country that is Uganda and Tanzania, Mr. Speaker as we seat here today everybody knows that Kisumu County Consumes Eggs from Uganda, how much does it cost you to produce an egg, yet we talk of so many thing, it is high time that we speak the truth and I wish my Governor would speak on that thing (interrupted).

Hon. Petronilla Omondi: Point of Order.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Granted.

Hon. Petronilla Omondi: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I do appreciate whatever we say in this House, but I would like us to have evidence to present to this House, like when we talk of eggs being imported from Uganda, how much are we producing as Kenyans and how much comes from Uganda, those are important evidence that we are supposed to give to the House before laying such issues thank you.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Yes Hon. Osano.

Hon. Joseph Osano: Mr. Speaker I find the Members so rude and wrong, I am contributing on something that is going to help the People of Kisumu County yet a Hon. Member looks at it negatively, everybody knows that we consume eggs from Uganda, that is the bitter truth, I don't think that I need to tabulate it here for the Hon. Member to see, what I am trying to say is that if such matter are tracked by my Governor then we would have gone very far, I am not trying to critic this document but I am trying to

state a way how we should create employment for our People , must we consume eggs from Uganda yet we have everything to produce this Eggs at the local level, that is what I was trying to say but if Hon. Members wants facts I am very ready to do that and I will give him through the Agriculture committee . It is high time we look at things positively not negatively. No one is here to critic the Governor Speech Negatively; we are only discussing it because it will take the County from this point to another year. This is what I am saying Hon. Members.

Mr. Speaker on the Sugar industry the COMESSA safeguard is going to be over and every time we walk around we say that we are privilege to have very big companies in Kisumu County which are the sugar factories, Hon. Members from the People who are in this Industry they will tell you if the Sugar Companies are closed we are going to be domed. What can we do about this thing, why don't we come as a County and try to salvage the situation, we know a Country like Brazil produces Sugar and sugar is a bi-product, through the Leadership of the County it would have told us may be how to produce a product like ethanol which is extracted from sugar which we have in plenty within this County, this is one thing that can give us revenue. The safe guard is going to be over in the next three months and this will be a big blow to the sugar industry in this County, where are we going to go thank you.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Yes Hon. Pamela Awuor.

Hon. Pamela Awuor: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I want to talk on the speech of the Governor, it was a god speech that covered many areas, and first I want to talk on food security which he really talked about, he stated that idle land will be used to enhance food security so that we become food secure, I want to say that this cannot be achieved if we do not have demonstration points and pilot areas where our people are being taught on how to do agriculture. We cannot take pieces of land and ask our people to develop them without giving them the mechanism of enhancing Agriculture.

Secondly I want to talk about industrialization since agriculture alone cannot remove us from the yolk of poverty, we need to create jobs and we also need to revive our industries to ensure that we get employment for our people. We have many unemployed youths in our County and it is important that we ensure that industries are revived so as to create job opportunities,

Lastly I want to talk on revenue automation; sometime back I brought a motion in this House on revenue Automation. For us to be successful in development we need revenue Automation, without this we are not going anywhere because without money we cannot develop and I would wish to see that the revenue Automation is realized in this County and I would wish that it given priority and as H.E the Governor spoke yesterday that the revenue Automation is a key success in the collection of revenue in this County was a very noble Idea and I would say that if that project is implemented we will be independence and we may not even require money from the CRS, it would be enough t develop the County.

I also want to talk about waste management; I think that this is an important area that needs to be addressed by Kisumu County. Evert person that has come to Kisumu County is complaining of our Waste Management, it is a high time that we need to allocate a place or come up with an industry that will recycle the waste in our county, thank you.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Yes Hon. Elijah.

Hon. Elijah Omondi: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I want to appreciate the Speech given by H.E the Governor of Kisumu County Hon. Jack Ranguma and I want to wish him well because there is a lot of wordings that he used in the speech and this require a lot of energy for him to make sure that it comes our Clear. Mr. Speaker the Governor gave a Speech and when he was reading the Speech something come to my Mind that he did not make any reference to the other Speech he brought to this House last year, it is as if it was the first Speech the Governor was giving to the People of Kisumu County, the speech was not progressive. It was new compared to the other two he had laid to this House.

Mr. Speaker the Governor also talked to having sighed performance contract with the Executive Officers, it was sighed for one year and I want to tell this House that H.E the Governor sucked 50% of his ministers. Mr. Speaker this is the first time in this World a Governor has sucked half of his Ministers and as for today there is no quorum to sit in the cabinet meetings , I tend to think that our performance contract is in danger Mr. Speaker because who are the one that are going to perform for the contract signed. I was of the opinion that H.E the Governor constitutes His Ministers fully according to the laws that are there so that the County can function normally (interrupted)

Hon. Caroline Owen: Point of information.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Yes Hon. Owen, do you want to inform the House or the Member.

Hon. Caroline Owen: Thank you very much, I would like to inform the House and the Member who has just resume that the sucking of the Cabinet happened when the Assembly was on recess and we just resume yesterday and I want to say that soon the Assembly is going to approve the names of the Executive members that are vacant, so that issue should not form discussion at this particular forum thank you.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Hon. Elijah you can continue.

Hon. Elijah Omondi: While I oppose the point of information given to me by the Member, I want to tell him that even if the Assembly is a t recess half of the cabinet cannot be sacked.

Mr. Speaker the Governor also talked of blotted Workforce, Mr. Speaker we wanted a solution to this Problem, Kisumu County is suffering because the Wedge Bill is very high, that one there is no doubt about it and it is true that our Governor told us that our Worker are demotivated, how can they serve the County under those condition so I wished the Governor would address this issues. I want to encourage the Governor to do something on this Blotted workforce so that this County can deliver its services.

Mr. Speaker some of the employee called me and told me that some of their deductions are not remitted to various statutory bodies like loan Banks and this is a cause of alarm and we have to do something on this Wedge Bill.

Lastly I want to talk on the investors in this County, Mr. Speaker the list of investors in this County are changing every year, if you go to other speeches there investors keep on Changing, this time round there was Bata Shoes Company who was identified as an investor within the County (interrupted).

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Order! Hon. Elijah, the things that you are talking about have already been clarified, let Hon. Ochele say his Point of Order.

Hon. Moses Ochele: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I want to inform Hon. Elijah who is a competent procurement officer who should be understand the meaning of franchise, and from this meaning the Governor identified several franchises including Bata, he did not talk of big investments, but he said that Kisumu has attracted investments over the years and now we have new franchises like Uchumi, Bata, Java etc. it is not an achievement restored upon him as the Governor but it shoes that Kisumu Is opening in receiving investors in whatever magnitude, so he should not tell the House that he does not understand that meaning unless he want to deliberately mislead the House MR. Speaker.

Hon. Elijah Omondi: Mr. Speaker I am concluding.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Order! Hon. Member, I think that this is coming again, it comes here Lydia and Clarified by Hon. Maina Koko and now you have been informed by Hon. Ochele, so I want this not to be repeated and I would like the next Speaker not to repeat the same thing, Hon. Elijah you have 30 seconds to conclude.

Hon. Elijah Omondi: Thank you Mr. Speaker I rest my case.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): yes Hon. Petronilla.

Hon. Petronila Omondi: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I do appreciate the Governors Speech, I have opportunity to go through it and it gives us a basis as A House for debate and also food for thought and what I see in this speech is that it gives us a lot of work. The Governor talked on a lot of task forces, he has talked about independent Bodies to evaluate performance of staffs and this make me wonder how many task forces do we have and how many does he Expect to recruit in the near future, another question how are this task forces being hired and how are they going to be paid when we are talking on a very high wedge Bill and if at every sector we have the ministry concerned like when we are talking about task force that was formed to look on the issue of rice growing in this County and there is a ministry concerned with that ministry so I was wandering if there is duplication of duties and if this is going to happen what is the cost and in that note, I would also want to understand the input of that department of Agriculture on that Task Force.

When we talk on Agriculture which is one of what one people depend on and we compared with the tractors that we launched last year and distributed to the sub-counties, there is something that was not taken into account. There are areas in this County that are rocky, what plans do we have for these rocky areas that are not going to be ploughed these Tractors, I said that something needs to be done and that require the Department of Agriculture to see on a way that this areas will be helped to be a food secured area.

When we get into the heath sector it really interest me, because if I remember my Governor yesterday, he was very excited about this and he told us that the department of Health is now doing very well, I do not see how that department can do well without touching something to do with water, as we all know that water is a very big problem in this County and if we do not address the issue of water I do not see how we can say that the issue of Heath is well taken care of. When we talk of water we also talk on the issue of sanitation. When we go round the Markets in this County, if only in y ward all the markets do not have wards, then we wonder how heath can be at the top even with the 40% of the Allocation going to the ministry of Health. So I tend to think that in the ministry of Heath we need to do a lot and a lot need to be told.

H.E the Governor also talked of Sorghum which was distributed across the County and we are told that we were told that we a had a bumper harvest from the same and we were also told that there was ready market and we were not told of how much was harvested and how much was taken up by this ready market and who is this ready market.

When we talked on the upgrading of our livestock, there is an established centre, I want to know as a Dairy farmer myself where this Center is in Mohoroni so that even tomorrow morning I see on how I can go there and upgrade some of my livestock which I think need improvements.

Lastly I want to add my voice on the issue of the wedge Bill. Something need to be done like yesterday, what are we going to do to ensure that 84% does not go to the Wedge Bill, I do we get back the 40% and without doing that I do not see how we shall get away from the 1% wedge Bill, as leaders we would like to know what is going to be done about this and when will it be done. We would even want to know the establishment of staff in this County Government, it is very unfortunate that even during out Budgeting when we sit and start the Budgeting Prices when usually do not know who we are budgeting for, that one is not coming out clearly and Mr. Speaker I think that it should be taken very seriously by this House that we should know what the establishment is, how many staff do we have and how many are this Extra Staffs that we have and how can the issue be resolved.

Lastly H.E talked on Co-operatives, he said that there are some co- operatives that have been targeted and we did not even know which one are this Co-operative, I think that we should have had an annex to see the targeted Co-operatives. I think the House has a job to find out how many these Cooperatives are and are they sustainable and viable; those are the things that we need to do as a House so as to achieve our Objectives. I want to say that there is a lot in this Book that needs to be explained further, so I think that we need to get back to the drawing board. I hope that this document will go to the committee stage so that it can be scrutinized further by the committees, thank you Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): yes Hon. James then Hon. Owen.

Hon. James Omollo: Thank you Mr. Speaker for allowing me to ventilate on H.E the Governor Speech of Yesterday. Mr. Speaker I think that we are not getting it right as a county and I think that this issue of Wedge Bill to me I believe that it is not practical, when we talk of 84% from 40%, I do not think it is real. The big Question is where did it start and where are we heading to. Mr. Speaker when we were in Nairobi I kept n asking about the 30% development, Mr. Speaker we are working under the Law and

there is no way the Any County Government can work against the law that we spend less than the 30% thresh Hold that have been put I the Law. In the Governors Speech there are reasons why this is not happening, but as n Assembly it is high time we don't break the law.

Mr. Speaker right now we are being told on how much we are spending on development projects and now we are doing another Budget and if the Executive will not meet that thresh Hold then it id the assembly to make that Threshold practical. For example in the Budget for the F/Y 2013-14 we had Kshs 4.5 billion from Nairobi, now assuming that Kisumu did not collect any cent from him People, then a third of Kshs 4.5 billion is Kshs 1.5 billion, so in simple arithmetic we should have spend Kshs 1.5 and above on development, where are we and as a county we are not getting it right and this are some of the things that we need clarification from.

Mr. Speaker about the flood control, it is good that H.E the Governor have mention a few rivers that are being de –silted so that they can have their way into the Lake Victoria, that is very good and I think we are time bad, in the documents we have river Sondu – Miriu, it is still at the documentation stage for it to start to be de-silted and the rains are around the corner and last year there were a lot of floods in the Kano Planes, we need to fast truck on that so that the flood will not be experienced this year round.

Mr. Speaker on the revenue collection the projections are not right, last year we did project something to do with Kshs 3.5 Billion and we collected Kshs 6.5million and this year we are being told that we can only collect Kshs 900million. Mr. Speaker with the leave that the revenue collection ids going down and down we are not going to move and as an assembly we need to correct some of these things, this year a lot of new businesses have been opened in Kisumu County and that means that the revenue is supposed to go up and up, I think that there is serious problem with our revenue collection that need to be addressed, we need to know where our revenue is going, what is happening to our revenue offices, I was there at the Municipal Hall and I noticed something very fishy, that you pay for a Business permit, maybe Kshs 9,800 and you are no given even a single receipt and you are told to go home and come back in the evening and take the permit, how on earth can you pay that amount of money and not even a single receipt is given to you as a prove of pay, Hon. Members it is happening and it is real. We need to step up as an Assembly so that we can have money for development and as an elected leader without development we will go Home. This Employee we are paying what is the value addition to the common "Mwananchi". For example when you employ teachers the Student need to get value Addition to the teachers that are teaching them, so I think that as an Assembly we need to stamp our authority so that things be done right, thank you.

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Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Yes, Hon. Owen and I am marking some of the Hon. Members because after they have contributed, then they feel they can get out as they wish …

Hon. Caroline Owen: Thank youMr.Speaker, I want to say that the Speech for H.E. the Governor was well drafted because a lot of things were put there but a lot remain to be seen,Mr. Speakerinvestors'

confidence is there and that is why we can see them investing heavily in this our County, I therefore ask the Government to invest heavily on security, we can possible lose these investors if this kind of this insecurity continuous, Mr. Speaker in future I expect H.E. the Governors Speech , Mr.Speaker I do not want hear the word ''we expect in the H.E. Governors Speech'' , I wanted H.E. the Governors Speech to contain things like last year we promise " ABCD" and we have managed to do this and that . And we didn't manage to do "ABCD'' because of this and that. I want the H.E the Governor speech to contains the achievements for Kisumu County in the past three years because this is the third speech he reads speech and when you read this speech it still looks like the maiden speech he gave when he was elected, so Mr.Speaker I am a bit disappointed with that, I want to assume that in the past Kisumu County did not have the Chief Officers, we didn't have the key positions filled so that they can address some of the challenges that we had.

After last month's meetings in Nairobi and the employment of the chief officers I would like to believe that from now on we expect things to change. I also want to reiterate of the Human audit at the H.E the Governor talked about he talked of inheriting the blotted and dysfunctional structures of employees , I want to disagree with him because the municipal staffs were more motivated and the structures then were more functional and that is why you are seeing a decline in the revenue collection , they should find our did the local authority did motivate their staff , I want to talk about revenue collection like in my ward there is Kiboswa market , it was a shock for the community when they heard it last week , that a market like Kiboswa that have been there for part of this century that can only collects Ksh.2000 only in a day , that is the disbelieve in my community and they have declared that they will not remit any revenue if most of it is being pocketed by individuals, so Mr. Speaker , it is so clear that the revenue collection have not been monitored , Mr.Speaker also in agriculture H.E the Governor have mentioned a lot of projects that he wants to undertake but not telling us what he has done ,

I also want to talk about the tractors, Mr. Speaker there were some tractors that were bought for the County I am told that they worked for a while and then they stalled, it is not clear whether someone failed on the job and what action has been taken upon them for such failing ,Mr. Speaker, if tractors were bought then their services must be felt by people and if there is failure then what action is being taken , Mr.Speaker in future I need to see such clarity in the Governor's Speech , H.E the Governor also talked about the city of Kisumu , acknowledging the French Government donations to the Kisumu Urban Project (KUP) I want to hear about the city board , it is our concern as the Assembly , the all of Kisumu County are asking where is the city board ? Why is the city structure not complete? we all know that Kisumu is among those County that have a privilege to have a city, we also know Machakos County is investing heavily to have a city, if the city is not managed very well even the investors that we havealready might leave us for other places, Mr.Speaker a city well managed will attract more investors anddonors,Mr. Speaker the issue of the City Board must come out very clear in the H.E. Governors Speech,

Finally Mr. Speaker, H.E the Governor talked about the sports and talent and how they wish to promote this by refurbishing the city stadium of Kisumu, it should be clear that talent are varied like we have the fine arts, we also have people who are innovative, we want to hear H.E theGovernor talksabout the policy on how to promote talents, how are we going to promote this? When we do not have these

centers to promote this kind of activities. I want to believe that we are going to work on this speech as a County, so that we support bills that will enable us to move forward like a County, Thank you very much.

Mr.Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Yes, Hon. James were.

Hon. James were: Thank you Mr.Speaker, I also want to react on the H.E. the Governor's Speech, it has been a tradition for our Governor to give a very long speech without proper implementation , we have been having two reports , first on development secondly on revenue , I think that H.E the Governor ought to have addressed that in his speech, because in one of the reports it was mentioned that the defunct local authority used to collect Ksh.978Million while Kisumu County 2013-2014 collected Ksh.621 Million meaning Kisumu County was the first County to lose like Ksh.300 Million , I think our Governor should be worried and look on various ways where we went wrong so that it is fixed , Mr.Speaker on the same line we were listed number 46 out of 47 in terms of the development , Kisumu having spend only 1% for development I think H.E the governor ought to have come clear on this and again there is no way you take development money to pay for salaries , so I was expecting that to be addressed in his speech .

As the finance chair, I am equally concern, because if you cannot collect revenue the Kisumu County will be stagnant in development until our terms expires, we are not going to have any development if we are not going to put any measures in place that will enhance our revenue collection, again our Governor didn't react on talent search we can only realize this through building our stadia , and also by nurturing talents at ward level , we have several talents like in football , we have women soccer team here which is participating in Kenya premier league and it has never been supported, again in his speech the H.E the Governor also talked about the automation of the revenue collection , they made a lot of noise on this it was in his speech for last year. I think he saw sense of automating revenue collection for KisumuCounty but we wonder why the is delay? we want to fill all the revenue collection loop holes so that we make sure that all revenues collected are safe ,we want this done as soon as yesterday .

Mr.Speaker, H.E the Governor also talked about the childhood development, the interviews were done and we show a list of the short listed names for ECD teachers, we don't know where that exercise reached, we also had a budget allocation for building ECD classes in various schools, so I don't know how our Governor is going to address the issues of the ECDs,

Mr. Speaker, I also want to congratulate H.E the Governor on what he mentioned on the food security and I think the Nyalenda B ward is one of the beneficiaries , some of our people have gone back to farming and this is going to help Kisumu County , because the fear of over flooding is long gone , I also want to mention the SMS system, that H.E the Governor mentioned in his Speech, it will ensure that we have the proper feedback , the H.E. the Governor is able to talk to his people directly this is very good undertaking that the H.E the Governor have taken and I think it will enhance the service delivery for the Kisumu County , as I wind up I want to mention something on security , as we all know that it is in the National Government mandate but we must be equally concern , Mr.Speaker , Nyalenda B has lost five lives in the last one week , there is a lot of terror gang and it is now high time to help this situation as County , Mr. Speaker , if you go to our police stations there is not enough vehicles some

even can't start, so tell me if there is a rescue mission that is required urgently , do you think we will manage it is high time H.E the Governor do something on this security issue , thank you Mr.Speaker and I rest my case .

Mr.Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Hon.Opepo.

Hon.Simba Opepo: Thank you Mr.Speaker, for allowing me to contribute on the speech that the H.E the Governor made on yesterday Mr.Speaker, Mr.Speaker when we talked of environmental sustainability, Mr.Speaker this is a disaster to this County, the solid waste management is a disaster to this County Mr.Speaker. Mr.Speaker this department if can be handle well,can create jobs for our youths , this is department that have given Kisumu County a bad name of not having a dumping site and the lands for Kisumu County have also been grabbed by powerful individuals .

Mr.Speaker when you look at the solid wastes, it is wealth of which Kisumu County is ignoring, the tissue papers and the soviet that we are using in Kisumu County are imported from other Counties which are the same like Kisumu County , when we talked of health of which H.E the Governor Mentioned that the County uses 40% of the budgetary allocation for the health sector , Mr.Speaker that is not true because in our wards where we are having dispensaries and sub-county hospitals , like in my ward there is Hospital with only one medical officer and one nurse the all Sub-County and a lot of facilities there but no personnel,

Mr.Speaker ,H.E the Governor one time came to Mamboleo slaughter house with investors and mentioned that , that slaughter House is going to be upgraded to supply meat to East Africa Countries , that one H.E the Governor did not mentioned in his speech .

Mr.Speaker, when we talk of polytechnics, we did approve funds for bursaries worth Ksh. 2.8 million, Mr.Speaker up to date we have only been given Ksh.2million out of Ksh.2.8Million, I want to know where that Ksh. 8 million went to,Mr.Speaker, when you talked of wage bill and the work force being large for the County in some ministries when the wage bill is big or work force is alarming , it is for the ministry to see whichever way , even if it means retrenching let the H.E the Governor to do so ,

Mr.Speaker, when it comes to revenue collection, remember when we had the defunct local authority they were collecting a lot of revenue compared with County Government , if I am not wrong some of money are going into the wrong hands , Mr.Speaker, I am afraid , to say when we were talking on the health department H.E the Governor never touched on water , the KIWASCO which is running the services of water supply in County , it is doing really bad to our people , in last week when they were doing the cleaning for tanks , I tell you the tanks are really dirty and muddy , so it is for the department of health to question the KIWASCO for misusing our rivers , Mr.Speaker , while resting my case , I would like to tell the Hon. Members that the speech for the H.E the Governor was a good speech otherwise thank you very much Mr.Speaker ,

Mr.Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Yes. Hon. Nereah Okombo.

Hon.Nereah Okombo: Thank you Mr.Speaker, I also want to contribute on the H.E the Governor Speech, Mr.Speaker, we all acknowledge the fact that H.E the Governor having admit that he inherited the blotted workforce that need to be stream lined , Mr.Speaker , I remember the committee of justice and legal affairs asking the executive to provide them with the list of access and liabilities , which included the number of staffs from the defunct local authority and that has not been done , for us to be able to help the County , Mr.Speaker , Hon. Members are also concern about the assets the County have acquired , Hon. Members are also doubting whether the 23 tractors bought were reality , we as the Assembly we need to know the truth about this , the County executive need to tell us , how much the county have used and acquired for the last two years ? How much did it inherit from the defunct authority? And what are the status for theseassets? At the moments for us to know the service delivery rate.

Mr.Speaker, we also acknowledge that the rate of the revenue collection have reduced tremendously and I heard H.E the Governor said that the revenue collection and supervision for the County Executive officers were left for the docket of H.E the Deputy Governor H.E . Ruth Adhiambo Odinga, it is true that the revenue collection have decline but at the same time, I don't know whether the said authority have shared her challenges with Assembly or in the cabinet meetings , we all know as navigator when your ship is affected with storm then a change for the captain may be called for , H.E the Governor need to change his captain dealing with revenue collection and if this is not dealt up with , then I think Kisumu County is not going to be managed properly, because we can spent 84 % of our exchequer income on paying salaries , Mr.Speaker the law requires and the PMF is very clear that we need to spent at least 30% of that amount on development , we need to give our people services, we don't want to hear that Government is paying other people salaries without developments, we want services to reach our people , this is why we are here and if that is not done , we are soon going to lose the trust of our people who sent us here

1. For legislation
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3. To ensure that the services are delivered to them

Mr.Speaker, on this two issues that I have talked about, we all know that it is our mandate as an Assembly to regulate and establish policies that will enable the service delivery , we need to come up with the policies that will ensure that there is effective revenue collection , we also need to ensure that we have regulation that ensure there is equity in distribution of the resources, employment and other services in Kisumu County , Mr.Speaker , I came up with bill that is Kisumu County cooperative and employment Bill which I forwarded to the office of the Clerk to look at and bring to the House and maybe or possible we pass it and then forward it to the Government to implement , we need to know how this cooperates that we have in Kisumu hire their staff.

H.E the Governor also acknowledged the investors that we have in Kisumu , we need to have a system in place that will enable our people to be employed by this investors , as I rest my case lets develop policies that we help our people , thank you very much .

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng) Hon.Ogot.

Hon. Caroline Ogot: Thank you Mr. Speaker, mine will be very short first of all, I want to recommend H.E the Governor for his wonderful speech, I will just talk on the revenue and I think this is not a wishful speech but a speech that is attainable with resources we have, revenue collection will help our people in terms of development, it will also give us easy time to legislate rather than trying to get means and ways to explain the situations.

Secondly ,I wish it was containing more of women and youth issues, especially on matters to do with the reproductive health, security and infrastructure, there are some women issues touching women that should be considered first especially to combat the child mortality rate, I would also wish that his speech do not talk more on donor promises, because when a donor promises something you have no control over it , it might take long time before they bring their money , so probably if it would contain few things that we can achieve but not promising '' Wanjiku'' what we cannot deliver .

I also want to talk about the bursary, there have been a lot of complains about this, we should find means for containing the irregularities so that the child at heart is considered. I also want to thank H.E the Governor for his good job, otherwise thank you.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Hon. Charles Aguko.

Hon. Charles Aguko: Thank you Mr. Speaker , for allowing me to comment on the H.E the Governor Speech , H.E the Governor touched on many concerns about the Kisumu County , Mr. Speaker, let me point out this point of food security in this County especially the rice farming to meat , Mr. Speaker I happened to represent the rice farmers , I have a big area of rice farming compost of 5 farmers and rice production is doing very well , Mr. Speaker recently H.E the Governor came to visit the rice farmers in my ward , the rice production in this area is very good but the problem the farmers are facing is the market for the rice produce , Mr. Speaker, H.E the Governor had a meeting with the farmers and I am happy to hear that he formed a task force ,to look into the challenges the farmers are facing , Mr. Speaker the mandate for a task force formed is to look into the market issue for the rice produce , if you go to my ward people are really suffering having huge bags of rice produce but lucking the market for the rice produce , Mr. Speaker , we use to have external market for example people were coming from Uganda and those other far areas (Mr. Speaker ,I wish that the Chief Whip and Majority Leader listens to this sentiments they are very important areas because I know the Majority leader is a cane farmer) Mr. Speaker , H.E the Governor made very good pledges , particularly to the rice farmers in my ward that is to look for market and seeds for rice ,so that our people benefits from the rice produce , H.E the Governor pledged even to source investor outside to support the farming , so when the farmers are ready with their harvest the price is good and the market is also available and our people can benefit Mr. Speaker all said and done if all of this pledges are done by H.E the Governor our people will really benefits thank you.

Finally H.E the Governor mentioned our stalled factories for sugar and he mentioned on his speech that so many investors are keen to come and revive this stalled factories that we have, Mr. Speaker if all this is done God willing then we will prosper as a County , I would ones again wish to comment H.E the

Governor for touching on many areas and challenges that the farmers of the County have experienced otherwise thank you Mr. Speaker ..

Hon. Benter Ndeda: Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this chance to ventilate on the Governor's Speech. Much has been said by my colleagues and I would only add on some concerns. My thought was that the local investors within Kisumu County have always gotten a raw deal especially where they think they will get their businesses just outside the CBD where the area the rent has been made too high and all the buildings have been taken over by one community driving out all the local investors. I thought the Governor will come with an alternative where all the grabbed land within the county can be made an alternative for the local investors so that we also feel like the owners of the county.

Another thing that I didn't hear about is the issue of environment. Most of it is about the solid waste and I am wondering whether the environment of this County is all about the solid waste. There is so much that has not been talked about sand harvesters and brick making which can negatively and positively impact the community; so I thought something should be done and the negative part can be talked about and the positive talked about. The tree planting even at the time we talk about Agriculture, the county cant be the food basket without planting trees; I don't see where we are going. That is much I had about the speech of the Governor. If such areas would be looked into and included in the Governor's speech then we would at least 1.5% come the year 2015. Thank you.

Hon. Joshua Auko: Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity to also ventilate on the Governor's speech yesterday. This was a very good speech that covered almost everything. I want to thank the Governor very much on the task force he talked about yesterday. Today in the morning one of the task force members called me and they were visiting West Kano rice irrigation scheme and also Ahero irrigation scheme to find out how the rice farmers can be helped. This was a very good move and I want to thank the Governor for that.

While the Governor spoke so well and as I read his speech there was almost nothing touching on security and the Governor is the chairman of security in this county. I want to say here that without the security being much attention in this county, whatever we are saying about attracting investors: no investor would like to come to a place where security is not there. No investor would like to stay where security is not appropriate. I think this issue of security should be taken with much force. Hon. Maurice Aloo was attacked, Hon. Deputy majority leader was attacked and also Hon. Ogosi was attacked on Monday. Mr. Speaker this security issue should be taken seriously and we should come as a collective force as Members of this county and come up with a Bill that will empower the security of this county. I think very soon the security Bill of this county

should come here so that we can deal with it. As a chairman of security I have been in touch with security at the National government regarding Hon. Aloo's case and the case is commencing; in fact some of the prints of those culprits are being traced in Uganda, Sudan and Somalia. They are very dangerous people and the security organs are making a move… (Interrupted)

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Order Hon. Auko! Are you contributing to the Governor's speech or talking about Hon. Aloo's case?

Hon. Joshua Auko: I am sorry Mr. Speaker I went overboard maybe because of the passion I have for security but its okay now. I want to say that security should be given much attention in this county in order for us to attract and maintain investors. In order for us to do any development project security should be priority. Thank you.

Hon. Fanuel Ayim: Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this chance to contribute to this elaborate speech. When I was trying to go through the speech I came across a page where the Governor was saying they encourage the Youth and women to do business in Kisumu County. Mr. Speaker, that's quite encouraging but how are we going to encourage the Youth to do business. The problem with our Youth is the capital and the Youth has been a problem in this county because most of our youth don't have capital and sincerely we need to encourage them to go in business. I was thinking of two things Mr. Speaker; giving these youth contracts because as I can see indicated here that they are allowed 30% of the government contracts. That's a very big percentage but you see most of the youth are not applying for these jobs because they don't have capital and before I used to see government contracts being given in advance like construction of houses, roads and so on. I think if we can come up with an idea where the youth, women and People living with disability can be awarded some contracts and we pay them some portions in advance to start up those jobs I think we can be able to put our people into business and that is really going to reduce the unemployment percentage of the youth.

Mr. Speaker, another thing is how we can rehabilitate our industries like the cotton industry which has been lying idle for quite some time. This will also encourage cotton farmers to go back to their business and at the same time we are going to create employment for the youth. I also came across a page where the Governor was saying that they gave some loans to some small traders amounting to 7 million. I am an MCA but I don't know about such a thing until I saw it in the Governor's speech. Mr. Speaker, that shows how we are not working closely with the Governor or the executive; because these people must be coming from our wards and if we don't know then that raises a question that who was given these loans? It is good to give loans and I have seen even in

the papers whereby Homa Bay County gave some of the small traders some loans to do business. It is quite good but in most cases I think we should be informed so that we can help identify these groups because we are the people on the ground. If the loans are just given and we don't know who is given the loans then it is not in order. We do an oversight to the executive and if they do things that we don't know then it is very bad.

I also wan to say something about the upgrading of the Muhoroni center. I fail to understand because in the speech we are encouraged to tell our people to go for the upgrading of animals in Muhoroni. Mr. Speaker me being the chairman of Livestock I don't know a place for upgrading of Livestock… (interrupted)

Hon. Joshua Auko: Point of information! Mr. Speaker I want give an information on the center for upgrading of Livestock in Muhoroni. That place is in my ward and its 600 acres.

Hon. Fanuel Ayim: Thank you. Mr. Speaker I have not been fully informed but I'll take it at that point. The reason why I am saying that we are not working closely with the executive is because I would have known a place like that and even visited.

Hon. Aggrey Ogosi: Point of information! Thank you Mr. Speaker. I don't think Hon. Auko heard what Hon. Ayim was talking about. I think I heard what the chair of Livestock was about, he was talking about taking our animals for breeding in Muhoroni. Hon. Auko is talking about Maize. I wonder if they are reading from the same script. On the same note I wonder how we are supposed to take our animals all the way from Seme to Muhoroni for breeding. Thank you.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Hon. Auko can you come out clean. Are you talking about 600 acre for maize, livestock center for breeding or what?

Hon. Joshua Auko: Mr. Speaker I must say that maybe they were talking about the semen. We have some for sale in Ombeyi for that matter.

(Laughter!!)

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Order! Hon. Auko kindly apologize to this House because you wanted to mislead this House.

Hon. Joshua Auko: I apologize Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Fanuel Ayim: Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. I think I am going to rest my case there Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Jackton Onunga: Mr. Speaker I think I will be very brief. First and foremost I want to salute the Governor for an elaborate, comprehensive and all inclusive speech. I wish to pin point some areas which he abscond. Namely; Environment, Kachok picking ground has been there for decades and the Governor did not tell this House how his administration intends to come up with a mechanism and strategy to relocate the dumpsite. The dumpsite has become a problem and there is no way the investors can invest in the city with such dumpsite.

Number two; Tourism as a component. The governor just mentioned tourism without coming up with an elaborate plan or mechanism as a product which we can market to the western world. There is no government in the world which can sustain itself without financial budget for tourism. Mr. Speaker, as a chairman I am tired. It is high time this government implements the motions which my committee has passed before. As a chairman of the committee we are not going to discuss any item on tourism. We have become a laughing stock and therefore I want to rest my case. Thank you.

Hon. Salome Lungafa: Thank you Mr. Speaker. First I want to thank the Governor for the good speech he read in this House. I want to say that surely this is a very big document which needs both the executive and the assembly to work together so that we can implement. I think the Governor cannot work alone and I think we should not put all the blame on the Governor. As hon. members we should ask ourselves what we have done. Service delivery is supposed to be from both sides, the executive and the Assembly. We must work together for this county to benefit. The Governor has tried to put things together despite this difficult time. Everyone knows what has been happening here. We know the problems we've had even in the assembly whereby even the things passed in this House don't reach the executive and those from the executive don't reach this House. So, it was difficult for the Governor to make a speech which can move us forward to the right place. I want to ask my fellow Hon. Members that on this Governor's speech let every committee take part in discussing it for us to see that at least we are doing something. To do our oversight role properly, let us not sit down but to push it so that the executive can implement. Recently the Governor tried to make the House clean so that we can move while we are walking here and there and in every media House complaining that the Governor is doing nothing. How can the governor work without our support Mr. Speaker?

Hon. Benter Ndeda: Point of information! I want to inform the speaker on the floor to concentrate on the Governor's speech rather than the conflict resolution.

Hon. Salome Lungafa: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I think what I have been saying here before being stopped is true because it is for the benefit of Kisumu. I think we need a

change this time for us to move ahead. I am saying the speech was well presented by the Governor. The Governor has told us how many dispensaries we have now in the county which was not there before. The number of polytechnics that we now have that was not there and ECD classes that we now have which never existed before. So, when we are criticizing the Governor let us also talk about the positive things that he has done for the county. I want to finish by saying that in the Governor's speech he concluded by requesting all of us to be together so that we can work for the people. He also talked about Gender parity, People living with disabilities, Women and the Youth and talked about empowerment. As hon. Ayim said, we saw that there is loans given to women but we are the representatives of women and we have not seen anywhere or heard of a report from the Executive Member telling us about the loans. I therefore request our Leader of Majority as the representative of the Governor to ask the executive Member to give us chance as representatives when they are giving such goodies they include us so that we can do our duties.

Finally, I want to say the fund for the women, youth and people living with disabilities be given to them so that we can stop asking where the money has gone to. However I want to the thank the Governor and as the Governor said that remaining silent does not change things, let us aspire and never stop until we achieve our goals. Let's work together as Kisumu county, thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Jane Omollo: Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. I stand here to congratulate the Governor for this well documented speech. I just a few comments on health, that is on page 8 where the Governor said that the health facility at Ahero is complete. May I inform the House that the facility at Ahero is not functional at this stage. I am speaking as the Ahero sub district treasurer and at the moment the theatre is not functioning, the mortuary is not functional and its only the new modern maternity which is functioning. I want to congratulate the Governor that the speech id good and lets hope that we will move from 1% to 30%. Thank you.

Hon. John Olum: Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. I want to congratulate the Governor for the speech he read yesterday in this House. As the chairman of infrastructure, I am aware that something is being done in every sub county and I believe that the 1% is political malice. So, I thank him for the speech he read except that he failed to capture on some areas. The Governor did not tell us what plans he has for revenue collection which has really gone down. The Governor was supposed to come up with a plan so that we make sure that the revenue collected does not go to the pockets of some few individuals.

The Governor did not also tell us about what plans the county public service board has for this county. We know very well that since that board was constituted even this Assembly do not know what they are doing. We only get things through radio and newspapers and yet he was talking about the wage bill; which to me some of the people being employed here are not going to help this county. Recently they did a head county but they have not told us how many ghost workers they found. We are only learning that people are being employed. The Governor failed to tell us the position of that board on those issues. We don't know what that board is doing to this county.

H.E the Governor did not also tell us about the revenue particularly from the Boda boda traders. This county is not getting any revenue from the boda boda. If you go to other counties such as in Homa bay, Siaya, the boda boda people are paying revenue and that's why you find them disciplined. The Governor did not tell us the plans he has for boda boda. Thank you.

Hon. Maurice Ondiek: Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. Allow me to congratulate the Governor for the good speech he read yesterday in this House.

Hon. Moses Ochele: Point of Order! I rise to notify you that this House has gone short of the recommended number. Mr. Speaker, seemingly there is quorum hitch.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Chief Whip please confirm if there is quorum.

Hon. John Olum: Point of information! I want to inform the House Mr. Speaker that there are some people who contribute and leave. Mr. Speaker I don't know if there is another meeting somewhere because particularly the people who disturb this county and are against the development of this county have a tendency of coming here and leaving. Mr. Speaker I ask you to make a ruling on this because we cannot deliberate for some people…

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Order Hon. Olum! You are making a very dangerous statement that "some people who are against the development of this county" and under our Standing orders you may be forced to substantiate whatever you mean by your statement. So be careful unless you want to substantiate your statement.

Let me inform the House that when a quorum hitch has been noticed in this House, no Member is allowed to go out except the Chief Whip.

Chief Whip: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I want to notify the House that now there is quorum. We can now proceed.

Hon. Maurice Ondiek: Thank you Mr. Speaker, allow me to continue with my contribution. The Governor talked about some sugarcane industries like Muhoroni and Chemelil and I am supporting it that we should see how these Industries can be handed over from the national government to the county government and we should be allowed to have some investors who can manage these industries. This will help create employment to our youth and our farmers will also gain. On tractors, the Governor talked about adding more tractors. Somebody here mentioned that they were 23 tractors but that's not the truth. The county only bought 8 tractors. With the other tractors, it was collaboration with some investors who later pulled out. The county remained with only 8 tractors that it bought but the county is too big for 8 tractors and it's hard for farmers achieve. I am requesting my colleagues and our Governor if we can add more tractors in this next financial year so that we can help our farmers. I don't want to say much and therefore rest my case, thank you.

Leader of Majority: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, I know it's just almost time. I can see some Members still want to contribute on this Speech however, I want to agree with most Members in this House that as Members of the Majority Party we lost one of us during the nomination in Homabay, that is the late Hon. Monica Amolo and therefore Members of the ODM party have been summoned in the party office and they are supposed to be there by 5 pm and hence I want to request the House that we adjourn until tomorrow to complete the debate. I want to ask the Chief Whip to second.

Chief Whip: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir. The only thing I want to add on that is that it will also give Members to scrutinize the speech again and contribute effectively. Otherwise I stand to second.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Thank you. According to our Standing orders, in relation to such a motion which has been brought without notice, it's subject to debate and that calls that this be discussed.

Hon. Caroline Agwanda: Thank you Mr. Speaker. As we all know that its an issue for the party. I want to support and by reading the mood of the House I want to call the mover to reply.

Leader of Majority: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir. I really want to appreciate and thank the Hon. Members in this House more particularly the Minority party Members who are here for understanding the situation. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): Thank you Members, I now want to put a question that as many as are of the opinion that this House adjourn for the Majority party to attend the meeting say "Aye!"

Hon. Members: Aye!!

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): For those of the contrary opinion say "Nay!"

Hon. Members: *(Silence!)*

Adjournment

Mr. Speaker (Hon. Gabriel Ochieng): The "Ayes!" have it. Now the House stands adjourned till tomorrow 2:30 pm.

(All Arise)
(Speakers' Procession)
(House adjourns at 05:00 p.m)