

**COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KISUMU**



**COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KISUMU**

**THE HANSARD**

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**THIRD ASSEMBLY – FIFTH SESSION**

**Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2026**

**House met in the Main Chamber at 09:00 a.m.**

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

**PRAYER**

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, in line with provisions of Orders No. 32 (2) of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders, I direct that the Quorum Bell be rung for the first five minutes.

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

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, pursuant to the of the same Standing Order No. 32(2), I further direct that the Quorum Bell be rung for a further five minutes. I cannot spot Chief Whip or the Deputy in the House however I can see the Deputy Leader of the Majority. Hon. Lumumba, would you whip your Members who may be outside?

**The Deputy Leader of Majority** (Hon. Owade, MCA, South East Nyakach): Most obliged, Madam Speaker.

*(Quorum Bell rung for a further five minutes)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Yes, the deputy Leader of Majority, would you kindly confirm if we have attained the requisite quorum to transact business?

**The Deputy Leader of Majority** (Hon. Owade, MCA, South East Nyakach): Madam Speaker, I can authoritatively report that we have quorum.

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

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

### **PAPER LAID**

REPORT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE ON THE CONSIDERATION OF THE  
IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF THE HOUSE RESOLUTION ON THE  
ENCROACHMENT OF RIPARIAN AREAS ALONG PAGA BEACH IN SOUTH WEST  
KISUMU WARD

BY

HONOURABLE JAMES OMOLLO, MCA, WEST NYAKACH

[CHAIRPERSON, IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE]

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

**Hon. Omollo** (MCA, West Nyakach): Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, I rise to table the following Paper. A Report of the Implementation Committee on the consideration of the Implementation status of the House Resolution on the Encroachment of Riparian Areas along Paga Beach in South West Kisumu Ward. Thank you.

*(Honourable James Omollo lays the report before the House for consideration)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, I confirm receipt of the Report on the Status of Implementation of the House Resolution on the Encroachment of Riparian Areas along Paga Beach in South West Kisumu Ward. The Report stands committed to the House Business Committee for scheduling for further deliberations.

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

## NOTICE OF MOTION

ADOPTION THE REPORT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE ON THE CONSIDERATION OF THE IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF THE HOUSE RESOLUTION ON THE ENCROACHMENT OF RIPARIAN AREAS ALONG PAGA BEACH IN SOUTH WEST KISUMU WARD

BY

HON. JAMES OMOLLO, MCA, WEST NYAKACH

[CHAIRPERSON, IMPLIMENTATION COMMITTEE]

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

**Hon. Omollo** (MCA, West Nyakach): Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, I rise to give a Notice of Motion: THAT, this House adopts the Report of the Implementation Committee on the consideration of the Implementation Status of the House Resolution on the Encroachment of Riparian Areas along Paga Beach in South West Kisumu Ward. Thank you.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Thank you, Honourable Members. Yes, Honourable Lumumba, the Deputy Leader of Majority, another Notice.

**The Deputy Leader of Majority** (Hon. Owade, MCA, South East Nyakach): Madam Speaker, I rise pursuant to Standing Order No. 45(1). THAT, this House approves the Request for Extension of Time by the Ad Hoc Committee on the inquiry on Performance of Own Source Revenue, Kisumu County. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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

## STATEMENT

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, it is Statement Hour.

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

## MOTION

ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE PUBLIC INVESTMENTS AND ACCOUNTS (PIC/PAC) ON THE EXAMINATION OF THE REPORT OF THE AUDITOR-GENERAL ON

THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE KISUMU COUNTY EXECUTIVE FOR THE  
FINANCIAL YEAR 2024/2025

BY

HONOURABLE KENNEDY OUKO, MCA, WEST KISUMU

[CHAIRPERSON, PUBLIC INVESTMENTS AND ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE]

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

**Hon. Ouko** (MCA, West Kisumu): Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, on behalf of the Public Accounts and Investments Committee (PIC/PAC), and pursuant to Standing Order No. 188 of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Orders, I wish to present to this House the Report of the Committee on the audited Financial Statements of the Kisumu County Executive for the Financial Year 2024/2025.

Honourable Speaker, Article 229(4)(a) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 provides that, within six months after the end of each financial year, the Auditor-General shall audit and report on the accounts of national and county governments.

Further, Article 229(7) mandates the Auditor-General to submit such reports to Parliament or the relevant County Assemblies.

Additionally, Article 229(8) requires that, within three months of receiving an audit report, Parliament or the respective County Assemblies shall debate and consider the report and take appropriate action.

In adherence to the constitutional timelines, the Committee is bound to conclude its consideration of the Auditor-General’s Report for the Financial Year 2024/2025 by 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2026.

The Public Accounts and Investment Committee is the watchdog committee that examines the Auditor General’s Report laid before the House to ensure probity, efficiency and effectiveness in the use of public resources. The Committee is established pursuant to Standing Order No.188 to examine the account showing appropriation of sum voted by the House to meet public expenditure and of such other accounts laid before the House as the Committee may think fit.

This ensures, implementation of Article 229(8) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, on Reports submitted to this House by the Auditor General. The Committee held five Sittings during which it received both written and oral evidence from Accounting Officers on audit queries raised by

the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of the Kisumu County Executive for the Financial Year 2024-2025.

Hon. Speaker, the Committee in its scrutiny of the Report of the Auditor General, noted that, the Auditor General issued a qualified opinion on the Financial Statements of Kisumu County Executive for the Financial Year 2024-2025. The Committee's examination of the Auditor General's Report of the Financial Year 2024-2025, revealed significant concerns across three key areas of audit; Financial Statements, lawfulness and effectiveness in using public resources, and effectiveness of internal control, risk management and governance, Hon. Speaker.

Under the Report on the Financial Statements, the Committee noted weaknesses in financial reporting, including non-compliance with IPSAS reporting requirements, material inaccuracies and unreconciled variances, unsupported balances in payables and deposits, and weaknesses in budgetary performance characterized by significant underfunding under expenditure. Additionally, several prior-year audit issues remain unresolved, raising concerns over the credibility and reliability of the Financial Statements.

Madam Speaker, we are making our own short notes. But I would like to probably take Hon. Members to No. 3.1 on our Report. That is the larger Report. When we talk about compliance with the transitional of IPSAS reporting template. And I quote, "The cover page to the Annual Report and Financial Statements indicated transitional IPSAS Financial Statement." Further, under Note 2, "The Financial Statement on compliance and basis of preparation of Financial Statements, management, having taken advantage of the transitional period under IPSAS 33, have not indicate the elements of Financial Statements that have not been recognized and the steps being taken towards full compliance with IPSAS. In the circumstances, the Financial Statements prepared and presented are not in compliance with IPSAS reporting." And this is the response from management. "We accept the omission of listing the elements in the Financial Statements that have not been recognized."

Hon. Members, through Madam Speaker, IPSAS is the International Public Sector Accounting Standards. It is mostly set for government entities and international bodies. And Kenya is one of the signatories. They align their accounting standards accordingly with that. And there was a guideline issued by the National Treasury. That all government entities must report through IPSAS. That is now through accrued basis, as opposed to cash basis which was previously used before.

On cash basis really, what they do is only to record transactions when cash is received or paid. However, under the accrued basis, transactions are recorded when they occur, even if it is a pending bill or what you intend to do or anything, for the sake of transparency. This makes the distinction of reporting in accounting. Therefore, this accounting standard must be adhered to by all government entities. You come to realise that the entity is accepting, we accept the omissions of listing. This is very dangerous.

Hon. Members of the County Assembly, under lawfulness and effectiveness in the use of public resources, the Committee observed non-compliance with legal and regulatory framework, particularly procurement processes, contract management and project implementation. This includes irregular procurement practices, awarding of contracts to unqualified bidders, poor workmanship in infrastructure projects and failure to adhere to statutory requirements on inclusivity, including gender balance, ethnic diversity and representation of persons with disabilities. The Committee further noted weaknesses in asset management, revenue administration and expenditure control, which undermine value for money and accountability in the use of public resources.

In the same Report, on the lawfulness and effectiveness in the use of public resources, the Committee noted with great concern serious irregularities in procurement processes, particularly instances where tender evaluation criteria were manipulated to unfairly advantage certain bidders. In one such case, a bidder was irregularly overscored during technical evaluation, enabling the firm to wrongfully qualify for financial evaluation and ultimately be awarded a contract, contrary to prescribed procurement regulations.

Hon. Speaker, such actions not only compromise the integrity, fairness and transparency of procurement processes, but also expose public resources to potential loss and misuse. These irregularities point to weaknesses in oversight by the Tender Evaluation Committee, the head of procurement and the Accounting Officer in ensuring strict compliance with procurement laws and regulations.

Under the effectiveness of internal control, risk management and governance, the Committee observed systemic weaknesses, including failure to remit statutory deductions, inadequate human resource planning, understaffing of key oversight functions such as internal audit, these gaps pointed to weak control system and insufficient oversight mechanism necessary to safeguard public resources and ensure efficient service delivery.

Honourable Speaker, these risks reflect systematic challenges in financial statements, compliance and governance within the county executive and underscore the need for strengthening internal control and strict adherence to legal framework and enhance accountability mechanism to improve service delivery and public trust. In light of foregoing findings, the committee had made a raft of recommendations at strengthening financial management, enhancing compliance with legal and regulatory framework and improving governance and accountability within the county executive.

On the matter of irregular procurement, the committee has taken the firm position and recommended that the matter be referred to the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission for further investigation into possible loss of public fund. In addition, the committee has recommended that the CECM Finance and Economic Planning and ICT, to take appropriate

administrative action against all officers found culpable and that accountability measures be ensured, enforced to deter recurrent of similar malpractice. Honourable Speaker, I now raise to register my presentation to the fellow members, honourable members of the committee, the office of the speaker and the clerk of the committee and the secretariat.

Madam Speaker, I hereby request that this House adopts the report of the Public Accounts and Investment Committee (PIC/PAC), on the consideration of the Auditor General's report on the financial statement of the Kisumu County Executive for the financial year 2024-2025. May I call upon Honourable James Omollo to second. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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

**Hon. Omollo** (West Nyakach): *(Bowed in seconding the motion)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, a motion on the adoption of the report of the Select Committee on Public Investments and Accounts on the Examination of the report of the General on the Financial Statement of the Kisumu County Executive for the financial year 2024-2025 has been moved and seconded. It is now my pleasure to propose a question that this report be opened for discussion.

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

**Hon. Nyaoke** (MCA, North Nyakach): Thank you, Madam Speaker. In this report which has just been read by the Chairperson, Public Investments and Accounts Honourable Ouko, I want to refer us to page 24. I do not know if we have the same report, but my view is that the gadget is showing that it is on page 24. That is talking about one, I refer to one observation that they made and I read section 1. Procurement activities for several water projects under the Department of Water, Environment, Climate Change and Natural Resources were initiated after the 31<sup>st</sup> May cut-off date. This was contrary to the provisions of National Treasury Circular 11 on the guidelines of implementation of the financial year 2024-2025 budget, which prohibits the initiation of new procurement activities beyond the stipulated time or date of the cut off. This is in order to allow for proper financial closure and budget absorption planning.

Madam Speaker, this is a very important observation and if you look further at the recommendations, they have given and; I believe the chairperson, Implementation Committee will also look at this with keen eyes.

Madam Speaker, if you look at the recommendation of section 3, item number 3, that says future non-compliance with National Treasury Circular's and Procurement Timelines should attract appropriate administrative action against the responsible officers in accordance with the relevant

Public Finance Management and Public Procurement Laws. Madam Speaker, if you look at the observation that this House Committee made, and I believe that these are some of the issues that we have dealt with in this House several times regarding the Procurement Timelines. You find that very vital procurement is being carried out by the officers which done at a time when we have got very short time to have them done. Madam Speaker, that late procurement time does not provide us also time to execute or allow for the works to be executed within the time frame, given the fact that our financial year ends in June. Now a procurement that has been done basically by end of May, Madam Speaker, does not allow us time even to have the projects undertaken.

Madam Speaker, it is my belief that, this is something that even the Implementation Committee can ensure that, particularly this recommendation that the officers that will be going forward, will be found to be doing this, should be taken to task and should explain. Actually, serious administrative action should be taken against them to make sure that the procurement timeline is adhered to as per the requirements of the law. Thank you, Madam Speaker. I beg to support.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): The Deputy Leader of Majority.

**The Deputy Leader of Majority** (Hon. Lumumba, MCA, South East Nyakach): Thank you, Madam Speaker. I would like to support but with a very heavy heart. Madam Speaker, reports like this have been read and of course they are very good ones. But then, these recommendations that are made have never been implemented.

Furthermore, there is even failure to act on the recommendations given, Madam Speaker, I have been waiting to hear from the Committee on Implementation to give a report here that they have made a follow-up and the recommendation that were passed in this House has not been done with reasons that follows the action of whoever is supposed to do that; maybe impunity, highhandedness and so on and so forth. So that this House is asked on the way forward, or gives direction.

Otherwise, reports that have been read in this House are becoming a formality, to the extent that Honourable Members are not interested. Look at the way the people debate on these reports. They are not interested. Why? Because they give recommendations with no feedback on what action has been taken.

Madam Speaker, we are here today and I was here early enough to give a Notice of Motion. Why? Because it is a requirement, if it is not done on time, there is a consequence. We were here by 09.00 a.m. because it is a requirement that we are here at that particular time to do what is supposed to be done. Why is it so difficult in doing the right thing at the right time, by implementing the recommendations that this House normally passes. It is high time, Madam

Speaker that we look into this. There is an action that is expected from the Select Committee on Implementation. Their Chairperson should come and inform us how many recommendations that House Committee has followed and implemented plus how many has not been implemented and why. From then, he/ she should request this House to give a direction.

Otherwise, we will close this House at the end of our term, without even a single action taken on these reports that we have been making. It will be a shame, Madam Speaker. I support but still with a heavy heart. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo MCA, Manyatta “B”): Thank you, Honourable Lumumba. But, allow me to protect the Chairperson, Committee on Implementation. Honourable Members, I want to remind us that we all have responsibility as the House, as well as the powers and privileges to call any errant officer to order.

Let us not leave it to the Committee on Implementation because it acts on behalf of the Assembly. So, if there is something that a House Committee finds heavy to do, then as the House we have to come together to assist that House Committee to make sure that that happens. So it is our collective responsibility, and we all need to join hands.

**The Deputy Leader of Majority** (Hon. Lumumba, MCA, South East Nyakach): Madam Speaker, whatever you are saying is exactly what I said. That, the Committee on Implementation should come back and give us a report.

*(Hon. Okumu rises on his feet on a Point of Order)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Yes, Honourable Seth, what is your point of order?

**Hon. Okumu** (MCA, East Seme): Thank you. Madam Speaker, our Standing Orders states that, it is not right for the Honourable Deputy Leader of Majority to sneak into debating on a motion that he had debated and concluded. Madam Speaker, I just wanted you to rule him out of order first, thank you.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Seth, just before you rose, I wanted him to make his point and remind the member that he had completed his debate. So, Honourable Deputy Leader of Majority we take cognizance of the fact that you are the senior most in the House as at now, but do not sneak back. Honourable Members, we are still debating on the report of the Select Committee on Public Investments and Accounts on the Financial Statements of the Kisumu County Executive for the FY 2024/2025.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Okoyo, you are welcome.

**Hon. Okoyo** (MCA, Central Kisumu): Thank you, Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, by so observing the mood of the House...

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Order!! Honourable Okoyo. We are just welcoming you to the House. You just got in here. How have you read the mood in two minutes? Honourable Seth was on his feet.

**Hon. Okumu** (MCA, East Seme): Thank you so much, Madam Speaker. I rise to support that we adopt this report from the Select Committee on Public Investments and Accounts. As a member of that House Committee, it takes us a lot of commitment to go through the Auditor General's report and to come up with very decisive conclusions that we have put in this report.

Madam Speaker, I will start from where our Deputy Leader of Majority Leader left and I do not want to discourage Members that the reports that we make in this Assembly hold no water. Madam Speaker, it is out of this report that we have a Facility Improvement Fund that is being used to manage our facilities. We envisage a situation where all recommendations are implemented, but sometimes we get challenges.

Madam Speaker, I was in the County Assemblies Forum, and my big task was to explain why resolutions of the Assemblies are never implemented by the County Executive. That was the big question that my party leader in the House, the Honourable Patrick Lumumba was asking. Why can't the resolutions that we make in this House be considered?

However, we concluded that there are several factors that affect implementation of the resolutions of the House and we can hold it against the Implementation Committee, but sometimes their hands are tied.

Madam Speaker, I want to give an example. In the Audit Reports, there is usually a question of, Let me give an example with our Health Facilities, that our health facilities are not properly staffed. And we agree that our health facilities are not properly staffed. And on the same report, you are being told that the County Government of Kisumu has over employed and the Wage Bill is too high.

So, on one end, we are being asked why our health facilities cannot have enough staff and on the other end, we are being told that you cannot employ more staff because your wage bill is too high. Madam Speaker, some of these reports are a pointer to some of the changes that we need to make as assemblies and as a nation. And one of those changes that I usually talk about is the

budget ratios. The person who came up with the budget ratios meant well. But for the past 13 years, we have realized that there is a problem.

Madam Speaker, that development cannot only be brick and mortar. In their comparison, if we employ ECD teachers, that is not development. If we employ staff in our hospitals, that is not development. If you get engineers to check on our roads, that is not development. Development is only when you build an ECD classroom, when you do a road or you build a health facility. And as assemblies, these Audit Reports are pointers to some of the amendments we need to make on our legislation. Like I have said on budget ratios.

Madam Speaker, it is the responsibility of all of us to see that the recommendations are implemented. But some are past the county, like the one I have talked about while some are very simple that we can ensure that the Assembly follows up and we get the recommendations implemented. For example, we have a recommendation that the accounting officer to ensure that all prior year audit recommendations are fully implemented and documented. Also, the accounting officer to submit status report of the implementation within 90 days. I think that is not hard to do because in our recommendation, they are free to tell us what they have done and what they have not done and why.

Madam Speaker, as Public Investments and Accounts Committee, together with Office of the Auditor General, our work is to invite public institutions that have been audited and go through the audit queries that have been raised, and either agree that the matter has been addressed fully and resolved. On matters that are resolved, we report and sometimes we recommend that the unresolved matters are beyond the county and go to other institutions that this country agreed to form. Like some matters we believe can be taken up by the EACC, because as an Assembly we do not have enough tools to do deeper investigations in some of those issues.

Madam Speaker, some matters we believe are criminal, that we believe the DCI should come in, because as an Assembly we do not have the parameters to assess the levels of criminality involved in those activities.

Madam Speaker, I believe as a House Committee we are doing everything to go through these reports and bring good recommendations to this Assembly, and I do not want to go with the mood that the Deputy Majority Leader created, that it is for nothing that we are doing some of these reports. These reports are changing the county, and as we know that change sometimes comes in bits. The steps that we have made will never go back there. So we should continue pushing for the implementation of the remainder of the recommendations that we have in these reports by Public Investments and Accounts Committee.

Honorable Members, I am so happy that previously the Auditor General was only focused on the accounts, on how expenditure on the accounts were being done. But now they are going further to go to investments. If a road is done, the Office of the Auditor General can move to a particular road in a particular ward to assess if there is value for money on that particular road. And to me that is a plus.

Honorable Members, if we feel that the recommendations from this House Committee are not strong, this is the time that we can add more flesh so that we find a way of putting the County Executive to task on implementing them.

Madam Speaker, I do not want to say much because this is a report that came from a House Committee that I sat in, but I just want to agree that we support and adopt and push for the follow up as members of the county assembly. Thank you.

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

**Hon. Wajewa** (Nominated Member): Thank you so much, Madam Speaker. I would like to call the mover to reply. Thank you.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, Manyatta “B”): Thank you. I want to allow the mover to reply, but I think the easiest thing to read when you get into the House immediately is the mood of the Members. Honourable Okoyo read the mood in two minutes, and Honourable Wajewa has now read it in less than one minute. So, Honourable Ouko, you have been called upon to reply.

**Hon. Ouko** (MCA, West Kisumu): Thank you, Madam Speaker. May I thank all the Members who contributed and who made the session active. Thank you so much. Without you, Members of the County Assembly, we would not be anywhere.

Madam Speaker, this House Committee is established under the Standing Orders, and you are the Members of the County Assembly. I would like to react to some issues, such as matters on FLLoCA. Surely, it is quite unfortunate that we become late in undertaking some work beyond the stipulated period of budgeting and procurement. It is quite unfortunate.

However, Madam Speaker, we have several entities and House Committees here, such as the Departmental Committee on Water, Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change, which can pick matters from there. You know, our work ends immediately after we finalize our reports. From there, another House Committee takes up the matter. We also have an Implementation Committee that can take it up.

Madam Speaker, we are also setting a precedent within the House Committee that before any entity comes to the House, particularly from previous audited statements, it must present to us a

progress report or status report on our recommendations. You have also heard another recommendation that it has to be documented. That is one thing. This is a feedback mechanism we have put in place as a House Committee so that we can assess and determine whether we are moving forward or not.

I would like to inform Members, through the Speaker, that we have made significant progress so far in our reports. The implementation status may not be 100 percent, but at least we are somewhere.

Madam Speaker, as my fellow Member of this House Committee have highlighted, when you visited the hospital, they were directionless, with Disclaimers Reports. You could not even identify where they were going or where they were coming from. However, now they know what they are doing. At least when you visit the Lumumba Hospital, you can be told that things are moving in a certain direction because of these Audit Reports, and we are happy about that. We are also very happy that many entities are now complying with regulatory bodies such as IPSAS and other bodies recognized by the law of the land.

So, we are making significant progress, but it is not enough. We need to make more effort and ensure that relevant bodies implement our recommendations.

Madam Speaker, the good part of this House Committee is that our recommendations must be in line with the provisions in the Public Finance Management Act, the law of the land. You cannot act outside the law; you must follow the law. Therefore, whichever House Committee is ready to make a follow-up will be guided by the law. There is no way anyone can refuse to follow the law because the Constitution is supreme.

We are also noting that the Chairperson, Committee on Implementation is a member of the Public Investments and Accounts Committee, and we encourage that at least 80 percent of our recommendations be implemented, and at most 100 percent.

Members of the County Assembly, through the Speaker, I again thank you so much. The report belongs to the House, and we really appreciate the support you have been giving us. When we sit in our House Committee, many Members, such as Honourable Bill and Honorable Odari, assist us as friends of the House Committee (*Amicus Curio*) and contribute a lot on matters concerning this House Committee.

We invite more Members to be involved in the deliberations of this House Committees so that you can better understand what is happening, especially on financial matters, effectiveness of internal controls, and such aspects within our system. I reply, Madam Speaker.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, the Motion for adoption of the Report of the Select Committee on Public Investments and Accounts (PIC/PAC) on the Examination of the Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements

of the Kisumu County Executive for the Financial Year 2024/2025 has been moved, seconded, and debated upon. It is now my pleasure to put the Question.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, MCA, Manyatta “B”): Honourable Members, the Motion for adoption of the Report of the Select Committee on Public Investments and Accounts (PIC/PAC) on the Examination of the Report of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of the Kisumu County Executive for the Financial Year 2024/2025 is hereby adopted.

I direct that the report, together with the Hansard, be forwarded to the relevant bodies, including the Implementation Committee, to ensure that the resolutions and recommendations of the House are executed.

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo, Manyatta B): Honorable Members, please be upstanding. There being no other business to transact, the House stands adjourned until today Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2026 at 02.30 p.m.

*(The House Rose at 03:45 p.m.)*

*Addendum*

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