

KERICHO COUNTY ASSEMBLY

THE HANSARD

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(The House met at 3.34 p.m.)

(The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Cheruiyot Bett) in the chair)

PRAYERS

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Cheruiyot Bett): Welcome Members to this afternoon session. We are sorry we've started late because of some technicalities but all the same we can now proceed. Clerk, Order of Business!

Next Order!

NOTICES OF MOTION

COUNTY ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Cheruiyot Bett): Honourable Members, we have a Notice of Motion and that is by Hon. Matthew Korir.

Hon. Matthew Korir (Member for Chaik Ward): Thank you Honourable Speaker. I beg to give Notice of the following Motion on County Enforcement Officers, that is, Chebwagan youths:

THAT AWARE that Article 185 of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 created County Governments and that the County Governments comprises of the County Assembly and the County Executive who play distinct and well defined roles by way of mandates and devolved function in PART II of the fourth schedule of the COK, 2010

FURTHER AWARE that County Government of Kericho in the Year 2018 established a programme dubbed *Kericho County Youth Service* where 781 youths from the 30 wards were identified, taken for a paramilitary training and graduated as the youth service of the County;

THAT AWARE that the County Government of Kericho engaged 150 of the 781 since 15th July 2019 to date to undertake tasks such as enforcement in revenue collection, manning critical county installations including County Offices on contractual terms renewed periodically for some years now with meagre salary;

CONCERNED THAT the County enforcement officers have over the period of time been mistreated in the following manner - that no letters/certificates have been issued to them to confirm their training, no retraining has been conducted to improve their skills in the various sectors they are deployed to, uniforms and field gears are not being provided on time to enable them execute their functions etc.;

FURTHER CONCERNED that the County Public Service Board has for so many years overlooked the recommendations from the County Assembly Committees on consideration for placement and recruitment on permanent and pensionable terms despite the County Public Service Board recruiting other staff and confirming them in total disregard of the law thereby perpetrating discrimination and double standards;

DEEPLY CONCERNED that His Excellency the Governor, Dr. Eric Mutai, Chief Officer Public Service Management and the human resource officer present have dismissed the enforcement officers citing absence of the County Public Service Board and sending them to the County Assembly to seek refuge is not only insensitive but an abuse of the laws;

NOTING that the County Government of Kericho has spent a lot of monies to train, orientate the enforcement officers to their work and constantly renewing their contractual jobs thereby creating false expectations and hope, and that all of a sudden curtailing their livelihoods does not only destabilize their lives but puts their families in poverty and at a cross road;

FURTHER NOTING that the move by the County Executive will not only affect revenue but will cause total disharmony in the County Public Service.

NOW WHEREFORE, I urge this County Assembly to RESOLVE as follows, THAT :-

1. The 142 County enforcement officers be reinstated immediately and their contracts be renewed for a considerable period of time pending the reconstitution of the County Public Service Board;
2. All the enforcement officers be issued with the certificates of training and or the certificate of service to enable them secure jobs in other entities;
3. The County Executive absorb all the enforcement Officer trained at Chebwagan dubbed as “Chebwagan Youth” in the context of the Kericho County Inspectorate Service Act, 2019 and other relevant County laws Mr. Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Cheruiyot Bett): Thank you Hon. Matthew for giving Notice of that Motion that you intend to sponsor. We will sit as House Business Committee and schedule that Motion probably next week.

Clerk, Next Order!

ADJOURNMENT

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Cheruiyot Bett): There being no other Business, this House stands adjourned until next week Tuesday at 9.30 a.m. Thank you!

[The House rose at 3.42 p.m.]