

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KITUI THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY THIRD ASSEMBLY - (FOURTH SESSION) COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

No. 28 of 2025

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR ON CONSTITUTIONAL PETITION NO. E001 OF 2025 RELATING TO THE RECONSTITUTION OF SELECT AND SECTORAL COMMITTEES

Honourable Members,

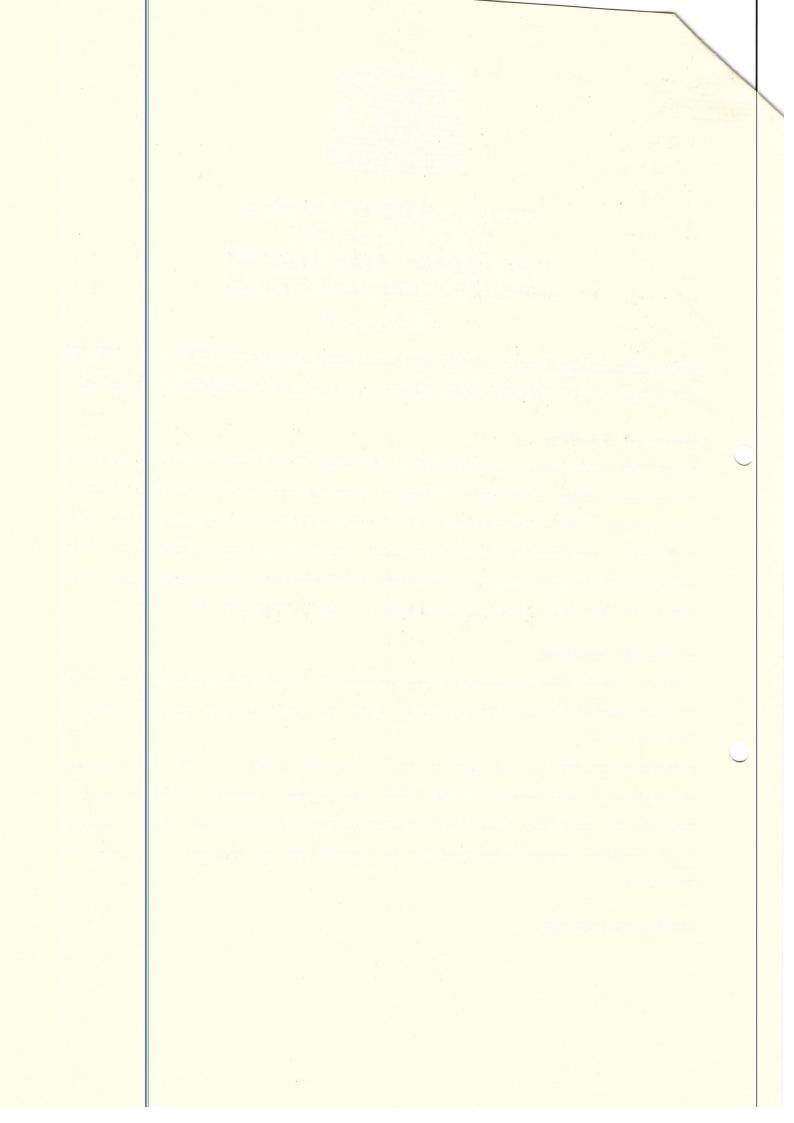
As you may recall, during the sitting held on 28th May, 2025, I informed this House that the interim court orders restraining or limiting the operations of this House with respect to the reconstitution of its committees were not extended by the court. Consequently, the House reaffirmed its earlier resolution of 14th February, 2025, meaning that all Select and Sectoral Committees reconstituted on that date remain duly constituted and fully operational—unless and until otherwise directed by this House or a competent legal authority.

Honourable Members.

I further informed the House that we had reached the stage of initiating engagement with the Petitioners' Advocate in an attempt to resolve the matter through Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR).

Pursuant to this, our external legal counsel, acting on instructions, wrote to the Petitioners' Advocate via a letter dated 19th June, 2025, inviting them to consider ADR. However, in response, the Petitioners' Advocate indicated that their clients were not willing to explore an out-of-court settlement and preferred to proceed with the litigation, unless otherwise instructed.

Honourable Members,



As a result, both parties agreed to pursue the matter in court. The case was mentioned on 23rd June, 2025, for purposes of confirming compliance with the filing of submissions. Notably, the interim orders were not extended, meaning that the committees constituted on 14th February, 2025, remain in operation. The court has scheduled a further mention on 1st July, 2025, to confirm compliance and to set a date for the delivery of judgment.

Honourable Members,

I wish to reiterate that the Constitution of Kenya recognizes and promotes the use of Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) mechanisms for the amicable settlement of disputes, as a complement to the formal judicial process.

In light of this, I once again urge the Petitioners to reconsider their position and instruct their Advocate to initiate meaningful engagement with our legal counsel, with a view to exploring a possible amicable resolution through ADR. Doing so will facilitate the full functionality of our committees and enable them to effectively discharge their critical oversight mandate.

Thank you,

HON. KEVIN KINENGO KATISYA

SPEAKER, COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KITUI.

25TH JUNE, 2025

