

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KITUI

THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY

SECOND COUNTY ASSEMBLY – (THIRD SESSION)

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

COMMUNICATION AS RELATES TO THE AUDITOR GENERAL'S REPORTS ON THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KITUI AND KITUI WATER COMPANIES AND THE KITUI COUNTY GOVERNMENT BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2019/2020.

Honourable Members,

Pursuant to the provision of Article 229 (7) of the Constitution and Section 35 of the Public Audit Act, 2015, my Office has received the following Reports of the Auditor General on the County Government of Kitui and Kitui Water Companies:

1. Audited Accounts of the County Assembly for the Financial Year 2016/2017;
2. Audited Accounts of the County Assembly for the Financial Year 2017/2018;
3. Audited Accounts of the County Executive for the Financial Year 2016/2017;
4. Audited Accounts of the County Executive for the Financial Year 2017/2018;
5. Audited Accounts of the Kitui Water and Sanitation Company (KITWASCO) for the Financial Year 2016/2017;
6. Audited Accounts of the Kiambere Mwingi Water and Sanitation Company (KIMWASCO) for the Financial Year 2016/2017;
7. Audited Accounts of the Kiambere Mwingi and Sanitation Company (KIMWASCO) for the Financial Year 2017/2018;

Honourable Members,

Article 229(8) of the Constitution provides that the County Assembly shall within three (3) months after receiving an audit report, debate and consider the report and take appropriate action.

I therefore commit the said Auditor General's Reports to the Committee on Public Investments and Accounts for consideration.

Honourable Members,

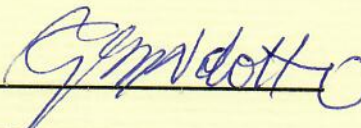
My Office also received the Budget Estimates for the Financial Year 2019/2020 on 30th April 2019. Upon scrutiny, the estimates did not meet the legal threshold on public participation and therefore on 3rd May, 2019 were returned to the CEC Member County Treasury to undertake proper public participation.

However, on 8th May, 2019, the CEC Member County Treasury re-submitted the same Budget Estimates to the Assembly with attachments as evidence of public participation.

On 9th May, 2019, the House Business Committee re-directed that the Budget Estimates be returned to the CEC Member County Treasury so as to comply with the KOBOS and ATC consultative meeting resolutions and the Principal Secretary National Treasury Circular Ref No. TNT/IFMIS/MIN/048A/42 on budgeting by Votes and Programmes.

Today the 15th of May, 2019 over lunch hour I have received a response from H.E. The Governor on the said Budget Estimates and I therefore commit said Estimates to the Committee on Budget and Appropriations.

Thank you.


HON. GEORGE M. NDOTTO
THE SPEAKER OF ASSEMBLY
KITUI COUNTY ASSEMBLY

DATED: 15TH MAY, 2019