## **COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KITUI**



# THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY

## SECOND ASSEMBLY - FOURTH SESSION

### COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

# COMMUNICATION ON THE STATUS OF COVID - 19 IN THE ASSEMBLY AND A SUBSEQUENT MASS TESTING FOR ALL HONORABLE MEMBERS AND THE ASSEMBLY STAFF

# Honorable Members,

The Assembly has been in strict adherence to the Ministry of Health guidelines on COVID-19 since resumption from recess. Our health is of paramount importance while undertaking any legislative work during the pandemic. It is in the public domain that there has been a spike in the numbers of infected cases and County Assembly of Kitui has not been spared. I am aware of confirmed corona virus cases within the Assembly.

## Honorable Members,

In the previous communication from the Chair made during the resumption I clearly mentioned that it is very important that necessary precautions be taken to control chances of infection among MCAs and members of staff—from infection. In this accord, the Assembly has made arrangements for all Members of County Assembly and also the Assembly Staff to undergo a COVID-19 testing on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2020 at 10:00am within the Assembly precincts.

# Honorable Members,

I encourage all of you and all members of staff to take advantage of the opportunity and take the test that the Assembly and the Ministry of Health has organized. I wish to state sternly that I will not allow anybody to jeopardize the mass testing program. I therefore request all of you to show up and be tested as this is for your own benefit.

# Honorable Members,

Immediately after the mass testing program, the Assembly shall be adjourned for a period of 14 days in line with the public health protocols on COVID-19. Also, in line with this, on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November and Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2020 this week, there shall be a fumigation exercise of all the offices within the Assembly. Kindly take note of the same.

Honorable Members, let me sound a word of caution. We must continue to uphold the sanitization measures including wearing of face masks at all times, handwashing or use of hand sanitizers and observing strict adherence to social distancing amongst other measures.

The House is accordingly guided.

I thank you.

THE HON. GEORGE M. NDOTTO, E.G.H., MCA SPEAKER OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KITUI

Wednesday, November 4, 2020