



STATEMENT REQUEST ON THE COUNTY'S PREPAREDNESS TOWARDS THE ANTICIPATED EL-NINO RAINS

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Pursuant to the provision of Standing Order No 41 (2) (c), I would like to request for a statement from the chairperson, committee on Labour and Social Welfare concerning the County's preparedness towards the anticipated El-Nino rains.

Aware that the National Meteorological department has indicated that as a result of the sea surface temperatures in the central and eastern Pacific Ocean becoming unusually warm, El- Nino rains will hit the country from October and likely to extend up to December, 2023;

Further aware that the Committee on Labour and Social Welfare is mandated to oversight the department of Disaster and Emergency Services under the office of the Deputy Governor, whose major role is to ensure county's sound response system towards emergencies and disasters not limited to flooding, catastrophes, fire outbreaks among others;

Concerned that the previous El- Nino disasters in many parts of the country brought about significant challenges including widespread flooding, displacement of communities, damage to infrastructure, and disruptions to agricultural activities as well as loss of life and property;

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Cognizant that, this Assembly approved a Budget containing funds to address disasters under the County Emergency Fund totaling to Kshs 6 million in the 2023/2024 FY;

THAT the Committee on Labour and Social Welfare seeks responses from the Chief Officer, County Department on Performance Contracting, Disaster and Emergency Services and report back to this house within 21 days with a comprehensive report detailing the following:

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Hon. [Signature]
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1. The level of County's preparedness towards the anticipated El- Nino rains.
2. A budgetary proposal to meet the unforeseen and foreseeable calamities as a result thereof.
3. A County mapping of the likely areas to be adversely affected by flooding and the mitigation measures.
4. Public awareness strategies being employed by the department to sensitize people on the effects of El- Nino rains.
5. Urban areas drainage system preparedness strategies in readiness for the anticipated heavy down pour to avert a looming waterborne diseases outbreak, destruction of property and likely loss of lives.

Signed  Date 25TH SEP 2023

Hon. Joseph Musyoka Mbite - MCA