

STATEMENT REQUEST ON THE WATER SHORTAGE IN MWINGI TOWN, ITS ENVIRONS AND KIOSKS ALONG KIMWASCO WATER PIPELINE.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No 41 (2) (c), I would like to request for a statement from the chairperson Committee on Agriculture, Water and Irrigation on the water shortage in Mwingi town, its environs and kiosks along KIMWASCO water pipeline.

Whether, the Chairperson is aware that there has been an acute water shortage affecting residents of Mwingi town, its environs and all the kiosks situated along the KIMWASCO pipeline. This state of affairs has caused immense hardships for the community by disrupting daily routines and impacting negatively on sanitation.

Whether he is further aware that for an unacceptable period of time, the residents have been struggling with unreliable water supply or complete lack of water access. This situation poses a serious threat to public health, sanitation and overall well-being as well as impacting on the daily livelihood activities like cooking, cleaning and hygiene.

Whether he is aware that residents are levied monthly standing charges of Kshs. 580 despite there being no water supplied. The residents are agitated and feel it is unfair to be charged for a service not rendered.

Mr. Speaker sir, pursuant to the provisions of Article 43(d), water is a basic right whose access should be guaranteed as enshrined in the constitution. Lack of access to clean, and safe water in adequate quantities infringes on the rights of the residents of Mwingi Town and its environs.

Mr. Speaker Sir, I seek a statement response within twenty-one (21) days. Specifically, I request the Committee to: -

*Mr. Speaker
you may approve
to table
at 27/3/2024*

*Clene
Approval
[Signature]
27/3/2024*