## STATEMENT REQUEST ON THE WATER SHORTAGE IN KITUI

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 Agriculture, Water and Irrigation.

**Whether,** the chairperson is aware that there is a Critical Water Shortage in Kitui Town and Surrounding Areas Served by KITWASCO.

Whether he is further aware that for an unacceptable amount of time, residents have been struggling with unreliable water supply or complete lack of access and this situation poses a serious threat to public health, sanitation, and overall well-being, daily activities like cooking, cleaning, and hygiene are severely impacted.

**Mr. Speaker sir,** lack of access to clean water is a fundamental issue impacting the lives of countless residents in Kitui Town and surrounding areas. I urge the Committee to take immediate and decisive action to ensure KITWASCO fulfils its mandate of providing reliable water services.

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

- i. Investigate the cause(s) of the water shortage.
- ii. Demand a clear explanation from KITWASCO on the cause of the shortage, the steps being taken to address it, and a timeline for restoration of regular water supply.
- iii. Explore immediate solutions and enquire whether water trucking could be implemented in the most affected areas to provide temporary relief.

Mr Speaker approved Approved.

For your 37/3/2024

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iv. How KITWASCO can develop a long-term plan for sustainable water management by considering infrastructure upgrades, diversifying water sources, and strategies for water supply.

**SIGN** 

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