

STATEMENT REQUEST ON STATUS UPDATE OF GRADING WORKS AT KAVOU – NDUMONI ROAD IN KYANGWITHYA WEST WARD AND INQUIRY INTO PROGRAM FEASIBILITY .

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 for the Committee on Lands, Infrastructure and Urban development on status update of grading works at Kavou – Ndumoni road and inquiry into program feasibility in Kyangwithya West Ward.

Aware that the Committee on Lands, Infrastructure and Urban development is mandated under Standing Order No. 190(5) and the Second Schedule to oversight all matters relating to County Roads including Development, Maintenance and Rehabilitation.

Further aware that Article 174 of the Constitution of Kenya establishes the objectives of devolution, which include ensuring equitable development and the provision of essential services, such as road infrastructure, at the County level.

Cognizant that other statutes including and not limited to the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 Part VIII (County Governments), Governs the financial management and allocation of funds to county governments, including those designated for road maintenance and infrastructure projects.

Concerned that in July 22, 2024, a grader assigned to grade seventy (70)-kilometers grading program was recalled from the site at Kyangwithya West Ward to undertake works at the Kitui Ithookwe Show Grounds. To date, the grader has only completed grading 16 kilometers and only one side of the road is graded making the road impassable as annexed. Despite numerous attempts to follow up with the Principal Engineer, Mr. Fred Mulandi, regarding the return of the grader to complete the remaining works, there has been no response. Additionally, Mr. Fred Mulandi has not been responsive to inquiries made by my office.

Further Concerned that, unmaintained roads in the ward have contributed to higher transportation costs and economic inefficiencies disrupting supply chains and deterring other livelihood activities. Further neglecting this road will lead to expensive repairs thus straining public resources.

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Approved.
3/17/2024.

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I Hon. Speaker
For your approval,
3/17/2024

Noting that my duties as the people's representative, I hereby bring to your attention (Mr. Chairperson) this urgent matter on the aforementioned road. I request that the Committee on Lands, Infrastructure and Urban Development undertakes a thorough inquiry and provide a report to this House within 21 days, detailing factual information on the following matters:

1. The efforts being made by the relevant County Ministry to reinstate the said grader so as to complete the stalled project;
2. Factual evidence detailing the county Ministry's capacity to undertake the said program and others of similar kind or nature;
3. A Ministerial commitment to ensure that the people of Kyangwithya West Ward will get the much-deserved services as provided for in the Constitution of Kenya 2010 and;
4. The strategies the Ministry will use if any, to grade the following roads identified by the residents of Kyangwithya West Ward through public participation in consultation with the office of the Ward Administrator and ward development committee members for grading program;
 - i. Itoleka- Kalulini-kangose road- 1 kilometre.
 - ii. Kwa Ndana to ithimani river road- 2 Kilometres.
 - iii. Tiva Market- isevini to kwa Zerah Samuel road- 3 Kilometres.
 - iv. Kwa makati dam to mayuni road- 2 Kilometres
 - v. Iani to Kithiano river through Kiliku- 2 Kilometres.
 - vi. Matunguni to tiva river road- 3 Kilometres..
 - vii. Kwa Nyamai Ngilu- Kiema Kitau- Kwa Mulwa Nzau-Munyalo Nzau Peter-Yekii- 2 Kilometres.
 - viii. Kwa Kamene Musau- Kwa King'oo- Kwa Mulwa Mwanza- Mbooni borehole- Kwa Maithya- 2 Kilometres.
 - ix. Kwa Kamuti- Mutuuka Nzau- Cosmus Mutisya – Maundu Munyao- Kwa Pastor Monica- 1.5 Kilometres.
 - x. Junction kwa Katiwa- Richard Mwova- Titus kilumu- Nzia Nzuni stream to Kaveta- 2 Kilometres
 - xi. Mazeras- Joseph Juma- Muthui Ivuku-Nzoeya Kiminza- Mulonzya- Yethi- 2 Kilometres.

- xii. Kwa Kathoka- Kwa Mulevu- Kwa Makosa – Kamunyu- Kwa ngonzi Mutwii- Ndumoni – 5 kilometres.
- xiii. Kwa Nzau Kasyoki- Kwa Timothy- Katangini- Kwa Syuki- 3 Kilometres
- xiv. Kwa Pius- Kitovoto- Ng'oleni- Kavou- Tiva Dispensary- 4 Kilometres.
- xv. Kwa Mulwa Ngunga- Kwa Muia Mbindyo- Kwa Ukuti dam- 1 Kilometre.
- xvi. And others as identified by the residents of Kyangwithya West Ward through public participation in consultation with the office of the Ward Administrator and ward development committee members

Signed 

Date

31st July 2024

Hon. Christopher Nzilu Nzioka

Deputy Speaker County assembly of kitui,

MCA Kyangithwya west.

