

STATEMENT REQUEST ON THE KITUI COUNTY YOUTH ENGAGEMENT FORUM, 2024 BY THE COUNTY MINISTRY OF CULTURE, GENDER, YOUTH, I.C.T, SPORTS, AND SOCIAL SERVICES.

Mr. Speaker,

Pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order No. 41(2)(c), I would like to request for a statement from the Chairperson, Committee on Culture, Youth, Sports, Gender and Social Services on the following: -

Whether, the Chairperson is aware that, the Ministry conducted a Youth, Engagement Forum at Ithookwe Showgrounds, Kauwi Ward, Kitui Central on 15th November, 2024 with the theme *“Appreciating Our Individual and Shared Responsibilities in shaping the Future”*

Whether, the Chairperson is further aware that, the Ministry spent Kshs. 15M to conduct the forum, an amount that was not budgeted for in the 2024/2025 Financial Year but rather had been captured in the proposed Kitui County Supplementary Budget I, 2024/2025 which had not yet been approved by the Assembly thus being a recipe for pending bills.

Whether, the Chairperson is further aware of the criteria used by the Ministry to invite Youth groups who attended this function.

Whether the Chairperson is aware of any strategies that the CECM, Culture, Gender Youth, ICT, Sports and Social Services is putting in place to ensure that there is proper implementation of the budget.

Whether the Chairperson is aware that the Ministry of Culture, Gender, Youth, I.C.T, Sports, and Social Services is among the Ministries with the lowest budgetary allocation in development of Kshs. 235,575,222

Whether the Chairperson is aware that the County Government of Kitui through the Department of Decentralized units trained Youths on tendering and

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management of contracts and never awarded Contracts to the Youths of this County.

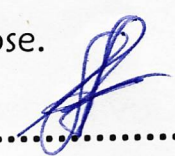
Whether the Chairperson is aware that the people of Kitui County are suffering from issues like water, bad roads, dilapidated health facilities, poor sporting grounds and many others.

Mr. Speaker,

Aware that prudent and responsible use of public funds is a principle of good governance and Financial Management as enshrined in Article 201 of the Kenyan constitution 2010; I strongly seek a response from the Chairperson, Committee on Culture, Youth, Sports, Gender and Social Services within Twenty-One 21 days. In response to the statement the Chair should avail:

- i. The total budgetary allocation used during this function detailing event organization, staff allowances and reimbursements on lunches and transport fees for the attendees.
- ii. State the vote line used to finance the program.
- iii. A report on the criteria used to organize and invite Youth groups from every Village/ Ward represented in this function and whether there was public participation.
- iv. A report on the 2024/2025 Financial Year Budget Implementation for the 1st and 2nd Quarters prioritizing the development vote.
- v. Any other relevant information that could be useful for the oversight purpose.

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HON. ANTONY MUSYIMI MUSYOKA

MEMBER OF COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KITUI,

KIOMO/ KYETHANI WARD.