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**REPORT OF THE WHOLE HOUSE ON AN INSPECTION EXERCISE ON
PROJECTS FUNDED BY THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KITUI CARRIED
OUT FROM 22ND -26TH JULY 2024**

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"A County Assembly, while respecting the principle of the separation of powers, may exercise oversight over the County Executive Committee and any other County Executive organs;

During this exercise Mr. Speaker Sir, the Members of the County Assembly focused on projects done by the County Government of Kitui since its inception. To have an effective oversight exercise, Members of County Assembly divided themselves into four groups to inspect projects in the Eight (8) Sub Counties.

1.1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The fruition of this exercise was made possible by the selfless commitment of numerous individuals who contributed expertise and diverse human resource to see this assignment come to fruition. Without their invaluable input, this report would have been ineffectual.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

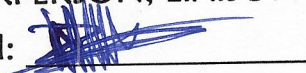
I express reflective gratitude to the Offices of the Speaker and that of the Clerk of Assembly for the facilitation accorded to all members in the fulfilment of their oversight mandate. Further I thank the members of County Assembly for their commitment and dedication to the cause.

Finally, Mr. Speaker Sir, I extend our gratitude to the secretariat for their technical support in the entire exercise. It is through their enthusiasm, tireless hard work and commitment that we credit the accomplishment of this very important exercise.

Thank You,

HON. CHRISTOPHER NZILU NZYOKA

CHAIRPERSON, LIAISON COMMITTEE

Signed:  Date: 26/03/2025

As at the time of the visit, the delegation noted that the County Government of Kitui had awarded a contract whose scope of works included repainting of walls, replacement of the ceiling, fixing of doors, repair of gate as well as replacement of the roof. The delegation observed that the contractor was still on site and was making good progress with the works.

The delegation observed that the contractor had done some commendable work as per the Bill of quantities. The community was optimistic that the works will be completed soonest so as to pave way for the operationalization of the facility. The community requested that in the future, the facility required electricity connectivity as well as water connectivity.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The community however raised concern over the security of the facilities of the dispensary as it was reported that some solar panels had been vandalised due to the fact that the structures remained deserted. The community requested the county government to immediately operationalise the dispensary upon the completion of the ongoing works so as to bring services closer to the locals who travel over 10 km in search of medical services.

2. Ithumbi Dispensary-

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Members inspected the installation of four water tanks by the County government of Kitui during the FY 2022/2023. They noted that the tanks had been installed about a year ago, but only two had been filled with water.

Members noted that despite the dispensary's construction in FY 2016/2017, with a latrine, staff quarters, ready electricity, and the currently ongoing construction of a fence, it had not been commissioned for opening and operationalization.

According to the facility's Deputy Medical Superintendent, Dr. Brian Kimanzi, the OPD block, once equipped, will host a casualty and waiting bay, procedural room, triage, consultation room, cash office, records office, lab, and pharmacy.

Dr. Kimanzi emphasized the need for additional water tanks to enhance rainwater harvesting and reduce the cost of procuring water. He further proposed equipping of the current theatre, constructing medical and surgical wards, building walkways and pavements to connect the buildings within the facility, and construction of a modern drug store.

5. Kitoo Dispensary- Mutomo/ Kibwea Ward.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Led by Mutomo Member of County Assembly, Hon. David Masaku, Members also visited and inspected Kitoo Dispensary. They observed that the construction of the dispensary, funded in FY 2023/2024, was underway, with the walling and roofing completed. As per the BoQs of the current tender, painting and construction of ceiling was yet to be undertaken. The community urged the delegation to fast track the funding and completion of the project as well as its operationalization so as to offer treatment services to the locals.

6. Ngawuni Dispensary – Ikutha Ward.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The delegation visited this facility which was renovated and equipped during the 2023/24 fiscal year. Members encountered difficult terrain and poor roads leading to the facility, which becomes inaccessible during the rainy season. Further, members observed that the facility lacks medical personnel and medical supplies needed for operationalization.

The project commenced in 2017 and got a boost during the FY 2022/2023 when an admission block was constructed. The team observed that the facility was deserted and filled with thickets despite having two complete blocks and an ablution block. The old block had broken doors, damaged ceilings infested with mites and bats.

Specific Recommendations.

Mr. Speaker Sir, members recommend;

- i. That the County Ministry of Health and Sanitation operationalizes the facility to serve the community and more so, the children with special needs.
- ii. That the Ministry of Health and Sanitation helps the community through ensuring the project has attained its intended purpose through donor funding.

10. Mui Dispensary Maternity Wing – Mui Ward

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The facility was first built under the defunct Mwingi South Constituency Development Fund.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The Delegation observed that;

- i. The Maternity is not connected to the power grid.
- ii. The Maternity has only one delivery bed which is broken despite the facility handling more than 4- 5 deliveries in a month.
- iii. The facility is only manned by one Nurse.
- iv. There is a high risk of delivering mothers to contract diseases due to poor sanitation.

require refrigeration such as anti-venom despite there being high snake bite incidences.

- x. The facility is understaffed with only one nurse and one casual who serves as a cleaner and watchman.
- xi. There was observed lack of a well-coordinated and organized referral system.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The Delegation makes the following recommendation;

- i. There is need of an additional staff; a Nurse, a Clinical Officer, and a Lab Technician.
- ii. Due to the high population served by the facility, there is need to upgrade the facility to a Level III hospital.
- iii. There is need for provision of sanitary facilities which includes an ablution block, an incinerator and 10,000-litre water tank.
- iv. There is an urgent need for disposal of all wastes lying un attended in the facility to avoid pollution of environment.

12. Endau Dispensary – Endau/Malalani ward.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The facility is a level II hospital which was started in 1948 during the colonial period. The facility has also a staff quarter and an Outpatient Department constructed by World Vision In 1986, and an operational Maternity wing done by the defunct Mutito Constituency Development Fund in 2007.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The delegation observed that;

- i. The facility has an incomplete Maternity wing with no window panes and which at the time of visit was being used as the Outpatient Department.

- iv. Construct an orthopedic trauma and pediatric departments and an incinerator for disposal of non-pharmaceutical waste
- v. Provide waste bins within the compound
- vi. Repair the ambulance and the public health motorbike.

13. Nzangathi Health Centre in Chuluni Ward

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The project is in Chuluni Ward and was established under CDF funding in the financial year 2012 before the County Government took over its management in 2013. Members here recorded an extreme sorry state of the facility. The health centre's management led by the Clinical Officer, Ms. Mutavania lamented over understaffing, lack of drugs, even the basic ones like paracetamol, among other pharmaceuticals and non-pharmaceuticals. The facility serves residents from Kangweni, Kanzau, Kanduti and Nzangathi villages.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Members of the delegation observed that;

- i. The facility's maternity wing is partly completed and poorly equipped with very few equipment available being non-functional, such as the resuscitator machine.
- ii. The facility which serves an average of 50 patients per day, lacks a proper fence and shares same compound with a police post.
- iii. The facility has only one 2 door-pit latrine shared by staff and patients.
- iv. The facility lacks stable electricity and doesn't have power back up.
- v. The facility lacks drugs even the basic ones like paracetamol
- vi. The facility is highly understaffed with only two nurses and one clinical officer.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

14. Construction of Kanguu Dispensary in Chuluni Ward.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The project was done in the 2023/2024 financial year at a cost of approximately 4.9 million. The scope of works included construction of the dispensary, a septic tank, a two-door pit latrine, installation of two 10,000-litre water tanks and fencing of the compound. The facility once completed and operationalised will serve residents from Kanguu and Kyanzai villages who travel long distances in search of medical care.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

At the time of inspection, members of the delegation observed the following;

- i. Construction works of the dispensary had been completed.
- ii. A two-door pit latrine was complete
- iii. Two 10,000-litre plastic water tanks had been installed.
- iv. Fencing of the dispensary had not been done
- v. Construction of the septic tank was ongoing
- vi. The dispensary awaits equipping and staffing to operationalise it.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Upon a successful inspection on said project, members of the delegation make the following specific recommendations that the the County ministry of health and sanitation should;

- i. Ensure that the facility is be equipped and staffed to operationalise it.
- ii. Ensure that fencing of the compound is prioritized and done.
- iii. Ensure that electricity connection to the facility is done as it can't be operationalised without electricity.

15. Thitani Health Centre Mortuary in Kyome Thana Ward

Mr. Speaker Sir,

project after completing the walling phase. Efforts by residents and local leadership to follow up on the matter have proven futile, and they pleaded with the delegation through the area MCA to resolve the issue.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The delegation made the following observations, that:

- i. The dispensary suffers a myriad of operational challenges, including lack of drugs and basic operating equipment.
- ii. The facility is manned by only one nurse and one casual worker and remains closed whenever the nurse is unavailable due to personal emergencies or illness.
- iii. Facility casual worker has gone unpaid for the last six months.
- iv. The dispensary has enough storage of water (three 10,000-litre water tanks).

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The delegation makes the following specific recommendations; THAT the County Ministry of Health and Sanitation should:

- i. Ensures timely and adequate supply of pharmaceutical and non-pharmaceutical supplies to avoid stock outs.
- ii. Prioritizes completion of stalled maternity project before initiating new ones to avoid waste of public funds.
- iii. Employs adequate casuals in all health facilities and further ensure they are properly remunerated and paid on time.

17. Kalole Dispensary in Kyuso Ward

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The inspecting delegation visited the Kalole Dispensary on Monday, July 20th, 2024, led by the team leader Hon. Munyoki Mwinzi and was received by Kimangau Village Administrator Ms. Angelina Kalunda Sammy.

The delegation visited Nuu Sub County Hospital on Tuesday 23rd March 2024 led by the team leader Hon. Munyoki Mwinzi and was received by the Medical Superintendent Dr. James Mwanzia.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The delegation made the following observations, that;

- i. According to the Medical Superintendent, the facility started in 1973 as a dispensary by the defunct Kitui County Council.
- ii. The facility has grown, into a health centre, and to date a Sub County Hospital.
- iii. The Facility has a standby generator that has broken down with no substitute for power in cases of outages.
- iv. The solar panels are not operational and this crops up major challenges during power failures.
- v. The facility has a Maternity wing that is completed but not operational.
- vi. The Hospital is an outpatient facility with critical conditions been referred to Mwingi Level IV Hospital.
- vii. The Hospital's Pharmacy has not been supplied with vital drugs since December 2023. The last drugs supplied to the facility were ARVs in March 2024. Hence there are no drugs in the store's facility.
- viii. The Mortuary has a leaking roof and broken ceilings.
- ix. The facility does not have an ambulance.
- x. The facility's X-ray machine broke down and the department does not have a technician to repair it.
- xi. The facility's floors are in a dilapidated state.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Upon making the above specific observations, the delegation makes the following specific recommendations;

That, the County Ministry of Health and Sanitation;

- i. Constructions of the maternity and labour Wards were completed in the 2022/23 financial year and equipped in early 2024 but are not operational.
- ii. The Maternity washroom is not complete and there is no sink for washing hands.
- iii. The facility is not connected to any form of power supply.
- iv. The facility is understaffed with 1 Nurse in charge and 2 casual workers.
- v. The facility does not have a water supply system.
- vi. There are no delivery couch beds at the facility. The Ministry only purchased examination couches to be used at the maternity.
- vii. Children with disability are not provided with the necessary medical care at the facility.
- viii. Residents alleged that the Nurse in charge has a tendency to report on duty late that is between 12 pm-1 pm and closes the dispensary at 4 pm.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The delegation makes the following specific recommendations on the said project;

That, the County Ministry of Health and Sanitation should;

- i. Operationalize the Maternity and Labor Wing.
- ii. Connect the facility to the power supply.
- iii. Employ an additional staff.
- iv. Renovate the Hospital buildings.
- v. Provide two (2) 10,000-litre storage water tanks.
- vi. Ensure timely delivery of drugs and other supplies.

20. Kanziko Health Centre in Kanziko Ward.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

**B. MINISTRY OF TRADE, INDUSTRY, MSMEs, INNOVATIONS AND
COOPERATIVES.**

1. Tseikuru Stockyard in Tseikuru ward

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The delegation visited the Tseikuru Stockyard on 22nd July, 2024 and was briefed by the ward administrator who was accompanied by the village administrator.

The delegation was informed that the Tseikuru stockyard is one of the highest revenue generation market stockyards in Kitui County where an average of Ksh. 1 million is collected on a market day which falls on a Thursday.

The stockyard was not operating at its optimum as it was faced with several challenges including broken fence, lack of an ablution block, no water as well as lack of loading and offloading ramps. To the Surprise of the delegation, such a busy stockyard lacked a gate and thus control of movement of persons and livestock posed a great challenge. This led to revenue pilferages. The delegation observed that the stockyard lacked sheds for use by traders on market days.

For optimal operation of the Tseikuru market stockyard, the delegation observed that a strong gate should be installed as well as a strong fence to control movement of traders as well as livestock. Similarly, the county should fast-track completion of the ongoing construction of a public toilet as well water supply. Sufficient market sheds should be constructed for use by traders on market days.

2. Masukanioni Market Shed in Mumoni ward

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The project was done in 2023/2024 Financial Year. The delegation visited the market shed to witness the outcry by the residents concerning the project poor workmanship. Led by the market chairperson Mr. Muthengi Mutemi, the market

project, the delegation of members led by the area MCA, Hon Muthengi Ndagara were welcomed by the area Chief, Ms. Ruth Kagendoa and the Village Administrator, Mr. Josphat Marigu.

Members of the community lauded the contractor for doing a good job and added that they are looking forward to the project handover for use by the community. The community also informed the delegation that the market has not been officially handed over to them and that it also lacks garbage collectors and thus it is dirty which is a health hazard. The community further asked the delegation to ensure that the County Government extends the same gesture and constructs a livestock market in the same area since the community engages in livestock farming.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Upon inspection of Gatoroni Market shed, members of the delegation made the following observations, that;

3. The Market Shed, despite its construction being complete, it had not yet been operationalised.
4. There is only one door pit latrine to serve the whole population.
5. Hygiene and sanitation standards in the market are wanting as there are no garbage collectors/ cleaners.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The delegation makes a number of recommendations regarding this project as follows;

THAT, The Ministry of Trade, Industry, MSMEs, Innovation and Cooperatives to;

- i. Organize for handing over of the project which will enable the community to benefit from it.
- ii. Construct an additional pit latrine in the market.

up to 220 meters as well as casing. The borehole was awaiting installation of a water pump and piping for its utilization to begin.

Mr. Speaker Sir

The operationalization of the borehole will come in handy to save the fast-growing population of the school which as at the time of visit stood at 550 students where the sole source of water was boozers. The delegation was informed that water consumption by the school was an acute problem as they required a water boozier at an interval of two days costing Kshs. 6000 per boozier. The principal informed the delegation that this borehole will benefit the community once piping and extension is done. The principal requested the delegation to Fast-track the installation of a water pump as well piping for immediate use.

2. Nzunguni Masonry Water Tank in Kyangwithya East Ward

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Members visited the Nzunguni masonry water tank, funded in FY 2021/2022 under the Community Level Infrastructure Development Project (CLIDP).

According to the area Village Administrator, Rachael Muthengi, the construction of the 100M³ storage tank started in April 2022 when the contractor ferried construction materials to the site and set up the foundation. The contractor deserted the site thereafter, and the project stalled at the foundation level.

Mr. Speaker Sir

The local committee at the site reported that the locals have faced water challenges for a long time, making this a priority project for the community. They also reported vandalism of iron steel reinforcement bars left on site by the contractor in 2022.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The borehole is located at Manyenyoni Primary School. It was intended to serve the school, the church and an estimated 1000 households.

According to the Head of Institution, the borehole was sunk 200 Meters with no yield. The Ministry recalled the contractor to come and sink more 50 Meters and only one cubic of water was found which could not be supplied.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The delegation recommends that another water project be undertaken in the area so as to serve the intended population.

5. Kyuukuni cluster irrigation- Voo/kyamatu ward.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Kyuukuni Cluster irrigation scheme was another applauded and highly appreciated project by the residents.

The irrigation scheme funded by the County Government under the 2023/2024 financial year's budget at a cost of approximately 2.8 million has benefited 16 farmers who have grown assorted cash crops. These beneficiaries however, raised some serious challenges including insufficient water for the irrigation scheme resulting from poor location and the shallow depth of the sump well, a matter that the area MCA with the support of Members of the County Assembly committed to handle to ensure sustainability of the project.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The delegation made the following observations;

- i. The sump well has been sunk on dry land near river Thua as opposed to at the centre on the river, resulting to insufficient water to be used for irrigation.
- ii. The sub well depth had been sunk to 10 metres instead of the 25 metres as per the BoQs.

- i. The project was implemented without involving the school administration, leading to substandard work by the contractor in collusion with the engineers.
- ii. Despite over Ksh. 3 million CLIDP funding for drilling in the 2021-2022 financial year and equipping in the 2022-2023 financial year, the borehole remains dysfunctional.

Mr. Speaker Sir

Members of the delegation make the following recommendations;

THAT, the County Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Irrigation should;

- i. Recall the contractors to redo the project to completion.
- ii. Ensure County engineers strictly supervise the project implementation.

7. Kikunduu Earth Dam in Kiomo Kyethani Ward

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Kikunduu Earth Dam was constructed in 1998 by Global Vision with the aim of serving over 5,000 households. In 2023/24 the County Government of Kitui in partnership with Caritas desilted the dam but the work was only partially done.

Mr. Speaker Sir

Members of the delegation made the following observations, that:

- i. Desilting was poorly done.
- ii. There is no toilet to serve the residents and this poses a health and sanitation challenge.
- iii. The earth dam is not fenced.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

In light of the above facts, the delegation Makes recommendations as follows;

THAT the County Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Irrigation should;

Mutuku Mawioo. The sump well is 5 meters deep and is intended to serve Mutha and Ndakani locations

Mr. Speaker Sir

Members of the delegation made the following specific observations;

- i. Currently, the water pump can only pump 4-5 cubic meters per hour compared to the 12 cubic meters per hour it used to 5 years ago.
- ii. The pipeline extensions done in 2014 have rusted and thus cannot serve the intended purpose.
- iii. Solar panels have been installed
- iv. The inverter pipeline was not completed at the time of the visit
- v. The pipeline from the river was cased using cement.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Upon consideration of the above observations, the delegation makes specific recommendations as follows;

That, the County Ministry of Water and Irrigation;

- i. Replace the rusted water pipes with modern PVC ones
- ii. Repair the water pump

10. Ngomano Sump Well in Kauwi Ward.

Mr. Speaker Sir

The delegation visited and inspected the Ngomano sump well which is in Kauwi Ward. The delegation was received by Mrs. Agnes Mwende Muli, chair-lady for the Ngomano self-help group.

She informed the delegation that the project was funded by the County Government of Kitui at a cost of 2.1M and was handed over to the community by the CECM for water and irrigation.

She further informed the delegation that the water pump worked for a day after being installed and that the self-help group incurred imaginable losses due to the project not working as expected.

- i. Allocates more funds for the completion of the project to prevent the wastage of public funds through white elephant projects.

12.Ngalange Irrigation Scheme in Kasaini Village- Kithumula/ Kwa Mutonga Ward.

Mr. Speaker Sir

The delegation inspected the Ngalange irrigation scheme in Kasaini village, Kithumula/Kwa Mutonga Ward.

The project was constructed at a cost of 2.2M by the County Ministry of Water and Irrigation during the 2023/2024 financial year and serves a population of 2000 households.

The irrigation scheme is a success and has positively changed the lives of the residents within and beyond Kasaini village.

Mr. Speaker Sir

The delegation made the following observations, that;

- i. The project is complete and functional.
- ii. The sump well was well done
- iii. The project has changed the lives of the youths around the area who are engaged in various activities like planting tomatoes, sukumawiki and spinach.
- iv. The scheme is used to make bricks and serves around 2000 households.

Mr. Speaker Sir

The delegation recommends that, the County Ministry of Water and Irrigation;

- i. Prioritize the construction of at least one sump well in every village.

D. MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, TRAINING AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT.

1. ECDE class and Installation of Water Tank in Mwingi Primary School.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

had a population of two hundred and two (202) learners of male and female gender who are both day scholars and boarders.

The institution has eight number of trainers with only two (2) being on permanent and pensionable basis employed by the County Public service board while the rest are contracted by the school management.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The delegation made the following observations on the said project;

- i. The ICT department in the center has 12 desktop computers but only 5 are operational posing a challenge to meeting the growing student population training needs.
- ii. The institution has 21 sewing machines which the Manager termed as satisfactory. However, he mentioned that they were having challenges with vehicles tools and machines, lack of a fence allowing roaming and people to trespass.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The facility is faced with the following challenges:

- i. Shortage of water which makes student walk long distances to fetch water losing study time.
- ii. The main workshop hall is small to accommodate the courses being offered.
- iii. There is need for additional ablution block to serve male students.
- iv. Unstable power supply to run training machines.
- v. There is accommodation challenge leading to boys sharing beds.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Further, the institution had a total enrolment of 250 trainees.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

From the observations and information provided by the management the training centre faces the following challenges: -

- i. The carpentry, ICT, and leather courses currently have no instructors.
- ii. The school's Board of Management (BOM) is expired. Transfers of the school's manager and some senior teachers have slowed down the creation of a new board.
- iii. The institution's total land area of 23 acres has no fence and lacks security lights thus leading to intrusions, land grabbing, and crop damage by livestock.
- iv. The institution has an earth dam which needs to be de-silted as well installation of a purification machine.
- v. There is a borehole however there is no water pump installed.
- vi. The classrooms are small and inadequate hence forcing the institution to use a dining hall as a classroom.
- vii. Some buildings are in a poor and dilapidated, state a case in point being collapsing roofs and ceilings in one of the dormitories.
- viii. The institution faces challenges in acquiring materials needed for practical lessons, such as dressmaking.
- ix. Trainers complained of poor salary payments, which has led to many teachers leaving the institution.
- x. The institution lacks adequate toilets.
- xi. The institution is understaffed thus hampering the introduction of new courses.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Members of the delegation makes the following recommendations on this project that the County Ministry of Education, Training and Skill Development;

The centre sits on one and a half acres of land donated by the community.

The centre offers four courses namely; metal processing, hairdressing and beauty, masonry and dressmaking.

At the time of the visit, the centre had forty-eight (48) trainees, one county instructor who is the manager and four other instructors employed by the Board of Management.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Through physical observations and interaction with the management as well as the members of the public, the delegation made the following observations;

- i. There are inadequate water storage facilities for water storage in the centre.
 - ii. There is serious understaffing in the Centre as there is only one trainer employed by the County Government while others are on a casual basis.
 - iii. The Centre lacks basic instructional and training equipment for most courses offered.
 - iv. The centre has one twin workshop that the County government of Kitui constructed in 2014 and 2018 through the CLIDP.
 - v. Construction of a new workshop was in progress.
 - vi. There is a 10,000-litre tank for rainwater harvesting used by the trainees.
 - vii. The centre is not connected to electricity. This forces the metal processing trainees to seek help from the nearby shopping centre to do their practices.
- This calls for extra payment to cater for this assistance.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Upon making the above observations, the delegation makes the following specific observations that, the County Ministry of Education, Training and Skill Development should;

- i. Provide the necessary materials to enable trainees to acquire the required skills practically.

- v. The centre has only two workshops compared to the courses that are offered.
- vi. Lack of enough dormitories.
- vii. The centre has no dining hall.
- viii. Inadequate tanks for storage of water.
- ix. Lack of administration block and furniture.
- x. Lack of enough tools in all trades.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Due to the observed challenges the delegation makes the following specific recommendations that, County Ministry of Education, Training and Skill Development should;

- i. Employ more county instructors to ease parents' burden of paying BOM instructors;
- ii. Constructs more workshops to allow practicals to be done with ease
- iii. Constructs additional toilets for boys and girls. This will settle the current problem where all of them use the same toilets which at the time of visit had sunk;
- iv. Provide three (3) additional 10,000-litre water tanks to sort out the problem of water shortage in the institution;
- v. Provide additional land for infrastructure and playground;
- vi. Construct administration block equipped with furniture;
- vii. Provide additional tools and equipment for all trades;
- viii. Install solar panels to enable the school to run effectively when there is a power outage.
- ix. Construct a dining hall to minimize the disorderliness experienced during mealtime.

E. MINISTRY OF ROADS AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Less than three years after completion, the drift has developed dangerous cracks, posing a significant safety hazard. Irate community members termed the drift a death trap, especially for first-time users of the route, and demanded urgent repairs before the County Government allocates sufficient funds for a complete overhaul.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Members made the following observation that;

The drift has developed dangerous cracks posing a significant safety hazard and recommends that the ministry ensures that the drift is urgently repaired and allocate funds for a complete overhaul.

4. Kiangini Drift Project in Voo/Kyamatu Ward.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Led by the area MCA, Hon. Zack Syengo, members of the delegation visiting Kiangini drift project in Voo/Kyamatu Ward were received by the Village Administrator, Ms. Rachael Mutisya. This project was done under 2023/2024 financial year at an approximate cost of 20 million. This project was part of road opening and dozing project running from Kyango-inyuu-Kiangini. According to area residents, successful completion of this drift solved a long-standing challenge of crossing Thua River along Kiangini road.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The drift has not only solved the challenge of crossing river, residents have begun irrigation projects since the drift is also serving as a sand dam and a huge one for that matter.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Members of the delegation made the following observations that;

Mr. Speaker Sir,

A section of County Assembly Members led by the area MCA Hon. Muthengi Ndagara inspected Miramba Ikamba-Itura Muura-Gatoroni Road opening and dozing. The community members expressed satisfaction in the excellent job done by the contractor.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Members made the following observations, that;

- i. The road has 3 streams but no drifts have been constructed.
- ii. Road opening and dozing was supposed to cover 12KMS. However, the contractor managed to do 8kms

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Members of the delegation make recommendations that the County Ministry of Lands Infrastructure and Urban Development should;

- i. Install 3 drifts to ensure road connectivity and control erosion.
- ii. Road opening and dozing for the remaining 4kms that was not done to be completed.

7. Kwa Syengo–Kavingoni to Mukuthu Road n Kiomo Kyethani Ward.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

A section of County Assembly Member led by Tharaka MCA Hon. Muthengi Ndagara, inspected the Kwa Syengo–Kavingoni to Mukuthu road. The road is expected to connect Kiomo/Kyethani Ward with Kivou Ward at Mukuthu Tyaa River.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Members made observation, that dozing had not been done and therefore makes recommendations that the County Ministry of Lands Infrastructure and Urban Development should;

- ix. Work with local government and stakeholders to secure necessary funding for road and culvert projects.

9. Kawala - Itungali Drift in Nguni Ward

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Members of the County Assembly led by Hon. Jeremiah Musee Mutua visited Kwa Ilate drift on Tuesday 23rd July 2024 and were received by the area resident Reverend Jacob Mwasya.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The members made the following observations, that;

- i. There is no drift constructed and the road is impassable, especially during the rainy seasons when the River Itungale overflows.
- ii. The swelling of the river has forced school-going children and some residents to rent houses on either side of the river. Further, access to either hospitals or dispensaries is a challenge during the rainy season.
- iii. The access road connecting the drift is in poor condition due to irregular grading and maintenance.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Upon careful consideration of the information surrounding this road, the delegation makes recommendation as follows;

THAT; the County Ministry of Lands, Infrastructure and Urban Development;

- i. Puts this project into consideration with adequate financing to see it to completion.

- ii. The County Engineer should strictly supervise the works to ensure adherence to the BQ.

11. Mwanja Ngombe Drift in Kanziko Ward

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The project was done under the CLIDP program during the financial year 2023/24.

The delegation made the following observation, that the drift was constructed to completion.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The delegation appreciated the work done and thus makes the following recommendations;

That, the County Ministry of Roads and Public Works;

- i. The tendering laws should be adhered to enhance proper workmanship.
- ii. The County Engineer should strictly supervise the works to ensure adherence to the BQ.

F. MINISTRY OF CULTURE, SPORTS GENDER AND SOCIAL SERVICES

1. Mutonguni Resource Center in Mutonguni Ward.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The delegation visited the proposed Mutonguni Resource Centre, a flagship project started in FY 2013/2014 that has stalled for over a decade.

Members observed that only the walling and roofing had been completed. According to local community leaders, Ward Administrator Ms. Georgina Muthami, and Village Administrator Mr. Daniel Mbiti, this project had been a long-standing priority for the local community in every planning period since the inception of devolution through the County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) public participation exercises, but no further progress has been made. The

for this project and thus the portion where this project was being implemented is not enough to accommodate a football pitch, a running track and a volleyball pitch.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Members of the delegation upon interrogating members of the public, government representatives as well as the contractor observed that;

- i. Chain link fencing and installation of two gates were done to completion.
- ii. A four-door pit latrine had been done to completion.
- iii. The play ground had not been levelled.
- iv. Water piping extension to supply water to the playground had not been completed.
- v. Despite installation of goal posts, the football pitch was not proportional and thus substandard in terms of size.
- vi. The running track was not marked as it couldn't fit for lack of enough space.
- vii. The project was implemented without proper consultations with the community's leadership.
- viii. Gabions were poorly done hence erosion had not been combated.
- ix. The budgetary allocation for this project was insufficient to cater for the scope of work described in the BoQs.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Upon making the above observations, the delegation makes the following specific recommendations that the Ministry of Culture, Youth, Sports and Gender should;

- i. Reconsider revising the BoQs for the project to increase the allocation to ensure it is sufficient to cater for all the scope of works.

The delegation made the following recommendation that; the County Ministry of Culture, Youth, Sports and Gender should consider putting up a dias in the playground.

**G. MINISTRY OF FINANCE, PLANNING, REVENUE MANAGEMENT
AND ACCOUNTING.**

1. Kwa Vonza and Kanyonyoo Cess Point in Yatta/Kwa Vonza ward

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The delegation established that there are huge caps in county revenue collection. This was evident after a visit to the two cess points in Yatta kwa Vinza Ward.

At the two stations the delegation came face to face with the glaring gaps in revenue collection which could be attributed to the low own-source revenue in the county.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The delegation made the following observations;

- i. At Kwa Vonza Cess Point along the Kitui- Machakos road, Ms. Irene Muema, the Revenue Officer who was on duty informed the MCAs that on a good day, the station is able to collect an amount totaling to Ksh. 80,000 while on a bad day, revenue can go as low as Ksh. 5,000. She also informed the Hon. Members that the Ministry has given the station a target of around Ksh. 1.1 million per year which translates to a daily target of Ksh. 90,000.
- ii. However, the amount collected in a day raised suspicion after the Hon. Members observed that within 20 minutes while on-site the station was able to collect Ksh. 5,000.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

Members of the delegation observed that there is pending legal matter regarding ownership of the parcel of land on which is project is standing.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The delegation recommends that the office of governor in collaboration with office of County Attorney should fast tract the ongoing court case to ensure completion of the Ward administrator's office block



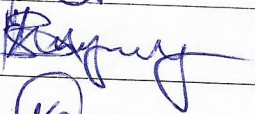

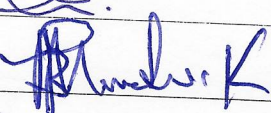






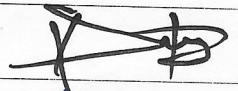


CHAPTER FOUR

4.1 GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS



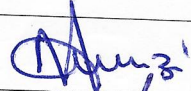
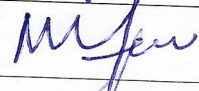
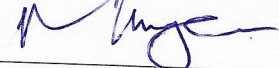


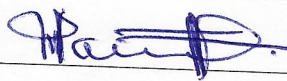
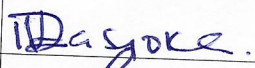
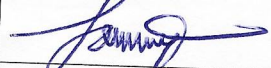
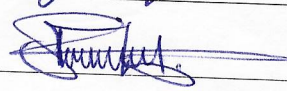

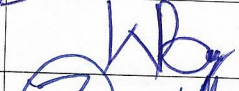
Owing to the above general observations, the delegation recommends as follows;

1. Stalled projects should be given the priority in allocating funds in subsequent budgets so as to ensure their completion, operationalization and bringing services closer to the people.
2. In order to optimize own source revenue collection, the government should move with speed to seal the avenues of revenue pilferages through provision of requisite structures at the markets and stockyards.
3. Water being a basic right for all persons should be provided through completion of incomplete water projects and well repairing of broken water infrastructures.
4. The government should put in place strategies to ensure timely procurement and supply of pharmaceutical and non-pharmaceutical products to all health facilities.
5. The government should ensure proper staffing in ECDE centres, vocational centres and health facilities for quality service delivery.
6. The relevant County Ministry should allocate sufficient funds for road grading and maintenance of county roads to improve on transportation of people, goods and services.

We, honourable members of the County Assembly, do hereby affix our signatures to this report to affirm our approval and confirm its accuracy, validity and authenticity: -

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