

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF TAITA TAVETA



COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF TAITA TAVETA

SECOND ASSEMBLY – FIFTH SESSION

ORDER PAPER

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10TH, 2021 AT 9:00 A.M

ORDER OF BUSINESS

PRAYERS

1. Administration of Oath;
2. Communication from the Chair;
3. Messages;
4. Petitions;
5. Papers;
6. Notices of Motion;
7. Statements; (*As listed in the Appendix*)

8. MOTION: ADOPTION AND APPROVAL OF THE REPORT OF THE HEALTH AND SANITATION SERVICES COMMITTEE ON THE TAITA TAVETA COUNTY HEALTH SERVICES BILL, 2020 (HON. OMAR AHMED, MCA KALOLENI WARD, CHAIRPERSON, HEALTH AND SANITATION SERVICES COMMITTEE)

THAT, this County Assembly adopts and approves the report by the Health and Sanitation Services Committee on the Taita Taveta County Health Services Bill, 2020, laid on the table of this House on Tuesday, 2nd March, 2021, Afternoon Sitting No. 013 and its recommendations thereof.

*Denotes Orders of the Day

APPENDIX

1. STATEMENT: STATUS OF THE BANANA PROCESSING PLANT(HON. DANIEL NGUZO, MCA, CHALA WARD, CHAIRPERSON, TRADE, ICT, INDUSTRY AND COOPERATIVES DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE)

MR. SPEAKER SIR, in line with the parliamentary best practices, precedents and conventions, and pursuant to the provisions of the Second Taita Taveta County Assembly Standing Order No. 42(2)c relating to the Sitting's ORDER NO. 7 (STATEMENTS), a Member of the House can seek a statement requiring availability of information, clarification or appearance on any substantive issue, circumstances, situations and matters appertaining to the attention of County Governments, the National Government, or any Public Entity where such mandates related to the management of service and leadership to the citizens and institutions, as per the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, and our current laws are concerned;

MR. SPEAKER SIR, the County Department of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries in partnership with the European Union (EU) is in the process of constructing the banana processing plant in Taveta in a bid to boost the crop's production in the area and support the value addition chain of banana production in order to boost food security in the arid and semi-arid areas in the county. The plant is also expected to increase returns to farmers through value addition activities.

MR. SPEAKER, SIR, the banana processing plant according to an advert placed by the Department in the local dailies, is expected to be completed in August 2021 and be leased out.

It is in this regard that I rise to seek a statement through the Chairperson of the Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries Committee for this House to be furnished with the following information;

1. Is the plant still going to be completed by the timelines given in the advert and when is it expected to be operational?
2. Who will be in charge of running the plant?
3. What will be the organizational structure and how many people are expected to be employed?
4. Does the County have the capacity for banana production to run the processing plant?
5. What are the byproducts?
6. Who will be the target market?