

**COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF TAITA TAVETA**



**COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF TAITA TAVETA**

**THIRD ASSEMBLY – FOURTH SESSION**

**ORDER PAPER**

**TUESDAY, JULY 22<sup>ND</sup> 2025, AT 9:30 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. Questions & Statements; *(As listed in the appendix)*
8. Motion and Bills;

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\*Denotes Orders of the Day\*

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**APPENDICES**

**STATEMENTS**

**1. RESPONSE TO STATEMENT SOUGHT BY HON. JIMMY  
MWAMIDI ON PAYMENT OF CHPS STIPEND**

*(Hon. Duncan Wangama, MCA, Wusi Kishamba Ward, Chairperson,  
Health and Sanitation Services Committee)*

**2. RESPONSE TO STATEMENT SOUGHT BY HON. AZHAR DIN ON  
THE STATUS OF MLEGHWA DISPENSARY IN KALOLENI WARD**

*(Hon. Duncan Wangama, MCA, Wusi Kishamba Ward, Chairperson,  
Health and Sanitation Services Committee)*

**3. PROGRESS REPORT ON THE STATEMENT SOUGHT BY HON.  
AMOS MAKALO ON BUDGET ABSORPTION AND PERFORMANCE  
FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2024/2025**

*(Hon. Jimmy Mwamidi, MCA, Wundanyi/Mbale Ward, Chairperson,  
Committee on Budget, Finance and Appropriations.)*

**NOTICE PAPER I**  
**Tentative Business for Tuesday, July 22, 2025**

**(Published pursuant to Standing Order 36 (1))**

It is notified that the County Assembly Business Committee has approved the following **tentative** business to appear in the Order Paper for **Tuesday, July 22, 2025, Afternoon Sitting**

**STATEMENTS**

**1. STATEMENT: STATUS OF THE CHAKALERI MATERIAL RECOVERY FACILITY (MRF) (Hon. Azhar Din, MCA, Kaloleni Ward)**

**Mr. Speaker, Sir,** In line with the parliamentary best practices, precedents and conventions, and pursuant to the provisions of the Taita Taveta County Assembly Standing Order No. 61(1) relating to the Sitting's ORDER NO. 7 (QUESTIONS & STATEMENTS), a Member of the House may seek a statement requiring the availability of information, clarification or appearance on any substantive issue, circumstance, situation or matter appertaining to the attention of County Governments, the National Government, or any Public Entity whose mandate relates to the management of services and leadership to citizens and institutions, as per the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, and our current laws. In view of the foregoing, I rise to seek a Statement regarding the current Status of the Chakaleri Material Recovery Facility (MRF)

**Mr. Speaker, Sir,** the Chakaleri Material Recovery Facility, a key infrastructure meant to revolutionize waste management in our County, was officially launched amid unresolved operational and environmental concerns. While the intention behind this facility was laudable, to promote environmental sustainability, waste recycling, and green job creation, serious issues remain hanging that have generated concern among residents and stakeholders.

**Mr. Speaker, Sir,** to date, the site continues to emit smoke, which poses significant health and safety risks to nearby road users and communities. Of particular concern is the continued visibility of unburied waste from the main road a situation that contradicts the purpose of the facility and undermines public confidence in its operation.

**Mr. Speaker, Sir,** this facility holds tremendous potential for job creation, sustainable waste management, and revenue generation if fully completed and professionally managed. However, without transparency on its operational status, legal framework, and environmental safety measures, public trust is eroded and project goals risk being compromised.

**Mr. Speaker, Sir,** In light of the above, I therefore request that the Chairperson of the Committee on Environment, Forestry and Climate Change provides a Statement on the following:

1. The identity and legal mandate of the entity currently overseeing the management of the facility specifically the Waste Management Association which is believed to be in charge.
2. The status of the newly designated dumpsite, including its developmental progress, environmental safeguards, and compliance with relevant standards.
3. The existence and contents of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the County Government and the Waste Management Association or any other managing entity including duration, responsibilities, and accountability mechanisms.
4. Details of any pending or incomplete construction works within the MRF premises, particularly those pertaining to waste sorting infrastructure, access roads, sanitation, and waste storage facilities.
5. The revised timelines for final completion and full operationalization of the facility, if any, and whether the project has officially been handed over to the County Government or remains under contractor control.
6. What plans are in place to ensure the long-term sustainability and maintenance of the facility?

**NOTICE PAPER II**  
**Tentative Business for Wednesday, July 23, 2025**

**(Published pursuant to Standing Order 36 (1))**

It is notified that the County Assembly Business Committee has approved the following **tentative** business to appear in the Order Paper for **Wednesday, July 23, 2025 Morning Sitting**

**STATEMENTS**

1. **STATEMENT: ISSUANCE OF BUSINESS PERMITS TO MINING OPERATORS IN THE COUNTY** (Hon. Newton Kifuso, MCA, Wumingu/Kishushe Ward, Chairperson, Committee on Implementation)

**Mr. Speaker, Sir,** In line with the parliamentary best practices, precedents and conventions, and pursuant to the provisions of the Taita Taveta County Assembly Standing Order No. 61(1) relating to the Sitting's ORDER NO. 7 (QUESTIONS & STATEMENTS), a Member of the House may seek a statement requiring the availability of information, clarification or appearance on any substantive issue, circumstance, situation or matter appertaining to the attention of County Governments, the National Government, or any Public Entity whose mandate relates to the management of services and leadership to citizens and institutions, as per the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, and our current laws. In view of the foregoing, I rise to seek a Statement in relation to the issuance of business permits to mining operators in Taita Taveta County.

**Mr. Speaker, Sir,** Mining is one of the key economic activities in Taita Taveta County, particularly in areas such as Kishushe, where iron ore and other mineral resources are actively exploited. While the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 and the Mining Act, 2016 primarily vest mineral rights in the National Government, County Governments are mandated to regulate trade, business licensing, and local land use, including oversight on business permits and ensuring compliance with county laws.

**Mr. Speaker, Sir,** in addition Section 134(1) of the County Governments Act, 2012 empowers county governments to collect and publish data on natural resources within their jurisdiction, while Part 2 of the Fourth Schedule of the Constitution grants counties authority over trade development and regulation, including issuance of business licenses.

**Mr. Speaker, Sir,** Mining remains a critical economic activity in Taita Taveta County, contributing significantly to livelihoods and local revenue. However, concerns have emerged regarding the lack of clarity, consistency, and fairness in the issuance of business permits to miners. Numerous stakeholders, especially small-scale and artisanal miners in Kishushe, have reported challenges in acquiring or renewing the necessary permits, which has severely hindered their ability to operate legally and transport their mineral stock to markets.

**Mr. Speaker, Sir,** miners in Kishushe and other parts of our county deserve a clear and supportive regulatory environment that promotes economic growth rather than stifles it. Their mineral stocks, some of which are perishable or depreciating in market value, continue to lie idle due to lack of facilitation by the County Government.

**Mr. Speaker, Sir,** In light of the above, I therefore request that the Chairperson of Finance, Budget and Appropriations Committee furnish this House with the following information;

1. What is the total number of business permits that have been issued to mining entities (both large-scale and small-scale miners) in Taita Taveta County over the last two financial years?
2. How many business permits have been specifically issued to miners operating in Kishushe during the same period?
3. What criteria and procedures does the County Government use in issuing or denying business permits to miners, and are these criteria aligned with applicable county laws?
4. What are the reasons for the delays or failure in issuing business permits to some miners in Kishushe, despite their repeated applications?
5. What immediate and long-term interventions is the County Government undertaking to address the plight of miners whose mineral stock remains idle and un-transportable due to lack of valid business permits?

**NOTICE PAPER III**  
**Tentative Business for Wednesday, July 23, 2025**

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It is notified that the County Assembly Business Committee has approved the following **tentative** business to appear in the Order Paper for **Wednesday, July 23, 2025 Afternoon Sitting**

**PETITIONS**

1. PROGRESS REPORT ON PETITION TO THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF TAITA TAVETA BY TAITA TAVETA MATATU OWNERS ASSOCIATION REGARDING UNFAIR ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE BY ONE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR, NOEL MWAVADU.

*(Hon. Nancy Mwakio, Nominated MCA, Chairperson, Committee on Justice, Constitutional, Legal Affairs, Labour, Employment and Trade Unions)*

2. PROGRESS REPORT ON PETITION TO THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF TAITA TAVETA BY ANDREW MWAWUI ON MODALITIES OF ESTABLISHING CARBON CREDIT ON ACCOUNT OF COUNTY FORESTS, PUBLIC LAND AND COMMUNITY LANDS WITHIN TAITA TAVETA COUNTY

*(Hon. Lawrence Mzugha, Nominated MCA, Chairperson, Joint Committee on Trade, ICT, Industry, Paper & Cooperative Development; Lands, Physical Planning & Urban Development; and Environment, Forestry & Climate Change)*

**STATEMENTS**

1. **RESPONSE TO STATEMENT SOUGHT BY HON. JOSEPH MWALEGHA ON OWNERSHIP STATUS OF PLOTS LOCATED IN THE PELELEZA AREA OF MWATATE**

*(Hon. Anisa Mwakio, Nominated MCA, Chairperson, Lands, Physical Planning and Urban Development Committee)*