COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF TAITA TAVETA



COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF TAITA TAVETA THIRD ASSEMBLY - FOURTH SESSION ORDER PAPER

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH 2025, AT 2:30 P.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. PROCEDURAL MOTION: <u>ADJOURNMENT OF THE COUNTY</u> <u>ASSEMBLY</u> (Hon. Anthony Warighe, MCA, Bura Ward, Majority Leader)**

THAT, Pursuant to the provisions of the Taita Taveta County Assembly Standing Order 33 (1), this House Resolves to adjourn its plenary sittings until **Tuesday, 30th September, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.** for purposes of conducting public participation on the Taita Taveta County Finance Bill, 2025 and the County Annual Development Plan (CADP) 2026/2027at the Ward level from 22nd to 25th September, 2025.

Denotes Orders of the Day

STATEMENTS

- 1. STATEMENT: STATUS ON COMPENSATION OF PARCELS OF LAND NO. 932, 933 & 374 (Hon. Jimmy Mwamidi, MCA Wundanyi/Mbale Ward, Chairperson Budget, Finance and Appropriations Committee)
- **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 relating to the Sitting's ORDER NO. 7 (QUESTIONS & 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,** in view of the foregoing, I rise to seek a Statement regarding status of rightful compensation for parcels of lands No. 932, 933 & 374 situated within Werugha/ Wundanyi Adjacent Scheme.
- **Mr. Speaker, Sir,** in the Year 1981-1982 the National Government awarded a tender to a company known as Mvita Construction to construct storage water tanks in Wundanyi Division without getting into agreement with the land owners on the amount needed to purchase their parcels of lands. In the course of their works, they constructed access roads and water storage tanks on the aforementioned parcels of lands.
- Mr. Speaker, Sir, since the year 2003, the affected landowners; Mr. Darius Mwamburi, Mr. Walter Ziri and Mr. Oliver M. Mwasingo respectively, have consistently lodged claims seeking rightful compensation for the encroachment on their lands by the construction of the said roads and water storage tanks in Shate Village, Wundanyi/Mbale Ward which to date remain in Public use.
- **Mr. Speaker, Sir,** despite the matter being repeatedly raised, including through the intervention of the then Councilor, the rightful compensation has never been actualized, thereby continuously denying the owners the exercise of their rights as absolute proprietors under the law.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, I would like the Chairperson of the Water and Irrigation Committee to furnish this House with the following information:

- 1. Documentary evidence or official records to show whether there were any agreements, arrangements, or undertakings made between the then Government and the landowners at the time the project commenced?
- 2. Whether any form of compensation; monetary or otherwise has ever been made to the owners of the said parcels since the year 1982 to date?
- 3. Why, despite repeated claims lodged since 2003, the rightful compensation to the affected landowners has not been honoured?
- 4. What immediate and long-term measures does the County Government intend to put in place to ensure that the rights of the landowners are safeguarded, and the outstanding compensation claims are addressed conclusively and without further delay?
- 5. What is the projected timeline, budgetary allocation (if any), and responsible entity under the County or National Government mandated to ensure compensation is duly effected?

3. RESPONSE TO STATEMENT SOUGHT BY HON. PETER SHAMBI ON STATUS OF THE COUNTY BUDGET AND ECONOMIC FORUM (CBEF)

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