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MURANGA COUNTY ASSEMBLY THE HANSARD

Wednesday, July 1, 2015 The House met at 2:34 p.m. (The Speaker Hon. Nduati Kariuki in the Chair)

PRAYERS COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

The Speaker: Hon Members, the office of the Clerk has received the Financial Year 2014/2015 Third Quarter County Budget Implementation Review report from the office of the Controller of Budget, the report is on the implementation of the national and county government's budgets as par the mandate of the Controller of Budget under Article 228 (6) of the Constitution of Kenya. The report stands committed to the Finance committee for deliberation. Kindly get a copy of the said report and study the contents, especially report on Murang'a County government

NOTICES OF MOTION

PROCUREMENT OF MURRAM LAND IN EACH SUB- COUNTY TO IMPROVE ACCESS AND TRANSPORTATION WITHIN THE DILAPIDATED RURAL ROADS **Hon. Charles Kirigwi:** Thank you Mr. Speaker, I beg to give notice of the following motion;-

Aware, that transport infrastructure is a key priority in the Kenyan development and growth strategy, further aware that feeder roads include any roads off the primary paved network that provides a link between the primary network and the network of rural access roads, recognizing that development of economic activities through improved road access is significant in boosting the growth of the County; this House urges the County Executive member for Transport and Infrastructure development, to procure at least 10 acres of murram land for each sub-county to be lifted for making feeder roads to improve access and transportation within the dilapidated rural roads, further the County Executive member to facilitate the respective areas by providing pneumatic rollers to flatten the roads.

MOTIONS

ADOPTION OF TRADE, INDUSTRIES, TOURISM AND WILDLIFE COMMITTEE REPORT ON VISIT TO RAPIDS CAMP, SAGANA

Hon Charles Kirigwi: I beg to move the motion;-

That, this Assembly adopts the report by the Trade, Industries, Tourism and Wildlife committee, on a visit to the Rapids Camp, Sagana, laid on the table of the Assembly on June 30, 2015.

Mr. Speaker, this month, although constrained by resources, as a committee we managed to visit Mbiri ward where we have the Rapids camp, which has been earmarked for hosting an international canoeing event from $20^{th} - 23^{rd}$ October. As a committee we felt that we needed to visit the institution to confirm its preparedness because the event will have people from all over the world.

A few weeks ago we had or neighbouring county hosting a catholic event that attracted many visitors, likewise on our side we felt that we need to be prepared and come up with ways and means of having the African Canoeing Championships and Rio Olympic qualifiers games which will host over 18 countries and we estimate 1500competitors without counting the spectators.

We understand that there are some stakeholders who are on board, like the tourism fund, there is also the county government and Safaricom.

When we visited the site we were told that there are challenges that need to be urgently addressed like the mobile Telephony and internet infrastructure. There are many benefits of this canoeing event to the county revenue generation. We expect the competitors to spend in our hotels, there will be exposure of our county to tourism and it is also good to note that we have never had any tourism activity apart from a small one in Kandara. It will be an exposure to these visitors, by then if we are prepared enough, we will have developed a circuit within our county so that the competitors can visit our tourism circuit.

There will be a benefit to employment, boosting of local Mbiri ward and the larger Murang'a economy and also creating publicity. When we went there as a committee, we found that the drainage system and the access roads are poor, we also found that there is poor communication network, internet connectivity network is poor. We also found that if we were to host such a big event, there's inadequate security. We also established that the management does not have enough equipment for the competition.

Among other recommendations is that the county government must fast track in doing two roads in the Mbiri area, that is Kiangatia-Gathanji road, 11 kms, Kiangatia-Thanju road, 9kms before the competition begins, and the county government in collaboration with a telecommunication institution should ensure we have adequate network coverage for internet.

We also need to engage the County Commissioner to visit and have adequate security personnel and include her team in the technical committee that we recommend to have so that we can walk together. The committee also recommends that the county government donates additional equipment for canoeing competition and come up with a county sports tourism policy. Lastly we found that the county government should maximize the event to market Murang'a in print and other media, as a sports tourism destination.

Mr Speaker, where the institution is, geographically we are disadvantaged. From the main Sagana- Kenol road, it is only 2 kms at most from the main road, but from our side, we are talking about 11kms murram road. So as a county we are disadvantaged and unless we become pro-active, if you visit the area, you will see that the Kirinyaga county investors are already warming up for the event, they are already putting up big hotels on the Kirinyaga side but on our side our land is sub-divided and there is no area for expansion.

The conclusion of the committee is that we need to create an enabling environment for sports tourism to thrive and of great importance is the economic importance of the many visitors who will come from all over the world for the canoeing event. As a government, we should grab the opportunity at hand to make Murang'a the choice destination other than our competitors who may as well grab the opportunity.

Mr Speaker, having read the budget and as the chairperson of the Trade committee I know there is a small amount that we appropriated for tourism development a figure of about 10 to 30 million and I think this motion is timely, given the two or three months that are there, we will be able to move fast and take this opportunity that we have. I urge members to support the motion and assist the county government with anything else that can enrich that event. I call Hon. Njoroge, MCA Mugumo-ini to second the motion.

Hon. James Njoroge: I rise to second the motion. Mr. Speaker, this is a golden chance that we as Murang'a County should take because we are disadvantaged in comparison to Kirinyaga, but it is in our County that this camp is located, a beautiful little known scenery. I am even challenging the MCA of the area, with such a beautiful scenery, he should have taken us there before instead of being invited by the management to witness. We could have spent some of our money to beautify the area.

The main challenge is the 11km road connecting the Rapids camp with the main road which is very rough. It can be gravelled to support the October event, so that the 18 countries coming to our county to participate in the noble sport, little known to many of us. When we went there were few countries which had sent some participants to start practicing, we witnessed the event and it was interesting seeing them canoe through the waters. As a committee we feel that it is important for the executive to implement the recommendations so that we can have many people witnessing the event and Murang'a will be among the counties which have hosted many tourists, and some might even consider investing in our county. I second the motion.

(Question Proposed)

Hon. David Muhoro: I rise to support this motion. As we go to the third year of devolution, it is only those counties that will move out of the box and do extra ordinary things that will make devolution be enjoyed by the Kenyan people. This motion urges the executive to do very little and support an event which cannot be undertaken in any other county, and if it is to be, it is now in our county.

Many counties would like to host the canoeing event but they lack the facilities. It is an initiative, if taken seriously, can earn this county a lot of money. It is an annual event that can be marketed, this in an international event. We need to address the needs of infrastructure, security and all those other things that the chairman of the committee has identified.

As a county, if we do not embrace other investments, especially in tourism which is the only activity with sure returns, we shall continue having budget deficits, continue taxing our people more, but if we embrace such events, market them, this will attract a lot of people who will annually come to Murang'a and bring a lot of money.

Mr. Speaker sir, that is a place we realised to be very neglected but we cannot blame the Member of County Assembly (MCA) for that area because these are challenges we are facing in most of our wards. If this is implemented, we will look forward to a very wonderful and memorable day in Murang'a; it will be an annual event in our county. I support the motion. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Catherine Mugo: Thank you Hon. Speaker, I am a Member of the Trade, Industries, Tourism, and Wildlife committee and I support the report. Our visit to the Rapids Camp was actually a wakeup call for most of us, even as Members of the County Assembly, because we discovered that we have a very beautiful site in Murang'a that most of us are not aware of its existence. Although the Rapids Camp is not very beautiful in its present condition, it is a site that will attract many visitors from abroad if it is taken care of. They will see the scenery and they will also enjoy canoeing while there.

Mr. Speaker, in fact most of the people you find at the Rapids Camp are not from Murang'a; the visitors come from other countries. We are suggesting that if public awareness or creating publicity of this Rapid Camp is done by the County Assembly assisting in advertisements, it will make the public know about it and even attract local tourists to the place.

We also noted that there would be a lot of benefits to our county by uplifting the Rapids Camp. We all know how important tourism is in our country and as much as our county is an agricultural county, we know that we can raise a lot of revenue by ensuring that we have local and also international tourists. As the mover of the motion has said, this would also attract employment for our people because once this place has been uplifted, the many unemployed youth in our county will definitely have places to report to work every day. Therefore, we will deal with the issue of unemployment in our county.

We also discovered that we would put our county at an international level. Probably, not very many people know about Murang'a county today. If we, however, opened up the

Rapid Camp, it would expose our county in our country and also beyond because visitors would carry a good word with them to their countries and they would also be in a position to market Murang'a and make it a tourism destination for other people who would want to visit our country for canoeing purposes. I therefore support the motion and urge the Members of the Assembly to also support it, thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Martin Mwangi: Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika kwa kuniruhusu pia kuchangia mjadala huu. Nimesimama kuunga mkono ripoti ambayo imeletwa na kamati hii kwani itafungua macho ya kaunti yetu katika mambo ya kiutalii. Tunapoongea, kambi hii ya Rapids ni kambi ambayo imetumiwa na watu wakuu hata katika nchi hii na pia nje ya nchi yetu.

Ninakumbukuka kuna wakati nilikuwa nimetembea mahali pale na tulikuwa na madiwani wa wakati ule. Tulishangaa kwa sababu ya mgeni ambaye tulimkuta pale, tulimpata Michael Joseph aliyekuwa msimamizi wa kampuni ya mawasiliano ya Safaricom. Alikuwa ameingia mahali pale kupumzika pamoja na familia yake kwa ndege yake. Alipokuwa pale, alishangaa sana kwani watu wa Murang'a hawakuwa wamejua mahali pale ilhali yeye alikuwa anapajua. Tuliona hilo ni jambo ambalo hatukuwa tumelitia maanani ilhali Mungu ametuwekea dhahabu katika eneo hili.

Mheshimiwa Spika, sijui imekuwa namna gani katika eneo hili la Murang'a, naona ni kama tunajaribu kuweka lawama kwa mwakilishi wa eneo hilo, lakini pia sisi tulikuwa tumeweka lawama kwa viongozi wengi wa eneo hilo. Kuna hoteli zingine zilizoko pande hiyo, kama vile Sagana Lodge ambayo imeanzishwa na kijana chipukizi na ni hoteli ambayo imewekwa kwa njia nzuri sana.

Tulipata nafasi tukiwa na waheshimiwa wenzangu ambao wengine wamo ndani ya Jumba hili la heshima na tukatembea katika Sagana Lodge ambapo tulikuwa tunaona kana kwamba tulikuwa nje ya nchi hii.

Mheshimiwa Spika, ni kama majuma mawili yaliyopita tulipoalikwa kwa maankuli ya saa saba na rafiki yetu hapa na ndipo tulipata hoteli inayoitwa Monkey Bay Resort. Wengi wa waheshimiwa ni kama walikuwa wanaona kwa mdomo badala ya macho. Walikuwa wanauliza, "Je, hapa kweli ni Kaunti ya Murang'a?" Ni sehemu nzuri iliyotulia. Mtu akiwa pale ajihisi ni kama mtalii.

Kwa hivyo, tunazo sehemu nyingi ambazo kama tutazitilia maanani, ninakubaliana na kamati hii kwamba watalii wataweza kutembea eneo hili. Imetajwa mara nyingi kwamba Murang'a inaweza kuwa kama mahali pa kusimama na kutazama kidogo wakati watalii wanapopita wakielekea Nyeri na pande zingine. Yasemekana kuwa Murang'a yaweza kuwa ni mahali ambapo watalii watapitia na kupumzika kwa muda wa siku moja ama mbili na baadaye kuendelea na safari yao, lakini, sisi hujiuliza swali, "Je, watakuwa wanatazama nini wanapopumzika Murang'a?"

Kwa hivyo, ninaipongeza kamati hii kwa sababu imefanya uchunguzi vizuri na kama ingekuwa katika kambi ile tunapojua michezo ya kiulimwengu hufanyika, tunaona hata katika matangazo ya runinga wakati matangazo ya biashara inapofanywa, wengi hawajui kwamba picha ambayo inaonyesha watu wakicheza kwenye maji ilichukuliwa pale Rapid Camp na imekuwa ikionyeshwa dunia nzima.

Nikimalizia, hali ya barabara yahitaji kuangaliwa sana. Pia hali ya usalama yahitaji kuangaliwa sana. Tungetaka kuuza ile sehemu kupitia njia zote ili tuitangaze Kenya, Afrika na dunia nzima ili watu wengi waelewe kwamba katika sehemu ya milima milima katika kaunti ya Murang'a kuna mazuri ambayo yaweza kumfanya mtalii atoke ng'ambo, Merekani, Uingereza na ajiskie yuko mahali anapofaa. Naipongeza tena kamati kwa kazi nzuri na ninaunga mkono mjadala huu, asante Mheshimiwa Spika.

Hon. Esther Ngugi: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, I am a nominated MCA and a Member of this committee and I am one of the people who visited this site and noted a few things. To attract more visitors during these events in future, the County Government should ensure additional equipment and the parking should also be expanded for the visitors. Sheds should also be constructed where fans will sit as they watch the competitions take place, thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Kago Njoroge: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, I stand to support the report and caution the Executive that this is not the kind of report that should just be kept in the drawers, there is need to do this work very fast. Our county does not have so many investors and the very few who have seen the potential of our county need to be supported. I remember the other day; the Governor was insisting that anybody coming to invest in hostels would be given a tax rebate by the County Government, either by waiving the land rates or the rest.

Mr. Speaker, when we are talking of what should be done, we are talking of the road networks and insecurity. That needs to be hastened and accomplished in the highest speed possible. Three months are not many and if at all we are using so much money in launching so many milk coolers and other things, that money can first be diverted and taken to that side.

This Assembly once passed a motion calling for an investors' forum. That kind of a forum has been opened by God through the Rapids Camp. When we were there, we learnt that this will be the first time to hold such an event that will be very big, although they told us that an Olympic competition was held there three years ago.

Mr. Speaker, as Murang'a residents, we never came to know that something like that was taking place. We believe that if we all say that is our child or one of our investors who need to be supported; we will boost the morale of other investors. As the Chairman has said, the other side of Kirinyaga has already improved the road network all the way to that destination. That means that most of the competitors may choose to use that road. In addition, that camp is not a big hotel and, therefore, it is most likely that visitors who may wish to spend their night will opt to do so in Kirinyaga. That means that we are going to lose a lot of revenue.

I urge the Implementation committee to ensure that this is done very fast. The person in charge of writing the letter of forwarding the report to the Executive should do it very fast so that this work can be done in a hurry and we will be part of those who will go there to enjoy. It would be very embarrassing if you, Mr. Speaker, chose to go and watch the game but the route you would be using would not allow you access that place bearing in mind that, most likely, the month of October will be rainy. It is usually a rainy season and you will not manage to travel there. You can imagine how difficult it will be for the other visitors who will be going there. We do not want to be ashamed and it is therefore better that we do it very fast even if it means taking the money for the development of the Assembly there and the Executive refunds us later; if we really mean what we are saying and we want it done, thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Mary Waithira: Mr. Speaker, I also feel that I need to commend the committee for the very good work they did. I have always passed along the Sagana road and seen the signs of the Rapids Camp but I have never gone there. I am surprised to see that this is an area that has been seen and set aside for holding international canoeing federation competitions. Many are of the likes of Rapids Camp in Murang'a county but because we have not benchmarked enough, we are missing money that we could be getting from investors, just as is the case of Rapids Camp.

Mr. Speaker, I support that the County Government chips in so that we may realise a socio-economic advantage from this. If many of the people who are visiting that camp are from foreign countries, I feel that we should support in form of improving the infrastructure

network and put in money to make the area sports friendly. I think that would open Murang'a town.

Whenever we are looking at the budget, we usually say that we have so many untapped resources in Murang'a county. If at all we can tap, we can increase the local revenue that we are collecting. The moment we support this, the area will look decent than it is currently. As other members have said, we need to improve the road network to that place. That way, we will make sure that visitors will take a longer time in that place and this will help them venture into other areas of Murang'a county. We still have the ranges and the many curves that we have in the Aberdares which now belongs to Murang'a county, such are the areas that can be placed strategically to improve our county so that whenever visitors are through with their sports' activities or leisure time, they can visit them. They will not do so for free because they will be leaving some money in our county. If we improve this area by installing streetlights along that road all the way to the Rapids camp, we are going to welcome and even add value to the land owners neighbouring that camp. We will also make sure that the value of land along that area will boost our economy. We will have so many people who will want to start selling part of their land and plots to make sure that all those who want to invest will be in a position to do so.

I am therefore seeing the Rapids camp as the beginning of opening another business town or a small town within that area. This will improve the socio-economic lives of our people. In addition, those who do the carvings and many of the crafts will benefit. I am seeing an avenue that will create jobs. We will even encourage and have some of the dancers who usually sing the Kikuyu folk songs available and we will be getting revenue from that. It will be an advantage in terms of entertainment, employment creation, and improving the socio-economic power of that area.

That is why we usually request for more funds so that various committees can move out and benchmark, some of our committees have also realised that we do not need to go to Nakuru; the fee that could be used in Nakuru can be spent in the Rapids Camp. That is an area that we will improve, although that one may not augur very well because we look at what we get whenever we are within the county and outside. I also tend to think that those from Nakuru, Nyeri and other counties will chose to visit the Rapids Camp in Murang'a county.

We would like the Executive to look more into improving some of the areas where we can make an extra cent into our revenue collection. We should not only be spending much money in buying seeds that our farmers do not really need. If we can use the money we are using to buy seeds, cassava, Kakamega 2 and all that to improve on the infrastructure in the name of the road to the Rapids Camp, and installing streetlights, I think it would bring forth more money. I think our farmers are comfortable with what they have; all we need to do is give them markets. I support, thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. James Kariuki: Mr. Speaker, I also rise to support this report and I must confess that since I came to this House, I have never see a report that is so good and compressive, this is a report that should not be shelved because this has the capacity to change Murang'a.

I have been in Ndaka-ini for a very long time and I remember when the half marathon started which is sponsored by UAP, some very small event, today Ndaka-ini is a big event, actually an international even. I do not even go there because you cannot enjoy because there are so many vehicles and people and the amount of money that comes to Ndaka-ini on that particular event is unbelievable. So we need to have an investor's conference.

When we passed a motion here of having a think tank this is what think tanks do, like the one that was formed by Kibaki that came up with Vision 2030. They come up with such

things, things that ordinary minds cannot see, but which people with vision and inspiration can see.

Machakos, and this is why the Machakos Governor is becoming very popular, the town has become very popular because of Masaku 7's rugby. It started as a small event, today and I know in five years to come it will be such a big event they will be hosting some of the visitors in Nairobi. If we have such an event here, we do not have even the facility as we have only one hotel, Nokras, we have no other international hotel and it is not even international, I think it is a three star hotel.

So that is what an investor's conference will do. We will have the investors who will come here look at the tourism field and build first class facilities in terms of the hotels and resorts and that will sell Murang'a internationally. This is one way of generating revenue instead of generating revenues from *mama mboga* and I sympathize with the chairman of Finance because he is always quarrelling with *mama mbogas* because of raising the fee from Kshs. 30 to Kshs. 50, there is no need, we have the capacity to make money if we think and this is what we have been saying.

This report in my view is excellent; Kenya is a sporting giant in athletics, in ball games, in field events virtually in everything called sports. We have not exploited that potential and I think Murang'a should take the lead and exploit that potential to the full.

We already have stadia like Ihura and others that we are developing; this will go a long way in supporting these kind of events. The Rapids falls site which has been certified as international canoeing site by ICF means we can make it a signature event for this county and we shall generate a lot of revenue from it.

This is a report that I support in total and I would urge the CEC member to immediately move into that place, look at the roads there and something about it. This is not something you can heap on the MCA from Mbiri, my good friend he is a very small man when it comes to implementing this, it needs big money but we are going to support.

To finish there is something about agro- tourism which I am in love with, it talks about establishing a central point for tasting and trading of Murang'a coffee, milk and horticultural products, that is a first Mr. Speaker. I support the report in total even if there are no other reports that have gone to the executive give it special attention, thank you.

Hon. Joseph Njoroge: I am the member representing the ward where Rapids camp is located and I stand to support the motion and also congratulate people who are supporting this motion because they are supporting Mbiri.

Rapids camp is now becoming more active and it is only three years when there was an event involving five countries but now this year's event will involve 18 countries. You can imagine all these people coming to Rapids camp but the roads there are impassable. There are two roads that lead to Rapids camp, one from Sagana which is 8kms and another that comes from Murang'a which is 11kms.

It is good to note that in that area we have a wildlife camp, we have rice growing through irrigation through Gathawa irrigation project, but people of that area are unable to perform to their maximum because of impassable roads.

As you have been urged by the members Mr. Speaker and take the initiative of telling the CEC in charge of tourism to take strict measures on the motion we will pass today and also for this Assembly to take this opportunity and visit that site when the visitors will be there so that they can know the potential of that camp so that we can also try and fetch visitors from other areas. There are so many hotels which are coming up in that area and in the same area we have an avocado factory. If the executive pursues this motion as they are supposed to do, it will help the people from that area, thank you very much.

The Speaker: The mover to respond

Hon. Charles Kirigwi: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I must say that I am very grateful to the members who have contributed and have given us some more insight to enrich what we have. I think the water we have there is God given and imagine in 18 countries there is no other country that is qualifying to host this. I think there are some lessons on this and it is a wakeup call to market our county aggressively.

As members have said we can have canoeing as our signature sport instead of what we are used to seeing ourselves as and people will start identifying with Murang'a.

I have been seeing myself and my family persuading me to take them to another county for a weekend and due to our proximity to the city of Nairobi I think Murang'a can attract tourist both local and international.

I do not know whether the area MCA identified in the CIDP that we need a bridge to go through that area. If you go there, like me who fears water there is a swinging bridge and for those who are courageous enough I could see them cross Tana River. That one alone can attract a lot of people. I am told by a therapist that if you want to manage stress just go where there is water falling and that sound of water falling will ease your stress. We can even market it as health recipe.

Mr. Speaker I have seen your wisdom in managing very weighty issues there before in the county. I humbly request on behalf of the committee, we are not implementers, you communicate this to executive but the report is so dear to us. We urge you that you take charge as you took charge during the Tea forums, in the Northern Water Collector Tunnel so that you get us together in terms of a technical committee and let this Assembly steer this important task so that we do not fail. This is an opportunity that we cannot afford to lose.

On behalf of my committee we are meeting tomorrow to strategize on a work plan between now and December, we will prioritize on establishing the circuit so that so that we prolong the days of this event. If it is from 20th to 23rd we can have a week earlier where the visitors can tour our agro- farms, Mukurwe- wa- Nyagathanga, our forests, we have catholic at Tuthu, we have Ndaka-ini dam, we can prepare a circuit, that one does not cost anything. It is just establishing some few things so that we can exploit this event to maximum.

This event will be on international media like DSTv and I do not need to over emphasize on the need for us now marketing aggressively as a county to attract investors.

As one of the contributors I had not seen it, we need also cultural. The other day Mr. Speaker we hosted the Mau Mau and that is why I am saying this Assembly needs to steer this technical committee. In the program let us have some people like the Mau Mau, traditional dancers so that we persuade as many people as possible.

Mr. Speaker I know you have visited towns like Eldoret, the main activity there and you see some very serious banks there; I am not saying that there are some banks which are not serious, but you see very many commercial banks there like Standard bank. The main activity there is sports. Eldoret town is moved by sports. I believe Murang'a as much as we are an agricultural county we can also exploit sports. I know the Kikuyus in Murang'a can do anything. You tell me there is Kshs. 1 million here and I am need to finish 100 m race in 8 seconds I will try and finish in 9 seconds. I know we are capable because we have business mind.

The area that is Mbiri ward we have 1500 acres of Kenya Forest Service's land that is unutilized and I think this is high time we partner with other institutions like KWS and KFS of course we fence the area, other than squeezing an orphanage here, we can do it in big way at Mbiri where we have adequate land.

The work of government is to facilitate her people to prosperity. The former President of this Republic propelled us there when he built Thika Super highway, it used 26 billion fortunately or unfortunately there were skirmishes somewhere and the land, I do not know

whether it was political skirmishes because the roads are in good condition, the value of land around Kiambu and Murang'a just went up. If we do this 11 kms road in Mbiri we will have empowered the people in Mbiri and forever we will be blessed. I urge you to support our good motion, thank you.

(Question put and agreed to)

The Speaker: Hon, members I have the freedom to comment because the motion has passed. It is one of the best motions that has come to this Assembly. I went to Rapids camp with my family last Christmas and I felt very ashamed because I was actually directed to that area by a *mzungu* before me, so you can see the irony.

The place is so good but that stretch of about 11kms to 12 kms took almost an hour because the roads are too bad and dangerous as well. I like this motion and I would like to take the challenge that has been put on me personally and assure you that I will work with the committee chair and area member to see that the CEC and even the Governor takes charge and this project is implemented, thank you

(Applause)

The Speaker: Next order

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker: That being the case the House stands adjourned until tomorrow at 2:30 p.m.

The House rose at 3:31 p.m.