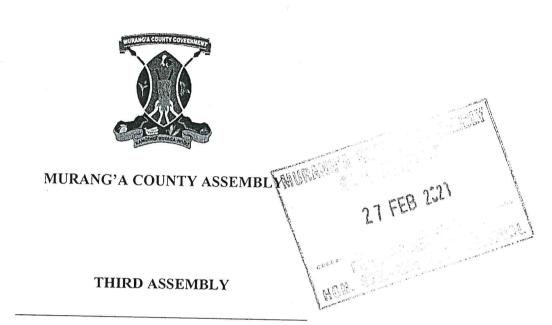
REPUBLIC OF KENYA



THIRD ASSEMBLY -FIRST SESSION (2023)

THE SECTORAL COMMITTEE AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND FISHERIES COMMITTEES REPORT ON THE INDUCTION WORKSHOP HELD FROM 29^{TH} NOVEMBER TO 1^{ST} DECEMBER 2022 AT KASARANI SPORTSVIEW HOTEL NAIROBI.

Clerk's Chambers, Murang'a County Assembly Buildings, MURANG'A.

December 2022

1.0 BACKGROUND

Hon. Speaker, The Agriculture Livestock and Fisheries committee is established under standing order 204 and is mandated among other functions to:-

- Investigate, inquire into, and report on all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operations and estimates of the department of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries
- Study the programme and policy objectives of department of Agriculture and the ii. effectiveness of their implementation;
- Study and review all legislation referred to it; iii.
- Study, assess and analyze the relative success of the department as measured by the iv. results obtained as compared with their stated objectives;
- Investigate and inquire into all matters relating to the department Agriculture as they v. may deem necessary, and as may be referred to them by the House;
- To vet and report on all appointments where the Constitution or any law requires the vi. County Assembly to approve, except those under Standing Order 198 (Committee on Appointments) and
- Make reports and recommendations to the House as often as possible, including vii. recommendation of proposed legislation.

The Committee as currently constituted, comprises of the following Members:-

- 1. Hon. Caroline Wairimu Njoroge -Chairperson
- 2. Hon. Gathee wa Njeri
 - -Vice -Chairperson - Member
- 3. Hon. Hilary Muigai Muchoki 4. Hon. Liz Muthoni Mbugua
- 5. Hon. Moses Gachui Mungai
- 6. Hon. Peter Murigi Ngugi
- 7. Hon. John Kamwaga
- 8. Hon. Simon Mwaura Wamwea
- 9. Hon. Anthony Marubu Chege
- 10. Hon. Charles Machigo Karina
- 11. Hon. Francis Kibe Kamau
- 12. Hon. Elizabeth Wambui
- 13. Hon. Morris Thuku

Hon.Speaker, The County Assembly Committees are extension of the Assembly established under Standing Orders and in accordance with Section 14 of the County Government Act, 2012. The Committees are supposed to perform functions that the Assembly is not well fitted to consider in plenary. Following the constitution of the County Assembly Committees on October 18, 2022 and consequent elections of Chairpersons and Vice-chairs, the Committee on Agriculture Livestock and Fisheries held its first induction Workshop from 29th November to 1st December 2022 at Kasarani Sportsview Hotel Nairobi. The objective of the workshop included the following:

- 1. Appreciate and understand the role and place of Committees in the Assembly;
- 2. Appreciate the role and the mandate of the Committee;
- 3. Appreciate and understand the role of the Committee Chairperson, Vice-chair, members and the structure of the Committees;
- 4. Understand management of effective Committee;
- 5. Appreciate the practice and the procedure in the Committee;
- 6. Scrutiny of various legal instruments.

2.0 Acknowledgement

Hon.Speaker, I wish to acknowledge with gratitude the offices of the Speaker and the Clerk of Murang'a County Assembly for the support extended to the Committee to facilitate its first induction.

Finally, Much thanks to the Members of the Committee and the Secretariat for their commitment during the induction workshop.

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HON.CAROLINE WAIRIMU NJOROGE

MCA -CHAIRPERSON AGRICULTURE LIVESTOCK AND FISHERIES COMMITTEE

3.0 INTRODUCTION

Hon. Speaker, the workshop entailed the overview, establishment and the roles of the Committees in achieving the mandates of the County Assembly, legal underpinning of the Committees of the Assembly, rationale for the Committees of the Assembly, limitation of mandate of the Committees, overview of the management and operation of Committees in the Assembly, mandates of the Committee on Agriculture, the role of the Committee Chairperson, Vice-chair, members and the Secretariat and the structure of the Committees, management of the Committee, procedure and practices in the Committee.

3.1 Official Opening

Hon.Speaker, The workshop was officially opened by the Chairperson and Hon.Gathee Wa Njeri led with a word of prayer, The Chairperson welcomed members and the Secretariat and invited them to introduce themselves and subsequently urged members to actively participate in proceedings to enable them grasp the basics on the establishment, management and the operations of the Committee In his introductory remarks the Chair stated the following as the objectives of the workshop:

- I. Appreciate and understand the role and place of Committees in the Assembly;
- II. Appreciate the role and the mandate of the Committee;
- III. Appreciate and understand the role of the Committee Chairperson, Vice-chair, members and the structure of the Committees;
- IV. Scrutiny of various legal instruments.
- V. Understand management of effective Committee;
- VI. Appreciate the practice and the procedure in the Committee;

In his opening remarks the Clerk Assistant Esther Ngamau, informed the Committee that they were tasked with the responsibility of facilitating the entire induction program and congratulated members for being appointed as members in the Committee on Agriculture.

4.0 PRESENTATION BY THE CLERK ASSISTANT

4.1 Overview of the committees in achieving the mandate of county assembly

The Clerk Assistant informed the Committee that the County Assembly performs the following functions:

- a) A County Assembly may make any laws that are necessary for the effective performance of the functions and exercise of the powers of the County Government under the Fourth Schedule.
- b) A County Assembly, while respecting the principle of the separation of powers, may exercise oversight over the County Executive Committees and other County Executive organs. A County Assembly may receive and approve plans and policies for—

- I. the management and exploitation of the county's resources;
- II. the development and management of its infrastructure and institutions.
- c) Approve the budget and expenditure of the County Government in accordance with Article 207, the legislation contemplated in Article 220(2) and Articles 201 and 203 of the Constitution.
- d) Approve the borrowing by the County Government in accordance with Article 212 of the Constitution.
- e) Vet and approve nominees for appointment to county public offices as may be provided in law
- f) The County Assembly participates in the removal of key officers:
 - 1. Governor
 - 2. Speaker
 - 3. County executives
 - 4. County Public Service Board

To achieve the above, Members of County Assemblies are involved in a number of activities. They include:

- 1. Drafting, tabling, enacting and debating bills and motions
- 2. Seeking answers on behalf of citizens
- 3. Being involved in leadership in the house, such as Leader of Majority, Whip, etc.
- 4. Working in assembly committees
- 5. Presenting petitions on behalf of citizens

4.2 Legal underpinning of the Committees of the Assembly

The Clerk Assistant informed that the Committees are smaller units or groups of Members of the County Assembly that allow the Assembly to perform Several functions simultaneously.

4.3 General roles of the Committees

The Clerk Assistant highlighted the following as general roles of the Committees:

- 1. Oversight the County Executive
- 2. Initiating the legislative proposals
- 3. Conducting investigations and reporting to the Plenary
- 4. Reviewing and approving Budget
- 5. Reviewing audited accounts
- 6. Approval of public appointments
- 7. Approval of County Planning and developments plans

4.4 Rationale for Committees in the Assembly

The depth and breadth of work in legislature cannot be conducted in plenary sessions: the detailed work of the legislature is thus carried out by specialized committees.

5.0 MANDATE OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON IMPLEMENTATION

Hon.Speaker,The presentation covered the establishment of the Committee its membership, fuctions and mandates.

The Committee on Agriculture was established under Standing Order No.204 and is responsible for all matters related to county Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries.

The Committee is mandated to do the following:-

- i. Investigate, inquire into, and report on all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operations and estimates of the department of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries
- ii. Study the programme and policy objectives of department of Agriculture and the effectiveness of their implementation;
- iii. Study and review all legislation referred to it;
- iv. Study, assess and analyze the relative success of the department as measured by the results obtained as compared with their stated objectives;
- v. Investigate and inquire into all matters relating to the department Agriculture as they may deem necessary, and as may be referred to them by the House;
- vi. To vet and report on all appointments where the Constitution or any law requires the County Assembly to approve, except those under Standing Order 198 (Committee on Appointments) and
- vii. Make reports and recommendations to the House as often as possible, including recommendation of proposed legislation.

- 2) Strengthening producer organizations and VC development
- 3) Supporting County Community-Led development and
- 4) Project coordination and management;

M&E and ICT. Through NARIGP five counties: Nandi, Kiambu, Nakuru, Meru and Narok have been funded to support the Potato VC.

6.0 PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP

Hon. Speaker, The following Organizations support Agricultural Development in the county;

- 1. Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries and Cooperatives
- 2. Kenya Agricultural Livestock and Research Organization (KARLO)
- 3. Kenya Plant Health Inspectorate Services (KEPHIS)
- 4. Agricultural Food Authority (AFA)
- 5. Food and Agricultural Organization
- 6. Kenya National Farmers Federation (KENNAF)

7.0 SCRUTINY OF THE COUNTY INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN (CIDP)

Hon.Speaker, Pursuant to Murang'a County standing order no. 227 (3) the CIDP stands committed to each sectoral committee to deliberate upon according to their respective mandate and submit their views to the Finance and Economic Planning Committee.

The Finance and Economic Planning Committee considers the views of sectoral committees, the County Executive committee Member for finance And the Public. The final report of the Finance committee contains recommendations on the CIDP that are tabled before the Assembly for Approval.

7.1 SCRUTINY OF THE ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (ADP)

Hon.Speaker,ADP being an extract of the CIDP is considered in the same manner as the Mother document as per Standing Order no. 227 (3).

The ADP after being tabled before the Assembly stands committed to the Finance and Economic Planning Committee and all other sectoral committees.

Sectoral committees should scrutinize the ADP to check its alignment with the CIPD Committees should verify priorities in their respective sectors and programmes that should form the next Financial Year Budget.

Any amendment proposed in the ADP should be in line with the CIDP and within the projected Medium Term Expenditure Framework

Sectoral Committees should submit their views or proposals to the Finance and Economic Planning Committee

7.2 SCRUTINY OF THE COUTY BUDGET REVIEW AND OUTLOOK PAPER (CBROP)

Hon.Speaker The rationale for the CBROP is to reflect on budget performance of the previous financial year in order to understand whether there was a deviation to the financial objectives and how the deviations would affect the next financial year budget estimates.

Sectoral committees should therefore scrutinize the CBROP viz a viz the previous financial year ADP and the County Fiscal Strategy Paper

Committees should also verify the future projections stated in the CBROP to understand how the next financial year budget estimates will form

The Finance and Economic Planning Committee should deliberate on the performance of Own Source Revenue during the previous financial year and make recommendations thereof

Upon tabling, the CBROP stands committed to the Budget and Appropriations Committee and any sectoral views/recommendations should be submitted to the BAC for considerations

NB: There is no legal time line for the CBROP and how the County Assembly should handle it, but as a tradition, any document laid before the Assembly should be committed to the relevant committee for scrutiny and reporting. The CBROP should be treated as such

7.3 SCRUTINY OF THE BUDGET ESTIMATES

Hon.Speaker, The County Budget Estimates are submitted to the County Assembly by 30th April each year. Standing Order no. 221 (3) provides that upon tabling the budget estimates shall be deemed to have been committed to each sectoral committee to deliberate upon and give their respective mandates.

The committee should scrutinize the Agriculture sector budget vz. the approved CFSP and the ADP to check alignment.

The committee should also discuss the itemized budget to identify projects that would be implemented in the programs.

5.1 OVERVIEW OF THE COUNTY AGRICULTURE SECTOR/DEPARTMENT

No. Directorate Sub-Sections 1 Agriculture (Crops) Agribusiness Development and Value Addition Crop Development and the state of the state of the second section of the section Land Development Services Training School and Administration 2 Agricultural Training Center Training Farm Development 3 Veterinary Services Leather Development Services Section Veterinary Public Health Services Disease Surveillance, Management and Control Animal Breeding and Extension County Laboratory Services 4 Livestock Production Dairy Development Value Addition, Market Development and Quality Assurance Animal Resources Management Division Projects/ Programs Section and M&E 5 Fisheries Development Aquaculture and Inland Fisheries Fish Quality Assurance and Marketing

5.2 Agriculture Sector Development Support Program(ASDSP)

Hon.Speaker, The Agricultural Sector Development Support Programme is one of the many projects in the ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Irrigation. It is a national wide programme and in Murang'a county it covers all the sub counties and all the wards. Phase I (ASDSP I) was initiated in January 2012 for a five-year period ending December 2016 and cofinanced by the Government of Kenya and the Government of Sweden. However, in early 2016, the two governments agreed to extend the ASDSP implementation period by six months through a no-cost extension to June 2017. Based on the success of ASDSP I the two governments also agreed to initiate the design of a five-year second phase of the programme. Phase II (ASDSP II) builds on the achievements of ASDSP I. ASDSP II will consequently be implemented from July 2017 to June 2022 and co-financed by the National Government of Kenya, County Government, Government of Sweden and the European Union.

5.3 The National Agricultural and Rural Inclusive Project (NARIGP)

Hon.Speaker, The National Agricultural and Rural Inclusive Project (NARIGP) is a Government of Kenya and World Bank/ International Development Association (IDA) funded project. The project covers the following 21 counties: Samburu, Turkana, Makueni, Meru, Kitui, Embu, Kilifi, Kwale, Narok, Kirinyaga, Kiambu, Muranga, Nakuru, Bungoma, Trans Nzoia, Nandi, Vihiga, Kisii, Nyamira, Migori and Homa Bay. NARIGP is supporting these counties to increase agricultural productivity and profitability of rural communities for the identified priority value chains (VC). The project has four component intervention areas:

1) Support community driven development

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8.0 COMMITTEE REPORTING AND ANALYSIS

Hon.Speaker, The Agriculture committee should make its recommendations to the Budget and Appropriations Committee regarding the alignment of the estimates to the approved fiscal objectives and development priorities.

Before making its recommendations the Agriculture committee should seek the views of the CEC Agriculture or any clarification regarding a particular program.

9.0 SECTOR LEGISLATIONS AND LAW MAKING

Hon.Speaker, Standing Order no. 134 provides that a bill shall stand committed to the relevant committee upon its first reading. Further, the committee should facilitate public participation and shall take the views and recommendations of the public when making the report to the Assembly.

The Agriculture committee shall present the committee's report to the Assembly within twenty calendar days of such committal and upon presentation shall be ordered to be read the second time.

10.0 VETTING OF CHIEF OFFICERS

Hon.Speaker, The procedure for vetting public officers is provided by The Public Appointment (County Assemblies Approval) ACT 2017

Upon nomination, the County Executive shall issue a notice to notify the members of the public on the proposed nomination through such media and platforms established under section 91 of the County Governments.

Following the receipt of the notification of nomination under section 6(3)(b), the Speaker shall report the receipt of the notification to the County Assembly, following which the notification shall be committed to the relevant committee of the Assembly.

11.0 Committee Workplan

Hon.Speaker, Workplan is a series of committee events outlined in a particular order and purpose on annual basis so as to achieve certain/particular objectives. It Serves as a blue print for the committee activities for the annual period.

11.1 Contents of a Workplan

- 1. Activities to be undertake by the committee in the financial year.
- 2. The activities in the work plan should be inline with
 - I. Committee mandate
 - II. Devolved functions
 - III. Governors manifesto
 - IV. Timelines

- 3. Contingency plans -this caters for upcoming events that the committee leadership/representatives may be invited to attend] a budget for the same should be set aside.
- 4. Key deliverables.
 - I. Reports tabled in the assembly.
 - II. Motions
 - III. Bills, etc
- 5. Budget-The activities outlined should be in tandem with the committee budget to avert possible over expenditure

11.2 Process of preparing a workplan

It is prepared on annual basis

- ✓ It is drafted by the committee secretariat.
- ✓ It is then presented to the committee for discussion and adoption
- ✓ After adoption it is presented to liaison committee for its consideration and subsequent tabling in the assembly.
- ✓ Activities not considered in the annual period are normally rolled over for discussion in the next annual/ financial period.

11.3. Work plan periodic review

Review can be done either quarterly or on half year basis.

- ✓ Helps in determining achievements made.
- ✓ Identification of shortcomings
- ✓ Recommendation of remedial measures

12.0 Issues of Consideration

Hon.Speaker, The procedure used to arrive at the nominee including the criteria for the short listing of the nominees. Any constitutional or statutory requirements relating to the office in question. The suitability of the nominee for the appointment proposed having regard to whether the nominee's credentials, abilities, experience and qualities meet the needs of the body to which the nomination is being made.

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