

COUNTY ASSEMBLY

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The House met at 2.30 PM

*[The Deputy Speaker*

*Hon. (Mr. John Killo Dawe) in the Chair]*

PRAYERS

STATEMENT BY HON. HUSSEIN ABDI WAKO, NOMINATED MCA

**Hon. Hussein Abdi Wako:** Thank you Mr. Speaker.

I rise to table a statement. I request to know from the Chairperson of the Education, Youth, Sports and Skills development the Construction status of Marsabit Stadium. The Construction kicked of sometime last year and appears to have stalled.

Thank you.

**Hon. Tura Ruru Elema:** It is good to incorporate in this statement what funding was actually given by the County and the National Government and how stand matters so far and why this has stopped.

Thank you.

**Hon. Konchora Abduba:** Honourable Speaker, sir, Marsabit stadium project is a flagship project and its purpose is to empower our youths. It also alleviates poverty and crimes within the County.

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Sometimes back, the progress of the work has stopped but about a week or so, some construction has resumed. With all this, we need to know the status of this stadium, the contribution of the partners from the National and the County Government and its current status. We need to know.

Thank you.

**Hon. Hassan Wako Jarso:** Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, Marsabit Stadium is a flagship project. Given the priority, when devolution came into being it became the priority of the County Government and particularly the people who gave it a priority.

Mr. Speaker since 2013, we are able to identify big projects within Marsabit County and we believe Marsabit Stadium will be among the biggest once finalized.

Mr. Speaker, the stadium falls within my ward and the concern we have is that once it's completed, it creates an avenue for the youths and adds to the modernity of this town. But Mr. Speaker, we learnt that the stadium is co funded by both National and the County Government and the allocation set for this stadium is 60 Million. This work needs to progress but the problem is the two co funders may not move at the same pace but if both National and County Government plays its part, the work has to continue and the youths has to get employment.

Mr. Speaker, we don't know how fast the National Government intends to move along this line but I believe the Chair as directed by the statement would be in a position to give us the status but it's also a concern from my side that the status of this stadium

need to be furnished to this House. It is my hope and belief that the information furnished will of help to this House, thank you.

**Hon. Speaker:** Yes, Honorable Korie- Member For Illeret?

*(Hon. Korie walks out)*

Hon. Korie we are lacking quorum!

Honorable members, let us receive our calls after the House. If everyone goes out to pick a call, we cannot transact any business. When there is no quorum we cant proceed.

Next statement?

STATEMENT BY HON. HUSSEIN ABDI WAKO- NOMINATED MCA.

**Hon. Hussein Abdi Wako:** Thank you Mr. Speaker.

On the second statement, I want to ask you to allow me get some information from the concerned and then come back when I am well furnished.

That is my request.

*(Hon. Jarso stood in his place)*

**Hon. Hassan Wako Jarso:** Point of order Mr. Speaker?

**Hon. Hassan Wako Jarso:** Mr. Speaker I seek for your guidance on this. I believe once a statement has been brought on the floor of the House, then it is a property of the House.

**Hon. Speaker:** Yes, it is property of the House so it has to go through.

Honourable Hussein?

**Hon. Hussein Abdi Wako:** Thank you Mr. Speaker.

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I asked for more time so that I go back and get some very vital information but since now the members are insisting, I want to withdraw the statement from the floor of the House.

Thank you.

**Hon. Speaker:** Thank you.

The statement has been withdrawn. Now....

*(Hon. Tamasot stood in his place)*

Hon. Tamasot?

**Hon. Daud Tamasot Arakhole:** Mr. Speaker I think the statement should not be withdrawn because this was just for information. This is not a motion. It is just information we would like to enquire.

I have never heard that a statement can be withdrawn. I don't know! It is only a motion that can be withdrawn but we shall be guided by you on the same.

**Hon. Konchora Abduba:** To me, the statement is very clear. The honourable member asked for a leave so that he can meditate and come back. The information here is also very clear. It is about the youth from that department.

More clarification in terms of employment and beneficiaries and how the youth is captured..... It is simple! I don't see why the honourable member is asking for leave because it is just some very short, clear and specific information that we actually need as honorable members of this House.

Thank you.

**Hon. Speaker:** So, we give him time so that he can reply?

**Hon. Hassan Wako Jarso:** Can I add some input Mr. Speaker?

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Hon. Speaker: A question?

Hon. Hassan Wako Jarso: Not a question.

May be I also want to add some value to this statement....

*(The Speaker interjects)*

sssHon. Speaker: But we are waiting for the mover of the statement....

*(Loud Consultations)*

*(Hon. Tamasot stood in his place)*

Hon. Hussein Wako Abdi: With your indulgence, I want this statement while amendment..... *(inaudible)* Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: According to Standing Order No. 40(1) Notwithstanding Standing Order 37 *(Hours of Meeting)*, the Speaker shall interrupt the business of the County Assembly every Tuesday at 6.00 pm to facilitate Members to take general statements of topical concern.

(2) A member who wishes to seek leave to raise a matter under this standing order shall, before 3.00pm on the day the statement is to be made, hand to the Speaker a written notification of the matter, but the Speaker shall decline to allow the request unless satisfied that the matter may properly be discussed in the County Assembly.

No Member shall be allowed to Speak for more than five minutes unless with the permission of the Speaker. Now the statement you've requested for leave, I think I'll grant you that leave, so that you furnish the House next week Tuesday.

So, the statement we had discussed brought by Hon. Hussein on Education on request by Chairperson of Education, Skills Development Youths and Sports. The Chair gave us enough information on the Moyale Stadium on Honourable Members request.

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The Committee of Education should sit and deliberate on that and bring the report to that is required from their side. So, who is the Chair Education? Vice Chair, none of them are here? The Committee Members you can pass the information on their behalf and the House. We give them two weeks. The House remains adjourned until tomorrow 2.30pm.

*The Assembly rose at 3.00 pm*