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[Temporary Speaker (Hon. Sokorey Maalim) in the chair]

**PRAYER**

**STATEMENTS**

**DEPLORABLE STATUS OF EL-WAK SLAUGHTER HOUSE**

**Hon. Adan Maalim Mohamed** (El-wak North): Thank you, Madam Temporary Speaker. Pursuant to the provision of Standing Order No. 44(2) (c), I wish to seek statement from the chairperson of Livestock and Fisheries Committee on;

1. Whether the department is aware of the deplorable condition of El-wak slaughter house including lack of proper piped water and drainage system which occasioned numerous closure of the said slaughter house by the public health officers?
2. Whether the department is aware of El-wak slaughter house as one of the steady revenue sources in Mandera south sub-county?
3. Any plan the department has put in place to provide proper water piping and drainage system and improve sanitation challenges of the same.

Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Thank you. I now direct the statement to the chairperson Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries Committee.

**Hon. Kulow Alio** (Rhamu): On the same.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Proceed.

**Hon. Kulow Alio** (Rhamu): Thank you, Madam Temporary Speaker. I want to be conjoined in the statement asked by the honorable member for El-wak north because my ward has the same problem. The slaughter house in Rhamu has been closed for the last eight months due to its condition. My people are suffering and I felt instead of asking the same question to the same department, I conjoin the statement asked by member for El-wak north so that at least the department can be able to answer the same.

Thank you.

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**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Okay honorable Kula I think it is fair for us to ask the person who sought the statement whether he will agree to join the two statements.

**Hon. Kulow Alio** (Rhamu): Okay.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Honorable Adan!

**Hon. Adan Maalim Mohamed** (El-wak North): Madam Temporary Speaker, since the problems are similar I have no objection conjoining the two statements.

Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Okay. Chairman Agriculture! Vice chair! Member!

**Hon. Abdinoor Rafat** (Khalalio): Thank you, Madam Temporary Speaker. The issue in front of us now is the issue of slaughter house in El-wak and Rhamu as the two statements are conjoined now. You can also hear that in Rhamu they had the same problems which we have not noticed. However, give us a week and a half so that we can follow up this issue with the department.

Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Fine we will give you the one week and a half. That means in two weeks' time we need your response. Next statement! Statement to be responded to! We have one by honorable Yussuf Maalim Dakane. Chairman Health Services! Vice! Any member! You mean we do not have any member from Health Committee in this House. Now this one is a serious offense. Honorable Kula, are you one of them, kindly give us a reason as to why this statement has not been responded to for long?

**Hon. Kulow Alio** (Rhamu): Madam Temporary Speaker, I was caught off guard because my honorable chair and the vice chair are very much visible in this county. They were here with us in the morning and I thought both of them were in the House. I was caught off guard that is why I could not be able to respond to the statement. Nevertheless, Madam Temporary Speaker, I think the response is with the committee. We discussed it yesterday but I do not know why it is not on the Order Paper but by next week I promise it will be on the floor of the House.

Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Hon. Kula, in one week time we need that response. The next statement is by Hon. Abdinoor Dakane to the Chairperson Finance and Economic Planning Committee.

**Hon. Mohamed Rashid** (Kutulo): Thank you, Madam Temporary Speaker. The response is with us. We will discuss it in our next meeting and report to the House by next week.

**Hon. Abdinoor Dakane** (Khalalio): Madam Temporary Speaker, as you have already said, the statement on revenue has taken almost a month now. If it reaches next week and it has not been responded to which I believe happen, with your indulgence, I request the response to come to the House.

Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Next statement is by Yussuf Maalim Dakane to the chairperson Roads and Public Works Committee.

**Hon. Ahmed Gabnan** (Waranqara): I am a member of Roads Committee. We deliberated on the statement, and we got feedback to this statement. In its own wisdom, the committee found it necessary to seek for more information to the department because it was not

presentable to us. We did not meet yesterday because of quorum hitch. We are humbly requesting to be given another one week so that we gather information.

Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): There is a statement by Hon. Farah to the chair of Roads Committee.

**Hon. Ahmed Gabnan** (Waranqara): Madam Temporary Speaker, we also request the same, next week.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): There is a statement by Hon. Adan Maalim Mohamed to the Chairperson of Water.

**Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo** (Shimpir-Fatuma): Madam Temporary Speaker, I want to inform the House that the statement sought by the member for El-wak north, we have forwarded to the department and we are yet to receive the response and in that regard I still request your indulgence to allow us until 22<sup>nd</sup> of July.

Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Yes Hon. Adan.

**Hon. Adan Maalim Mohamed** (El-wak North): Madam Temporary Speaker, this statement is very simple. Water is a key and basic need of the people in that area. This statement could have been answered long time ago by the chair if he is serious on the questions that have been raised. People are crying for water. This is the time for Budget and the executive have already gone for public participation. I request the chair to rescind his earlier statement and come up with proper response earliest time possible not 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): I think this statement is already with him. So, let us be fair with him and give him one week.

**Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo** (Shimpir-Fatuma): Madam Temporary Speaker, today is the due date for this statement. I want to correct my brother that it is not long overdue. I want to advise my brother for El-wak north that it is not an easy thing as he explained it and if it could have been easy he could have answered it by himself. I wish to again seek your indulgence that you know we only have one sitting per week and in that regard I expect to deliver the response on 22<sup>nd</sup> of this month.

Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Hon. Bishar.

**Hon. Bishar Maalim Abdullahi** (Takaba): Madam Temporary Speaker, Hon. Adan has asked a very important issue. This is a simple question which you either say yes or no. I do not know why the Hon. Member is deferring the question for one month. If I may refer you to the initiator, he sought to know whether the department has ever initiated provision of permanent water sources. The other thing is, is there any other plan put in place? These two answers are yes or no. Why are you imposing a big problem on the water in Yedo which has been shifting due to lack of water and you know you are coming from Mandera south and it is a blessings that the chair for water comes from Mandera south. Can you be prudent enough to tell the people of Yedo who need this service?

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Hon. Yakub.

**Hon. Yakub Hassan** (Derkhale): Thank you, Madam Temporary Speaker. First of all, this is not overdue as said by Hon. Chair for water and it is not an emergency. Since God created human being and earth and since the inception of the county government what were they

drinking? Are they not drinking water and where are they getting it from? Why emergency now? Madam Temporary Speaker there is no emergency, the issue is that we want to improve service delivery in terms of providing water to our people. So, there is no issue of emergency that we want this water to be provided to the people of Wante and the like. We are asking for two weeks and it is not our mistake because they have not brought the statement today. If they say we bring the response next week, we need to discuss it to check whether the statement brought is palatable. Unless you give us direction that we bring it the way it is to the House. But as a committee we have all the rights to look at the statement. If it is not palatable, we return it to the department and bring it on 22<sup>nd</sup>. That is why the chairman asked for that time. Give us direction.

Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Hon. Yakub, the seeker of the statement is the one who knows the urgency of the matter. So, that one, I will rule it like that.

**Hon. Adan Maalim Abdullahi** (Township): Thank you, Madam Temporary Speaker. As said by the chair for water, the answer is not yes or no. We are talking about whether the department has ever initiated any plan; that is history we are talking about. The most important part of this statement is whether there is any plan to provide water for this ward. You see the hitches in our budget right now which is affecting all the forty seven counties in the country. This one requires planning by the department when certain amount of money is not even slated for the County Government and the national budget allocation is not even in place. Planning is a bit difficult and therefore it is not as easy as yes or no. On top of that today is the due date. We discussed and forwarded it to the department just the other day. If the department is still holding because of the factors that I have just mentioned, we should not be the ones answering the questions, the questions are supposed to be answered by the department. Therefore, we have to give the department ample time and a week to come is not a long time.

Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Honorable Chair

**Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo** (Shimbir Fatuma): Thank you, Madam Temporary Speaker. I just want to tell the House with your permission that the information required is the information that entails seven years. My good brother has asked not only Yedo but Wante, Ires Suki since the inception of devolution. This is seven year information. I want to tell the House that we only have one sitting in a week for this committee to address this matter. In that regard, I request us to be given a space to deliver the information required.

Thank you.

**Hon. Adan Maalim Mohamed** (El-wak North): Madam Temporary Speaker, from what we are getting from the committee, it is evident that this committee is redundant and it is not even sitting that is why it is now pushing the statement that is before them. That is what is evident in front of this Assembly today and it is very unfortunate for chair who has been given two weeks to respond to a statement is now requesting for another three weeks. It is upon the leave of this House to give direction. This statement, I said, is very simple in terms of wordings. Madam Temporary Speaker, they have never initiated any project in Ires Suki, Wante and Yedo and they know. I have written to them several correspondence to date they have done nothing. From the understanding of the department and committee members they are not acting as required. I think one week is enough for them. It is the direction of this House that will grant

them chance to respond to this statement. Thus said, the chair has to be very active in his role or else give the chance to others who can work well.

Thank you.

**Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo** (Shimbir Fatuma): Point of Order Madam Temporary Speaker! I want to ask honorable Adan whether it is parliamentary to use the word redundant to the committee that represents this House.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Honorable Adan, withdraw your statement.

**Hon. Adan Maalim Mohamed** (El-wak North): I apologize if the word that I have used is offensive.

Thank you.

**Hon. Kulow Alio** (Rhamu): Madam Temporary Speaker, when there is argument between the department and the person asking the question, normally the tie breakers are the other members because if you keep on listening to both of them they will never reach anywhere but it is good to give our opinion so that at least you can make the right judgment.

Having said that, it is the right of the people of Mandera North and El-wak north to get water and it is up to the Executive to provide that service to the people of El-wak north. If the people have not get service for the last seven years, it is the fault of the Executive, in that case the department of water, who has actually neglected the people of El-wak north. If the Member has brought to the attention of the department the sentiments of the people of El-wak North because right now it is the budget making process and any time the budget will be tabled on the floor of the House the fear of the Member for El-wak north is that his people might not be considered in the coming budget if he does not get right answers before the budget is going to be tabled on the floor of the House. There are many things that he can do. He can even move an amendment on the budget estimate once it lands on the floor of the House if the department has not factored in. The honorable Member is rightly in order, it is race against time. The estimates is going to be on the floor of the House, it is only in order for you to give the honorable Member for El-wak North the chance to serve his people by getting the answers to his questions within the stipulated time of one week.

Thank you.

**Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo** (Shimbir Fatuma): Point of Information! Madam Temporary Speaker, I want to tell the House that we only have one sitting and it appears on Thursday. So, however we are going to say anything in this House, we can only sit next Thursday to see whether we have the response. So, whoever is agitating us to bring this response in a week's time is not fair to the committee that represents their interest and I want to request your indulgence.

Thank you.

**Hon. Kulow Alio** (Rhamu): Point of order Madam Temporary Speaker! When you are sitting on your chair there, you can give direction and tell the committee to sit any time before Thursday so that they can be able to bring the response on the floor of the House. It is actually not cast on stone that they should sit on Thursday. You can give direction and it is taken care of.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Order! Order! Order honorable Adan!

**Hon. Mohamed Rashid** (Kutulo): Point of order Madam Temporary Speaker!

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Which order are quoting from? I am saying it is from which order.

**Hon. Mohamed Rashid** (Kutulo): Madam Temporary Speaker, I want just to bring to your attention that this statement is very important. Let the chair of water not buy time.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): I think honorable Member that is not a point of order

**Hon. Mohamed Rashid** (Kutulo): Madam Temporary Speaker, kindly I want to bring to your attention

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): You are contributing honorable Member. You asked for a point of order and still you are contributing

**Hon. Mohamed Rashid** (Kutulo): Yah.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): That is not a point of order. You are out of order! Have a seat. Hon. Members, honorable Adan is the representative of El-wak north and he has the right to ask anything concerning his ward. The statement was pending with us from 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2020. I, therefore, direct the department to respond in two weeks' time. Next statement is still from water the statement of honorable Alinoor Derow.

**Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo** (Shimpir Fatuma): Thank you, Madam Temporary Speaker. I want to again say that we are still waiting feedback from the department. And at the committee level, we have actually discussed and forwarded it to the department. I want to inform you and also the House that even if we receive the response next Monday then we can only sit next Thursday. We must agree, we cannot bring information to the House before discussing at committee level. I still ask to be fair and to give space to committee to deliver the right information to this House.

Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Hon. Derow.

**Hon. Alinoor Derow** (Wargadud): Thank you, Madam Temporary Speaker. I think the Chair for Water, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee should act prudently on statement that has been raised by honorable members. Issues of storm water in Wargadud town have been a concern. The Annual Development Plan (ADP) is with us. Unless the Chair responds to it then we will not be in a position to factor the need of the community in the Annual Development Plans (ADP). If it is factored there, it is fine. If not, I do not know whether the Department of Water, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources have made their sector recommendations to the Budget and Appropriation Committee. Failure to do so then our community will be unprivileged and they will not be considered in the coming FY2020/2021. I think it is necessary with your directions so that Water, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee sit severally and discuss this statement and make sector recommendations to the Budget and Appropriation Committee as they are waiting response from the Executive or else they should move ahead and put a remainder. I do not know whether they have made any communication and I do not know whether they made any sitting on this statement. He is just saying two weeks. Have they met and discussed this statement? Have they made recommendations? Have they written any letter to the Executive? The Honorable Chair should come clear on this matter.

Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Hon. Mohamed Ibrahim.

**Hon. Mohamed Ibrahim** (Guticha): Thank you, Madam Temporary Speaker. I have realized one unique thing that the three honorable members are coming from Mandera South;

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Hon. Alinoor Derow, Hon. Adan Maalim and Hon. Ibrahim Wariyo. It might be a wonder that the Chair who is refusing to act on this and respond to this statement is denying the same people he represents. Water, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee are not serious. I will not be coerced to say what they want. I want to say what the people of El-wak want. Madam Temporary Speaker, I will continue saying----

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Order! Hon. Mohamed Ibrahim.

**Hon. Adan Maalim Abdullahi** (Township): One statement should be withdrawn by the member; the statement of refusing to deliver water services. We have clearly explained that next week we are probably receiving from the department and the other week we are coming with it. So, there is no point of saying that they are denying the service. We are representatives of the people. We feel the pain of the honorable members who generated this statement. Therefore, that statement of saying that we are denying service should be withdrawn.

Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Hon. Mohamed Ibrahim, that one you are out of order. Let me finish what I wanted to say. Hon. Mohamed Ibrahim, as you said the Chair for Water, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee when he sits in that committee, he represents the whole House. It is not a matter of sub-county or where he comes from. So, that one you are out of order. Continue.

**Hon. Mohamed Ibrahim** (Guticha): Thank you, Madam Temporary Speaker. Water, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee should not behave and coerce the members to say what they want. Madam Temporary Speaker, protect me from this wolf. What I want to say is that it is in the Standing Order of this County Assembly that the spokesperson of every committee is the Chairperson and not mere members who have no right to speak on the floor of the House like honorable Yakub. The right person who should address this county assembly is honorable Wariyo and not a mere honorable like honorable Adan Maalim Abdullahi. Hon. Wariyo is able and seated here.

**Hon. Adan Maalim Abdullahi** (Township): The word ‘mere’ should be withdrawn. It is not a parliamentary language.

**Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo** (Shimpir Fatuma): It is good that we discuss and deliberate soberly on matters before this House. I do not know whether it is a parliamentary word for the member representing the mighty Guticha ward to use the word ‘mere’ referring to the honorable members. I want to tell the House that we know very well the rain pattern of this county. And the member for Wargadud has sought to know whether the department is aware of water storms in Wargadud town that has caused damages. We know there are floods there. I know and everyone knows that it is not raining now. I know we are-----

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Hon. Ibrahim Wariyo, you are out of order. Yours is just to respond to the statement that is being sought by the honorable members. Have a seat.

**Hon. Mohamed Ibrahim** (Guticha): Madam Temporary Speaker, as I conclude, I want your indulgences. Judging the mood of this House, while the able chairperson is seated here, if a member stands, that questions the integrity and capability of the chair. This committee should be given a direction that they submit the response in one week.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): I want to rule. Have a seat. I want to rule and I will not ask you. You are out of order. I know the weight of this matter and we are in

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budget making process. The members who have sought this statement had a reason. The Committee on Water, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources, we kindly ask you to respond to this statement within two weeks.

ADJOURNMENT

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Sokorey Maalim): Now that we have discussed what we had on the table, I now adjourn the House to Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2020 at 2:30 p.m.