REPUBLIC OF KENYA

MANDERA COUNTY ASSEMBLY

THE HANSARD

Wednesday, 24th June, 2020

The House met at the Assembly Chambers County Assembly Buildings, at 2.33 pm.

[The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif) in the Chair]

PRAYER

STATEMENTS

BUSINESS FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING TUESDAY 30TH JUNE, 2020

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): House Business Committee!

Hon. Adan Maalim Mohamed (El-wak North): Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker. Pursuant to Standing Order 442 (c), I want to lay on the table the following Business which was slated by House Business Committee on Tuesday, 23rd June, 2020 regarding the business of the House commencing 30th June, 2020.

Tuesday 30th June, 2020 at 2.30 p.m.; Notice of Motion, the report of Budget and Appropriations Committee on Annual Development Plan financial year 2020/2021.

Wednesday, 1st July, 2020 at 2:30 p.m.; Motion on the report of Budget and Appropriations Committee on Annual Development Plan for the financial year 2020/2021.

Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): So, it is for the year 2021. Alinoor Derow!

DEPLORABLE STATUS OF WARGADUD-TAKABA ROAD

Hon. Alinoor Derow (Wargadud): Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker. Pursuant to the provision of Standing Order 44 (2) (c), I wish to seek statement from the chairperson of the Committee on Public Works, Roads and Transport on the following;

- 1. Whether the department is aware that the road between Wargadud to Takaba around Qoqay area is cut off by the recent floods.
- 2. Any plan that the department has put in place to repair the said road. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): Chairman!

Hon. Abdiaziz Dakat (Arabia): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We will respond to that after three weeks God willing.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): You will respond within three weeks?

Hon. Abdiaziz Dakat (Arabia): Two weeks.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): You said three weeks.

Hon. Alinoor Derow (Wargadud): Three weeks no. I think it is necessary because the road is a link between Takaba and Wargadud and it is the main connection point. In fact it is necessary if that issue is addressed urgently, probably within seven days but not three weeks.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): Chairman, why three weeks and why not earlier than that?

Hon. Abdiaziz Dakat (Arabia): Mr. Speaker, I think first of all there are a lot of statements pending with the committee.

Secondly, the department has to do an assessment of that road so that they compile the report and then bring it to the Assembly. I think three weeks is fair.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): Maybe another reason is also the number of sittings per week which is only one. So, I think is okay within three weeks. Hon. Alinoor Derow, next statement!

WATER STORM CHALLENGES IN WARGADUD AND ITS REMEDY

Hon. Alinoor Derow (Wargadud): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to the provision of Standing Order 44 (2) (c), I wish to seek statement from the chairperson of Water, Energy and Natural Resource Committee on the following;

- 1. Whether the department is aware that water storm in Wargadud town has caused damage to the surrounding properties including buildings and formation of gullies in town.
- 2. Any plan the department has put in place to address water storm challenges in Wargadud town.

Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): Chairman water! Vice chair! Any member of that committee!

Hon. Yakub Hassan (Derkhale): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I think as a committee member we would ask for two weeks to come back with a response.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): Two weeks is okay. Hon. Adan Maalim Mohamed.

WHY THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER HAS NOT INITIATED PROVISION OF PERMANENT SOURCE OF WATER FOR THE PEOPLE OF IRESUKI, WANTE AND YATHO LOCATIONS OF EL-WAK NORTH WARD

Hon. Adan Maalim Mohamed (El-wak North): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Aware that article 43 (1) (d) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 provides that every person has a right to clean and safe water in adequate quantities;

Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the provision of Standing Order No. 44 (2) (c), I wish to seek a statement from chairperson of Water, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee as follows;

- 1. Whether the department has ever initiated provision of permanent water source for the people of Elwak north in particular Iresuki, Wante and Yatho location since the inception of devolution.
- 2. Any plan the department has put in place to address shortage of water in the said areas.

Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): Chair Water!

Hon. Yakub Hassan (Derkhale): Mr. Speaker, because of the questions and statements asked is of the same nature and type, we ask for two weeks to bring the response.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): And I think because we are aware of what is coming as business of the day, it is important that the chairperson or their vice chairs avail themselves to respond to questions. I think this is not fair. You take responsibility and then you are not there to respond to questions. So, the chair for water and vice chair and then it is actually one member who is presenting the committee. I do not think it is good for the committee if you go that route. There must be chair or vice chair to respond to statements of the members.

In my earlier guidelines on Covid-19 regulation and actually it is a public health protocol that everybody should put on a mask at the public places and the assembly is not an exceptional. So, honorable Ahmedrashid, honorable Teno, honorable Abdiaziz and honorable Noor, put on your masks or if you do not have one, just walk out. You are saying!

Hon. Adan Maalim Mohamed (El-wak North): I wanted to say something about the chairperson being absent from this session Mr. Speaker. I am the chairperson of Trade and Industrialization and I was denied access just because I have not written my name on Monday. Mr. Speaker, most of the chairpersons are away may be just because of that. They have been denied access and they were in this chamber. Personally I have been denied access because I have not appended my signature on Monday. I think we need to be given guidance on that so that we give chairpersons and their vices or either one of them preference for them to sit in the plenary so that they can respond to any question that are put across by any member.

Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): Yes, honorable Bishar!

Hon. Bishar Maalim Abdullahi (Takaba): Thank you, Mr. Speaker sir. I do not agree with the opinion given by the honorable Member. These are very responsible persons and they have been given that responsibility and mandate to say they are supposed to live by example when the circular or the advice was given by the Speaker directing members that they should adhere to it. The first person to appear I think was Hon. Abdullahi. So, when Hon. Mohamed is saying that they should actually be given preference, there is no preference. We were signing that register so why should we---

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): Honorable Kulow!

Hon. Kulow Alio (Rhamu): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I conquer with the honorable member for El-wak north because as the Standing Order states that the spokesman of the committee is the chairperson. In the absence of the chairperson, it is the vice chair to respond to any statement and if the vice chair is not there it should be any other person who has been appointed by the chair. Therefore, those are the three people who are mandated to respond on behalf of the committee and if they are present in the Assembly then especially on Wednesday's when the statements and responses are coming to the floor of the House, they should be given

preference. The honorable member for Takaba, if he was the chair I am sure he would have supported this. I therefore conquer with the member for El-wak north.

Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): I think the direction was very clear. We said Members who will be available for that particular week to register with the sergeant at arm just to have order because it will be very unfair for honorable members to be pulled at the entrance. I have even confirmed that some of the chairs who are away have registered. So, nobody has ever denied them access. But if you know that you have a business on that particular day because the Order Paper will be normally ready by morning then you can even ask for an exemption. Even now there are many sits which are empty. We are not yet even 24. I do not think anybody will be denied just because he has not registered but we said you do not even need to walk to the assembly, you can even text by morning from 8:00 to 11:00 so that we give preference to the first 24. Otherwise, if we say we exempt all the chairpersons and they do not even turn up then we will be having problem with quorum. We do not want to talk about it now but if you know you have a business on the Order Paper get in touch with the desk office so that you are cleared to respond. Yes, Hon. Hindia, you wanted to say something or you want to comment on the same?

Hon. Hindia Hussein (Nominated): No you have ruled. There is something I want to raise Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): What now? Is it information, is it an order.

Hon. Hindia Hussein (Nominated): It is information for the House. Most of the people are putting on mask but their nostrils are outside and they are putting it on the chin and when they are using the mike they should put on because we were talking of droplets.

Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): I think it is clear. It is saying not only putting on mask but putting it properly and I agree with you. Properly means what? Next order! Honorable Member, are there statements to be responded to. Yussuf Dakane! Chair Health!

Hon. Shaban Hassan (Ashabito): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We are yet to receive a response from the department. We will take up this matter and perhaps bring a response next week.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): When was it raised?

Hon. Shaban Hassan (Ashabito): Pardon.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): When was the statement raised?

Hon. Shaban Hassan (Ashabito): Before the pandemic and the department is busy with this Covid-19 issue.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): When do you think you will get a response?

Hon. Shaban Hassan (Ashabito): Next week.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): Next Wednesday.

Hon. Shaban Hassan (Ashabito): Yes, next Wednesday.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): Chair for Finance!

Hon. Abdirahman Alio (Banisa): Thank you, honorable Chair. We were supposed to response today and we have not yet received the response. So, most probably we will respond next week after getting the last reminder from the department.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): When was the statement raised?

Hon. Abdirahman Alio (Banisa): It was raised the second week after we resumed.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): Pardon.

Hon. Abdirahman Alio (Banisa): The second week of opening the House.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): So, Wednesday next week.

Hon. Abdirahman Alio (Banisa): Yes.

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): Next Order!

MOTION

ADOPTION OF THE FIRST PROGRESS REPORT OF MANDERA COUNTY ASSEMBLY AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COVID-19 SITUATION IN MANDERA COUNTY

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): Honorable Abass

Hon. Abass Abdille (Nominated): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I beg to move-

THAT this County Assembly adopts the first progress report of Mandera County Assembly Ad Hoc Committee on Covid19 situation in Mandera County.

Honorable Speaker, following the declaration of COVID-19 as global pandemic and the subsequent presidential directive issued on 17th March, 2020 aimed at limiting factors that may exuberate the spread of the disease which required institutions to come up with measures to curb the spread of the disease. On 24th March 2020 Mandera County Assembly adjourned sine die due to the fear of effect of COVID-19 pandemic and in compliance with the presidential directive.

On 27th April 2020 the Hon. Speaker, through Kenya gazette notice, called for special sitting of the County Assembly to attend to urgent issues of county interest including the third supplementary budget estimate meant to cushion the county against the pandemic.

It was on Monday, 4th May 2020, the County Assembly by resolution established an Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19 situation in the county. The Committee is mandated to oversight actions and measures taken by the County Government in addressing the spread and effects of Covid-19 in the county and shall address the following among other matters;

- i. Provision of testing and medical equipment including adequate ventilators in Mandera Referral Hospital.
- ii. Measures taken to ensure continuous supply of food and other essential commodities at affordable price.
- iii. Measures taken by the County Government to enable the continuation of service delivery to the residents of the County.
- iv. Provision of adequate isolation and intensive care unit (ICU) facilities in the County Referral Hospital and each of Sub-County Hospitals.
- v. Measures taken to ensure protection, safety and wellbeing of health care service providers and other frontline workers.
- vi. To step up measures to sensitize and safe guard the population against the global pandemic.

- vii. To monitor and report to the County Assembly on all the activities the County Government is implementing as well as to ensure funds set aside for the pandemic is utilized well.
- viii. Oversight County Emergency response Committee

Honorable Speaker, the Committee is expected to table progress report within thirty days and thereafter quarterly and subsequently table a final report within six months.

Pursuant to Standing Order 162 (1), the Committee held its first meeting on Thursday, 7th May 2020, during which Hon. Abass Abdille was elected as the chairperson of the committee and Hon. Alinoor Derow as Vice-Chairperson.

The committee is composed of the following Honorable members:-

1. Hon, Abass Abdille Mohamed - Chairperson 2. Hon. Alinoor Derow - Vice-Chairperson 3. Hon. Shaaban Hassan Hillow - Member 4. Hon. Shamsa Ibrahim Maalim - Member 5. Hon. Kulow Alio Guyow - Member 6. Hon. Mohamed Ibrahim Yussuf - Member 7. Hon, Alinur Hassan Ali - Member 8. Hon. Fatuma Omar Kasai - Member 9. Hon, Robow Mohamed Hassan - Member

I take this opportunity to thank all the Members of the Committee for their input and valuable contributions during the deliberations on this report.

The Committee also takes this opportunity to thank the offices of the Honorable Speaker and the Clerk for the support accorded to it during this period.

On behalf of Ad Hoc Committee on Covid-19 committee members, it is my pleasure and pleasant duty to present to the Assembly the committee's 1st Progress Report on the status of Covid-19 in the County.

Mr. Speaker, Coronaviruses are a large family of viruses that are known to cause illness ranging from the common cold to more severe diseases, such as Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS) and Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS). A novel coronavirus (Cov) is a new strain of the coronavirus that has not been previously identified in humans.

Coronaviruses are common in animals, occasionally; people get infected with these viruses which may then spread to other people. For example, SARS-CoV was associated with civet cats and MERS-CoV was associated with dromedary camels. Possible animal sources of COVID-19 have not yet been confirmed

Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a new respiratory illness that began in Wuhan, China, in December 2019. As at 15th June 2020 the virus had resulted in more than 8 million infections and 435,000 deaths globally. In Kenya, a total of 3600 cases had been confirmed by the said date with 1253 patients having fully recovered and 103 patients having succumbed to the illness.

The COVID-19, which has since been declared a global health pandemic by the World Health Organization (WHO), can easily be spread from person to person, through contact with droplets produced by a person who is sneezing or coughing or contaminated surfaces or objects.

COVID-19 causes severe symptoms like fever, cough, headache, body aches and difficulty in breathing.

Mr. Speaker, Mandera County had its first suspected case of COVID-19 on 5th of April 2020 and samples for testing were delivered to National Influenza Centre (NIC) for testing. These patients had history of travel from Kilifi County and termed as high risk. The samples tested positive for COVID-19 on the 7th April, thus Mandera County declaring its first index case on the same day with a total of eighteen (18) cases tested positive for COVID-19 as at 15th June, 2020.

All the cases from Sub-Counties are being managed at Mandera County Referral Hospital. Four (4) sub-counties have been affected with confirmed cases of COVID-19 as follows;

S/NO	SUB-COUNTY	NO OF POSITIVE CASES
1.	Mandera East	8
2.	Mandera North	5
3.	Mandera South	2
4.	Mandera West	1
5.	Banisa	1
1.	Lafey	0
2.	Kutulo	0
TOTAL		18

Majority of the confirmed cases are local transmission except for the two indexes cases that travelled from Kilifi County and two cases from Somalia. Out of the 18 cases, 10 (56%) are male while 8 (44%) are female.

A total of seventeen (17) cases have fully recovered having tested negative for two follow up tests and discharged from the isolation wards. Currently there is one (1) patient who is being managed at the MCRH isolation Centre and is in stable condition. There were no fatalities recorded by the time the committee was working on this report.

All the cases recorded in the County were stable and only two cases had symptoms of fever and cough, while the rest of the 16 cases were asymptomatic i.e. these cases did not show any signs and symptoms all through.

Mr. Speaker, the committee visited the following areas; -

- i. Mandera County referral hospital (isolation ward, ICU)
- ii. Kamor Infectious Disease Centre (formerly Kamor enforcement camp)
- iii. KMTC (Mandera Brach) quarantine Centre
- iv. Rehabilitation Centre (Mandera town)
- v. Mandera Moi Girls Secondary School
- vi. Mandera Secondary School

- vii. Shashafey Health Centre
- viii. Khadija Dispensary
 - ix. Courtesy call to County Commissioner
 - x. Courtesy call to Deputy Governor H.E Mohamed Arai
 - xi. Hill view Hotel (Hosts surveillance Medical Staffs)
- xii. Riverside Hotel (hosts frontline staffs)
- xiii. Rasimal Hotel (Quarantine Centre)
- xiv. County Warehouse (private rented facility)

Between 11th May to 10th June 2020, the Committee held meetings with stakeholders and met the following entities and persons;

- i. County Health Management Team
- ii. Dr. Mohamud Adan County Executive Committee Member for Health Services,
- iii. Rahma Abdullahi Chief Officer for Public Health
- iv. Mr. Abukar Sheikh Acting Chief Officer for Medical Services
- v. Mr. Abass Mohamed COCOP relief Co-ordinator
- vi. Mr. Abdinur Maalim Hussein County Secretary
- vii. Mr. Abdikadir Tache CEO MANDWASCO
- viii. Mr. Hassan Noor Adan Mandera Municipality Manager
- ix. Mr. Ibrahim Barrow Hassan CECM for Finance and Economic planning
- x. Dr. Ali Mahat CCO for Special programmes

All the invited persons appeared before the Committee except the County Secretary and CCO trade made written submission.

Mr. Speaker, in a bid to combat the spread of COVID-19 in the county, on 26th March 2020 H.E the Governor of Mandera County Government formed a multi-agency task force to spearhead the county preparedness to respond to the pandemic in terms of controlling spread and management of cases of the deadly disease.

The following multi-agency covid-19 response committees were formed: -

1. Mandera County Multi-Agency Task Force

S/NO.	O. NAMES DESIGNATION	
1.	1. HE. Hon. Mohamed Arai Deputy Governor – Taskforce Chair	
2.	2. Mr. Ibrahim H. Barrow CECM – Finance and Economic Planning	
3.	3. Dr. Mohamud Adan CECM – Health Service	
4.	Ms. Zuleka H. Harun CECM – Roads and Public Works	
5.	Mr. Mohamed Omar	CECM – Water
6.	Mr. Mohamed Mohamud CCO – Public Service	

2. Multi-Agency Task Force for Mandera East and North Sub-Counties

SNO.	NAMES	DESIGNATION	
1. Mr. Abukar Abdi Sheikh Ag. CCO – Health Services		Ag. CCO – Health Services - Chair	
2. Ms. Rahma Abdullahi CCO – Public Health		CCO – Public Health	
3.	Mr. Alinoor Mohamed	CCO – Finance	
4.	4. Mr. Abdikadir Tache CEO - MANDWASCO		
5.	Mr. Adawa Haji	CCO – Public Works	

6. Mrs. Ethila Issack		Chairperson – CPSB	
7. Mr. Hassannoor Adan		Municipal Manager – Mandera Municipality	

The Speaker (Hon. M. A. Khalif): The names are clearly there and there is no need of reading the names. So, just mention the task force and then move on. Number three is multi urgency for Takaba Sub County.

Hon. Abass Abdille (Nominated): Mr. Speaker, number three

3. Multi-Agency Task Force for Takaba Sub-County

S/NO.	NAMES	DESIGNATION	
1.	1. Mr. Izzudin Abdullahi CECM – Education – Chair		
2. Mr. Abdikadir Adan CCO – Sports and Culture		CCO – Sports and Culture	
3.	3. Mr. Abdiker Suraw Ass. Director – Water Services		
4.	Mr. Bashir Ali Hassan County Mechanical Engineer		
5.	Mr. Hussein Yussuf Sheikh	CCO – Public Participation	
6.	Mr. Abdirahman I. Abdulla	Deputy Director Procurement	

4. Multi-Agency Task Force for Mandera South Sub-County

S/NO.	NAMES	DESIGNATION	
1.	Mr. Ahmed Sheikh	CECM – Public Service - Chair	
2.	Mr. Yussuf Mohamed Dido CCO - Devolved Units		
3.	Mr. Issak Adan Abdi Ass. Director - Health Service		
4.	Mr. Hussein Farah Kullow Ass. Director - Water		
5.	Mr. Adanuh Golo Ibrahim County – QS		
6.	Dr. Ali Mahat CCO – Special Programmes		

5. Multi-Agency Task Force for Kutulo Sub-County

S/NO.	NAMES	DESIGNATION	
1.	Ms. Maryan Dubow	CCO – Irrigation - Chair	
2.	Mr. Abdi Abdullahi Ali	Ass. Director – Water	
3.	Mr. Yussuf Hussein	Architect	
4.	Mr. Ibrahim Mohamed Gabow	Director – Civic Education	
5.	Mr. Hassan Derrow	Procurement Officer	

6. Nairobi Coordination Team

S/NO.	NAMES	DESIGNATION	
1.	Mr. Ahmed Ali Madey	Head of Delivery Unit - Chair	
2.	Dr. Abdirahman Sheikh Adow	County Pharmacist	

7. Monitoring and Evaluation Team

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S/NO. NAMES		DESIGNATION	
1.	HE. Hon. Ali Ibrahim Roba	Governor – Chair	
2.	Mr. Abdinur Maalim Hussein	County Secretary	
3.	Mr. David Ohito	Chief of Staff	

4. Mr. Okash Adan		Mr. Okash Adan	Head of EMU	
	5.	Mr. Adan Kullow	Legal Advisor	
	6.	Mr. Mohamed Abdow Hussein	Secretary – CPSB	

On 22nd April 2020, the Cabinet Secretary for Health Mr. Mutahi Kagwe declared Mandera County as COVID-19 hotspot after Nairobi, Mombasa, Kilifi and Kwale Counties. The CS has also directed restriction of movements in and out of the County. This was led to after escalation of community based infection in the County and on account of the classification of the County as an infected area. The cessation of movement was sanctioned by the national security advisory committee as an additional measure to contain the spread of the Corona virus disease.

On 6th June 2020, the president extended the containment period for another 30 days for Nairobi metropolitan, Mombasa County and Mandera County while for the Counties of Kwale and Kilifi the order was lifted. In addition the government extended the nationwide night curfew from 9.00pm to 4.00pm.

The Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentists Council approved certain public institutions as quarantine centres for members of the public suspected to have had contact with infected person(s). In Mandera County the following institutions were identified as quarantine/isolation facilities;

No.	Institution Name	National No.	Capacity
1.	KMTC	444	
2.	Mandera TTC	445	250
3.	Mandera Boys Secondary School	446	403
4.	Moi Girls Mandera Sec School	447	336
5.	Hareri Mixed Secondary School	448	189
6.	Khalalio Boys Secondary School	449	126
7.	Khalalio Girls Secondary School	450	126
8.	Neboi Secondary School	451	126
	TOTAL	1,556	

On 18th May 2020 the CCEM and CCOs for Health Department appeared before the Committee and provided the following information;

Quarantine facilities in Mandera County and cost per facility; -

No.	Sub- County	Name of the Facility	Location	Full Board Rate	No. of rooms available	Cost per Month
1.	Mandera East	Rasmaal Group Hotel	Mandera	3,500	40	4,200,000
		KMTC	Mandera	1,500 (meals cost)	15	Public Facility
2.	Mandera	Girisa	Rhamu	1,500	6	Public

	North	Dispendary		(meals cost)		Facility
3.	Banissa	Wayam Lodge	Banisa	2,000	20	1,200,000
4.	Mandera West	Lala Salama Guest House	Takaba	2,000	20	1,200,000
5.	Mandera South	Sub-County HQ	Elwak	1,500 (meals cost)	15	Public Facility
6.	Lafey	Duale Lodge	Lafey	2,000	20	1,200,000
7.	Kutulo	Luley Guest House	Kutulo	1,800	20	1,080,000

Mr. Speaker, in their submission the County Health Department explained why they decided to use private facilities as opposed to the public facilities identified above. They stated that on 6th April 2020 they did an assessment of the isolation facilities proposed by the National Co-ordination Centres for isolation and quarantine facilities conducted by Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentists Council and after thorough inspection, it was observed that all had the following cross cutting issues.

- a) Criteria used in identifying quarantine facilities was
 - i. Availability of piped water
 - ii. Access to the facility
 - iii. Adequate and separate sanitation facilities.
 - iv. Single rooms
 - v. Security of the building and the neighborhood
- b) The Technical and the Teachers Training colleges were both far from essential supplies at the County health headquarters and could not be closely supervised if made quarantine centres.
- c) Except KMTC and Moi Girls Secondary School, the rest are temporarily fenced with barbed wire only and thus can easily facilitate escape of quarantined Covid-19 patients.
- d) All facilities had power supply but lacked piped water supply. They all had underground water tanks that require to be frequently filled by water bowzers. The underground water tank being a public water supply, will easily facilitate cross termination among the quarantined persons.
- e) The quarantine centres normally generates infectious solid waste materials which can easily be disposed off in a burning chamber or buried deep underground. All the facilities lacked such waste disposal site or proper mechanism of handling the same in a secure manner.
- f) The accommodation space in all gazetted institutions were designed to accommodate healthy individuals in barrack or dormitory style while Covid-19 patients require segregation in single well ventilated rooms in suite to prevent cross transmission.
- g) Majority of beds and beddings are very old and lack mackintosh and therefore cannot be disinfected for future use as all these institutions are in future to be used by students from humble background.

- h) Catering services were designed for institution institutional level and the dining area is communal. Staffs were on recess and refused when recalled back for fear of exposure and Covid-19 stigma.
- KMTC site did not have any catering services posing serious challenge of bringing food from outside. In addition, the travelers and destitute who had no one to support were at risk of starvation during the quarantine period should the government fail to cater for them.
- j) All gazetted facilities have only communal toilets and bathrooms which is a risk for cross transmission of spread of Covid-19 among the quarantined persons.
- k) All institutions lacked burglar proof storage space for medical and drug supplies.

Mr. Speaker, Mandera County Referral Hospital (MCRH) is the centre for the Coronavirus response for the county where all positive cases from all the sub counties are referred to. It has single and double bed rooms enough to accommodate 14 patients. The isolation ward is located at the MCH and immunization centre which was relocated to Mandera DEB and other Health centres within reach. The isolation facility has;

- a) Adequate running water
- b) It has Stores, kitchen and offices
- c) Infectious waste is disposed at the incinerator
- d) In suit toilets and bathroom
- e) Well secured
- f) It has security guards
- g) The Accident and Emergency centre at MCRH hosts ICU, HDU, OPD, Laboratory, theatre and capacity to provide isolation services.
- h) The centre has a total 35 general isolation beds, 6 ICU beds and 2 HDU beds
- i) The ICU and HDU together with the isolation wards are all connected 100% to oxygen supply system and ready for use.
- j) The ICU and HDU units has 14 ICU trained nurses and other medical personnel.
- k) There are a total of 11 ventilators, 7 at the MCRH and 4 at Elwak Accident and Emergency Centre in Mandera South Sub-County. 4 ICU beds and 3 HDU beds.

In addition, the committee noted the County Health Department has prepared the Kamor infectious disease centre which was previously enforcement camp as an isolation centre;

- i. The construction works are complete.
- ii. It has 47 bed capacity
- iii. It has piped water supply connection.
- iv. The centre is well secured with perimeter wall.
- v. There are adequate washrooms in the rooms connected with running water.
- vi. The centre is not connected to electricity.

Testing and Medical Equipment

i. 727 tests were done including 68 frontline health workers and 18 persons tested positive for Covid-19 as at 15th June 2020.

- ii. 334 persons were quarantined including 176 contacts of Covid-19 positive cases and 158 travelers from high risk areas.
- iii. 97502 persons were screened at all the county entry points.
- iv. As at 15th June 2020 one person in isolation who has tested negative for the first test and waiting for validation for the second test. The trend on tests taken and results as follows;

Figures of Quarantined Persons

S/NO	SUB COUNTY	CONTACTS QUARANTINED WITH POSITIVE CASES	TRAVELLERS QUARANTINED	TOTAL
1.	MANDERA EAST	98	7	105
2.	MANDERA NORTH	39	7	46
3.	MANDERA SOUTH	20	90	110
4.	MANDERA WEST	5	43	48
5.	KUTULO	0	5	5
6.	BANISA	13	6	18
7.	LAFEY	1	0	1
	TOTAL	176	158	334

- v. ICU and HDU units were operationalized when Covid-19 pandemic was reported in the County.
- vi. As at 15th June 2020 eight (8) non Covid-19 patients were admitted at the ICU.
- vii. Among other items the Health Department procured
 - ➤ 2000 PPEs;
 - > 50 Oxygen concentrators;
 - > 70 thermometer guards;
 - ➤ 1 COVID-19 Management kit (shared by MCRH and El-wak A& E);
 - ➤ 20 oxygen cylinders;
 - > 1500 Face shield:
 - ➤ 1000 coverall; and
 - ➤ 4850 Face masks.

Flights and Wajir Regional Laboratory

To reduce cost the National Ministry of Health recommended Mandera County and neighbouring Counties of Garissa, Isiolo and Marsabit to use Wajir Regional Laboratory for COVID-19 test

S/NO.	Date	No. of test	Means of transport	Cost (Ksh)
1.	29/03/2020	2	Passenger flight	Courier services
2.	30/03/2020	1	Passenger flight	Courier services
3.	06/04/2020	3	Passenger flight	Courier services
4.	11/04/2020	32	AMREF FLIGHT	Supported
5.	19/04/2020	54	AMREF FLIGHT	Supported
6.	23/04/2020	15	National Government	Supported
7.	29/04/2020	12	Road to Wajir	COVID-19 ambulance services
8.	07/05/2020	241	MCG	1,100,000
9.	15/05/2020	103	MCG	1,100,000
10.	20/05/2020	193	MCG	1,100,000
11.	31/05/2020	15	Road to Wajir	COVID-19 ambulance services
12.	04/06/2020	49	National Government	Supported
13.	14/06/2020	7	Road to Wajir	COVID-19 ambulance services

Measures taken by the County to ensure protection, safety and wellbeing of Health Care Service providers and other frontline worker,

- i. Capacity building of health care workers on COVID-19, 252 of the 864 health care workers who are frontline responders have undergone sensitization training on basic COVID-19 management.
- ii. Procurement of personal protective equipment (masks, PPEs, sanitizers, hand washing facilities) for staff personal protection and safety at work place.
- iii. Covid-19 Medical Emergency Allowance and benefits for Frontline Healthcare Workers upon harmonization of payroll code issues.

On 28th April, 2020 SRC gave guidelines in a letter ref No. SRC/TS/COG/3/61/48 addressed to CS Treasury on Covid-19 Medical Emergency Allowance and benefits for Frontline Healthcare Workers in National and County Governments. In the letter SRC stated that

➤ Kshs 20,000 for Medical Doctors, Dentists and Pharmacists

- ➤ Kshs 15,000 for Clinical Officers, Nurses, and Medical Lab Technologist and Technicians, Biochemists, Chemists, Medical Entomologists, Medical Parasitologists, Medical Lab Officers, and Physiotherapists
- ➤ Kshs 10,000 for All other Technologists and Technicians (Public Health, Dental, Pharmaceutical, Orthopaedic Trauma, Medical Engineering, Nutrition & Dietetics, Orthopaedic) and other Para Medics:
- ➤ Kshs 5,000 for Support Staff deployed in hospital.

The allowance is payable for a period of three (3) months with effect from 1st April, 2020, subject to availability of funds. However, the money was not paid as it is to be paid through the payroll which requires code that was pending with the treasury and the total cost for Mandera County is Kshs **31,845,000** as per SRC. The County treasury has confirmed that funds are available and the officers will be paid.

Other benefits allowed by SRC include;

- i. Medical Benefit
- ii. Insurance Cover
- iii. Psychosocial Support
- iv. Other Welfare Benefits.

Accommodation of frontline Health workers in the COVID-19 response is critical. This is due to quarantine and isolation facilities being highly infectious. The frontline health workers are accommodated in hotels and are not allowed to integrate with their families to reduce the risk of spreading the infection. The Mandera County Government has accommodated the frontline health workers in selected hotels across the sub county headquarters.

The details of the hotels hosting the health workers are as follows;

No.	Sub-County	Name of Hotel	No. of beds hired	Full board rate
1.	Mandera East	Riverside Hotel	18	4,000
		Hill View Hotel	20	3,800
2.	Mandera North	Galana Hotel	20	2,000
3.	Banisa	Banisa Guest House	20	2,000
4.	Mandera West	Rowla Guest House	22	2,000
5.	Mandera South	E-Guest House	19	2,000
6.	Kutulo	Private residence	10	2,000
7.	Lafey	Duale Lodge	18	2,000

Measures taken to sensitize and safeguard the residents of Mandera County,

- a) Through advocacy, Communication and Social Mobilization the department of Health has embarked on mass sensitization across the county through different media channels including local FM stations.
- b) Public Address Systems (PAS) mounted on vehicles doing sensitization across all sub counties. Through the PAS most parts of the sub-county have been reached. PAS is continued to be used across the county.
- c) Hired Vehicles for Public Sensitization

Sub County	Vehicle Reg.	Make	Rate/day	Engagement period
Mandera East	KBY 693Y	Nissan Patrol	10,000	3 months
Mandera North	KBS 624T	L/Cruiser	10,000	3 months
Banisa	KBT 705K	Hilux	10,000	3 months
Mandera West	KAS 099U	Hilux	10,000	3 months
Mandera South	KBW 352Z	Hilux	10,000	3 months
Kutulo	KAN 803C	Hilux	10,000	3 months
Lafey	KAU 052Z	Hilux	10,000	3 months

- d) Radio talk shows: more than eight (8) radio talk shows have been conducted so far in all radio media outlets in Mandera East. Health messages on COVID-19 have been delivered and continued to be delivered through the local languages of Somali and Gurreh. The compositions of the members in the talk show include- public health officers, community/religious leaders and representatives of women and youth leaders.
- e) Road shows: road shows have been conducted in Mandera East in collaboration with a group of partners called RASMI. Already six (6) rounds of road shows have been conducted.
- f) Distributions of IEC materials and posters more than 10,000 IEC materials have been distributed through posters. The IEC materials have been translated in deferent languages of Somali, Gurreh, Kiswahili and English.
- g) 815,630 persons were reached with health messages as at 18th May 2020.
- h) 183 hotels/restaurants have complied with Public Health measures of installing hand washing facilities.
- 635 PSVs have complied with the provision of hand sanitizers while enforcement of public health measures such as Hand hygiene, social distancing and use of masks on going in all sub-counties.
- j) Screening of passengers and vehicles in all designated road blocks on going.

- k) Complied with national directive on management of COVID-19 such as closure of both the secular, religious institutions and other social gathering.
- l) To combat the disease the National Government has asked County Governments to hire medical staff to supplement the fight against the pandemic. This process is on-going.

Measures Taken by the Department of Health to avoid Service Disruption for Mandera Community,

- a) Ensuring that all health facilities are continuing with the provision of services as before except for MCRH which was designated as COVID-19 isolation ward for the County.
- b) Cancellation of all leaves except for maternity and sick leaves and recall of all Mandera County health staffs within East Africa who were away on study leave to respond to current unfolding emergencies.
- c) Operationalization of intensive care units (ICU) in Mandera and El-wak to reduce referral outside the county and alleviate suffering for patients who need critical care.
- d) Deployment of surplus staffs following down scaling of services at MCRH to peripheral facilities like Neboi, Shafshafey and Khadija to bridge staffing gaps and provide all key services previously been offered at MCRH for Mandera town residents.
- e) Strategically placing and strengthening of referral systems by providing 24 hours standby ambulances in case of referral needs.
- f) Creation of emergency response services and establishment of operation centres at County and sub county levels in responding to all distress calls around the county.
- g) Relocation of MCH services to Mandera DEB Primary School to provide maternal child health and nutrition services in order to reduce preventable diseases, MCH missed opportunities and immunization dropouts' rates.
- h) In partnership with partners, continuation and strengthening of outreach services across the county to provide essential services for the hard to reach population.
- i) Starting of immunization services at maternity for BCG and polio birth dose for new born babies.
- j) Continuation of outpatient service provision to critical areas like laboratory services, voluntary counseling and testing TB clinic at MRCH where services were down scaled.
- k) Preposition of both pharmaceutical and non-pharmaceutical supplies in case of upsurge of illness.
- l) Placing of two quarter KEMSA orders to avoid erratic supply during this emergency and ensuring the orders reach earlier than before to avoid out of stock.
- m) Hired ICU consultant (at MCRH to manage critical COVID-19 patients and attend to other patients who require the same services as well as train ICU staff.

Measures taken by the Department of Trade to avoid service disruption,

The Ministry of Trade, Investment, Industrialization and Cooperative Development has taken the following measures to avoid disruption of service delivery to the residents of Mandera County.

a) All markets in the high risk areas were fumigated and are being cleaned on daily basis.

- b) Distribution of hand washing kits in collaboration with Mandera Municipality in most populated high risk business centers.
- c) Distribution of face masks and hands sanitizers in the markets in collaboration with the Ministry of Health. i.e. Vegetable and livestock markets.
- d) Advocating for social distancing, this has been fully implemented at the vegetable market.
- e) Sensitization of traders towards prevention of Covid-19 which has been achieved through door to door visits by trade development officers.
- f) Implemented working of alternate days at the main cloth market which has reduced congestion by a high margin.
- g) Most vegetable traders were sensitized on cleanliness of the goods they are selling and the market.
- h) The department of trade has more than 20 markets countywide, and due to the above measures and workable technicalities to champion welfare of micro, medium and small enterprises (MSMEs) livelihoods, none of the markets in Mandera County has been closed.

Measures taken by Mandera Water and Sewerage Company (MANDWASCO),

The Ministry of Water gave Protocols and guidelines for water supply and provision of sanitation services.

These protocols and guidelines were issued to define specific actions and measures to be taken to ensure continuous supply of water and adequate sanitation during the period of Covid-19 pandemic with the objective of ensuring that people have adequate water for domestic use and for washing of hands. The protocols and guidelines are as follows; -

That the County Governments will: -

- i. Direct all the WSPs to provide free water to informal settlements and vulnerable groups for the next three months, April-June 2020. Other consumers will pay for water and sewerage services.
- ii. Ensure that all Water Service Providers (WSPs) are fully operational without interruption and essential personnel observe Health, Safety and Environment (HSC) regulations all times
- iii. Ensure ESPs suspend disconnection of water for the next three months that is, April to June 2020.
- iv. Ensure in areas where water tracking is done to communities not connected to water supply, the communities receiving the services are sensitized on regular hand washing with soap, use of hand sanitizers and social distancing to avoid rapid spread of the disease.
- v. Ensure Water Service Providers enhance information dissemination strategies on required measures to be observed through various platforms. Such massages will be aligned to directives issued by the Ministry of Health.
- vi. Ensure hand washing points are accessible in strategic locations to serve needy communities.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Page 25

Hon. Abass Abdille (Nominated): Mr. Deputy Speaker, page 25,

Meeting with Relief Coordinator for Consortium of Cooperating Partners (COCOP) – Mr. Abass Mohamed,

To have better understanding of the role played by NGOs to supplement the effort of the County Government in relief food in the County especially during this pandemic where many households have become vulnerable on 20th May 2020 the Committee invited COCOP.

The Relief Coordinator Mr. Abass appeared before the Committee and stated that;

- a) COCOP has been distributing relief food in the County for a long period. The organization is currently in partnership with the County Government (Agriculture Department) and World Food Programme (WFP) on Sustainable Food Security Project which is a three year project that started in 2019. The project only covers farmers to boost them produce more food.
- b) The program is being undertaken in three sub counties, Mandera North, Banisa and Mandera West.
- c) COCOP has a role in providing logistics and food distribution while the County Government's department of Agriculture and WFP undertake the technical work including distribution plan and identifying beneficiaries.
- d) The Sustainable Food Security Project covers 7,000 households which are distributed among the residents of the three sub counties. There are 2,017 households in Mandera West, 2,002 households in Mandera North and 2,300 households in Banisa.
- e) The organization undertakes 8 cycles of food distribution annually.
- f) In terms of ration size, there are three commodities, 50kg sorghum, 12kgs pulses and 3 litre oil per household. That gives 463 metric tons of food for the three sub counties.
- g) He confirmed that COCOP is not engaged in COVID-19 food distribution, but the organization is only engaged in Sustainable Food Program which has been on-going and continuous. The organization receives the relief food from WFP and the project is an agricultural project.
- h) He stated that the organization also works with the Ministry of Health to deliver food rations for under 5 years and pregnant women who are malnourished. Currently the organization has 15,000 beneficiaries in 72 health facilities. This food relief is also donated by WFP while the Ministry of Health undertakes the distribution plan.
- i) He divulged that during their April food distribution the organization received a request from the County Government through the COVID-19 Committee requesting for joint food distribution that the organization to hold back its April distribution until the County Government relief food was ready and also requested for additional food for the other four sub-Counties that were not covered by COCOP. (annexed)

Hon. Abdullahi Yunis (Morothile): Point of order Mr. Deputy Speaker! We do not have quorum.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Clerk, confirm. Sergeant at-arm, please ring the bell for ten minutes.

(The House lacks quorum)

(The House gets it quorum)

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): You can now continue.

Hon. Abass Abdille (Nominated): Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker. Let me go to the
Summary allocation of food stuff distribution for most vulnerable members of the community.

SUB COUNTY	NO. HH	RICE – 25KGS	BEANS – 4KGS	OIL – 3LTS	METRIC TONS
MANDERA NORTH	154	77	616	462	5.8
	160	80	640	480	6
	202	101	808	606	7.5
	183	91.5	722	549	6.6
	140	70	560	420	5.25
	839	419.5	3346	2517	31.15
MANDERA SOUTH	160	80	640	480	6.122
	160	80	640	480	6.122
	160	79	640	480	6.288
	160	79	640	480	6
Sub-Total	640	318	2560	1920	24.522
KUTULO	400	199.5	1596	1197	15.075

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Sub-Total	400	199.5	1596	1197	15.075
MANDERA WEST	165	80.5	648	486	6.121
	177	88.5	708	531	6.6
	150	75	600	450	5.625
	170	85	680	510	6.375
	149	74.5	596	447	5.587
Sub-Total	811	403.5	3232	2424	30.308

BANISSA	154	78	624	468	5.851
	170	85	680	510	6.375
	120	60	480	360	4.5
	170	84	672	504	6.5
	180	89.5	720	540	6.737
Sub-Total	794	396.5	3176	2382	29.963
LAFEY	150	75	600	450	5.575
	160	80	640	480	5.999
	130	65	520	390	4.875
	145	72.5	580	435	5.437
	205	102.5	820	615	6
Sub-Total	790	395	3160	2370	27.887
MANDERA EAST	160	80	640	480	6
	160	80	640	480	6
	160	80	640	480	6
	160	80	640	480	6
	160	80	640	480	6
Sub-Total	800	400	3200	2400	30

Summary of the distribution

SUB COUNTY	NO. OF HH	RICE-25KGS	BEANS-4KGS	OIL-3LTS	METRIC TONS
MANDERA NORTH	839	419.5	3346	2517	31.15
MANDERA SOUTH	640	318	2560	1920	24.522
KUTULO	400	199.5	1596	1197	15.075
MANDERA WEST	811	403.5	3232	2424	30.308
BANISSA	794	396.5	3176	2382	29.963

LAFEY	790	395	3160	2370	27.887
MANDERA EAST	800	400	3200	2400	30
GRAND TOTAL	5074	2532	20270	15210	188.906

Food distribution for Dugsi teachers in Mandera County

SUB COUNTY	WARD	NO. OF HH	RICE – 25KGS	BEANS-4KGS	OIL – 3LTS
MDR NORTH	Rhamu	98	49	392	294
	Rhamu Dimtu	25	12.5	100	75
	Guticha	25	11	88	66
	Ashabito	40	20	160	120
	Morothile	2	1	8	6
	Sub total	190	93.5	748	561
MDR SOUTH	El-wak South& North	120	60	638	360
	Wargadud	40	20	160	120
	S/Fatuma	49	24.5	196	147
	Sub total	209	104.5	994	627
KUTULO	Kutulo	90	45	360	270
	Sub total	90	45	360	270
MDR WEST	Takaba	57	28.5	218	171
	Dandu	49	24.5	196	147
	Takaba South	30	15	120	90
	Gither	45	15.5	184	138
	Lagsure	47	23.5	188	141
	Sub total	228	107	906	687
BANISSA	Derkhale	32	16	128	96

	Kiliwehiri	42	20.5	164	123
	Guba	21	10.5	84	63
	Malkamari	53	26.5	212	159
	Banisa	88	44	352	264
	Sub total	236	117.5	940	705
LAFEY	Fino	18	13	104	78
	Waranqara	18	26	72	54
	Sala	11	5.5	44	33
	Alungu	6	3	24	18
	Lafey	52	26	208	156
	Sub total	105	73.5	452	339
MDR EAST	Township	250	125	1000	750
	Arabia	33	16.5	132	99
	Khalalio	40	20	160	120
	Neboi	300	150	1200	900
	Libehia	30	15	110	90
	Sub total	403	201.5	1602	1209

Summary Dugsi teachers

SUB COUNTY	NO. HH	RICE-25KGS	BEANS – 4KGS	OIL – 3LTS	METRIC TONS
Mandera North	190	195	760	570	7.125
Mandera South	209	105.5	994	627	8.469
Kutulo	90	45	360	270	3.375
Mandera West	28	107	906	687	8.36
Banisa	236	117.5	940	705	8.812
Lafey	105	73.5	452	339	4.466
Mandera East	653	201.5	1602	1209	15.072
GRAND	1711	649	6014	4407	55.867

TOTAL			

IDPs food distribution

IDP CENTRE	IDP	NO. OF IDPs TARGETED	RICE-25KGS	BEANS 50	OIL 18 LTS CARTOON
MDR North	Deg Marer	133	66.5	10.64	22
Rhamu Dimtu					
Rhamu	Jabi bar	46	23	3.68	8
	Wajir IDPs	800	400	64	133
	Garse IDPs	267	133.5	21.36	44
	Abakaro IDPs	480	240	38.4	80
	Sukela Tinfa	150	75	12	25
BANISSA	Ardgarbicha	200	100	16	63
Malkaruqa					
MDR South	Wajir IDPs- El- wak	334	167	27	56
	Bulla Watta	118	59	12	20
KUTULO	Kutulo IDPs	182	91	14.56	30
	Harwale	100	50	8	17
Sub total		2810	1405	227.64	468

Special groups

Sub County	Groups	NO. TARGETED	RICE- 25KGS	BEANS – 50	OIL – 18LTS CARTOON
Mandera East	People living with HIV/AIDs, PWDs, retired KDF and Orphans	1549	774.5	344	258

	Non locals	170	85	38	28
Mandera West	People living with HIV/AIDs, PWDs, and Orphans	200	100	44	33
TOTAL		1919	959.5	426	319

Food distribution for flood victims

SUB COUNTY	WARD	NO. HH	RICE- 25KGS	BEANS- 4KGS	VEG OIL- 3LTS	METRIC TONS
MANDERA NORTH	RHAMU	1082	541	4328	3246	40.562
	RHAMU DIMTU	662	331	2648	1987	18.187
BANISSA	MALKAMARI	737	368.5	2948	2211	27.637
LAFEY	SALA	511	256.5	2044	1533	19.187
MANDERA EAST	TOWNSHIP	662	331	2648	1986	14.116
	NEBOI	3261	1630.5	13044	9783	121.462
	LIBEHIA	481	1630.5	1924	1443	18.037
	KHALALIO	852	426	3408	2556	32.384
GRAND TOTAL		8248	5515	32992	24745	291.576

Mr. Deputy Speaker, let me go to donations.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): which page?

Hon. Abass Abdille (Nominated): page 33

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): I think honorable Chair, why don't you start with concerns raised on the quality of the food.

Hon. Abass Abdille (Nominated): Okay. Mr. Deputy Speaker, I stand guided. Concerns raised on the quality of relief food distributed.

i. They said that there were concerns raised by beneficiaries of the relief food in some parts of the county on the quality of food distributed.

- ii. The CECM informed the committee that the food supplied had KEBS certification and the Public Health Department inspected the food and cleared it for human consumption (annexed).
- iii. He assured the Committee that should there be continued complains the Department will not hesitate to change the concerned contractor(s) and sub-standard food will not be accepted.
- iv. He confirmed that no money was so far paid but commitment and the supply will run for three months.

On Wednesday 10th June 2020 the CECM for Finance and Economic planning and the CCO for special programmes appeared before the committee. They were asked on matter pertaining to the department on COVID-19. They responded as follows;-

Grants and donations received by the County Government,

The CECM confirmed that Mandera County Government received support from donor organizations and the national government. The donations were both in kind and cash.

- 1. Donations received by County Government in kind;
 - i. Hand sanitizers and face masks from Kenya Red Cross Society.
 - ii. Media campaigns and road shows from local Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs).
- iii.Relief food from World Food Program (WFP) through their agency Cooperation of Cooperating Partners (Cocop) a local NGO based in Mandera.

2. Donations received by County Government in cash.

NO	SOURCE	AMOUNT	REMARKS
1.	DANIDA	11 million	350 Million allocated to the 47 counties for level I and II Health facilities for structural development and emergency response to the Covid-19 pandemic
2.	National Government	91 Million	The donations by the President whereby kshs 5 Billion has been shared among the 47 Counties as a response, from the Ministry of Health as an AIE and was sent officially through Acting Medical Services CCO. The second AIE is DANIDA fund but because of bureaucracy the fund is yet to be utilized.
3.	National Government (Ministry of Health)	50 million	There is 850 million kshs to be shared among the Counties of Mombsa, Kilifi, Kwale and Mandera. but the CS for Health directed the money to be shared among the Counties affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. Later the money was shared among 17 counties and Mandera County received 50 Million as new

			allocation however, this fund is yet to hit Mandera County account
4.	National Government	300 million	Pledge of 850 million to be shared by three hospitals, Mombasa Referral Hospital, Jaramogi Oginga Odinga hospital and Mandera County Referral Hospital however, the fund is yet to be released
5.	Budgetary Allocation FY2019/2020 (third supplementary)	282 Million	In the third supplementary a total of kshs 282 million was appropriated towards COVID-19 and the balance was raised by reorganizing the budget. The fund was appropriated as follows 122 Million for medical sup/lies, 120 for relief food and10 million for
6.	Mandera County Assembly FY2019/2020 (third supplementary)	60 Million	Reduction from County Assembly allocation in the Budget FY 2019/2020
	Mandera County Executive	3 million per month	On 16 th April 2020 the Head of Public Service issued Circular No 8/2020 on implementation of the voluntary salary cuts in the public service although this applied to national government officers Counties were allowed to apply the provision of the circular. In line with the Presidential initiative to offer a voluntary reduction of salaries of senior ranks of the National Executive, the County Governments have taken a step to mirror the efforts of the President and agreed on a reduction. Through the Council of Governors they came up with the following voluntary pay cut structure in the County Public Service which Mandera County Executive has effected Governor and deputy governor - 30% Staff in the job group T - 20% Staff in job group S - 15 % Staff in Job group R - 10% They also resolved that other cadres to voluntarily contribute whatever percentage that they deem fit and called upon the County Assemblies to follow suit and agree on a

Budgetary Allocation FY2019/2020 (third supplementary)	10million	figure as this is for the benefit of all. Budgetary Allocation FY2019/2020 (third supplementary) to provide water
TOTAL	813 Million	

4. Mandera County COVID-19 Emergency Fund Committee,

During the special sitting, the County Assembly approved Mandera County Covid-19 Emergency Response Fund Regulation, 2020.

The functions of the Committee are:

- (a) To consider and recommend the estimates of revenue to and expenditure from the Fund to the County Executive Committee for approval;
 - (b) To approve disbursements from the Fund;
 - (c) To receive, review and approve reports on the performance of the Fund;
- (d) To oversee the monitoring and evaluation of the programmes and activities under the Fund;
- (e) To approve the financial statements of the Fund prepared in accordance with the Act; and,
- (f) To perform any other function that shall be assigned by the County Executive Committee.

On 29th May 2020, Through Kenya gazette Supplement No 3710 H.E. the Governor gazetted the names of the Mandera County Covid-19 Emergency Fund Committee Pursuant to the Mandera County Covid-19 Emergency Response Fund Regulation, 2020.

The members include:-

Mr. Abdikadir Adan Abdulla
 Mrs. Fatuma Abdinoor
 Mr. Mohamed Gaiya
 Mr. Abdulla Issack Mohamed
 Member
 Member

Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo (Shimbir Fatuma): Point of order Mr. Deputy Speaker **Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Farah Abdi): What is your point of order honorable Wariyo?

Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo (Shimbir Fatuma): Mr. Deputy Speaker, we only have two sittings; the one we have today and the other one next week. I do not know how we will contribute to this report if the able chairman takes the whole day reading it depending on the security situation in Mandera County. Prayer time is ready and we may not have enough time to discuss this report.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): I think he is about to finish let him go to the observation and recommendation of the committee.

Hon. Abass Abdille (Nominated): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Hon. Wariyo is diligently following the report. I am at page 37 which is the committee's observation.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Okay committee observation.

Hon. Abass Abdille (Nominated): The Covid-19 pandemic situation in the country is highly evolving. The following observations by the committee reflects the situation and according to available information at the time of writing this report. In light of the situation, the Committee observed that;

- 1. The County Government has made commendable progress in ensuring formation of County response teams and task force, proper infrastructural layout, good level of preparedness and meeting the costs of treatment for COVID-19 patients at public hospitals.
- 2. Proper public awareness mechanisms were put in place through road shows and talk shows in the local FM stations using the local dialects.
- 3. Mandera County faces shortage of ICU facilities and ventilators. Although none of the COVID-19 patients required ICU care at the time of writing this report. There are only 10 ICU beds in the County with 6 at MCRH and 4 in Elwak Referral Hospital while there are 11 ventilators 7 in MCRH and 4 in Elwak Referral Hospital with the other Subcounty Hospitals having none. The Committee commends the County Government for hiring an ICU Consultant to train the staff and ensure effective operation of the ICUs.
- 4. With regards to providing an adequate compensation package for the motivation and welfare of frontline health workers, the Committee takes note of and lauds the efforts by the County Government, to designate specific quarantine and isolation facilities for health workers involved in the frontline response as well as allowances prescribed by SRC however, the staff are yet to get their dues due to lack of IPPD code in the HR system.
- 5. The Committee notes that at the time of writing this report, the Department of health had acquired 2000 PPEs which are not enough hence need to acquire more.
- 6. With regards to quarantine facilities, by the time of writing this report the Committee observed that according to the submissions by the Department of Health the County leased 11 private facilities in all the Sub-counties. However, the ones approved by the Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentists Council (KMPDC) could not be used because of their condition except KMTC. In addition, it was noted that whereas most of the public institutions approved by KMPDC are not largely fit for immediate use. However, with little renovation facilities such as Moi Girls secondary school and Teachers Training College could be used.
- 7. The County Government did commendable job in the management of the Pandemic for the following reasons by;
 - a. Designating ambulances for the transportation of Covid-19 patients from sub county Quarantine Centres to MCRH;
 - b. Conducting proper contact tracing through the surveillance teams;
 - c. Instituting proper reporting mechanisms including the setting up of hotlines in every Sub County;
 - d. Forming of multi-agency team deployed to all the sub-counties to contain the COVID-19 pandemic;
 - e. Training and capacity building of frontline health workers in the management of COVID-19;
 - f. Encouraging local institutions such MYP to innovation such as hand washing gadgets, tailoring of face masks.

Despite the commendable work done, the County underscored the following areas; -

- i. There is no sufficient supply and distribution of face masks to the public by the County Government.
- ii. Screening of persons at the county entry points was relaxed.
- iii. No ideal isolation wards in the sub counties and transportation of COVID-19 patients possess high risk
- iv. In Girisa quarantine facility, COVID-19 contact persons escaped from the facility, thus posing great danger to the residents of Rhamu town
- v. There is high level concentration of COVID-19 response in Mandera East as opposed to other sub counties.
- 8. It was noted that with MCRH was converted to COVID-19 isolation and response coordination centre therefore, essential services including immunization, MCH were interrupted.
- 9. The committee notes and applauds good gesture by the County leadership led by H.E. the Governor in conducting voluntary COVID-19 testing and the voluntary pay cuts by senior County officials to complement the president's good will intervention.
- 10. MANDWASCO has not disconnected their customers and provided water tracking to settlements not connected to their water supply system in compliance with the Ministry of water protocols and guidelines
- 11. The committee observed that the closure of religious and secular institutions and banning of social gatherings has helped contain the spread of the pandemic, social distancing is still real challenge especially in public places such as markets and other social joints,
- 12. It was noted that sporting grounds such as Geneva field, Haji Bullow open ground, livestock market field, Boys Town primary field and other fields play fields are still active and in use with youths playing football daily despite the government's directive, such activities pose high risk transmission.
- 13. The use of facemasks is credited having helped to slow down the spread of the disease and easiest precaution measures against the spread of corona virus as in the case of Japan, South Korea, China and other parts of Europe. However, the county residents have taken this basic step lightly and the authorities concerned are not enforcing the Government order.
- 14. The County Government has distributed food relief to over 19,000 households. However the food ration given to each household was small and the targeted population was low.
- 15. Despite the cessation of movement in Mandera County, the order is not fully enforced and this is likely to increase the rate of infections. Some of the residents are using private vehicles in and out of the County while some residents especially in Mandera town cross the border to Somalia to perform congregational prayers increasing the chances of spread.
- 16. There were concerns on the quality of the relief food distributed in certain centres of the county. However; the county health department has confirmed that the food distributed was fit for human consumption.
- 17. At the time of writing this report no money was paid in respect to expenses incurred towards response to COVID-19 Pandemic in the County as the funds were not released by the exchequer as confirmed by CECM Finance and Economic Planning.

- 18. The committee notes that there is duplication of activities with the department of Health, Municipality, department of Trade and MANDWASCO having fumigated and availed hand washing machines at market places and other public places.
- 19. The Committee observed that most of the quarantine facilities are located in residential areas and the behavior of some quarantined persons is wanting.
- 20. It was noted that due to the poor conditions of the public institutions approved as quarantine facilities by KMPDC, most of the COVID-19 funds are used in leasing private facilities, this is not sustainable should the pandemic persists and the situation might get out of hand.
- 21. Where the persons quarantined/isolated are the households bread winners the livelihoods of the families were disrupted and made them vulnerable
- 22. The prices of all commodities in the county hiked due to border closure, cessation of movement and reduced local production thus, residents lost their livelihoods and the cost of living increased.
- 23. It was established that 87% of COVID-19 patients were asymptomatic, there was no fatality, ICU admission and use of ventilators or other emergency equipment and all patients were in stable condition. At the time of writing this report there was only one patient in isolation who turned negative for first test and was waiting for validation test.
- 24. The Committee notes that at the time of writing this report the County Government acquired 190 beds against the recommended 300 beds.
- 25. Most of the support is from National Government with non-state actors/partners and other stakeholders providing minimal support to complement the effort of County Government despite the County located at triangular point with high risk of cross boarder transmission.
- 26. The County Emergency Response fund Committee was gazetted on 29th May 2020. The Ad-Hoc Committee could not engage them because at the time of preparation of this report the committee was at preparation stage. However, in the 2nd progress report the committee will report on their activities.
- 27. According to the County Health Department 727 tests were done with 34 at Wajir Regional Laboratory and 693 tests in KEMRI Nairobi Laboratory. This is testing due to lack of testing kits and equipment and depending on other testing centres is expensive although the use of Wajir regional laboratory is cheaper compared to the use of chattered flights.
- 28. The Department has taken long to operationalize government facilities such as Kamor Infectious Disease and other centres in the Sub-counties. The private quarantine facilities engaged by the Department are expensive and not cost effective.
- 29. The Committee noted that despite the economic hard times occasioned by the spread COVID-19 pandemic coupled with closure of boarder, the containment order by the president and the cessation of movement in and out of Mandera County, the County Government is still collecting cess, gate fees, parking fees and other fees and charges from the residents.
- 30. The floods from Daua River has interrupted water supply in Mandera East sub county and damaged all the five water intakes.

31. The committee notes with concern that despite increased rate of infections in the Country, the Country residents have relaxed the COVID-19 protocols. This is associated with cultural beliefs and the resident belief that COVID-19 is like any other common flu. Further, with the same communities living in the neighboring Countries of Somalia and Ethiopia and the porous borders there is high chances of cross-border transmission.

Based on the foregoing the Committee recommends;

- The up-scaling of community sensitization on COVID-19 by leveraging on religious, political and community leaders at all levels of society for the dissemination of wellpackaged COVID-19 public messages and more effort should be put on shunning of obsolete cultural beliefs especially in hard to reach areas such as the wards and other rural centres.
- 2. That, normal operations at MCRH should resume immediately so that essential and critical services are provided to the public and relocate isolation ward at MCRH to rehabilitation and Kamor centres.
- 3. That the National Government releases grant promised to Mandera County Government for purposes of facilitating the implementation of appropriate county-level COVID-19 response plans.
- 4. That the County Government uses the isolation/quarantine facilities approved by KMPDC and **NOT** private facilities in order to protect ordinary residents from catastrophic expenditure. The use of private facilities as quarantine is expensive and unsustainable as such their lease shall lapse at end of June 2020. However, County Government to continue providing for the accommodation, meals and transport of frontline health workers involved in the COVID 19.
- 5. The establishment of isolation wards in each sub county especially at sub county headquarters to prevent risk of transmission during COVID-19 patient(s).
- 6. The County Government should fast track the installation of power to Kamor Infectious Disease Centre and other sub county facilities.
- 7. Increasing of the isolation beds from the current190 to 300 beds to meet the national target for isolation centres.
- 8. The strengthening of cross border surveillance especially with Somalia through coordination mechanisms.
- 9. The DoH should acquire GeneXpert machine and supply of sample collection kits at MCRH and in the meantime the County should use Wajir Regional Laboratory which is cost effective.
- 10. That the DoH acquires more PPEs and shall ensure that all frontline health workers receive adequate PPEs and other protective equipment.
- 11. The County Government should increase the number of households and food ration per household in the subsequent relief foods distribution.
- 12. Where a family bread winner is quarantine/isolated the families should be given relief food and other supports.
- 13. The County should immediately terminate of contract of all hired vehicles used in response to COVID-19 and use government vehicles.

- 14. That the County Government waives charges such as market cess, parking fees, gate fees and other fees levied on small scale traders to cushion members of the public the adverse effect of the pandemic.
- 15. Strengthen COVID-19 response at the sub counties by allocating more ambulances and sub county health management
- 16. That, DoH should fast-track allowances and other benefits for the frontline health workers.
- 17. The County Government should continue with and strengthen the COVID-19 intervention measures by;
 - a) up-scaling COVID-19 supplies
 - b) Increase testing
 - c) Conduct more sensitization
 - d) Employ more medical and supportive staff to.
 - e) Enhancing surveillance
 - f) Supply public health commodities such as disinfectants and motorized pumps.
 - g) Fumigating all the public places
- 18. The security personnel to strictly enforce the national hygiene measures and ensure that the COVID-19 protocols and guidelines are observed, containment order properly implemented and the border entries points closed.
- 19. That, MANDWASCO continues in its efforts in addressing the water challenges in its area of jurisdiction and implement the guides and protocols issued by the National Ministry of Water.

Mr. Deputy Speaker, since this committee is to report subsequently bearing in mind that this is a progress report, I want to highlight to Members that a progress report is just an update of what is going on and it is not a final report. This is an update on what is going on the ground. So, it is done in the Senate, it is done in National Parliament.

The content of this report covers only Mandera East which was the main COVID-19 pandemic response centre. However, in the second progress the Committee has planned to;

- 1. Visit the Sub-counties and report on the status of quarantine facilities
- 2. Engage and report on the activities of the County Emergency response Committee
- 3. How the fund set aside for the pandemic is utilized
- 4. Continue to monitor measures taken by the County Government in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, and the implementation of the recommendations as adopted by the County Assembly.
- 5. Finally, as resolved by the County Assembly, the committee will submit the quarterly progress report, and eventually shall table its final report.

Mr. Deputy Speaker, it has a lot of annexures, Members can go through for themselves. I now request honorable Kulow to second me.

Hon. Kulow Alio (Rhamu): Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker. I want to second the report and I want to say the following. This is just a progress report, it is just meant to inform the House on how the County Government is actually prepared in terms of dealing with Covid-19. As a

committee, we have undertaken a lot of steps in making sure that this honorable House gets the right information. We have called several stakeholders to shade light on what they have done and they have given us enough information. We have actually annexed most of that information at the back of the report.

I want to say this, despite the county having allocated quite lamp sum of money of 800 Million, I want to confirm to this House that money has not been used yet and the body of the report is yet to come in our second phase where we are going to do our rightful duty when that money hits the account. The committee that has been gazetted is yet---

Hon. Abdullahi Yunis (Morothile): Point of order Mr. Deputy Speaker. There is no quorum.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Clerk, confirm whether there is quorum? Sergeant-at-arm, ring the bell for 5 minutes.

(Quorum bell rang)

(Quorum obtained)

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Hon. Kulow, you can continue.

Hon. Kulow Alio (Rhamu): I was saying that over 800 million has been allocated to this COVID-19 fund. The Committee got their orientation last week.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Hon. Kulow, you can continue.

Hon. Mohamed Ibrahim (Guticha): Mr. Deputy Speaker, is it in order for honorable Member for Morothile to make sure that this report is not debated? You know this is a House of rules and procedures and we cannot be vindictive of what we are doing in the sense that you bring unnecessary adjournment of the House by citing lack of quorum. Mr. Deputy Speaker, I seek your indulgence in calling the honorable members to order.

Thank you.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): I think honorable Abdullahi Yunis was in order and if he raised that there is no quorum, we have no option but to get quorum. Now, I think we have quorum. Allow the honorable member on the floor to continue and say what he wants to say.

Hon. Kulow Alio (Rhamu): Mr. Deputy Speaker. I was saying despite over 800 million being allocated to this COVID-19 fund, we have passed that regulation the other day and the committee received preliminary orientation last week. So, in our subsequent report is where the back stops; where we are going to do our rightful duties. As a committee, what we have done is that we only tabled the layout or how prepared the county in terms of Covid-19 preparedness. We are yet to go to the Sub-Counties. We are going to issue the second report along with how the fund has been used. But so far so good and the county is doing well.

I second.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Thank you, very much.

(Question proposed)

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Honorable Member representing Morothile.

Hon. Abdullahi Yunis (Morothile): Thank you, for giving me this opportunity to discuss this Semi- Progress Report. The headline of the report reads "Ad Hoc Committee on COVID-19 Situation in Mandera County" and not Mandera East as they have said. Once you say Mandera County and you report only on Mandera East then that is unfair. I have been waiting for the progress report from all over the county and not only Mandera East.

I think the report is too big and we need time to read. We have been given this document this morning. I ask for more time so that we can understand this report. This report has a lot of problems and it only sheds light on Mandera East. We have been expecting how 813 million has been used and I do not see any table on how the money has been used.

The committee was formed on 4th May, 2020 and the committee was expected to do a progress report within 30 days. I think they have exceeded their time limit. Allow me to finish.

(Hon. Abass stood at his place)

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Hon. Abass Abdille, Allow the honorable member to finish on what he wants to say.

Hon. Abdullahi Yunis (Morothile): For 30 days even if they were given extension, I think they were given 14 days and you can count the days. In short, we need more time to understand this voluminous report. There are a lot of issues missing even in Mandera East. I ask for your permission so that we can discuss this report next week on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Thank you.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Thank you, honorable member representing Morothile. Yesterday, there was a Notice of Motion for this report. From yesterday to now, I think the honorable members had a lot of time to read it. The other thing is, it is true that the committee has been given 30 days to report back to the House. Two weeks ago they requested for more time and the Speaker gave them two weeks. This is the right time to discuss this report.

One thing that is in our mind is that this is progress report and not final report. A progress report is an updating report. Hon. Yakub.

Hon. Yakub Hassan (Derkhale): Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker. From the look of the report, if you look at the volume and the pages, from the normal eyes, it looks good but if you look at the content then there is no much. If you closely look at this report, even the final report or the Annual Report of a specific committee should not be so huge. And what of a progress report of one month?

Secondly, the committee is telling us that when they were collecting information and going to Isolation ward, they are trying to look at the fence where the people are staying and trying to communicate behind the fence. This is a case of fence seaters. These are honorable members who are members of a committee and they are investigating issues. And in this case, they are not even allowed to go inside. The government has the ability to give these honorable members PPE to go inside and talk and see what is inside there. Here the honorable members are telling us that they are fence seaters. So, it does not make sense. I have seen and heard the report that they are recommending for a machine for testing COVID-19. The gene expert reading machine is in this hospital for the last 15 years. It needs is a simple reagent that somebody can even buy from his pocket sincerely speaking. Before I joined politics in 2013 the gene expert machine was in this hospital. If you go there it is still there. The committee is not aware that gene expert machine is

in this hospital. They are going round standing on the fence, looking at issues there and bringing report which does not make sense. They are telling us the government has received over 800 million shillings which can move the earth and they are not telling us how the money was spent but they are telling us the money was received and used.

Hon. Kulow Alio (Rhamu): Point of information Mr. Deputy Speaker.

Hon. Yakub Hassan (Derkhale): Give me time Mr. Deputy Speaker.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Allow him to give us information. What is your information?

Hon. Kulow Alio (Rhamu): Mr. Deputy Speaker, the Hon. Member is misleading the House. The honourable Chair said the 800 Million has been received and up to date no single shilling has been used and this is what the committee reported. Therefore, he should not say money has been received and used when we have not reported how it has been used. We are telling the honourable member it has not been used and he is telling us the money has been used. Is he not misleading the House which against Standing Order 106? I need your indulgence.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): The report is very clear honourable Yakub. They said that money was used.

Hon. Shaban Hassan (Ashabito): Point of information Mr. Deputy Speaker. It is true that we are very ambitious as a county. The county did not receive 800 Million but 208 Million which we passed in the Supplementary Budget; 150 Million for relief, 120 Million for medical supplies towards covid-19 and 34 Million as stipend for frontline medical personnel.

Hon. Yakub Hassan (Derkhale): Thank you Hon. Chair for Education and the Ad Hoc Committee.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): He is the Chair for Health.

Hon. Yakub Hassan (Derkhale): Thank you Hon. Chair for Health and a Member for Ad Hoc Committee for Covid-19. Mr. Deputy Speaker, are we following the information we are given or we are discussing the information that we have received? In this report on the top is how money was received and used---

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Which page?

Hon. Yakub Hassan (Derkhale): The donation received by County Government in cash not even in cheque. Unless they tell us this is a typing error and we will accept and move on. In this case we have only read 0.5% of this report because we have just received one hour ago. Give us more time to read because next week we do not have any business. Let us discuss this report in detail and come up with very good conclusion.

Thank you.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Hon. Wariyo.

Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo (Shimpir-Fatuma): Mr. Deputy Speaker, this is the first report we are getting from the Ad Hoc. The Ad Hoc Committee has been formed by the blessings of this House only that they have failed to report within the 30 days required by this House. In that regard if the House gave them an allowance of 30 days to report and they said the committee is expected to table a progress report and thereafter and subsequently table the final report within 6 months. We have to accept that the committee that represents this House on Covid-19 failed in the first place to report back within the time frame required. This in itself will have legal implication because they have been formed legally by the leave of the House and they failed to report. That failure has to come clear.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): I want to make a correction Hon. Wariyo.

Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo (Shimpir-Fatuma): Before you correct---

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): We gave them one month ---

Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo (Shimpir-Fatuma): Before you correct---

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Please listen to what the Speaker is saying.

Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo (Shimpir-Fatuma): Mr. Deputy Speaker you have not even heard.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): We give them one month to report but they requested more time and the Speaker allowed them to report within two weeks. I think this is the right time to report. You have the floor Hon. Wariyo.

Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo (Shimpir-Fatuma): Mr. Deputy Speaker, one thing is shameful, if members---

Hon. Mohamed Ibrahim (Guticha): Point of order Mr. Deputy Speaker.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Yes Hon. Mohamed.

Hon. Mohamed Ibrahim (Guticha): The Member for Shimpir is not properly dressed. He is dressed in jeans contrary to the Standing Order and he should be removed.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Is it true that you are not properly dressed?

Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo (Shimpir-Fatuma): Mr. Deputy Speaker, only my wife can confirm the clothes that I wear.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): You are out of order.

Hon. Mohamed Ibrahim (Guticha): Point of order!

Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo (Shimpir-Fatuma): Mr. Deputy Speaker, I need to be heard on the allegation that was levelled against me.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): You are out of order! Please get back to your seat. You are out of order! Get back to your seats all of you.

Hon. Mohamed Ibrahim (Guticha): We are not his wives Mr. Deputy Speaker.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Please get back to your seats first.

Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo (Shimpir-Fatuma): I want to be allowed. Some body has raised a point of order which I need to verify.

Hon. Abdiaziz Dakat (Arabia): The Hon. Member is properly dressed.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Hon. Abdiaziz and Wariyo, take your seats. Hon. Wariyo, you are out of order to say that only your wife can confirm your dress.

Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo (Shimpir-Fatuma): Yes it is true.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Order Hon. Members! The dress code of this House is known and jeans is not allowed.

Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo (Shimpir-Fatuma): I am not wearing jeans.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Clerk, confirm.

Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo (Shimpir-Fatuma): You asked and you want to rule. I am dressed properly. Chair, you need to be fair. This member belongs to this committee and he does not want me to contribute.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): You are not properly dressed, please walk out.

Hon. Ibrahim Ali Wariyo (Shimpir-Fatuma): I am properly dressed and I will not move out. Hiyo ni yako! I am properly dressed. Hiyo ni yako!

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Please, walk out. The Standing Order is very clear. The procedure is very clear. Please, take your seats. Order Hon. Members! The dress code of this House is known. We will not allow any Member to go against the dress code. If an Hon. Member raises a point of order and say the Member on the floor is not properly dressed, I can only confirm from the clerk. I do not confirm from Members. If he refuses what the Speaker is saying, we will use Standing Order 108. Hon. Member, with due respect, walk out.

(Loud consultation)

Hon. Jimale Abdi (Guba): Mr. Deputy Speaker, allow me to say something.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Order Hon. Member! Please, walk out! Please walk out. Get back to your seat Hon. Minority Leader. Order Hon. Member! Order Hon. Member, we need to behave honourably. This House is a House of rules and procedures and we cannot just behave the way we want. Hon. Members, let us come back to the report, put the question and finish the report. We will not take it to next week. Now what we are discussing is the report and not the issue of dress code. Hon. Minority, you want to discuss the report?

Hon. Jimale Abdi (Guba): Yes Mr. Deputy Speaker. I rise to support the report. This is a progress report and it is not the final report of the Ad Hoc Committee. The Ad Hoc Committee was formed in this House and they are not illegal. I remember very well that there time was extended by the Speaker.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Order Hon. Members!

Hon. Jimale Abdi (Guba): Mr. Deputy Speaker, let me finish. I am on the floor.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Order Hon. Members!

Hon. Jimale Abdi (Guba): Mr. Deputy Speaker, put the question.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Please, get back to your seats. Hon. Members, you are all out of order. You have taken enough time to discuss the report. I will, therefore, put the question.

(Question put and agreed to)

ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Farah Abdi): Hon. Members, we now adjourn the House to next week Tuesday, 30th June at 2.30 p.m.