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MAKUENI COUNTY ASSEMBLY

OFFICIAL REPORT

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The House met at 9.30 a.m.

[Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Take your seats.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Honourable Members, I would like to make this communication to the House that the Committee on appointments would be expected to vet the nominees, on Tuesday, 2nd at 9 a.m. So make sure you are there. The other Committee Members can continue with the Sittings on Tuesday, Wednesday until we meet on Thursday. So as the House convenes on Thursday the other Committees can continue. Thank you.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Honourable Members, I call upon the Chairman, Budget and Appropriations Committee to give a Notice of Motion.

MAKUENI COUNTY APPROPRIATION BILL PUBLICATION PERIOD

Hon. Chairman of Appropriations Committee: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. I propose that pursuant to the Provisions of Standing Order No. 117, this Assembly resolves to reduce the Publication period of the Makueni County Appropriation Bill, Country Assembly Bills No. 69 of 2013 from 7 days to 1 day.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): I call upon the Chairman of the Budget and Appropriations Committee to move the Procedural Motion.

Hon. Chairman of the Budget and Appropriations Committee: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I think I need guidance on this.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Honourable Member, (?) of Procedural Motion that the Chairman now will move that Motion, that pursuant to this and this; just move the Motion as it is now; just as it is.

Hon. Chairman of Budget and Appropriations Committee: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. Pursuant Appropriation of Standing Order No.117, this Assembly resolves to increase the appropriation period of Makueni County Appropriation Bill, County Assembly Bill No. 69 of 2013 from 7 days to 1 day. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Yes. Get a seconder.

Hon. Member: Thank you Mr. Speaker, because of the urgency of the business at hand, I take this opportunity to second that pursuant to the provisions of the Standing Order No.117, this Assembly resolves the reviews, the publications of the Makueni County Appropriation Bill; that No. 69 of 2013 from 7 days to 1 day. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you Members. I propose that pursuant to the provision of Standing Order No. 117| this Assembly resolves to

reduce the publication Bill of the Makueni Appropriation Bill No. 69 of 2013 from 7 days to 1 day and I want to put a question on this. I want to put a question on that proposal to the Members.

(Question put and agreed to)

(Applause)

BILL(S)
First Reading

**MAKUENI COUNTY APPROPRIATION BILL, COUNTY ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 69
OF 2013**

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Honourable Members, I call upon the Mover of the Bill to move it or to read for the First Reading.

Hon. Member: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I think it is the Clerk who is supposed to do that. Proceed.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): The Honourable Member, I call upon the Mover to move the Bill for the Second Reading.

BILL(S)

Second Reading

**MAKUENI COUNTY APPROPRIATION BILL, COUNTY ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 69
OF 2013**

Hon. Member: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. The Makueni County Appropriation Bill No. 69 of 2013 has proposed that in the recurrent expenditure we are going to spend 3,663,065. Development expenditure: we are going to spend 2,186,318,963; thus giving us a grand total of 5,879,982,028. Mr. Speaker, Sir, it is important to know that we have a deficit of 958,780,097. Mr. Speaker, therefore, I believe that if we debate this thing and just continue, it will be prudent for the Members to discuss it and then get to know exactly when it is a deficit, why we have put so much money in the recurrent expenditure and why we have 2 billion also to the (?) expenditure. Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): I call upon a seconder.

Hon. Member: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I beg to support.

Hon. Stephen Mutunga Ngelu (Speaker): Thank you (?) that the Mover is supposed to take the House and move the Motion again and recall the seconder. So the Mover, move the Motion again for the seconder.

Hon. Member: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I beg to move that the Makueni County Appropriation Bill No. 69 of 2013 being now read at a second time and I beg for somebody to second.

Hon. Member: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I beg to second that the Appropriation Bill 69 of 2013 is adopted.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): So Members can now debate on the Bill. Honourable Members, you can debate on the Bill now. It is open to you for debate. Yes, Honourable Munyao.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. Mr. Speaker, I have noted that in this Bill, the Department of Health has been given 1,088,187,925. Mr. Speaker, Sir, if you look at that one very carefully, we have found that most of that money is going to the Wards and specific care must be given of (?) and some very important (?) Mr. Speaker, I propose that the amount which has been put on the (?) and education from the part of ECD, (?) an ECD Institute, building an ECD Institute in this County be removed to the Health Sector so that we can strengthen their own Department. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you *Mheshimiswa* Munyao. *Mheshimiwa* Ndungi.

Hon. Ndungi Jonathan Mutua: Mr. Speaker, Sir, I would like to inform this House that moving funds from ECD to the health sector would be to strike out that sector because education is a dynamic sector world over and one of our co-mandates in the devolved Government is education in ECD and polytechnics and of course it would be the pride of the community because parents are already over-

burdened by paying fees and other requirements. I am not under playing the part played by health but I think that would be suicidal and it would be detrimental in our Wards because the communities are waiting for us to employ people. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you *Mheshimiwa* Ndungi. *Mheshimiwa* Malinda.

Hon. Malinda Paul Muli Mutua: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I rise again on that issue of ECD. Mr. Speaker, an ECD Institute would be a crucial institute for the County and the County, apart from training people will be able also to get revenue from the people who come from outside to come and study in the ECD's. So I do not think it would be wise for this House to disregard the fact that we need an ECD Institute in the County. Again, if we were to transfer money to the Health Sector and specifically to the District Hospital which I believe again the National Government will also be funding the same Institute. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you. *Mheshimiwa* Keli.

Hon. Musyoka Christant Keli: Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity to contribute on this project. It is important that we debate this well and it is also that this is our first budget and it is our (?) and it must come with its challenges but I would like to commend the work that so far the budget committee and the whole department is arriving at a very relatively well balanced budget. Looking at the summary of the report and it is evident for the County I have noticed that they are relatively between the ranges of 17 to 19; the highest Ward having gotten 20 million; that is Kiteta/Kisau and Waia being 20 million and I think Kilungu with 20 million. That is the highest while the lowest is 17. I would like the Members to take it positively that it will depend mostly on the project that is being done. As we implement or we wait for the Assembly to implement, our work should be taken seriously as the House as the oversight.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Order, Order, Members. *Mheshimiwa* Mwenze is entering the House and is not giving respect to the House. Thank you Members. Continue *Mheshimiwa* Keli.

Hon. Musyoka Christant Keli: Yes. Thank you Mr. Speaker. So therefore having noted that every Ward at least has been allocated some funds, it is my

humble request to Members that we take our work seriously to make sure that these projects are implemented as proposed. But Mr. Speaker, we should also note that there are other allocations in the headquarters' office. We should not concentrate on the allocations in the Ward alone and forget that the headquarter projects are also supposed to serve the people. So I would like and I would request all the Committees in the whole region to device ways of making sure that all these projects are implemented as proposed. It is important also to work with the relevant departments like the Department of education, human, gender and social Services which has been allocated and has about 25 million to spend. Sometimes this department of gender and social services is sometimes overlooked. I would think that a town like Makueni or Wote which does not have a proper cultural centre or even a proper stadium, it is important we look at the allocations that are put there so that we come with the proper stadiums, proper cultural centres in fact to attract the investors so that we do not concentrate on those traditional things of cultural practices but we also attract investors through tourism and other things. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you. *Mheshimiwa* Musau.

Hon. Member: (Point of Order, Mr. Speaker).

Hon. Musau Bernard Muthoka: Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity--

Hon. Member: Point of Order Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Musau Bernard Muthoka: --to contribute.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Order, Order in the House.

Hon. Member: Point of Order.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Order.

Hon. Member: Mr. Speaker, the Honourable Member has insisted on taking this House for granted because we gave him an opportunity yesterday and has insisted in coming to the House not properly dressed.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Honourable Members, *Mheshimiwa* Musau, you need to dress decently now in this House.

Hon. Musau Bernard Muthoka: Mr. Speaker, thank you very much and I want to appreciate the contribution by my colleague but I would wish to get further clarification from him because according to me I am dressed well and if there is anything that he feels that I should have he can provide it.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Honourable Member, it has been a tradition in this House that if you are a suit then you are supposed to be in a tie but that is not written anywhere but it is a tradition in this House. So, *Mheshimiwa* can you put on a tie please? Put on a tie please *Mhesimiwa* Musau.

Hon. Musau Bernard Muthoka: Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Honourable Members, you can continue. Any other Member who wants to contribute on the Motion?

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: (*Inaudible-Off-Mic*).

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): No, *Mheshimiwa* Munyao, unless you are replying you cannot speak twice in one-- You will reply at the end as the Chair. *Mheshimiwa* Mwenze.

Hon. Mwenze John Muli: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir, I would also like to thank you for what you have done to get the Bill in a place required by the law but then Mr. Speaker, Sir, the budget seems to be quite optimistic. Where there is an issue especially with the people within the disability and special crop of people, the disabilities and the others, Mr. Speaker, I wish you could have allocated a particular amount of money that is specific for the people with disabilities or for the people who have special needs because it is not clearly defined exactly when because we have chair of the Youth, the men and the women but the disabilities seem to have been an oversight whereby the amount specifically is well captured in our budget and to where exactly they are going to benefit from. Otherwise I support the budget. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you Members. Thank you *Mheshimiwa* Musau. Now you are decently dressed in the House. We appreciate that. Thank you *Mheshimiwa* Mwenze. *Mheshimiwa* Kavita.

Hon. Kavita Josiah Wambua: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir and Members of the Assembly. First of all let me appreciate the expenditures like you have presented and I will also be taking into consideration given that Makueni County must develop from where we are, these are the initial stages and then actually in 5 years we should have moved further. My concern is very little. I would wish and to be (?) Mr. Speaker, Sir, we must feel that the budget that has a deficit I would wish maybe through the Chairman of Budget and Appropriation Committee maybe we would want to know how or if he is executing, how will he be able to fund the deficit such that everything will have been met. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you *Mheshimiwa*. *Mheshimiwa* Musau.

Hon. Musau Bernard Muthoka: Thank you Mr. Speaker and the House at large. Mr. Speaker, I stand to support this budget and Mr. Speaker, I think we all appreciate that budget making is a process and budget is also a technical document and I would ask that the Honourable Members that because this budget has gone through the due procedure up to this level, this is a budget that was handled by very technical people, technical indeed that we trust and Mr. Speaker, it appears in changing or failure in this budget may lead to a lot of imbalance in this budget. Mr. Speaker I was trying to look at all the segments. In fact if you find that a Department like the Department of Works, you will find that a town like Wote here is given a lot of money, you find that we all appreciate because we all live here, this is the headquarters and a lot has to be done. You also find that if a lot of money is given to a town like Wote here, if you look at the other Departments, you will also see a lot of technical balance that has been done meaning that even in the other shares, they made sure that this town gets very little and Mr. Speaker, I think by passing this budget the way it is and making sure that we execute our duty of oversight, Mr. Speaker, that is going to help the implementation of this budget. Again, Mr. Speaker, I want to say that this budget making and the project that is in this budget are actually views by the common man, of the *mwananchi* and if we go ahead to make changes at this level, if we go ahead to make alterations of allocations here at this level, this may affect the projects as they were given by the common man. I think by so-doing, we may not be doing a lot of good but Mr.

Speaker, as I finish, I want to agree with what the Member who has just left the Floor has said that he is concerned about the deficit.

Mr. Speaker, I want to say that the deficit that we are talking about in this budget is a serious deficit in terms of figures. Mr. Speaker, it is the responsibility of this House, it is the responsibility of the relevant Committee, it is the responsibility of all of us to make sure that we look for ways and means of bridging the gap because Mr. Speaker, a budget that has a deficit, we are to go ahead and show how we are going to get this money. Mr. Speaker, the deficit that we are talking about here is almost close to 1 million shillings and one million shillings is a lot of money. Mr. Speaker, not unless we look for very serious sources of getting money to bridge up the gap, Mr. Speaker, at the end of the day even before the end of this financial year, we shall be in problems. Mr. Speaker, I am urging my colleagues to put much more effort as we pass this budget looking for ways and means of raising this money. Our local sources, Mr. Speaker, if you look at the budget and also looking at our County, the target of 200 hundred million is far much beyond what we can exert pressure. If we exert pressure on the local source, Mr. Speaker, I want to tell you, our people will make noise because it means much more levy to our people and Mr. Speaker, I think the only way we can bridge up this gap is through donors and external borrowing. If there is any where we can get access to external borrowing, I think that could be a major source where we can get this money. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you *Mheshimiwa* Musau. I think now we have come to almost the end. We have only two minutes for the debate. So let us go quickly now. So we have three Members, so each Member will-- Four Members-- So 30 seconds each. 30 seconds. *Mheshimiwa* Ngovi.

Hon. Ngovi Jackson Kimanthi: *Asante Mheshimiwa* Speaker. Mimi nasimama kuunga mkono makadio haya katika Bunge hii, katika mambo ya ugatuzi katika Makueni County. Nilipoenda kupekua, pekua mwezi wa sita, wakati huo yameitwa Mwegi, Sector zile zinaumuhimu kubwa kama sector ya maji, niliangalia wale ambawo wanaketi na kuandaa ya mijini na (?) kwa sababu wamenguza kila sector kulingana na umuhimu wake na hususa sector ya maji. Hii maji unajua ni (?) katika bara yetu ama katika jimbo yetu. Kwa hivyo, Bwana Speaker, hili sio naunga mkono kwa malipo yoyote katika ma hesabu ambae yamefanywa ili kuchangia makadio haya na wenzangu, kiongozi ninayo heshimu sana bwana, wa walio wengi katika Assembly hii amesema ya kwamba hizi pesa zimetengwa katika shule za teketea zipunguzwe. Ningemuomba atoe hayo na tuweke hio kwa sababu pia,

nikikumbuka vizuri Bwana Speaker, ufunguo wa maisha yetu ni elimu nan dio mmoja yapo ya mambo ambayo ni yetu inatilia mkazo zaidi. Niliwakikishia pia watoto katika jimbo letu amepata matuzo order kutokea teketea kufikia kituo kiki kuu. Hayo ndio maono ya waliopanga na si pia kama viongozi.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): *Mheshimiwa*, your final view.

Hon. Ngovi Jackson Kimanthi: I have finalized Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you. *Mheshimiwa* Mutuku.

Hon. Maseka Sammy Mutuku: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I want to support and I will first say the work of that Appropriation Committee and the entire House. Mr. Speaker, Sir, I stand here to support this Bill, this Appropriation Bill. Mr. Speaker, both of the sectors like health and water, transport, maintenance have been highly considered and Mr. Speaker, that is why the County should support this Bill because it has shown a lot of proper distribution. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Any other Member? Yes, *Mheshimiwa* Mutua.

Hon. Muthoka Jonathan Mutua: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I stand here to support this Bill of the County budget for 2013/2014 and to say that it has taken long to prepare this and even you can see that it has taken our weekends and holidays to come and make sure it goes through. What I want to suggest is that out of these projects which are proposed here, I am advocating for equal distribution within our regions so that they are not centralized in one region and ignoring some other regions. I think there is over fear between County Assembly Members we should be very critical and very careful on that one. Number two: I want to say that the suggestion by the Chairman of the County Committee to remove the money from this college, from this ECD training College to Health Sector, it was not the budget the way I saw it (?). I am aware that we have a lot of certificate and diploma holders of ECD trained teachers crawling on the market. It does not mean that the money will be tasked on the grading of the ECD teachers. No. He meant the college. He said the right time to start this college now here. Can this money be put in a health sector which actually even if you look at those centres that have been proposed by *wananchi* on the field there we have not been able to allocate funds to the number of health centres that we are supposed to (?). So I think I share the same

sentiments with him that health sector should be added more and this college can be referred the next year's budget because it is a college and these funds should not be concentrated at Wote. It can even go to any other Centre like Mtito Andei, Emali or any other area and Mr. Speaker; I want to extend my support to sentiments expressed by Honourable Musau on the collection of revenue to promote our revenue here. I suggest that we embark more on Wote because up to now it has not qualified to have a County Manager because it is under-developed. If we develop Wote by infrastructure, tarmacking the roads, whereby later on we can charge parking fees and make revenue from that one, I think it is important, drainage, sewage and we are facing an area where sewage disposal will be constructed so that the budget of our County will go up. This is what I mean. So Mr. Speaker, I stand to support the budget. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you. One more Member. *Mheshimiwa Mutuku.*

Hon. Mutuku Martin Muli: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I stand on the Floor to support the Motion and I am saying this is the first Motion of the Makueni County and I have gone through the Bill. It is very nice and we should be much careful because they are saying the issue of education, (?) and also some of the (?) we are building a community for (?), let us have a modern class and (?) and most of the community (?) they are just (?) and activities and sometimes I have a (?) by which I could, hereby the (?) community they take the business of the day under a tree until when they get tired, the lesson are not done. The children they are dispersed and they come after (?) with the rain. So if we can have everything in the different Wards because that is also Makueni County. So (?) when you are here and this is being done, it is also good to do a (?) of a college class. Let us build a class for young kids and even appraise materials when we enhance all facilities because a tout in Westlands, Nairobi is the same tout at Kikumbulyu. So when it comes to an issue of imitating a building of a community, we come with a professional BQ officer. We shall build just a class because (?) a few people are getting a salary of 50, 000 thousand. What we 50,000 thousand then we can talk about a class-room we go back to the time of anarchy whereby we just go build a normal class with no modification. So it is not about unity. Let us (?). Let us build (?). Mr. Speaker, I can say because we need support I am also seeing it from my Ward, Mavindini. I am seeing allocation of specifics (?) and you know we cannot be building this (?). So we might have a (?) a place whereby there is also pastoralists (?) to Malili. So we are saying we want a change of (?) and the allocation of (?) and we also have water

there. I cannot see why we start by (?) it because we are not cattle (?) and you know it is not good to have a (?). Previously (?) fresh dam. So Mr. Speaker, I am just to support and give a contribution and Mr. Speaker you know we have time (?)

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Yes.

Hon. Mutuku Martin Muli: Mr. Speaker--

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Time is a--

Hon. Mutuku Martin Muli: Mr. Speaker, (?) because if the House can make policies because they (?) and they also advice all the same. Let me not be (?) Mr. Speaker because the time (?) that Mr. Speaker--

(Laughter)

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you *Mheshimiwa*. Just two more Members. *Mheshimiwa* Maseka and then Mwalali.

Hon. Maseka Sammy Mutuku: Thank you Mr. Speaker for this opportunity and I would want to say that I probably want to say that I am supporting the budget report. It is a budget that actually if it is appropriated properly it will never be termed as a paper budget. It will be a proper budget which will be presented the way it is. Only what I have to say is that Mr. Speaker, yesterday as we were here in the House, I was actually angry very much when I saw the allocation which Wote got that Wote Ward did not get water. It was actually worth zero only to notice later that there was something that was set aside for Wote Project Water. That is now when I cooled down and Mr. Speaker that is why I am saying I am supporting the Funded Appropriation Bill, Kenya 2014. Mr. Speaker, I am for the opinion that the ECD College, we note the budget for as some of the two Members have said because when I just look at the County budget I normally see a lot of buildings which are just lying idle and I see those actually constructing other colleges, let us first get the houses that are being vandalized, people stealing materials from the buildings so that we can make money or renovate one to be a college and I believe so, it will mean that we will save money that will actually go to the hospital because we cannot say that when our people are sick we are leading people. We as leaders cannot lead people who are not healthy and therefore Mr. Speaker, I am saying that the money that will be spent or that will be actually-- That was supposed to build a

college goes to the Ministry of Health so that we may facilitate the Ministry of Health (?) that we take our people to the hospital when they are referred to other hospitals. With water actually, Mr. Speaker, what I am also saying is that, when I look at it and the paper that we were given yesterday (?) actually water, I found that if she was going to be a lady and that there is a (?) zero, so actually because I did not have a paper and since that is the new area that was actually (?) to be leading is that this (?) so what we are doing is that we are actually are availing this money or merely support it, the Party Leader actually (?) consider that there is water because Kitui is a place where there is a lot of problem of water actually Mr. Speaker and also--

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): *Mheshimiwa*, your time--

Hon. Mutuku Martin Muli: --what I was saying--

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): *Mheshimiwa*, your time is over.

Hon. Mutuku Martin Muli: It is over Mr. Speaker but just a second and I am now finishing. The *jua kali* at Wote (?) as we allocated little money, that is 3 million and I would request this House to accord me so that we may make 4 million so that we can buy land and build the *jua kali*. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you. Last Member. Just thirty seconds *Mheshimiwa* Mwalali.

Hon. Mathuku Bensely Mwalali: Thank you Mr. Speaker for this chance. I stand first and foremost to support the Bill and as I contribute Mr. Speaker, I want to make some correction on my side as pertains the agriculture sector. Agriculture sector where it had paid, it is Kasikeu Ward; it is still in (?) for orientation along Athi River. Let it be noted. Mr. Speaker, I concur with my fellow colleagues when they tend to say that the budget making is a process and more so it is a process which needs a lot of consultation because I suggest supposing there were some consultations, some issues arising with the Members would not be there for instance a Member from Mavindini Ward has stood here and said that a dam is still to be constructed adjacent to Meta dam which is almost at the starting point. I would suggest that Mr. Speaker, in future, when this process is being done let it there be a lot of consultations so that we may indicate where a lot of voice should be emphasized on. Mr. Speaker, I stand here as the Chair of Gender, Youth and

Community Development and when you look at the Parties, the provision, the budget for the Sector is almost 69 million and some amounts on top. I do not stand to say that some (?) will be done but in future I know from areas we represent there are youths, we got the women groups in those areas, let this sector be looked when we are allocating some finances because I think this amount allocated for the sector will not cater for the high demands the groups have. Mr. Speaker, I beg to support the Bill and it is well with me. Thank you very much.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you Members. I think we have now to (?) to the Wote, I call upon--

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: (*Inaudible-Off-Mic interjection*).

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Sorry.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: There is something that I think should be corrected.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): You have already talked *Mheshimiwa*, contributed to the Bill.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: I think we should just leave it that way.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Yes.

Hon. Musau Bernard Muthoka: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Thank you indeed. Mr. Speaker, if you look at the headquarter project, the headquarter projects are not actually a benefit a particular area where actually it is supposed to be taken. In fact the headquarter project should be a project for all of us. But Mr. Speaker, I want to draw your attention to No.31 where it says, it refers to recording artists as formulated (?). Mr. Speaker, the allocation there is about 20 million. Now, being a headquarter project, Mr. Speaker, this should not be directed to a specific point. It should be for a recording artist, full stop but when we direct it, then this budget will have 20 million directed to a particular station in a particular Ward and that is quite unfair. Mr. Speaker, this is money that can be used to promote artists in the entire--

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): What is your Point of Order *Mheshimiwa*.

Hon. Musau Bernard Muthoka: --in the entire Ward.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Mr. Speaker, it does not make-- It is actually out of Order for the Honourable Member to bring such a change at this comment when he actually was meeting the budget Committee and contributed at that time. It is actually becoming funny when more Member of that Committee are proposing changes in the House. That means they were not participating and the whole budget seems to be in a flop because they are the ones who are now proposing changes in this House. I think he is Out of Order. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Musau Bernard Muthoka: Mr. Speaker, is it in order for the Honourable Member--

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Order. Order, Honourable Members.

Hon. Musau Bernard Muthoka: --to say that I was speaking?

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Order. Order, Order!

Hon. Musau Bernard Muthoka: Is it in order Mr. Speaker?

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Order in the House.

Hon. Musau Bernard Muthoka: Mr. Speaker, I beg for the withdrawal of that statement from that Honourable Member.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you.

Hon. Musau Bernard Muthoka: And Mr. Speaker, with all due respect, as he withdraws--

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Honourable Member--

Hon. Musau Bernard Musau: --I stand my ground headquarter projects should not be directed for particular projects or particular Ward.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you *Mheshimiwa* Musau.

Hon. Mwenze John Muli: Mr. Speaker, there is nothing to withdraw because we do not have communications as long as that is the Budget Committee. So if it was not considered then he was late. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): *Mheshimiwa*.

Hon. Mwenze John Muli: Information.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Information to whom? Information to whom Honourable Mwenze?

Hon. Mwenze John Muli: To Honourable Musau and the Majority Leader.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Okay.

Hon. Mwenze John Muli: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. First, I would like to inform the two Members that the projects at Malili FM is because they have already stationed an FM Station that can be used as an office of this Assembly. Again the FM station and the Malili will be a productive studio where our artists, our musicians, other than being singled as River Road, we can now be using them for producing our music, cassettes and whatever not particularly the (?) and error. So when the project is being termed as a (?) it is because when we prepare (?) it is going to serve the whole County of Makueni. Thank you.

Hon. Member: Information Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you. Thank you. No, *Mheshimiwa*, you had contributed to the House.

Hon. Member: Point of information.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Information to whom?

Hon. Member: To the leader of the Majority.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Is he ready to be informed?

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Yes.

Hon. Member: Point of Order.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Is he ready to be informed? *Mheshimiwa*, take a seat. He has refused. So let us move to the next-- I think we had only ten minutes for the debate. Now, it is almost an hour and I want to call upon the Mover for the Motion to reply. Just three minutes to reply.

Hon. Member: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. I think I am convinced that the discussion is in our favour. Members have really given their input in this matter but Mr. Speaker, if you look at the headquarter projects I beg to inform the Members that ECD teachers have been taken care of under the Education Department. In fact under Wages and Salaries, we have been given 171 million. So there is no need to worry. Mr. Speaker, I thought we would do something about the Health Ministry or Department because if you look at the headquarter projects, health has been taken care of in only two areas. The ambulances have been given 50 million; medical training college which I believe is supposed to be at the headquarters here was given only 8 million. So--

Hon. Member: *(Interjection-Inaudible-Off-mic)*.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): *Mheshimiwa*?

Hon. Member: Mr. Speaker, I will need your guidance. The Chair, budget seems not to be confident of his work. He is inviting us actually to shoot down his Motion by way of criticizing the same Motion that he has begged us to support. Is he actually in order to do the same?

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): *Mheshimiwa*?

Hon. Member: Mr. Speaker, I think I am quite in order because I am just informing the House. I am just informing the House that ECD teachers have been taken care of in my budget if that is what *Mheshimiwa* wants to hear from me. Funds here have been allocated for the ECD teachers. So there is no need to worry. So I thought that if we do something on the part of health, Mr. Speaker, because as you appreciate this budget was done in a hurry and if this is an oversight, it should be corrected at this stage, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Members: No, no, no. It is the right--

Hon. Member: Mr. Speaker, I beg for your protection. Mr. Speaker, I would also want to inform the House that we have given some money for disabilities, persons with disabilities under the headquarter projects, we have given 20 million and that is separate. The deficit that is in this budget of about 9 hundred million, is going to be bridged probably and I have seen probably because the Finance Bill has not been presented to this House through maybe certain things, grants and those single business permits sale of tender documents among others. Mr. Speaker, I believe when the Finance Bill is tabled by the Finance Executive Member to this House, Members will have an input to be able also to see where we are going to get the extra money that we have budgeted for. Finally Mr. Speaker, I want to concur with some of the Members that have said that headquarter projects should not be directed to a particular Ward or a particular place.

(Applause)

Hon. Member: Simply because if you look all the Ministries, actually all the Ministries have been located money in the Wards. If you go to education, every Ward has been taken care of. You go to agriculture, it has been taken care of, you go to health, we have taken care of that. So I believe the headquarter projects are supposed to be cross-cutting according to what we believe as a Budget Committee. So Mr. Speaker, I beg to say that maybe that was an oversight because we have (?), we have (?), we have (?) so we cannot say particularly that Mangelete will be representing us in that. So Mr. Speaker, it is an oversight and I say that we undertake (?) at this stage. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you Members, I think as the Chair has replied, just a simple input and then we go to the next agenda. Headquarter projects are supposed to be projects that are for the whole County. So I would like Members to look at Man'gelete as a Radio station, the only one in the County. So there will want to know a lot because it is a community project for the whole County, it is serving and it is cross-cutting. So I think you will also argue that one and see. I would like now, there is a very urgent issue that has been noticed in the budget. I want the Members to adjourn for ten minutes. We adjourn for ten minutes and then we come back so that we have fresh deliberations on the other issues then. Thank you very much. Just ten minutes. So the Clerk, just lower the mace. Lower the maze. Thank you. Thank you Members. Ten minutes. Members, you can (?)

(The House adjourned temporarily)

(The House resumed)

[Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu) in the Chair]

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Yes, Honourable Members, we have concluded the debate and the Mover has already replied. So I have a suggestion to this House. I want to inform this House that the Makueni County Appropriation Bill, Bill No.69 of 2013 is now read a second time and I want to put a question to the Members in this House:

(Question put and agreed to)

(The Bill was read a Second Time and committed to a Committee of the Whole House)

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): I now call upon the call for the next order.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE

(Order for the Committee read)

[Hon. Speaker leaves the Chair]

IN THE COMMITTEE

[Hon. Chairman took the Chair]

MAKUENI COUNTY APPROPRIATION BILL, COUNTY ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 69 OF 2013

Hon. Chairman: I now direct the House to the Committee of the whole House now and ask the Clerk to lower the mace.

Clause 2

Hon. Chairman: Honourable Members, I wish now to propose that the Clause II be part of the day and I will request the Clerk-- I would like to request

Members to contribute on this (?), the letter; that is to Clause II. Honourable Members, I had wished to propose that we have Clause II which I wanted to divide Members to move direct to contribute on that Clause II and the virtue of keeping (?) are unlikely to put a question. *Mheshimiwa Munyao*.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I think when we are talking about Clause II, we are wondering whether you are talking about the Finance and Revenue Department or that the Clause that you are referring to?

Hon. Chairman: Yes.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Yes. So if that is the one, I am persuaded that we are almost accepting the same thing that we are discussing, the same thing; that is about the figures that we have and Mr. Chairman, I would stick to my earlier presentation that the money which the ECD and the headquarter, Mr. Chairman should be reduced because this is a consideration to head at the headquarters because I believe very strongly Mr. Chairman, at the (?) Departments and in the Wards, what the Executive was doing, they were just picking one dispensary for just one item and Mr. Chairman, you will bear me witness that when you go to your Ward, when our Ward here, you will find that we have more than 10 facilities or even much more than that. So Mr. Chairman, I am wondering what will happen especially in my Ward if for instance I have given that money to Kilili health Centre and I have Kalima, I have (?), I have Matiliku and so on and so forth. What will happen when I go to Kalima and then people tell me, here we need a rehabilitation centre or here we need class or here we need this and that. What will happen Mr. Chairman? So I am saying, because for the other things the department have been considered at the headquarters and I am saying we may pass this budget in a hurry, we should all agree. It is nobody's fault because we have the promotion that the 30 million for ECD training, we should maybe say it is ECD, rehabilitation as one of the Honourable Members has put it so that it may be something which are here which I just sign here to here and then we will give 20 million is taken for health. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Hon. Chairman: I think Honourable Members that, I think that that Member was out of order that his contribution would have come of the total that would be coming to, that is to the Clause II and at this case would come under the schedule not under the Clause II. So I think I will recommend that you wait until we reach at the schedule level and that is where the (?) will be (?)

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Mr. Chairman, I think we need guidance on this and maybe we get that guidance from clerk because you tell me to go ahead and contribute but then you will come again and tell me I am out of Order. Can we get guidance from the Clerk please?

Hon. Chairman: Mr. Chairman, I was actually reporting that any amendments would take away some in the schedule because the schedule is where we will be legalized to give any routes of amendment but not in the schedule that is in Clause II. I think on the invitation of some input from the Clerk and some guidance.

Hon. Chairman: Honourable Musau.

Hon. Musau Bernard Muthoka: Thank you Mr. Chairman. But I think I was even prepared to come and give our input that is in the schedule. Mr. Chairman, we have seen that there is an error in that budget and I think if you look at the main budget you will find that in the transferring of the figures; that is where the mistake occurred. So Mr. Chairman, I propose that the right figures are put. If you look at now the amount that is put for operation, maintenance for the County Assembly, 472 is not supposed to be in that part. If you look at the main budget--

Hon. Chairman: Members, I wanted also to take a simple opportunity and remember who is on the Floor and give an indication that that particular input must come at the schedule and that we do not put much time on that as Members, you allow me to put a question. That will enable the House then from there to go the--

Hon. Member (?): Mr. Chairman, I would ask you with all due respect. We can also give you two/three minutes to consult with the Clerk silently so that you can give us the proper guidance because we want to pass the budget that we understand. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Hon. Chairman: *Mheshimiwa* Musau.

Hon. Musau Bernard Muthoka: Mr. Chairman, I think all what you need us to do at this stage because that is my understanding and if I am wrong I stand to be corrected, is for us to pass this figure for 5,879,982,028 to be used as from 1st July, 2013. Is that figure correct? So Mr. Chairman, we adopt this budget. I propose.

Hon. Chairman: *Mheshimiwa* Mwenze.

Hon. Mwenze John Muli: Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Member: Chairman.

Hon. Mwenze John Muli: Oh, Mr. Chairman, one day you will be the Speaker of this Honourable House. I would also concur with Members that first the issue of money to be used from the consolidated fund as from 1st of this July. However, I have also reservations to this because I do not think it would be wise to find a wholesome permission to withdraw all this cash without some checks and balances. I would rather we pass that the money should be used. We give the authority to withdraw and use the money but half of it within six months. From there we will determine whether the money has been used well or not but I have a fear is that if we are not going to withdraw anyhow then probably then the checks and balances will not have been there. I would rather we give permission to withdraw a half of this money within the next six months. Thank you.

Hon. Chairman: *Mheshimiwa* Keli.

Hon. Musyoka Christant Keli: Thank you Mr. Chairman. The figure 5,879,982,028 is required to be passed and it is for continuity purposes. But we should also be careful while passing the schedule so that we are careful to put the correct checks and balances at such level. We have passed two papers so that we could consider this matter because the County Government of Makueni cannot be anticipated at one time to resort to a Sitting room while the budget is here for us. So therefore I support and that is my contribution to this. Thank you. I second and give total support for this. Thank you.

Hon. Chairman: Members, I want now to put a question that therefore Clause II be adopted as part of our Bill and then I will put the question as follows:

(Question put and agreed to)

The Schedule

Hon. Chairman: Honourable Members, I wish to propose that the schedule be also adopted as into our Bill and I wanted to give a brief invitation that Members can debate. *Mheshimiwa* Nzilili.

Hon. Nzilili Cosmas Mutinda: Thank you Mr. Chairman. As we adopt the schedule I beg to move the following amendment to the Makueni County Appropriation Bill 2013 on schedule to introduce a new vote 0016 after the vote of 0015 in the recurrent expenditure to read: the amount required in the year ending 30th June, 2014 for the Salaries and expenses of the County Assembly be K.Shs.203, 073,731. I request Honourable Keli to second the amendment.

Hon. Musyoka Christant Keli: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I try to second the same amendment to be introduce a vote; the same amendment, Makueni County Appropriation Bill 2013 to introduce a new Ward 0016 after the vote of 0015 in one recurrent expenditure to read the amount required in the year ending 30th June, 2014 for one salary and expenditure of the County Assembly as the amount read by the Mover of the amendment. Thank you.

Hon. Chairman: Honourable Members, I then propose that the schedule be amended as the proposal given by Honourable Nzilili from Ivingoni Ward. I am inviting Members to probably. *Mhesimiwa* Mutuku.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I am proposing an amendment on vote No.009; the amount--

Hon. Chairman: Honourable Mutuku, we must first clear that particular proposal from Honourable Nzilili before we go to another. Honourable Mwenze.

Hon. Mwenze John Muli: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I rise to support the amendment particularly because it has not left out the salaries and other expenses of the whole Honourable Members of this House which have been many years listed whereby these Members would have emasculated in the way that they could not enjoy their salaries and other expenses. On top of this, I also found that the salaries and the other expenses should be used as regulated in our Standing Order; again Bwana Chairman, if we could have passed this budget without the vote of the salaries it would have been a mistake to us. So I support the amendment to include the salaries of the Honourable Members. Thank you.

Hon. Chairman: Since we are concluding on that particular schedule and amendment as was proposed by Honourable Nzilili and seconded by Honourable Mwenze, I would take this opportunity to put a question.

Hon. Mwenze John Muli: Seconded by Honourable Keli.

Hon. Chairman: Yes. That was of that correction and so I will put a question. That the schedule as amended be adopted as part of our Bill and this one I will put a question that:

(Question put and agreed to)

(Applause)

Hon. Chairman: Thank you. Yes, Honourable Mutuku, before we come to your case, you should have put it in the (?) and place it on our desk so that we can proceed. That is the procedure.

(Laughter)

(Inaudible-Off-Mic consultations on the Floor).

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Thank you Mr. Chairman, I am going to do that.

Hon. Chairman: I am allowing you to (?) to put it in writing.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Thank you Mr. Chairman. By all means it was not a deliberate move but since this *(Inaudible)* of this Bill. Mr. Chairman, I propose the amendments on o0g just for the figure to read 177,378,056 and then to move the same payments, that is of 20 million up on 0008 to read 1,108,487,925. This is because Mr. Chairman, as (?) propose, I am saying from the Department of Vet especially at the headquarters and not in the Wards. We have not given health anything. It is only 8 million which has been given for rehabilitation of the Security (?) here at Wote. So Mr. Chairman, I am finding it difficult not to give Health service what we have said, 10 million we had (?) from rehabilitation as the one of the Honourable Members have put it for an ECD college because the other buildings there we can write-off formerly built by the former Provincial Administration so that we can have the ECD and then the 10 million will be taken to health which is very important here to at Wote. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Hon. Chairman: My Honourable Members--

Hon. Mutunga Francis Munyao: I will request Honourable Mutunga to second it.

Hon. Kaleli Cosmas Mutunga: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I do stand here to second the Motion brought forward by the Majority Leader. The figures should change from 177,398,056 to 177,398,056 and then that of Health to read, 1,108,487,925. Thank you.

Hon. Chairman: Yes. Honourable Members, therefore I would propose that the schedule be adopted for amendment as proposed by Honourable Mutuku and invite Members to debate on that. Honourable Mutuku.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Thank you Chairman of the Chairmen. Actually, Chairman, people have been calling you Chairman but I think the correct thing is to say, the Chairman of the Chairmen because you are the only Chairman here and we know you are Chairman of all Chairmen. I will take the opportunity be given to me--

(Interjection – Inaudible-Off-Mic on the Floor).

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Yes. I think it is correct to say Chairman of Chairmen. Thank you.

Hon. Chairman: Allow him to enjoy his presentation.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Okay. Thank you. Before I (?) and I wanted to contribute towards my contribution. Chairman, give me proper protection--

Hon. Member: Point of Order.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: --because I want to say if we go to the portion of the (?) which has been seconded by the Honourable Member for Emali, it is true because we have health centres and dispensaries which were just working the other day and we have no proper consultation and I can also advise you, we also have the (?) teachers all over and they are not given opportunity. If you go to my Ward, you might get more than ten who need employment. We cannot keep on

training and we are not giving jobs. So instead we can leave a small vacuum for us first to employ because those who have been trained and we also transfer the same amount to health because you know there is what we call free maternity within this County and if we talk about free maternity because this is for devolution, you cannot expect somebody to come from Kikumbulyu and be attended to in Makueni General Hospital. You see we have maternity wards, you know the working dispensaries within the County. So we can just say, let us have a working maternity ward within all the dispensaries because that is devolution. If we are not doing that, we are building devolution which devolution we have (?) at the hospital. Thank you Chairman of Chairmen. I beg to leave.

Hon. Chairman: Honourable Kavita.

Hon. Kavita Josiah Wambua: Thank you the Honourable Chairman. I wish Chairman also to contribute to the proposal of our Honourable Chair of Budgets. I also would wish to push for further amendment since Bwana Chair, you know that we have 30 Wards and the amount of the figure that is being given or that is being amended is 30 million. So I would have wished if we would have tried to put all the money all together to be 30 million instead of having 10 million left such that every Ward will be able to get 1 million such that we will be able for every Ward because we have these facilities that have been built by the CDF, others have been built by the former Council such that every Ward can at least be taken up three or four facilities benefiting from this fund. I think I am in order. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Hon. Chairman: *Mheshimiwa* Professor Mutungi.

Hon. Prof. Mutungi Francis King'oo: Mr. Chairman, I am being very much disappointed with the view that the Honourable Members of this House have taken. I would like to inform this House that I served with the Ministry of Education for 34 years and I also know those years, actually all those years, I was working in Makueni County which used to be Makueni District and I retired before a year ago and Mr. Chairman, we had pushed our next ECD centre within Makueni District and have been given that opportunity by the Ministry of Education and (?) and then turned it to a training centre but the District lacked facilities and prime assets. Now, this means only unique items and Honourable Members, I would like to let you know that in developed countries like America, the best teachers are taken to the ECD centres whereas in developing countries like Kenya, those teachers who are graduates are taken to lower classes and that is why our education has continued to

be very poor. Members should bear in mind that the big chunk of our National budget has been going to the education sector because the education sector is very dynamic and what I have observed with this House is that most of us need to understand the dynamics of the Ministry of Education because if we do not have a training then at the same time also we continue to have our people being exploited because private teachers are also expensive and the training does not Mr. Chairman, we are undergoing a good training and years course. We also have what we call continuous training. We have seminars, we have general (?) for teachers, we have to do all this and we have a County ECD Director of Education and that is our single college for the 9 Districts. So when we are talking of health, every other time we would need money for the health centres--

Hon. Member: Point of Information.

Hon. Prof. Mutungi Francis King'oo: --and the money will not be enough. So it is indeed very hard if you want us to continue with education in our County and I would also like to let you know Members, you could not be here without a Minister of Education. The Minister of Education needs four others--

Hon. Member: Point of Information.

Hon. Chairman: Professor Mutungi.

Hon. Prof. Mutungi Francis King'oo: Yes.

Hon. Chairman: Prof. Mutungi.

Hon. Prof. Mutungi Francis King'oo: Yes.

Hon. Chairman: Do you want to be informed?

Hon. Prof. Mutungi Francis King'oo: Yes.

Hon. Member: Thank you. With all due respect to the Member who has just left the Floor. I would wish maybe to say that because this is a budget, budget is a process. I would maybe feel or I want to inform you that we still want (?) the very first priorities of our County and because we still have the next financial year--

Hon. Member: Mr. Speaker, Point of Order.

Hon. Member: Can he give us the information.

Hon. Member: The information is that we still have other financial years such that we can fund the project; that is the ECD. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Prof. Mutungi Francis King'oo: Mr. Chairman, I am aware of that but then I want to also inform this House that we should not allow education to be behind in this County because once education is behind, all other sectors will be behind including the kind of Governors, the kind of Senators we will produce in this County including ourselves because all other people and the quality of people we are going to have in fact through the Minister of Education and therefore Mr. Chairman, I strongly believe we should have at the capital, ECD training centres in the County.

Hon. Chairman: Thank you *Mheshimiwa*.

Hon. Prof. Mutungi Francis King'oo: Thank you.

Hon. Chairman: *Mheshimiwa*, are you supporting or you opposing.

Hon. Prof. Mutungi Francis King'oo: I am opposing. I am opposing.

Hon. Chairman: *Mheshimiwa* Keli.

Hon. Musyoka Christant Keli: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I stand to oppose the amendment in that if you look at the devolved party, actually the primary devolved party is early childhood education and we cannot say in this County to pretend that we have enough colleges and therefore we give up on our chance of not having a public college for ECD. What we are talking about as colleges are private entities and private entities in their true nature are business entities. We would like to have an institution that will start this financial year and then to develop in the next financial year to an institution that will produce world-class early childhood teachers. It is not proper to imagine that we are moving early childhood funds that is making to bring a proper personnel to this County and maybe beyond and give it to health. Why? Because-- And the trouble with this budget health was not primarily a function of devolved budget and we are yet not cleared, we are not yet cleared how to go-- Funds to be given to health department. So as we await--

Because we are told that that function will be fully devolved. We cannot again move funds for what is properly ours in devolution and give funds to a department that we are anticipating could involve more funds. It will mean that we will have a problem with health or reallocating the same money moving it to our (?) So I am begging that the Members see the reason why the budget committee in fact which brought this Motion and the Technical Department of Treasury and all the Departments to put that figure there because primarily that was our mandate and polytechnics. So therefore if we want to defeat our whole purpose of the business which is to support early childhood and denying us a chance of having a public--

Hon. Member: Mr. Chairman.

Hon. Musyoka Christant Keli: --a public institution, then we will be simply saying that we have no place for our children. Education starts at early ages and in fact in developed world, those teachers who handle small children are more prepared and actually more paid than a high school teacher. So therefore I am wondering where this other information or how this other school of thought that came that this is not a priority. It does not mean that those teachers that are trained by private institutions do not meet the education. In fact education is not over until one dies. So you cannot tell us they have enough trained teachers? What is the gage? Who trains them? Where is the institution that is public that trains these teachers? We also need those teachers in primary schools to be also educating in a public institution. Where is that public institution that has a proper measures or standards that is supposed to train our teachers here? So Mr. Chairman, on that note, I give my contribution and by opposing this amendment.

Hon. Member: Point of Information, Sir. Information Mr. Chairman.

Hon. Chairman: *Mheshimiwa* Mwenze, you are chairing our--

Hon. Musyoka Christant Keli: Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Hon. Member: Information Chairman.

Hon. Chairman: And-- You are merely extending our debate. It should be one minute. This is not-- We will debate as we are in a Committee now.

Hon. Mwenze John Muli: Thank you Bwana Chairman and as the leader of the Minority, we still have the privilege to be given more time although I do not need that lot of time. Mr. Speaker, I also stand to oppose the amendment whereby -

Hon. Member: Mr. Chairman.

Hon. Mwenze John Muli: Mr. Chairman. Thank you for the correction. Mr. Chairman, I also stand to oppose the amendment whereby we need the provision of the ECD centre and if at all we are going to delink the provision from the ECD centres then we should also ask ourselves, what is the next priority? Bwana Chairman, we have a big hole in the budget. We have a deficit that is so huge that nobody has said how we are going to address that deficit. So if that money is going to be put aside from the ECD centres, our first priority should be to use that particular money to address the deficit. Again, Bwana Chairman, there is a conclusion that when we talk of the headquarter projects, I am aware that the headquarter of this County is the responsibility of the Assembly and the Executive. Any other thing outside this headquarters lies with the Wote Ward. When you talk of the hospital at Makueni, it is still located in the Ward known as Wote Ward and you know that there were two level 4 hospitals; the Makindu hospital which has a KACC College and Wote/Makueni Hospital. So there is always a key priority to Makueni Hospital and with Makindu Hospital and those two have major difference and that is pertinent issue. I would rather we still stick to the provision that we should have an ECD centre. Bwana Chairman, we also know that we have (?) before public/private partnership in education. We cannot deny our people the opportunity to open up private colleges and private universities and private educational institutions. I think the work-force of the ECD's is well addressed in the private sector whereby they are all determined by the one recognized examination body; the Kenya National Examination Council. So I do not think whether these ECD teachers, whether they produced from private or public, they are under-(?). In fact they have the real recruitment and skills required. So Bwana Chairman, we have no deficit of ECD teachers. What we have is a deficit of where and how to employ them. They are so many that even our budget cannot cater for all those personnel who have been trained in the ECD's. So I think we have no need of scrapping the money for the construction of these ECD centres as we put it in the Health Centres. The health centre will be well addressed if at all we are to scrap it let that money be used to address the ditto in our deficit. So I stand to oppose the amendment. Thank you.

Hon. Chairman: I am (?) with Honourable Musau.

Hon. Musau Bernard Muthoka: Okay. Thank you Mr. Chairman for this opportunity. I want to stand to oppose the amendment that this amount to be scrapped to be taken to health. I am opposed to that. Mr. Chairman, one of our primary roles as a devolved County is to give quality education to the pre-primary school. Mr. Chairman, as it is articulated in this budget, the ECD training centre does not come in this budget as an error. It is there by making and Mr. Chairman, we have also a primary role of making sure that we employ all the pre-school teachers and as we prepare to employ all the pre-school teachers, most of them, the areas where they are getting their training, they are getting their training in private schools, in private training centres where we do not know and we are not aware and we cannot even access the quality of that education. Mr. Chairman, I would say, if we are to keep the standards of education especially to that foundation level of the pre-school we have to make sure that we have the ECD training centres for this County so that also the ECD training centre at the County level can also man the other training centres in the respective region within the County. So Mr. Chairman, I stand to oppose the amendment. This figure should remain as it is and also the training centre should be as it is in the budget. Thank you.

Hon. Chairman: Honourable (?)

Hon. Member: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Mimi nasimama kupinga uamuzi wa kuhamisha pesa kutoka kwa sector ya elimu kwa niaba wa health kwa sababu hii. Kuna umuhimu kwa kuajiri waalimu wale ambawo wamekua trained wawe na kazi kama mimi maanake sikuhizi wanalipwa na wazazi na wako na mzigo kubwa. Vile, vile ningependelea tuwe na kituo cha kuwafunza kazi ndio tuweze kuwa na waalimu wakutosha wa shule za (?). Kwa hio mimi naungana na wenzangu wale ambao wanausimamo wa kuunga elimu nzuri katika County yetu. Thank you.

Hon. Chairman: *Mheshimiwa* Musau.

Hon. Musau Bernard Muthoka: Mr. Chairman, I have heard very clearly Members saying that we do not want the ECD training College to be scrapped. I have not talked about scrapping the ECD College. I have put it very clearly, in clear-cut terms that we are going to leave 10 million to be rehabilitating the so many buildings that we have within the County. Point of case is here in Wote. If you go to

Matiliku, we have so many buildings lying there idle. So I have said very clearly, it is not scrapping. We are giving some money for rehabilitation we are going to have in the ECD College. Again, Mr. Chairman, I stand before the Members that once again, ECD teachers will be employed. In the budget, we have 171 million to employ ECD teachers; in fact 960 of them in this County. So when we are saying we are going to compromise early childhood education, I think we are giving the wrong impression. Mr. Chairman, therefore I am saying, with the many dispensaries that we have built and which have been built through CDF, which have been built through LATIFF, Mr. Chairman, I am appalled to learn that maybe some of the Members are just belittling the Motion for the sake of it. I can say we will be faced with a situation whereby we may need this money and we will not have any money in the budget. So Mr. Chairman, as we debate, because you said so the other day, mainly maternity care, a free service in all our hospitals, in all our dispensaries, we are not talking about level five or level four or any other. We are talking about the dispensaries which have been built by CDF.

Hon. Member: Point of Information.

Hon. Musau Bernard Muthoka: So Mr. Chairman, protect me Mr. Chairman.

Hon. Member: Information.

Hon. Musau Bernard Muthoka: Protect me. I have talked before, Mr. Chairman.

Hon. Chairman: Let him finish.

Hon. Member: Point of Order.

Hon. Musau Bernard Muthoka: I do not want to be informed. So Mr. Chairman, all that I am saying is that with free maternity care, with these free services from our dispensaries, people are really not doing badly. So we need services there. So I beg you Mr. Chairman, if you can put the question or maybe we proceed forward to see how many are saying, 'No' for this budget. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Hon. Chairman: Honourable Members, it reaches a time when a conclusion must be drawn. Either that will get you through your process by actually putting a question. Honourable Members that this proposal that had been proposed and seconded, I had given an opportunity for you to debate, I want to put you on alert that we have proposers and we have opposers; that some are scared of when we are talking about putting the new devolved facilities or activities that are actual ECD's would not actually be like when you are just talking about putting or acquiring some more buildings, put them in order and put them-- I think that would not happen because of the equality. So Members, on that particular issue, then I would actually put a question that the schedule as proposed by Honourable Francis Mutuku be adopted as an amendment to the Bill and in so doing I will put a question that as many as are of the opinion, say:

(Question put and negatived)

(Applause)

Hon. Chairman: Honourable Members, I would report that the amendment be dropped. So Honourable Members--

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Mr. Chairman.

Hon. Chairman: I wanted to report that we have concluded the schedule and I would move to the next where I begin with a Member who had an opportunity to wait.

Hon. Member: The title--

Hon. Chairman: Honourable Members--

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Mr. Chairman.

Hon. Chairman: Yes.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: I thank you Mr. Chairman. I think I had stood earlier on to make an amendment and as per the Bill, I want to draw your attention to the estimates where we have the headquarter projects. Mr. Chairman, I stand to make an amendment not on the figure but on the wording; that 'the support to

recording artists'; it should be to 'support of recording artists' and not specifically to particular FM stations--

Hon. Chairman: Honourable Member, I think you are out of Order. We are on the Bill not on the Estimates. That is not on the business.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Mr. Chairman, with all due respect, in fact even in this Bill, if you look at the area where I can touch on the figures, it is not reflected clearly where I would touch the area that I want to touch. I have gone through the Bill and it is not clear, not unless I am now verified Chair because that amendment, I feel it is necessary, Mr. Chairman.

Hon. Chairman: It means that according to that there is no (?) in that entry as (?). Honourable Members--

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Mr. Chairman, I have not got your directive.

Hon. Chairman: It seems like you cannot introduce what you want to introduce at this particular point.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Mr. Chairman, can you address me. At what level should I introduce this because I think it is necessary?

Hon. Chairman: Since that word was passed, you were actually left out when we were discussing about the estimates. So by the way, you are deviating--

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Mr. Chairman, I stood and it was very clear it was captured in the Hansard that I raised up my concern. It was supported by about two speakers, Mr. Chairman. I beg for your guidance.

Hon. Chairman: Honourable Mutuku.

Hon. Mutuku Bernard Munyao: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I think I had to visit the Committee stage yesterday we discussed that issue and we said that it should not be specific because this issue is supposed to be cross-cutting. So I beg Mr. Chairman, maybe if you feel it cannot be introduced at this time, I beg you Mr. Chairman to make sure that, because it was captured in our Committee meetings. Mr. Chairman, I beg that it be included as one of the amendments because it was

there yesterday. It should not be defeated to read, 'support for recording artists' but not 'a particular FM station'. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Hon. Chairman: Before I ask Honourable Mutuku to contribute, I think if you do not want to suspend the policy and where a certain matter has not been captured in the Bill, then it would be wrong to bring it on board and yet it has not been put on our today's; that is the thing that we are handling tomorrow. So I would in fact take the (?) a certain (?) like this one can be followed and be with the Sectoral Committee level and it can be serviced back on board. Honourable Mutuku.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Thank you very much--

Hon. Chairman: *(Inaudible-Off-Mic)*.

Hon. Member: Point of Information Chairman.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Chairman, protect me.

Hon. Member: Point of Information.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: I think me being not a Member of the Party and I would urge some Members who were within that project and (?) I hope when it was done, what they had agreed at the Committee meeting is only what is written. It was a clinical error. So I think I can say, can we correct it to be truth and if there is need like that, it means that the Committee who was sitting on the budget (?) because they never agreed; it was bound to be a big fall out. So Chairman, agree and say, it was a clinical error.

Hon. Member: Clinical?

Hon. Member: Yes. Put it that it was a clinical error.

(Applause)

Hon. Chairman: Continue.

Hon. Member: So I think this (?) because (?). If we sit here and start something that was a clinical error by the Budget Committee and the other was (?)

and we are hearing (?) from the Committee Members. So it means (?) I understand the mistake was done during the time of printing.

Hon. Member: Yes.

Hon. Member: Can we Chairman, correct it?. Thank you Chairman of Chairmen.

(Laughter)

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Mr. Chairman, give them--

Hon. Member: Point of Information.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Mr. Chairman, give them--

Hon. Chairman: Honourable Member Francis Mutuku. You can rest. I wanted to put some things like that so that you do not drag one another on a matter which we can simply handle at the sectorial level and when you are bringing it here, actually these are-- You will be bringing actually almost like he what Honourable Nzilili had mentioned and I am sorry to mention that it is like you will be sneaking a matter for discussion to something that does not appeal in the Bill. So Honourable Members I would like that we do not put it now on discussion and I would like to--

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Mr. Chairman, can I inform you?

Hon. Member: Mr. Chairman, are you then admitting that the wording was sneaked in? Is that what you are telling this Honourable House; that the wording and error that was done there was just sneaked in?

Hon. Chairman: I think we should not have a situation of disputing of--

Hon. Member: Point of Order.

Hon. Chairman: --of disputing over an error that was-- We are talking of-- It was misprinting and we are talking that the relevant sectorial Committee will handle this matter and will surface in another area and that will be taken care of.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Mr. Chairman, I think I put it very clearly in the report that there were typing errors. Mr. Chairman, it is very clear in the report. So it should be included.

Hon. Chairman: But Honourable Members, I think that we do not overdo-- I have done my Ruling that it will pass through that section and I wanted to proceed. Honourable Members, that--

(Applause)

Hon. Chairman: --that--

Hon. Mutungi Francis King'oo: Mr. Chairman, can you clarify your comment that-- (?)

Hon. Chairman: Honourable Mutungi, I have not even permitted you that part---

(Laughter)

Hon. Chairman: Honourable Members I would like to give this opportunity to the Clerk to read the title.

The Title.

Hon. Chairman: Honourable Members, I propose that the title be part of the Bill and I would open it for Members to-- The proposer of it and a seconder. You do not have a copy of the Bill and you are still (?) by a letter.

Hon. Member: *(Inaudible-Off-Mic).*

Hon. Chairman: Yes. It is there under (e), the title of this one is Makueni County Appropriation Bill and Members and I am assuming that the uprightness of our case is Makueni County Appropriation Bill 2013. I will have no time to waste. I would just put the question that the title be adopted as of the Bill and I would put a question that:

(Question put and agreed to)

Clause 1.

Hon. Chairman: Honourable Members, I propose that Clause I be part of our Bill. You have gotten part I.

Members: Yes.

Hon. Chairman: That is Clause I. We are talking of the--

Hon. Member: Of the Bill.

Hon. Member: The Act.

Members: Of the Bill.

Hon. Chairman: Of the Bill. I am talking about the Bill.

Members: We thought it was Clause 1.

Hon. Chairman: Assuming that we have no dispute on this Clause I would put a question Members that Clause I be adopted as part of our Bill and I will put a question on the same that:

(Question put and agreed to)

Hon. Chairman: Honourable Members, having concluded my debate I would request the Chairman, Budget and Appropriation Committee to do report on the House his consideration of Makueni County Appropriation Bill; that is County Assembly Bill No.69 of 2013 and his approval thereby with the amendments. Honourable Mutuku.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Thank you Mr. Chairman, I do beg that the House adopts the Makueni County Appropriation Bill, County Assembly Bill No. 69 of 2013 and its approval with amendments.

Hon. Chairman: Honourable Members, I will now put the question. I will put the question which is that the Committee do report to the (?) of the Assembly, the consideration of the Makueni County Appropriation Bill; that is the County Assembly Bill No. 69 of 2013 and its approval thereof with the amendments and I would therefore then put a question.

(Question put and agreed to)

(Applause)

Hon. Chairman: Then I will call now Mr. Speaker to resume. Thank you.

(Applause)

(The House resumed)

(Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu) in the Chair)

REPORT

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Honourable Members, take your seats. Honourable Members, the House has resumed to get the reports from the Chairman of the Committee which has already been concluded. So I call upon the Chairman of the Committee to report to the Assembly.

Hon. Mutuku Francis Munyao: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I beg to report that the Committee of the whole House has considered the Makueni County Appropriation Bill; that is the County Assembly Bill No. 69 of 2013 has approved the same with amendments. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Honourable Members I call upon the Budget Committee Chair to move (?) to report.

Hon. Chair of Budget Committee: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I arise to say that the Bill was considered and (?) by the Committee. It was approved; that is the County Appropriation Bill, County Assembly Bill (?) of that appeal and therefore it has been approved with amendments. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you Members. I want now to propose adoption of the report from the Committee of the whole House and I will propose a question which is that the House do away with the Committee in the said report and I want to put a question for the adoption of the report to this House. I will put the question which is that the Assembly do agree with the Committee in the said report. That is the question. I want to put it now that; I want to repeat that; that I want to put the question for adoption of the report.

(Question put and agreed to)

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): The next Order. I call upon the Budget Chair to move the third reading.

Hon. Chair (Budget Committee): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I beg to Move that Makueni County Appropriation Bill, County Assembly Bill No. 69 of 2013 be now read a third time. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

(Question proposed)

Question put and agreed to)

(The Bill was accordingly read the Third Time and passed)

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Speaker (Stephen Ngelu): Thank you Members. Now that we have come to the end of the Sitting, we have now concluded the debate and approved the Bill. I would like to adjourn the House to Thursday, 2.30 p.m. Committee will be sitting as from Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. Tuesday, Appointment Committee will have the vetting session in the morning.

(The House rose at 11.45 a.m.)