



**COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF MOMBASA
THE HANSARD**

Wednesday, 4th March, 2026

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NINTH SITTING

*[The County Assembly met at 10:10a.m at the County Assembly Buildings]
[The Speaker (Hon. Aharub Ebrahim Khatri) in the Chair]*

PRAYERS

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Honourable Members, you may be seated. Clerk's, please confirm if we have a quorum.

[Lack of quorum]

Honourable Members, under Standing Order 31(1):

"A quorum of the County Assembly shall be a third of its Members 31 (2); If there is not a quorum present, when the Chair is taken at the time appointed for a meeting of the County Assembly immediately after the saying of the prayer the Speaker shall order the bell to be rung for ten (10) minutes and if no quorum is present at the expiration of the ten (10) minutes, the Speaker may direct that the bell be rung for a further five (5) minutes and if there is still no quorum present, the Speaker shall adjourn the County Assembly forthwith to the next sitting."

So, Sergeants-At-Arms, please ring the bell for ten (10) minutes.

[The bell was rung for ten (10) minutes]

Yes, Clerk please confirm if there is a quorum.

[Quorum confirmed]

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

STUDY VISIT BY STUDENTS AND TEACHERS FROM RIBE GIRLS SECONDARY SCHOOL

Honourable Members, the County Assembly is privileged to welcome students and teachers from Ribe Girls' secondary School. They include; -

1. Juan Naima Carisa,
2. Purity Mkambe,

3. Rachel Kache,
4. Nima Santa,
5. Agnes Nundu,
6. Zainab Kimunto,
7. Shufa Ramadan,
8. Jamila Mohamed,
9. Patience Mnyanzi,
10. Rukia Said,
11. Angel Nduku,
12. Michelle Mgolo,
13. Precious Vumilia,
14. Cristabel Nabuire,
15. Sarah Cheng,
16. Gloria Wally,
17. Masi Dama,
18. Susan Kadzo,
19. Maimuna Mwalolo,
20. Agnera Nyambura,
21. Faith Muswa,
22. Nora Pola,
23. Halima Chende,
24. Pevina Cheng,
25. Imani Abdurrahman,
26. Bridget Nyaboke,
27. Latifa Shaban,
28. Mary Majina,
29. Lea Kache,
30. Anna Chadi,
31. Joy Wangesi,
32. Dorcas Washo,
33. Victoria Mwambi,
34. Agnes Jackson,
35. Farida Mwanamisi,
36. Mgeni Sofia,
37. Benta Atieno,
38. Brenda Sidi,
39. Mary Gisari, and Faith Simon and teachers;
40. Douglas Nyarango,
41. Dina Kuha,
42. Contas Mwamure.

[All bowed before the House]

Let me take this opportunity to welcome you all in this legislative arm of the County Assembly government; County Assembly of Mombasa and it is my hope that the study visit will be beneficial to you all and may serve as an inspiration to your future endeavors. *Karibuni sana*, thank you.

[Applause]

Yes, Clerk next order please.

MOTION

APPROVAL OF OVERDRAFT FACILITY

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Yes, Honourable Kibwana Swaleh, Chairperson Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriation please move the Motion.

Hon. Kibwana Swaleh: Thank you, Honourable Speaker. Honourable Speaker, I stand to move a Motion on approval of overdraft facility. Mr. Speaker Sir, I beg to move the following Motion;

THAT AWARE THAT the section 142 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 allows for short-term borrowing by the County Government with the approval of the County Assembly,

Honourable Speaker;

FURTHER AWARE that the County Government of Mombasa continues to experience intimate cash flow constraints occasioned by delays in disbursement of equitable share and other revenues,

Honourable Speaker;

RECOGNISING the commitment of the County Government under the leadership of His Excellency, the Governor, to enhance on-source revenue collection, strengthen fiscal discipline, and ensure prudent financial management,

Honourable Speaker;

APPRECIATING THAT the timely payment of salary is a statutory obligation and critical to the welfare, morale, and productivity of the county public officers, Honourable Speaker;

CONCERNED, THAT the delays in payment of salaries may expose the County Government to legal liabilities and disruption of essential services,

Honourable Speaker;

THEREFORE, Honourable Speaker, this Assembly resolves as follows;

- 1. that pursuant to subject to section 142 of the Public Finance Management Act 2012, the County Assembly of Mombasa hereby grants approval to the County Government of Mombasa to secure an overdraft facility of up to a maximum of Kenya shillings 300 million from reputable financial institutions for the sole purpose of facilitating timely payment of salary.*

Honourable Speaker,

- 2. That the overdraft facility shall be strictly short-term in nature and shall be repayable within one year from the date of each disbursement from the County Government expected revenue,*

Honourable Speaker,

3. *That the overdraft facility shall be utilized exclusively for the payment of salaries and related statutory deductions and not for any other expenditure.*

Finally,

4. *Honourable Speaker, that the County Government executive committee member responsible for finance shall ensure that all applicable terms, interests, and charges are negotiated on the most favorable terms for the County Government and in compliance with all relevant laws and regulations.*

Honourable Speaker, allow me to ask Honourable Mwamwiri to second my Motion.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you. Yes, Honourable Athman.

The Leader of Majority (Hon. Mwamwiri): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I rise to second the Motion.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much, Honourable Members. I now propose the question that the Motion by Honourable Kibwana Swaleh, Chairperson Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriation, on approval of overdraft facility be considered by this Honourable House in the same terms as moved.

[Question proposed and agreed to]

Yes, Honourable Kibwana Swaleh please make your contribution to the Motion.

Hon. Kibwana Swaleh: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I think the Motion is very clear, we have been passing this Motion on a yearly basis because of the salary problem that we have been experiencing in our County. Honourable Speaker, I think the passage of this Motion will be able now the County government to have no excuse in paying salaries to our workers. So, I think to me I do appreciate my Members and also the Assembly for supporting this Motion; and I hope that as Members of the County Assembly we will be supporting for this idea because it will make sure that our workers within the County government as well as the County Assembly staff, they are going to get their salary on time and this will boost their morale. Thank you, Honourable Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much, Honourable Kibwana Swaleh. Yes, Honourable Athman Mwamwiri, please make your contribution.

The Leader of Majority Party (Hon. Mwamwiri): Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika. Kama alivyo ashiria Mheshimiwa Mwenyekiti ya kwamba Hoja hii tumekuwa tukipitisha kama Bunge kwa mustakbali wa serikali yetu ya Mombasa hususan katika swala zima la kulipa mishahara kwa wakati unaostahiki. Mheshimiwa Spika pia nipongeze ya kwamba Hoja hii iliokuwa tukipitisha kama Bunge tumeweza kushuhudia ikitendewa haki ya kwamba kwa hakika wafanyikazi wetu wa serikali ya Kaunti ikiwemo utawala na Bunge wamekuwa wakipata mishahara kwa wakati unaostahiki na vilevile yale makato ya kisheria yamekuwa yakifikishwa

kwa taasisi zinazostahili kwa wakati na hivyo kusaidia kupeana motisha kwa wafanyikazi wetu na kuifanya serikali ya Kaunti ya Mombasa ikiwemo utawala na Bunge kuwa inajali na kuwajibikia maslahi ya wafanyi kazi wetu. Kwa hayo Mheshimiwa Spika naunga mkono hoja hii. Ahsantum.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much. Yes, Honourable Fadhili Makarani the Deputy Speaker, please make your contributions?

The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Makarani): Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika kwa kunipa fursa hii ya kuchangia Hoja muhimu katika hoja ambazo zimekuja katika Bunge letu lakini pia nachukua fursa hii kuwakaribisha wanafunzi wa Ribe Girls katika Bunge letu la Mombasa. Mheshimiwa Spika tukifahamu ya kwamba hata mimi nilileleka Kilifi Kaunti Mheshimiwa Spika na vilevile nilizaliwa Kwale kaunti na naishi Mombasa Kaunti na vilevile nashukuru Mwenyezi Mungu kwa kuniajaalia kuwa nimeweza kuchaguliwa kuwa kiongozi katika Kaunti ya Mombasa Mheshimiwa Spika. Kwa hivyo nachukua hii fursa kama nilivyosema kuwakaribisha wanafunzi na najua kuwa Mheshimiwa Spika Ribe Girls ni shule ambayo inafanya vizuri sana katika masomo yao na najua ya kwamba leo wataweza kuwa kuzidi kufuatiliza kwa umakini sana yale ambayo yanajiri katika Bunge la Mombasa. Mheshimiwa Spika, twafahamu ya kwamba serikali ya Kaunti ya Mombasa imekuwa ikifanya vizuri katika ulipaji wa mishahara ya wafanyikazi tukifaninisha na Kaunti zengine. Mheshimiwa Spika kuna Kaunti ambazo zinaenda karibu miezi mitatu bila ya wao kuweza kulipwa mishahara lakini kupitia mipangilio mizuri ambayo inatokea katika Bunge letu hili chini ya Wenyekiti wako na vile vile kupitia uongozi wa Gavana wa jiji la Mombasa tumeweza kuona taratibu zikifuatilizwa vizuri na wananchi wa Mombasa ama wafanyikazi wale ambao wako katika Serikali ya Mombasa wakiweza kulipwa mishahara yao hususan tarehe haipiti tarehe 25 ya mwezi huwa wamepewa mishahara yao.

Kwa hiyo nawaomba Wabunge wenza tushirikiane pamoja tupitische Hoja hii muhimu mbele yetu ambayo imeletwa na Wenyekiti wa Kamati ya Fedha ili tuangalie maslahi ya watu wetu. Mheshimiwa Spika twajua ya kwamba kulipwa mishahara kwa wakati inapeana pia motisha mzuri kwa wale watu wetu waweze kufanya kazi; tumeona Mombasa pamoja na Bunge letu hili watu wakifanya kazi vizuri sana na hii ni moja ya motisha, inawapa motisha lakini ikiwa mishahara utachelewa zitadororesha mambo ya shughuli zao na mimi nawaomba Wabunge wenzangu kwa sababu tunafikiria maslahi ya wenzetu hatujifikirii sisi tu, tunafikiria maslahi ya wenzetu naomba tushirikiane pamoja tuweze kuipatia ruhusa Serikali ya Kaunti ya Mombasa iweze kukopa pesa hizi. Nilivyosema Mheshimiwa Spika mkopo huu uwe ni hususan masuala ya mishahara sio kwenda kukopa halafu pesa hizi zifanyiwe shughuli nyengine; tumesema ya kwamba pesa hizi hazitafanyiwa jambo lengine lolote pasi na mishahara ya wafanyikazi katika Serikali ya Kaunti. Kwa hivyo Mheshimiwa Spika mimi naomba wenzangu tushirikiane pamoja tupitische Hoja hii nzuri muhimu ambayo iko katika Bunge letu leo. Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much Honourable Fadhili Makarani, the Deputy Speaker. Yes, Honourable Morgan Matsaki, the Leader of Minority Party please make your contribution

The Leader of Minority Party (Hon. Matsaki): Wacha nipeane shukrani zangu za dhiti kwa Mheshimiwa Spika kwa kunipa hii nafasi. Pili, nashukuru Mwenyezi Mungu kwa kunifikisha Bunge hili.

Tatu karibuni sana wakurugenzi wetu, wanafunzi wa Ribe Girls na nina matumaini ya kwamba mtasoma vyema na mnapomaliza naona pia wengine tunawakaribisha sisi tunaelekea kuzeeka, kwa hivyo karibuni sana. Nne nasimama kuunga mkono Hoja hii ambayo imefikishwa hapa kwa Jumba na ni kweli kama Mheshimiwa mwenza alivyozungumza kulingana na sheria ama Katiba ni haki pia Kaunti hii kuomba pesa ili iweze kujimudu na hasa ni muhimu kwa ajili ya wafanyikazi wetu wa Gatuza letu la Mombasa waweze kupata mshahara wakati unaofaa na ni vyema zaidi waweze nao kufanya kazi vizuri pasipokuwa na uvivu wowote. Kwa hivyo sitachukua muda mrefu sana ila tu nimesimama kuunga mkono hii Hoja ili hizi fedha zipatikane kwa wakati unaofaa. Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much. Yes, Honourable Prischillah Mumba, Chief Whip please make your contribution

The Majority Party Chief Whip (Hon. Mumba): Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika kwa kunipa fursa hii niweze kuchangia katika Hoja ambayo imekuja hapa leo na vile vile kabla sijachangia ninasimama pia kukaribisha wanafunzi wa Ribe Girls ambao wamekuja hapa leo na vile vile kutoa sauti kama mama kwa sababu hata mimi nilipokuwa umri wao nilikuwa shule inaitwa Mumias Girls ndio nilisomea huko mpaka nikamaliza kidato changu cha nne. Vile vile mimi ni jirani yao pia upande ule wa Kilifi kwa sababu mimi nimetoka area ya Matsangoni huko, kwa hivyo niko karibu huko huko na wao na ninasikia furaha nikiona wasichana wakiwa wamejitolea wakija kusoma na kuendeleza ujuzi kwa sababu kesho tunawahitaji wawe viongozi. Lakini kama Mheshimiwa mwenzangu alivyonukuu kusema tunazeeka Mheshimiwa Spika, mimi sijazeeka amezeeka yeye asije akatupwa nje kura ijayo kwa ajili ya kujinukuu amezeeka baado tunahitajika na wananchi na tunahitajika kufanya kazi ni tu kusema muda baado uko wa sisi kuendelea kufanya kazi. Ninasimama hapa kuunga mkono kikamilifu Hoja ilioletwa na Mwenyekiti wa Fedha kuhusu kupitisha kiwango cha fedha ambacho kinahitajika kutolewa mahali kisongezwe mahali ambacho kitaweza kufanya kazi ya kulipa mishahara ya wafanyikazi na vile vile ninataka kuzingatia haswa sana katika Hoja hii, namba tatu iliotueleza kwamba *that the overdraft facility shall be utilized exclusively for the payment of salaries and related statutory deductions and not for any other expenditure*, mimi nazingatia hicho kipengele sana ikiwa leo twapitisha jambo hili ni fedha hizi zisaidie kwa mishahara tusiweze kuumia tena kutakuwa kuna Hoja nyengine hata pesa zimenukuliwa zimepelekwa kwengine ili mishahara iliweza kuleta shida maana tunajua mfanyikazi akiwa hajalipwa mshahara wake kwa wakati hapo sasa ndio shida inaanza na matatizo yataanza katika Kaunti na unajua mwanadamu akishafanya siku zake 30 anahitaji mshahara wake kwa wakati. Kwa hivyo naunga mkono kikamilifu na sisi sote Waheshimiwa tuunge mkono ili wafanyikazi wapate haki yao kwa wakati.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much. Yes, Honourable Ibrahim Omondi from Airport Ward please make your contribution.

Hon. Omondi: Thank you Mr. Speaker for the opportunity that you have given to me. Mr. Speaker, I want to begin by joining my colleagues in welcoming the students who are in this Honourable House from Ribe Girls Secondary School. Mr. Speaker, I am very proud today as the Chair of Education and Digital Transformation Committee of this particular House when I see students especially girls who have shown the ability to come along from Ribe to this particular place as I said learning is a process and am sure these students will be beneficiaries of this Honourable House. Mr. Speaker, I was once a student just like them and I remember the motto of the School I used to learn, it is used to be, *you have to hustle, hustle for the future* and Mr. Speaker Sir remember that if you do not hustle you are introducing poverty to your children

tomorrow. That is very true and hustle is not pride, it is survival and revival I would just like to remind the students going back to the business today we have given the County government of Mombasa the legal backup to go ahead and borrow the overdraft which has been clearly stated in this particular document; how it is going to be utilized and therefore as the Legislators of this House we expect that they are going to follow the stated rules that have been put in this particular document one of them being that the utilization of that particular overdraft must be specified to what is intended to be used. Mr. Speaker, but I would like to say moving forward this is not a good practice; in my own opinion the County Government should come up with other avenues of solving salary problems apart from borrowing because we know borrowing will always come with interest and other costs so in future, I would like to advise that the County Government should come up with other ways of paying salary even from their own revenue and other things on how they can solve such problem. Otherwise, Mr. Speaker, I support. Thank you very much.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much. Yes, Honourable Patrick Mbelle from Bamburi Ward please make your contribution?

Hon. Mbelle: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I first of all want to welcome the Honourable ladies from Ribe Girls; one thing that probably you do not know Mr. Speaker I used to be a student at Shimo la Tewa Boys High School and from that school we used to have like any other boys school, you have girls schools that are your friends and Ribe Girls was one of them and one more information that you do not know about is my wife studied in Ribe Girls...

[Applause]

So, I associate a lot with Ribe Girls and I wish them all the best. My wife is a very nice lady and I hope from where she came from...

[Applause]

Sikukatia mwanafunzi we were all adults, but Mr. Speaker I want to get into the matter of the day and first of all Mr. Speaker I want to recognize that we are doing this as part of the law. The PFMA Act Section 142 actually allows the County Government to borrow up to 5 per cent of the last audited revenue of which the 2014/2015 last audited revenue was, I think 14 point something billion shillings, according to the report from the Office of the Controller of Budgets. So if we are within the 5 per cent of which we are, I think it is very legal for them to take the monies and I want to actually applaud the efforts by both the County Assembly and the Executive wing of taking this facility because we know most of the times exchequer releases take time to get to us and we have workers who actually have needs and have wants for their families and for themselves to actually realize within timelines that are stipulated as per their salaries schedule. So, Mr. Speaker I want to personally support this Motion and I want to equally urge Honourable Ibrahim Omondi that this is just one of the means of raising monies to at least bridging the gap of where we have financial inequalities; but equally it is also another awakening call that maybe the County Government can also start coming up with investment portfolios that we can actually as a County Government invest in same way the National Government has companies that it draws profits from so maybe the County government can invest and at this moment I wish that they invest in the Blue Economy sector because it is that very ripe open opportunity for us to invest. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much Honourable Patrick Mbelle. Yes, Honourable Juma Manuari from Bofu Ward please make your contribution?

Hon. Juma Manuari: Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika kwanza nichukue nafasi nimshukuru Mwenyezi Mungu kwa siku ya leo. Pili, nichukue nafasi hii kuwakaribisha waheshimiwa wetu wa kesho madada zetu warembo na niwape tu wasia wangu katika maisha heshima, nidhamu ndio funguo ya maisha na kila utakavyo ishi, ishi kwa lengo usiishi kwa mambo ya ovyo ovyo lakini ishi kwa yale malengo ambayo utayatarajia mbele yako. Mheshimiwa Spika, nichukue nafasi hii kuumpa pongezi ndugu yangu Mwenyekiti pamoja na timu yake yote iliyoshugulika katika kutuletea hoja hii katika Bunge letu na mimi nimemuunga mkono mia kwa mia. Mheshimiwa Spika ni pongezi kwa serikali hii ambayo imeshikilia ya awamu ya tatu katika Mombasa Kaunti hii kupitia viongozi wetu Mheshimiwa Gavana wa Mombasa, kupitia kiongozi wetu Spika wa Bunge la Mombasa kwa kushirikiana katika utenda kazi. Leo hii tunajivunia na tuna majivuno na tunaringa tukitembea kua wafanyi kazi wetu hawana tena shida ya kufukuzwa kwenye nyumba wala hawana tena shida ya wakiwa wamekwenda kuomba chumba mahali cha kupangisha aambiwe nyinyi watu wa Mombasa Kaunti hamulipwi mpaka miezi minne iishe. Kwa hivyo siwezi kwa hivyo siwezi kukuweka hapa. Leo hii tukitembea tunatembea kwa majivuno na tunaomba tu kwa Mwenyezi Mungu iwe hii sera ambayo tuko nayo katika uongozi wetu sisi iwe ndio mwanzo na iwe isiharibike tena mpaka milele na milele. Mheshimiwa Spika nimesimama kuunga mkono na kuwapa pongezi ndugu zangu. Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Juma Manuari. Yes, Honourable Hamisi Salim Mbaya please make your contribution?

Hon. Hamisi Mbaya: Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika kwa kuweza kunipatia fursa hii. Kwanza nimshukuru Mwenyezi Mungu ambaye ametujaalia kuweza kuona siku ya leo tukiwa na afya na furaha ya maisha na tukiwa na swaum. Mheshimiwa Spika kwanza niwakaribishe wanafunzi ambao ni wasichana, niwaambie ya kwamba karibuni katika Nyumba hii ambayo ni Nyumba la sheria vile vile ni Nyumba ambayo kila unalolitamka ni lenye kunakiliwa kwa hivyo niwaambie karibuni sana na niwaambie ya kwamba mimi ambaye naongea ni MCA wa Timbwani Wadi ambaye pia vile vile ni baba wa wasichana wawili kama nyinyi ambao muko hapa ndani ya Nyumba hii kwa saa hii. Mheshimiwa Spika mimi naunga mkono hoja hii ambayo iko mbele yetu na vile vile niweze kuwausia wafanyi kazi wa Kaunti yetu ya Mombasa pamoja na Bunge ya Mombasa niwaambie ya kwamba nidhamu ya kazi ni msingi wa mafanikio mema kazini. Vile vile viongozi na wafanyi kazi ni lazima sote tuwe na nidhamu ili tuweze kupata yale ambayo yatakua ya manufaa kwetu vile vile jamii yetu kwa jumla. Mheshimiwa Spika sitokua mwingi wa maneno niseme tu nimesimama kuunga mkono hoja hii nikiona ya kwamba sisi ambao tumeweza kuajiriwa sote hua tuna furaha zaidi kwa wakati tunapata mishahara yetu kwa wakati kwa sababu Mwenyezi Mungu ameijalia sababu ya kua sisi tutapata mishahara lakini mishahara lakini mishahara yetu ambayo tumepata Mwenyezi Mungu amejaalia ni sababu ya wengine pia kufaidika kupitia mishahara yetu Mheshimiwa Spika. Kwa hio Mheshimiwa Spika pia ni bahati kama itakua sisi ambao tumeweza kupata fursa ya kuweza kuajiriwa kua tuna fursa nzuri ya kuweza kusaidia wengine kwa sababu kwa uwezo wa Mwenyezi Mungu unapotoa Mwenyezi Mungu anakujaalia unapata zaidi na unapotoa pia kesho kwa Mungu uko na fungu lako kwa hivyo pia niseme Alhamdulillah kwa sababu Mwenyezi Mungu ametupatia fursa ambayo wengine hakuweza kuwapatia fursa ile Mheshimiwa Spika. Kwa hayo mengi na machache nimesimama kuunga mkono hoja hii nikiona nuru iko mbele yetu, nuru iko mbele ya

wafanyi kazi wa Mombasa Kaunti, nuru iko mbele ya watu wetu ambao wanaotutegemea. Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much Honourable Hamisi Mbaya. Yes, Honourable Milka Moraa please make your contribution.

Hon. Ngare: Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this chance and before I make my contribution on the Motion, let me also take this chance to welcome the Ribe Girls High School and their teachers and I am sure that this visit will be beneficial to you and as one Honourable Member has alluded Ribe Girls is a school that produces great ladies. He got a good wife from Ribe Girls so continue with the trend. We hope to get future daughters-in-law from Ribe Girls and doctors and others. Thank you so much. He is busy telling me what, he must be loving wife. Congratulations once again Honourable Patrick Mbelle. Thank you Ribe, on the Motion that we have at hand, I rise to support approval of overdraft facility, indeed it is great when workers get their salaries on time because it boosts their morale, it gives them motivation, so that even they feel secure and productivity will be at a higher level; so, I fully support this and I know that the current Government, Governor in conjunction with our Honourable Speaker they have been giving salaries on good time. That is one thing that we must congratulate the County Government for they have been giving workers' salaries on time and that indeed should continue because it is the right thing to do so that when a head of a family is not able to provide for the family, stability goes down and it is also not good that people in the House are experiencing challenges, because a salary has delayed so I support this Motion fully Honourable Kibwana Swaleh who has brought the Motion and I urge fellow Members that we should support this motion so that our workers would be able to get salaries on time. Thank you so much, Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much Honourable Milka Moraa. Yes, Honourable Mariam Baimu please make your contribution.

Hon. Baimu: Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika kwa kunipatia nafasi hii kwanza ningependa kuwakaribisha wasichana wetu wa Ribe Girls pamoja na walimu wenu katika hii Nyumba yetu imani yangu ni moja, yale mulikua mukisoma kwa vitabu kama theory leo mumeweza kupata nafasi mukaja kwa Nyumba hii muweze kuona practicals vile zinavyo fanyika kwa hivyo imani yangu inaporudi itakua mumezidi kupata elimu ili kesho kupitia nguvu zenu, bidii zenu, nidhamu zenu na pia kuweka Mwenyezi Mungu mbele pengine kati ya nyinyi kuna wengine wanaweza kuja wakaja pia kuwakilisha watu wao sehemu wanazotoka katika Bunge hili kwa hivyo karibuni sana. Kuhusu hoja hii Mheshimiwa Spika iliyoletwa mimi nimesimama kuunga mkono kwa sababu kusema ule ukweli, ikiwa wafanyikazi wataweza kupata mishahara yao kwa wakati naofaa basi motisha wa wafanyikazi wale utakuwa uko juu, watafanya kazi kwa bidii wakijua ya kwamba ikifika mwisho wa mwezi, mishahara yao iko on time wanaweza kufanya shughuli zao na wakakidhi maisha yao. Kwa hivyo nimesimama Mheshimiwa Spika, kuunga mkono, ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much Honourable Mariam Baimu. Yes, Honourable Leila Nyache from Kipevu Ward.

Hon. Nyache: Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika na mimi kuweza kuniruhusu kuweza kuchangia; kwanza nimesimama kuunga mkono hoja hii iliyokuja na Mheshimiwa mwenza,

Mheshimiwa Kibwana. Mheshimiwa Spika, kwanza kabla sijaanza kuendelea ningependa kuwakaribisha wanafunzi kutoka Ribe Girls wanafunzi wa kike pamoja na walimu wao tunawaambia hata sisi tulitoka huko huko na nyinyi pia Mungu akiwajaalia munaweza kufika hapa na muweze kuwakilisha watu wenu, kwa hivyo muwe makini kwa masomo na muzingatie nidhamu kwa wazazi hata kwa walimu. Mheshimiwa Spika nikirudi kwa hoja hii nimesimama kuiunga mkono kwa sababu kusema la kweli mtu akifanya kazi anahitaji mavuno na kwa kweli ukifanya kazi alafu mshahara uweze kuchelewa, ule mshahara unadhuru mpaka familia, mpaka jamii inaathirika kwa sababu ya ule mshahara ulioweza kuchelewa. Kwa hivyo Mheshimiwa Spika, sisi kama viongozi ningependa hapa wenzangu Waheshimiwa wenzangu tuweze kuunga mkono hoja hii kwa sababu kigezo, section 142 of *Public Finance Management Act, 2012*, imeturuhusu kuweza kuomba kiwango cha pesa ambacho kimeangaziwa hapa na kuweza kulipa wafanyikazi wetu wa Kaunti ya Mombasa. Kwa hivyo Mheshimiwa Spika, kwa kweli huu mshahara ukija wa wakati, hawa wafanyikazi wataleta nyuso za furaha katika familia zao na pia watakuwa na bidii katika kazi zao na pia nyumba zao zitakuwa na furaha kwa sababu wana familia zao, wana jamii zinawategemea na yote, huo mshahara unashukia hapo kwa jamii, kwa hivyo italeta tabasamu hata kwa jamii na kwa Mwenyezi Mungu ni baraka kubwa sana. Kwa hivyo Mheshimiwa Spika mimi nimesimama kuunga hoja hii mia fil mia.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you Honourable Leila. Yes, Honourable Ali Shariff from Tononoka Ward, please make your contribution?

Hon. Ali Shariff: Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika. Mimi nimesimama kupinga hoja hii. Mheshimiwa Spika, hii hoja ni ya kuomba mkopo benki ili wafanyikazi wa serikali pamoja na sisi tulipwe mshahara kwa wakati. Mheshimiwa Spika huu mkopo utaleta riba, wananchi wa Mombasa wanatulipa mishahara jasho lao, wananchi hao hao wapate kulipa riba pia itakuwa tumewadhulumu wananchi wa Mombasa Mheshimiwa Spika. Mshahara ukichelewa ukija tarehe kumi, ukija tena mwezi ujao tarehe kumi itakuwa ni siku thelathini itakuwa ni mwezi mmoja, sioni kuchelewa mshahara hapo. Tukilipwa tarehe kumi mpaka tarehe kumi itakuwa ni mwezi mmoja muhimu siku thelathini zifike Mheshimiwa Spika, kwa hivyo Mheshimiwa Spika naomba tusipitishe hoja hii, tusidhulumu watu wa Mombasa jasho lao lisilipe ushuru, watulipe mshahara walipe na ushuru, kwa hivyo twaenda kinyume na watu wa Mombasa. Ahsante naomba muniunge mkono kwa hoja hii.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much Honourable Ali Shariff. Yes, Honourable Pamela Arwa, please make your contribution.

Hon. Arwa: Thank you Honourable Speaker for indulging me Mr. Speaker, I also want to begin by welcoming the students from Ribe Girls Secondary and teachers to this Honourable House. It is true that the students from Ribe Girls Secondary School they study the theory part of legislation at their various part of School and today they have come to witness practical of legislation and I want to also to congratulate their teachers for being at the forefront to ensure their students become better leaders in future. Mr. Speaker, I also rise to support the Motion, approval of the overdraft facility; I want to congratulate the Chairman of Finance for bringing this important Motion before us this morning. Mr. Speaker, it is true that when you delay salary, you will not expect the employee to give sufficient service delivery and when you pay on time, they will have morale and it will also minimize the cry of salary delays. I want also to echo what my Deputy Speaker has said that this facility will prevent the diversion of funds for non-essential expenditure, it will also safeguard the fund resources Mr. Speaker allow me to congratulate you and today am a proud resident of Mombasa and leader of Mombasa of having a very dedicated

Speaker that I have never come across in my life because this important Motion brought into the Honourable House it depends with the Speaker in the House. Let the Honourable Members give you a big applause for being on the forefront, Mr. Speaker, to ensure that the residents of Mombasa, their welfare is considered. Mr. Speaker, a lot has been discussed and I do not want to take more time. I arise to support the Motion, thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much. Yes, Hon. Silvester Kai from Junda Ward please make your contribution?

Hon. Kai: Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika kwa kunipatia fursa. Kwanza nianze kwa kukaribisha wanafunzi wa kutoka Ribe Girls ili wakaweze kupata fursa ya kusoma na pia bila shaka iwapatie ari ya wao kuwa viongozi haswa zaidi katika uongozi wa kijamii. Niungane na wenzangu katika Bunge hili kuunga mkono hoja hii ambayo imeletwa kwa kuzingatia kwamba haijakiuka sheria yoyote katika Katiba yetu ya Kenya. Lakini pia tuendeleo pia na tahadhari ya kwamba kwa sababu mkopo yoyote inakuwa na sheria zake basi pia sisi tuhakikishe tutaweza kulipa kwa wakati kulipa ile riba ambayo inamfanya Mheshimiwa Kipenzi cha wengi kuwa na hofu ya kwamba huenda wananchi wa Mombasa wakaingia katika madeni ambayo itagharimu mifuko yao na kuleta ugumu wa kimaisha. Ahsante sana.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much. Yes, Honourable Hassan Ulkheir from Magogoni Ward, please make your contribution.

Hon. Ulheir: Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir for giving me this opportunity. First, I would like to congratulate Ribe Girls for giving us or producing a very intelligent and smart sister-in-law from our brother Honourable Patrick Mbelle, you are so much welcomed my sisters and I also like to second my brother from Tononoka Honourable Ali Shariff because paying interest is not our interest, as much as we are looking for our benefits, we should also consider people of Mombasa. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much. Yes, Honourable Ojay?

Hon. Mose: Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika kwa kunipa nafasi hii kuchangia. Nichukue fursa hii mimi pia kuwakaribisha wanafunzi wa Ribe na nadhani shule mimi ni jirani yangu, kwa hivyo wanafunzi wa Ribe karibuni katika hili Jumba la kutunga sheria. Mimi pia niungane na wenzangu kuunga Mswada huu ulioletwa na Mwenyekiti wa Fedha, kwamba ni mzuri mfanyikazi akipata malipo yake kwa wakati hata utenda kazi yake unakuwa wa sawa. Ahsante sana.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much. Yes, Honourable Florence please make your contribution?

Hon. Kachumbo: Thank you Honourable Speaker for this opportunity. I would like to welcome the Ribe girls to this Honourable House; I stand to support this Motion because first it is a good initiative and we all know that when workers are well taken care of they will be productive and work will be done efficiently, also I want to correct my colleague on the high interest rate, this initiative will help a lot of workers unlike outside they will go and get loans from other financial banks which they will be charged high rates unlike here will give them a good interest rate so this is a good initiative that will help all our workers. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much. Yes, Honourable Amriya Juma Boy.

Hon. Amriya Juma: Thank you Mr. Speaker for according me this opportunity. First and foremost, I wish to welcome our upcoming leaders and policy makers from Ribe Girls. The gesture of appearing before the Assembly today demonstrates their keen interest in policy making and being active citizens in the future and we appreciate your coming and we say that a few years back we were in the same positions, 10 years, 15 years, we were also in high school and we looked up to be at the table of policy making and here we are practicing advocates, some are teachers, some are doctors here, we have nurses who are also legislators. So, you are welcome to pursue your career and if you have extra interest in policy making, I'm sure your active citizens will get you here. Onto the Motion, I wish to support the Chair of Finance for purposes of section 142, the main intention or the rationale behind this section was to enable the County Government to be liquid and not to have cash flow constraints. It means that where there are minor cash flow constraints they will be able to borrow, short term borrowing and it has also conditions that they must acquire from commercial banks that have the lowest rates of interest so, section 142 is wholesome, it covers and even has restraints on the County government that they can't borrow without the approval of the County Assembly that in itself shows that there are restraint measures of oversight, they cannot just wake up and say that we want to borrow such and such amounts. And another condition is that it has to be 5 per cent of the last audited County revenues so, these constraints ensure that the borrowing is within their scope of resource envelope so, I just want to clear Honourable Ali's worries that maybe they will have high interest. The law itself stipulates that the condition for this borrowing should go to the lowest commercial bank, the lowest rates from the commercial banks in the area if you have five commercial banks, the banks that have the lowest rates will benefit from borrowing from the county government. With all that said and done, I wish to support this motion and say thank you very much for the opportunity.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much, Honourable Amriya Boy from Mjambere Ward. Yes, Honourable Hussein Abdirahman from Mji Wa kale Ward please make your contributions.

Hon. Abdirahman Abdikadir: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for giving me perhaps the last opportunity to contribute to this very important Motion that is before us today. Mr. Speaker, I would also like to draw the attention of Members to the issues that County workers faced many years ago in the County government of Mombasa there were usually delays in salaries and other statutory deductions. Mr. Speaker, since this new government took office through the support of this House and their own interventions, we have seen that salaries have been paid on time and as such; this is one of the measures that they have used, it will be justice if only we can grant them the opportunity to proceed with this arrangement that they have with the local banks. They are also in line with the PFM Act, the section 142 of the PFM Act that gives this House the legitimacy and the authority to approve such kind of arrangements. Perhaps my only concern, Mr. Speaker, could be on the last point, which is *that the County CECM shall ensure that applicable terms, interest charges are negotiated on the most favourable terms*, it will have been prudent that this House is also furnished with those terms and that we measure whether we are getting a raw deal or whether we are getting value for money, other than that, this is a Motion that will greatly impact on the lives of the County staff of Mombasa County and I stand to support it with all my breath Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much, Honourable Abdirahman Hussein. Yes, Honourable Kibwana Swaleh you may reply to the Motion.

Hon. Kibwana Swaleh: Thank you, Honourable Speaker. Honourable Speaker, I'm very grateful to my fellow Members for supporting this Motion as well as the dissident opinion that we received from other Members. It is healthy Honourable Speaker, but I want to assure Members that this loan has no interest, it is only the penalty when you have that default Honourable Speaker and from my experience, both the County Government and the Assembly have not defaulted this time so let me assure you Members that the deal is good. Honourable Speaker, I want also to appreciate your office and also my team for supporting on all this so I think now through this Motion we have renewed the contract which will stay for one-year, Honourable Speaker. I do appreciate and hope that everything will be okay for our cause. Thank you.

[Applause]

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you again, Honourable Kibwana and Honourable members for your contributions. Honourable Members, I now put the question that the Motion by Honourable Kibwana Swaleh, Chairperson Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriation on approval of overdraft facility be approved by this Honourable House in the same terms as debated?

[Question put and agreed]
[Applause]

And the Motion by Honourable Kibwana Swaleh, Chairperson Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriation on approval of overdraft facility is adopted by this House.

BILL SECOND READING

THE MOMBASA COUNTY REVOLVING FUND BILL OF 2025

Yes, Honourable Jactone Madialo, Chairperson Committee on Labour and Public Service Administration, please move the Motion.

Hon. Madialo: Thank you, Honourable Speaker for the opportunity. I would like to ask your kind permission to seek leave so that I may bring this to the business of the House in the afternoon. Thank you, Honourable Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Khatri): Thank you very much, Honourable Jactone Madialo your request is noted and the Motion will be scheduled for the next sitting which is in the afternoon.

ADJOURNMENT

Honourable Members, this House stands adjourned until Wednesday, 4th of March at 2:30 p.m.

The House rose at 11:18a.m.