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The Assembly met at the Mini-Chambers,

Main Assembly Buildings, at 9.00 a.m.

[The Speaker (Hon. N. Mutai) in the Chair]

PRAYER

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**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION
ON THE BOMET COUNTY SECOND SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2021/22**

Hon. A. Kirui: Hon. Speaker, I wish to move the following motion;

That this County Assembly adopts the Report of the Committee on Budget and Appropriation on the Bomet County Second Supplementary Budget Estimates 2021/22 laid on the Table of the Assembly on Wednesday, 15th June, 2022 and pursuant to the provision of Section 135 of the Public Finance Management (PFM) Act 2012 and Standing Order 18, approve the Bomet County Second Supplementary Estimates 2021/22 without amendment.

Hon. Members, I wish to take this opportunity on behalf of Members of the Committee on Budget and Appropriation to present to the Assembly, the Committee's Report on Bomet County Second Supplementary Budget for FY 2021/2022 as per Section 135 of the PFM Act 2012 and in accordance with County Assembly Standing Orders.

EXAMINATION OF THE EXECUTIVE SECOND SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET FOR F/Y 2021/2022

In line with the Constitution and the PFM Act, the Second Supplementary Budget Estimates for both the County Executive and County Assembly was submitted and Tabled before the House and

hence there is a need to urgently dispense with the business to avoid being overtaken by events. In reviewing the proposed supplementary budget, the Committee sought clarifications from the two arms of government.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, the views enabled the Committee Members to make an informed decision on the subject matter.

JUSTIFICATION FOR THE SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET

The Committee sought to establish the justification for the supplementary budget and made the following findings and observations.

The supplementary budget;

- i. Seeks to address the budget deficit in various Departments including Roads, Water, Medical Services, and Finance.
- ii. Seeks to revise upwards (increase) allocations for medical drugs as well as cash transfers to health facilities.
- iii. Seeks to re-budget funds which will not be possible to utilize before the closure of the financial year.

The Committee invited the CECM and CO for Finance to appear before it to clarify on various needs sought in the supplementary budget.

The following are the salient issues and CECM for Finance responses.

The CECM was required to provide sufficient explanations to justify the following supplements being sought;

NO	ITEMS	CHANGES	ALLOCATION AFTER CHANGES	Response
2	Boards, Committees, Conferences and Seminars (County Executive)	Additional allocation of KES 15M	KES 19M	To address deficit

NO	ITEMS	CHANGES	ALLOCATION AFTER CHANGES	Response
3	Non-residential buildings-Office (Public service Board Department)	Reduction of KES 6M	KES 0M	Not possible to utilize before end of the FY
4	Residential Buildings (CDG)	Reduction of KES 7M	KES 6.5M	Not possible to utilize before end of the FY
5	Non Residential Buildings-Offices (CDG)	Reduction of KES 8M	KES 1M	Not possible to utilize before end of the FY
10	Basic salaries (Public Service)	Additional allocation of KES 60M	KES 909M	To address deficit
11	Medical Insurance/Cover (Public Service)	Reduction of KES 110M	KES 70M	Not possible to utilize before end of the FY
13	Electricity (Finance)	Additional allocation of KES 47M	KES 77M	To address deficit
16	Electricity (Water)	Re-allocation of KES 25M from BOMWASCO	KES 25.1M	To pay electricity bills via line department
17	Support to Bomet Water Company (Grants) (Water)	Reduction of KES 25M	KES 55M	As above
18	Revolving Fund (Education)	Reduction of KES 20M	KES 0M	Not possible to utilize before end of the FY

NO	ITEMS	CHANGES	ALLOCATION AFTER CHANGES	Response
19	Other Transfers(Support to Polytechnic) (Education)	Reduction of KES 40M	KES 31M	Not possible to utilize before end of the FY
20	Construction of ECD Classrooms (Education)	Reduction of KES 45M	KES 9.8M	Not possible to utilize before end of the FY
21	Furniture in ECD (Education)	Reduction of KES 5M	KES 4.7M	Not possible to utilize before end of the FY
22	Feeding Programme (Education)	Reduction of KES 33M	KES 35M	Balances sufficient to offset pending commitments
24	Construction of Roads (Roads)	Additional allocation of KES 200M	KES 655M	To address deficit
25	Culvert Installation (Roads)	Reduction of KES 20M	KES 46.8M	To address deficit above
26	Construction and Maintenance of Motorised Bridge (Roads)	Reduction of KES 10M	KES 429M	To address deficit above

Mr. Speaker Sir, having reviewed the document in its entirety, my committee was convinced with the adjustments made and therefore did not have any objection. It therefore approved the second supplementary budget for the County Executive and the County Assembly as follows;

SECTOR	APPROVED ESTIMATES FY2021/2022	APPROVED FIRST SUPP. BUDGET FY2021/2022	APPROVED SECOND SUPP. BUDGET FY2021/2022
COUNTY EXECUTIVES	185,000,000	215,500,000	250,576,680
Personal emoluments	-	-	-
Operation & maintenance	185,000,000	215,500,000	250,576,680
PSB	40,406,540	40,406,540	34,519,332
Operation & maintenance	34,406,540	34,406,540	34,519,332
Development	6,000,000	6,000,000	-
ADMINISTRATION	56,035,461	54,535,461	40,146,942
Operation & maintenance	32,035,461	32,035,461	32,646,942
Development	24,000,000	22,500,000	7,500,000
PUBLIC SERVICE	2,056,933,665	2,009,933,665	1,959,933,665

Personal emoluments	1,851,933,665	1,801,933,665	1,861,933,665
Operation & maintenance	205,000,000	208,000,000	98,000,000
Development	-	-	-
ICT	35,205,000	35,205,000	35,391,160
Operation & maintenance	23,205,000	23,205,000	23,391,160
Development	12,000,000	12,000,000	12,000,000
FINANCE	232,969,289	377,002,899	476,644,029
Operation & maintenance	109,005,430	133,005,430	182,646,560
Development	123,963,859	243,997,469	293,997,469
ECONOMIC PLANNING	276,372,939	351,239,501	336,533,492
Operation & maintenance	109,018,965	149,885,527	165,179,518
Development	167,353,974	201,353,974	171,353,974
LANDS, HOUSING AND URBAN PLANNING	298,000,000	243,307,578	221,871,238
Personal emoluments	40,000,000	40,000,000	40,000,000
Operation & maintenance	32,200,000	41,500,000	41,862,800

Development	225,800,000	161,807,578	140,008,438
YOUTH, SPORTS, GENDER AND CULTURE	78,180,777	82,180,777	71,924,917
Operation & maintenance	39,180,777	60,180,777	61,924,917
Development	39,000,000	22,000,000	10,000,000
MEDICAL SERVICES & PUBLIC HEALTH	2,031,628,666	2,137,799,187	2,169,799,187
Personal emoluments	1,219,500,000	1,219,500,000	1,219,500,000
Operation & maintenance	571,720,903	677,891,424	724,891,424
Development	240,407,763	240,407,763	225,407,763
EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING	338,866,704	413,124,051	267,590,451
Operation & maintenance	132,356,250	191,853,214	131,210,014
Development	206,510,454	221,270,837	136,380,437
WATER SANITATION AND ENVIRONMENT	400,285,106	424,935,106	425,126,406
Operation & maintenance	119,800,000	125,450,000	125,592,300
Development	280,485,106	299,485,106	299,534,106
AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND FISHERIES	479,388,692	590,443,577	569,871,931

Operation & maintenance	16,590,000	16,590,000	16,590,000
Development	462,798,692	573,853,577	553,281,931
ROADS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORT	743,774,836	773,911,743	915,517,983
Operation & maintenance	83,673,772	83,673,772	75,673,772
Development	660,101,064	690,237,971	839,844,211
TRADE, ENERGY, TOURISM, INDUSTRY AND INVESTMENT	50,153,901	50,153,901	40,081,095
Operation & maintenance	12,123,901	12,123,901	11,509,041
Development	38,030,000	38,030,000	28,572,054
CO-OPERATIVES AND ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT	107,843,230	107,843,230	51,993,708
Operation & maintenance	21,490,030	21,490,030	21,510,780
Development	86,353,200	86,353,200	30,482,928
EXECUTIVE TOTAL	7,411,044,806	7,907,522,216	7,867,522,216
COUNTY ASSEMBLY	935,721,526	935,721,526	935,721,526
Personal emoluments	308,200,000	312,263,151	309,263,151
Operation & maintenance	414,866,449	410,803,298	413,803,298

Development	212,655,077	212,655,077	212,655,077
COUNTY TOTAL	8,346,766,332	8,843,243,742	8,803,243,742

Hon. Speaker, the Committee saw it necessary to approve this supplementary budget. I request Hon W. Kirui to Second.

Hon. W. Kirui: Hon. Speaker, I wish to thank the Committee for going through this supplementary budget and dealing with the questions and issues raised. We are in the last quarter of this financial year and the last bit of the Second Assembly. In Seconding this Motion, it is worth noting that the deficit has been addressed. As we process the budget estimate for the next financial year, there are no deficits in this financial year.

Hon Speaker, I Second.

(Question on the motion proposed)

Hon D. Kipkirui: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. I am a Member of this Committee. We invited the CO, CECM and they did not appear and that is injustice to the people of Bomet County. In this financial year, nothing was done in my Ward.

In the first supplementary budget, we had some money in the same Department. This time again, it is over Kshs. 200Million. What is happening? If it is an injustice, this supplementary, especially from the Executive, is a big injustice to the people of Bomet. If we want to be fair to this county, it is better we defer this Motion so that we have consultations. We are never rubber stamps. It is not because we are coming to the end of the final session of this Assembly that we simply pass things. I wish to request that we defer this Motion to afternoon or until we agree with the CECM and the CO or we just disapprove it.

(Hon. W. Kirui rose on a point of order)

Hon. W. Kirui: Hon. Speaker, may I reply because I have been mentioned. It is either you approve or disapprove the Motion. If you are talking of a consultation, it opens a *Pandora's Box*, unless you want to be bought. What does consultation mean?

(Loud consultations)

(Hon. J. Turgut rose on a point of order)

Hon. J. Turgut: Mr. Speaker, thank for this opportunity. It is so embarrassing when an honourable Member in this House is talking of “*to be bought*”. We are here to represent the electorate of this county and not to be bought. If that was to happen, it was supposed to have begun from the first year in of our term and not the last minute. I was supporting this Motion at first but it is opening a *Pandora* box.

Thank you.

(Hon. A. Koech rose on a point of order)

Hon. A. Koech: Hon. Speaker, thank you for this opportunity. Much as I had wanted to support this Motion, I am now having an alternative view. I wish that with the Chair’s wisdom, the honourable W. Kirui withdraws the statement “*that we want to be bought*” because I do not know how much I cost so that someone can buy me. In fact, when we talk of consultations between the County Assembly and the Executive, we wish to know why some things are done and others left. They are employed to do that work. So, they should come here to tell us and go back. There is nothing like being bought. I wish that word is withdrawn because it is unparliamentary.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. N. Mutai): Hon. W. Kirui, that language is unparliamentary!

Hon. W. Kirui: Hon. Speaker, as I withdraw the word, mark how I started, “Unless you want to be...” I am not saying that you have been bought. I withdraw.

(Hon. C. Mutai rose on a point of order)

Hon. C. Mutai: Hon. Speaker, thank for giving me this opportunity to also react. I think I heard from Hon. Chief Whip, who represent the government and is also a member of the Committee on Budget and Appropriation Committee that the Committee had invited the CECM for Finance and Economic Planning but he failed to attend because they were seeking some clarifications over issues that are in this budget.

I think it is honourable for this House to seek clarity over some issues before we pass it because we cannot become rubber stamps. As for honourable W. Kirui, he should address this House being one of us.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. N. Mutai): Hon. C. Mutai, you know that once a Member has withdrawn, you cannot react to that matter again.

Hon. C. Mutai: Honourable Speaker, thank you. I also withdraw but the point is driven home. I also agree with honourable Member to defer. We cannot pass the report which is not fully substantiated by the department.

Thank you.

(Hon. Z. Kilel rose on a point of order)

Hon. Z. Kilel: Hon. Speaker, thank you. I am seeing honourable H. Kirui moving up and down. I do not know what is happening with him. He has come to disturb me. He seems to be disturbing everybody. May be the Chair can throw him out.

(Hon. H. Kirui rose on a point of order)

Hon. H. Kirui: Hon. Speaker, it is so embarrassing that honourable Z. Kilel does not understand that we are allowed to consult in this House. We are consulting on a serious matter that the Whip has raised. He has urged me to postpone the Motion because the Member mandated to defer the Motion is the Mover or the Speaker. I am therefore consulting and honourable Z. Kilel is unhappy about it.

Thank you.

(Hon. Z. Kilel rose on a point of order)

Hon. Z. Kilel: Hon. Speaker, honourable H. Kirui came to my place yet I did not ask him to consult me. He should not be allowed to consult because he is not seeking permission first.

(Loud consultations)

Hon. Speaker (Hon. N. Mutai): Hon. Members, we have one House. I want you to make a ruling on the Motion. I think we have been dealing with many points of order.

(Hon. D. Kipkirui rose on a point of order)

Hon. D. Kipkirui: Mr. Speaker, I rise against this Motion. As I said earlier, I am not going to pass this Motion because of the reasons that I have raised. We cannot be giving money to a Department in every other supplementary budget. This is the second supplementary budget. We had the same money in the same Department in the first supplementary. We are about to do the same when the contractors in this county are crying. They have not been paid. I do not know where these funds

are going to. In every other supplementary, we are trying to address shortfalls in Departments yet there are no payments made.

I do not support this Motion.

(Hon. D. Maritim rose on a point of order)

Hon. D. Maritim: Hon. Speaker, thank you for giving me this opportunity. I wish to register my disapproval for this Motion. When the Mover said that some money cannot be utilized at this time and there was no expenditure report, I remembered we sat as a Committee of Trade, Tourism, Industry and Cooperatives and we could not get the expenditure report of the department. I do not know why they are moving money.

(Loud consultations)

Hon. Speaker (Hon. N. Mutai): Hon. Members, can you consult in low tones.

Hon. D. Maritim: Mr. Speaker, for instance in the Department of Roads and Public Works, they are moving Kshs. 200Million shillings to roads sector. It is like we are doing injustice to the budget which we approved for 2021-2022. In that financial year, there was no expenditure. Every Chair of every Committee has not received expenditure report which should have warranted that a certain amount was spent in a particular department.

Hon. Speaker, in our case here, the people who worked like the road contractors, ECDEs contractors, they have not been paid. I wonder why the second supplementary is here yet the first one cannot be justified. The Chair of Budget and Appropriation Committee has not moved financial statements. How can he close the accounts when you have not spent any money? We were invited by Budget and Appropriation Committee to scrutinize that budget. I wish this Motion is deferred until afternoon so that we can see it in details. I disapprove.

Thank you.

(Hon. J. Turgut rose on a point of order)

Hon. J. Turgut: Mr. Speaker, thank you. I will be the first one to support this Motion. The reason for supporting is because the Whip mentioned that we have pending bills especially concerning contractors. We are here to dispense with this Motion today because we are running short of time. We hear a lot of cry outside this House from our people. I request the Chair that you defer this Motion in order for us to discuss some issues and if the CO will not appear before this House to clarify some issues, then we pass it in the afternoon.

I support.

(Hon. J. Kellong rose on a point of order)

Hon. J. Kellong: Mr. Speaker, thank you for giving me this opportunity. I concur with my colleagues that this is an important issue that we need to look at it keenly. It is my humble request that we defer this Motion to relook at it so we can approve it in the afternoon.

Thank you.

(Hon. W. Kirui rose on a point of order)

Hon. W. Kirui: Mr. Speaker, the Speaker may defer putting of the question. So, we can continue discussing the Motion and the Question is deferred to a later date.

Hon. C. Marcella: Mr. Speaker, I would like to appreciate the Chair of the Budget and Appropriation Committee for this Motion. I would like to concur with our whip; he talks about Article 35 where he is free to be aware and to access information.

As far as I support the Motion and looking at the mood of the House, you can easily know what is going on. I support the Motion because it seeks to address on the deficit of the budget. As you are aware, most of our contractors have not been paid. The Motion is also seeking the increase of the funds on the medical drugs. So, the Motion is good but I am requesting the Chair to defer to afternoon for us to have more information.

I support the Motion but I request to defer to afternoon.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. N. Mutai): The Motion Mover can now reply.

Hon. H. Kirui: Hon. Speaker, I appreciate the hon. Members for coming up and articulating issues and showing that they are serious on their oversight work. I am also happy that the Members raised a few issues that before I say the final thing I want to respond. First, was from Hon. A. Maritim who was asked about the financial statement.

I wish to request that at the sectoral level, the members should be asking for the financial statements. Every committee would tell us what is happening in their various departments. So, I think that is an eye opener for the Committees.

Hon. Speaker, I saw an hon. Member who just came in is improperly dressed. I think it is not right according to the Speakers' Rules.

(Hon. K. Barchok left the Chamber)

Hon. Speaker, I am happy that the Members are equally concerned on the expenditure of the last quarter. We cannot close the financial year when there are some money in the departments which were not utilized and yet there is another with negative balances. So, this supplementary budget is purely to address those issues, the negatives and the positives and to balance the budget as we close the year.

We have a few weeks before the close of the year but due to the submission by Members and how they have debated, they have the right to consult more. I also wish to consult and clarify some of the issues they have raised. I request the Chair to defer the putting of the question until tomorrow morning when we can come back. Thank you.

Hon. N. Mutai: Thank you. I now direct that the putting of the question is hereby deferred to Tuesday, 22nd June, 2022 to Wednesday 22nd June, 2022 at 9.00 a.m.

Thank you. Next order!

Hon. H. Kirui: Hon. Speaker, I wish to request to move the following Motion.

That this County Assembly adopts the Report of Budget and Appropriation Committee on the itemized budget estimate for the County Executive and the County Assembly Tabled in this County Assembly on Wednesday, 15th June, 2022 and pursuant to the provision of Section 131 of the PFM Act 2012 approves the budget estimate for financial year 2022 /2023 without amendments.

Mr. Speaker on behalf of the Members of the Budget and Appropriation Committee, as required under Standing Order No. 190, I take this opportunity to present to the House the Committee Report on the Medium-Term Expenditure Frame Work for financial year 2022/2023 to 2023/2024 and annual budget for the year ending 30th June 2023 submitted to this County Assembly by the County Executive Committee Member for Finance and Economic Planning on 29th April, 2022 and Tabled on the Assembly on 15th May, 2023.

Mr. Speaker the constitution and the PFM Act plays significant responsibilities from the County Assembly over management of public resources particularly with regard to resource mobilization, allocation and monitoring and control. As currently constituted, the, members of the budget are;

1. Hon. Haron Kirui - Chairperson

2. Hon. Clara Cherotich	-	Vice Chairperson
3. Hon. Weldon Kirui	-	Member
4. Hon. Josphat Kirui	-	Member
5. Hon. Davis Kipkirui	-	Member
6. Hon. Leonard Kirui	-	Member
7. Hon. Robert Serbai	-	Member
8. Hon. Robert Langat	-	Member
9. Hon. Alice Chesang	-	Member
10. Hon. Wesley Kiprotich	-	Member
11. Hon. Robert Rono	-	Member
12. Hon. Andrew Maritim	-	Member

Mr. Speaker, the Bomet county budget estimates and in line with the provision of the Constitution for the budget estimate for the two arms of the county government namely county executive and county assembly, they were submitted to the County Assembly on 29th April, 2022. In reviewing the budget estimates, the Committee conducted a comprehensive consultative process which include public participation conducted at the County Assembly grounds on 7th June, 2022. The Committee also received views of the members of the public through public participation held at the assembly ground and detailed summaries are documented in this report. The views from all stakeholders greatly assisted my Committee on making informed decisions on the budget estimates.

Mr. Speaker, I wish to thank my members of the Committee on Budget and Appropriation for unwavering the commitment on the budget process up to the end and despite the challenges posted by issues that came in the year. Allow me to thank the Chairperson of all the Sectoral Committees and also to thank the County Assembly.

The Committee on Budget and Appropriation conducted public participation and, on the day, a list of specific issue were raised by the members of the public. I request the Members to go through because this was raised by their electorates.

Mr. Speaker, I wish to say that this is our last budget as the Second Assembly and administration. It has been a great pleasure that we have been able to approve several budgets which amounted to the development that we see. We have come a long way for serving our people and as we approve, I request the Members that we approve the last budget because it is our constitutional mandate to approve it as per the law.

So, as we approve this, I request the Members that we approve before we break for recess and allow the smooth flow of activities in our county. Having gone through that, I want to request my great friend, Hon. D. Kipkirui who is also the Majority Whip to Second the Motion.

Hon. D. Kipkirui: Hon. Speaker, we expect the coming government to have a budget in place.

When we came in on 6th September, 2017, we found a budget that had been passed by the previous House. We also want to do the same so that the next administration can find a budget in place. I request the House to pass this budget and if they come and find that they would want to adjust this to fit their manifesto, they can do a supplementary but as for us, I request that we pass it as it is.

Hon. Speaker, Sir, I Second. Thank you.

(Question proposed)

Hon. J. Kellong: Hon. Speaker, Sir, thank you for giving me the opportunity to contribute on this budget. We are ending the financial year and we need to have a budget in place for the year 2022/2023 for the new county government that will be in place. We have various departments and amounts of money allocated to these departments. For a long time, the Department of Youth and Sports has been underfunded. Hon. Haron said its Kshs. 75,000. I think it should have been Kshs. 75Million. He may correct me if I am wrong.

Hon. Speaker, Sir, our youth need to be empowered. I have always said that we are sitting on a time bomb because this is a group that needs to be empowered. With Kshs. 75Million in two departments, the Department of Social Services and the Department of Youth and Sports, sharing the same amount of money is underfunding.

Hon. Speaker, Sir, I support the approval of this budget. Thank you.

Hon. M. Chepkirui: Hon. Speaker, thank you. This Motion is about the transparency of a county government as it involves the new CIDP, which will be done after our exit. This Motion will also assist in the planning and the budget formulation process. It will also assist in the allocation of the public resources to prioritize on what they want to do for the next budget estimates of financial year 2022/2023. I support this Motion without amendment.

Hon. D. Maritim: Hon. Speaker, Sir, I wish to also support the adoption of this report. While I was going through the budget, the local revenue collection is estimated at Kshs. 300 Million which, according to me, is achievable. It is also estimated that there will be a balance carried forward of Kshs. 399 Million.

Hon. Speaker, the biggest partner we have is the Kenya Climate Action Development Plan allocated of Kshs. 125 Million. This is the largest donor funding which needs to be scrutinized. As we contemplate on this 2022/2023, the incoming government can come and reorganize but from what I see, we cannot reorganize the conditional allocation by the county government through loans and grants for development programs.

Hon. Speaker, the Kshs. 7.3 Billion which is equitable share in our local revenue should be looked at seriously. We are assured of Kshs. 6.6 Billion equitable share but for the Kshs. 300 Million which we contemplate to collect through revenue should be taken into consideration and seal all loop holes.

Hon. Speaker, I support this Motion for the adoption of this MTEF report of 2022/2023 without amendments.

Hon. W. Kiprotich: Hon. Speaker, Sir, thank you. I rise in support of this budget estimates for 2022/2023. I know these are challenging times especially for the Hon. Members spearheading this budget. It should be noted that it is our duty to conclude the budget making process for the purposes of implementation of the budget of 2022/2023 owing to the fact that this is a financial year beginning at time when the General Election is around the corner. It is imperative that this House adjourn so as to allow time to have an elaborate time to incorporate this budget into place and to do all the necessary stages until it is approved.

Hon. Speaker, Sir, to inform the public, this budget of 2022/2023, especially the health sector, as usual, takes the lion's share. It should be noted that the implementation of this budget is going to go hand-in-hand in enabling our people to access the services that they have always wanted.

Hon. D. Maritim mentioned that we should buy equipment to assist the people of Bomet to access the services that they want. This aspect of budgeting for a road every now and then just because after around six months it has been dilapidated by rains and is not passable any more is not good.

Hon. Speaker, we would like to have a budget that will go four to five years when a service is done so that we cannot do that same thing every time. We will not realize development if we do that. What we need to do, is to look into this particular aspect and have issues that are going to be long lasting and achievable and that will assist our people in every way.

Hon. Speaker, after all that I have said, I support.

Hon. W. Kirui: Hon. Speaker, Sir, I have brief remarks. I wish to support the adoption of this Motion. I would also wish that the people of Bomet elect His Excellency, Prof. Hillary Barchok to be the Governor because he has been spearheading this budget. In one of the forums, he asked me whether we have Kshs. 10Million allocated to the '*boda boda*' to cushion them as a way of encouraging the bottom-up economy and I did confirm that it is there. It was only that the budget had not been approved. Once this budget is approved, the next government, if H. E Barchok forms it, will have an easy time implementing it.

Hon. Speaker, Sir, I beg to support the adoption of this Motion.

Thank you.

Hon. H. Kirui: Hon. Speaker, thank you. In my right of reply, I wish to echo what Hon. Kellong has talked about in the Department of Youth and Social Services. If indeed I had mentioned Kshs. 70, 000, it is Kshs. 75, 126, 300.

Secondly, I appreciate the Members for debating positively in support of the budget estimates. This is because we are at the times that we are required to do this because we cannot access money

without the approved budget from this County Assembly. That is why we want the operations of the next financial year to go smoothly so that we allow our people to enjoy the services from the government. I request the House to approve the budget so that subsequently, we shall approve the appropriation bill and to allow the operations to continue normally.

Thank you.

(Question put and agreed to)

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Speaker (Hon. N. Mutai): Hon. Members, there being no other business, this Assembly stands adjourned to Tuesday, 21st June 2022 at 2:30 p.m.

(The House rose at 11.00 a.m.)