SECOND COUNTY ASSEMBLY THIRD SESSION

(NO.296) MORNING SITTING (300)

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF ISIOLO
SECOND COUNTY ASSEMBLY (THIRD SESSION)
ORDERS OF THE DAY

WEDNESSDAY, 26TH AUGUST, 2020 AT 9.00 A.M.

1. The Assembly assembled at nine O'clock.

2. The proceedings were opened with a prayer

MOTION: ESTABLISH / IMPROVE ON THE COLLECTION, PROCESING AND MARKETING OF NATURAL RESOURCES LIKE GUMS AND RESINS.

(HON.NURA DIBA)

THAT, Aware that Kenya has significant resources of gum Arabic and gum resins, with commercial production confined to the north of the Country. The collection of resins illustrate how sustainable adaptation to climate change could be potentially be supported and it represent an alternative source of income for poor people during drought and as a non-wood forest resources and its likely to be environmentally sustainable;

Further Aware that strengthening the local adaption options of pastoral communities require recognition of opportunities that natural resources of dry land ecosystems, provides for diversifying incomes sources.This natural resources includes plant gums, gum Arabic and plant gum resins among others;

Noting that harvesting and collection of gum and resins is an activity largely carried out by pastoralist peasants and vulnerable groups and it represent a sources of incomes and may therefore contribute to alleviating poverty;

Further noting that lack of sound market information, operational capital to collectors and traders, lack of clear government policy in support of production and marketing of gums and resins, lack of access roads and infrastructures, insecurity caused by bandits and dangerous wild animals are among constraints that hinders the marketing and production of these Natural resources.

Concerned that the County Government has failed to exploit these County's rich natural resources to diversify its resident's incomes;

Further concerned that lack of exploitation, operational capital and marketing of these Natural resources has reduced its productions ,value for money and competitiveness as an alternative sources of income;

Appreciating that Isiolo County is endowed with rich Natural resources that greatly improve livelihood of its residents when properly exploited.

This House urges the County Executive Committee Member for Water, Environment and Natural resources to

a. Fast truck development of clear policy in support of production and Marketing of Gums and Resins;
b. Provides operational capital to collectors and traders of Gums and resin;
c. Development of Access roads and infrastructures of the potential Gums and Resin harvesting areas.

Motion Made and Question Proposed;

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Debate Arose;

Question Put and AGREED TO;

RESOLVED ACCORDINGLY;

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