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The House met at 9:30 a.m.

(Temporary Speaker [Hon. Humphrey Sifuna] in the Chair)

**PRAYER**

**STATEMENTS**

**STATEMENT ON CONSTRUCTION OF CHEPYUK AND KAIMGUL DISPENSARIES IN  
CHEPYUK WARD IN THE FY 2017/2018**

**Hon. Hillary Kiptalam:** Thank you, Honourable Speaker. I am standing on behalf of Hon. Simotwo to seek a statement pursuant to Standing Order 41(2)(c). I hereby seek for a statement from the Chairperson, Committee on Health on the construction of two dispensaries in Chepyuk ward namely Chepyuk and Kaimugul dispensaries constructed in the FY 2017/2018.

In this statement, let the Chair enquire and report on the following;

1. Who is the contractor of the said two projects?
2. What were the allocations meant for the two projects?
3. How much more money has been paid so far for the said projects and the remaining balance?
4. What is the timeline for the projects as per the contract?
5. What is the percentage of the work done for the two projects?
6. What the department is doing to complete the project

Report has been signed by the area MCA, Hon. Frankline Simotwo.

**Hon. Jack Wambulwa:** Thank you, Honourable Speaker. I want to request that we be given two weeks to respond to Hon. Simotwo.

**Temporary Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Wambulwa. Two weeks agreed, that will be on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021.

## MOTIONS

### **THE REPORT BY SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK, FISHERIES, IRRIGATION AND CO-OPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT ON THE KEY ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR IN THE FY 2020/2022**

**Hon. Sospeter Nyongesa(Vice Chair, Agriculture):** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am on my feet to move this motion and the motion is all about the key achievements in the implementation of the ADP for FY 2020/2021 by the department of Agriculture, Livestock, Irrigation and Co-operative Development.

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#### **Preamble**

During the interrogation of the ADP FY 2022-2023 and from the documents submitted by the ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries, Irrigation and Co-operatives development, the committee noted the following as the achievements in the implementation of the ADP for financial year 2021-2022.

Some of the key achievements in the sector included:

1. The Farm Input Support Program where 16,000 vulnerable farmers benefited from free fertilizer and maize seed;
2. 100,000 avocado seedlings procured and distributed to 45,000 farmers across the county;
3. The operationalization of the Chesikaki coffee milling plant;
4. Ongoing construction works for establishment of a dairy processing plant in Webuye;
5. AI subsidy program targeting farmers across the county where more than 2500 improved breeds had been realized;
6. Infrastructural development, issuance of grants and capacity building of farmer groups through NARIGP and ASDSP II;
7. Rehabilitation of 4 cattle dips, procurement and installation of coffee pulping machine at Kapsacho coffee factory in Kapsokwony;
8. Procurement and distribution of 54 improved breed dairy cows to farmers groups through the Ward Based Programme projects;
9. Provision of farmer extension services.

Tasked with the role of tracking the budget and follow up on the project implementation in respect to Annual Development program, the committee did invite the department to share detailed information on the above in a view to enhance review of departmental budgetary allocations and implementation of departmental Annual Development Projects.

It is upon these premises that the committee reports to this Honorable House the key departmental achievements, challenges and committee observations and recommendations for further action by the relevant government functionaries.

On the next page is the committee mandate which I wish to skip with your permission.

## **Acknowledgement**

I take this opportunity to thank the Office of the Speaker and that of Clerk of the County Assembly for the logistical support accorded to the Committee as it executed its mandate. My gratitude also goes to all members of the Committee for dedicating their time to examine the report from the Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries, Irrigation and Co-operatives Development. It is therefore my pleasant duty and privilege, on behalf of the Sectoral Committee to table this report to the Assembly for deliberation and adoption.

As you can see the report is duly signed by none other than Honourable Joan Lutukai as the Chair

What follows as members can see is the list of members of the committee which I also beg to skip.

## **THE KEY SECTOR ACHIEVEMENT AREAS:**

### **National Agricultural and Rural Inclusive Growth Project (NARIGP)**

The department reported that the National Agriculture and Rural Inclusive Growth Project (NARIGP) is a 5 year project financed by the World Bank /IDA, National Government and County Governments. The project started in 2017 and was to end in August 2021. However, the project has been given an extension of 2 years and will therefore end in 2023. This project has been financed with a US\$ 200 million loan from the World Bank and local contribution of US\$ 19 million from the GoK/CG. The project covers 21 counties in Kenya.

In Bungoma County, the project is being implemented in 20 Wards and 5 Counties as shown below:

As you can see in the table below.

Members you may look at the table below The Bungoma County NARIGP coverage.

**Temporary Speaker:** Hon. Sospeter it is 5 subcounties not five counties.

**Hon. Sospeter Nyongesa:** Yes in Bungoma the project is being implemented in 20 wards and 5 subcounties as shown below in that table where members are able to see. From your gadgets you can go through the table indicating the wards that are covered

### **Implementation Status per Component:**

**NARIGP** is implemented in four components as discussed below;

Under Component 1, the department reported to have approved a total of 860 Micro projects and funded 856 (709 fully funded, 147 1<sup>st</sup> tranche).

Others activities include approval of 525 groups per window on Sustainable Land Management in Value Chains, 194 Market Oriented Livelihoods, 105 Vulnerable and Marginalized Groups and 33 groups on Nutrition.

The total number of beneficiaries on the component I reached 21,907. So far, a total of 87 Sub County technical staff and community based facilitators (SCTT/CBFs) have been trained and services offered to farmers through the Farmer Field School (FFS). The department also managed to establish 320 FFS schools.

Under the second Component, the programme funded 11 Producer Organizations with MOUs; (4 dairy, 3 chicken, 2 banana and 2 beans). Further, 591 Common Interest Groups/ Vulnerable and marginalized Groups (CIGs/VMGs) joined the Producer Organizations.

Further, NARIGP approved 8 Enterprise Development Plans (EDPs) including Kaptama Dairy, Kikai Dairy FCS, Luchendi SACCO for Banana, 3KM SACCO for Bean, Kimaeti SACCO for Banana, Kamukuywa Dairy, Bumula Dairy, Sirisia Poultry) and funded 5 EDPs including (Kaptama Dairy, Kikai Dairy, Luchendi SACCO for BANANA, 3km SACCO for Beans, Kimaeti SACCO for Banana.

Under the third Component, NARIGP partially approved two Multi Community Investments (MCIs) which are Wabukhonyi Dam in Bumula and Kapkara Dam in Lwandanyi, and fully approved two implementation sustainable land development projects.

In employment programme, there were 227(144M, 83F) youths/VMGs engaged with the programme using a total of Kshs. 2,440,000. There were various visibility activities carried out including sign posts erection, printing of T/shirts and caps, banners, pamphlets, motorcycles branded, road shows and a total of 76(51M,25F) Capacity Building of County Technical Departments carried out.

In Component four, the programme carried out 21,907 (13,993,7,914 M&E data collection, 12 Supervision/backstopping, established and updated MIS, responded to six audits and recorded 42 grievances(conflict of interest and procurement at community level) while 39 grievances were resolved. There were two vehicles and 20 motorbikes procured under this programme.

### **Budget against the Expenditure Summary by NARIGP**

Below is a table showing a summary of the budget against expenditure by NARIGP in the past three financial years. The department noted that the programme has not yet received funding of Kshs. 27,000,000 included in the budget but the same has been put in the supplementary budget.

I call upon members to look at the table indicated below as we move to the committee's observation

### **COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS**

#### **The committee observes that;**

1. The NARIGP programme has helped improve the livelihoods of the locals where its projects have been implemented through supporting and funding vulnerable groups, training farmers and offering employment to youths who are paid stipends.

2. There is misinformation or little information in public with political leaders on the funding and expenditures of the NARIGP programme in the County.
3. The Committee is not aware of the departmental policies and rules of engagement governing the programme.

## **Agricultural Sector Development Support Programme II (ASDSP II)**

The Agricultural Sector Development Support Programme (ASDSP II) is a five-year Programme (2017-2022) financed by the Government of Kenya (National and County governments), the Government of Sweden and the European Union (EU). It is implemented by the Government of Kenya (national and 47 county governments) with strong participation of the private sector as direct beneficiaries or service providers.

The programme is an implementation strategy of the over-arching agricultural policy for the National and County governments. The Programme follows ASDSP I which concluded in June 2017. The overall goal of the Programme is to contribute to “transformation of crop, livestock and fisheries production into commercially oriented enterprises that ensures sustainable food and nutrition security”. The Programme’s purpose is to “develop sustainable Priority Value Chains (PVCs) for improved income, food and nutrition security”.

The Programme targets 700,000 value chain actors nationally and 19,005 value chain actors in Bungoma County in order to meet its purpose in addressing four key challenges that hinder commercialization of agriculture namely, low productivity along agricultural value chains; inadequate entrepreneurial skills along agricultural value chains and among service providers; low access to markets by VCAs and weak and inadequate structures and capacities for consultation, cooperation and coordination within the Sector. The Programme is aligned to four results or outcomes thus:

- i)* Increased productivity of priority value chains
- ii)* Strengthened entrepreneurial skills of Priority Value Chain actors
- iii)* Improved access to markets by Priority Value Chain actors and
- iv)* Strengthened structures and capacities for consultation, collaboration, cooperation, and coordination in the Agricultural Sector.

You can see the table indicating the budget against the expenditure and it’s indicated in that table. I appeal to members to go through as we go straight to observations by the committee

## **COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS**

### **The Committee observes that;**

1. The department has neither submitted any report over ASDSP I which concluded in June 2017 nor briefed the committee on the commencement of ASDSP II.

## **Farm Input Support Programme (Fertilizer and Maize Seed)**

The programme was initiated in FY 2014/15 and guided by policy guidelines to provide a 50kg bag of planting fertilizer, a 50kg bag of top dressing fertilizer and 10kgs of maize seed to vulnerable farmers in all Wards in the County.

The beneficiaries are usually identified through a vetting process undertaken in all Wards carried out by Ward Vetting Committees established by the Policy Guidelines. In the FY year 2020/21, 360 farmers benefited per Ward for 43 Wards and 180 beneficiaries for Khalaba and Township Wards. The project breakdown since 2013 is as follows;

Members, you can refer to the table given there as we move to the observations of the committee

### **COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS**

#### **The Committee observes as follows;**

1. That the Farm Input Support Programme (Fertilizer and Maize Seed) policy guidelines were initiated in FY 2014/15 and its review is long overdue as a result of changing economic times.
2. That the beneficiaries identified through a vetting process are usually unknown by political leaders and no report is submitted to the committee over the same.
3. That the Ward Vetting Committees keep on being changed without due process as established by the guidelines.

That is all on farm inputs

#### **Promotion of Industrial Crops (Avocado)**

The department reported that following the increase in demand for avocado in the local and international market, farmers have been generating a lot of income. That farmers in different parts of the country are turning to avocado farming to reap from the profitable industry.

It was also made known that in the export market; avocados are likely to be the game-changer crop, especially HASS avocados which are highly nutritious. In the recent past, Europe has been the most targeted market for Kenyan Avocados. China giving a nod to the Kenyan avocados in April, 2019 was a major development that would boost the avocado market. The 70% of avocados in Kenya are from Murang'a. With the vast spectrum use of avocado, there's a need to promote its production and use in the County.

The Department of Agriculture therefore managed to procure 100,000 HASS avocado seedlings to support farmers in the County since Yield of the avocado trees depend on the quality of the seedlings, the variety, and proper farming methods.

## **COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS**

### **The Committee observes that**

1. The committee observes that public awareness on the avocado is lacking and there is need for sensitization of the public on avocado programme in the County.

### **Establishment of a dairy processing plant**

The department reported that the milk processing plant is being established to promote production, value addition and expand marketing of milk in the county. This is aimed at also reducing milk losses and increasing milk prices for producers.

The Construction of structures and related infrastructure to house the processing equipment is at 90% completion and it would be complete by December, 2021 before the equipment is installed.

The department reported that a total of Kshs. 126 million out of the contract sum of Kshs. 146 million has so far been spent on the plant.

It was also reported that the UK will fund the equipment at the plant to a tune of Kshs. 40 million.

## **COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS**

### **The Committee observes that;**

1. There is no clear information about the source of funding for this project given that the budget allocated is not enough to complete the project by the County treasury in this financial year.
2. There is lack of disclosure on the agreement entered with the UK government over the funding of the Kshs. 40 million meant for installing the equipment at the plant given that this is a grant.

### **Purchase and delivery of fish feeds at Chwele fish farm**

This is a recurrent component for continued operationalization of the Chwele Fish Farm. The objective of the farm is for farmer capacity development through demonstrative training at the farm and support with fingerlings at subsidized costs.

### **Purchase of coffee seeds and seed tubes**

The department procured 250 KGS of coffee seed and 1,000,000 coffee tubes to distribute to coffee societies in the county for establishment of coffee nurseries.

To enhance productivity in coffee, quality seed is a necessity hence the continued support to coffee farmers in the county by the County Government. Enhanced coffee outputs is also necessary for efficient operationalization of Musese and Chesikaki coffee mills.

## **COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS**

The Committee observes the following;

- 1) That only Kshs. 1,000,000 had been set aside for purchase of Coffee seeds and feeds which is 0.003% of the departmental budget.
- 2) That there are only two Coffee mills across the County hence little activity is directed towards the programme.
- 3) That marketing of the Coffee outside the County and Country is poor and there is need to put in structures to maximize production and marketing.

### **Operationalization of Chesikaki and Musese Coffee Mills**

The department submitted that the county government has supported the Bungoma and Mt. Elgon Cooperative Unions to operationalize the coffee milling plants by establishing weighbridges and warehouses amongst other interventions. This is geared towards increasing coffee farmers' incomes by reducing some of the inefficiencies in the value chain. The Chesikaki coffee mill is operational but the Musese mill requires some equipment like the 'Mbuni haule' for it to be operational. The mill faces technical issues and also lacks staff .

## **COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS**

The Committee observes the following;

1. That there are no Coffee bean stores constructed for the two Coffee mills in the County.
2. That the Mills lack enough land space for stalls especially during the peak of milling.

### **Artificial Insemination (AI) Subsidy Programme**

The department noted that the AI subsidy program was launched in 2019 with the aim of improving livestock genetic makeup and to improve farmers' access to AI services at an affordable cost. That most of the farmers were not using this program to improve their stock due to high costs and low rate of conception. The program is aimed at improving productivity of the county herd by improving the genetic composition of the dairy herd with emphasis on traits that increases milk production per lactation and maintaining the genetic diversity of the herd.

It was reported that through the AI Subsidy guidelines, the department is offering subsidized AI services at 800/= per straw. Bungoma county has a total of 395,828 heads of cattle both exotic and zebu breed. Zebu breed dominate the county because most of the farmers still believe that Zebu is hardy and can thrive even in harsh weather conditions.

The county government uses the available government and private AI service providers and based on the established guidelines, the county government provides liquid nitrogen and other associated AI tools and equipment to AI service providers for free. On the other hand, AI service providers purchase semen from the county government at cost of Kshs. 200 and Kshs. 1,000 for conventional and sexed semen.

## **COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS**

The Committee observes that;

1. Despite the positive strides made, there was inadequate number of public AI inseminators hence dependency on private inseminators which has hampered the programme.
2. There is low supply of sexed semen from KAGRC making the conventional semen the only option to farmers in the county.
3. The service delivery by service providers is poor since they are few and cannot reach the dairy farmers in the interior of the county.

## **Ward Based Projects**

The department submitted the Project status report as at Dec, 2021 as listed in Annex II provided. Members, you may look at annex 1 able and see what has been submitted

## **COMMITTEE GENERAL OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS**

The Committee therefore makes the following observation;

1. The ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries, Irrigation and co-operative Development has implemented 70% of the targeted outcomes in the period under review
2. That the department through the NARIGP and ASDSP II programs have improved livelihoods of the locals across various Wards in the County. The locals have benefited through receiving funding and training on various value chains.
3. That the Farm Input Program is yet to meet its objective of supporting the vulnerable since there have been cases of some beneficiaries selling the input they are given.
4. The Farm Input Policy review is long overdue and could be contributing to non-achievement of the programs initial intention and should be reviewed to match the current trends.
5. The community lacks information on the programs supported by the ministry and their roles in execution of the programme.

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Committee recommends as follows;

1. THAT the community should be sensitized on the Agriculture support programs and be capacity built on the role they can undertake in execution of the programs at all levels.
2. THAT there should be equity and equality in distribution of projects across the County to curb sentiments of discrimination on the side of the County Government where some wards benefit from two or more programs while others have none.
3. THAT the department should prioritize employment of technical staff like artificial inseminators and outreach officers to follow up and help in execution of the planned programs in livestock department.
4. THAT the ministry should disclose the monies spent on construction of the Webuye Milk Processing Plant and the agreement with the UK Government on installation of machine be first tracked. A comprehensive report should be submitted to the Committee 30 days after the adoption of this report.
5. THAT the ministry to review the farm input policy given the current economic situation and so that the community can also benefit from the program.

We the undersigned Members of Agriculture and Cooperative development Committee append our signatures adopting this report with its contents therein.

As you can see the adoption schedule signed by members of this Committee. Otherwise may I call Honorable Lukosi who is a member of this Committee to second the report.

*(Applause)*

**Temporary Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Sospeter.

**Hon. Kesia Lukosi:** Thank you. I'm on my feet to support the report.

*(Applause)*

**Temporary Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Lukosi.

Honorable Members, a Motion having been moved and seconded, I now propose the question.

*(Question proposed)*

**Hon. Joseph Nyongesa:** Thank you, Honorable Speaker. I want to applaud the Vice Chair of Agriculture for taking us through this report. I also want to thank the committee for the report. We have some hiccups here and there, that we would also like to know the kind of information.

Honorable members, you know Agriculture walks hand in hand with water. I thought that maybe they were also doing the analysis and touch on the issue of dams because they are also key in Agriculture.

Observation one, they have said that Livestock, Fisheries, Irrigation and Cooperative development has implemented 70% of the targeted out comes in the period under review. 70% is at the highest level, but when you read observation 5, it contradicts number one, that the community lacks information on the programmes supported by the Ministry and their roles in execution of programmes.

I'm therefore wondering for they have done 70 % but the community lacks information. So where has this 70% been done and which information the community needs if it has done 70%? In recommendation number 2, that there should be equity and equality in distribution of projects across the County to curb the sentiments of distribution of the side of the County Government where some Wards benefit from two or more programmes.

I agree with this one because I have been seeing some programmes being done or run in some Wards and there are Wards that lack especially my Ward because the issue of NARIP. They have selected Wards that maybe the farmers have benefitted and others not. As the Committee and as a House, if we should cry for equity and equality, and I the Committee had realized it a bit earlier, then our people and Farmers could have benefitted too. I support the report.

**Temporary Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Nyongesa.

**Hon. Henry Majimbo:** Thank you, Honorable Speaker. First, I want to call upon the clerks at the table to sending complete reports, in our gadgets, we have page 10, but 11 and 12 is not there. I have faced challenges and following the report. If you look at page 10, they are saying that the project breakdown since 2013 is as follows yet it is not there. I therefore don't know what to contribute. When you read the heading of this report, it talks about the key achievements in the implementation of the ADP for the financial year 2020/2021 by the department of Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries, Irrigation and Cooperative Development. But when you look critically on this report, there are areas which have not been captured. Areas like mechanization. I don't know whether mechanization is still under Agriculture or not. We need to know whether those tractors are still in use or they're not there. They are part of the Ministry of Agriculture.

Secondly, there is this soil testing vehicles that were purchased and I am privy to the information that this soil testing vehicles recently were leased out to our neighbouring County and they were out for almost three Months. I thought that was very important information for this House to note that we also have soil testing vans. It has not been captured here.

On page 10, the issue of the farm inputs, the fertilizers and the maize seeds, they have said here that the beneficiaries are identified through a vetting process undertaken in all wards carried out by the ward vetting committees established by committee guidelines.

In the financial year 2020/2021, 360` farmers benefitted per ward for 43wards and 180 benefitted for Khalaba and Township Wards. The project break down since 2013 was as follows then it goes blank. I can't see what follows.

If I refresh my minds in just approved supplementary budget, the budget Committee through its own wisdom, increased this farm inputs per ward and I'm not very sure whether the office of the clerk has equally informed the County Executive of those recommendations.

I'm also aware that the Ward vetting committees, after the meeting. Will they also consider the 360 farmers or they will consider the recommendations in the supplementary budget. That if foot for thought. I'm happy that even the vice Chair for agriculture is also a member of budget.

So you will add more flesh on the issues that I have raised especially whether the vetting Committee shall consider 360 farmers for 43 Wards and 180 for Khalaba and Township because the vetting Committees are going to start vetting applicants from next week.

We as the reps, we are informed whether they should vet for 360 or less than 360 I think 310. They have reduced to 310. It is therefore critical that when they move a response, and they should also tell me why page 11 and 12 is not here. You can't come and over a Motion and you have not confirmed whether members are following or not. Thank you as I support the report.

**Hon. Rosemary Khisa:** Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I want to appreciate the mover of this Motion and say that I'm also a member of this Committee. I have a concern; you will realize that when we were preparing this report, we had not done the 1<sup>st</sup> supplementary budget, it is ideal that because we have done that they are giving out fertilizer maybe less than what we budgeted in the first supplementary. I want to ask that as a Committee, we should sit down and petition. If the allocation that I'm hearing on the ground being talked about of 305 bags of fertilizer, and since we have not sat, I wish the Committee through our able Chair; we sit down and petition over the same. On what you have mentioned, it is true that this report was written before the first supplementary.

**Temporary Speaker:** Thank you, Hon. Rosemary. Any other contributor?

I will now call upon the mover to come and reply.

**Hon. Sospeter Nyongesa:** Thank you. I just want to applaud the members who have raised their concerns and may be just to react on their concerns starting with Hon. Joseph Nyongesa; you will realize that this is why he lamented on wards which had benefitted from more than one project that is NARIGP and the ASDSP. You will realize that was initiated before we came in, this means that the farmer groups were identified before the second Assembly came in and that is to say that we were not part of the group that was identifying farmer groups to benefit.

Secondly, these are conditional grants and we all understand what they are. They are all specific. Like the NARIP, talk of the specific Counties they are working in and specific sub-counties. It is beyond us as the committee to direct where that could have been.

It is rare to find the possibilities that one or a number of wards can benefit from either or both of the projects. That is beyond us as a committee because it was initiated before the session of this Assembly.

For the concerns of Hon. Majimbo, I'm not part of the technical team that shares the document with Honorable Members on their gadgets. If it happens that you missed out on a page or so, I think that is not the mistake of the committee but we promise that in future, we will ensure that our secretariat shall do what is right, so that the Members get the information.

To second on what Hon. Rosemary said this report was prepared the just concluded Supplementary report. You will realize that during our retreat, we emphasized for it to remain the way it was last year and that was 360 farmers to benefit but after going through the just concluded budget, you will find that the number has reduced to 310 instead of 360 as it was before. What is there is just as Hon. Rosemary has suggested and as a Committee we are going to sit with the executive and see how best we can go about it. As per the guidelines, I think the guidelines have not changed but for the executive to keep changing the quantities are a matter of concern.

Otherwise, we are going to follow up Hon. Majimbo and we believe that with the conclusion of this projects on a five years term, they intent to work with the County Government of Bungoma and we hope that they will identify other groups to benefit apart from the ones that benefitted previously and also, we may be in position to advice that not all the 45 Wards are benefitting. They should ensure that at least the second organization should operate in the wards that maybe missed in the first organization.

Otherwise, I take this opportunity to thank you for those who have listened to me as I took you through and for those who have taken their time to react on the report. Thank you for giving us time.

**Temporary Speaker:** Honorable Members, a Motion having been moved and seconded and a debate having been ensued and replied having been given, I now put the question that the report and the recommendations be adopted.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

*(Applause)*

That being the last item on the Order Paper, the House stands adjourned and resumes at 2:30 p.m. in the afternoon.

*(House adjourns)*