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## HANSARD OFFICIAL REPORT

WEDNESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2023

The House met at 2:30 p.m.

(Mr. Speaker [Hon. Emmanuel Situma] in the Chair)

### PRAYER

### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

Honourable Members I have the following communication to make:

1. MAJORITY COALITION COMMITTEES MEMBERSHIP RESHUFFLES

This communication is from the office of Majority Whip, Hon. Meshack Museveni's coalition as Kenya Kwanza.

**Reinstatement and placement of Honourable Members to the committees under Standing Order NO.176 (2) and 178 (1);**

Hon. Orize Kundu has been reinstated to the Finance and Economic Planning Committee.

Hon. Martin Chemorion has been reinstated to the Tourism, Environment Water and Natural Resources Committee.

Hon. Abraham Obama has been reinstated to the Gender and Cultural Committee.

Thanks in advance for your understanding and cooperation on this matter

Thank you, signed by Hon. Meshack Wekesa Museveni,

Majority Whip

*(Applause)*

### PAPER

1. REPORT BY THE SECTORIAL COMMITTEE ON LANDS, URBAN, PHYSICAL PLANNING AND HOUSING ON THE IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF SPATIAL PLAN LAND REGISTRY AND GIS LABORATORY IN THE COUNTY

**Hon. Johnstone Ipara:** Thank you so much Hon. Speaker. I rise to table a report by the Committee on Lands, Urban, Physical Planning, Housing and Municipalities on status of Land Registry, Geographical Information System Laboratory and the Spatial Plan in the County.

**Mr. Speaker:** When you table or when you submit the report you bring it forward. It is no longer your copy. Honourable Members the report by the Sectorial Committee on Lands,

Urban, Physical Planning and Housing on the Implementation Status of Spatial Plan, Land Registry and GIS Laboratory in the County is hereby tabled and formally becomes the property of the House.

### NOTICE OF MOTION

1. REPORT BY THE SECTORIAL COMMITTEE ON LANDS, URBAN, PHYSICAL PLANNING AND HOUSING ON THE IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF SPATIAL PLAN, LAND REGISTRY AND GIS LABORATORY IN THE COUNTY

**Hon. Johnstone Ipara:** Mr. Speaker, I rise to issue a notice that this House adopts the report by the Sectorial Committee on Lands Urban Physical planning and Housing on the implementation status of Spatial Plan, Land Registry and GIS laboratory in the County.

**Mr. Speaker:** Thank you. Honourable Members a notice of motion having been duly issued by the Sector Committees on Lands, Urban, and Physical Planning and Housing, I do direct the Table Clerks before us here to share this report with the Honourable Members as this report will be forming part of our Order Paper s this week.

### MOTION

REPORT BY THE SECTORIAL COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND ECONOMIC PLANNING ON THE BUNGOMA COUNTY INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2023 TO 2027

**Hon. Vitalis Wangila** (*Deputy Minority Whip*): Thank you Mr. Speaker. On behalf of the Finance Committee, me and my able Chair who has an eye problem this particular evening, you will allow me move a motion.

**Mr. Speaker:** Honourable Vitalis when you say he has a problem of seeing don't ask him to come and second your report because he will be having the same problem that time...

**Hon. Vitalis Wangila:** Thank you for your correction Mr. Speaker. Allow me move this report on the Bungoma County Integrated Development Plan 2023/2027.

The County Integrated Development Planning process is an exercise that envisions the position of a County in the future, based on the analysis of the present and past experience. It's a tool for projecting the desired future of the County through prudent prioritization of the needs of the people of Bungoma; using the scarce resources available.

This CIDP III is themed “**Accelerating Socioeconomic Transformation to a More Competitive, Inclusive and Resilient Economy**”. The plan emphasizes economic growth, poverty reduction, income generation, employment creation, improved service delivery and business development as the drivers of its development agenda.

In implementing the CIDP III, the County will effectively integrate the global Agenda 2030 on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Africa's Agenda 2063, the fourth Medium Term

Plan of the Kenya vision 2030, “Big Four” Agenda and Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (Hustler Manifesto).

The plan also aims at building on the successes and lessons learnt from the first and second CIDPs, as it sets an increased pace of socio-economic transformation. A resilient economy is planned to be achieved through; modernization and diversification of agriculture to enhance food security, increased investment in infrastructure, improved access to quality education and skills, functional health system in terms of service availability, readiness and affordability to all, wider coverage of improved water supply sources and sanitation, increased linkages to national, regional and global markets for our products, nurtured entrepreneurship culture and job creation, provision of decent and affordable housing.

The document is expected to spur sustainable economic growth potential as well as address development challenges facing the County in addition to forming the basis for county budgeting.

### **Tabling and Committal of CIDP**

The Bungoma County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) 2023- 2027 was tabled in the County Assembly of Bungoma during a special sitting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2023 at 2.30 p.m. and stood committed to the sectoral committee on Finance and Economic Planning for processing and reporting back to the House.

### **LEGAL FRAMEWORK**

Article 220(2) (a) of the Constitution states that “*National Legislation shall prescribe the structure of the development plans and budgets of counties;*”

Further, section 104 of the County Government Act provides that:

- (1) County Government shall plan for the County and no public funds shall be appropriated outside planning framework developed by the County Executive Committee and approved by the County Assembly.*
- (2) The County Planning framework shall integrate economic, physical, social, environment and spatial planning.*
- (3) The County Government shall designate County department, Cities and urban areas, sub-counties and wards as planning authorities of the County.*
- (4) Promote public participation, non-state actors shall be incorporated in the planning process by all authorities.*
- (5) County plans shall be binding on all sub County units for developmental activities within a County.*

Section 106(2) of the County Government further states that County plans shall be based on the functions of the County governments as specified in the fourth schedule of the Constitution and on relevant national policies.

Section 107(1) (a) lists the county integrated Development Plan as one of the frameworks to be formulated.

Principles on the county planning are laid down in section 102 of the County Governments Act and states as follows:

- (a) integrate national values in all processes and concepts;*
- (b) protect the right to self-fulfilment within the county communities and with responsibility to future generations;*
- (c) protect and integrate rights and interest of minorities and marginalized groups and communities;*
- (d) Protect and develop natural resources in a manner that aligns national and County governments policies;*
- (e) Align County financial and institutional resources to agreed policy objectives and programmes;*
- (f) Engender effective resource mobilization for sustainable development;*
- (g) Promote the pursuit of equity in resource allocation within the county;*
- (h) Provide a platform for unifying planning, budgeting, financing, programme implementation and performance review; and*
- (i) Serve as a basis for engagement between county government and the citizenry, other stakeholders and interest groups.*

### **County Integrated Development Plan**

Sections 108(1) of the County Governments Act provides that

1) *There shall be a five year county integrated development plan for each county which shall have—*

- (a) Clear goals and objectives;*
- (b) An implementation plan with clear outcomes;*
- (c) Provisions for monitoring and evaluation; and*
- (d) Clear reporting mechanisms.*

(2) *Each County integrated development plan shall at least identify—*

- (a) The institutional framework, which shall include an organization chart, required for—*
- (i) The implementation of the integrated development plan; and*

- (ii) Addressing the county's internal transformation needs;*
- (b) As informed by the strategies and programmes set out in the plan—*
- (i) Any investment initiatives in the county;*
- (ii) Any development initiatives in the county, including infrastructure, physical, social, economic and institutional development;*
- (iii) All known projects, plans and programs to be implemented within the county by any organ of state; and*
- (iv) The key performance indicators set by the county.*
- (3) An integrated development plan shall—*
- (a) Have attached to it maps, statistics and other appropriate documents;*
- (b) Refer to maps, statistics and other appropriate documents that are not attached but held in a GIS based database system:*
- Provided that the plans under paragraphs (a) and (b) are open for public inspection at the offices of the county in question.*
- (4) A resource mobilization and management framework shall be reflected in a county's integrated development plan and shall at least—*
- (a) Include the budget projection required under the law governing county government financial management;*
- (b) Indicate the financial resources that are available for capital project developments and operational expenditure; and*
- (c) Include a financial strategy that defines sound financial management and expenditure control: as well as ways and means of increasing revenues and external funding for the county and its development priorities and objectives, which strategy may address the following—*
- (i) Revenue raising strategies;*
- (ii) Asset management strategies;*
- (iii) Financial management strategies;*
- (v) Capital financing strategies;*
- (vi) Operational financing strategies; and*
- (vii) Strategies that would enhance cost-effectiveness*

### **Objectives of County Planning**

Section 103 of the County Governments Act outlines the objective of the county planning. The objectives of county planning shall be to—

- (a) Ensure harmony between national, County and sub-county spatial planning requirements;*

- (b) Facilitate the development of a well-balanced system of settlements and ensure productive use of scarce land, water and other resources for economic, social, ecological and other functions across a county;*
- (c) Maintain a viable system of green and open spaces for a functioning eco-system;*
- (d) Harmonize the development of county communication system, infrastructure and related services;*
- (e) Develop urban and rural areas as integrated areas of economic and social activity;*
- (f) Provide the preconditions for integrating under-developed and marginalized areas to bring them to the level generally enjoyed by the rest of the county;*
- g) Protect the historical and cultural heritage, artefacts and sites within the county; and*
- (h) Make reservations for public security and other critical national infrastructure and other utilities and services;*
- (i) Work towards the achievement and maintenance of a tree cover of at least ten per cent of the land area of Kenya as provided in Article 69 of the Constitution; and*
- (j) Develop the human resource capacity of the county*

## **METHODOLOGY**

In considering the third Bungoma CIDP 2023-2027 for approval, the Committee considered a number of factors and parameters that were categorized as both quantitative and qualitative. A number of review objectives were set to guide in analysing the plan particularly on the constitutional and legal obligations of county planning as best described under Article 220 of the Constitution, section 106 and 108 of the County Government Act and section 126 of the Public Finance Management Act. The Committee in preparing the report for approval of the CIDP 2023-2027 also ensured wider stakeholders involvement.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Public participation forums were organized and contacted in all the nine sub counties in the County in compliance with Article 196 of the Constitution of Kenya. Notification (by the Assembly) of the Stake holders was done by placing an advert in one of the main print media on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2023. This approach ensured the views and comments of the members of the public and other stakeholders were catered for, prior to consideration for approval of the County Integrated Development Plan. Public hearings and collection of views were held from 20<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2023.

Public participation forum was organized across the County in compliance with Article 196 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, Sections 87(a), (b) and 115 (1) (b) ) of the County Governments Act, 2012. The representatives from all the 45 Wards and Civil Society groups across the County appeared during the exercise.

## **THE ESTABLISHMENT AND FUNCTIONS OF THE COMMITTEE**

The sectorial Committee on Finance and Economic Planning is established pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 217 of the County Assembly of Bungoma and executes its mandate in accordance with Standing Order 217(5) which provides as follows:

- a) *Investigate, inquire and report all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operations and estimates of the assigned departments.*
- b) *Consider quarterly reports of the assigned departments and report to the house within twenty (one) sitting days upon being laid*
- c) *Study the program and policy objectives of departments and the effectiveness of the implementation;*
- d) *Study and review all county legislation referred to it;*
- e) *Study, assess and analyze the relative success of the departments as measured by the results obtained as compared with their stated objectives;*
- f) *Investigate and inquire into all matters relating to the assigned departments as they may deem necessary, and as may be referred to them by the County Assembly;*
- g) *To vet and report on all appointments where the constitution or any law requires the County Assembly to approve, except those under Standing order 208(Committee on Appointments); and*
- h) *Make reports and recommendations to the County Assembly as often as possible, including recommendations of proposed legislation.*

#### COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

The examination of the CIDP FY 2023-2027 was stewarded by the following Honourable Members-

1. Hon. James Mukhongo	MCA, Chairperson
2. Hon. Stephen Wamalwa	MCA, Member
3. Hon. Everlyne Mutiembu	MCA, Member
4. Hon. George Makari	MCA, Member
5. Hon. Tony Barasa	MCA, Member
6. Hon. Jack Kawa	MCA, Member
7. Hon. Vitalis Juma	MCA, Member
8. Hon. Violet Makhanu	MCA, Member
9. Hon. Aggrey Mukhongo	MCA, Member
10. Hon. Francis Chemion	MCA, Member
11. Hon. Godfrey Wanyama	MCA, Member
12. Hon. Everton Nganga	MCA, Member
13. Hon. Catherine Kituyi	MCA, Member
14. Hon. Christine Mukhongo	MCA, Member

In reviewing the County Integrated Development Plan 2023-2027; the Committee received recommendations from Sectorial Committees, members of public and non-state actors on the positive aspects of the plan as well as areas that would require improvement by this County Assembly. The Committee shall use this report to point out the same for adoption by this House.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I would like to thank the Members of Finance and Economic Planning Committee and the secretariat for their dedication, untiring commitment and valuable contributions. It is because of their dedication that we have been able complete this demanding task.

The Committee is also indebted to the offices of the Speaker and the Clerk for having accorded it the resources and guidance throughout the process.

The Committee is also grateful to the following groups;

- ✓ The Sectorial Committees for the fruitful deliberation they had with their sectors and the informative reports they submitted to this Committee;
- ✓ The County Executive Committee and the County Executive Committee Member of Finance and Economic Planning for all support granted to the committee during the consideration of the CIDP.
- ✓ The non-state actors and Members of public who honored the call of the County Assembly and submitted written memoranda on the third CIDP. Their submissions have been integral towards the finalization of the report.

It is therefore my pleasant duty and privilege, on behalf of the Finance and Economic Planning Committee, to table this Report and recommend it to the Assembly for consideration adoption.

Signed by Hon. James B. Mukhongo, MCA Chwele/Kabuchai Ward; Chairperson, Finance and Economic Planning Committee.

## OVERVIEW OF THE CIDP 2023 – 2027

CIDP is a five year plan that shall inform the county's annual budget and also reflect the strategic medium term priorities of the County Government. The CIDP contains specific goals and objectives, implementation plan, provisions for monitoring and evaluation and clear reporting mechanisms. It contains information on investments, projects, development initiatives, maps, statistics and resource mobilization framework.

The County Government Act, 2012 Sections 104(1), 107(2) and 113(1) spell out that budgeting process will be based on the annual priorities contained in the CIDP and that no public funds shall be appropriated outside a planning framework developed by the County Executive Committee and approved by the County Assembly.

This County Integrated Development Plan (2023-2027) is divided into six sections as detailed herein;

- i. County general information
- ii. Review of implementation of the previous CIDP
- iii. Spatial development framework
- iv. County development priorities and strategies
- v. Implementation framework
- vi. Monitoring and evaluation framework

## **County general information**

This section discusses the county's background highlighting its position and size, physiographic and natural conditions, administrative and political units, demographic features and the human development index of its citizenry.

### **Review of implementation of the previous CIDP**

The review gives an analysis of the policies formulated, legislations reviewed or enacted and administrative measures put in place and progress achieved in the realization of the goals and objectives set out in the previous CIDP 2018-2022. In addition, the review highlights projects, Programmes, and activities undertaken towards achieving the set goals. An analysis of the county revenue sources and budget expenditure is done while highlighting challenges experienced, emerging issues and lessons learnt. An assessment of the county natural resources is done and development issues identified for proper interventions to be planned.

**Spatial development framework:** The county spatial development is charted out to rationalize utilization of space for economic and social development in the various thematic areas; Identifying resource potential growth areas, enhancing county competitiveness, modernizing agriculture, diversifying tourism, managing human settlement, conserving the natural environment, transportation network, providing appropriate infrastructure and industrialization.

**County Development Priorities and Strategies:** This chapter outlines the planned development priorities and strategies that will create the requisite opportunities for enhancing the welfare of the people of Bungoma through improved competitiveness, regional and global integration. It is this section that discusses the County priority plans for the next five years. For integrated development, the plan is linked to the national development, regional and international development frameworks.

**The Implementation Framework:** The chapter discusses the strategies to be used by the County Government in implementing the CIDP. Some of these strategies include; strengthening of the institutional framework by putting in place an asset management system, risk management, resource mobilization and management frameworks.

**Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting:** The last chapter addresses the M&E and reporting tools to be deployed in the implementation of the CIDP. The Chapter details the county monitoring and evaluation structure, Outcome indicators, Data Collection, Analysis and Reporting, Dissemination, Feedback Mechanism, Citizen Engagement, and the Evaluation Plan. This is critical given that the Information obtained will provide critical input to the appropriate design of future programs and projects.

## **KEY HIGHLIGHTS ON THE SECOND GENERATION CIDP**

The County treasury provided a summary review of the implementation of the Second CIDP (2018-2022). The Committee particularly relied on information from this part to make its

recommendations on the projects and programmes to be planned and implemented in the third generation CIDP (2023-2027).

During the period under review (2018-2022), the County Government of Bungoma reported to have received a total actual revenue of Kshs 44.729 Billion composed of transfers from the national government as well as local revenue and Appropriation in Aid (AIA). This covers the four financial years of 2018/19 to 2021/22 with the current financial year being left out as its implementation is ongoing.

It's also important to note that from the expenditure analysis provided, a total of Kshs. 44,081,784,222 was the actual total expenditure during the period from a total budgetary allocation of Ksh. 55,058,694,372 translating to 80.1% absorption. The variance was mainly attributed to delayed disbursement of funds by development partners and procurement processes.

## ACHIEVEMENTS BY DEPARTMENTS

### Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Co-Operative Development

The Department's total actual expenditure was Ksh. 3,168,378,422 against a total budgetary allocation of Ksh. 4,430,543,757, an absorption rate of 71.5%

The key outputs that contributed to the achievements of the outcomes include:

- i. Distribution of fertilizer and maize seed to 80,775 beneficiaries in all the 45 Wards (100Kgs of fertilizer and 10kgs of seed),
- ii. The Kenya Cereal Enhancement Program (KCEP) e-voucher program benefited 4,603 farmers in Sirisia and Tongaren Sub-counties,
- iii. Training of 89,260 farmers through extension services,
- iv. Employment of 136 agriculture officers to enhance service provision,
- v. Procurement of 9 tractors for hire services.

Other notable achievements include;

- i. Increase in beans production from 39.3 tonnes in 2018 to 46.87 tonnes in 2021, Groundnuts from 0.849tonnes to 1.467tonnes. The increment was due to enhanced investments in the bean value chain supported by NARIGP.
- ii. For livestock products, there was a 72 % increase in beef production, 348% increase in mutton production, 259% increase in poultry, 144% increase in honey production and 83% increase in eggs production. This increase was due to increased demand for livestock products, increased commercialization, and enhanced investments in the industry.

However, there was a notable decline in maize, sorghum, and sweet potatoes production attributed to changing weather patterns, shift in production to sugarcane in Tongaren and Mt. Elgon, high cost of inputs and low adoption of good agricultural practices.

## **Education, Youth and Sports**

The Department's total actual expenditure was Ksh. 5,475,884,150 against a total budgetary allocation of Ksh. 6,414,063,597. This translates to an absorption rate of 85.4%

To provide effective quality Early Childhood Development and Education (ECDE) for sustainable development, the sector was able to achieve the following:

- i. Constructed 223 additional classrooms in 45 wards,
- ii. provided learning materials in 860 schools and employed 2,044 ECDE teachers with formal education which led to an improved Teacher: Pupil ratio from 1:50 to 1:40 against a target of 1:35
- iii. Increased enrollment of VTC trainees from 1,440 in 2018 to 5,469 in 2021 surpassing the target of 4,050. This was achieved through establishment of 58 more VTCs, construction of 12 workshops in the centers and provision of tools and equipment in all the centers.
- iv. Issued bursaries to 80,000 beneficiaries and scholarships to 10,000 vulnerable students in secondary school over the plan period.

## **Health**

Health services are key to ensuring continuity of productive activities in the County. All sectors in the county are dependent on quick responsive and fully functional health services.

The Department's total actual expenditure was Ksh. 12,331,372,254 against a total budgetary allocation of Ksh. 15,277,854,737, an absorption rate of 80.7%

The sector set out to provide essential health care service that is affordable, equitable, accessible and responsive to client needs. The sector achieved this by:

- i. Reducing the in-Facility based death rate to 1% against a target of 0%
- ii. Increasing the number of nurses per 100,000 population from 24.29 to 27 against a target of 35
- iii. Reducing the number of inpatients (admissions) Under 5 from 389,533 to 338,337 surpassing a target of 370,056
- iv. Reducing maternal and child death rate by 0.07%
- v. Reducing HIV prevalence from 3.2% in 2018, to 2.8% in 2021
- vi. Increasing the percentage of TB patients completing treatment from 89% in 2018 to 90% in 2021
- vii. Reducing malaria prevalence from 27.2% in 2018 to 19% in 2021

This was achieved due to increased number of health personnel (172 Health personnel employed), availability of essential supplies, increased investment in health infrastructure (6 Health facilities operationalized and 20 Health facilities equipped), Mass mosquito net distribution to households and provision of specialized health services such as renal, dental, optical and X-ray at the county referral hospital.

The sector improved Sanitation Standards in both urban and rural areas through:

- i. Increased sanitation facility coverage from 67% in 2018 to 75% in 2021 against a target of 100%

- ii. Increased sanitation facilities functionality from 67% in 2018 to 80% in 2021 against a target of 100%
- iii. Increased population sensitized on WASH (water, sanitation and hygiene) from 80% in 2018 to 90% in 2021 against a target of 100%

## **2.4 Energy, Infrastructure and ICT**

In the plan period, this broad sector realized an improved and efficient transport network through:

- i. Upgrading of 96.66 kms of road to bitumen standards against a target of 300kms (15.96KMs of roads in urban areas and 80.7kms in various parts of the County) leading to a reduction in motor vehicle maintenance cost, travel time and cost of transport.
- ii. Graveling of 2,192.6 kms of roads in the plan period against a target of 2,750 kms leading to an improvement in rural road network observable through emerging of new passenger terminus, relatively reduced cost of motor vehicle maintenance and cost of transport.
- iii. Upgrading 6.5kms of urban road to dual carriageway, which has significantly reduced traffic congestion, accidents and provided a seamless flow of storm water in Bungoma town.
- iv. Constructing 62 bridges and box culverts which have significantly improved connectivity, reduced travel time and cost of transport as well as reduced cases of drowning.

On promotion of road safety among County citizenry, the sector targeted a 2% increase in Non-Motorized Transport (NMT) infrastructure but achieved 1% through installation of speed control pumps, street lighting and road marking on urban roads.

The sector increased access to information as a result of operationalization of the bulk messaging service, installation of the M&E visual dashboard, Local area network (LAN), wide area network (WAN) and Wi-Fi as well as upgrading the county server room during the plan period.

## **2.5 General Economic and Commercial Affairs**

During the period under review, the sector achieved the following:

- i. Managed 1,159 connections to households, businesses, educational institutions, markets and health facilities in addition to the existing 1,736 in 2018.
- ii. Procured 1 cherry picker that is being used for maintaining and repairing the streetlights.
- iii. Calibrated 87 equipment as targeted, verified and stamped 8,010 weighing and measuring equipment against a target of 9,500.
- iv. Maintained 16 functional cottage industries, sensitized and trained 1,527 SMEs against a target of 2,500, held 8 exhibitions and trade fair events against a target of 20, constructed 193 modern stalls and 37 boda boda sheds.

- v. To enhance access to credit finance/Business Loans, the sector disbursed Kshs 19,156,000 to 665 beneficiaries across the county.
- vi. Developed one tourist site and undertook 5 meeting, incentives, conference and exhibition (MICE) events within the plan period.
- vii. Increased the number of co-operative societies from 109 to 395 and an increase in turnover from Kshs. 257M to Kshs 2.2 B.

## **2.6 Recreation, Culture, Youth and Sports**

The sector improved heritage, cultural knowledge, appreciation and conservation through outputs such as:

- i. Construction and maintenance of 2 historical cultural sites and Sang'alo multipurpose cultural center , organized and conducted 6 community cultural festivals , 6 cultural exchange programs (regional, local and international),
- ii. mobilized and registered 50% of Cultural groups, participated in Kenya Inter-county sports and cultural Association(KICOSCA) & East Africa Legislative Assembly sports and cultural Association (EALASCA) games, Kenya cultural music festivals and Celebration of herbal medicine day,
- iii. Identified and recognized heroes and heroine, this is however in doubt as it is yet to be seen if there has been any such heroes or heroines that have been recognized.

The sector also increased appreciation of gender equality, empowerment and freedom from discrimination of vulnerable groups by:

- i. Forming and operationalizing Gender Technical Working Group in all 9 sub-county and one at the headquarter to respond to increasing cases of GBV in the county, Celebrating International women days, celebrated the International Disability days and the day of an African child to create awareness on issues related to the theme of the celebration :and
- ii. Promoted economic empowerment of women by enhancing access to affordable credit.

To nurture sports and talent, the sector is modernizing Masinde Muliro stadium, completed phase 1 and II of the High Altitude Training Centre, constructed 3 new sub-county stadia, and is currently supporting the establishment of 2 County sports clubs.

To enhance the socio-economic status of youth, the sector;

- i. Constructed Maeni Youth Center
- ii. Trained and mentored 350 youth on Ajira digital work program against a target of 450
- iii. Constructed an exhibition and innovation centre
- iv. Sensitized 1,000 youth on crime, drugs and substance abuse against a target of 4,500
- v. Established the Bungoma County Youth Empowerment Fund where 89 youth groups accessed funds
- vi. Engaged 225 youth on short term job programme
- vii. Established an ICT training center in Bungoma town in partnership with centum investment

## **2.7 Public Service Management and Administration**

During the period under review, the sector realized the following:

- i. Improved service delivery to citizens, occasioned by construction of 10 ward administration offices and face lifting of the county HQs.
- ii. Enhanced public knowledge on various aspects of the Constitution, devolution and democracy due to an increase in civic education engagements.
- iii. Enhanced Security of County Government assets due to CCTV installation.
- iv. Enhanced Human resource management due to the procurement of a records management system and a human resource management system.

## **2.8 Environmental Protection, Water, and Natural Resources**

The sector realized the following as achievements:

- v. Increased the county tree cover by 0.6% attributed to the increase in private farm uptake in tree planting and development partner's collaboration in planting trees in public learning institutions.
- vi. Increased the population with access to safe water in the County from 25.8% to 35% against a target of 100%. This was due to construction of 5 large water schemes by the National Government, 5 medium water projects across the county and 181 small water projects.
- vii. The county procured a drilling rig unit to sink strategic boreholes across the county in water stressed areas and;
- viii. Ensured a 54% reduction in Non-Revenue water in the county's urban water scheme.

## **Challenges Experienced during Implementation of the previous CIDP**

The following are some of the challenges that were experienced during the implementation of the previous CIDP;

- i. Inadequate resources including Human, Tools and Financial Resources.
  - iii. Challenges in acquisition of land for projects:
  - iv. Adverse effects of Climate change
  - v. Low uptake/Utilization of Government Projects
  - vi. Population pressure
  - vii. Increased prevalence of Drugs and substance abuse

## **Emerging Issues**

Some of the emerging issues that were unforeseen before the formulation of the previous CIDP and thus might have impacted on the implementation of the CIDP were;

- i. Management of Youth and Adolescence Issues
- ii. Education Reforms from the 8.4.4 education system to the Competence Based Curriculum (CBC).
- iii. Increase in Mental Health cases posing a burden to our healthcare system.
- iv. COVID-19 wreaked havoc on many aspects of the society.
- v. Increased environmental degradation related to human activities.

- vi. Ukraine -Russia war led to artificial increase in prices of commodities.
- vii. Advent of Digital marketing and networking
- viii. Rapid Urbanization.

### **Lessons Learnt**

The following are lessons learnt which can be replicated in future programming:

- i. Good governance and social accountability form a basis for sustainable development.
- ii. Sustained investment in infrastructure such as road network, alternative energy and water supplies is essential for unlocking the growth potential in the county.
- iii. Partnerships with development partners can bridge the funding gaps identified in the budgetary process.
- iv. Citizen engagement through dialogue platforms for joint planning, monitoring, and evaluating is critical for ownership of projects and promoting accountability and delivery of results.
- v. The use of verifiable information and data is essential for evidence-based planning and decision making.

## **CHAPTER 3: SECTOR PRIORITIES**

### **County development priorities and strategies**

This plan will sustain and expand investments in our physical infrastructure, ICT and financial services to ensure they rightfully function as enablers of higher productivity across the other sectors in the County. The County spatial plan as well as sub-county specific spatial plans will be finalized in order to rationalize utilization of space for economic and social development. The county development agenda shall be delivered through sustained and coordinated investment in Productive sectors highlighted below

### **Finance and Economic Planning**

To support implementation of the plan, the county will need financial, human, natural and technical support. Thus the county shall focus on a range of measures needed to increase the flow of taxes and other income and non-income resources into the County Government treasury which are key towards financing the county's development agenda as well as achieving the ambitious Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). More specifically, the county shall formulate a resource mobilization and investment framework to ensure that there is a clear, systematic, predictable and well-coordinated approach to resource mobilization and management including evaluating assistance from local and International Cooperating Partners and expanding the resource base to ensure sustainable resource availability for implementation of the County Development agenda.

Planned projects and programs in the department include;

- i. Preparation and publication of County Planning and Budgeting documents including; the CIDP, CADPs, Sector Plans, County Strategic Plan, Resource Mobilization Strategy, Private Public Partnership Engagement Framework, Sustainable Development Goals

Status Reports, Annual Budgets, and Annual/ monthly /quarterly statistical publications and reports.

- ii. train 15,000 community members on project management ,
- iii. hold forums on Sustainable Development Goals and post 2015 development agenda ,
- iv. Conduct mini censuses, undertake Surveys and develop Project Information databases.

The department has the following Units that will each carry out its own programs as follows;

- i. Special Programs Coordinating Unit, the department will prepare reports on project feasibility & supervision, and Bill of Quantity on ward based projects.
- ii. Monitoring & Evaluation Unit will prepare and disseminate Monitoring & Evaluation Reports as well as hold Stakeholder meetings on County Integrated Monitoring and Evaluation system (CIMES)
- iii. Budgeting Unit will prepare the aforementioned fiscal statutory document as well as conduct public participations on the same.
- iv. County Public Financial Service Management/Revenue Mobilization Unit will develop sector specific resource mobilization strategies and digitized Project management systems
- v. Audit Services Unit shall prepare several audit reports including; expenditure management, human resource management/payroll, own generated revenue, fixed assets management, Procurement, transport management, emergency fund, and donor funds.
- vi. Accounting Services Unit will prepare financial reports.
- vii. Supply chain Services Unit prepare market survey reports, Procurement plans, list registered suppliers/ service providers, Public Procurement Regulatory Authority reports.

## **PUBLIC VIEWS**

- On revenue mobilization increase the allocation from 30 million for 5 years to 40 million.
- Under the SPCU, the participants suggested that the County should increase the number of staff to be trained from one hundred to five hundred staff per year.

### **Health and Sanitation**

The county through collaboration with other stakeholders will dedicate its efforts in production of a healthy human capital, promote health insurance, promote primary health care and enhance health sector specialization.

During the 2023 – 2027 period, the department plans to implement the following programs and sub-programs.

Under general administration, planning and support services, the department plans to;

- i. Recruit, promote, train and remunerate all health staff and Community Health Volunteers (CHVs).
- ii. Operationalize Hospital Management Boards, Committees of Dispensaries and Health Centres, the County Health Management Team, the Sub-County Health Management Team, Sector Working Groups and Technical Working Group.

- iii. Undertake risk registers and establish asset register.
- iv. Draft sector policies, Bills, strategic plans , Budgets, facility survey, procurement plans and Monitoring and Evaluation reports
- v. Hold stakeholders engagement and medical camps.
- vi. Ensure 100% procurement of all medicine, pharmaceutical and non-pharm for all the health facilities.
- vii. Procure 3 ambulance service vehicles under the referral services
- viii. Link and upload data of all Health Facilities into the Health information system (KHIS) and automate the electronic medical records system in 19 health facilities

Under Quality Assurance, Research, Monitoring and Evaluation, the department will undertake the following among others;

- i. Establish County research unit and develop MOUs with at least 6 learning institutions.

Under Curative and Rehabilitative Services, the department plans to undertake the following;

- i. Equip 99% of bed capacity at Bungoma County Referral Hospital.
- ii. Complete 1% of storied staff quarters units.
- iii. Procure a CT scan and MRI machines and install an incinerator.
- iv. Construct 50% proportion of doctor plaza.
- v. Establish proportion of oxygen plants.
- vi. Construct 2 warehouses.
- vii. Establish and equip a mental health and rehabilitation centre.
- viii. Construct and equip 2 pathology laboratories, a modern Out- patient block, and 10 laboratories,
- ix. Equip 3 Inpatient wards, 24 maternity units and 1 administration block,
- 3. Procure and install 11 digital x-rays and 18 ultra sound machines.
- xi. Complete and equip an ICU at Webuye referral hospital.
- xii. Establish 3 radiology units, 10 dental units, renal units in 10 sub-county hospitals and 2 health Centres.
- xiii. Construct 3 perimeter walls, 6 staff houses, 10 laundry blocks, 14 security fence, 25 security gates, 2 commodity stores and 10 burning chambers. Equip 75% of laundry unit
- xiv. Upgrade 24 level 2 health facilities to level 3 and operationalize 45 specialized clinics.

- xv. Establish and equip an isolation unit and 6 mortuaries.
- xvi. Establish 9 functional youth friendly facilities in 9 health facilities.
- xvii. Procure 13 functional Hematology machines and 15 clinical chemistry analyzer machines.

Under Blood Transfusion Services, the department plans to undertake the Completion and equipping of the blood bank and procure blood products.

Under Universal Health care, the department plans to undertake the following;

- 3. Enroll 10,600 household with NHIF and ensure all healthcare workers are trained on the Universal Health Care scheme.
- ii. Recruit and register all Community Health Volunteers on indigent verifications and ensure 100% of the needy persons identified are enrolled in the UHC.

Under Preventive and Promotive Health Services, the department plans to undertake the following:

- 3. Provide 309,609 Long Lasting Insecticide Treated Nets (LLITN) under 1 year and Fumigate 770 health facilities to combat malaria
- ii. Operationalize 365 community health units and 50 primary care network (PCNs) and train 50 of sub county health management team, 462 health facility in-charges and community Health Volunteers on primary Health Care package.

Under Public Health and Sanitation, the department plans to undertake the following

- 3. Train 1500 health care providers on risk communication and community engagement, conduct 50 TVs shows, Train 110 health staff on Market and ensure at least 85% household have access to hand washing and improved sanitation facilities.
- ii. Conduct 1,150 school outreaches and 2,500 health education sessions to sensitize on hand washing.
- 3. Construct 6 septic tanks, 2 incinerators, and 4 burning chambers under sanitation infrastructure.
- iv. Construct food and water quality control laboratory.
- 3. The department would require a total of Ksh. 37.55 Billion to accomplish these programs among others.

## PUBLIC VIEWS

- The public proposed that the department of Health should allocate money for purchase of equipment for management of the following diseases; Hypertension, diabetic, prostate cancer and cervical cancer.
- Further the participants proposed the purchase of CT scans and MRI for Bungoma and Webuye referral Hospitals.
- The participants proposed the county should allocate enough money to equip all health facilities within the county with enough drugs.
- The participants suggested that the Department should purchase ambulances for all health facilities in the County.
- Establish oxygen generating plant for the County.
- Establish dental units for each Sub-county hospital.
- Fast-track upgrading of 24 dispensaries into health centres in order to bring quality health services close to people.
- Establish blood transfusion services at Webuye referral hospital.
- Increase the renal units to ease access Dialysis services.
- Establish mental health units in sub-county hospitals.
- Streamline the operations of NHIF to ensure that persons with disability receive free healthcare
- Participants suggested purchase and distribution of sanitary towels to school going girls.
- Prioritize operationalization of the Kimilili Snake bite and Rabies prevention control centre.
- Formulate a policy framework on reproductive health care programs.
- Identify the needs of persons with down-syndrome and provide adequate facilities.

#### SECTOR VIEWS

- Follow up plan for unremitted donor funds needed
- Plan to enhance AIA efficiency.

### **3.3 Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries, Irrigation and Cooperatives**

The county will strive to increase agricultural production and Productivity, Increase access to critical farm inputs, Improve agricultural markets and value addition and lastly Strengthen Institutional capacity.

Towards this, the Directorates in the department plan to prioritize the following;

- i. Prepare 31 policies, 17 Strategies, 17 Bills, 6 guidelines and all sectorial budget/financial reports
- ii. Establish Sectorial data/information management system (County Agriculture Information Management System )and E-extension systems and agricultural resource Centres
- iii. Renovate 4 Office Buildings; provide required office furniture, tools and equipment and office supplies,
- iv. Procure 2 Motor Vehicles and 20 Motorcycles
- v. Establish 9 ATVET institutions in the County to offer specialized competence based education and training in agriculture at Mabanga ATC and one VTC per Sub county, 5 research liaison offices and 236 model demonstration farms
- vi. Procure and distribute 33,750 Metric tons of fertilizer,3,375 Certified maize seed 250 Certified finger millet seeds and 45 Certified cassava seed,75 Certified BT Cotton seed , 100Certified sorghum seed,300 Rice seed , 281.25 tons of French bean seed, 450,000 Certified Avocado seedlings 3,500 Quantity of coffee seed,50 assorted crop protection equipment.
- vii. Support 2,500 farmers and 100 Nursery managers with Production equipment
- viii. Establish 100 fruit crops nurseries , 5 tissue culture banana screen houses,17 potato seed multiplication sites, 5 Potato seed storage facilities, 15 tea nurseries , 5 tea collection centers,15 sweet potato multiplication sites,225 amaranth bulking sites and 50 surveillance units
- ix. Train 4,500 French bean farmers, 75,000 Certified Avocado farmers, 40,000 sweet potato farmers, 50,000 certified seed potato farmers and 15,000 amaranth farmers.
- x. Operationalize 2 coffee milling plants and rehabilitate 25 Coffee factories while procuring and installing 3 rice mills.
- xi. Establish 5 coffee factories,2 Cotton ginneries at Malakisi, 1 cassava milling plant,1 maize milling plant ,tea processing plants,1 Banana processing, Potato processing, 9 Oil processing facilities and 3 Cold storage .
- xii. Establish a sunflower milling plant in the county
- xiii. Under Agriculture Sector Development Support Programme II (ASDSP II), Support 90 Groups with grants and Train 360 farmer groups.
- xiv. Procure and distribute 225 Poultry Incubators, 5,000 Modern beehives, 22,500 dairy goats, 250,000 local chicken and 2,500 centrifuges and harvesting kits. Establish 3 pig slaughter houses and 1 Leather tannery.

- xv. Under Livestock Value Addition and Agro Processing; procure 37 Milk coolers, 41 milk dispensers and operationalize 3 honey processing plants and 5 poultry processing plant.
- xvi. Construct 20 crush pens and rehabilitate 110 crush pens and 225 cattle dips
- xvii. Establish a nitrogen plant and 2 AI animal breeding Centres while conducting 45,000 inseminations through subsidized AI service.

Under Kenya Livestock Commercialization Project (KeLCoP), promote and support 750 with grants and training.

- i. Procure and distribute 15,000,000 fingerlings, 2,100 tons of fish feeds, 45 fish cages and 450 Pond liners.
- ii. Operationalize 5 feed mills, establish 5 cold storage facilities and procure 1 smoking kiln facility

Agricultural Mechanization and Training Centre (ATC & AMC) - Mabanga

- i. Construct an administrative block, a kitchen, an AMC Workshop, 1 student hostels with capacity 300, 2 lecture classroom, and 1 sports facility by year three.
- ii. Procure a double cabin vehicle, 18 AMC tractors, 20 pedigree dairy cows, 100,000 fertilized eggs, 1,000 beehives, 25 machinery and equipment.
- iii. Develop 100 Acres of sunflower, 225 acres of passion fruits, and 50 acres of groundnuts farms.
- iv. Construct a water piping system and 3 community water kiosks at the institution per year.

Development of Chwele Fish Farm (CFF)

- i. Grade and gravel 3 KM of access road to Chwele Fish Farm
- ii. Develop 5 bio floc systems and install 2 cages at the dam.
- iii. Procure 15,000,000 fingerlings, 870 fish feeds
- iv. Establish a laboratory, a cold room and a feed mill at the facility.
- v. Boreholes at the facility to be drilled and equipped and water distribution system rehabilitate once in year two.
- vi. Construct 2 hostel blocks, a sanitation block, a catering hall, and a training hall.

Public Views

- The participants suggested that the county should increase the number office building to be renovated from 4 to 9 to cater for the 9 sub-counties.

- In addition, members of the public suggested increase the number of youth to be trained and certified on various agri-business value- chain from 160 to 200 youths.
- On distribution of subsidized fertilizer (planting and top dressing) be increased from 1890 per year to 4000 bags, while certified maize seeds be increased from 750 bag of 10 kg per year to 3000 bags of 10kg per year.
- The participants proposed the county to provide farmers with affordable/ subsidized AI services.
- The public suggested the rehabilitation of all dilapidated cattle dips and construct new one.
- The participants suggested that the department should allocate more money towards public participation during processing of CIDP, ADP, Annual budget, Finance Bill and any other document that require public participations.
- Employ more extension officers to reach more farmers.
- Build two coffee factories in Lwandanyi ward.
- The participants suggested that tissue culture techniques should be incorporated in the curriculum in VTCs.
- The County to establish Agricultural resource Centres in upper and lower region of the County.

### **3.4 Gender and Culture**

Among the Sector Priorities and Strategies for the Department identified by the Committee are;

- Train and remunerate 500 Employees while recruiting 3 new employees
- Draft, formulate and review at least 4 Policies, Bills and Regulations
- Conduct 2 Vulnerability census and surveys on OVCs and Disability.
- Hold 200 sensitization meetings on drug and alcohol and 48 capacity building forums for alcoholic drinks licensing committees.
- Establish 2 GBV (Gender Based Violence) referral Centres and 135 Gender desks.
- Support by training 4,500 PLWD and 50 PLWD Organizations on entrepreneurial skills per Sub County.
- Establish 15 Charitable children institutions.
- Establish 4 Cash transfer program for the vulnerable and orphaned children and 2 targeting the elderly.

- Establish the Women empowerment funds and train 6,300 Women in agri-business and investment per ward.
- Preserve and maintain 150 Cultural and Historical sites, (Bitabicha, Bitosi and Bilongo etc.)
- Acquire and preserve 90 Cultural artifacts
- Identify, recognize and reward 350 Heroes and heroines in the County
- Participate in 5 KICOSCA/ ELASCA Festival.
- Operationalize the Sang'alo cultural center.

#### PUBLIC VIEWS

- The participants suggested that the Identification of Heroes and Heroines in the County should carry out by public participation.
- Increase the allocation on training women on Gender mainstreaming and empowerment.
- The participants proposed one cultural centre to preserve for five major tribes in the county that is Bukusu, Saboat, Iteso, Tachoni and Batura.
- Establish Gender based violence and rehabilitation centres in each sub-County.

#### SECTOR VIEWS

- Need to plan for bills and regulations in the department.
- County Cultural week to be planned for in CIDP.
- Sensitization meetings on drug and alcohol abuse be held /conducted
- Capacity building forums to be held for alcoholic drinks licensing committee

### **3.5 Tourism, Environment, Water and Natural Resources**

The department's four directorates will prioritize the following projects and programs;

- i. Remunerate and train 595 Members of staff and promote 164. Recruit 39 technical staffers in Water, 13 in Climate Change and 10 in Environment.

Under Office infrastructure, construct an ablution block at the HQ in year 1, renovate

- ii. 2 Office blocks in sub-counties & HQ in year one and undertake Security installation in year two.

- iii. Formulate the County Climate change bills and Regulations, 2 County Environment management policies, a County Tourism Policy and 2 Water and natural resources legal frameworks.
- iv. Construct 4 Engineered sanitary landfills.
- v. Clean 125 Storm water ways/drainages and culverts in major towns.
- vi. Procure a Motor vehicle in year two.
- vii. Rehabilitate and protect 5,000 hectares in Mt. Elgon catchment and develop 10 Arboretum in the County.

Under Water supply provision, the Department plans to rehabilitate

- i 2 Urban and 10 rural water schemes, upgrade the water scheme at Webuye/Matisi from electricity to sustainable energy and solarize 9 boreholes in Bungoma Town

Under KEFINCO,

- i. Rehabilitate and solarize 100 boreholes, and 50 hand dug wells and 4 gravity schemes.
- ii. Extend the existing pipeline on the Webuye-Bungoma line under (KOICA).
- iii. Develop a Water quality laboratory
- iv. Install 500 Consumer and zonal meters
- v. Rehabilitate and develop 90 roof Water catchments points
- vi. Develop 3 Water pans and dams.
- vii. Procure a water bowser and an exhauster

Under the Forest conservation and management, the department intends to;

- i. Increase the forest cover by 10,000 Acres by planting over 5 million seedlings and establish 45 Ward level climate change committees.
- ii. Establish an ICT in Natural resources management database and conduct 2 Surveys to map out natural resources.
- iii. Rehabilitate 10 Degraded sites and initiate 45 Climate smart initiatives.

Under Tourism product identification and development, the department intends to map out and develop the Mt Elgon Reserve tourist circuit, construct a tourist resort facility and undertake 10 Marketing initiatives and cross border tourism initiatives including the Miss Tourism, expos and exhibitions.

## PUBLIC VIEWS

- The participants emphasized on the rehabilitation and protection of Mt. Elgon Catchment areas and suggested more allocation of funds on monitoring and surveillance of survival rate of trees.
- The participants proposed the construction of storage tanks in towns to supply sufficient water
- The department should have good plan on beatification of towns within the County by planting trees and flowers/ornamentals.
- Establish waste management plants in the county
- Increase/ purchase three exhauster vehicle to enhance sewerage services and reduce environmental pollution.
- Indigenous trees should be planted along river banks in order to preserve and protect water sources.
- Form a tourism promotion committee to carry out promotion, innovation and advocacy for tourism in the County.

#### SECTOR VIEWS

- Plan for marketing of tourism activities.
- Plan for take-over of NZOWASCO after separation
- Preservation of Elephant maternity wing at Mt. Elgon Forest
- Plan for Miss, Mrs and Mr. Tourism events.

#### 3.6 Youth and Sports

To enhance efficiency and effectiveness using sports as an enabler to unlock the youthful talent and as an economic activity, the department plans to; increase equitable access to appropriate skills, Improve quality and relevance of skills development, and Promote the effective exploitation of sports talent.

Towards this end, the following are the priority programs for the department for the next five years;

- i. Establish talent identification, nurturing, rewarding and recognition systems for excelling sportsmen and women.
- ii. Initiate and promote sports tourism through encouraging high-performance sports and increased participation.
- iii. Construct/ upgrade 2 Sub- County Stadia while promoting the establishment of sports academies, talent and innovation hubs across the County.

- iv. Complete phase 2 of Chemoge High Altitude center and embark on phase 3.
- v. Organize various sports activities such as marathons, youth talent search, mentorship and sports award programs to encourage talent discovery

Under the Youth Empowerment, the department intends to;

- i. Establish a Youth empowerment fund and allocate seed money in the first year
- ii. Undertake 5 County Youth internship program while identifying Private partnerships for youth employment
- iii. Undertake 20 inter-agency drug use control initiatives to curb drug and substances abuse.

#### PUBLIC VIEWS

- On the sports mentorship; the participants suggested that MPs and Governors should come together and collaborate in supporting sports.
- On sports promotion and support services sensitization forums; the participants suggested that the amount allocated of Kshs 1 million should be increased to 25 million cater for more youth. This will increase the participation of Youths in sports activities hence improve mental wellness and increase the capacity to participate in various events.
- The participants also suggested that the allocation to support sports Club should be increased from 1.5 million to 3 million per year.
- The public also proposed that the department should expand and equip Chemoge high altitude training centre.
- The public also proposed the construction one stadium for per sub-county.

#### SECTOR VIEWS

- Department to provide personnel plans for the next five years.
- Two stadia were selected on the CIDP but there is no allocation towards the two projects on the ADP.
- The allocation towards Ward Games, sportsmen recognition and marathon were insufficient and the department should consider seeking for partners.
- Need for Sensitization of sports activities.
- 5. Talent search to start from ward level

### 3.7 Roads and Public Works

The county proposes to develop adequate, reliable and efficient multi-modal transport network in the County as well as build the human resource and institutional capacity of the Sector.

On Transport Infrastructure Development and Management the department intends to:

- i. Upgrade 25km of urban roads and 50Kms of rural roads to bitumen and ensure 100% completion of urban roads under expansion. Construct over 28Km of walkways.
- ii. Open up and maintain over 250kms of rural Roads and construct/rehabilitate over 60 bridges and box culverts to link up these roads. Furthermore, maintain the existing road network
- iii. Procure heavy machineries to aid in road maintenance. These are; 4 tippers, 5 graders and a 1 Bulldozer.
- iv. Construct and equip a fire station with a fire engine, ambulance and install 9 fire hydrants to aid in firefighting in urban Centres.

#### PUBLIC VIEWS

- Suggested that Red Cross, Wamalwa Kijana road be included in the CIDP.
- Increase the number of urban roads to be upgraded from 10km to 20 km, bridges from one to three bridges, box culverts from 9 to 15, pedestrian walkways from one three and 9 Fire Engines.
- On maintenance of rural roads the participants proposed the number of kilometers to be maintained be increased from 250km to 300km.
- On cess the public emphasized the county to enforce the remittance of cess and the same be channeled to maintained in those areas.
- On implementation of the projects, the participants suggested that the County should avoid brief case contractors and ensure quality and completion works within the contract period.
- The department should prioritize the completion of stalled roads in the County.

### **3.8 Lands, Municipalities and Housing**

The plan proposes to develop comprehensive Physical planning, Improve and strengthen a competitive urban economy, and Increase urban expansion and Investment, modernize land administration Services/system and Ensure equity in access to land. To achieve this, the Department and Municipalities plan to implement the following programmes and sub-programmes.

- i. Ensure 100% of the staff are trained and promoted while recruiting an additional 60 staff to be deployed across the Ministry
- ii. Formulate and implement 5 new policies and 3 Bills

- iii. Construct an administration block to house all departments at the County Headquarter.
- iv. Increase the percentage of government land with titles to 70% by allocating more funds towards titling of lands.
- v. Ensure 100% of the Lands services are digitized
- vi. Prioritize purchase of land for the following; a county go-down, fire station at Kapsokwony, dumpsites in Kimilili, Chwele & Webuye, a lorry park at Kanduyi, recreation parks in urban areas, industrial park, a cemetery at Bungoma and urban housing development.
- vii. Purchase a geodetic tracker vehicle and renovate/extend the survey offices
- viii. Ensure at least 10 Wards have geodetic controls in place
- ix. Develop 4 new physical and land use plans annually while reviewing 2 such plans annually.
- x. Develop one County Spatial Plan
- xi. Develop 7 Municipal and other urban areas land use plans
- xii. Establish 2 public libraries
- xiii. Upgrade at least 80% of urban roads in the Municipalities
- xiv. Establish and equip 2 Fire stations in the Municipalities.
- xv. Establish 5 Modern bus parks in the Municipalities.
- xvi. Ensure 70% of the slum areas in urban centres are upgraded
- xvii. Construct at least 10Km of Storm and waste water drainage channels annually.

To achieve all these, the Ministry will require financial allocation of Ksh. 15 Billion over the 5 year period translating to an annual allocation of approximately Ksh. 3 Billion.

## **PUBLIC VIEWS**

- The County should develop a policy on land use and management and further develop good plan for Bungoma central business district.
- Reduce the number acres of land to be purchased for cemetery from 100 to 20 acres because a large population leaves in rural areas and thus few people will require cemetery to bury their loved ones.
- The participants also suggested the increase of markets to be surveyed from 15 to 30.
- Land for the County should be surveyed and accurate acreage for prioritization of modern projects
- Devolve Survey offices to all 45 wards
- Purchase land for Bus Park in major markets.
- Purchase land for lorry parking along Chwele- Lwakhakha road.

### **3.9 Trade and Energy**

The Department's focus will be to implement the following programmes and sub-programmes;

- i. Establish a Mini Hydro-Electric power station at Nzoia River , a Solar Power Plant and 5 Energy demonstration centres
- ii. Develop an Energy Master plans

- iii. Purchase and install 15 Transformers annually.
- iv. Install 1,000 street lights and 100 high flood mast lights in the period
- v. Verify and stamp at least 200 Weighing and measuring equipment
- vi. Establish and equip 1 Metrology laboratory
- vii. Disburse trade loans to over 12,000 micro small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) and actively pursue recoveries of these funds
- viii. Establish 3 Business Information Centres and 3 Business incubation centres to support innovations in the County
- ix. Develop 550 modern stalls and 60 boda boda sheds in the period
- x. Upgrade at least 15 existing markets
- xi. Establish 1 tier one markets
- xii. Construct 2 ultra-modern market infrastructure
- xiii. Equip and operationalize 25 Cottage industries
- xiv. Procure 9 motorcycles for the department.

### **PUBLIC VIEWS**

- Proposed that number of street lights be increased and be done in all towns and markets across the county.
- Suggested that the County should invest more in renewable energy to lower the cost of production of goods and services and also reduce the cost of living.
- Increase the number of policies formulated, legislative proposals developed and regulation established.
- Increase the number of beneficiaries on the County trade loans
- Procure one transformer per ward to increase connectivity to electricity.

### **SECTOR VIEWS**

- Plan for purchase of land for construction of the Industrial park.
- Put in place asset management policy to control wastage.
- Plan for upgrading of three existing markets annually construction of Kipsigon market in Mt Elgon Sub County.

### **3.10 Education and Vocational Training Centres**

During the 2023 – 2027 period, the Department plans to implement the following programs and sub-programs.

- i. Construct a total of 532 ECDE class rooms and equip at least 100 of them with modern furniture
- ii. Have 10 model ECDE centers in the County and ensure all ECDE centers are equipped with fixed outdoor play equipment.
- iii. Provide scholarship and bursaries to the needy students in secondary schools.
- iv. Establish and equip 10 childcare centers
- v. Establish 7 ECDE Special Needs Education centers and ensure all these centers are provided with Special needs facilities.
- vi. Implement the school feeding program and ensure over 100,000 pupils are benefiting from the same.

- vii. Construct and equip 50 VTCs workshops , 42 VTCs administration Blocks and have 25 VTCs with boarding facilities
- viii. Equip 10 centres of excellence with modern tools
- ix. Renovate 25 existing VTCs workshops
- x. Register and accredit at least 70 Vocational Technical Education with Technical and Vocational Training Authority (TVETA).
- xi. Establish 5 home craft facility
- xii. Formulate 5 policies and 2 Bills to be enacted by the County Assembly

### **PUBLIC VIEWS**

- Suggested that two ECDE classroom should be constructed per school cater for PP1 and PP2 in addition, 6 doors latrines be constructed, three for boys and three girls.
- The participants suggested that the County should provide for learning materials and furniture to all pupils.
- Enhance feeding programme so as to encourage school attendance of pupils.
- On VTCs the participants proposed the increase the construction of addition works and equip them.
- Increase the numbers ECDE teachers and VTC tutor.
- Establish child care centres.
- Establish facilities for children with special such special toilets, special sticks.

### **SECTOR VIEWS**

- Good governance and social accountability form a basis for sustainable development
- Alternative energy and water supplies is essential for unlocking the growth potential in the county.
- Partnerships with development partnership to bridge the funding gaps identified in the budgetary process.

### **3.11 Public Administration/Governors/Deputy Governor/county Secretary/ICT**

During the 2023 – 2027 period, the Department plans to implement the following programs and sub-programs.

- i. Procure 18 plots for construction of Ward administration offices and 4 sub-County administration offices.
- ii. Construct 2 official residences for the Governor and the Deputy Governor.
- iii. Procure 5 staff buses and vans.

### **ICT**

ICT is a driver of social and economic development. The ICT indicators are aligned to the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and are hence comparable with other countries in the world. They are.

- i. Digital readiness index
- ii. ICT development Index

To enhance the indicators above, the county sets out to promote mobile internet usage among its citizenry and use of computers and internet for educational purposes in schools as early as pre-primary all through to tertiary institutions.

This is in line with Kenya's vision 2030 which aims to transform the country into a knowledge and information-based economy by enabling access to quality, affordable and reliable ICT services. Towards this the County plans to operationalize an information portal, establish a functional data centre & ICT Hub, and link all learning institutions and sub County offices into this network

## **PUBLIC VIEWS**

- Instead of buying more vehicles the county should repair the existing vehicles so that the money for purchase of vehicles can be used for other projects.
- On legislation, the participants suggested that you increase the number of Bills to be approved from 40 to 500 in 5 years.
- Increase the allocation of funds towards upgrading of ICT system in across all the sub counties.
- On infrastructure development, the participants suggested to increase the construction of ward offices from 18 to 25 to avoid rental buildings

### **3.12 County Public Service Board**

During the 2023 – 2027 period, CBSP plans to implement the following programs and sub-programs.

#### **General Administrative, Finance and support services**

- i. Construct and equip one storey building administration block.
- ii. Procure 1 motor vehicle and a Reporting tool.
- iii. Establish a Functional facility management committee and a guiding and counseling unit
- iv. Conduct promotion of all eligible staff and train over 6000 public officers over the period.

### **3.12 County Assembly**

#### **Sector Programs and Projects**

During the 2023 – 2027 period, CASB plans to implement the following programs and sub-programs.

#### **Under Legislative services,**

- i. Approve 50 Bills, Policies and regulations and consider the County Budgets

- ii. Conduct committee fact findings, 20 Bunge mashinani and over 50 public participation exercises
- iii. Provide all 63 Honourable Members with mortgage, car loan and car-reimbursement.
- iv. Procure an ICT system, a HANSARD production system, an audio system, stores management system and a fleet management system.

### **General administration and planning services**

- i. Human resources management and development will see all staff and Honorable Members remunerated, trained and provided with a medical cover.
- ii. Formulate and review 15 Human resource policies.
- iii. Upgrade risk-based team mate Audit Management System
- iv. Live streaming of Chamber/ Committee proceedings.
- v. Install CCTVs , carport for Hon. Members, a solar system and a media centre
- vi. Construct the official residence for the Speaker and a waiting bay while renovating the Chambers and the three gates.

### **PUBLIC VIEWS**

- County Assembly should be carrying out Bunge Mashinani every year to sensitize the residents of the County on the business of the County Assembly.
- Increase allocation on Bills.

### **SECTOR VIEWS**

- The Draft Copy of the CIDP for the County Assembly as was drafted had left out a few programmes that had been captured in the Strategic Plan 2022-2031.
- The Strategic Plan team considered the programmes and has included them to make the Strategic Plan a living document. Among the consideration included are:
  - Under Leverage on ICT in all processes & operations of service
    - i. Digitize the management of CASB Records
    - ii. Automate processes using ICT geared towards an e- County Assembly; where the Assembly intends to acquire, install, train and implement a stores management system that is critical for the inventory, upgrade risk- asked team mate audit management system, fleet management system, Records Management System to be developed, Live streaming of Chamber & Committee proceedings.
  - Under Enhanced institutional accountability & Service Delivery we included:
    - i. Establish Monitoring and Evaluation desk
    - ii. Propose for a one-off installation of CCTV
    - iii. Renovate 3 gates and not one gate as was captured
      - The sector also proposed;
        - i. Training of 135 Ward Staff
        - ii. Undertake 25 Committee fact findings to strengthen oversight

## CHAPTER 4: RESOURCE ALLOCATION

All programs and projects as highlighted in Chapter 3 above will require financial and non-financial resources that are key in financing the County's development agenda as well as achieving the ambitious Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The summary of the budget requirement by programs in millions across departments is as indicated in the table below;

### Resource Requirements by Sector

The section also includes the percentage of the total budget for each sector as shown in table below

#### Summary of Sector Financial Resource Requirements

Sector/Department Name	Resource Requirement (Ksh. Million)						% of total budget requirements
	FY 2023/24	FY 2024/25	FY 2025/26	FY 2026/27	FY 2027/28	Total	
Agriculture, Urban and Rural Development	3,137.75	3,415.10	2,959.06	2,818.23	2,677.40	15,007.54	16.28%
Energy, Infrastructure and ICT	2,588.45	3,177.15	2,930.85	2,903.35	2,678.61	14,278.41	15.49%
General Economic and Commercial Affairs	456.15	741.65644	818.883	564.76	529.99	3,111.44	3.37%
Health	5,760.74	5,578.03	5,860.60	5,512.82	5,589.60	28,301.79	30.69%
Education	2,173.78	2,418.90	2,445.46	2,460.33	2,474.36	11,972.83	12.98%
Public Administration	2,303.90	2,449.65	1,274.15	1175.15	1,259.15	8,462.00	9.18%
County Public Service Board	107.5	81.5	60	72	66	387.00	0.42%
Recreation, Culture and Social Protection	459.20	362.30	394.9	294.50	390.2	1,901.10	2.06%
Environment Protection, Water and Natural Resources	2,146.90	2,195.10	1,446.60	1,551.30	1,444.30	8,784.20	9.53%
Totals	19,134.37	20,419.39	18,190.51	17,352.44	17,109.61	92,206.31	100%

## **CHAPTER 5: ANALYSIS, MONITORING AND EVALUATION**

This Plan covers the monitoring and evaluation framework to be adopted during programme implementation to measure progress and provide information for continuous improvements. It also covers the reporting frequencies and standards expected of the stakeholders

### **Frequency of Monitoring and Evaluation**

The frequency of monitoring strategic goals will be done on a quarterly basis with the operational objectives being reviewed monthly. The overall review of the CIDP will be twice in the plan period.

### **Reporting**

The ADP will be derived from the CIDP annually, the County MDAs will prepare monthly status reports on the progress (or lack thereof) towards achievement of the specified objectives contained in the ADP with recommendations as well as exception reports. The monthly status reports will then be collated to quarterly status reports for the County Executive Committee review and action. This will be done in conjunction with other reports/recommendations due to the County Assembly. The Quarterly reports will then constitute the County Annual Progress report prepared annually.

### **Strategic Adjustments**

There may arise the need to deviate from or realign the Plan, based on the results of the monitoring and evaluation, status reports and prevailing circumstances, e.g. changes in the external environment resulting in different organizational goals, lack of financial resources to carry out the initial Plan, Parliament making changes on the mandate of Counties amongst others.

Any deviations or alterations to the Plan must be informed through status reports and measurable changes in prevailing circumstances, the deviations or alterations should aim to achieve objectives that meet the “SMART” criteria and should be within the available resources. The deviations and/or alterations must be approved by the County Assembly.

**Linking Monitoring and Evaluation to Performance Management** Performance evaluation will be carried out through Key Performance Indicators (KPI).

The monitoring will also be both formative (taking place during the plan period with the aim of improving the outputs and outcomes) and summative [drawing and implementing lessons from strategic objectives already achieved (or not achieved)].

The evaluation will focus on:-

- i. Efficiency (input versus output);

- ii. Effectiveness (measure of extent to which an activity/operational objective fulfills/achieves the Plan) and;
- iii. Impact (where or not the strategic goal achieved made a difference to the problem situation it was meant to solve).
- iv. Sustainability (continued utilization of projects results is assured after the completion of the project).

Monitoring and evaluation performance indicator matrix has been attached and it will be an oversight tool for the sector committees.

## **CHAPTER SIX: COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSION**

### **6.1 Committee observations**

The following are the observations made by the committee after scrutinizing the Bungoma County Integrated development Plan, 2023-2027 and in consideration of the views from the sectoral committees, non-state actors and members of the public;

1. Some projects/programmes are unrealistic for instance Agriculture department plans supply rice seeds and establish 3 rice mills yet in Bungoma County this is not economically viable since it does not have infrastructure and land to support the projects.
2. Clustering of the departments and functions in the CIDP were not in line with established department in the county as per the Executive Order No. 1 of 2022 making it hard for the committee to establish the performance/Achievement of some departments.
3. Section 104 of the PFM Act, 2012 obligates the County Treasury to carry out monitoring, evaluation and oversee management of public finance and economic affairs of the County Government. The Committee notes that in the implementation of previous CIDP, the County Executive did not demonstrate how monitoring and evaluation reports affected future project priorities, for instance County Treasury has stated there was low uptake of government projects as one of the challenges that faced the implementation of the previous CIDP.
4. Delayed procurement processes resulted to low absorption of the development vote and project implementation across departments.
5. Some of the highlighted achievements in the departments could not be ascertained.
6. That most departments have stalled projects which may not give value for money for instance Webuye Milk processing plant.
7. Some programs have been captured in more one departments; for instance Construction of official residences for the Governor and the Deputy Governor which have been planned in the department of Public Administration and Housing respectively.

8. It has been noted that over the years, some County entities have been receiving budgetary allocation e.g. Mabanga ATC and Chwele Fish Farm yet there is no corresponding generation of revenue from the same institutions.
9. The County Government has many vehicles in various garages and parking bays.

## **6.2 General Recommendations**

1. That County Departments are urged to prioritize projects that are sustainable and economically viable.
2. Future planning documents should be aligned with naming as per the prevailing Executive Order.
3. That all departments should carry out prefeasibility studies on proposed projects to ascertain their social- economic impact to the residents of the County prior to planning and subsequent budgeting. They should also use Monitoring and evaluation reports to inform future allocation of resources to avoid low uptake of Government projects and white elephants
4. That all Accounting Officers should initiate the procurement processes immediately the budgets are uploaded and consider decentralizing procurement to Sub-county and ward levels to allow timely implementation of the projects.
5. Sector committees should undertake budget tracking in view of ascertaining the highlighted achievements.
6. That all departments are directed to complete all stalled projects within their department pursuant to Article 201(d) of the Constitution.
7. There should uniformity in the planning process such that if a mother department has planned to execute the project then implementing department should not plan for the same.
8. The County Government should initiate a process of incorporating Mabanga ATC into a County corporation.
9. The County Government should carry out an audit on existing vehicles before buying new ones and fast rack preparation Policy asset disposal policy.

## **6.3 Conclusion**

Honorable Speaker, I beg this Honorable House to adopt this report of the Finance and Economic Planning committee on the County Integrated Development Plan 2023/2027 with(out) amendments.

The following is the annexure, we have the adoption schedule signed and there is an advertisement in the annexure of the same.

That is it, allow me now call Hon. Christine Mukhongo to second this report.

**Mr. Speaker:** Thank you Hon. Vitalis for standing for the past two hours...

*(Applause)*

It has not been easy, now I have learned that shorter people can stand for a longer period than some of us, thank you. Hon. Christine proceed

**Hon. Christine Mukhongo:** Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this chance, I stand to second the report just concluded by Hon. Vitalis. Thank you so much, it has been a very long report and he has really labored reading it up to the end, we thank you so much. I take this opportunity also to thank the Honorable Members of this committee on Finance for the commendable work they did to come up with the report.

I support this report because CIDP is a way forward for any country, sub-county and even the entire county for its proper planning and proper use of public funds so that the development of the county.

I also comment the CIDP because it brings harmony in operationalization through different departments that are put in place in at the county, sub-county and wards all respectively. I also take this opportunity to congratulate Members for coming up with this CIDP after laboring in public participations throughout the county and that it helps the county to come up with its priority projects for implementation. It also spells out proper strategies that we need to put in place to develop the wards and the entire county. CIDP is also important because we can use it through monitoring and evaluation in order to inform future planning of the county and future allocation of resources to avoid low uptake of the government projects in the county and in the country.

On education though we did not mention much about scholarship and ward bursaries, I know something like scholarship is not the mandate of the county, but it is one of the noble things. As we know education has become the backbone because without education we can't prosper. Therefore, I know that the county is committed as much as we have not mentioned and as much as we are going through different challenges, the county is committed to look into areas that we can get funds to facilitate especially the scholarship issues. We recommended in the report that instead of the county going ahead to purchase new vehicles; we have vehicles that are held in garages that belong to the county that can be repaired to be used so that the money that remains can be put in different areas that need help like that of scholarship. Therefore, Mr. Speaker and Honorable Members I wish to urge you to stand with the Committee and support this report. We are also here as a committee to welcome your sentiments and comments that will make this report even stronger. I second the report.

**Mr. Speaker:** Before I formally propose the motion for debate; this is meant for the mover as he prepares to respond; you have heard the seconds comments that you have not spoken about the scholarship in this document, but happily in your own county in the Fiscal Strategy Paper, funds have been allocated. ADP is an extract from the CIDP, see how you will reconcile because you are saying that in the CIDP there is no money but in another document there is money. We will ask where you are getting money. That is meant for the mover of the motion who will respond at the appropriate time.

*(Question for adoption of the report on the CIDP 2023-2027 proposed)*

**Hon. Joseph Nyongesa (Leader of Majority):** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I appreciate that the Deputy Speaker is a member of the Finance Committee. First allow me to appreciate the mover of the motion who is your classmate despite the fact that he is ageing, he has been able to stand for two hours. Equally, I appreciate the seconder of the motion. It is unfortunate that as we deliberate on the Finance Committee report, we only have four members of that committee and the rest are away. As much as we support the report, the owners of the report are not in the House. We will support but next time they should be present to support their own report because when they retreated to come up with this report, we were not there. It is prudent that when their report is moved, they should be present to see what they have brought to the House.

I want to applaud the Committee for strictly dwelling on devolved functions only. When we listened to the seconder of the report, she tried to tell us that it is part of the attachments to this report which I have not seen. As per now, the Controller of Budget will be approving funds as per the CIDP. As you have indicated, we approved the Fiscal Strategy Paper in this House where we had scholarship and bursaries; and now the CIDP is not capturing the scholarships and bursaries; it means what we did is null and void. I therefore urge the members of Finance Committee that as you prepare to respond, ensure that it is also captured in those notes. I have gone through the education section where there are no suggestions on bursaries and scholarships from the members of the public; same for the sector views. Therefore, the Finance Committee should help us on this to have the notes.

On the issue of roads, they are purporting to budget for purchase of 5 graders and 5 tippers, but the greatest issue to us would have been a proposal for 9 graders which is more critical than tippers. This team should help us so that what we approve can be of importance to this County.

There is another issue that I have seen in agriculture and I have been privileged to go around this county and I have never seen a place where we can grow rice. I am wondering if the Committee Members also come from this county and they are proposing that we have subsidy on rice. Do we have swampy areas in this county Mr. Speaker?

**Mr. Speaker:** Honorable Members, Hon. Nyongesa may not be aware, rice is grown in Bumula and I think you need to consult Hon. Christine Mukhongo; her uncles grow rice in large numbers.

**Hon. Joseph Nyongesa:** Part of Bumula is in Busia, therefore, you might be seeing what is happening in Busia and you think it is in Bungoma?

**Mr. Speaker:** Hon. Nyongesa you are out of order. Bumula Sub-County is part of Bungoma County and not part of Busia.

**Hon. Joseph Nyongesa:** Part of Bumula borders Busia County which have swamps. We should be keen because there is no need for us to budget for rice yet we don't have swamps where rice can be grown. But I will make a follow up.

Lastly, I want to appreciate the committee because in their recommendations they have insisted on the issues to do with procurement. That most of the projects are delayed because of the procurement processes. They have recommended that procurement should be decentralized in order to achieve the set targets. As I support the report, I urge that the issues on bursaries and scholarships should be part of this report.

**Mr. Speaker:** Honorable Members my screen is not clear. I need assistance from the HANSARD personnel.

**Hon. Johnston Ipara:** Thank you Hon. Speaker for allowing me to present my views. First of all I wish to commend Hon. Vitalis for enduring over two hours while presenting a plan for five years that will be followed and guide on the development within the county. This is one of the reports I stand to support its adoption because it will assist as in distribution of development projects across the county.

First let me identify myself with where the Hon. Majority Leader Nyongesa ended. You wanted to convince the Hon. Nyongesa that rice is grown in Bungoma County; I have also travelled across the county beginning from Lwakhakha, Musikoma, Soysambu and I have never seen that. I thought that the Finance Committee could have talked about fish farming which was introduced in between 2013-2014 and which I am also part of the farmers and Hon. Nyongesa is also a new farmer. I wish to request the Committee that if they can have a recommendation where they say that they will support fish farming. This is one of the lucrative agribusiness that we support within the county. It gives good returns to farmers. If you have a small farm, you will also have easy access to it.

I want to speak about scholarship and bursaries. You have in the recent time seen the outcry across the county about scholarship and delay on release of bursary. If the Committee intentionally decided to omit it in the County Integrated Development Plan, then it means; first it will draw an audit query as to where we derived a clause which allowed us to spend money on scholarships. Kindly, Hon. Vitalis, see how we can accommodate that particular important factor.

Two, I want to identify myself with this report on several items; one of them is where they are talking about energy. That they will have security lights across our markets and when we will have lights on our markets; it means that it will encourage people to do business up to midnight. When they do business and I am on the Committee of Trade and we are one of the revenue generators and when you increase time for business, it means that you also increase revenue collection. When you increase revenue collection we shall meet our targets that are set out in the Finance Bill.

I identify with this report because of infrastructure, when I heard that they are going to upgrade some roads and I was laughing looking where the Deputy Speaker is and what was on my mind was that Tongaren will also be one of the urban areas that will benefit from the upgrade. Another thing is about ICT, the world right now we are moving away from the way of doing business where you can reach any part of the world, inquire on the products that you want and sell it at the end of the continent of Africa.

Thirdly, I identify with this report because they have spoken about youth and sports. The current business we have and investment is on talent nurturing and identification. You remember Omanyala; he is one of the richest young men in this country and he derives his money from sports. When we build stadias across the county it will encourage the young men and women to come and be identified with the talents they have. When they talked about the water rig; this means that it will increase provision of clean water to all of us sited here. The Hon. Deputy Speaker who always refers to himself as a teacher, he is ever in clean and he depends on clean water; and lack of clean water the Hon. Evelyn who happens to be a mother will be one of the people who will be complaining across the county that there is shortage of water. You remember the scarcity of water that we experienced about three months ago. I want to appeal that when this rig is availed it must be used across the county. If today it is in the central part of the county, tomorrow it must be in the western part of the county. The day after tomorrow it must be in the eastern part of the county so that all of us can share and enjoy this scarce resource among others.

Lastly, I want to avoid the rest and address the last two; increase of forest; I wanted to request kindly that if we can sell this idea and that farmers are encouraged to grow domestic forests so that we can achieve the set target of forest cover. That will also make them plant those trees that are water friendly and we shall have enough water; and we shall go back to the 80s.

On ECDE and VTCs, this is where we are supposed to be. Every time we talk we must begin the talk from the ECDEs and end the talk in the VTCs. When the bursary is not available I believe that we shall not succeed. Most of the funds that are available they must be used in construction of the VTCs and ECDE classrooms so that we can encourage young men and women who are idling in the markets to come and join them. I support.

**Hon. Stephen Wamalwa** (*Deputy Speaker*): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I want to be precise and to the point because you are keen to notice that I am a member of the Committee which got me worried. Allow me first of all appreciate the Hon. Vitalis as you said, he read the report for two hours and as you rightly put it that short people can stand for longer periods. May be the reason behind that is the weight of the body, not as for example yourself, if you stood here for long Hon. Speaker, you could maybe faint because of your weight...

**Mr. Speaker:** If I may faint what about Hon. Obama?

**Hon. Stephen Wamalwa:** Hon. Speaker, Hon. Obama is short and he can support himself for longer periods. This CIDP is actually a document that is going to guide this county for the next five years. Honorable Members both elected directly and those specially elected otherwise called nominated have a duty to look at this document to see that we get it right. I say this because all that has been said here and some of them like our good man full of wisdom the Leader of Majority Hon. Nyongesa, having mentioned that some areas have not been well captured. I want to say that they are captured only that the notes on the same are not attached here just as it is the draft CIDP itself.

As you can see is not annexed on what we are carrying here because the Hon. Member who was coming to present and move this report is as you said short and slender. It could have been a bulky document and maybe he could not have stood for that period of time. The notes are well captured especially on the issue of bursary and scholarship and Honorable Members should not be worried the Committee captured the issue of bursaries in our wards very well, because we intend to continue ensuring that each ward receives a minimum of 4 million shillings every financial year to support the bright but needy students within our schools and wards.

We have the issue of scholarship where our county supports those extremely bright and gifted students but they may be joining either National Schools or Extra County Schools or sometimes even County schools where they require enormous resources in terms of fees; but the parents may not be able to achieve the same. Therefore, the county supports that programme and Honorable Members it is also well captured in the notes. Members stay put and relax because the Committee did its best and what we are talking about is captured. After here I want to ask each member to acquaint with the CIDP and make sure that the projects that are captured are the ones that are going to be implemented, because the Annual Development Plan (ADP) will be extracted from this CIDP. Every Member in this House after you leave here today, know that in your respective ward, there is no project that will be undertaken which is outside the CIDP, therefore, it must be captured.

I wish to say that this CIDP is full of devolved functions and I want to laud the Committee because as teachers, if I may use that example, we must work within the syllabus and the syllabus for County Governments is actually on the devolved functions. That is why you see they are pronounced in a manner that may be prominent than those that are not devolved like the scholarships and bursaries. Devolved functions have overshadowed them in a way that even members are worried. Relax and don't be worried members. What the Committee did was to make sure that we bold and magnify the devolved functions and as you can see, we are talking about VTCs, model centres, and we are talking about ECDEs. We are talking about feeding programme in education and also we are talking about box culverts. Those are projects that will stand the test of time; they are devolved; we are talking about those bridges that join villages. The county government is made of villages the smallest units of the devolved systems. To join those villages, we need bridges or those box culverts that have been captured well.

There is an aspect of upgrading of roads and I want to agree that going forward, we have to think of allocating funds for each ward, even if you did two or three kilometres; but in 10 or 15 years, our roads will be upgraded to bitumen standards. Those are issues that the Committee captured and therefore, the Hon. Waiti should relax.

*(Applause)*

Another issue that was properly captured in the notes and in the CIDP but overshadowed because we are talking about functions that are devolved; like the issue of sunflower; we talked about the issue of sunflower very well and it is another thing that is in the notes because we know well that in Bungoma as we look forward to having a milk plant in Webuye, and we are talking about milk; the issue of oil is captured here and sunflower is an issue that is in the notes; so those oils will be made in Bungoma. Those animal feeds will be made in Bungoma and our county will move to the next level.

As I finish, I want to mention that the CIDP was prepared and the Hon. Leader of Majority should also get this clearly that in this county, we have some machinery; the graders, loaders in the department of roads. In the CIDP we have captured 5 graders in addition to the existing graders that are there, but the problem is that we did not mention about the existing graders. Therefore, each Sub-County going forward may get one grader, so that issues of impassable roads especially in Tongaren will be a thing of the past. As I conclude, I want to say that this CIDP captured in the Gender Department the issue of historical and cultural sites. Bungoma is rich especially you understand every even year we have what we call 'Embalu' in Bukusu language which is a rich culture if well marketed this county will have a lot of revenue... even the issue of heroes and heroines. The only issue that remains now is for the executive to work on regulations so that these things can be operational. Otherwise, the CIDP is robust, it is a document that is going to move this county forward in the next 5 years and therefore Honorable Members should relax. I support.

*(Applause)*

**Hon. Wafula Waiti:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I don't have much to say, but as a Member of this House and as Chairperson in charge of the Committee on Agriculture, I want to support this report, though registering some disappointments. As you are aware this House has several committees with separate and individual membership. On those committees there is a secretariat attached on it and among the secretariat we have a researcher who does research before a report is concluded. When non-members of Agriculture Committee stood up to put down a report that was researched and deliberated by the Committee under my leadership I was disappointed. One of the members from my Committee is Hon. Sudi Busolo who comes from Bumula Sub County; and in our deliberations, he did support that rice is grown in Bumula Sub county and so I was shocked to hear from non-members...

**Mr. Speaker:** Hon. Waiti Wafula, it is common knowledge that basically maize is grown in Tongaren; equally on rice I am aware because I am a farmer that is grown in Bumula. If you don't know just hire my services I take you around this county properly.

**Hon. Waiti Wafula:** I am not the one to hire you Mr. Speaker; there are those doubting Thomases who can do that work and I thank you for supporting me Mr. Speaker that rice as well put in the report is grown in Bumula.

On ECDE, as you are aware it is our main function; but as a programme it suffers consequences, how I wish that going forward, those people who do the BQs be advised that from the initial stages as they do the BQs for the ECDE classrooms, let them include the toilets for our young ones and the electricity so that when the project is complete, everything is included. Otherwise I support the report.

**Mr. Speaker:** Thank you I saw Hon. Mutiembu was on the line although she is a Member of the Committee, but I think she ought to have her voice heard. That is Nabutola Everline Mutiembu.. you had pledged to speak at 16:46 minutes.

**Hon. Everline Mutiembu:** Mr. Speaker it was just on a point of information to the Hon. Leader, but it was overtaken by...

**Mr. Speaker:** Now you being a Senior Member you should not point fingers to the Leader of Majority. Pointing fingers is not good for us. Allow me members invite the mover of the motion Hon. Vitalis. I think he has now been able to rest and to reply to the motion accordingly.

**Hon. Vitalis Wangila:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. Learning is a process and as a Member of this Committee, I came to realise that actually this is the syllabus of development for five years in our county of Bungoma. I came to realize that this is also one of the important documents for all of the Honorable Members; how I wish all could be around so that we know how important it is; because it helps us to plan for the future and it helps even the department to note the projects that should be given priority. It also helps the department to look behind and see the achievements they got from the previous CIDP. It is the same way that it can guide us now on the way forward and on how to process this particular project in these particular financial years from 2023-2027.

I will not dwell so much on it but I will also wish to say something about what my colleague has said about education. In education at least we talked about the ECDE; that is our core mandate, vocational training centres that is also our core mandate, but when you find a place like areas of bursaries and scholarships, it is well captured in our annex and I hope even when the Governor will be going through the HANSARD; I want to thank our Honorable Member the Deputy Speaker; I think you have hit the nail on the head. That it is now captured through the HANSARD from Hon. Stephen... So apart from it being in an annex and in some notes somewhere, it has been captured clearly on the HANSARD.

I come from Bumula and you know sometimes you can call a spade a spade and not a big spoon. You know you should not talk about history... You know there is a time we had rice in Bumula. The people knew that rice was grown in Bumula sometime ago, but currently I am sure there is no that much farming of rice in Bumula. When we go back to the department, in our comments we said that we give priority to that particular department. When we found out that rice fine farming is good, but is it our priority in Bungoma County? Which is the highest rice growing area? You are mentioning Bumula... I am from Bumula and specifically in Kabula ward...

**Mr. Speaker:** You are in Kabula Ward. That is far away from Bumula

**Hon. Vitalis Wangila:** That is Bumula sub county Mr. Speaker. Are we together Mr. Speaker? The issue of rice came from the...

*(Laughter)*

The issue of rice came from the Committee, but we had mentioned that it is also worthy in our county. There is nothing that is not important.

The issue of roads maintenance; about the Tippers and the Caterpillars I wish to tell you that we never gave more because we had some... In our recommendations in our sector committee, we said that let us maintain those that we have so that when they are functional, they will be enough to be supplied to every sub county instead of buying more machines. We have more machines and we are advised that they should be maintained so that they can be functional.

I want to say thank you to Honorable Members for supporting this particular report and I beg the House to adopt it. I beg to submit.

*(Applause)*

**Mr. Speaker:** Thank you Hon. Vitalis the mover of the motion for today. I think I will ask the Chair of the Committee never to allow you again to be the mover.

*(Laughter)*

It is a subsequent report from its said Committee...

That is on a light note. That is the Committee's mandate and I have no say on whoever is supposed to move the motion. Members allow me put a question to the said motion so that you are able to make a decision accordingly.

*(Question put and agreed to)*

The report, the observations and recommendations accordingly be forwarded to the relevant department for implementation.

Thank you very much Honorable Members who sat behind for I think the observations by Hon. Vitalis are very accurate. Going forward, this is your syllabus; so if you missed this

syllabus make sure you have a copy of the same because we will be doing ADP; but from this, we shall be having our ADP for the next five years.

Looking at our Order Paper, that was the only motion we had and so we will be adjourning our sitting to resume tomorrow Thursday the 13<sup>th</sup> of April, 2023 at 2:30 p.m.

*(House adjourns)*