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REPORT BY THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND
VOCATIONAL TRAINING

ON

THE 4TH QUARTER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD
ENDED 30TH JUNE 2023,

IN RESPECT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND
VOCATIONAL TRAINING

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CHAPTER ONE

1.1 Preamble

Mr. Speaker,

It is my duty to present the report by the Committee of Education and Vocational Training on the 4th Quarter Financial Statements for the Financial Year 2022/2023 for the period ended 30th June, 2023. The 4th Quarter Financial Statements was tabled in this County Assembly of Bungoma on 26th October 2023 and stood committed to all Sectoral Committees for their interrogation, input and recommendation through a report to this Honorable House.

1.2 Mandate of the Committee

Mr. Speaker,

The Sectoral Committee on Education and Vocational Training is constituted pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 217 of the County Assembly of Bungoma and has executed its mandate in accordance with number (5) of the aforementioned Standing Order that provides:

- (a) investigate, inquire into, and report on all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operations and estimates of the assigned departments;*
- (b) study the programme and policy objectives of departments and the effectiveness of the implementation;*
- (c) study and review all county legislation referred to it;*
- (d) study, assess and analyze the relative success of the departments as measured by the results obtained as compared with their stated objectives;*
- (e) 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;*
- (f) 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*

(g) Make reports and recommendations to the County Assembly as often as possible, including recommendation of proposed legislation.

1.3 Committee Membership
Mr. Speaker,

The committee currently is constituted by the following members.

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| 1. Hon. Benjamin Otsiula | - | Chairperson |
| 2. Hon. Stephen Kaiser | - | V/Chairperson |
| 3. Hon. Joan Kirong | - | Member |
| 4. Hon. Ali Machani | - | Member |
| 5. Hon. Jack Kawa | - | Member |
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| 12. Hon. Timothy Chikati | - | Member |
| 13. Hon. John K. Wanyama | - | Member |
| 14. Hon. Allan Wanyama | - | Member |
| 15. Hon. Ipara Okasida | - | Member |

1.4 Guiding principles in the Examination of the Bungoma County Government Quarterly Reports and Financial statements.

Mr. Speaker,

In the execution of its mandate, the Committee of Education and Vocational Training is given a legal backing under the Constitution of Kenya 2010, Public Finance Management Act, 2012, County Governments Act, 2012. These statutory provisions include:

1. Constitutional Principles on Public Finance

Article 201 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 enacts fundamental principles that **“...shall guide all aspects of public finance in the Republic...”** These principles include, *inter alia*, that: **201(a)** *There shall be openness and accountability, including public participation in financial matters;* **201(d)** *Public money shall be used in a prudent and responsible way;* and **201(e)** *Financial management shall be responsible, and fiscal reporting shall be clear.*

Section 149(1) (a) and (b) of the PFM Act 2012 provides as follow...*“an accounting officer is accountable to the County Assembly for ensuring that the resources of the entity for which the officer is designated are used in a way that is;*

- a) Lawful and authorized*
- b) Effective, efficient, economical and transparent*

2. Direct Personal Liability

Article 226(5) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 is emphatic that *“If the holder of a public office, including a political office, directs or approves the use of public funds contrary to law or instructions, the person is liable for any loss arising from that use and shall make good the loss, whether the person remains the holder of the office or not”*.

3. Obligations of Accounting Officers

The Public Finance Management Act, 2012 section 166 states as follows;

- 1. An accounting officer for a county government entity shall prepare a report for each quarter of the financial year in respect of the entity.*
- 2. In preparing a quarterly report for a county government entity, the accounting officer shall ensure that the report—*

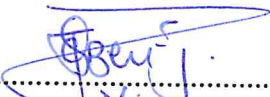
- (a) contains information on the financial and nonfinancial performance of the entity; and
- (b) is in a form determined by the Accounting Standards Board.
3. Not later, than fifteen days after the end of each quarter, the accounting officer shall submit the quarterly report to the County Treasury.
4. Not later than one month after the end of each quarter, the County Treasury shall—
- (a) consolidate the quarterly reports and submit them to the county assembly;
- (b) deliver copies to the Controller of Budget, National Treasury and the Commission on Revenue Allocation; and
- (c) publish and publicize them

1.5 Acknowledgment

Mr. Speaker,

I take this opportunity to thank all the members of the Committee for dedicating their time to examine the 4th Quarter Financial Statements for the Finance Year 2022/2023, for the period ended 30th June 2023. The Committee would also like to appreciate the Secretariat commitment. Lastly, the Committee is grateful to your office and the office of the Clerk of the County Assembly of Bungoma for logistical support received as it discharged its mandate.

It is therefore my privilege, on behalf of the Committee on Education and Vocational Training, to table the Report on the 4th Quarter Financial Statements with respect to the Department of Education and Vocational Training for Financial Year 2022/2023 for the period ended 30th June 2023.

Signed..........Date.....12/02/2024.....

Hon. Benjamin Otsiula

MCA. Khasoko Ward.

Chairperson, Committee on Education and Vocational Training

2 CHAPTER TWO

2.1 KEY HIGHLIGHTS ON THE 4TH QUARTER FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2022/2023.

Mr. Speaker,

The county targeted revenue projection for the financial year 2022/23 was **Kshs. 14, 824, 738, 618** as per the approved 2nd supplementary budget. Below is the breakdown of the sources of revenue;

No.	Source	Amount
1	Equitable share	10,659,435,192.00
2	Equitable share b/f	867,288,525.00
3	Retention	293,425,903.00
4	Conditional grant Development partner	1,543,977,937
5	Conditional grants National	113,228,200.00
6	Local revenue as per act	500,000,000.00
7	AIA	847,382,860.00
	Grand Total	14,824,738,616

2.1.1.1 REVENUE

Mr. Speaker,

The department of Education & Vocational Training had an annual approved budget of Kshs. 1,840,259,915 comprising of Kshs 1,606,628,776 recurrent and Kshs. 233,631,139 for Development expenditure programmes. The absorption of the budget was Kshs. 1,760,460,767 translating to absorption of 96% of the budget.

The department does not rely on any other source of revenue other than exchequer releases.

2.1.1.2 EXPENDITURE

Mr. Speaker,

Under recurrent development, personnel emolument had a utilization of 98% of the allocated Kshs. 1,021,542,129 while administration and support services with a total allocation of Kshs. 40,586,647 utilized 91% of the budget (Kshs. 37,083,198). Actual expenditure on personnel was Kshs. 1,001,786,401. According to the department, the difference in the 21M is due to officers who left the department either through retirement, death or dismissals.

2.1.1.3 BUDGET EXECUTION BY PROGRAMMES AND SUB-PROGRAMMES

Mr. Speaker,

In the ECDE program, a total of Kshs. 212,131,139 had been allocated for various sub-programs of Monitoring & Evaluations (Kshs. 1,500,000), Quality Assurance & Standards (Kshs. 1,500,000), Curriculum implementation (Kshs. 1,500,000), purchase of learning materials (Kshs. 1,990,200), Capacity building for ECDE teachers (Kshs.2,000,000) and infrastructural development (Kshs. 203,631,139). Cumulatively, 92% of these allocations were utilized.

Vocational Education had a total allocation of Kshs. 42,000,000 but only Kshs. 1,500,000 under the Monitoring and Evaluation sub-program was utilized representing 4% absorption of the vote. The department submitted that they did not receive this allocation.

Education support program with an allocation of Kshs. 524,000,000 had 100% absorption by end of the financial year.

2.1.1.4 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Mr Speaker,

The Department had an outstanding amount of Kshs. 13,958,158 at the beginning of the financial year. During the financial year under review, the department managed to clear Kshs. 12,760,658 leaving a balance of Kshs. 1,197,500.

2.1.1.5 ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE.

Mr Speaker,

Pending staff receivables (outstanding imprest holders) in the department was Kshs. **6,474,050**

3 CHAPTER THREE

3.1 GENERAL COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

3.1.1 Committee General Observations.

Mr. Speaker,

The Committee made the following observations

1. The ECDE and VTCs trainers have not been trained on the new curriculum needs and have remained stagnated since employment yet there had been money allocated for capacity building.
2. Development of youth Polytechnics/VTCs grant had NIL allocations in the financial year against an allocation of Kshs. 62,140,935 in the financial year 2021/2022.
3. The Department did not submit a detailed personnel expenditure to substantiate the expenditure on personnel emoluments.
4. The department had an outstanding imprest of Kshs 6,474,050 that had not been surrendered.
5. There was full absorption on the released funds on Education Support Program.

3.1.2 Committee Recommendations.

Mr. Speaker,

The Committee made the following Recommendations.

1. **THAT**, the department should utilize money meant for capacity building of ECDE and VTCs trainers on the new curriculum needs.
2. **THAT**, the Department should allocate funds on development of Polytechnics and Vocational Training Colleges as it is one of its core mandates.
3. **THAT**, the Department should always submit complete information during interrogations to substantiate their expenditure.
4. **THAT**, the Department should ensure that all outstanding balances for students under scholarship are cleared before a new academic year.
5. **THAT**, the Chief Officer to surcharge officers who have failed to surrender within the stipulated time as enshrined in *PFM reg, 93(5) A holder of a temporary imprest shall account or surrender the imprest within seven (7) working days after returning to duty station.*

ADOPTION SCHEDULE

Mr. Speaker,

The undersigned members do agree with this report and the contents therein.

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