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THE ANNUAL BUDGET ESTIMATES FY 2023/2024**

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ACRONYMS/ABREVIATIONS

AIA	Appropriation in Aid
AMC	Agricultural Mechanization Centre
ASDSP	Agriculture Sector Development Support Programme
ATC	Agricultural Training Centre
BCRH	Bungoma County Referral Hospital
CASB	County Assembly Service Board
CECM	County Executive Committee Member
CFSP	County Fiscal Strategy Paper
CIDP	County Integrated Development Plan
CPSB	County Service Public Board
CHVs	Community Health Volunteers
CHWs	Community Health Workers
ECDE	Early Childhood Development Education
FLLOCA	Financing Locally Led Climate Action
FY	Financial Year
MES	Medical Equipment Supplies
NAGRIP	National Agricultural and Rural Inclusive Growth Project
NiTA	National Industrial Training Authority
PFM	Public Finance Management
REREC	Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Cooperation
UNICEF	United Nations Children’s Fund
WBP	Ward Based Projects
WIBA	Work Injury Benefits Act
VTC	Vocational Training Centre

CHAPTER ONE

1.0 BACKGROUND

Mr. Speaker Sir, Article 201 of the Constitution of Kenya 2010, Section 131 (2) of the Public Finance Management (PFM) Act, 2012 and Standing Order 232 (4) mandates the Budget and Appropriations Committee to discuss, review the budget estimates and make recommendations to the County Assembly for consideration.

It is therefore my pleasure on behalf of the Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee to present to this House the Committee's report on the Annual Budget Estimates FY 2023/2024 for Bungoma County Government.

In compliance with Sections 129 (2) (a) and 130 of PFM Act and Standing Order 232 (1) read together with Standing Order 55 (1) (a), the CECM for Finance and Economic Planning presented the Annual Budget Estimates for Bungoma County Government and made pronouncement of the budget policy highlights and revenue raising measures on 27th April, 2023.

1.2 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

As currently constituted, the Committee comprises the following members:

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| 1) Hon. Jack Wambulwa | Chairperson |
| 2) Hon. Charles Nangulu | Vice Chairperson |
| 3) Hon. Anthony Lusenaka | Member |
| 4) Hon. Meshack Simiyu | Member |
| 5) Hon. Joan Kirong | Member |
| 6) Hon. Miliar Masungo | Member |
| 7) Hon. Sudi Busolo | Member |
| 8) Hon. Ali Machani | Member |
| 9) Hon. Grace Sundukwa | Member |
| 10) Hon. Caleb Wanjala | Member |
| 11) Hon. Polycarp Kimeta | Member |

1.3 MANDATE OF THE COMMITTEE

Mr. Speaker Sir, the Committee on Budget and Appropriations is established under Standing Order 210 of the County Assembly of Bungoma and is mandated to:

- a) Discuss and review the estimates and make recommendation to the County Assembly;
- b) Examine the County Fiscal Strategy Paper presented to the County Assembly;
- c) Examine the County Debt Management Strategy Paper presented to the County Assembly;
- d) Examine Bills related to the County Budget, including Appropriations Bills; and
- e) Evaluate tax estimates, economic and budgetary policies and programmes with direct budget outlays.

The Budget and Appropriations Committee is further given legal backing under the Constitution of Kenya, Public Finance Management Act (PFM) 2012 and Public Finance Management Regulations, (County Governments) 2015.

1.4 CONSIDERATIONS AND EXAMINATION OF THE ANNUAL BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR FY 2023/2024

Mr. Speaker Sir, the Budget Estimates having been presented and tabled and in line with the provisions of Standing Order 232 (3) stood committed to all Sectoral Committees for consideration and submit their reports and recommendations to the Budget and Appropriations Committee. The Sectoral Committees interrogated the budget estimates with their respective County Executive Committee Members and Chief Officers and thereafter made their submissions to the Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Public participation is well elaborated under Article 201 (1) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 that requires the Committee on Budget and Appropriations to seek the views of the public and key stakeholders on the budget estimates and take their proposals and recommendations. In compliance with the said provisions, this committee carried out public participation in all the nine Sub-Counties and a stakeholders meeting from 22nd to

26th May 2023 where public views and written memoranda highlighting their areas of concern and key expenditure priorities were submitted.

The Budget and Appropriations Committee reviewed the Annual Budget Estimates for FY 2023/2024 taking into account the Sector Committees recommendations, the views of the County Executive Committee Member responsible for Finance and Economic Planning, public and stakeholders' views.

1.5 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Mr. Speaker Sir, the Budget and Appropriations Committee is grateful to the Offices of the Speaker and Clerk of the County Assembly of Bungoma for immense support accorded during processing of the Annual Budget.

We appreciate the Sector Committee members for reviewing the budget estimates for their respective sectors that enabled the County Assembly to effectively execute its budgetary oversight role. The Chairpersons made presentations of their reports to the Budget and Appropriations Committee, which is commendable.

The Committee also extends its gratitude to officers from the County Executive led by the County Treasury who appeared before the Sectoral Committees and the Budget and Appropriations Committee for the purpose of making submissions and clarifications on the estimates.

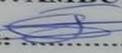
The significant role played by the Committee members and secretariat who devoted their time in ensuring that the task of reviewing the estimates is done conscientiously and within the limited statutory time-lines.

Lastly, I acknowledge members of the public and stakeholders for finding time to attend the public participation forums and their invaluable contributions on the budget estimates.

Mr. Speaker Sir, on behalf of the Budget and Appropriations Committee and pursuant to Standing Orders 232 (5), it is my pleasure duty and privilege to table to the House the report on the Budget Estimates for FY 2023/2024 for consideration and adoption.

Signed:

HON. JACK WAMBULWA, MCA; KIMAETI WARD.

SIGNATURE:  **DATE:** 14/06/2023

CHAIRPERSON: BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

CHAPTER TWO

2.0 KEY HIGHLIGHTS IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET ESTIMATES - FY 2023/2024

2.1 INTRODUCTION

Mr. Speaker Sir, the Financial Year 2023/2024 budget has been prepared at a time when the economy is facing significant internal and external challenges. Externally, the global economic outlook remains uncertain due to a number of prevailing challenges notably high inflation and negative spillovers from the Russia-Ukraine war. High inflation particularly in the United States of America has led to interest rate hikes leading to the weakening of the Kenya shilling and other global currencies against the Dollar.

On the other hand, the Ukraine-Russia conflict has resulted in supply chain disruptions and a general increase in global commodity prices especially that of fuel, liquefied petroleum gas, food grains and fertilizer. It is noted that Kenya relies on Russia for import of wheat, fertilizers, iron and steel, and paper. On its part, Ukraine is a major exporter of grains in the world market and over the years, Kenya has imported cereals, oilseeds and seeds, animal/vegetable fats and oils from Ukraine. This business environment has been complicated by the fact that COVID-19 global pandemic had already created business challenges in the manufacturing and hospitality industries that were just starting to recover before the Ukraine-Russia conflict.

That the country is facing significant debt vulnerabilities is no longer a matter of conjecture. Available statistics as at June 2022 indicate that total debt service as a percentage of revenue was estimated at 47.9%; implying that for every Kshs. 100 collected as tax revenue, Kshs. 47.9 is used to service debt. This leaves only 52.1% of the tax revenue to finance an ambitious government development programme in an economy experiencing a high budget deficit that requires further borrowing in a recessionary global environment. After the General Election, the situation is not any better. The Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Plan outlines a cautious revenue projection path along with limited growth in expenditures and budget neutrality as the key guiding principles for policy implementation.

Mr. Speaker Sir, in view of this, the county continues to implement its priority projects for last financial year which include; completion and equipping of the 300 and 100 bed capacity maternal/child blocks at Bungoma County Referral Hospital and Sirisia Sub County Hospital respectively; expansion and modernizing of Masinde Muliro Stadium; completion of Brigadier- Misikhu Road and dualling of 6.5Km of the high traffic section of Mumias- Bungoma Road (C-33) from Kanduyi Junction to Sang’alo Junction, issuance of planting and top dressing certified fertilizer, seeds to at least 500 beneficiaries per ward, street lighting, trade loans, youth, women and disability funds among others.

This is the first budget under the 3rd generation County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) and this budget must endeavour to put a close on the incomplete projects in the 2nd generation CIDP.

2.2 RESOURCE ENVELOPE FY 2023/2024

Mr. Speaker Sir, in the Financial Year 2023/24, Bungoma County Government intends to spend a total of Kshs. 14,032,209,500 (Fourteen billion, thirty two million, two hundred and nine thousand and five hundred only) to finance both its recurrent and development expenditure budget.

The table below shows various sources of revenue and their contribution percentage component in the proposed budget estimates.

Resource envelope: Table 1- summary of county revenue FY 2023/24

No.	Source	Amount (Kshs.)	% Contribution
1	Local Revenue		
	Local Revenue (Finance Act)	918,701,471	6.55
	Appropriation in Aid (AIA)	1,124,665,392	8.01
	Sub Total	2,043,366,863	14.56%
2	Equitable share	11,111,983,608	79.19%

3	Grants		
a	National Government	255,000,000	1.81%
	Leasing of medical equipment	110,000,000	
	Aggregate Industrial park Grant.	100,000,000	
	REREC	45,000,000	
b	Development Partners	463,050,812	3.30%
	i) UNICEF	1,571,000	
	ii) DANIDA	28,605,056	
	iii) NAGRIP	280,530,114	
	iv) ASDSP II	5,344,642	
	v) FFLOCA-Water	22,000,000	
	vi) Climate Change grant	125,000,000	
	FUNDS	158,808,217	1.13%
	Trade Loans	115,679,933	
	Women Fund	14,706,343	
	Disability Fund	8,437,615	
	Youth Fund	19,984,326	
GRAND TOTAL		14,032,209,500	100%

Mr. Speaker Sir, it is noted that the county depends largely on the equitable share from the National Government in order to implement its programs. With an increment of Kshs. 159 million, equitable share contributes 79.19% of the county's total revenue. Grants contribute 5.11%, comprising of grants from development partners at 3.30% and those from the national government at 1.81%.

The county's own source revenue contributes 14.56%, this comprises 6.55% to be collected based on the proposed Finance Bill, 2023 and 8.01% to be collected as Appropriation in Aid (A.I.A). On its mandate to evaluate tax estimates, economic and budgetary policies and programs with direct budget outlays, this committee opines to tremendous increase of local revenue figures from Kshs. 1,347,382,860 in the FY 2022/23 to Kshs. 2,043,366,863.

2.3 DEVIATION FROM THE APPROVED CFSP

Mr. Speaker Sir, the Budget and Appropriations Committee realized significant deviations from the adopted County Fiscal Strategy Paper (CFSP) that went beyond the 1% threshold allowed by law in nearly all the departments. The CECM Finance and Economic Planning submitted to the County Assembly a memorandum on the annual estimates FY 2023/24 giving reasons for the deviations in the approved CFSP 2023 pursuant to Regulation 26 (4) of PFM Regulations (County Governments) 2015 that states *"Once the County Fiscal Strategy Paper is adopted by the County Assembly it shall serve as the basis of expenditure ceilings specified in the fiscal framework"* read together with Regulation 26(7) that *"The County Treasury shall include a statement explaining any deviation to the provisions of Regulation 26(4) above.* The Memorandum was considered by this Committee and the reasons for the deviation are as highlighted below:

1. The County Government of Bungoma has been allocated Kshs. 11,111,983,608 in the allocation of revenue bill, 2023 gazetted on 27th April 2023 which is an increment of Kshs. 159,155,528 from the approved CFSP 2023 allocation of Kshs. 10,952,828,080.
2. Tourism, Forestry, Environment, Water and Natural Resources has a reduction on waste management sub-program from Kshs. 270million to 240 million.

3. Education and Vocational Training has an increase of Kshs. 196. 4 million for Staff pension, recruitment of ECDE teachers and the school feeding program.
4. Health and Sanitation increment of Kshs. 403 million for medical supplies, personnel emolument and hospital insurance.
5. Lands and Urban and Physical Planning increased allocation of Kshs. 15,000,000 for confirmation of land boundaries and processing of title deeds.
6. County Assembly allocation Kshs. 40.4 million to cater for KRA tax penalty
7. Finance and Economic Planning due to movement of ICT from Public Service Management and moving special programmes to governor's office. The public service management also affected by re-allocation of sub-county administrators, ward administrators and village administrator's salaries from Governor's office.
8. Realignment of Ward Based Projects.

2.4 PERSONNEL BUDGET

Mr. Speaker Sir, the personnel budget in the submitted document is Kshs. 6,279,994,774 translating to 45% of the total revenues due to the County in the FY 2023/24. The County Secretary, HR director and Payroll Manager appeared before this Committee and submitted the entire payroll of the county including the County Assembly. In their submissions, the personnel requirement of 6,480 staff is Kshs. 6,407,468,371.26 resulting in a deficit of Kshs. 127,473,597. Some departments showed a positive variance and others a negative variance with the most affected being Health department. The County Assembly personnel budget balanced with the allocated amount. With the County Executive departments' personnel budget, the burden lies in how costing of personnel emolument is done with some components like gratuity, pension and NITA not budgeted for yet payments are done.

2.5 PROJECT SUPERVISION FUNDS.

Mr. Speaker Sir, this budget has seen an introduction of a new item termed project supervision allocation. Project supervision funds were initially managed by the department of Roads, Transport, Infrastructure and Public Works as bill one. In the proposed Annual Budget Estimates FY 2023/24 each department has budgeted for their project supervision as per its development agenda to ensure faster execution of projects. A total of Kshs. 143.1 million has been allocated across the departments. Departments ought to have work plans that among other items must capture the following:

- Supervision allowance
- Material testing
- Rehabilitation of the borrow pits
- Survey works
- HIV and AIDS awareness
- Administrative costs
- Environmental impact assessment
- Trainings touching on the project

The activities appear recurrent in nature yet they are captured under development vote. The CEC –Finance and Economic Planning clarified that since they are project management direct costs they are treated as development items.

2.6 WARD BASED ALLOCATION

Mr. Speaker Sir, during processing and approval of the County Fiscal Strategy Paper, 2023, this House approved a total of Kshs. 24 million per ward for which has been retained in the budget estimates translating to a total of Kshs. 1,080,000,000 to go towards Ward Based Projects. With the introduction of the project supervision provision of 5% of the project contract sum, Kshs. 54 million has been earmarked for supervision of the projects leaving a balance of Kshs. 1,026,000,000. The project list per ward and per department has been annexed.

2.7 TRAINING EXPENSES VIS A VIS SCHOLARSHIP AND BURSARIES

The training vote has a total allocation of Kshs. 124,939,792 across all the departments in the county executive and CPSB. In view of the shortage on scholarship and bursaries which has an allocation of Kshs. 70 million and Kshs. 90 million respectively this Committee freezes training in all the departments to give a chance to the students who are already on the County Education Support Programme to continue with their education. Hence Kshs. 70 million has been added to the scholarship programme while Kshs. 45 million to bursaries.

CHAPTER THREE

3.0. SECTOR ANALYSIS OF THE ANNUAL BUDGET ESTIMATES - FY 2023/2024

3.1 AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK, FISHERIES, IRRIGATION AND COOPERATIVES DEVELOPMENT

Mr. Speaker Sir, the department has an allocation of Kshs. 413,538,492 for recurrent and Kshs. 807,434,641 for development across the 3 sub-departments as follows:

S/No	Sub Department	Recurrent	Development
1.	Agriculture and Irrigation	215,381,022.74	695,400,000.00
2.	Cooperatives Development	41,625,478.00	-
3.	Livestock and Fisheries	157,431,990.76	112,034,641
		413,538,492	807,434,641

3.1.1 Agriculture and Irrigation

The total recurrent expenditure for Agriculture and Irrigation is Kshs. 201,521,422.74. The major highlights of proposed programs in the recurrent budget are as follows:

Personnel emoluments has Kshs. 165,479,219.54 allocated for the permanent and pensionable employees and Kshs. 14,400,000.00 as basic wages for temporary employees.

Operations and Maintenance has an allocation of Kshs. 21,642,203.

The total amount for development under Agriculture and Irrigation is Kshs. 695,400,000.

Under crop development, the major projects to be undertaken by the department are:

Mr. Speaker Sir, other capital grants and transfers (NARIGP) with an allocation of Kshs. 280,000,000, purchase of certified crop seed and fertilizer has an allocation of Kshs. 53,200,000 and Kshs. 256,500,000 respectively for farm input support for 500 beneficiaries per ward in all 45 wards.

Other infrastructure and civil works has an allocation of Kshs. 28,350,000 that entails; Kshs. 12,350,000 for rehabilitation of Magemo Dam, Kshs. 6,650,000 for Agriculture information data centre. It also had Kshs. 1,710,000 for installation of solar water pumps and media production services Kshs. 7.6 million which were declined.

Agricultural materials, supplies and small equipment (Mabanga ATC) has Kshs. 9,500,000 for agricultural material for dairy and poultry projects.

Crop insurance allocation of Kshs. 32,600,000 was dropped due to lack of a clear legal framework to implement the program and the fact that the current year allocation has not been absorbed.

Sub-counties have Kshs. 1,800,000 for field operation allowances.

Ward based projects allocation is Kshs. 16,150,000.

Projects supervision funds is Kshs. 19,100,000

Mabanga ATC and AMC

Mr. Speaker Sir, the total recurrent expenditure for Mabanga ATC and AMC is Kshs. 12,059,600 for utilities, supplies and services Kshs. 488,000, communication supplies and services Kshs. 201, 600, hospitality supplies and services Kshs. 3,500, 000, insurance costs Kshs. 880, 000, Specialized materials and supplies Kshs. 3,500,000, fuel oil and lubricants Kshs. 1,440,000, routine maintenance of other assets Kshs. 1,600,000 and pre-feasibility, feasibility and appraisal studies Kshs. 450,000. An additional Kshs. 10 million was done with a view to make it self sustainable; Kshs.

3,300,000 on bedding and linen, Kshs. 1,900,000 on pre-feasibility and appraisal and Kshs. 4,800,000 on agricultural material and supplies.

3.1.2 Co-operative Development

The total recurrent for Cooperative Development is Kshs. 40,725,478 that entails;

Basic salary for permanent employees of Kshs. 17,318,758.50, basic wages for temporary employees Kshs. 2,500,000 while operations and maintenance has an allocation of Kshs. 20,906,720.

There was no proposed allocation for development under Cooperatives for the financial year 2023/2024 hence Kshs. 10 million has been allocated for completion of pending projects.

3.1.3 Livestock and Fisheries

Mr. Speaker Sir, the total recurrent for Livestock and Fisheries is Kshs.

153,646,166.76; basic salary for permanent employees at Kshs. 126,510,193.96, basic wages for temporary employees at Kshs. 7,005,127.96 and operations and maintenance with an allocation of Kshs. 23,916,668.96. The recurrent budget has a reduction of Kshs. 4,420,000.

The total development for Livestock and Fisheries is Kshs. 112,034,641 comprising;

Veterinary supplies and materials (procurement of vaccines and vet supplies) Kshs. 8,550,000.

Other infrastructure and civil works has allocations on the following programs: rehabilitation of Bungoma slaughterhouse at Kshs. 2,984,500, desilation at Kshs. 1,500,000 and conventional feeds and technology at Kshs. 1,500,000.

Supplies for production Kshs. 81,405,500 for; upgrading of Chwele poultry slaughterhouse Kshs. 28,500,000, County dairy project Kshs. 42,750,000 and project supervision Kshs. 9,767,232. The allocation on the slaughterhouse was scaled down to Kshs. 10 million awaiting budgeting tracking by this committee in the wake of the lease

of the property to a private investor. The lease agreement was submitted to the Committee and it was disadvantageous to the economy of the county and it needs to be reviewed. The sector committee should oversight the operations of the slaughterhouse. County dairy project was declined because it is not sustainable. The project was previously implemented with no impact reported.

Other capital grants and transfers (ASDSP11) has an allocation of Kshs. 5,601,732.

Sub counties

The sub-county offices (9 sub counties and 45 wards) have an allocation of Kshs. 2,700,000 for field operation allowance and administrative costs.

Chwele fish farm

The total allocation for Chwele fish farm is Kshs. 1,085,824 for; utilities supplies and services has Kshs.121,824, communication supplies and services has Kshs. 64,000, domestic travel and subsistence and other transportation costs has Kshs. 460,000 and pre-feasibility, feasibility and appraisal studies Kshs. 340,000.

3.2 HEALTH AND SANITATION

3.2.1 Health

Mr. Speaker Sir, the department has a total allocation of Kshs. 3,907,693,505 comprising Kshs. 3,461,671,065 on recurrent expenditures and Kshs. 446,022,440 on development expenditures.

The planned programs are as listed below:

Health Headquarters budget

The recurrent budget has a total allocation of Kshs. 2,875,664,292 with the following planned expenditures;

- Basic salaries-Permanent Employees Kshs. 2,451,653,520

This Committee has also made an addition of Kshs. 20 million each on laboratory materials and non-pharmaceutical.

Mr. Speaker Sir, the development budget for the department of Health at the Head quarter has a total allocation of Kshs. 192,850,000 with the planned projects below:

- Ward Based projects Kshs. 78,707,500
- Project supervision Kshs. 4,142,500
- MES Equipment Kshs. 110,000,000

Development has an increment of Kshs. 25 million.

HEALTH FACILITIES

Mr. Speaker Sir, the health facilities (Sub-county hospitals) have AIA target of Kshs. 1,124,665,391 that will be collected and fund facilities as indicated below: Kshs. 871,492,951 for recurrent and Kshs. 253,172,440 for development.

	Facility	Recurrent	Development	TOTAL
1	BCRH	290,215,409	131,172,440.00	421,387,849
2	Webuye	267,333,188	122,000,000.00	389,333,188
3	Kimilili	47,603,951		47,603,951
4	Elgon	29,555,023		29,555,023
5	Naitiri	40,499,788		40,499,788
6	Bumula	29,103,342		29,103,342
7	Chwele	36,326,629		36,326,629
8	Sirisia	54,806,850		54,806,850
9	Cheptais	42,417,249		42,417,249

10	Bokoli	17,421,801		17,421,801
11	Sinoko	10,226,236		10,226,236
12	Public Health	5,983,486		5,983,486
	TOTAL	871,492,951.00	253,172,440.00	1,124,665,391

Recurrent allocation of Kshs. 871,492,951 will fund utilities, communication, domestic travels, hospitality, fuel, maintenance of motor vehicle and medical equipment, purchase of beddings and linens, office and general supplies. Also captured are the following key programme with the total allocation across the 11 facilities:

Medical drugs.....Kshs. 118,121,476

Dressing and other -pharmaceutical l items.....Kshs. 100,292,745.00

Fungicides, insecticides and sprays.....Kshs. 7,992,525.00

Chemicals and industrial gases.....Kshs. 11,253,067.00

Laboratory materials, supplies and small equipment.....Kshs. 47,596,557.00

Food and rations.....Kshs. 65,393,106.00

PUBLIC HEALTH

Mr. Speaker Sir, public health has an allocation of Kshs. 5,983,486 comprising;

- Communication, supplies and services Kshs. 157,500
- Domestic travel and subsistence, and transportation costs Kshs. 1,500,436
- Printing , advertising and information supplies and services Kshs. 250,000
- Insurance costs Kshs. 100,000
- Specialized materials and supplies Kshs. 2,700,000

- Office and general supplies and services Kshs. 738,050
- Routine maintenance - vehicles Kshs. 460,000
- purchase of furniture Kshs. 77,500

Development for BCRH

The development budget for BCRH has an allocation of Kshs. 131,172,440 to fund the following programs:

Other infrastructure and civil works has Kshs. 87,088,818 for;

- Completion 300 beds capacity maternity wing Kshs. 11,088,818
- Equip 300 bed capacity maternity wing Kshs. 50,000,000
- Compete blood bank building Kshs. 8,000,000
- Complete commodity store Kshs. 8,000,000
- Construct Radiology unit Kshs. 10,000,000

Other infrastructure and civil works has Kshs. 30,875,000 for;

- Maintenance & renovation of non-residential buildings Kshs. 11,400,000
- Ablution block paediatrics Kshs. 2,850,000
- Mental unit Kshs. 16,625,000.

Purchase of medical and dental equipment Kshs. 7,000,000

Project supervision Kshs. 6,208,622

The allocation on mental unit was postponed in favour of the same in Webuye sub-county Hospital and the funds reallocated to medical drugs. In considering the Sector Committee views, the Webuye mental unit was prioritised due to availability of land and the need to complete it, equip and recruit personnel before commencing another.

Development for Webuye Sub-County Hospital

Mr. Speaker Sir, the development expenditure has a total allocation of Kshs. 122M on the projects highlighted below:

Other infrastructure and civil works Kshs. 53,200,000 which entails:

- Mental clinic Kshs. 14,250,000
- Cabros fitting Kshs. 5,700,000
- ICUs Kshs. 19,000,000
- OPD Kshs. 14,250,000

Other infrastructure and civil works Kshs. 57,000,000 which entails:

- Sewerage system Kshs. 38,000,000
- Complete intensive care unit Kshs. 19,000,000
 - Purchase of households and institutional appliances Kshs. 6,000,000
 - Project supervision Kshs. 5,800,000

The allocation for ICU had been captured twice hence the amount has been reallocated to medical drugs.

Considering the above changes medicals drugs has a total allocation of Kshs. 158,121,476 and non-pharmaceuticals Kshs. 159,292,745.

3.2.2. SANITATION

Mr. Speaker Sir, the department has an allocation of Kshs. 2,017,430 for recurrent and Kshs. 17,361,438 for development.

The recurrent estimates are:

- Basic salary- permanent employees Kshs. 896,976
- Operations and maintenance Kshs. 1,120,454

Development budget of Kshs. 17,361,438 entails;

- Other infrastructure and civil works for ward based projects Kshs. 8,835,000
- Project supervision Kshs. 868,072
- Other infrastructure and civil works - construction of sanitation blocks

Kshs.7,658,366.The project list is as shown below:

- Machakha dispensary Bokoli ward Kshs. 800,000
- Namatotoa Khasoko ward Kshs. 800,000
- Kayaya dispensary Matulo ward Kshs. 800,000
- Chepweki dispensary Cheptais ward Kshs. 1,200,000

- Khaoya recreational centre Bukembe west Kshs. 800,000
- Misanga dispensary Bukembe East ward Kshs. 800,000
- Kambini dispensary Kimilili ward Kshs. 800,000
- Kisawai dispensary Siboti ward Kshs. 800,000
- 300 bed capacity at BCRH Township ward Kshs. 800,000

3.3. ROADS AND PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Speaker Sir, the department has a total allocation of Kshs. 1,202,349,030 comprising Kshs. 148,349,030 for recurrent expenditure and Kshs. 1,054,000,000 for development expenditure.

On recurrent budget, the programs proposed include personnel emolument Kshs. 83,090,095 and operations and maintenance of Kshs. 65,256,935. The recurrent expenditure was reduced by Kshs. 15,500,000 and taken to development to take care of the pending bill on the dual carriage way.

Development expenditure's allocation of Kshs. 1,054,000,000 entails;

- Project supervision Kshs. 38,700,000
- Engineering and design plans Kshs. 4,275,000
- Bridges Kshs. 47,500,000. The projects list was not submitted.
- Refurbishment of non-residential buildings Kshs. 14,250,000. The Sector Committee report shows the BQ for refurbishment totalling to Kshs. 21.26 million hence the renovation will be phased to the FY 2024/25.
- Ward based projects allocated of Kshs. 441,275,000.
- Construction of roads that is maintenance of rural unpaved Roads for County routine maintenance frameworks (150KMs) has Kshs. 142,500,000. The amount has been increased by Kshs. 30 million.

- On access roads, Kshs. 38,000,000 has been proposed for upgrading of rural roads- Matisi - Bokoli at Kshs. 19,000,000 and upgrading of urban roads- Salmond - R.Khalaba Road at Kshs. 19,000,000. This Committee decline the project on Matisi-Bokoli road and directed that the department should reach out to the National Government to take over the road because it is capital intensive. The amount was reallocated to Salmond -R.Khalaba road
- Overhaul of other infrastructure and civil works for roads maintenance Levy Fund has Kshs. 47,500,000. This Committee notes that project list and activity costing was not attached. The program name should be changed or else the fund should operate within legal frameworks as outlined in the PFMA 116, PFM Regulations. 197 and 198 guiding the creation of public Funds in a county entity.
- Overhaul of roads has an allocation of Kshs. 280,000,000; expansion of dual carriage-way road at Kshs. 140,000,000 and upgrading of Miskhu-Bigadier road at Kshs. 140,000,000. On dual, this Committee sought to know from the CEC- Finance and Economic planning on the plan to clear pending bills for the National Government to take over, in his submission he indicated that the balance of Kshs. 438,238,620 will be spread as follows; FY 2023/24 Kshs.140,000,000; FY 2024/25 Kshs. 149,119,310 and FY 2025/26 Kshs. 149,119,310. He also confirmed on the penalties due to delayed payment and lapse of the contract period of Kshs. 108 million. To avoid further accumulation of penalties and to hasten the completion of the road and subsequent handover to National Government, this Committee has allocated an additional Kshs. 160 million to make its allocation Kshs. 300 million and a balance of Kshs. 138 million should be prioritised in the 1st Supplementary budget.

3.4. EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING

Mr. Speaker Sir, the department has an allocation of Kshs. 1,587,328,260 comprising Kshs. 1,282,708,260 for recurrent expenditures and Kshs. 304,620,000 for development expenditures.

Staff remunerations takes the largest share of the department's budget at Kshs. 1,201,932,695 comprising Kshs. 997,769,871 as salaries, Kshs. 10,000,000 for promotion, Kshs. 52,327,824 for recruitment of new ECDE teachers and a revised pension allocation of Kshs. 118,000,000. The allocation on promotion of staff of Kshs. 10 million was dropped and prioritised employment of ECDE teachers.

Operations and maintenance is Kshs. 80,775,565 which includes school feeding program of Kshs. 30,000,000. This Committee declined the allocation on school feeding program because it will not be sustainable with the meagre allocation.

The development has a total allocation of Kshs. 304,620,000 broken down as follows;

- VTC tuition capitation at Kshs. 19,000,000 from the County Government to fund all the 89 VTCs across the county based on the number of trainees in the institution.
- Provision of ward bursaries at Kshs. 90,000,000. The allocation has been enhanced to Kshs. 135 million translating to Kshs. 3 million per ward.
- Provision of scholarship to the needy students at Kshs. 70,000,000. The amount has been increased by Kshs. 70 million to make it Kshs. 140million.
- Construction of VTCs workshop at Ksh. 30,000,000. The project list was not provided. There is a net reduction of Kshs. 8 million.
- Ward based projects Kshs. 94,620,000. The allocation will construct ECDE classrooms and pit latrines in 26 wards.

3.5. Lands, Urban & Physical Planning

Mr. Speaker Sir, the department has a total allocation of Kshs. 127,977,801 comprising Kshs. 59,680,301 for recurrent expenditure and Kshs. 68,297,500 for development expenditure. Among the major projects and activities that the department proposes to do are;

- Salaries and emoluments at Ksh. 18,780,306. The Sector Committee indicated a shortfall of Kshs. 9,195,090 to cater for recruitment of GIS expert and land valuer and for pension which was considered and allocated. The amount was sourced

from the department by reducing some recurrent votes leaving a balance of Kshs. 34,095,085 for operations and maintenance.

The development has an allocation of Kshs. 68,297,500 comprising;

- Development of physical planning at Ksh. 10,637,625 which has been reduced by Kshs. 3 million and it includes new physical plans for Malakisi, Kaptama and Mukuyuni Centres and review of Chwele and Webuye Towns (proposed new Municipalities).
- Purchase of survey equipment (GIS laboratory) - Ksh. 28,500,000 which entails installation and configuration of GIS system at Ksh. 14,186,696 and Ksh. 14,813,304 for the purchase and configuration of a geodetic vehicle and data collection. The amount allocated is insufficient rendering the program unimplementable and it should be prioritized in the subsequent budget.
- Kshs. 2,850,000 for land fencing. The land to be fenced was not specified hence declined
- Ward based project Kshs. 22,895,000. The realigned projects amounts to Kshs. 21,212,000 for purchase of land for ECDE, VTCs and dispensaries.

3.5.1 Bungoma Municipality

Mr. Speaker Sir, the Municipality has a total allocation of Kshs. 247,000,000 comprising Kshs. 40,000,000 for recurrent and Ksh. 207,000,000 for development.

Under recurrent;

- Salaries and emoluments at Kshs. 14,408,833 that includes basic salary, leave expenses and employers contribution to compulsory national schemes.
- Operations and maintenance of Kshs. 25,591,167

A total reduction of Kshs. 9.5 million was done on the recurrent votes.

Development has other infrastructure and civil works at Kshs. 207,000,000 which includes phase 1 of Bethesda – Siritanyi catholic road upgrade, drainage works at Soko

Kubwa and construction of modern market stalls and Bus Park at Kanduyi for business community and purchase of land for a lorry park along the Webuye – Malaba road.

In agreeing with Sector Committee views, the Bethesda - siritanyi catholic road upgrade has been shelved to the subsequent financial year. The amount will construct a modern market stalls and bus park at Kanduyi for business community for revenue enhancement. The revised project list totalling to Kshs. 188,250,000 will be as follows:

- Drainage and pavement works at Soko Kubwa Kshs. 9,500,000
- Construction of modern market stalls and bus park at Kanduyi for business community Kshs. 57,500,000.
- Construction of modern auction ring with the public toilet, revenue office to boost revenue Kshs. 4,500,000.
- Purchase of land along Webuye - Malaba road for trailer parking to avoid congestion on the road reserves and land for dumpsite Kshs. 38,000,000.
- Ward based projects Kshs. 68,400,000 for Khalaba, Township and Musikoma Wards.
- Project supervision Kshs. 9,412,000

3.5.2 Kimilili Municipality

Mr. Speaker Sir, the Municipality has a total allocation of Kshs. 172,000,000 comprising Kshs. 50,000,000 for recurrent and Kshs. 122,000,000 for development.

The planned programs include salaries and emoluments at Kshs. 13,551,168 and operations and maintenance of Kshs. 36,448,823 which includes purchase of Municipal vehicle.

The recurrent expenditures were reduced by Kshs. 9.4 million.

Development

The considered projects are:

- Construction of auction ring, modern public toilets, revenue offices, vehicle parking and offloading area Kshs. 10,250,000
- Construction of modern market stalls Kshs. 27,250,000
- Ward based project Kshs. 68,400,000 for Maeni, Kimilili, and Kibingei Wards.
- Project supervision Kshs. 6,100,000

3.5.3 Housing

Mr. Speaker Sir, the department has an allocation of Kshs. 147,823,800 comprising Kshs. 17,823,800 for recurrent and Kshs. 130,000,000 for development.

The planned programs include are;

- Salaries and emoluments at Ksh. 9,894,600
- Operations and maintenance of Kshs. 7,929,200

On development, the following are proposed;

- Overhaul of other infrastructure and civil works at Kshs. 123,500,000 includes the construction of Governor's residence Kshs. 9,500,000, deputy governor's residence Kshs. 14,250,000 and the administration block Kshs. 99,750,000.
- Project supervision at Kshs.6,500,000

In agreeing with Sector Committee views, Kshs. 5 million was reallocated from administration block to renovation of residential houses.

3.6 TRADE, ENERGY & INDUSTRIALIZATION

3.6.1 Trade

Mr. Speaker Sir, the sector has an allocation of Kshs. 250,629,878 comprising; Kshs. 30,419,945 for recurrent and Kshs. 220,209,933 for development.

On recurrent, the estimates will fund;

- Personnel emolument of Kshs. 22,613,621
- Operations and maintenance of Kshs. 7,806,324

On the development allocation, the following are the proposed allocations;

- Trade loan – Kshs. 115,679,933
- Other infrastructure and civil Work Kshs. 47,500,000 meant for development of markets (Kipsigon, Kamukuywa and Chwele). The allocation for Kamkuywa market has been reduced to Kshs. 15 million.
- Other infrastructure and civil Work Kshs. 51,803,500 is for Ward Based Projects. The allocation is for installation of street lights, bodaboda sheds, solar powered high mast and floodlights on markets.

3.6.2 Energy

Mr. Speaker Sir, the sector has an allocation of Kshs. 127,472,340 comprising; Kshs. 18,472,340 for recurrent and Kshs. 109,000,000 for development.

Recurrent expenditures include;

- Personnel emolument of Kshs. 4,219,452
- Operations and maintenance of Kshs. 14,252,888

The recurrent allocation was reduced by Kshs. 3 million

On the development allocation, the following are the proposed;

- Purchase of lighting equipment Ksh. 18,050,000 (street lights across the County). The 1st supplementary budget had an allocation of Kshs. 119 million for street lights across the county hence the figure was reduced by Kshs. 13 million and reallocated Kshs.10 million to solar street lights to reduce electricity bills.
- REREC grant co funding has Kshs. 90,000,000 to purchase transformers. The Sector Committee should follow up on the work plan.

3.6.3 Industrialization

Mr. Speaker Sir, the sector has an allocation of Kshs. 209,437,920 comprising Kshs. 9,437,920 for recurrent and Kshs. 200,000,000 for development.

The recurrent expenditure will cater for;

- Personnel emolument of Kshs. 1,885,920. The department plans to hire 2 new staff – assistant director Industry and an industrial development officer
- Operations and maintenance of Kshs. 7,552,000

The development allocation will fund overhaul of other infrastructure and civil work of Kshs. 200,000,000 for industrial development. Kshs. 100million is grant from national government while Kshs.100 million is co-funding contribution by the county government. The proposed land is in Sang’alo. The Sector Committee should follow up on the work plan.

3.7.1 TOURISM AND ENVIRONMENT

Mr. Speaker Sir, the department has an allocation of Kshs. 311,018,987 on recurrent and Kshs. 205,000,000 on development.

The recurrent programs proposed include;

- Salaries of Kshs. 29,018,987, including recruitment of 6 climate change staff.
- Operations and maintenance of Kshs. 282,000,000 which includes cleaning services of Kshs. 240,000,000.

The recurrent expenditure has a reduction of Kshs. 5,200,000.

On development, Kshs 205,000,000 is towards Climate Change grant at Kshs. 125,000,000 and co-funding of Kshs. 80,000,000. Members of the public noted there is need to formulate comprehensive policies on wetlands protection, sand harvesting and quarry extraction, protection of water catchment areas. This Committee notes and the same will be prioritized in subsequent budgets.

3.7.2 WATER AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. Speaker Sir, the department has an allocation of Kshs. 76,797,534 on recurrent out of which Kshs 38,953,975 is for salaries, operations and maintenance is Kshs. 37,843,559. The amount includes Kshs. 15,000,000 as counterpart KOICA funding whose work plan was provided.

Development has an allocation of Kshs. 249,721,491 to implement the following projects:

- Purchase of equipment of drilling tools and accessories, borehole casing (up casing, surfaces casing) boreholes Kshs. 29,621,491.
- Water projects of Kshs. 20,000,000
- Ward Based Projects of Kshs. 179,645,000 and project supervision of Kshs. 9,855,000

3.8 GENDER, CULTURE AND SOCIAL WELFARE

Mr. Speaker Sir, the department has an allocation of Kshs. 72,908,159 on recurrent out of which Kshs. 28,972,440 for salaries, Kshs. 3,147,000 for gratuity and honorarium and Kshs. 43,935,719 for operation and maintenance. The allocation on gratuity was dropped because the department has no contractual staff.

On development, the department has an allocation Kshs. 55,712,749 and the proposed programs include;

- Other infrastructure and civil works has an allocation of Kshs. 22,568,791 for construction of Sang'alo Multi-purpose Hall and Kshs. 1,128,440 for project supervision.
- Women Empowerment Fund has Kshs. 20,526,343 and Disability Fund of Kshs. 12,317,615 and boards and committees for the two funds has Kshs. 300,000.

3.9 YOUTH AND SPORTS

Mr. Speaker Sir, the department of Youth and Sports has a total allocation of Kshs. 168,072,856 comprising Kshs. 27,804,497 for recurrent and Kshs. 140,268,359 for development.

The proposed recurrent expenditure include;

- Personnel emolument of Kshs. 11,654,874 and domestic travel and subsistence allowance Kshs. 5,500,000 that was reduced by Kshs. 2 million.
- Rentals of produced Assets Kshs. 1,140,000. This is for payment of rent for the Ajiri program at Nomad House.
- Training expenses has Kshs. 1,900,000, hospitality supplies and services Kshs. 2,559,497 and other operating expenses Kshs. 1,590,000
- Government Pension and Retirement Benefits Kshs. 1,620,126 that is meant for the contractual staff yet the department has no contractual staff. The amount was dropped.

The proposed development programs include;

- Sports facility development and management Kshs. 9,769,831 for equipping Maeni Youth Centre and construction of metallic stand at Tongaren Stadium. Maeni Youth centre was constructed by the department and this Committee recommends that it should be equipped from the ward based allocation and the Sector Committee recommended that the department should terminate the contract of the stadium and consider re-advertising it as per the House resolution.
- Construction of Masinde Muliro Stadium has an allocation of Kshs. 76,000,000. The Sector Committee submitted that the project has a pending bill of Kshs. 36,000,000 and not Ksh. 76,000,000 after the release of Kshs. 60,000,000 allocated in the current financial year 2022/2023. This Committee upheld the

recommendation by allocating Kshs. 36,000,000 for the stadium and Kshs. 40 million was reallocated to dual carriage way pending bill.

- Completion & equipping of High Altitude Training Centre has Kshs. 19,000,000.
- Project supervision has Kshs. 5,514,202.
- Youth Fund has an allocation of Kshs. 29,684,326 out of which Kshs. 1,500,000 is for training and sensitization, Kshs. 300,000 for boards and conferences and Kshs. 28,184,326 for youth empowerment fund. The Sector Committee should ensure that the legal framework for the Fund is reviewed to ensure effective operation of the Fund.

3.10 FINANCE AND ECONOMIC PLANNING

Mr. Speaker Sir, the department has a total allocation of Kshs. 1,308,023,267 where Kshs. 1,103,867,739 is recurrent expenditure and Kshs. 204,155,528 is development expenditure. The allocation is distributed across the directorates as shown below:

	HQ/Directorates	Recurrent	Development
1	Administration(HQ)	868,561,699.00	204,155,528.00
2	Revenue	40,849,040.00	
3	Planning	22,319,966.00	
4	Budget	49,041,495.00	
5	Audit	21,502,081.00	
6	Accounts	24,101,630.00	
7	M&E	21,369,110.00	
8	Procurement	24,386,235.00	

9	SPCU	15,366,483.00	
10	ICT	16,370,000.00	
	Total	1,103,867,739.00	204,155,528

All the personnel emoluments for Finance and Economic Planning department are at the head quarter section and they total to Kshs. 621,228,996 broken down as follows;

- i. Basic salaries permanent employees Kshs. 236,740,588
- ii. Basic Wages - Temporary employees Kshs. 70,120,802
- iii. Personal Allowance -Paid as part of salary Kshs. 104,436,960
- iv. Personal Allowance Paid as reimbursement(Leave expenses) Kshs. 7,655,500
- v. Employer Contributions to NSSF Kshs. 957,600
- vi. Employer contribution to staff pension Kshs. 50,951,201
- vii. Employer contribution to staff pension Arrears Kshs. 150,366,845

ICT section has been moved to finance due to the IFMIS, IB and revenue automation systems that should be centrally managed at the Finance department.

DEVELOPMENT

Mr. Speaker Sir, the department has an allocation of Kshs. 204,155,528 broken down as follows;

- i. Emergency Fund Kshs. 100m
- ii. ICT Kshs. 33,250,000 for; Municipality system Kshs. 16 million ,customer care system Kshs. 5 million, virtual system Kshs. 8 million and County System Integration Kshs. 6 million

- iii. Health management system Kshs. 37,955,528
- iv. Other infrastructure and civil works for revenue enhancement facilities Kshs. 27,550,000
- v. Project supervision Kshs. 5,400,000

3.11.1 PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Speaker Sir, the department has an allocation of Kshs. 820, 940,450 comprising recurrent allocation of Kshs. 780,710,450 and development of Kshs. 40,000,000. The recurrent allocation is inclusive of Kshs. 18 million for sub-county administration.

The activities the department plans to undertake includes;

- Basic salary civil services Kshs. 394,636,934
- Operations and maintenance Kshs. 79,908,295 which was cut down by Kshs. 7,868,028.

Devolved Units

The allocation of Kshs. 18 million will run operations for the 9 sub-county offices, 45 ward offices and 236 villages which was reduced by Kshs. 9 million

Development projects.

The development allocation of Kshs. 40 million is meant for;

- Project supervision Kshs. 2,000,000
- Construction of non-residential buildings of Kshs. 38,000,000 which entails construction of ward offices in Kimaeti, South Bukusu, Kapkateny and Milima at a cost of Kshs. 9,500,000 each.

This Committee recommends Kshs. 9,500,000 and supervision fee of Kshs. 500,000 be allocated to construction of ward office at Chwele/Kabuchai in line with the approved CIDP resolution of constructing at least 5 ward offices in a year.

3.11.2 OFFICE OF THE COUNTY SECRETARY

Mr, Speaker Sir, the office has a proposed allocation of Kshs. 25,000,000 to finance its operations and maintenance costs. The allocation was however reduced by Kshs. 9.2 million.

3.11.3 COUNTY ATTORNEY

Mr. Speaker Sir, the office has an allocation of Kshs. 20,000,000 for the operations and maintenance costs including Kshs. 10 million for legal fees/dues, arbitration and compensation. The allocation was scaled down by Kshs. 7 million

3.11.4 GOVERNOR’S OFFICE

Mr. Speaker Sir, Governor’s office has proposed recurrent expenditure of Kshs. 423,242,799 and development expenditure of Kshs. 20,000,000.

The estimates are as follows;

- Gross salary of Kshs. 210,229,670 while gratuity totals to Kshs. 39,254,586. This Committee notes the transfer of salaries for the sub-county administrators, ward administrators and village administrators to the department of Public Service Management which should be captured within the Governor’s ceiling.
- Operations and maintenance has a total of Kshs. 173,758,543 which includes allocation on special programmes worth Kshs. 50,000,000 and foreign travel reduced to Kshs. 5 million.

The proposed development allocation of Kshs. 20,000,000 for purchase of specialized plant (Acquisition of 1 Fire engine) was dropped because the cost of purchasing a fire engine is colossal.

3.11.5 DEPUTY GOVERNOR’S OFFICE

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The office has a total allocation of Kshs. 22,836,583 to fund its operations. The amount was enhanced by Kshs. 7 million in line with Sector Committee views.

3.12.1 COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD.

Mr. Speaker Sir, County Public Service Board has an allocation of Kshs. 50,911,146 on recurrent and Kshs. 10 million on development.

The recurrent programs include;

- Personnel emolument Kshs. 8,068,400 broken down as follows:
 - ✓ Basic Salaries - civil service Kshs. 7,100,550
 - ✓ Employer contribution to staff pensions Scheme Kshs. 967,850
- Operations and maintenance costs of the board will take Kshs. 42,842,746

Development has proposed budget of Kshs. 10 million for construction of office block. The board petitioned the Committee for additional budget for construction of the new administration block. The Committee considered the petition and allocated an additional Kshs. 20,000,000.

3.12.2 COUNTY ASSEMBLY

Mr. Speaker Sir,

The County Assembly has a proposed allocation of Kshs. 938,275,289 for recurrent expenditure and Kshs. 33,407,728 for development. Also captured is Kshs. 40,395,926 non-ceiling item allocation in line with the KRA demand notice.

The County Allocation Revenue Bill that is before Senate has proposed Kshs. 1,030,966,304 ceiling on recurrent hence a deficit of Kshs. 92,811,015. In considering the Sector Committee recommendations, this Committee has increased the allocation to Kshs. 1,030,966,304 as per the CAR Bill. The planned programmes include:

Salary and Remuneration of Hon. Members and employees of the County Assembly totals to Kshs. 529, 545,568 broken down as follows;

- Hon. Members and employees' salaries Kshs. 182,042,626,551
- Ward staff, casuals and Hon. Speakers partisan staff Kshs. 44,812,740
- Leave expenses Kshs. 870,000.
- Overtime allowances Kshs. 500,000
- Responsibilities allowances Kshs. 12,708,000.
- Transport/mileage allowance Kshs. 38,312,916.
- Committee sitting allowance Kshs. 46,043,200.
- Telephone allowance Kshs. 3,936,000.
- Members Car maintenance allowance Kshs. 22,082,244
- Hon. Members car purchase reimbursement Kshs. 68,572,000.
- Gratuity-Civil servants Kshs. 8,042,640.
- Gratuity-Hon. Members Kshs. 21,313,286.
- Employer contribution to staff pensions scheme at a cost of Kshs. 18,334,908.
- Employer contribution to National Social Security fund Kshs. 1,658,880

Planning and support services which includes utilities, communications, Domestic & foreign travels, printing, advertising, training, research, insurance cost, fuel, office supplies, legal fees, purchase of furniture and IT equipment and maintenance of Kshs. 258,354,482.

Legislation services Kshs. 12,486,000, representation and outreach services Kshs. 104,586,454 and oversight services Kshs. 125,993,800.

Infrastructural development

Mr. Speaker Sir, on development the total allocation is Kshs. 33,407,728 on the following projects;

- Construction of members debating chambers- 1st phase Kshs. 13,407,728
- Erection of carports at members parking yard Kshs. 5,000,000
- Completion of Hon. Speaker's official resident house Kshs. 15,000,000

This Committee also is in receipt of a petition from the County Assembly Service Board on the valuation for the penultimate certificate from the project quantity surveyor of the just completed administration block. The certificate puts the projected final account of the block at Kshs. 536,392,798. In considering the petition Kshs. 49,493,720 has been allocated.

CHAPTER FOUR

4.0 COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 COMMITTEE'S OBSERVATIONS

Mr. Speaker Sir, the Committee observed as follows:

1. The Budget Estimates were submitted minus the necessary supporting documents for approval process and implementation of the budget.
2. Pending bills across the departments were not budgeted for and the mechanisms on how they will be settled were not stated.
3. Some of the departments did not update their programme based budgets; there were variances between the itemized budgets and the programme based budgets and the activity costing of development projects were not done.
4. Personnel emoluments across departments in the proposed budget estimates are different from the submitted departmental payrolls.
5. The local revenue projections increased from Kshs. 1,347,382,860 in the FY 2022/23 to Kshs. 2,043,366,863.
6. There are some reorganization of programs across departments in the County Executive through executive orders.
7. A number of programs proposed for implementation in the annual budget are not sustainable and some have no clear policies.
8. For first time Bungoma and Kimilili Municipalities development expenditures have received equitable share of allocation after World Bank funding lapsed.
9. Project supervision vote has a total allocation of Kshs. 143.1 million but most of the departments did not submit their work plans as directed in the County Treasury circular no. 7/23.
10. The County revolving funds formed part of the resource envelope.

4.2 COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

Mr. Speaker Sir, upon scrutiny of the annual budget estimates 2023/2024, the Committee recommends as follows:

1. **THAT**, the County Executive Committee Member for Finance should comply with the provision of Section 129 (2a) of PFM Act by submitting the Budget Estimates with all supporting documents required for approval process and implementation of the budget.
2. **THAT**, the County Treasury should treat pending bills as first charge in the subsequent budgets as provided for under Regulation 55 (2) (b) of the PFM (County Governments) Regulations, 2015.
3. **THAT**, personnel costing must comply with Regulation 191 (2), (3) and 120 (3) of the PFM (County Governments) Regulations, 2015 which guides on personnel costing and payroll cleansing. The Accounting Officers and HR should carry out the payroll cleansing and report the exact amount of personnel emolument required before the 1st Supplementary Budget.
4. **THAT**, departments should update their programme based budget to tally with the itemized budget and programme based budget should have activity costing.
5. **THAT**, the CECM Finance and Economic Planning should ensure implementation of all the revenue enhancement strategies for the target to be realized to avoid budget deficit.
6. **THAT**, all executive orders should be submitted to the County Assembly in compliance with the provisions of the Statutory Instruments Acts.
7. **THAT**, the County Executive Committee Members should do due diligence on proposed projects and formulate requisite legal frameworks before budgeting for them in compliance with Article 183 (2) of the Constitution, Section 36 of the County Governments Act, 2012, and Regulation 30 (b) of the Public Procurement and Assets Disposal Regulations, 2020.

8. **THAT**, the County Government should continue funding development projects in all the municipalities in the county using the equitable share allocation and put in place strategies for them to be financially independent.
9. **THAT**, Sector Committees should follow up on project supervision work plans in their respective sectors to ensure timely execution of projects.
10. **THAT**, Sector Committee should closely oversight the revolving funds and ensure that the requisite legal frameworks are in place to operationalize them.

4.3 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE'S PROPOSED DECREASES AND INCREASES ON DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET ESTIMATES FY2023/2024

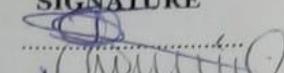
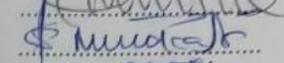
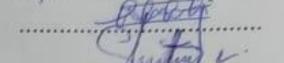
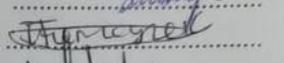
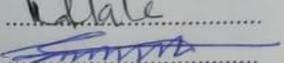
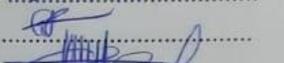
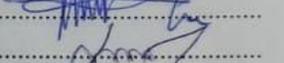
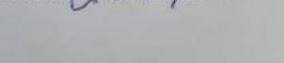
Mr. Speaker Sir, the following are the Committee's proposed decreases and increases on the departmental budget in this Annual Budget Estimates for FY 2023/2024.

4.4 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE'S PROPOSED DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET ALLOCATIONS

Mr. Speaker Sir, the Budget and Appropriations Committee's proposed departmental budget allocations for FY 2023/24 are as follows;

ADOPTION SCHEDULE & ANNEXTURES:

We the undersigned members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee append our signatures adopting this report with the contents therein.

NAME	DESIGNATION	SIGNATURE
1. Hon. Jack Wambulwa	Chairperson	
2. Hon. Charles Nangulu	ViceChairperson	
3. Hon. Ali Machani	Member	
4. Hon. Anthony Lusenaka	Member	
5. Hon. Meshack Simiyu	Member	
6. Hon. Joan Kirong	Member	
7. Hon. Milih Masungu	Member	
8. Hon. Sudi Busolo	Member	
9. Hon. Grace Sundukwa	Member	
10. Hon. Caleb Wanjala	Member	
11. Hon. Polycarp Kimeta	Member	