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Request for a Statement from the Chairperson of the Committee on Health concerning the recent rise in the number of deaths recorded in Western parts of Kenya.

Mr. Speaker Sir,

I rise pursuant to Standing order No.45 (2) (b) to seek a statement from the Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Health concerning the rise in the number of deaths recorded in Western parts of Kenya, particularly Bungoma County.

In the response, the Chairperson should address the following:

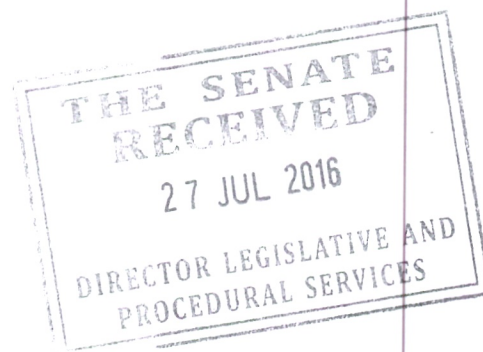
1. Is Cabinet Secretary aware that the former Western Province, particularly in each sub-location in Bungoma County, is recording an average of up to 15 deaths monthly and, bearing in mind that the County has a total of 176 Sub locations, this translates to an average of over 2640 deaths?
2. Is the Ministry aware that some, if not most, of the deaths are arising out of easily curable and/or preventable causes?
3. Has the Government conducted a community autopsy to establish the real causes of these deaths and what measures has the Ministry put in place to ensure that this situation is brought to a halt?
4. Could the Chairperson confirm that it is the deteriorating services in the health Sector that could be responsible for these and more deaths, which are caused by lack of proper co-ordination between the National and County Governments, and underfunding due to inadequate revenue allocation to the Counties?
5. What measures is the Government taking to implement the devolution of health as per the Constitution, considering that the bulk of funding for health is still held at the National Government, which has a very limited responsibility on health?

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In the response, the Chairperson should address the following:

1. Whether the Cabinet Secretary is aware that Bungoma County in particular is recording an average of up to 15 deaths in a Month in each sub-location of the County and bearing in mind that the County has a total of 176 Sub locations this can translate to an average of over 2640 deaths?
2. Whether the Ministry is aware that some if not most of the deaths are arising out of easily curable and/or preventable causes?
3. Whether the Ministry has conducted a community autopsy to establish the real causes of these deaths and what measures it has put in place to ensure that this situation is brought to a halt.
4. Whether the deteriorating services in the health Sector that could be occasioning these and more deaths are caused by a lack of proper Co-ordination between the National and County Governments, and/or because of the underfunding through inadequate revenue allocation to the Counties. While health is a devolved function and the bulk of

funding for health is still held at the National Government which has a very limited responsibility on health.



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