

3) Mr. Chanda
Please deal.
23/04/18



PETITION PRESENTED TO THE SENATE PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 119 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF KENYA AND PART XXIV OF THE STANDING ORDERS

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CONCERNING THE COMPENSATION FOR PARCELS OF LAND IN UTHERI WA LARI TO BE COMPUSORILY ACQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT TO PAVE WAY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE STANDARD GAUGE RAILWAY (SGR)

③ Mr. Mungai
Kindly facilitate this
petition.
D. Chanda
30/4/18.

February 2018

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We, the undersigned,

Citizens of the republic of Kenya and residents of mai mahiu utheri wa lari,

DRAW the attention of the Senate to the following:

1. **That** work on the **Standard Gauge Railway** has started on the **Utheri Wa Lari land** covering over six kilometers in length and is currently going in earnest.
2. **That** we as the owners of the Utheri wa Lari land support the project as development conscious citizens and deliberately choosing not to place any obstacles in the way of the ongoing works and instead allowing early entry to the Chinese company undertaking the construction despite several issues remaining unresolved.
3. **That** we have noticed with a lot of concern laxity in protocol on the part of the government and the contractor when it comes to the handling of this matter with the stakeholders, key of whom are the utheri wa lari land owners
4. **That** we have no official list and information on the specific land owners directly affected by this project despite the fact that the government has in its possession the route and design of the SGR portion passing through our land.
5. **That** to date the concerned government ministries and agencies have not gazette the land compulsory acquisition and hence they can rightly be considered as intruders and qualify for eviction by the land owners.
6. **That** to date the government has not made any formal commitment to compensate the affected land owners and the owners do not even know how much compensation to expect.
7. **That** this silence on the part of government has denied us room for negotiation and settlement on the values of compensation to be offered leaving us apprehensive that we may not be adequately compensated considering we allowed early entry before settling pertinent issues as compensation.
8. **That** given the sad history of **Utheri Wa Lari Land** where the owners have had to fight court battles to keep their land, the governments behavior does not inspire confidence in us

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that this matter will be dealt with fairly and justly and that we are apprehensive we may end up being short changed and end up with a raw deal.

9. **That** we are concerned that the secretive manner with which the government representatives in this project is sinister and detrimental to our genuine interests that we believe can only be safeguarded by the senate.
10. **That** we have made the best efforts to have this matter addressed at the national commission and Kenya railways level without success. Further we believe that the senate through its transport and infrastructure committee is the appropriate body to deal with the matters raised in herein
11. **That** none of the issues raised in this petition is pending in any court of law, constitutional or any other legal body.

Wherefore, your humble petitioners pray that the senate urgently investigates the matters raised and comes up with appropriate recommendations to ensure that our rights and interests are safeguarded as the **Utheri Wa Lari** land owners and that full disclosure of information pertaining to the project as it relates to our land making sure that we are involved and allowed participation in the processes that will lead to our fair compensation.

Dated this 20th day of February 2018.

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