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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

AG	–	Attorney-General
ASAL	–	Arid and Semi-Arid Lands
BIO	–	Budget Implementation Oversight
BPS	–	Budget Policy Statement
CDL	–	Committee on Delegated Legislation
CEO	–	Chief Executive Officer
CFS	–	Consolidated Fund Services
DHA	–	Digital Health Authority
DIFR	–	Defence, Intelligence and Foreign Relations
EAC	–	East African Community
EACC	–	Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission
ELGIA	–	Electoral Legislation and Governance Institute of Africa
EALA	–	East African Legislative Assembly
FY	–	Financial Year
GBV	–	Gender-Based Violence
IBEC	–	Intergovernmental Budget and Economic Council
IEBC	–	Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission
IGRTC	–	Intergovernmental Relations Technical Committee
IFC	–	International Finance Corporation
IILA	–	International Institute of Legislative Affairs
IMF	–	International Monetary Fund
KAA	–	Kenya Airports Authority
KAIST	–	Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology
KEDIPA	–	Kenya Disability Parliamentary Association
KEPHIS	–	Kenya Plant Health Inspectorate Service
KENCO	–	Kenya National Cancer Organisation
KenGen	–	Kenya Electricity Generating Company
KLRC	–	Kenya Law Reform Commission
KNH	–	Kenyatta National Hospital
KPA	–	Kenya Ports Authority
MDA	–	Ministry, Department and Agency

MSME	–	Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
MTDS	–	Medium-Term Debt Management Strategy
NCIC	–	National Cohesion and Integration Commission
NEA	–	National Employment Authority
NEAPACOH	–	Network of African Parliamentary Committees of Health
NG-CDF	–	National Government Constituencies Development Fund
NGAAF	–	National Government Affirmative Action Fund
NGEC	–	National Gender and Equality Commission
NITA	–	National Industrial Training Authority
NLC	–	National Land Commission
NTSA	–	National Transport and Safety Authority
NYS	–	National Youth Service
OAG	–	Office of the Auditor-General
ORPP	–	Office of the Registrar of Political Parties
PBO	–	Parliamentary Budget Office
PCPB	–	Pest Control Products Board
PPP	–	Public-Private Partnership
PS	–	Principal Secretary
PSC	–	Public Service Commission
PSC	–	Production Sharing Contract
RIC	–	Committee on Regional Integration
SAGA	–	State Agency and Government Authority
SGR	–	Standard Gauge Railway
SHA	–	Social Health Authority
SME	–	Small and Medium Enterprise
SPIAM	–	State Department for Public Investments and Asset Management
TSC	–	Teachers Service Commission
TVET	–	Technical and Vocational Education and Training
TTI	–	Technical Training Institute
TVC	–	Technical and Vocational College
UHC	–	Universal Health Coverage
USF	–	Universal Service Fund

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CHAIRPERSON'S FOREWORD

It is my honour and privilege to present to the House the Consolidated Third Quarter Progress Report of the Liaison Committee of the National Assembly, covering the period January to March 2026, the First Quarter of the Fifth Session of the Thirteenth Parliament. The report consolidates the activities, achievements, challenges, and recommendations of all forty-one (41) committees of the National Assembly, comprising twenty (20) Departmental Committees and twenty-one (21) Select Committees.

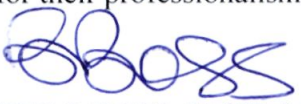
The breadth of committee activity during this quarter reflects the industry and commitment of the Members of this House. Collectively, committees held six hundred and thirty-one (631) sittings, tabled fifty-seven (57) reports, and undertook over seventy (70) field and foreign visits. Committees considered Bills, Statutory Instruments, legislative proposals, statements, petitions, treaties, and budgetary instruments giving full expression to the legislative, oversight, and representational mandate of this House.

A defining feature of the quarter was the scrutiny of the 2026 Budget Policy Statement and Supplementary Estimates No. I for FY 2025/26, with all twenty (20) Departmental Committees submitting reports to the Budget and Appropriations Committee within the required timelines. The Finance and National Planning Committee and the Public Debt and Privatization Committee jointly conducted public participation in all thirty (30) counties on the proposed partial divestiture of Safaricom PLC. The watchdog committees examined hundreds of Auditor-General reports spanning multiple financial years, with the Public Investments Committee on Governance and Education taking decisive action to halt the irregular allocation of 2,000 acres of Egerton University land and expose the illegal diversion of Ksh 600 million from development to recurrent expenditure. On the international front, the Committee on Diaspora Affairs and Migrant Workers secured a commitment from the Russian Government to halt the illegal recruitment of Kenyan nationals into the Russia-Ukraine war.

Notwithstanding these achievements, this report documents persistent cross-cutting challenges that continue to constrain committee effectiveness. Thirteen (13) committees cited a chronic shortage of meeting rooms, over two-thirds reported budgetary constraints limiting field visits and public participation, and nine (9) reported quorum challenges. Delayed and inadequate responses from

Ministries, Departments, and Agencies, a growing legislative backlog, and shortages of basic stationery further undermined committee productivity. I urge the House, the Parliamentary Service Commission, and the National Executive to accord the accompanying recommendations the urgent attention they deserve. Committees cannot effectively discharge their constitutional mandate without adequate resources, functional facilities, and the full cooperation of the Executive.

I sincerely thank all committee chairpersons, members, the Clerks, and the Secretariat staff of the Directorates of Departmental Committees and Audit, Appropriations and General-Purpose Committees for their professionalism and dedication in producing this report.



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THE DEPUTY SPEAKER & CHAIRPERSON, LIAISON COMMITTEE

PART ONE

PREFACE

This report constitutes the Consolidated Quarterly Progress Report of the Liaison Committee of the National Assembly for the period January to March 2026, covering the First Quarter of the Fifth Session of the Thirteenth Parliament. It is compiled pursuant to the mandate of the Liaison Committee under the National Assembly Standing Orders, which require all select committee chairpersons to report periodically on the work of their respective committees.

The report is presented in two parts. Part I consolidates the quarterly progress reports of the twenty (20) Departmental Committees of the National Assembly, compiled by the Directorate of Departmental Committees. Part II consolidates the quarterly progress reports of twenty-one (21) Select Committees, compiled by the Directorate of Audit, Appropriations and General-Purpose Committees. Together, the two parts provide a comprehensive picture of parliamentary committee activities undertaken during the reporting period.

During the quarter under review, committees of the National Assembly were actively engaged in the scrutiny of legislation, oversight of the national budget, examination of the 2026 Budget Policy Statement and Supplementary Estimates No. I for FY 2025/26, consideration of petitions, processing of statements, examination of audited accounts and financial statements of public entities, and engagement with a wide range of stakeholders from government ministries, departments, agencies, civil society, and the public.

The report documents significant legislative achievements, including the tabling of multiple committee reports, extensive public participation exercises conducted across the country, high-level stakeholder engagements, and field visits to verify the implementation of government programmes and projects. Committees also participated in international conferences, benchmarking visits, and parliamentary diplomacy engagements that strengthened Kenya's bilateral and multilateral parliamentary relations.

Recurring challenges identified across committees include inadequate committee meeting rooms, budgetary constraints limiting oversight activities, quorum challenges, delayed responses from government ministries and departments, and frequent rescheduling of meetings by accounting officers and other stakeholders. The Liaison Committee trusts that the recommendations contained in this report will receive the necessary attention from the relevant authorities to enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of parliamentary oversight.

The Liaison Committee wishes to express its appreciation to all committee chairpersons, members, and the secretariat staff of the various directorates for their dedication and commitment in preparing this consolidated report within the stipulated timelines.

Establishment and Mandate of the Liaison Committee

1. The Liaison Committee is established under Standing Order 217 and it's mandated to;
   (a) guide and co-ordinate the operations, policies and mandates of all Committees;
   (b) deliberate on and apportion the annual operating budget among the Committees;
   (c) consider the programmes of all Committees, including their need to travel and sit away from the precincts of Parliament;
   (d) ensure that Committees submit reports as required by the Standing Orders;
   (e) determine, whenever necessary, the committee or committees to deliberate on any matter; and
   (f) give such advice relating to the work and mandate of select committees as it may consider necessary.
2. In addition, Standing Order 217(3) makes it non-discretionary for the Committee to consider reports of the Committee that have not been deliberated by the House and report to the House on the consideration of such reports.
3. Standing Order 200 further requires the Committee to receive quarterly progress reports from each select committee, compile the reports and submit a report to the House within twenty-one days.

Functions of the Consolidated Report

4. The Consolidated Quarterly Progress Report serves the following key functions:
   (a) Provides the House and the public with a comprehensive account of the legislative, oversight, and representational activities of all committees during the reporting period;
   (b) Documents challenges encountered by committees in the execution of their mandate, and recommendations proposed to address such challenges;
   (c) Facilitates accountability by enabling the House to track the progress of committees in executing their mandates; and
   (d) Informs the allocation of resources and the scheduling of committee business by the relevant House organs.

Committee Membership

5. The Committee comprises the Deputy Speaker as the Chairperson, a Member of the Chairperson's panel who also is the First Chairperson of Committees as the Vice-Chairperson and the Chairpersons of all committees of the National Assembly.

S/NO.	NAME	CONSTITUENCY/ COUNTY	PARTY
1.	Hon. Gladys J. Boss, MGH, MP - **Chairperson**	Uasin Gishu	UDA
2.	Hon. Martha Wangari, CBS, MP – **Vice Chairperson**	Gilgil	UDA
3.	Hon. Kimani Ichung'wah, EGH, MP	Kikuyu	UDA
4.	Hon. Omboko Milemba, CBS, MP	Emuhaya	ANC
5.	Hon. Joseph Lekuton, CBS, MP	Laisamis	UDM
6.	Hon. Musa Cherutich Sirma, EGH, MP	Eldama Ravine	UDA
7.	Hon. (Dr.) Nyikal, James Wambura, CBS, MP	Seme	ODM
8.	Hon. Japhet Kareke Mbiuki, CBS, MP	Maara	UDA
9.	Hon. Raphael B.S. Wanjala, CBS, MP	Budalangi	ODM
10.	Hon. David Pkosing, CBS, MP	Pokot South	KUP
11.	Hon. Julius Kibiwott Melly, CBS, MP	Tinderet	UDA
12.	Hon. Shinali, Bernard Masaka, CBS, MP	Ikolomani	ODM
13.	Hon. Musau, Vincent Musyoka, CBS, MP	Mwala	UDA
14.	Hon. Emmanuel Wangwe, CBS, MP	Navakholo	ODM
15.	Hon. Daniel Epuyo Nanok, CBS, MP	Turkana West	UDA
16.	Hon. Gikaria David, CBS, MP	Nakuru Town East	UDA
17.	Hon. Mwale, Nicholas S. Tindi, CBS, MP	Butere	ODM
18.	Hon. Joseph Tonui, CBS, MP	Kuresoi South	UDA
19.	Hon. Atandi, Samuel Onunga, CBS, MP	Alego Usonga	ODM
20.	Hon. Samuel K. Chepkonga, CBS, MP	Ainabkoi	UDA
21.	Hon. Joash Nyamoko, HSC, MP	North Mugirango	UDA

22.	Hon. GK, George M. Kariuki, CBS, MP	Ndia	UDA
23.	Hon. Kiti, Richard Ken Chonga, CBS, MP	Kilifi South	ODM
24.	Hon. (Dr.) (Arch.) Gideon M. Mulyungi, CBS MP	Mwingi Central	WDM
25.	Hon. Abdi Shurie, CBS, MP	Balambala	JP
26.	Hon. Muchangi Karemba, CBS, MP	Runyenjes	UDA
27.	Hon. (Dr.) Stephen W. Karani, CBS, MP	Laikipia West	UDA
28.	Hon. Gabriel Koshal Tongoyo, CBS, MP	Narok West	UDA
29.	Hon. Gitonga G. Murugara, CBS, MP	Tharaka	UDA
30.	Hon. Lydia Haika Mizighi, CBS, MP	Taita Taveta (CWR)	UDA
31.	Hon. Peter Lochakapong, CBS, MP	Sigor	UDA
32.	Hon. Daniel Sitati Wanyama, CBS, MP	Webuye West	UDA
33.	Hon. Nelson Koech, CBS, MP	Belgut	UDA
34.	Hon. John Kiarie Waweru, CBS, MP	Dagoreti South	UDA
35.	Hon. Kangogo Bowen, CBS, MP	Marakwet East	UDA
36.	Hon. (Dr.) John M. Kanyuithia, CBS, MP	Tigania West	UDA
37.	Hon. William Kamket, CBS, MP	Tiaty	KANU
38.	Hon. (CPA) Francis K. Kimani, CBS, MP	Molo	UDA
39.	Hon. Alice Wambui Ng'ang'a, CBS MP	Thika Town	UDA
40.	Hon. (Dr.) Adan Haji Yussuf, CBS, MP	Mandera West	UDM
41.	Hon. Fatuma Z. Mohammed, CBS, MP	Migori (CWR)	Independent
42.	Hon. (CPA) Dick Maungu, MP	Luanda	DAP-K

6. It is important to note that the Liaison Committee lost one of its key Member; the late Hon. Johana Ng'eno Kipyegon, the former Chairperson of the Departmental Committee on Housing, Urban Planning and Public Works, through a tragic helicopter crash on the evening of Saturday, 28th February 2026.

Committee Secretariat

7. The Committee is facilitated by the following secretariat: -

1. Mr. Peter Chemweno, OGW	-	Director, Departmental Committees
2. Mr. Nicholas Emejen	-	Director, Audit, Appropriations & General-Purpose Committees
3. Mr. Daniel Mutunga	-	Deputy Director, Departmental Committees
4. Ms. Lucy Kimathi	-	Director, Audit, Appropriations & General-Purpose Committees
5. Ms. Sophie Otieno	-	Principal Legal Counsel I
6. Ms. Lynette Otieno	-	Principal Legal Counsel II
7. Mr. Josphat Bundotich	-	Principal Serjeant-at-Arms
8. Mr. Abdirahman Hassan	-	Clerk Assistant I
9. Ms. Isabella Mwembi	-	Clerk Assistant III
10. Ms. Jael Ayiego	-	Clerk Assistant III
11. Mr. Edwin Gichane	-	Research Officer III
12. Mr. Derrick Kathurima	-	Media Relations Officer
13. Ms. Mwanasha Juma	-	Assistant Serjeant-at-Arms
14. Mr. Kenneth Waweru	-	Office Assistant
15. Mr. Eugene Luteshi	-	Audio Officer

PART TWO

INTRODUCTION

Statistical Overview

8. The table below provides a consolidated snapshot of committee activity during the quarter January to March 2026, covering all forty-one (41) committees of the National Assembly. This includes bills, legislative proposals, treaties, sessional papers, and statutory instruments. Reports Tabled refer to formal reports presented to the House or to coordinating committees (e.g., BAC). Field/Foreign Visits includes both domestic inspection visits and international engagement

Committee	Sittings	Bills/Proposals	Reports Tabled	Field/Foreign Visits
PART I – DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES (20)				
Administration & Internal Security	24	2 Bills 1 Legislative Proposal	—	(Eldoret, Busia, Malaba)
Agriculture & Livestock	12	1 Bill	—	(Kabete)
Blue Economy, Water & Irrigation	13	1 Bill	3	(Lamu Port)
Communication, Information & Innovation	12	1 Bill	—	(Konza, Garissa)
Defence, Intelligence & Foreign Relations	16	5 Agreements	2	(Kitisuru; Morocco/Egypt)
Education	16	1 Bill	2	—
Energy	31	1 Bill	1	(Uasin Gishu, Mombasa, Turkana)
Environment, Forestry & Mining	17	3 Bills	—	(Kakamega Forest area)
Finance & National Planning	44	3 Bills	2	30 Counties
Health	20	3 Bills	—	(KNH)
Housing, Urban Planning & Public Works	14	—	—	(Retreat, Mombasa)
Justice & Legal Affairs (JLAC)	15	6 Bills	—	24 Counties

Labour	18	2 Bills	3	(Naivasha)
Lands	20	—	1	(Machakos)
Regional Development	9	1 Bill	—	(Mombasa)
Social Protection	15	2 Bills	—	(Kisumu, Kakamega)
Sports & Culture	7	3 Bills	—	—
Trade, Industry & Cooperatives	20	5 Bills	2	(Mombasa)
Tourism & Wildlife	15	—	—	(Mombasa)
Transport & Infrastructure	18	3 Bills	3	(Rironi, Naivasha, Mombasa)
TOTAL	356		19	
PART II – SELECT COMMITTEES (21)				
Regional Integration (RIC)	4	—	—	(Lamu; Arusha)
Const. Implementation (CIOC)	7	—	—	—
Public Accounts (PAC)	17	—	1	(Mombasa)
PIC – Governance & Education	16	—	6	(Mombasa)
PIC – Commercial Affairs & Energy	17	—	—	(Kipevu III)
PIC – Social Services, Admin & Agric.	34	—	6	(Mombasa, Kiambu)
Special Funds Accounts (SFAC)	10	—	—	(Kilifi)
Decentralized Funds (DFAC)	15	—	—	(Baringo)
National Cohesion (NCEO)	9	—	—	(Isiolo)
Parliamentary Broadcasting & Library	9	1 Bill	—	(Coast Region)
Delegated Legislation (CDL)	12	39 Statutory Instruments	5	(Cape Town)
Implementation (COI)	3	—	—	Rwanda (foreign)

Members' Services & Facilities	3	—	—	—
Diaspora Affairs & Migrant Workers	9	—	—	(Moscow; Kiambu; Machakos)
NG-CDF Committee	11	—	—	(Baringo)
Public Debt & Privatization (PD&PC)	49	—	2	(Mombasa)
Budget & Appropriations (BAC)	20	2 Legislative Proposals	3	(London)
Public Petitions (PPC)	23	—	15	(Kilifi)
Liaison Committee (LC)	6	—	—	—
Committee on Appointments	-	-	-	-
Committee on Selection	1	-	-	-
TOTAL (41 Committees)	**631**	—	**57**	**71+ visits**

— = None during the quarter

PART THREE

PERFORMANCE REVIEW

DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES

9. This part of the report contains proceedings of Departmental Committees for first quarter of the fifth Session of the 13th Parliament. The Committees were assigned various tasks by the House of which the Committees were able to consider and report back to the House during the first quarter of the fifth session of the 13th Parliament.

ADMINISTRATION AND INTERNAL SECURITY

Mandate of the Committee

10. The Committee oversees home affairs and internal security (including police services and coast guard), public administration, and immigration and citizenship. Oversight agencies include the Executive Office of the President, National Police Service, State Department for Internal Security & National Administration, and others.

Number of Sittings

11. The Committee held a total of twenty-four (24) sittings both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Bills

12. One of the roles of National Assembly is to enact legislation. Committees assist the House in consideration of Bills by incorporating public participation in the legislative process as well as consider and making recommendations for approval of the Bills. Two (2) Bills were committed to the Committee; -
    (i) The Registration of Persons (Amendment) Bill (NA Bill No. 52 of 2025) – pending stakeholder engagement (April 2026)
    (ii) The Kenya Citizenship and Immigration (Amendment) Bill (NA Bill No. 53 of 2025) – pending stakeholder engagement (April 2026)

Legislative Proposals

13. One (1) Legislative Proposals were referred to the Committee; the Proposed Alcoholic Drinks Control (Amendment) Bill, 2025

Statements

14. Eleven (11) statements regarding insecurity, immigration, abductions, administrative units, birth certificates, and roadblocks. Most awaiting written responses from the Ministry of Interior and National Administration were referred to the Committee for response during the first quarter of the fifth session.

Stakeholder Engagements

15. Meetings with stakeholders on 2026 BPS and Supplementary Estimates I; legal counsel briefings on proposed Bills.

Field Visits

16. Inspection visits to Eldoret passport processing centre, National Registration Bureaus, Busia and Malaba border points (26–29 March 2026) – Budget Implementation Oversight.

Challenges

17. The Committee faced the following challenges during the period under consideration; -
    (i) Thursday morning House sittings interfering with planned Committee stakeholder meetings
    (ii) Sharing of meeting venues causing delays
    (iii) Bureaucracy in obtaining printing papers
    (iv) Delays in attaining quorum

Recommendations

18. The Committee recommends the following for consideration; -
    (i) Procurement should review the bureaucracy for acquiring meeting materials
    (ii) Management to consider allowing committees to hold meetings in hotels during budget consideration to accommodate more stakeholders

AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK

Brief Mandate of the Committee

19. The Committee considers agriculture, livestock, food production and marketing. Oversees the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development.

Number of Sittings

20. The Committee held a total of twelve (12) sittings both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Bills

21. During the period under review, the Committee considered the following Bills; -
    (i) Consideration of the Plant Protection Bill (NA Bill No. 28 of 2025). The committee held engagements with KEPHIS and PCPB and its report was expected to be tabled 30 April 2026
    (ii) Mediation on the Food and Feed Safety Control Coordination Bill (NA Bill No. 21 of 2023). The report tabled 2 April 2026
    (iii) Mediation on the Mung Beans Bill (Senate Bill No. 34 of 2022). The Committee was yet to hold its first sitting

Reports Tabled / Concluded

22. The Committee considered and concluded the Report of the Mediation Committee on the Food and Feed Safety Control Coordination Bill (NA Bill No. 21 of 2023), the Report on the 2026 BPS and the Report on Supplementary Estimates No. I for FY 2025/26. The Mediation Committee report was tabled on 2 April 2026 and therefore falls in the Fourth Quarter.

Statements

23. During the period under review, one (1) Statement regarding delayed settlement of dues owed by Sony Sugar Company was referred to the Committee and responded to.

Stakeholder Engagements

24. The Committee engaged with various stakeholders in the execution of its mandate. These include;
    (i) Ministry of Agriculture and its SAGAs on BPS and Supplementary Estimates;
    (ii) KEPHIS and PCPB on Plant Protection Bill; and
    (iii) Inspection visit to Kenya Animal Genetics Resource Centre, Kabete, Nairobi.

Field Visits

25. Inspection visits to Kenya Animal Genetics Resource Centre, Kabete, Nairobi.

Foreign Committee Engagements / Foreign Visits

26. International Food and Drink Event, London, UK (30 March – 1 April 2026) – no secretariat accompanying.

Challenges

27. The Committee faced the following challenges during the period under consideration; -
    (i) Time constraints with only 12 sittings spread over two months
    (ii) Delayed responses from the Ministry (Sony Sugar Company dues)
    (iii) Legislative backlog – Mung Beans Bill mediation not yet commenced
    (iv) Poor attendance by Members leading to delays and cancellations

Recommendations

28. The Committee recommends the following for consideration; -
    (i) Secretariat must be represented in all foreign visits to ensure timely and professional reporting
    (ii) Ministry to develop a framework to settle the Ksh 15.7 billion sugar sector arrears and Ksh 4 billion Halal Court Award

BLUE ECONOMY, WATER & IRRIGATION

Mandate of the Committee

29. The Committee is mandated inter alia to consider the use and regulation of water resources, irrigation, fisheries development (including promotion of aquaculture, fish farming, marine fisheries), and sustainable use of ocean resources. The Committee also oversees State Departments for Water & Sanitation, Irrigation, and Blue Economy & Fisheries.

Number of Sittings

30. The Committee held a total of thirteen (13) sittings both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Bills

31. Fisheries Management and Development Bill (NA Bill No. 29 of 2023) – adopted and tabled 4 March 2026 after extensive stakeholder engagement

Statements

32. During the period under review, one (1) Statement regarding the Turkwel-Lokichar Water and Irrigation Project was referred to the Committee and responded to on11th March 2026.

Reports Tabled / Concluded

33. The Committee considered, adopted and tabled the Report on Fisheries Management and Development Bill (NA Bill No. 29 of 2023) and tabled on 4th March 2026, the Report on 2026 BPS – tabled before Budget and Appropriations Committee and the Report on Supplementary Estimates No. I for FY 2025/26 – tabled before Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Stakeholder Engagements

34. The Committee engaged with various stakeholders in the execution of its mandate. These include; -

    (i) Consultative meetings with State Department for Blue Economy & Fisheries and Council of Governors on Fisheries Bill on 20th and 21st February 2026;

    (ii) MDAs on the 2026 BPS o 23rd 24th February 2026;

    (iii) High-level breakfast meeting on launch of Kenya's Blue Economy Strategy on 24th February 2026;

    (iv) Ministry of Water on launch of National Sanitation Management Policy on 27th February 2026;

    (v) State Department for Irrigation on key national irrigation programmes on 10th March 2026;

    (vi) MDAs on Supplementary Estimates No. I for FY 2025/26 on 12th March 2026.

Successes / Achievements

35. During the first quarter of the fifth session of the 13th Parliament the Committee achieved the following-:

    (i) Launch of Kenya's Blue Economy Strategy – a major policy milestone

    (ii) Launch of National Sanitation Management Policy – signals progression from review to implementation

    (iii) Successful tabling of the Fisheries Management and Development Bill after inclusive, consensus-driven process

Challenges

36. The Committee faced the following challenges during the period under consideration; -
    (i) Inadequate number of committee rooms causing delays
    (ii) Small-sized committee rooms when meeting with MDAs
    (iii) Limited and restricted access to committee financial resources on a quarterly basis

Recommendations

37. The Committee recommends an increase in the number of committee rooms as well as meetings with MDAs to be held outside Parliament for adequate space.

COMMUNICATION, INFORMATION & INNOVATION

Brief Mandate of the Committee

38. The Committee is mandated to inter alia, oversight of communication, information, media and broadcasting, ICT, data protection, cyberspace/cyber-security, artificial intelligence, blockchain and emerging technologies. The Committee also oversees State Departments for ICT & Digital Economy and Broadcasting & Telecommunication.

Number of Sittings

39. The Committee held a total of twelve (12) sittings both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Bills

40. The Committee considered the Senate amendments to the Technopolis Bill, 2024.

Reports Concluded and Tabled

41. The Committee considered and adopted the report on BPS 2026 for the MDAs under the purview of the Committee, the report on Supplementary Estimates I for FY 2025/26 for the MDAs under the purview of the Committee and the report on the consideration of the Senate amendments to the Technopolis Bill, 2024. No reports were formally tabled in the House during the quarter under review.

Stakeholder Engagements

42. The Committee engaged with various stakeholders in considering the 2026 BPS on 19th February 2026 the Supplementary Estimates I for FY 2025/26 on 11th March 2026.

Workshops / Retreats

43. The Committee Members attended the National Assembly All Members Legislative Retreat, Naivasha, Nakuru County on 27th January 2026.

Field Visits

44. Inspection visit to Konza Technopolis (12 March 2026) – Phase 1 Horizontal Infrastructure at 74.3%; National Data Centre at 76.6%; KAIST near completion at 95%. Field visit to Garissa

County (26–29 March 2026) – assessed Universal Service Fund digital hubs and Horn of Africa Gateway Development Project (7% completion).

Successes / Achievements

45. During the first quarter of the fifth session of the 13th Parliament the Committee achieved the following-:
    (i) Adopted Senate amendments to the Technopolis Bill, 2024
    (ii) First-hand oversight at Konza Technopolis confirming significant infrastructure progress
    (iii) Field visit to Garissa uncovering gaps in digital inclusion in ASAL regions

Challenges

46. The Committee faced the following challenges during the period under consideration; -
    (i) Budgetary constraints limiting oversight activities
    (ii) Logistical limitations during field missions
    (iii) Delayed or incomplete responses from MDAs
    (iv) Occasional quorum challenges

Recommendations

47. The Committee recommends the following for consideration; -
    (i) Substantive increase in budget allocation for oversight
    (ii) Streamline procurement processes
    (iii) Enhanced inter-agency collaboration
    (iv) Expedited reform of Kenya's ICT policy and legislative framework, particularly the Kenya Information and Communications Act (1998)

DEFENCE, INTELLIGENCE & FOREIGN RELATIONS

Brief Mandate of the Committee

48. The Committee is mandated to inter alia, covers defence, intelligence, foreign relations, diplomatic and consular services, international boundaries, international relations, and veteran affairs. The Committee also oversights the Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs, State Department for EAC Affairs, and National Intelligence Service.

Number of Sittings

49. The Committee held a total of sixteen (16) sittings both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Vetting

50. During under review, the Committee conducted approval hearings for Canon (Dr.) Ida Betty Odinga – nominee for appointment as Ambassador/Permanent Representative to UNEP. The report was tabled on 24th February 2026 and the nominee was approved for appointment. The

Committee also held an approval hearing for Mr. Kosiom Frank Kibelekenya, nominee for appointment as Ambassador to Copenhagen, Denmark. The report tabled on 10th March 2026 and the nominee was approved for appointment.

Agreements / Treaties / Conventions

51. The Committee considered five (5) Defence Cooperation Agreements for France, Ethiopia, Zimbabwe, China and Czech Republic. The Committee held stakeholder consultations from 22nd to 28th March 2026.

Reports Tabled / Concluded

52. The Committee concluded its consideration of the five (5) Defence Cooperation Agreements for France, Ethiopia, Zimbabwe, China and the Czech Republic. The five reports were tabled on 2 April 2026 and therefore fall in the Fourth Quarter.

Statements

53. During the period under review, three (3) Statements were referred to the Committee and responded to. These are; coercion of two Kenyan citizens by foreign authorities; blockage of Kenyan citizen's bank account in Saudi Arabia; and killing of two National Police Reservists in Turkana South.

Field Visits

54. The committee conducted one inspection visit to National Intelligence Service Medical Facility, Kitisuru, Nairobi on 26th February 2026.

Foreign Committee Engagements / Foreign Visits

55. Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (14–21 February 2026) – 39th Ordinary Session of the African Union Summit; Morocco and Egypt (22–30 March 2026) – inspection visit to diplomatic missions in Rabat and Cairo.

Challenges

56. The Committee was faced with frequent lack of quorum delaying meetings and decision-making and frequent rescheduling of meetings by MDAs disrupting the work programme

EDUCATION

Brief Mandate of the Committee

57. The Committee is mandated to inter alia, consider education, training, curriculum development, and research. The Committee also oversights the Ministry of Education and all its agencies, including Teachers' Service Commission.

Number of Sittings

58. The Committee held a total of sixteen (16) sittings both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Bills

59. One (1) Bill, the Vocational Training Bill (Senate Bill No. 3 of 2022) was referred to the Committee for consultation and the report was adopted and tabled on 25 February 2026.

Statements

60. Two (2) Statements were referred to the Committee for consideration. These are; request for a statement by Hon. Jane Njeri Maina, MP on the security and safety breach at Kerugoya School for the Deaf and request for statement by Hon. Amos Mwago, MP on the shortage of teachers in day secondary schools in Starehe Constituency.

Stakeholder Engagements

61. The Committee held a meeting with a delegation of MPs from Namibia to strengthen collaboration on education sector governance and oversight. The Committee also held engagements with MDAs under its purview on the consideration of the 2026 Budget Policy Statement and the Supplementary Estimates No. I for FY 2025/26 and submitted its reports to the BAC for consideration, the Budget Policy Statement report having been adopted and tabled on 6 March 2026.

Challenges

62. The Committee faced the following challenges during the period under consideration; -
    (i) Inadequate number of committee rooms
    (ii) Requests for postponement of scheduled meetings with stakeholders
    (iii) Low interest from public in participating on Bills – few memoranda received

ENERGY

Brief Mandate of the Committee

63. The Committee is mandated to inter alia consider fossil fuel exploration, development, production, maintenance and regulation of energy. The committee also oversees the State Department for Energy and State Department for Petroleum.

Number of Sittings

64. The Committee held a total of thirty-one (31) sittings, comprising eight (8) in January, twenty (20) in February and three (3) in March 2026, both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Bills

65. One (1) Bill, the Local Content Bill (Senate Bill No. 50 of 2023) was referred to the Committee for consideration. As at the time of this report the Bill was still pending before the Committee.

Statements

66. Two (2) statements were referred to the Committee and were responded to. These are the statement on electricity connectivity in Kotulo sub-county, Mandera County and the statement on operations of Kudura Power East Africa in Western Kenya

Reports Tabled / Concluded

67. Report on Field Development Plan and PSCs for Blocks T6 and T7 South Lokichar Basin, Turkana County – tabled 24 February 2026

Stakeholder Engagements

68. Stakeholders on Field Development Plan and PSCs for Blocks T6 and T7; State Departments for Energy and Petroleum on 2026 BPS; State Departments for Energy and Petroleum on Supplementary Estimates I for FY 2025/26.

Workshops / Retreats

69. Stakeholder engagement and report writing retreat on the Field Development Plan and PSCs for Blocks T6 and T7.

Field Visits

70. The Committee held public hearing as follows to consider several businesses assigned to it;
    (i) Public hearings in Uasin Gishu, Trans Nzoia, West Pokot from 12th to16th January 2026;
    (ii) Public hearings in Mombasa and Lamu Counties from 20th to 23rd January 2026; and
    (iii) Public hearings in Turkana County from 2nd to 7th February 2026.

Successes / Achievements

71. The Committee tabled its report on Field Development Plan and PSCs for Blocks T6 and T7 – of immense national importance.

Challenges

72. The Committee faced the following challenges during the period under consideration; -
    (i) Last-minute rescheduling of meetings by witnesses
    (ii) Inadequate meeting venues leading to cancellations
    (iii) Limited resources for capacity building and oversight

Recommendations

73. National Assembly Leadership to increase resource allocation to enable effective oversight and capacity building

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTRY & MINING

Brief Mandate

74. The Committee is mandated to inter alia; consider matters relating to climate change, environmental management and conservation, forestry, mining, natural resources, pollution and waste management. The Committee also oversights the Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Forestry and State Department for Mining.

Number of Sittings

75. The Committee held a total of seventeen (17) sittings between 8th February 2026 and 9th March 2026 both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Bills

76. Three (3) Bills were referred to the Committee for consideration. These include; -
    (i) The Natural Resources (Benefit Sharing) Bill (Senate Bill No. 6 of 2022). The Bill is currently under mediation
    (ii) The Mining (Amendment) Bill (NA Bill No. 51 of 2023). The parent ministry requested to step down pending a comprehensive Government Bill.
    (iii) Forest Conservation and Management (Amendment) Bill (NA Bill No. 38 of 2025).

Petitions

77. The Committee considered one (1) petition on the de-gazettement of Turbo Forest, Mount Elgon Forest, and Kakamega Forest. Field visits were conducted on 27th and 28th March 2026.

Inquiries

78. The Committee considered one (1) inquiry into alleged dumping of toxic and nuclear waste in North Eastern Region. The inquiry is still ongoing.

Stakeholder Engagements / Workshops / Retreats

79. The Committee engaged with various stakeholders. These include; -
    (i) All MDAs under the purview of the Committee on 2026 BPS on 18th February 2026;
    (ii) All MDAs under the purview of the Committee on Supplementary Estimates I on 14 March 2026;
    (iii) State Department for Mining on performance of the mining sector (18–20 March 2026, Machakos); Cabinet Secretary and CEO of National Lands Commission on forest de-gazettement petition on 13 March 2026.
    (iv) Stakeholder engagement on Forest Conservation and Mining Bills from 12th to 15th March 2026, in Machakos;
    (v) Retreat on status and performance of the Mining Sector from 18th to 20th March 2026, in Machakos;
    (vi) Participation in International Day of Forests from 20th to 22nd March 2026, in Maragoli Hills, Vihiga County.

Field Visits

80. The Committee undertook inspection visits to Kakamega Forest, Turbo Forest, and Mount Elgon Forest from 26th to 29th March 2026, pursuant to petition on proposed de-gazettement.

Successes / Achievements

81. Consideration of petition on regularization of public forest land and field visits to affected forest areas to independently verify petition matters on the ground.

Challenges

82. The Committee faced challenges during the period under consideration including resource constraints particularly for capacity building and upcountry travel; planned oversight visits to remote mining sites delayed.

Recommendations

83. The Committee recommends the following for consideration; -

(i) Enhanced budgetary allocation for capacity building and upcountry travel

(ii) Structured capacity-building programme for Members and Secretariat

(iii) Improved coordination with county-level government agencies

(iv) Integration of technology (virtual engagements, remote monitoring) for continuity of oversight

(v) Adequate and timely disbursement of resources to Committees

FINANCE & NATIONAL PLANNING

Brief Mandate of the Committee

84. Considers public finance, monetary policies, financial institutions, economy, investment policies, banking, insurance, revenue policies including taxation, national planning and development, and digital finance. Oversees National Treasury, State Department for Economic Planning, SPIAM, Commission on Revenue Allocation, and Controller of Budget.

Number of Sittings

85. The Committee held a total of forty-four (44) sittings both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Bills

86. Three (3) Bills were referred to the Committee for consideration. These include; -

(i) National Infrastructure Fund Bill, 2026 (NA Bill No. 1 of 2026), with public participation in Homa Bay, Mombasa, Kilifi, Kwale and Nairobi Counties;

(ii) Sovereign Wealth Fund Bill, 2026 (NA Bill No. 7 of 2026); and

(iii)Competition (Amendment) Bill (NA Bill No. 4 of 2026).

Legislative Proposals

87. The Committee considered the pre-publication scrutiny of proposed Banking (Amendment) Bill, 2025.

Statements

88. The Committee processed three (3) Statements during the period under review.

Sessional Papers

89. During the period under review the Committee considered the Sessional Paper No. 3 of 2025 on Partial Divestiture in Safaricom PLC – public participation in 30 counties

Budget Scrutiny

90. Budget Implementation Monitoring for Q1 and Q2 of FY 2025/26 – met MDAs 23–27 March 2026; report ready for adoption

Reports Tabled / Concluded

91. The Committee tabled the following reports;
    (i) Report on National Infrastructure Fund Bill, 2026 – tabled 3 March 2026
    (ii) Report on Sessional Paper No. 3 of 2025 (Safaricom partial divestiture) – tabled

Field Visits

92. Stakeholder engagement on Sessional Paper No. 3 of 2025 (Safaricom divestiture) in 30 counties across Kenya (3–14 February 2026).

Challenges

93. The Committee faced some challenges during the period under review including limited resources to effectively undertake activities especially capacity building oversight.

HEALTH

Brief Mandate of the Committee

94. Considers health, medical care and health insurance including universal health coverage. Oversees State Department of Medical Services and State Department of Public Health and Professional Standards.

Number of Sittings

95. The Committee held a total of twenty (20) sittings both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Bills

96. Three (3) Bills were referred to the Committee for consideration. These include; -
    (i) Quality Healthcare and Patient Safety Bill, 2025
    (ii) Harm Reduction Bill, 2025
    (iii)Family Reproductive Health Care Bill, 2025

Petitions

97. The Committee considered the Public Petition No. 021 of 2025 (Cancer patients' access to healthcare by KENCO) – report tabled 9 April 2026; Petition on haemophilia management.

Inquiry

98. During the period under review, the Committee undertook an inquiry into alleged illegal organ transplants at Mediheal Group of Hospitals – ongoing

Reports Tabled / Concluded

99. The reports on the consideration of the Harm Reduction Bill (2025) and Public Petition No. 021 of 2025 (Cancer care access) were adopted on 19 March 2026 and tabled on 9 April 2026, and therefore fall in the Fourth Quarter.

Stakeholder Engagements

100. Ministry of Health on 2026 BPS (19 and 22 March 2026); Ministry of Health on Supplementary Estimates I for FY 2025/26; Sensitization breakfast on tobacco taxation with IILA (11 March 2026, Norfolk Hotel).

Workshops / Retreats

101. Retreat in Mombasa with SHA, DHA, and KMPDC on UHC and SHA transition (18–20 March 2026); also considered Harm Reduction Bill and KENCO Petition.

Field Visits

102. Oversight visit to Kenyatta National Hospital (KNH) – 2 March 2026. Visited cancer treatment centre, oxygen plant, blood transfusion centre, East Africa Kidney Institute, BADEA project, and dental unit. Resolved to fund LINAC machines and upgrade key units.

Parliamentary Diplomacy / Conferences

103. Participated in the 17th Network of African Parliamentary Committees of Health (NEAPACOH) in Lusaka, Zambia (25–27 February 2026).

Successes / Achievements

104. Adopted Harm Reduction Bill report and KENCO cancer petition report

(i) First-hand oversight at KNH; resolved to fund LINAC machines and upgrade dental and blood transfusion units

(ii) Resolved to amend law to ring-fence the Primary Health Care Fund and enhance it by Ksh 2 billion for cancer screening

Challenges

105. The Committee faced challenges during the period under review, including but not limited to limited resources for capacity building and upcountry travel and chronic shortage of meeting rooms.

Recommendations

106. The Committee recommends enhancement of budgetary allocation to committees and creation of additional Committee meeting rooms.

HOUSING, URBAN PLANNING & PUBLIC WORKS

Brief Mandate of the Committee

107. Considers housing, public works, urban planning, metropolitan affairs, housing development, and built environment. Oversees State Department for Housing & Urban Development and State Department for Public Works.

Number of Sittings

108. The Committee held a total of fourteen (14) sittings both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Reports Tabled

109. The Committee considered, adopted and submitted to BAC the Report on Supplementary Estimates No. I for FY 2025/2026 and the Report on 2026 Budget Policy Statement.

Statements

110. The Committee considered two statements. These are;

(i) Statement on utilization of Housing Levy for Affordable Housing Programme in North Eastern Region (Hon. Hussein Barre, MP) – response received; pending tabling.

(ii) Statement on increased incidents of building collapses (Hon. Wanami Wamboka, MP) – awaiting response from State Department for Public Works.

Stakeholder Engagements

111. The Committee held meetings with the State Departments for Housing & Urban Development and Public Works on Supplementary Estimates I and 2026 BPS.

Workshops / Retreats

112. Retreat at Serena Beach Hotel, Mombasa (25–29 March 2026) with State Departments and agencies – reviewed Affordable Housing Programme, project progress, budget absorption, and policy/legislative frameworks.

Successes / Achievements

113. Adopted reports on Supplementary Estimates I and 2026 BPS within required timelines. The retreat enabled identification of implementation challenges and proposals to improve efficiency and accountability

Challenges

114. Inadequate number of Committee rooms causing delays.

JUSTICE & LEGAL AFFAIRS

Brief Mandate of the Committee

115. The Committee oversights the Judiciary, access to justice, public prosecutions, ethics, integrity and anti-corruption, correctional services, constitutional affairs, elections, human rights, political parties, the State Law Office, and administration of law and justice.

Number of Sittings

116. The Committee held a total of fifteen (15) sittings both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Bills

117. Five (5) Bills were referred to the Committee for consideration. These include; -

(i) Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill (NA Bill No. 50 of 2025) – public hearings in Garissa scheduled 27 April 2026

(ii) Power of Mercy Bill (NA Bill No. 56 of 2025) – stakeholder meeting scheduled 9 April 2026

(iii) Law of Contract (Amendment) Bill (NA Bill No. 49 of 2025) – public participation ongoing

(iv) Criminal Procedure Code (Amendment) Bill (NA Bill No. 55 of 2025) – public participation ongoing

(v) Public Participation Bill (NA Bill No. 44 of 2025) – public hearings in 24 counties (23–29 March 2026); report to be tabled 7 April 2026

Legislative Proposals

118. Two (2) proposals were referred to the Committee for consideration. These are; -

(i) Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) (Amendment) Bill, 2025 – concluded; recommended NOT to be published

(ii) Victim Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2025 – concluded; recommended for publication

Stakeholder Engagements

119. Public hearings on Public Participation Bill in 24 counties (23–29 March 2026): Mombasa, Kwale, Kilifi, Tana River, Isiolo, Meru, Embu, Machakos, Makueni, Nyeri, Kiambu, Uasin Gishu, Laikipia, Nakuru, Kajiado, Kericho, Kakamega, Vihiga, Bungoma, Busia, Kisumu, Kisii, Nyamira and Nairobi. Engagement with Judiciary, IEBC, ORPP, ELGIA, and Witness Protection Agency on electoral reforms for 2027 General Elections (29 March – 5 April 2026, Mombasa).

Successes / Achievements

120. The Committee conducted extensive public hearings in 24 counties on the Public Participation Bill. The Committee also spearheaded electoral reforms ahead of 2027 General Elections.

Challenges

121. The Committee faced challenges during the period under review, including but not limited to;

(i) Inadequate stationery (toners and printers);

(ii) Quorum hitches delaying business processing;

(iii) Prioritization of government-sponsored bills delaying private members' bills; and

(iv) Delayed feedback from stakeholders on memoranda.

LABOUR

Brief Mandate of the Committee

122. Considers labour, human capital and remuneration, trade union relations, and public service. Oversees State Department for Public Service and Human Capital Development, State Department for Labour and Skills Development, Public Service Commission, and Salaries and Remuneration Commission.

Number of Sittings

123. The Committee held a total of eighteen (18) sittings both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Bills

124. Two (2) Bills were referred to the Committee for consideration. These include; -

(i) County Assembly Services (Amendment) Bill (Senate Bill No. 34 of 2023) – submissions received; further stakeholder engagement to be scheduled

(ii) Mediation on Employment (Amendment) Bill (Senate Bill No. 2022) – yet to hold first meeting

Legislative Proposals

125. One proposal was referred to by the Committee for consideration. This is the Public Service Commission (Amendment) Bill, 2025 – views sought from AG and KLRC.

Vetting

126. Vetting of Mr. Francis Meja as Chairperson of PSC – report tabled 24 Feb 2026; approved by House 25 Feb 2026

Agreements

127. Kenya-Germany Comprehensive Migration and Mobility Partnership – stayed pending Cabinet approval

Statements

128. Plight of workers in Rabai, Kilifi County – awaiting response.

Budget Scrutiny

129. The Committee considered the 2026 Budget Policy Statement and the Supplementary Estimates No. I for FY 2025/26 and submitted its reports to BAC.

Reports Tabled / Concluded

130. The Committee considered, adopted and tabled the following reports;

(i) Report on vetting of Mr. Francis Meja (PSC Chairperson) – tabled 24 February 2026; approved by House 25 February 2026;

(ii) Report on 2026 BPS – presented to BAC 26 February 2026; and

(iii) Report on Supplementary Estimates I for FY 2025/26 – presented to BAC 23 March 2026.

Stakeholder Engagements

131. The Committee held meetings with Ministries, Departments and Agencies under its purview. These include; State Department for Public Service and Human Capital Development; State Department for Labour and Skills Development; Public Service Commission; Salaries and Remuneration Commission.

Workshops / Retreats

132. Consultative engagement with MDAs in Naivasha, Nakuru County (5–8 March 2026) – State Departments for Labour, Foreign Affairs, Public Service; PSC; National Employment Authority; NITA.

Challenges

133. The Committee faced challenges during the period under review, including but not limited to;

(i) Inadequate printing papers and toners;

(ii) Quorum challenges causing delays; and

(iii) Delayed feedback from MDAs.

LANDS

Brief Mandate of the Committee

134. Considers all matters related to lands and settlement including land policy, land transactions, survey and mapping, land adjudication, settlement, land registration, land valuation, administration of community and public land, and land information and management. Oversees State Department of Lands & Physical Planning and National Land Commission.

Number of Sittings

135. The Committee held a total of twenty (20) sittings both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Inquiry

136. During the period under review, the Committee undertook inquiry into Mwasima Mbuwa Welfare Association Land Dispute, Mwatate, Taita Taveta County – initiated 10 March 2026; site visit planned 16–19 April 2026.

Petitions

137. The Committee considered Petition No. 28 of 2025 on ownership of L.R. No. 7545/3 (Miwani Sugar Mills nucleus estate)

Approval Hearing (Vetting)

138. The Committee conducted the approval hearing of the Chairperson and seven (7) Members of the National Land Commission – conducted 9 March 2026; report tabled 11 March 2026.

Budget Scrutiny

139. The Committee processed the 2026 Budget Policy Statement and Supplementary Estimates No. I for FY 2025/26

Reports Tabled / Concluded

140. The Committee on 11th March 2026, tabled in the House its report on approval hearing(vetting) of the Chairperson and seven Members of the National Lands Commission recommending that the House approves the nominees for appointment.

Statements

141. Alleged grabbing of public land in Umoja, Embakasi West – response received 26 March 2026; Leasing of land parcel in Migori County – response received 1 April 2026; Erroneous classification of Mr. Stephen Chege's land parcels – response received 26 March 2026; Reservation of community land in Mandera East – NLC response received 1 April 2026; Issuance of provisional certificate to Ms. Salamat Bibi Sheikh – awaiting response.

Workshops / Retreats

142. The Committee held a report writing retreat in Machakos County from 9th to 11th March 2026 on its consideration of the nominees for appointment as the Chairperson and seven Members of the National Lands Commission.

Challenges

143. The Committee faced challenges during the period under review, including but not limited to;

(i) Inadequate and small committee rooms;
(ii) Requests for postponement of meetings causing backlogs;
(iii) Non-compliance by public with memoranda submission requirements during vetting; and
(iv) Lengthy time lag between statement committal and receiving government responses.

Recommendations

144. The Committee made the following recommendations;

(i) Spread consideration of budget documents to Mondays and Fridays
(ii) Principal Secretary for Parliamentary Affairs to follow up on timely statement responses

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Brief Mandate of the Committee

145. The Committee oversees regional development authorities, refugee affairs, devolution, inclusive growth, arid and semi-arid areas, disaster risk management, drought and disaster response, and post-disaster recovery. Oversees State Departments for Devolution, Special Programmes, and ASALs & Regional Development.

Number of Sittings

146. The Committee held a total of nine (9) sittings both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Bills

147. The Committee considered the National Disaster Risk Management Bill (NA Bill No. 24 of 2023) – at mediation stage; report writing retreat planned 23–25 April 2026 in Machakos.

Agreements

148. The Committee considered intergovernmental partnership agreements between national government and county governments – received; further engagement planned for May 2026

Statement

149. The Committee considered one statement by Hon. Edith Nyenze, MP on devastating floods. The statement was responded to in the House on 16 April 2026

Budget Scrutiny

150. The Committee considered the 2026 Budget Policy Statement and Supplementary Estimates No. I for FY 2025/26.

Workshops / Retreats

151. The Committee held a retreat in Mombasa on 9th to 12th April 2026 on the consideration of intergovernmental partnership agreements; programme implementation review with State Departments and SAGAs, Mombasa (31 July – 3 August 2025).

Strengths and Success

152. The Committee appreciates the following;

(i) Membership drawn from diverse backgrounds and experience;

(ii) Members are apolitical when transacting business; and

(iii) Dedicated membership.

Challenges

153. The Committee faced challenges during the period under review, including but not limited to lack of Committee quorum causing delays and inadequate budget hampering activities outside Parliament.

SOCIAL PROTECTION

Brief Mandate of the Committee

154. Considers social welfare and security, pension matters, gender affairs, equality and affirmative action, affairs of children, youth, persons with disability and senior citizens. Oversees State Departments for Social Protection, Gender and Affirmative Action, Children Services, Youth Affairs and Creative Economy, Public Service (NYS), and NGEC.

Number of Sittings

155. The Committee held a total of fifteen (15) sittings both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Bills

156. Two (2) Bills were referred to the Committee for consideration. These include; -

(i) County Assemblies Pensions Scheme Bill (Senate Bill No. 14 of 2024) – report adopted 12 March 2026; ready for tabling

(ii) Public Service Superannuation Scheme (Amendment) Bill (NA Bill No. 33 of 2025) – report adopted 12 March 2026; ready for tabling

Policies

157. National Policy on Women's Economic Empowerment – consideration deferred to next quarter.

Statements

158. Statement on delayed Inua Jamii cash transfer registration – awaiting response from State Department.

Budget Scrutiny

159. 2026 Budget Policy Statement and Supplementary Estimates I – processed and submitted to BAC.

Stakeholder Engagements

160. Retreat with MDAs in Mombasa County (26 February – 1 March 2026) – reviewed operations and new programmes; Workshop on Disability Inclusion with KEDIPA (15–21 March 2026, Mombasa); MDAs on BPS (23–24 February 2026); MDAs on Supplementary Estimates (16–17 March 2026).

Field Visits

161. Inspection visits to children remand centres in Kisumu and Kakamega Counties; NGEC Nyanza regional office; policare and GBV rescue centres in Kisumu and Central region (24–28 March 2026).

Successes / Achievements

162. The Committee appreciates the following;

(i) Full implementation of adopted workplan;

(ii) Workshop on Disability Inclusion with KEDIPA highlighting challenges for persons with disabilities across sectors; and

(iii) Concluded all Bills pending before the Committee.

Challenges

163. Inadequate office equipment (printers) causing delays in preparation of meeting documents.

SPORTS & CULTURE

Brief Mandate of the Committee

164. Considers sports, culture, language, creative economy (including music promotion), arts, film promotion and development, national heritage, and betting & lotteries. Oversees State Departments for Sports, Culture, the Arts and Heritage, and Youth Affairs and Creative Economy.

Number of Sittings

165. The Committee held a total of seven (7) sittings both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Bills

166. Three (3) Bills were referred to the Committee for consideration. These include; -

(i) Sports (Amendment) Bill (NA Bill No. 5 of 2026) – to establish a World Record Holders Fund; report in preparation

(ii) Creative Economy Support Bill (Senate Bill No. 30 of 2024) – adverts sent; awaiting stakeholder submissions

(iii) County Library Service Bill (Senate Bill No. 40 of 2024) – adverts sent; under deliberation

Budget Scrutiny

167. 2026 Budget Policy Statement and Supplementary Estimates I for FY 2025/26 – forwarded to BAC.

Workshops / Retreats

168. Sensitization workshop with Ministry of Youth Affairs, Creative Economy, and Sports on legislative agenda (11–14 February 2026, Pride Inn Paradise Hotel).

Successes / Achievements

169. Committee accomplished its mandate despite challenges, owing to dedication of Members and Secretariat.

Challenges

170. The Committee faced challenges during the period under review, including but not limited to austerity measures severely limiting the Committee's budget, hindering planned activities and shortage of meeting venues hindering expeditious processing of committee business.

Recommendations

171. The Committee recommends sufficient financial allocation to avoid austerity-driven delays and proper allocation of meeting venues.

TRADE, INDUSTRY & COOPERATIVES

Brief Mandate of the Committee

172. Considers trade, consumer protection, pricing policies, commerce, industrialisation including special economic zones, enterprise promotion and development (MSMEs and SMEs), intellectual property, industrial standards, anti-counterfeit policies, and cooperatives development. Oversees Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry and Ministry of Cooperatives and MSMEs.

Number of Sittings

173. The Committee held a total of twenty (20) sittings both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Bills

174. Six (6) Bills were referred to the Committee for consideration. These include; -

(i) Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood) Bill (Senate Bill No. 41 of 2023) – public participation planned before finalizing report;

(ii) Micro and Small Enterprises (Amendment) Bill (NA Bill No. 25 of 2025) – report tabled 31 March 2026; recommended deletion;

(iii) Mediation on the Start-Up Bill (Senate Bill No. 14 of 2022) – yet to hold first meeting;

(iv) Senate Amendments to the Cooperatives Bill (NA Bill No. 7 of 2024) – report adopted 26 March 2026; to be tabled 7 April 2026;

(v) Local Content Bill (NA Bill No. 45 of 2025) – report tabled 31 March 2026; recommended deletion; and

(vi) Special Economic Zones (Amendment) Bill (NA Bill No. 8 of 2026) – stakeholder engagement scheduled 1–2 April 2026

Budget Scrutiny

175. 2026 BPS and Supplementary Estimates No. I for FY 2025/26 – reports submitted to BAC.

Reports Tabled / Concluded

176. The Committee considered, adopted and tabled the Report on Micro and Small Enterprises (Amendment) Bill (NA Bill No. 25 of 2025) – tabled 31 March 2026 and the Report on Local Content Bill (NA Bill No. 45 of 2025) – tabled 31 March 2026.

Workshops / Retreats

177. Retreat to consider Cooperatives Bill Senate Amendments, MSE Amendment Bill, and Local Content Bill (24–27 March 2026, Sarova Whitesands Hotel, Mombasa).

Successes / Achievements

178. During the period under review the Committee substantially reduced pending business – 3 Bills finalized, 2 tabled in the House and reviewed 2026 BPS and Supplementary Estimates within required timelines.

Challenges

179. The Committee faced a challenge in raising quorum for sittings which led to delays and some cancellations.

TOURISM & WILDLIFE

Brief Mandate of the Committee

180. Considers tourism and tourism promotion and management, tourism research, and wildlife management. Oversee the Ministry of Tourism and Wildlife, State Department for Tourism, and State Department for Wildlife.

Number of Sittings

181. The Committee held a total of fifteen (15) sittings both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Budget Scrutiny

182. Consideration of the 2026 Budget Policy Statement; Consideration of the Supplementary Estimates No. I for FY 2025/26; Budget Implementation Monitoring (S.O 216(5) (ba) – inspection visits to ongoing projects to be scheduled.

Statements

183. Three (3) statements were referred to the Committee;

(i) Statement on underutilization of tourism and heritage sites in Northern Kenya – concluded 26 February 2026;

(ii) Statement on unlawful relocation of two orphaned giraffes in Wajir – response pending; and

(iii) Statement on human-wildlife conflict in Kisima location, Samburu County – awaiting comprehensive response.

Stakeholder Engagements

184. State Department for Tourism on 2026 BPS (19 February 2026); State Department for Wildlife on 2026 BPS (19 February 2026); State Department for Tourism on Supplementary Estimates No. I (18 March 2026); State Department for Wildlife on Supplementary Estimates No. I (18 March 2026).

Workshops / Retreats

185. Committee retreat at Pride Inn Paradise Hotel, Mombasa (16 March 2026) – on compliance of KICC with the Government Owned Enterprise Act.

Successes / Achievements

186. During the period under review, the Committee achieved the following;

(i) Successfully considered and adopted 2026 BPS for State Departments for Tourism and Wildlife;

(ii) Reviewed and approved Supplementary Estimates I for FY 2025/2026;

(iii) Processed and concluded key statements raised by Members; and

(iv) Held a retreat to deliberate on KICC compliance matters.

Challenges

187. The Committee faced the following challenges;

(i) Lack of Committee quorum causing delays in dispensation of business;
(ii) Inadequate budget hampering activities and programmes outside Parliament;
(iii) Inadequate time to undertake all planned activities; and
(iv) Delayed responses from State Departments under the Committee's purview.

Recommendations

188. The Committee recommends the following;

(i) Sufficient resources to be allocated for regular field visits to monitor project implementation in Tourism and Wildlife sectors;
(ii) Reinforced commitment and active participation from Members to address quorum challenges;
(iii) State Departments to adhere to established timelines when responding to Committee requests; and
(iv) Ongoing training on emerging issues in tourism, wildlife management, and public finance.

TRANSPORT & INFRASTRUCTURE

Brief Mandate

189. Considers transport (including non-motorized transport), construction and maintenance of roads, rails, air and marine transport, seaports and national integrated infrastructure policies, and transport safety. Oversees Ministry of Roads and Transport (State Departments for Roads, Transport, and Aviation & Aerospace Development) and State Department for Shipping and Maritime Affairs.

Number of Sittings

190. The Committee held a total of eighteen (18) sittings both in house and with various stakeholders to consider various tasks assigned to it which the Committee was able to consider and report back to the House.

Bills

191. Two (2) Bills were referred to the Committee for consideration. These are; -

(i) Public Transport (Motorcycle Regulation) Bill, 2023 (Senate Bill No. 38 of 2023) – Committee rejected the Bill; report tabled 26 February 2026
(ii) Miscellaneous Fees and Levies (Amendment) Bill (NA Bill No. 57 of 2025) – recommended approval with amendments; report tabled 3 March 2026

Session Papers

192. Sessional Paper No. 6 of 2024 on National Aviation Policy – report tabled 19 February 2026; Committee recommended approval

Statements

193. Statements received

2026 Budget Policy Statement and Supplementary Estimates No. I for FY 2025/26 – reports submitted to BAC

Reports Tabled / Concluded

194. Report on National Aviation Policy (Sessional Paper No. 6 of 2024) – tabled 19 February 2026

Report on Public Transport (Motorcycle Regulation) Bill – tabled 26 February 2026

Report on Miscellaneous Fees and Levies (Amendment) Bill (NA Bill No. 57 of 2025) – tabled 3 March 2026

Statements

195. NTSA services in Turkana County – response received, to be communicated 14 April 2026; Gikondi-Thaara and Mwireri-Mutwewathi roads – response pending; Expansion of Eldoret-Shamakhokho Road – response received; Speed bumps on Thika-Garissa Highway – response received; Road accident along the Kitale-Webuye road – response pending.

Stakeholder Engagements

196. Ministry of Roads and Transport, Kenya International Freight & Warehouse Association, Shippers Council of Eastern Africa on Miscellaneous Fees and Levies Bill; High-level engagement with Kenya Airways management on aviation priorities (Mombasa, 27 Feb – 1 Mar 2026); Retreat with State Department for Aviation and Aerospace Development and Kenya Airways (24–27 March 2026).

Field Visits

197. Inspection visit to Rironi-Mau Summit Road Project (12 March 2026); Launch of Naivasha-Kisumu-Malaba SGR Project (Phase 2B & 2C) in Narok and Kisumu Counties (19 and 21 March 2026); Retreat with Kenya Airways, Mombasa (27 Feb – 1 March 2026).

Challenges

198. Budgetary constraints limiting capacity building activities outside the country due to quarterly capping of budget allocation.

PART FOUR

PERFORMANCE REVIEW

AUDIT, APPROPRIATION AND GENERAL-PURPOSE COMMITTEES

199. This part of the report contains proceedings of Audit, Appropriations and General-Purpose Committees for first quarter of the fifth Session of the 13th Parliament. The Committees were assigned various tasks by the House of which the Committees were able to consider and report back to the House during the first quarter of the fifth session of the 13th Parliament.

COMMITTEE ON REGIONAL INTEGRATION (RIC)

Brief Mandate

200. A select committee established under Standing Order 212, mandated to enhance the role and involvement of the House in the intensification and development of the integration process in the East African Community (EAC) and the greater African region; to examine records of debates and resolutions of the East African Legislative Assembly, the Pan African Parliament, and other regional bodies; and to inquire into matters relating to regional integration requiring action by the House.

Number of Sittings

201. The Committee held a total of four (4) sittings during the Third Quarter of FY 2025/2026 (January to March 2026).

Business Considered

202. The Committee transacted business including an inspection visit to the Lamu Port to assess its operations, identify challenges affecting its role in facilitating regional trade, and explore opportunities to enhance efficiency and integration within the EAC.

Field Visits

203. Inspection visit to Lamu Port (16th – 20th March 2026) to assess its operations, identify challenges affecting regional trade, and explore opportunities to enhance efficiency and integration within the East African Community.

Parliamentary Diplomacy / Conferences

204. Attended the 25th Ordinary Summit of the East Africa Community Heads of State in Arusha, Tanzania (1st – 8th March 2026), led by Hon. (CS) Irene Mayaka Nyakerario (MP), with Hon. Muhia Wanjiku, Hon. Wanjira Martha Wangari, and Hon. Kanchory Elijah Memusi.

Successes / Achievements

205. Conducted an inspection visit to the Lamu Port to evaluate its operations, identify challenges affecting its role in regional trade, and explore ways to improve efficiency and integration within the EAC.

206. Attended the 25th Ordinary EAC Heads of State Summit in Arusha, Tanzania.

Challenges

207. Shortage of stationery and equipment such as printing papers and printing toners.

208. Shortage of meeting venues in Parliament affected Committee activities.

209. Inadequate funding to undertake Committee's activities.

Recommendations

210. Allocate sufficient funds to ensure effective implementation of the annual work plan, supporting oversight visits, stakeholder consultations, and capacity-building initiatives.

211. Provision of stationery when needed to enable the Committee discharge its duties and responsibilities.

CONSTITUTIONAL IMPLEMENTATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (CIOC)

Brief Mandate

212. Established under Paragraph 4 of the Sixth Schedule to the Constitution, the Committee monitors the preparation of legislation required by the Constitution, the process of establishing new commissions, devolution of powers and functions to counties, and addresses impediments to the implementation of the Constitution. It coordinates with the Attorney-General and relevant parliamentary committees to ensure timely introduction and passage of legislation.

Number of Sittings

213. The Committee held a total of Seven (7) sittings (both in-house and with stakeholders) during the period under review.

Business Considered

214. The Committee elected its Chairperson pursuant to Standing Order 179. The Committee held a meeting with the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC) on the implementation of Chapter Six of the Constitution and its interface with representation of the people under Chapter Seven.

Stakeholder Engagements

215. Held a consultative meeting with the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC) on the implementation of Chapter Six of the Constitution and its interface with Chapter Seven on representation of the people.

Successes / Achievements

(i) Held seven (7) sittings and successfully organized its operations, including the election of the Chairperson.

(ii) Strengthened stakeholder engagement through consultations with EACC and planned multi-agency engagements.

(iii) Advanced planning for structured constitutional audits and oversight tools.

Challenges

(i) Overlap and lack of clarity in mandates between CIOC and other Committees, particularly JLAC.

(ii) Inadequate anchoring of the Committee's mandate in the Standing Orders.

Recommendations

(i) The National Assembly reviews and amends the Standing Orders to clearly define and strengthen the Committee's mandate.

(ii) A structured coordination framework be established between CIOC and other Committees, particularly JLAC.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE (PAC)

Brief Mandate

216. Established pursuant to National Assembly Standing Order 205, the Committee examines accounts showing appropriations of sums voted by the House to meet public expenditure and such other accounts laid before the House as the Committee may think fit, ensuring implementation of Article 229(8) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 on reports submitted to the House by the Auditor-General.

Number of Sittings

217. The Committee held a total of Seventeen (17) sittings to examine the Auditor-General's reports for National Government Ministries, Departments, and Agencies for financial years 2022/2023 and 2023/2024, as well as Special Audit Reports.

Business Considered

218. Examined the Auditor-General's reports for National Government MDAs for FYs 2022/2023 and 2023/2024, as well as special audit reports on capitation and school infrastructure across the country and the Government Digital Payment Platform (eCitizen).

Reports Tabled / Concluded

219. Report on the examination of the Auditor-General's report on the financial statements of National Government MDAs for FY 2022/2023 – tabled 19 February 2026, subsequently adopted on 3 March 2026. Commenced examination of MDAs for FY 2023/2024 and 2024/2025 concurrently, as well as Special Audit Reports on Capitation and School Infrastructure Grants (June 2025) and the eCitizen Government Digital Payment Platform (March 2025).

Workshops / Retreats

220. Sensitization Workshop on transition to Accrual Accounting for PAC Members (4th–5th February 2026, Mombasa County). Report Writing Retreat (6th–9th February 2026, Mombasa County) – Produced report on audited accounts for 2022/2023. Office of the Auditor-General Annual Planning Conference (19th –21st February 2026, Mombasa County) – Planning on the next audit cycle.

Successes / Achievements

(i) Held seventeen sittings to examine the Auditor-General's reports.

(ii) Commenced the examination of Special Audit Reports on Capitation and School Infrastructure Grants and the Government Digital Payment Platform (eCitizen).

(iii) Tabled its report on the examination of the Auditor-General's report on financial statements of National Government MDAs for FY 2022/2023.

(iv) Commenced examination of the Auditor-General's Reports for the National Government MDAs for FY 2023/2024 and 2024/2025.

(v) Enhanced accountability, transparency, and financial management across National Government MDAs through examination of audit reports.

Challenges

(i) Frequent rescheduling of hearings by Accounting Officers disrupted the Committee's workflow.

(ii) Inadequate preparation by some entities compromised the quality of hearings.

(iii) Scheduling conflicts with other committee engagements occasionally affected attendance.

(iv) Implementation of PAC recommendations remained slow due to weak enforcement mechanisms.

Recommendations

(i) Strengthen enforcement of PAC recommendations to ensure timely implementation.

(ii) Improve preparedness of Accounting Officers appearing before the Committee.

(iii) Enhance collaboration with oversight bodies such as the OAG and EACC.

(iv) Provide adequate resources to support Committee activities and inspections.

(v) Promote digitization of oversight processes for more efficient monitoring and reporting.

PUBLIC INVESTMENTS COMMITTEE ON GOVERNANCE & EDUCATION (PIC-G&E)

Brief Mandate

221. Established under National Assembly Standing Order 206, the Committee is responsible for the examination of the working of public investments in education, defence, governance, justice and law and order sectors based on their audited reports and accounts. It examines reports and accounts of public investments, Auditor-General reports on public investments, and whether affairs of public investments are managed in accordance with sound financial or business principles and prudent commercial practices. The Committee oversights approximately 189 state corporations.

Number of Sittings

222. The Committee held a total of Sixteen (16) sittings during the period (1 in January, 8 in February, and 7 in March 2026), examining a total of 88 reports of the Auditor General for various institutions for financial years 2019 through 2025.

Business Considered

223. Held the election of the Vice-Chairperson on 3rd March 2026 after a vacancy notification. Examined 88 Auditor-General reports on institutions including national polytechnics, universities, TVETs, TTIs, TVCs, and governance agencies across various regions.

Reports Tabled / Concluded

224. Tabled six (6) reports during the period, being the 5th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th Reports, covering Western Region State Corporations, Eastern Region, Rift Valley Region, various universities and National Polytechnics. Concluded (pending tabling): 6th Report on Private Universities and 13th Report on TVETs and TTIs.

Stakeholder Engagements

225. Hosted a delegation from Namibia on 25th February 2026.

Workshops / Retreats

226. Report writing retreat (8th–14th February 2026, Pride Inn Paradise Beach Resort and SPA, Mombasa). Report writing retreat (15th–21st March 2026, Argyle Grand Hotel, Mombasa Road).

Successes / Achievements

(i) Examined a total of 88 Auditor-General reports during the period.

(ii) Prevented the irreversible loss of a prime public asset by intervening in the irregular allocation of 2,000 acres of Egerton University land to undisclosed private investors, halting illegal cultivation and initiating recovery proceedings protecting land capable of generating Ksh 800 million annually.

(iii) Exposed illegal diversion of Ksh 600 million from development to recurrent expenditure at Egerton University, setting a precedent for punitive action against accounting officers.

(iv) Issued directives on stalled projects valued at Ksh 435 million at Egerton University, ordered special audit and completion strategy to improve learning environments and financial sustainability.

Challenges

227. Frequent rescheduling of entities invited to appear before the Committee remained a significant impediment to the effective execution of its mandate.

Recommendations

(i) The House should amend Standing Orders to impose automatic financial penalties or formal censure for rescheduling without compelling cause, require sworn written justification for any delay, and authorize the Committee to proceed in absentia.

(ii) The Executive should issue a binding circular making attendance before Parliamentary Committees a non-negotiable performance indicator for Accounting Officers.

(iii) Oversight agencies (Auditor-General, EACC, Public Service Commission) should flag frequent rescheduling as a governance red flag in audit reports and initiate disciplinary proceedings against non-compliant officers.

(iv) The Committee should adopt internal reforms including publishing a public Compliance Scorecard, enforcing a 'one rescheduling only' rule per financial year, and issuing summons with strict document deadlines.

PUBLIC INVESTMENTS COMMITTEE ON COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS & ENERGY (PIC-CA&E)

Brief Mandate

228. One of the six Watchdog Committees established under Standing Order 206A, mandated to examine the reports and accounts of public investments; examine the reports, if any, of the Auditor-General on public investments; and examine, in the context of the autonomy and efficiency of the public investments, whether their affairs are being managed in accordance with sound financial or business principles and prudent commercial practices.

Number of Sittings

229. The Committee held a total of Seventeen (17) sitting in execution of its mandate.

Business Considered

230. Examined OAG reports of five (5) state agencies covering the Transport, Energy and Water sectors.

Reports Tabled / Concluded

231. Considered and adopted its 4th Report comprising five (5) agencies in the Energy Sector, to be tabled in April 2026. Commenced examination of agencies in the Water Sector comprising eighteen (18) agencies and is preparing the 5th Report.

Workshops / Retreats

232. Report writing retreat in Mombasa to consider draft report for five state agencies in the Energy Sector.

Field Visits

233. Field visit to KenGen Thermal Power Kipevu III generating plant in Mombasa County.

Successes / Achievements

(i) Considered and adopted its 4th Report comprising five (5) agencies in the Energy Sector, to be tabled in April 2026.

(ii) Commenced examination of agencies in the Water Sector comprising eighteen (18) agencies.

(iii) Enhanced efficiency of public investments by strengthening accountability in governance and operations of agencies.

Challenges

234. Frequent postponements due to unpreparedness of Accounting Officers and their inadequate responses.

Recommendations

235. Enhanced collaboration between parent Ministries and Parliament to ensure that stakeholders prioritise and fully participate in Committee engagements.

PUBLIC INVESTMENTS COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES, ADMINISTRATION & AGRICULTURE (PIC-SSAA)

Brief Mandate

236. Established under National Assembly Standing Order 206B, the Committee examines the reports and accounts of public investments, considers reports of the Auditor General on public investments, and assesses whether the affairs of public investments are managed in accordance with sound financial or business principles and prudent commercial practices.

Number of Sittings

237. The Committee held a total of Thirty-four (34) sittings during the period under review.

Business Considered

238. Considered and tabled reports on the following state corporations: Communications Authority of Kenya (FY 2019/2020–2023/2024); Kenya Medical Training College (FY 2021/2022–2024/2025); Kenya Medical Supplies Authority (FY 2019/2010–2020/2021); Public Benefit Organization Regulatory Authority (FY 2007/2008–2023/2024); Child Welfare Society of Kenya (FY 2019/2020–2023/2024); and Kenyatta University Teaching, Referral and Research Hospital (FY 2020/2021–2024/2025).

Reports Tabled / Concluded

239. Tabled reports on six (6) state corporations listed above.

Workshops / Retreats

240. Report writing retreat (5th–8th March 2026, Sarova Whitesands Beach Resort, Mombasa County). Report writing retreat (26th–29th March 2026, Glee Hotel, Kiambu County).

Successes / Achievements

(i) Held 34 sittings — the highest among the Watchdog Committees — in the execution of its mandate.

(ii) Tabled reports on six (6) state corporations spanning social services, administration, and agriculture sectors.

(iii) Recommendations aimed at improving governance and operational efficiency in the sectors examined.

Challenges

(i) Rescheduling of meetings due to unpreparedness of Accounting Officers.

(ii) Lack of implementation of previous Public Investments Committees' recommendations, with some audit queries subsisting for several financial years.

(iii) Late submission of management responses, hindering proper preparation by Members and sector Auditors.

(iv) Delays in availing documents to the Auditor-General, with some audit queries arising due to delayed submission of requisite documents.

Recommendations

(i) All Accounting Officers should ensure timely preparation and submission of required documents ahead of scheduled meetings to enhance preparedness and reduce rescheduling.

(ii) Strict implementation and continuous follow-up of previous Public Investments Committee recommendations, with Accounting Officers held accountable for non-compliance and periodic status reports submitted.

SPECIAL FUNDS ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE (SFAC)

Brief Mandate

241. One of the six Watchdog Committees established under Standing Order 205A, mandated to examine the reports of the Auditor General on: Funds established by statute or subsidiary legislation (excluding those under Standing Order 205B); the Equalization Fund; the Equalization Fund Advisory Board; and the Political Parties Fund.

Number of Sittings

242. The Committee held a total of Ten (10) sittings in execution of its mandate.

Business Considered

243. Examined the reports of the Auditor General on the financial statements of the following Funds: National Research Fund, Financial Inclusion Fund/Hustler Fund, Kenya Maritime Authority Staff Mortgage and Car Loan Scheme, Kenya Wildlife Service Road Maintenance Levy Fund, and Government Press Fund.

Reports Tabled / Concluded

244. Considered and adopted reports (scheduled to be tabled) on: Equalization Fund (FY 2021/2022–2022/2023); Fish Levy Trust Fund; Public Service Superannuation Fund; State Officers and Public Officers Motor Car Loan Scheme Fund; National Research Fund; Petroleum Development Levy Fund; and Petroleum Training Levy Funds. (Total: seven (7) reports adopted; none tabled during the period).

Workshops / Retreats

245. Report writing retreat in Mombasa County (17th–22nd March 2026).

Field Visits

246. Inspection visit to Kilifi County on 21st March 2026 to inspect voice infrastructure projects by the Communications Authority of Kenya under the Universal Service Fund.

Successes / Achievements

(i) Examined and concluded the consideration of four (4) Auditor General reports on the financial statements of four public funds.

(ii) Considered and adopted reports of the Auditor General for six public funds for various financial years.

(iii) Examination of Auditor-General reports enhanced accountability and transparency in the management of public funds.

(iv) Facilitated the timely resolution of audit queries in line with the Public Finance Management Act, CAP. 412A.

Challenges

247. Backlog of Audit Reports: The Committee inherited a significant backlog of audit reports, some dating back several financial years. The process remains slow due to the time-intensive nature of scrutiny, verification, and consultations.

248. Abrupt Cancellation of Scheduled Meetings: Last-minute cancellation or non-attendance by Accounting Officers disrupts the Committee's calendar and undermines accountability efforts.

Recommendations

249. For audit reports that have already lapsed the constitutional window, the Committee should recommit the reports back to the OAG for a refreshed audit process to reset the timeline.

250. The Committee should prioritise current financial year reports to avoid accumulation of new backlogs.

DECENTRALIZED FUNDS ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE (DFAC)

Brief Mandate

251. A select committee established pursuant to Standing Order 205B as a split from the Special Funds Accounts Committee. Mandated to examine the reports of the Auditor General on the accounts of: the National Government Constituencies Development Fund (NG-CDF); the NG-CDF Board; the National Government Affirmative Action Fund (NGAAF); and the NGAAF Board.

Number of Sittings

252. The Committee held a total of Fifteen (15) sittings in execution of its mandate.

Business Considered

253. Examined reports of the Auditor-General on financial statements for the NG-CDF for eighteen (18) constituencies for financial years 2013/2014 to 2022/2023, covering constituencies in Turkana, West Pokot, Kajiado, Siaya, and Nyanza regions.

Reports Tabled / Concluded

254. 7th Report on NGCDF Board Account (adopted by House 26 February 2026); 8th Report on NGAAF Board Account (adopted by House 26 February 2026); 9th Report on constituencies

in Nakuru County (adopted by House 26 February 2026); 10th and 11th Reports on various constituencies (scheduled for adoption in Order Paper). Total examined: 160 Reports of the Auditor-General on NG-CDF Financial Statements.

Workshops / Retreats

255. Retreat at Hilton Garden Inn (23rd–27th March 2026) to examine accounts for constituencies in the Nyanza Region (Homabay and Migori Counties).

Successes / Achievements

(i) Renewed notices of motion on 5 reports (7th–11th Reports), with 3 already adopted by the House.

(ii) Examined a total of 160 Reports of the Auditor-General on NG-CDF Financial Statements for various constituencies.

(iii) Examination of accounts covered 18 constituencies for FY 2013/2014 to 2022/2023.

Challenges

256. The Committee did not face any insurmountable challenge during the period under review.

COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL COHESION AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY (NCEO)

Brief Mandate

257. Established under Standing Order 212C, the Committee monitors and promotes measures relating to policy and programme initiatives in pursuit of peace and national cohesion; investigates and reports on all matters relating to inter-community cohesion; promotes equalization of opportunities and improvement in the quality of life and status of all persons including marginalized groups; makes legislative proposals for the protection and promotion of welfare of marginalized groups; and examines the activities of state departments and statutory bodies in relation to the rights and welfare of marginalized persons.

Number of Sittings

258. The Committee held a total of Nine (9) sittings in execution of its mandate.

Business Considered

259. Met with Kenya Ports Authority (KPA) to inquire into 30% reservation for special groups employment diversity; Met with CEO of National Cohesion and Integration Commission (NCIC) to inquire into the Commission's workplan; Met with CEO, Equalization Fund Advisory Board; Met with Coordinator, National Internally Displaced Persons Network regarding 663,921 internally displaced persons in Nyandarua County.

Reports Tabled / Concluded

260. Two (2) reports concluded and adopted: Report on International Forum on One Korea (Seoul, Korea, 14th–15th August 2025); Report on Second Parliamentary Conference on Interfaith Dialogue (Rome, Italy, 19th–21st June 2025). None tabled during the period.

Stakeholder Engagements

261. Peace Dialogue Forum was organized in collaboration with the NCIC in Isiolo County to address recurring inter-communal tensions, insecurity, cattle rustling, and criminal gangs.

Field Visits

262. Community peace-dialogue meeting in Isiolo County (25th–28th March 2026). Resolution: The Ministry of Interior and National Administration in collaboration with the National Police Service to undertake sustained, multi-agency, intelligence-driven security operations in Isiolo and neighboring Counties.

Successes / Achievements

263. In collaboration with the NCIC, successfully participated in peace dialogue forums in Isiolo County addressing recurring inter-communal tensions, insecurity, cattle rustling, and criminal gangs.

264. Engaged local farmers, faith leaders, business owners, grassroot leaders, and security agents to source permanent solutions to insecurity.

Challenges

(i) Stakeholders showing up for meetings unprepared posed a challenge in execution of mandate.

(ii) Difficulty raising quorum due to members having multiple meetings scheduled at the same time.

(iii) Lean Committee budget in comparison to the wide scope of its mandate constrained full implementation of the annual work plan.

(iv) Conflicting schedules with the executive frequently necessitated rescheduling of planned engagements.

Recommendations

265. Allocation of adequate financial resources to enable the Committee to carry out its business as per the work plan.

COMMITTEE ON PARLIAMENTARY BROADCASTING AND LIBRARY (PB&LC)

Brief Mandate

266. A select committee established under Standing Order 212D, mandated to: consider and report on all matters relating to the broadcasting of the proceedings of the House; advise on matters related to public participation; make reports and recommendations including proposed legislation on broadcasting; recommend and advise on matters related to the provision of library, publications and research services in Parliament; and assist Members in utilizing library and research facilities.

Number of Sittings

267. The Committee held a total of Nine (9) sittings (1 in February, 8 in March 2026), primarily devoted to consideration of the Books and Newspapers (Amendment) Bill 2025 and stakeholder engagement.

Business Considered

268. Considered the Books and Newspapers (Amendment) Bill 2025 (National Assembly Bill No. 47), read for the first time on 11th February 2026. The Bill seeks to widen the scope of the Parliamentary Library mandate by requiring it to receive printed and published books and maintain a digital repository of publications.

Reports Tabled / Concluded

269. One (1) report concluded, awaiting tabling: Report on the 9th World Telecommunications Development Conference (WTDC) held in Baku, Azerbaijan (17th–21st November 2025) under the theme 'Universal, Meaningful, and Affordable Connectivity for an Inclusive and Sustainable Digital Future.'

Stakeholder Engagements

270. 12th March 2026 – Meeting with the Registrar General and the Director of Kenya National Archives and Documentation Services regarding the Books and Newspapers (Amendment) Bill 2025.

Field Visits

271. One (1) field inspection visit to the Coast Region (23rd–27th March 2026): Mombasa County Library, Kilifi County Library, and Malindi County Library – aimed at assessing spaces in public libraries for establishing parliamentary corners in county libraries.

Successes / Achievements

(i) Actively engaged with main stakeholders on issues critical to the Parliament of Kenya Library.

(ii) Through field inspection visits, identified possible areas of collaboration with county governments for establishment of parliamentary corners.

(iii) Engagement with County Governors underpinned the importance of cultivating a reading and literacy culture as a pillar of civic empowerment.

(iv) Consideration of the Books and Newspapers (Amendment) Bill 2025, which will widen the Parliamentary Library mandate.

Challenges

272. Quorum deficiencies led to the cancellation of scheduled Committee meetings, thereby delaying the execution of key activities.

273. Reconstitution of committee membership, perceived by some affected Members as a relegation to a committee of lesser influence.

Recommendations

274. Adopt hybrid meeting formats that afford Members the option of participating either physically or virtually to address the recurring challenge of quorum.

275. Equal treatment of all committees as all serve a particular mandate of the National Assembly.

COMMITTEE ON DELEGATED LEGISLATION (CDL)

Brief Mandate

276. Constituted under Standing Order 210, the Committee is mandated to consider and scrutinize statutory instruments submitted to Parliament to ensure conformity with the Constitution, the Statutory Instruments Act Cap 2A, the Act under which it is made, or other relevant written laws.

Number of Sittings

277. The Committee held a total of Twelve (12) sittings (0 on January 4 on February 8 in March 2026).

Business Considered

278. Considered a total of 39 Statutory Instruments, conferring on 7 draft Statutory Instruments with Regulation Making Authorities. 17 Regulations considered, of which 15 were approved. A report recommending annulment of 2 Regulations was tabled. 17 statutory instruments remain pending.

Reports Tabled / Concluded

279. Five (5) reports tabled covering: Privileges and Immunities (The Global Centre for Adaptation) Order, 2025; Draft Salaries and Remuneration Commission Regulations, 2025; Public Finance Management (Public Prosecution Fund) Regulations, 2025; Public Finance Management (State Officers and Public Officers Motor Car Loan Scheme Fund) (Amendment) Regulations, 2025; and Public Finance Management (Wildlife Conservation Trust Fund) Regulations, 2025.

Workshops / Retreats

280. Retreat to consider draft Regulations from five institutions (24th–28th March 2026, Mombasa County).

Parliamentary Diplomacy / Conferences

281. Indaba Mining Conference (8th–11th February 2026, Cape Town, South Africa).

Successes / Achievements

(i) Considered seventeen (17) Regulations, all of which have been concluded.

(ii) Engaged various Regulation Making Authorities for pre-publication scrutiny of statutory instruments.

(iii) Tabled five (5) reports, ensuring statutory instruments are considered within the timelines provided for in the Statutory Instruments Act Cap 2A.

Challenges

(i) Multiple requests from Regulation-Making Authorities to reschedule meetings despite strict timelines stipulated under the Statutory Instruments Act, 2013.

(ii) Lack of meeting venues within Parliament continued to pose a challenge, affecting Committee activities during the reporting period.

Recommendations

(i) Increase the number of designated Committee meeting rooms within Parliament.

(ii) Introduce a centralized booking system to avoid double-booking by Committees.

(iii) Consider alternative venues outside Parliament in situations where all Committee rooms are fully booked.

COMMITTEE ON IMPLEMENTATION (COI)

Brief Mandate

282. Established under Standing Order 209, the Committee scrutinizes resolutions of the House (including adopted Committee reports), petitions, and undertakings given by the National Executive, examining whether decisions and undertakings have been implemented within 60 days and within the minimum time necessary; and whether legislation passed has been operationalized.

Number of Sittings

283. The Committee held a total of Three (3) sittings during the period (January to March 2026).

Business Considered

284. Considered and adopted the schedule of activities for the first and second quarters of the session. Held a sitting with the CEO Teachers Service Commission and the Director Pensions regarding Petitions No. 46 of 2023 and No. 47 of 2023.

Reports Tabled / Concluded

285. Renewed three (3) notices of motion that were tabled but not debated in the fourth session: Second, Third, and Fifth Reports on the Implementation Status of Reports on Petitions and Resolutions passed by the House.

Successes / Achievements

286. Consideration and adoption of the schedule of activities for the third and fourth quarters of FY 2025/2026.

287. Renewal of notices of motion for the Second, Third and Fifth Reports on the Implementation Status of Reports on Petitions and Resolutions passed by the House.

Challenges

(i) Lean Committee budget in comparison to the wide scope of its mandate limited the Committee's ability to fully implement its annual work plan.

(ii) Absence of SMART recommendations in reports being monitored created a loophole for cited state agencies to evade accountability.

(iii) Delays in receiving responses from Ministries and other State Agencies, and submission of inadequate information, contributed to holdups in the decision-making process.

(iv) Agencies often provided vague responses to recommendations under follow-up, making it challenging to assess implementation status.

(v) Conflicting schedules with the executive frequently necessitated rescheduling of planned engagements.

Recommendations

(i) Sufficient financial resources be allocated to support operations in accordance with the annual work plan.

(ii) A dedicated Committee meeting room be provided to resolve venue-related issues.

(iii) Committees of the House are encouraged to formulate SMART recommendations to enable the Committee on Implementation to conduct follow-ups more effectively.

COMMITTEE ON MEMBERS' SERVICES AND FACILITIES (CMS&F)

Brief Mandate

288. Established under National Assembly Standing Order 212B as one of the sessional Committees of the House. The Committee is responsible for receiving and considering views of Members on services and facilities provided for their benefit and well-being, and for advising and reporting on all matters connected to services and facilities provided for Members.

Number of Sittings

289. The Committee held a total of Three (3) sittings during the first quarter of the fifth session.

Business Considered

290. Conducted elections for the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson; considered and adopted the schedule of activities for the first and second quarters of the session; and was briefed on the review of Standing Orders and the need to incorporate the Committee's intended amendments.

Successes / Achievements

291. Consideration and adoption of the schedule of activities for the third and fourth quarters of FY 2025/2026.

292. Successfully conducted elections for the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson.

Challenges

293. Failure to undertake adequate inspection visits and retreats due to logistical challenges faced by Parliament with regards to resource allocation.

294. Inadequate venues for holding meetings due to the large number of committees constituted and few meeting rooms available.

Recommendations

295. Allocation of adequate financial resources to enable the Committee to carry out its business as per the work plan.

COMMITTEE ON DIASPORA AFFAIRS AND MIGRANT WORKERS (DA&MWC)

Brief Mandate

296. Established under Standing Order 208(B), the Committee is responsible for: considering all matters directly relating to policies and programmes for the protection of the rights and welfare of Kenyans in the diaspora (including nationals with dual citizenship, migrant workers and their families abroad, and Kenyans undertaking studies overseas); examining policies and programmes of the national government for harnessing, mobilizing, and steering Kenyan resources in the diaspora for economic and socio-cultural development; engaging and facilitating Kenyans in the diaspora; and matters related to the suffrage of Kenyan nationals in the diaspora.

Number of Sittings

297. The Committee held a total of nine (9) sittings in execution of its mandate.

Business Considered

298. The Committee did not handle any statements, questions, treaties, protocols and conventions, sessional papers, petitions, or legislative proposals during the period.

Stakeholder Engagements

299. Meeting with the Director General, National Employment Authority (NEA) regarding utilization of the security bond required from Private Recruitment Agencies (26th February 2026); Meeting with the Principal Secretary, State Department for Diaspora Affairs regarding a complaint by Integrated Centre for Peace and Security on the death of Ms. Jesca Kahutu Ziro in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Field Visits

300. Visited the National Industrial Training Authority (NITA), Athi River (24th March 2026); Visited Mountain View Technical and Vocational Training Institute, Machakos County (24th March 2026); Visited Circle Test Institute Limited and East African Institute of Homecare Management, Juja and Ruiru, Kiambu County (24th March 2026).

Foreign Committee Engagements / Foreign Visits

301. Bilateral Engagement in Moscow, Russia (13th–20th March 2026) – The Russian Government committed to the Government of Kenya to halt the illegal recruitment of Kenyans into the Russian-Ukraine war.

Successes / Achievements

(i) Successfully carried out inspection visits to three Training and Homecare Institutes in Kiambu and Machakos Counties.

(ii) Secured commitment from the Russian Government to halt illegal recruitment of Kenyans into the Russian-Ukraine war through bilateral engagement in Moscow.

(iii) Ensured the rights of Kenyan migrant workers are protected as they live and work in foreign countries.

(iv) Advocated for the revamp of homecare management and pre-departure training programmes to widen the job market for Kenyans seeking employment abroad.

(v) Committed the National Employment Authority and Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs to remain accountable for repatriating deceased and distressed Kenyans.

Challenges

302. Unavailability of stakeholders when invited for meetings posed a challenge in execution of mandate.

303. Members having membership in other Committees made it difficult to raise quorum.

Recommendations

304. The Committee recommends that stakeholders should provide notices of absence from office in advance for better planning and Members to ensure attendance of Committee meetings.

NATIONAL GOVERNMENT CONSTITUENCIES DEVELOPMENT FUND COMMITTEE (NG-CDF)

Brief Mandate

305. A Statutory Committee established pursuant to Section 50 of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund Act, Cap. 414A. The Committee is mandated to oversee the administration, management, and implementation of the Fund, and to ensure accountability, transparency, and compliance in the utilization of public resources allocated to constituencies.

Number of Sittings

306. The Committee held a total of Eleven (11) sittings during the period under review (0 in January 4 in February, 7 in March 2026).

Business Considered

307. Considered legal briefing on NG-CDF Court Ruling; consideration of status of NG-CDF projects in constituencies previously without Parliamentary Representation; engagement with the CEO, NG-CDF Board on fund disbursement status; inspection visits to NG-CDF projects and Digital Hub projects in Eldama Ravine and Mogotio Constituencies; and consideration of the status of constituencies without Digital Hub allocations.

Reports Tabled / Concluded

308. No report was tabled before the House during the period. One (1) report pending consideration: Report on the Status of Implementation of the Grant for Infrastructure Development Projects in Schools in Nairobi County Constituencies.

Stakeholder Engagements

309. 24th February 2026 – Meeting with the CEO, NG-CDF Board on fund disbursement status. 17th March 2026 – Further engagement with the CEO, NG-CDF Board on Digital Hub projects implementation status.

Field Visits

310. One (1) field visit covering two (2) constituencies in Baringo County (12th–15th March 2026): Eldama Ravine Constituency and Mogotio Constituency – assessed implementation status of NG-CDF projects, verified value for money, and evaluated compliance with the NG-CDF Act.

Parliamentary Diplomacy / Conferences

311. Benchmarking session with the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Education, Youth, Civic Relations and Community Development of the National Assembly of the Republic of Namibia (24th February 2026).

Successes / Achievements

312. During the period under review, the Committee achieved the following;

(i) Strengthened Capacity for Oversight: Facilitated an M&E training programme for Members in collaboration with CPST and the NG-CDF Board.

(ii) Improved Fund Disbursement Efficiency: Noted improved timeliness in the release of funds by the National Treasury.

(iii) Enhanced Oversight Through Field Engagements: Conducted inspection visits to NG-CDF projects in Eldama Ravine and Mogotio Constituencies.

(iv) Focused Oversight on Digital Hub Projects: Prioritized oversight of Digital Hub projects, contributing to improved visibility of implementation gaps.

(v) Promotion of Parliamentary Diplomacy and Knowledge Exchange: Undertook a benchmarking engagement with a delegation from the National Assembly of Namibia.

Challenges

313. During the period under review, the Committee faced the following challenges;

(i) Delayed Operationalization of Constituency Digital Hubs: Most physical structures financed through NG-CDF are complete, but delays by the Ministry of Information, Communications and Digital Economy in providing equipment, internet connectivity, and technical support have rendered many hubs non-functional.

(ii) Non-Allocation of Funds for Digital Hub Establishment: Twenty-two (22) constituencies have not made budgetary provisions for Digital Hub establishment.

(iii) Coordination Gaps Between Implementing Agencies: The split implementation model has created misalignment in timelines, duplication of efforts, and delays.

(iv) Delays and Uncertainties in Fund Disbursement: Despite improvements, delays and unpredictability in the release of funds from the National Treasury continue to affect timely project implementation.

(v) Limited Monitoring and Evaluation Capacity at the Constituency Level.

Recommendations

314. The Committee recommends as follows;

(i) Strengthening Inter-Agency Coordination on Digital Hubs: The NG-CDF Board should formally engage the Ministry of Information, Communications and Digital Economy to establish a structured coordination framework.

(ii) Legislative Anchoring of Digital Hubs: The NG-CDF Board should initiate proposals to amend the NG-CDF Act to provide for Digital Hubs as mandatory projects within the constituency project code-list.

(iii) Mandatory Integrated Project Planning: All Digital Hub projects should be planned and costed as integrated projects.

(iv) Timely and Predictable Disbursement of Funds: The National Treasury should ensure timely and predictable release of funds to the NG-CDF Board.

(v) Enhancement of Monitoring and Evaluation Frameworks: The NG-CDF Board should strengthen M&E mechanisms at the constituency level.

(vi) Prioritization of Constituencies Without Digital Hub Allocations: The NG-CDF Board should require all twenty-two (22) constituencies that have not allocated funds for Digital Hub establishment to prioritize such allocations in subsequent financial years.

PUBLIC DEBT AND PRIVATIZATION COMMITTEE (PD&PC)

Brief Mandate

315. Established pursuant to Article 124 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 and Standing Order 207A, the Committee is mandated to: oversee public debt and guarantees pursuant to Article 214 of the Constitution; examine matters relating to debt guarantees by the National Government; oversee Consolidated Fund Services excluding audited accounts; examine reports on the status of the economy in respect of public debt; oversee public-private partnership programs by the national government with respect to public debt; and oversee the privatization of national assets.

Number of Sittings

316. Approximately 49 sittings during the period. Notably, 32 joint sittings were held with the Departmental Committee on Finance and National Planning on Sessional Paper No. 3 of 2025 on the partial divestiture of Safaricom PLC.

Business Considered

317. January 2026: Consideration of the Report on Sessional Paper No. 3 of 2025 on the partial divestiture of Safaricom PLC – 32 joint sittings held, public participation in 30 counties, report tabled and approved by the House. February 2026: Considered the Medium-Term Debt Management Strategy (MTDS) for FY 2026/27 to FY 2028/29 proposing a gross financing mix of 18:82 for external and domestic borrowing. March 2026: Considered Supplementary Estimates No. I for FY 2025/26, with CFS expenditures projected at Kshs. 2.58 trillion (increase of Kshs. 443.59 billion, 23%, from the approved budget of Kshs. 2.14 trillion). Engaged the International Finance Corporation (IFC) on PPP reforms.

Reports Tabled / Concluded

318. Report on Sessional Paper No. 3 of 2025 on the partial divestiture of Safaricom PLC. Report on the Medium-Term Debt Management Strategy for FY 2026/27 to FY 2028/29 (tabled 25th

February 2026; subsequently adopted by the House). Report on all loans contracted by the Government for the period 1st September to 31st December 2025 (tabled 31st March 2026).

Stakeholder Engagements

319. The National Treasury; the Controller of Budget; the Office of the Auditor General; the Central Bank of Kenya; the International Finance Corporation (IFC) on PPP reforms; and the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

Workshops / Retreats

320. Joint Sittings with the Departmental Committee on Finance and National Planning on Sessional Paper No. 3 of 2025 on partial divestiture of Safaricom PLC (9th–20th January 2026, Glee Hotel, Kiambu). Collaborative workshop on Public Debt Management with Civil Society Organizations (22nd–26th March 2026, Serena Hotel, Mombasa).

Parliamentary Diplomacy / Conferences

321. UK Global Health Summit 2026 at the Royal College of Physicians in London (16th–18th March 2026) – Four (4) Members attended.

Successes / Achievements

322. During the period under review, the Committee achievements were as follows;

(i) Successfully finalized consideration of Sessional Paper No. 3 of 2025 on the partial divestiture of Safaricom PLC – the Joint Committees held 32 sittings and conducted public participation across 30 Counties; the report was tabled and approved by the House.

(ii) Tabled and secured House adoption of the Report on the Medium-Term Debt Management Strategy for FY 2026/27 to FY 2028/29.

(iii) Considered and tabled the report on Supplementary Estimates No. I for FY 2025/26 in relation to Consolidated Fund Services.

(iv) Engaged the IFC on PPP reforms to support growth and sustainability of Public Private Partnership initiatives.

(v) The Committee's work promoted informed debate and resolutions to improve fiscal discipline, transparency, and accountability in government.

Challenges

323. Resource constraints affected the frequency of technical engagements and technical learning, particularly in relation to complex debt, PPP, and privatization matters that require sustained analytical support.

Recommendations

324. Enhanced budgetary allocation to support technical analysis and capacity-building initiatives for Members of Parliament and Secretariat staff

BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE (BAC)

Brief Mandate

325. Established pursuant to Article 221(4 and 5) of the Constitution, Section 7 of the Public Finance Management Act (Cap. 412A), and Standing Order 207, the Committee is mandated to: investigate, inquire into, and report on all matters relating to the coordination, control, and monitoring of the national budget; discuss and review budget estimates and make recommendations to the House; examine the Budget Policy Statement presented to the House; examine bills related to the national budget including Appropriation Bills; evaluate tax estimates, economic and budgetary policies, and programmes with direct budget outlays; examine the Division of Revenue Bill; and undertake pre-publication scrutiny of legislative proposals to assess their fiscal and economic implications pursuant to Article 114 of the Constitution.

Number of Sittings

326. The Committee held a total of Twenty (20) sittings during the period under review.

Business Considered

327. Considered two (2) legislative proposals to determine their fiscal and economic implications under Article 114 of the Constitution. Reviewed the 2026 Budget Policy Statement. Examined the Division of Revenue Bill, 2026. Considered Supplementary Estimates I for FY 2025/26.

Reports Tabled / Concluded

328. Three (3) reports tabled in the House during the quarter: Report on the 2026 Budget Policy Statement; Report on the Division of Revenue Bill, 2026; Report on Supplementary Estimates I for FY 2025/26.

Stakeholder Engagements

329. Parliamentary Service Commission; Office of the Auditor-General; National Treasury; Commission on Revenue Allocation; Council of Governors; Intergovernmental Relations Technical Committee (IGRTC); Intergovernmental Budget and Economic Council (IBEC); Professional bodies and Civil Society Organizations including ICPAK, Institute of Economic Affairs, and Bajeti Hub.

Workshops / Retreats

330. Report Writing Retreat on the 2026 Budget Policy Statement. Report Writing Retreat on the Supplementary Estimates I for FY 2025/26.

Parliamentary Diplomacy / Conferences

331. Four (4) Members of the Committee participated in the UK Global Health Summit 2026 at the Royal College of Physicians in London (16th–18th March 2026).

Successes / Achievements

332. During the period under review, the Committee made the following achievements;

(i) Successfully considered key budgetary and legislative instruments – two legislative proposals with fiscal implications, the 2026 Budget Policy Statement, the Division of Revenue Bill

2026, and Supplementary Estimates I for FY 2025/26, ensuring alignment of national priorities with available resources.

(ii) Strengthened intergovernmental fiscal relations through sustained engagement with the National Treasury, Commission on Revenue Allocation, Council of Governors, IGRTC, and IBEC.

(iii) Deepened stakeholder participation by engaging professional bodies, civil society organizations, and members of the public.

(iv) Engaged with constitutional oversight institutions – the Office of the Auditor-General and the Parliamentary Service Commission.

(v) Overall interventions strengthened fiscal discipline, improved budget credibility, and enhanced equitable allocation of public resources.

Challenges

333. For the period under review, the Committee faced the following challenges;

(i) Limited time available for consideration of key budget documents significantly limited the scope of public participation and stakeholder engagements.

(ii) Persistent pressure on public resources occasioned by competing national priorities made it difficult to fully accommodate all funding requests.

(iii) Recurrent challenges related to underfunded and unfunded mandates, particularly in intergovernmental relations where both national and county governments presented competing demands for limited resources.

(iv) Challenges in the timely implementation of audit recommendations and prior budget resolutions.

Recommendations

334. The National Assembly should review and strengthen the framework for follow-up on the implementation of resolutions of the House.

PUBLIC PETITIONS COMMITTEE (PPC)

Brief Mandate of the Committee

335. The Committee is established under Standing Order 208A and is mandated to consider all public petitions tabled in the House, to make such recommendations as may be appropriate with respect to the prayers sought, to recommend whether the findings arising from the consideration of a petition should be debated, and to advise the House and report on all public petitions committed to it.

Number of Sittings

336. The Committee conducted a total of twenty-three (23) sittings in the period under review.

Petitions

337. The Committee concluded the consideration of fifteen (15) petitions and tabled the respective reports in the House, while a further twenty (20) petitions were at various stages of

consideration. The Committee's consideration of petitions proceeds through admissibility, engagement with the petitioner, stakeholder engagement, site visits where necessary, compilation of findings, report writing, and consideration and tabling of the report.

Stakeholder Engagements

338. In its consideration of the petitions, the Committee engaged eight (8) State Corporations, namely the Competition Authority of Kenya, the Insurance Regulatory Authority, the Kenya Forest Service, the Kenya National Highways Authority, the Kenya Urban Roads Authority, the Kenya Wildlife Service, the National Environment Management Authority and the National Irrigation Authority; six (6) constitutional Commissions and Independent Offices, being the Attorney-General, the Auditor-General, the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights, the National Land Commission, the Teachers Service Commission and the Kenya Law Reform Commission; eleven (11) Ministries, being those responsible for Education; Environment, Forestry and Climate Change; Health; Information, Communication and the Digital Economy; Interior and National Administration; Labour and Social Protection; Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development; the National Treasury and Economic Planning; Public Service, Performance and Delivery Management; Roads and Transport; and Tourism and Wildlife; three (3) devolved governments, being the County Governments of Taita Taveta, Kitui and Bomet; and various non-State actors, including the Human Rights Agenda, the Kenya Bankers Association, the Kenya National Union of Teachers and the Law Society of Kenya.

Retreats

339. The Committee conducted a report-writing retreat in Mombasa from 16th to 20th March 2026.

Field Visits

340. The Committee undertook a site visit in Kilifi County on 19th March 2026 regarding the gazettement of Kaya Forest as a forest area under the Forest Conservation and Management Act.

Challenges

341. The Committee faced the cancellation of meetings by stakeholders and delays in the submission of information, as well as financial constraints that hindered the fulfilment of its mandate.

Recommendations

342. The Committee recommends that it be allocated sufficient funds to support oversight visits, stakeholder consultations and capacity-building initiatives, and that hybrid meeting formats be institutionalized to allow Members to participate physically or virtually, so as to mitigate recurring quorum challenges and reduce cancellations arising from low attendance.

LIAISON COMMITTEE (LC)

Brief Mandate of the Committee

343. The Committee is established under Standing Order 217 and is mandated to guide and co-ordinate the operations, policies and mandates of all Committees of the National Assembly, to deliberate on and apportion the annual operating budget among the Committees, to ensure that Committees submit their reports as required by the Standing Orders, and to give such advice relating to the work and mandate of select committees as it may consider necessary.

Number of Sittings

344. The Committee conducted a total of six (6) sittings during the period under review.

Business Considered

345. During the period under review, the Committee conducted six (6) in-house sittings, during which it considered various business, including business pending before Committees as well as emerging issues on the management of the Committees by Chairpersons.

Successes and Achievements

346. The Committee was able to liaise with the House leadership to fast-track the debate and adoption of reports and business of Committees pending before the House.

Challenges

347. The Committee noted the failure by Committees to undertake adequate inspection visits and retreats owing to logistical challenges and limited resource allocation, and inadequate venues for holding Committee meetings given the large number of committees constituted and the few meeting rooms available.

Recommendations

348. The Committee recommends the allocation of adequate financial resources to enable Committees to carry out their business in accordance with their respective work plans.

COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS (COA)

Brief Mandate

349. The Committee on Appointments is established under Standing Order No. 204 of the National Assembly's Standing Orders. It comprises the Speaker as Chairperson, the Deputy Speaker, the Leader of the Majority Party, the Leader of the Minority Party, the Deputy Leader of the Majority Party, the Deputy Leader of the Minority Party, and not more than twenty-two (22) other Members nominated by the House Business Committee on the basis of proportional party membership in the House. The Committee considers, for approval by the House, appointments made under Article 152(2) of the Constitution relating to the office of Cabinet Secretary.

Number of Sittings

350. The Committee did not hold any sittings during the period under review, there having been nominations submitted to the House for approval of appointment to the office of Cabinet Secretary under Article 152(2) of the Constitution during the quarter.

Business Considered

351. No business was considered by the Committee during the period under review, as no sittings were convened.

352. As no sittings were held during the period under review, there were no activities to report on under this section.

COMMITTEE ON SELECTION (COS)

Brief Mandate

353. Standing Order 172(2) provides that the Committee on Selection shall nominate Members to serve in Committees, save for the membership of the House Business Committee and the Committee on Appointments. Standing Order 173(1) provides that, unless otherwise provided by any written law or the Standing Orders, the Committee on Selection shall, in consultation with parliamentary parties, parties other than parliamentary parties and Independents, nominate Members who shall serve on a select committee. Standing Order 173(2) requires the Committee to consider the need for gender balance and to ensure, so far as practicable, that no more than two-thirds of a committee of the Assembly are of the same gender. Standing Order 173A (1) provides that every Member has the right to serve in at least one committee of the House.

Number of Sittings

354. The Committee held one (1) sitting during the period under review, in February 2026 to nominate Members to serve in Sessional Committees.

PART FIVE
CROSS-CUTTING THEMES AND OBSERVATIONS

CHALLENGES

355. A review of the quarterly reports submitted by all forty-one (41) committees reveals several recurring themes that cut across both departmental and select committees. These themes reflect structural and operational challenges that require systemic attention from the House leadership and the Parliamentary Service Commission as follows; -

(1) Budgetary Constraints and Austerity Measures

Budget limitations were cited by over two-thirds of committees as a constraint on their ability to undertake field visits, capacity-building retreats, stakeholder engagement outside Nairobi, and international benchmarking. Committees noted that quarterly caps on budget disbursement further limited planning flexibility, particularly for activities scheduled later in the quarter. The Sports & Culture Committee noted that austerity measures specifically prevented planned activities from proceeding.

(2) Quorum Challenges

Quorum deficiencies were reported by nine (9) committees, namely Defence, Intelligence & Foreign Relations; Justice & Legal Affairs; Labour; Regional Development; Trade, Industry & Cooperatives; Tourism & Wildlife; National Cohesion and Equal Opportunity; Parliamentary Broadcasting and Library; and Diaspora Affairs and Migrant Workers. Members' concurrent membership on multiple committees was identified as the primary driver, with scheduled sittings conflicting across committees, particularly on days when the House also sat in the morning.

(3) Delayed and Inadequate Responses from MDAs

Committees across both parts of this report noted persistent delays in receiving responses to statements, audit queries, and committee requests from Ministries, Departments, and Agencies. The Public Accounts Committee, PIC committees, and several departmental committees highlighted instances where accounting officers submitted inadequate or vague responses, or cancelled scheduled appearances at short notice, undermining the integrity of the oversight process.

(4) Legislative Backlog

Several committees reported a growing backlog of Bills, legislative proposals, mediation proceedings, and petitions. Bills committed to committees in earlier sessions remain unprocessed notably mediation proceedings that have not yet held their first sitting (e.g., Employment Amendment Bill in Labour, Mung Beans Bill in Agriculture, Start-Up Bill in Trade). This backlog risks delaying the delivery of the Fifth Session's legislative agenda.

(5) Audit Backlogs in Watchdog Committees

(i) The Public Accounts Committee, PIC committees, the Special Funds Accounts Committee, and the Decentralized Funds Accounts Committee collectively noted significant inherited backlogs of Auditor-General reports, with some audit queries dating back to financial years as far as 2007/2008. The volume of audit reports relative to the sitting time available to watchdog committees remains a structural challenge that limits timely scrutiny.

(ii) The Liaison Committee draws the attention of the House, the Parliamentary Service Commission, and the National Executive to the foregoing cross-cutting concerns and urges that the accompanying recommendations be addressed as a priority in the interest of strengthening parliamentary oversight and the effectiveness of committees in serving the public.

PART SIX

RECOMMENDATIONS

356. Arising from the performance review of the forty-one (41) Committees and the cross-cutting themes set out in Part Five of this Report, the Liaison Committee makes the following recommendations; -

(1) On Budgetary Allocation to Committees

The Budget and Appropriations Committee in consultation with Parliamentary Service Commission ensures adequate budgetary allocations to Committees to safeguard effective oversight and representation.

(2) On Legislative Backlog

The Liaison Committee, in consultation with the House Business Committee, ensures all pending business before the House is scheduled for debate before the end of the current Session.

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8. Hon. Nelson Koech, CBS, MP
9. Hon. (CPA) Francis Kuria Kimani, CBS, MP

IN ATTENDANCE

1. Hon. David Ochieng', CBS, MP	-	Second Chairperson of Committees
2. Hon. Peter Kaluma, CBS, MP	-	Fifth Chairperson of Committees
3. Hon. (Dr.) Rachael Nyamai, CBS, MP	-	Sixth Chairperson of Committees
4. Hon. Owen Baya, CBS, MP	-	Deputy Leader of the Majority Party
5. Hon. (Dr.) Robert Pukose, CBS, MP	-	Vice Chairperson, BAC
6. Hon. Aden Daud Mohamed, EBS, MP	-	Member, JLAC
7. Hon. Makali John Okwisia, MP	-	Member, JLAC

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5. Ms. Vane Akama, OGW	-	Director, Legal Services
6. Mr. Peter Chemweno, OGW	-	Director, Departmental Committees
7. Mr. Kipkemoi arap Kirui, OGW	-	Director, Legislative and Procedural Services
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15. Mr. Oscar Namulanda	-	Deputy Director, Audit, Appropriations and General-Purpose Committees
16. Mr. Japheth Muthomi	-	Deputy Director, Speaker's Office
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18. Mr. Chelang'a Maiyo	-	Ag. Chief Research Officer
19. Ms. Sophie Otieno	-	Principal Legal Counsel I
20. Ms. Lynette Otieno	-	Principal Legal Counsel II
21. Mr. Josphat Bundotich	-	Principal Serjeant-at-Arms
22. Mr. Abdirahman Hassan	-	Clerk Assistant I
23. Ms. Isabella Mwembi	-	Clerk Assistant III
24. Ms. Jael Ayiego Kilaka	-	Clerk Assistant III
25. Mr. Edwin Gichane	-	Research Officer III
26. Mr. Derrick Kathurima	-	Media Relations Officer
27. Ms. Mwanasha Juma	-	Assistant Serjeant-at-Arms
28. Mr. Kenneth Waweru	-	Office Assistant

MIN NO./NA/LC/2026/146: PRELIMINARIES

The meeting was called to order at half past Two O'clock (2:30 p.m.) followed by a word of prayer by the Hon. (Dr.) Stephen Wachira Karani, CBS, MP. The agenda for the meeting was adopted having been proposed by the Hon. (CS) Mayaka Irene Nyakerario, MP and seconded by the Hon. Peter Lochakapong, CBS, MP.

MIN NO./NA/LC/2026/147: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The agenda was deferred.

MIN NO./NA/LC/2026/148: CONSIDERATION OF THE PROGRESS REPORT FOR THE THIRD QUARTER OF THE FY 2025/206

The Committee considered a consolidated progress report for the third quarter of the FY 2025/26 in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 200, drawing together the quarterly reports of all 41 committees: 20 Departmental Committees and 21 Select Committees. The report highlighted committees' activities, achievements, challenges and recommendations for the quarter as follows;

(1) The Committee noted that during the period under review, committees held a total of 631 sittings out of which 356 were by Departmental Committees and 275 were by Select committees.

(2) The Committees tabled 57 reports out of which 19 were by Departmental Committees and 38 were by select committees.

(3) Committees also undertook over 71 field and foreign visits, and public participation was conducted in 30 counties by the Finance and National Planning Committee and in 24 counties by the Justice and Legal Affairs Committee.

(4) On legislation, the Committee noted that 39 Bills were considered by Departmental Committees and one Bill by a select committee. During the period under review, seven committee reports on Bills were tabled.

(5) Five Bills were at mediation stages, three of which had yet to begin the mediation process. The Committees considered seven legislative proposals, five by Departmental Committees and two by the Budget and Appropriations Committee.

(6) The Committee noted that 41 statements were referred to 14 Departmental Committees. At least eight were still awaiting responses, in addition to most of the 11 statements referred to the Administration and Internal Security Committee.

(7) Three inquiries were under way and all remained ongoing.

(8) On petitions, the Public Petitions Committee concluded 15 petitions with 20 in progress, Departmental Committees considered four petitions, and the Committee on Implementation followed up on two.

(9) The Committee further noted that four reports on approval hearings were considered, covering 11 nominees, all of whom were recommended for approval.

(10) Six treaties and agreements were considered, comprising of five defence cooperation agreements and one migration partnership, and intergovernmental agreements were also received. Reports on two sessional papers were tabled.

(11) On the budget cycle, all 20 Departmental Committees submitted reports on the 2026 Budget Policy Statement and on Supplementary Estimates No. I for FY 2025/26 to the Budget and Appropriations Committee, and the Budget and Appropriations Committee tabled three reports.

(12) The Committee on Delegated Legislation considered 39 statutory instruments, including 17 regulations of which 15 were approved and two were recommended for annulment. The committee tabled five (5) reports and 17 instruments remained pending.

(13) On audit and accountability, the audit and appropriation committees examined over 248 Auditor-General reports, comprising 88 examined by the Public Investments Committee on Governance and Education and 160 by the Decentralized Funds Accounts Committee. Twelve Public Investments Committee reports and one Public Accounts Committee report were tabled, and three Decentralized Funds Accounts Committee reports were adopted by the House.

Committee Observations

(i) The Committee noted that committees faced several cross-cutting challenges. Over two-thirds of committees cited budget limits as constraint on their ability to undertake field visits, capacity-building retreats, 13 committees reported a shortage of meeting rooms, and nine reported difficulties in raising quorum. Committees also reported delayed responses and short-notice rescheduling by Ministries, Departments and Agencies.

(ii) The Public Accounts Committee, PIC committees, the Special Funds Accounts Committee, and the Decentralized Funds Accounts Committee collectively noted significant inherited backlogs of Auditor-General reports, with some audit queries dating back to financial years as far as 2007/2008. The volume of audit reports relative

to the sitting time available to watchdog committees remains a structural challenge that limits timely scrutiny.

Committee Recommendations

Arising from the performance review of the thirty-nine (39) Committees and the cross-cutting themes, the Liaison Committee makes the following recommendations; -

(i) The Committee resolved to recommend that adequate budget allocations be made to committees, and that all pending business be scheduled for debate before the end of the Session.

(ii) It further recommended additional meeting rooms, the adoption of hybrid meetings to ease quorum challenges, and stronger compliance by Accounting Officers with committee summons and follow-up of committee recommendations.

(iii) The Committee also resolved to draw these concerns to the attention of the House, the Parliamentary Service Commission and the National Executive, and to follow up the recommendations as a priority in the interest of strengthening parliamentary oversight and the effectiveness of committees in serving the public.

(iv) That, the Budget and Appropriations Committee in consultation with Parliamentary Service Commission ensures adequate budgetary allocations to Committees to safeguard effective oversight and representation.

(v) That, the Liaison Committee, in consultation with the House Business Committee, ensures all pending business before the House is scheduled for debate before the end of the current Session.

Adoption of the Report

The Committee adopted the report having been proposed by the Hon. Raphael B. S. Wanjala, CBS, MP and seconded by the Hon. Emmanuel Wangwe, CBS, MP.

MIN. NO./NA/LC/2026/149: CONSIDERATION OF THE PROGRESS REPORT FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER OF THE FY 2025/2026

The Committee considered a consolidated progress report for the Fourth quarter of the FY 2025/26 in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 200, drawing together the quarterly reports of all 41 committees: 20 Departmental Committees and 21 Select Committees. The report highlighted committees' activities, achievements, challenges and recommendations for the quarter as follows;

(i) The Committee noted that during the quarter, committees held 775 sittings out of which 431 were by Departmental Committees and 344 were by Select Committees.

(ii) The Committees tabled a total of 68 reports out of which 35 were by Departmental Committees and 33 were by Audit, Appropriations and General-Purpose Committees.

(iii) On legislation, the Committee noted that 57 Bills were considered, 53 by Departmental Committees and four by Audit, Appropriations and General-Purpose Committees. One Bill was passed by the House and assented to by the President during the quarter.

(iv) Seven committees reported Bills before Mediation Committees that had yet to hold their first sitting, in several cases pending a Message from the Senate appointing its members.

(v) Thirteen legislative proposals were also considered by Departmental Committees.

(vi) The Committee further noted that 13 treaties, conventions and agreements were considered out of which three were defence-related agreements and conventions, three other treaties and seven intergovernmental partnership agreements.

(vii) Reports on two sessional papers were tabled during the period under review.

(viii) The Committee noted that 90 statements were referred to 17 Departmental Committees, in addition to three questions.

(ix) Ten inquiries and investigations were undertaken, of which one was concluded and the rest remained ongoing.

(x) On petitions, the Public Petitions Committee concluded 11 petitions with a further 12 in progress, Departmental Committees considered nine petitions, and the Committee on Implementation considered seven petitions and reports.

(xi) Four reports on approval hearings were also considered for 10 nominees for appointment to several public offices.

(xii) On budget cycle, all 20 Departmental Committees submitted reports on the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for FY 2026/27 and on Supplementary Estimates No. II for FY 2025/26 to the Budget and Appropriations Committee within the required timelines. The Budget and Appropriations Committee tabled four reports and conducted public participation on the Estimates in 16 counties, while the Finance and National Planning Committee undertook stakeholder engagement on finance-related Bills in 14 counties. The Public Debt and Privatization Committee tabled two reports on Consolidated Fund Services, both of which were adopted by the House.

(xiii) The Committee on Delegated Legislation considered 60 statutory instruments. Of the 48 regulations considered, 19 were approved and 29 were referred back to the respective Regulation-Making Authorities. The Committee tabled three reports, and 12 instruments remained pending.

(xiv) On audit and accountability, the six watchdog committees tabled six reports: three by the Decentralized Funds Accounts Committee, and one each by the Public Investments Committee on Commercial Affairs and Energy, the Public Investments Committee on Social Services, Administration and Agriculture, and the Special Funds Accounts Committee. The Public Accounts Committee tabled no report but continued its examination of Auditor-General reports and special audits. The Decentralized Funds Accounts Committee had examined 560 Auditor-General reports to date.

Committee Observations

(i) The Committee noted that committees faced several cross-cutting challenges. Sixteen committees cited delayed and inadequate responses from Ministries, Departments and Agencies, fourteen committees cited budget constraints, 13 reported a shortage of meeting rooms, and eleven committees reported quorum difficulties.

(ii) Committees also reported stalled mediation proceedings, inherited audit backlogs in the watchdog committees, and shortages of stationery and equipment.

Committee Recommendations

Arising from the performance review of the thirty-nine (39) Committees and the cross-cutting themes the Liaison Committee makes the following recommendations; -

(i) The relevant Committees should within thirty (30) days of the adoption of this Report, institute a formal mechanism for tracking and enforcing compliance by Ministries, Departments and Agencies with the timelines prescribed under the Standing Orders for responding to Statements, Committee requests and audit queries; and that persistent non-compliance by an accounting officer be reported to the House for appropriate sanction.

(ii) The Budget and Appropriations Committee in consultation with Parliamentary Service Commission ensures adequate budgetary allocations to Committees to safeguard effective oversight and representation.

(iii) The Chairpersons of watchdog committees, pursuant to Standing Order 186 (2), seek permission to sit while the House is in session to expedite clearance of backlogs, with enhanced technical and secretariat support commensurate with the volume of Auditor-General reports, to enable progressive clearance of inherited audits and timely scrutiny of current reports.

(iv) The the Parliamentary Service Commission, working with the Centre for Parliamentary Studies and Training, should institute a structured and adequately resourced capacity-building programs for Members on emerging issues within their respective mandates.

Adoption of the Report

The Committee adopted the report having been proposed by the Hon. David Gikaria, CBS, MP and seconded by the Hon. Joseph Tonui, CBS, MP.

MIN NO./NA/LC/2026/150: RETREAT RESOLUTIONS

The Liaison Committee, having convened at its Retreat held in Mombasa County from 7th to 11th September, 2026, and having duly considered the presentations, resolved as follows—

(i) **THAT,** the House Leadership and the Liaison Committee shall strengthen coordination and early identification of priority parliamentary business and ensure timely consideration and conclusion of all pending Bills, Motions, Petitions, treaties and agreements, as well as other outstanding business within the respective mandates of Committees by 30th March 2027.

(ii) **THAT,** Committees shall urgently prioritise the examination of outstanding Reports of the Auditor-General, particularly the backlog before the Audit Committees, and strengthen collaboration with the Budget and Appropriations Committee and the Parliamentary Budget Office to facilitate effective scrutiny of public expenditure and compliance with the constitutional timelines under Article 229(8) of the Constitution.

(iii) **THAT,** the House Business Committee shall prioritise for debate Bills that have undergone public participation and Reports already tabled before the House, with a view to preventing unnecessary lapse of parliamentary business; and that the House Leadership shall review stalled Bills before Mediation Committees and ensure that the

composition of such Committees is undertaken through a consultative process, with due consideration given to Members who previously considered the Bills.

(iv) **THAT,** the Budget and Appropriations Committee shall consider an enhancement of the budgetary ceilings for Committees in the Financial Year 2027/28, taking into account the resources required for the effective discharge of their constitutional and legislative mandates; and that the Clerk, in liaison with the Parliamentary Service Commission, shall make appropriate provision for identified one-off transition costs and other requirements necessary for an orderly transition to the Fourteenth Parliament.

(v) **THAT,** the Taskforce on the Review of the National Assembly Standing Orders shall comprehensively consider proposals submitted by Members and ensure that any proposed changes to the Committee structure are subjected to an effectiveness and workload analysis, with the objective of strengthening the efficiency and effectiveness of Committees in the Fourteenth Parliament.The review should take cognizance of judicial pronouncements affecting Parliamentary business.

(vi) **THAT,** in preparation for the 2027 General Election and cognisant of the constitutional restriction under Article 82(1) of the Constitution, the National Assembly shall prioritise the expeditious consideration of only those amendments to electoral laws and consequential regulations that are necessary for the conduct of the 2027 General Election; and that the Commission shall undertake adequate stakeholder and public sensitisation on any proposed review of electoral laws before submission to the National Assembly.

(vii) **THAT,** the National Treasury adhere strictly to all statutory budget timelines and fast-track submission of the budget policy statement by 16th November, 2026 noting the Parliamentary calendar in view of 2027 general election.

(viii) **THAT,** the Budget and Appropriations Committee, in consultation with the National Treasury, shall give due consideration to the election-critical funding requirements of the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission for the 2027 General Election; and that the Commission shall establish clear accountability mechanisms for all resources allocated for the election, including periodic reporting to the relevant Committee, compliance with public finance management requirements, and post-election audit and reporting.

(ix) **THAT,** the House Leadership engages the National Treasury with a view to exempting NG-CDF projects from the mandatory use of the Electronic Government Procurement (e-GP) system, in order to facilitate timely implementation of constituency projects and avoid delays arising from procurement processes that are heavily reliant on digital platforms and infrastructure.

(x) **THAT,** the National Treasury shall ensure the timely and predictable disbursement of NG-CDF allocations in accordance with approved cash-flow plans and statutory requirements. Where delays occur, the National Treasury shall provide Parliament with quarterly reports detailing the causes of the delays, remedial measures undertaken, and revised disbursement schedules.

(xi) **THAT,** recognizing the need to modernise the administration of the National Government Constituencies Development Fund through the adoption of digital technologies and integrated information management systems; In implementing the

digitization program, the NG-CDF Board shall integrate the SMART NG-CDF Portal with relevant government financial management and reporting systems to enhance transparency, auditability, and real-time oversight.

Adoption of the Way Forward

The Resolutions and Way Forward of the Retreat were adopted as proposed by Hon. Daniel Epuyo Nanok, CBS, MP and seconded by Hon. Kangogo Bowen, CBS, MP.

MIN NO./NA/LC/2026/151: ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at quarter past Four O'clock (4:15 p.m.). The next meeting will be held on notice.

Signed.....**Date**.07-10-2026.....

HON. GLADYS J. BOSS, MGH, MP
DEPUTY SPEAKER & CHAIRPERSON

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

13TH PARLIAMENT –FIFTH SESSION (2026)

LIAISON COMMITTEE

DIRECTORATE OF AUDIT, APPROPRIATIONS & GENERAL-PURPOSE COMMITTEES

ADOPTION SCHEDULE

We, the Members of the Liaison Committee have, pursuant to Standing Order 199, adopted this Report of the Committee on its consideration of the Third Quarter Progress Report and affixed our signatures to affirm our approval and confirm its accuracy, validity and authenticity:

Date: 08/09/2026 **Venue:** Makutano Hall, Whitesands Hotel, Mombasa

Time: 2:00pm

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