



**REPUBLIC OF KENYA**  
**THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (SECOND SESSION)**

PARLIAMENT  
OF KENYA  
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**CONVEYANCE OF PUBLIC PETITION**

*(No. 5 of 2023)*

**REGARDING WARD BASED SOLUTION AS A LONG-TERM REMEDY  
TO PERENIAL WATER SHORTAGE IN KENYA**

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1. **Honourable Members**, Article 119 of the Constitution accords any person the right to petition Parliament to consider any matter within its authority. Further, Standing Order 225(2)(b) requires the Speaker to report to the House any Petition other than those presented by a Member.
2. In this regard, **Honourable Members**, I wish to report to the House that my office has received a petition from one *Eng. Victor Okuna of Post Office Box 828, Migori*, calling for the National Government to adapt innovative ways of addressing water problems.
3. **Honourable Members**, the Petitioner notes that many Kenyans do not have access to clean and safe water in adequate quantities contrary to Article 43(d) in the Constitution of Kenya; and, consequently denying the people their other rights as stated in the same Constitution. He alleges that the current water problem experienced in the country is occasioned by lack of proper policies geared towards mitigating the crisis.
4. **Honourable Members**, the Petitioner therefore proposes that the country adapts what he considers to be a long-term solution to water shortage in the country.
5. The Petitioner claims that his proposal will create one of the avenues for mitigating the myriad challenges of climate change, create youth employment and ensure a sustainable supply of water in the rural parts of the country.

Eng Victor Okuna

6. The Petitioner proposes that boreholes be drilled, equipped, and solarized in every ward across the country every year except in the 85 wards in Nairobi County and major towns which have water and sewerage systems. The Petitioner thus prays that this House considers amending the Water Act 2016 to provide for a Ward-Based Water Supply System.
7. **Honourable Members**, having established that the matter raised in the Petition is well within the authority of this House; and further, that the matters raised in this Petition are not pending before any court of law, constitutional or legal body, I hereby commit the Petition to the Public Petitions Committee for consideration pursuant to Standing Order 208A.
8. The Committee is required to consider the Petition and report its findings to the House and to the Petitioner in accordance with Standing Order 227(2).

**I thank you.**

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**THE RT. HON. MOSES WETANG'ULA, EGH, MP**  
**SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**Date: .....**

Public Petitions Committee  
Nimrod Mwaya MP Kitui East

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THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY  
THIRTEENTH PARLIAMENT (SECOND SESSION)

PUBLIC PETITION

(No. 10 of 2023)

**REGARDING RESETTLEMENT OF RESIDENTS OF MUTHANGA FARM**

I, the **UNDERSIGNED** on behalf of the residents of Muthanga Farm Company Limited in Murang'a County;

**DRAW** the attention of the House to the following: -

- i. **THAT**, Muthanga Farm is situated at Muthiga Township along Thika-Makutano-Nyeri Road, approximately 40 kilometres to the north east of Thika Town, within Kambiti Trading Centre in Makuyu Sub-County, Murang'a County;
- ii. **THAT**, the great grandparents of the petitioners have lived on Muthanga Farm for a long time and were present in 1936, when a white settler, Michael Cantonias arrived and occupied the farm;
- iii. **THAT**, the Settler started planting coffee in the farm and in 1952, forced these residents to live in a camp, in order to use them as workers on the farm;
- iv. **THAT**, in 1964, the White Settler became sick and left the country for treatment but did not return and therefore the residents continued to cultivate and occupy the land;
- v. **THAT**, in 1983, a private citizen who claimed to have been allocated the land by the Commissioner for Lands, wanted to evict the petitioners, but upon public participation led by the local administration, it was agreed that the purchaser of the land should compensate the residents;

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- vi. **THAT**, Muthanga Farm farmers purchased Muthanga Farm, that is Makuyu/Kambiti/Blocks 1, 51, 61 and 62, formerly LR No. 9447/2, from the Department of Settlement of the Ministry of Lands in 1988, and Members were issued with title deeds.
- vii. **THAT**, some of the Members of the *Ex Muthanga Farm farmers Co. Ltd* went to court in 2002 to seek eviction orders for the residents without title deeds to be evicted;
- viii. **THAT**, following a judgment by the High Court on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2002, the Court gave orders for the residents to be evicted;
- ix. **THAT**, despite the fact that the residents have been issued with eviction orders severally, they have not managed to move because they have no land to relocate to;
- x. **THAT**, efforts to arbitrate the matter between the residents of the farm and Muthanga Farmers have not been fruitful.
- xi. **THAT**, the matter presented in this petition is not pending before any tribunal, court of law or Independent body.

**THEREFORE**, your humble Petitioners pray that the National Assembly through the Public Petitions Committee inquires into all matters raised in this Petition to:

- i. Ensure that residents without title deeds are not evicted considering that they have stayed on the farm for a long time;
- ii. Ensure that long lasting amicable solutions to the concerned warring parties therein is brought to an end; and,
- iii. Make any other necessary recommendation the Committee deems fit to address the issues raised in this Petition.

And your Petitioners will ever pray.

**PRESENTED BY:**



**THE HON. MARY WAMAUA, MP**  
**MEMBER FOR MARAGUA CONSTITUENCY**

**DATE.....**14/03/2023**.....**