

REPUBLIC OF KENYA



COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KITUI

THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY

SECOND ASSEMBLY

(THIRD SESSION)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

**COMMUNICATION AS RELATES TO THE KITUI COUNTY BUDGET
ESTIMATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2019/2020**

Honourable Members.

I kindly draw your attention to the provisions of Article 224 of our Constitution 2010 which provides that, each county shall prepare and adopt its own annual budget in the form and according to the procedure prescribed in an Act of parliament and Section 130 of the public finance management Act, 2012, which provides that a County Executive Committee Member for finance shall submit budget documents to the County Assembly for every financial year.

It is important to note that the first County Budget 2019/2020 was approved by this assembly before the Passage of Division of the Revenue Act and the County Revenue Allocations Act as envisaged in the provisions of article 218 and 224 of the Constitution 2010.

Following the above circumstances therefore, the Acting CEC Member for Treasury re-submitted to the Assembly the Budget Estimates for the financial year 2019/2020 on 11th October, 2019 for approval in accordance with the law.

Honourable Members.

The County Assembly Standing Order 206 provides for the procedures to be followed during presentation of the Budget Estimates and the subsequent committal to the Sectoral committees.

In line with the above provisions I hereby direct the matter to proceed as follows:-

- i) Upon being laid before the County Assembly, the Estimates shall be deemed to have been committed to each Sectoral Committee to deliberate upon according to its respective mandate and submit its report and recommendations to the Budget and Appropriations Committee.
- ii) The Budget and Appropriations Committee shall discuss and review the Estimates and make recommendations to the County Assembly, taking into account the recommendations of the Sectoral Committees and the views of the CEC Member and the public.

Honourable Members,

I kindly urge you to expeditiously facilitate this process bearing in mind the timelines.

Thank you!

THE HON. GEORGE M. NDOTTO
SPEAKER OF KITUI COUNTY ASSEMBLY
22nd OCTOBER, 2019