

PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FIJI

ORDER PAPER

Monday, 25 May 2020 at 9.30 a.m.

- 1. Prayer
- 2. Confirmation of Minutes. The Leader of the Government in Parliament to move –

"That the Minutes of the sitting of Parliament held on Friday, 27 March 2020, as previously circulated be taken as read and be confirmed."

- 3. Communications from the Chair
- 4. Presentation of papers and certain documents (see Schedule 1)
- 5. Presentation of reports of committees
- 6. Ministerial Statements
- 7. Consideration of Bills
- 8. Motions for which notice has been given (see Schedule 2)
- 9. Questions (see Schedule 3)

SCHEDULE 1 — PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND CERTAIN DOCUMENTS

- 1. Mid-year Fiscal Statement 1st August 2019 to 31st January 2020
- 2. Report of the Auditor-General of the Republic Of Fiji Audit report on Provincial Councils Volume 3 (*Parliamentary Paper No. 43 of 2020*)
- 3. Tourism Fiji Annual Report 2013 (Parliamentary Paper No. 29 of 2020)
- 4. Tourism Fiji Annual Report 2014 (Parliamentary Paper No. 30 of 2020)
- 5. Ministry of Industry, Trade and Tourism 2017-2018 Annual Report (Parliamentary Paper No. 28 of 2020)

SCHEDULE 2 — MOTIONS FOR DEBATE

1. Hon. Viam Pillay to move –

"That Parliament debates the 'Report on Annual Review of the iTaukei Trust Fund Board, 2017' which was tabled on 1 April 2019." (Parliamentary Paper No. 02 of 2019)

2. Hon. Vijay Nath to move –

"That Parliament debates the 'Reserve Bank of Fiji Insurance 2017 Annual Report' which was tabled on 4 April 2019." (*Parliamentary Paper No. 27 of 2019*)

3. Hon. Niko Nawaikula to move –

"That Parliament resolves to establish a Special Committee under Standing Order 129 to review the cost of living. The members of the Special Committee shall comprise the following –

- (a) Hon. Viam Pillay (Chairperson);
- (b) Hon. Alvick Maharaj;
- (c) Hon. Selai Adimaitoga;

- (d) Hon. Viliame Gavoka; and
- (e) Hon. Niko Nawaikula."

4. Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka to move –

"That Parliament expresses its profound gratitude to the late former Prime Minister for his selfless service to the people of Fiji. The late Mr Qarase became the Interim Prime Minister after the events of 2000 and was elected as Prime Minister at the 2001 General Election."

SCHEDULE 3 — QUESTIONS

Oral Questions

- Hon. Lenora Qerequetabua to ask the Minister for Education, Heritage and Arts Can the Minister inform Parliament why has Government for almost 5 years failed to fulfil its 2015 budget policy announced in November 2014 of providing tablets or laptops as per its objective of 'one tablet or laptop per child' to all primary and secondary school students, which is so critical now to online learning especially with disruption to school caused by COVID-19.
- Hon. Sanjay Kirpal to ask the Minister for Defence, National Security and Policing, Rural and Maritime Development and Disaster Management Given the restrictions put in place by the Government during the COVID-19 pandemic, can the Minister inform Parliament what role the Fiji Police Force played in managing and containing the spread of COVID-19.
- Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka to ask the Attorney-General and Minister for Economy, Civil Service and Communications Can the Minister update Parliament on the repayment of the Global Bond of US\$200m which is due in October 2020.
- Hon. Dr Salik Govind to ask the Minister for Local Government, Housing and Community Development Can the Minister elaborate on the COVID-19 relief provided by the Housing Authority of Fiji, the Public Rental Board and the Housing Assistance Relief Trust (HART).

- Hon. Adi Litia Qionibaravi to ask the Local Government, Housing and Community Development Can the Minister inform Parliament what assistance is available to homeowners and victims of the recent category four tropical cyclone Harold, who are not members of FNPF.
- Hon. Alipate Naqata to ask the Minister for Commerce, Trade, Tourism and Transport Can the Minister inform Parliament on what investments are being made to improve inter-island maritime shipping.
- Hon. Ratu Tevita Navurelevu to ask the Minister for Defence, National Security and Policing, Rural and Maritime Development and Disaster Management Can the Minister update Parliament on the status of implementation of the Job Evaluation Exercise (JEE) approved by Cabinet in 2014 which agreed on the payment of increment increases to Fiji Police Force personnel.
- Hon. Selai Adimaitoga to ask the Attorney-General and Minister for Economy, Civil Service and Communications Given that the COVID-19 crisis is likely to continue, is Government going to provide any further assistance to those who have lost their jobs.

Written Questions

- Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka to ask the Attorney-General and Minister for Economy, Civil Service and Communications Can the Minister provide an update on the status of implementation of Government Capital projects (in the first 6 months) of the 2019-2020 fiscal year.
- 62/2020 Hon. Mikaele Leawere to ask the Minister for Agriculture, Waterways and Environment Can the Minister inform Parliament on the current status of drainage work being carried out by the Ministry in the following areas
 - (a) Lomary schools;
 - (b) Sigasiganilaca;
 - (c) Galoa Village;
 - (d) Nakoba Settlement;
 - (e) Draunikula Village; and

- (f) Naboutini Village.
- 63/2020 Hon. Ro Teimumu Kepa to ask the Minister for Education, Heritage and Arts Can the Minister provide to Parliament the list of all registered schools and the teacher/pupil ratio in the following categories
 - (i) early childhood;
 - (ii) primary;
 - (iii) secondary;
 - (iv) technical colleges; and
 - (v) tertiary.
- 64/2020 Hon. Jese Saukuru to ask the Minister for Forestry Can the Minister inform Parliament how many land owning units were assisted and the type of assistance offered from the 70% of the Lease Security Bonus retained by Fiji Pine.