

PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FIJI

ORDER PAPER

Monday, 31 August 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, 31 July 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. Pacific Fishing Company PTE LTD Annual Report 2018 (Parliamentary Paper No. 166 of 2019)
- 2. Ministry of Lands and Mineral Resources Annual Report for the Year Ending 31 December 2011 (*Parliamentary Paper No. 179 of 2020*)
- 3. Ministry of Lands and Mineral Resources Annual Report for the Year Ending 31 December 2012 (*Parliamentary Paper No. 180 of 2020*)
- 4. Ministry of Lands and Mineral Resources Annual Report for the Year Ending 31 December 2013 (*Parliamentary Paper No. 181 of 2020*)
- 5. Ministry of Lands and Mineral Resources Annual Report for August 2016 July 2017 (*Parliamentary Paper No. 182 of 2020*)
- 6. Ministry of Lands and Mineral Resources Annual Report for August 2017 July 2018 (*Parliamentary Paper No. 183 of 2020*)

SCHEDULE 2 — MOTIONS FOR DEBATE

1. Hon. Viam Pillay to move –

"That Parliament debates the 'Report on Annual Review of the Housing Authority, 2015' which was tabled on 1 April 2019." (*Parliamentary Paper No. 03 of 2019*)

2. Hon. Alexander O'Connor to move –

"That Parliament debates the 'Review Report of the Ministry of Defence, National Security and Immigration Bi-Annual Report January–July 2016' which was tabled on 4 April 2019." (*Parliamentary Paper No. 25 of* 2019) 3. Hon. Adi Litia Qionibaravi to move –

"That Parliament resolves to establish a special committee under Standing Order 129 to inquire into the impacts of drug-related abuse and make recommendations on how the use of drugs can be reduced. The members of the Special Committee shall comprise the following –

- (a) Hon. Alexander O'Connor (Chairperson);
- (b) Hon. Dr Salik Govind (Deputy Chairperson);
- (c) Hon. Veena Bhatnagar;
- (d) Hon. Ratu Tevita Navurelevu; and
- (e) Hon. Adi Litia Qionibaravi."

SCHEDULE 3 — QUESTIONS

Oral Questions

- 91/2020 Hon. Pio Tikoduadua to ask the Prime Minister and Minister for i-Taukei Affairs, Sugar Industry and Foreign Affairs – Can the Prime Minister explain to Parliament the high average of Total Cane to Total Sugar (TCTS) of 11.8 recorded by the Fiji Sugar Corporation until 10 August 2020, in respect of cane crushing and sugar production.
- 92/2020 Hon. Viam Pillay to ask the Minister for Commerce, Trade, Tourism and Transport – Can the Minister inform Parliament as to what is Government doing to address shipping accidents happening in our waters, especially in Nabouwalu.
- 93/2020 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.
- 94/2020 Hon. Dr Salik Govind to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Services – Can the Minister update Parliament on the drug shortage for some chronic diseases that was highlighted in the media recently.

- 95/2020 Hon. Salote Radrodro to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Services – Can the Minister update Parliament on the preparedness of health facilities and the hard working health personnel outside Viti Levu and Vanua Levu for any COVID-19 cases from pleasure crafts including yachts and super yachts that stopover in Lau and other maritime islands.
- 96/2020 Hon. Jale Sigarara to ask the Minister for Education, Heritage and Arts – Can the Minister explain what are the priority areas for Toppers scholarships and the categories of Tertiary Education Loans available for the academic calendar 2021.
- 97/2020 Hon. Aseri Radrodro to ask the Minister for Commerce, Trade, Tourism and Transport – Since COVID-19 was declared a pandemic, can the Minister provide an update to Parliament on the status of the Government Shipping Franchise Scheme, in particular the seven non-economical routes namely, Northern Vanua Levu, Upper Southern Lau, Lower Southern Yasawa, Northern Lau, Lomaiviti, Rotuma and Yasayasa Moala.
- 98/2020 Hon. Veena Bhatnagar to ask the Attorney-General and Minister for Economy, Civil Service and Communications – Can the Minister provide an update on the total payments made so far for unemployment assistance together with FNPF.

Written Questions

- 99/2020 Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Services – Can the Minister provide the following to Parliament –
 - (a) the total number of doctors in Fiji's public health and medical services as at 31 August 2020;
 - (b) the total number of doctors in each public health and medical facility respectively as at 31 August 2020;
 - (c) the ratio to population per doctor in each public health and medical facility as at 31 August 2020;
 - (d) the ratio to population per doctor in each respective public health and medical facility for the designated area/district/division the facility serves as at 31 August 2020; and

- (e) the number of specialists in each divisional public health or medical service hospital as at 31 August 2020.
- 100/2020 Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Services – Can the Minister provide details as to how the \$40m allocated under Head 50 in the COVID-19 Response Budget was spent in particular –
 - (a) list of all the goods procured from this allocation, the vendor and cost of each item; and
 - (b) list of all the services procured from this allocation, the vendor and cost of each item.
- 101/2020 Hon. Lynda Tabuya to ask the Minister for Local Government, Housing and Community Development – Can the Minister update Parliament on the following –
 - (a) criteria for selection of grantees for the Housing Grant Scheme for first time homeowners in the 2019-2020 financial year; and
 - (b) the breakdown of the 543 applicants who benefitted in terms of amounts given and location of home.
- 102/2020 Hon. Mikaele Leawere to ask the Minister for Forestry Can the Minister inform the Parliament on the following regarding land lease payments for forest reserves
 - (a) what is the total number of Forest Reserves;
 - (b) list of Reserves by total land area and the Provinces where these Reserves are located;
 - (c) formula for calculation of lease payment derived; and
 - (d) whether the allocated amount of \$64,000.00 in the 2019-2020 budget was fully utilised.
- 103/2020 Hon. Ro Teimumu Kepa to ask the Minister for Education, Heritage and Arts – Can the Minister provide the following to Parliament –
 - (a) itemise in detail how the \$35.5m budget allocation for 2019-2020 was spent; and

(b) an updated record of the 2,525 active students on the National Toppers Scheme as stated in her response to the 2020-2021 Budget Address.