



PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FIJI

ORDER PAPER

Friday, 21 February 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 Thursday, 20 February 2020, as previously circulated be taken as read and be confirmed.”
3. Communications from the Chair
4. Questions (*see Schedule 1*)
5. End of Week Statements (*see Schedule 2*)
6. Adjournment

SCHEDULE 1 — QUESTIONS

Oral Questions

- 45/2020 Hon. George Vegenathan to ask the Minister for Industry, Trade, Tourism, Local Government, Housing and Community Development – It has been raised over and over again that Fiji’s Ease of Doing Business ranking has been going down, can the Minister inform Parliament on what is being done to improve this process.
- 46/2020 Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua to ask the Minister for Education Heritage and Arts – Can the Minister inform Parliament when teachers will receive their Annual Performance Assessment pay rises that has been overdue for more than two years.
- 47/2020 Hon. Alipate Nagata to ask the Minister for Agriculture, Rural and Maritime Development, Waterways and Environment – Can the Minister provide an update to Parliament on plans to dredge and desilt waterways filled with silt that is contributing to flooding in lower plains.
- 48/2020 Hon. Ratu Suliano Matanitobua to ask the Minister of Employment, Productivity, Industrial Relations, Youth and Sports – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the criteria and processes in the appointment of members of the Fiji Youth Council.
- 49/2020 Hon. Joseph Nand to ask the Minister for Industry, Trade, Tourism, Local Government, Housing and Community Development – Can the Minister brief Parliament on how the Master Planning of Greater Suva, Nadi and Lautoka will minimise the need to rezone.
- 50/2020 Hon. Simione Rasova to ask the Minister for Industry, Trade, Tourism, Local Government, Housing and Community Development – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the guideline(s) for Municipal Councils in monitoring contractual agreements.
- 51/2020 Hon. Sanjay Kirpal to ask the Attorney-General and Minister for Economy, Civil Service and Communications – Can the Minister provide Parliament an update on the Nadi River Flood Alleviation Project.

Written Question

- 52/2020 Hon. Ratu Suliano Matanitobua to ask the Minister for Infrastructure, Disaster Management and Meteorological Services – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the –
- (a) details of all rural electrification projects carried out in the Central Division in 2018/2019 fiscal year;
 - (b) total value of all the rural electrification projects carried in in the Central Division in 2018/2019 fiscal year;
 - (c) details of all the rural electrification projects suspended for the Central Division in 2018/2019 fiscal year; and
 - (d) details of all the rural electrification projects being planned for the Central Division for the year 2019/2020 fiscal year.

SCHEDULE 2 — END OF WEEK STATEMENTS

1. Hon. Alvick Maharaj – Department of Waterways

The statement will provide an update on various programmes by the Department of Waterways of the Ministry of Waterways and Environment.

2. Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad – Raising Minimum Wage Rates

This statement looks at the current minimum wage rate and the inability of those on the current rate of \$2.68 an hour to afford decent living due to rising costs, Government's consultations and implications of a delay in implementing an increase and the necessity to raise minimum wage to realistic level.

3. Hon. Viam Pillay – Groundwater Development

This statement will be on groundwater development and how it impacts the population living in non-reticulated areas in relation to SDG 6.

4. Hon. Lynda Tabuya – The Fiji Free From Porn Initiative

The statement will update Parliament on the 'Fiji Free From Porn' initiative which was launched on Tuesday, 28 January 2020.