



PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FIJI

ORDER PAPER

Tuesday, 4 April 2023 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 Monday, 3 April 2023, as previously circulated be taken as read and be confirmed.”
3. Communications from the Chair
4. Presentation of reports of committees
5. Ministerial Statements
6. Consideration of Bills
7. Motions for which notice has been given (*see Schedule 1*)
8. Questions (*see Schedule 2*)

SCHEDULE 1 — MOTIONS FOR DEBATE

1. Hon. Esrom Immanuel to move –

“That Parliament debates the ‘Review of the Auditor-General’s Report on Compliance Audits Relating to COVID-19 Response’ which was tabled on 31 August 2022.” (*Parliamentary Paper No. 84 of 2022*)

2. Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna to move –

“That Parliament debates the ‘Consolidated Review Report of the Fiji Meat Industry Board 2015–2017 Annual Reports’ which was tabled on 1 September 2022.” (*Parliamentary Paper No. 94 of 2022*)

3. Hon. Esrom Immanuel to move –

“That Parliament debates the ‘Review of the Office of the Auditor-General’s 2021 Annual Report’ which was tabled on 1 September 2022.” (*Parliamentary Paper No. 88 of 2022*)

SCHEDULE 2 — QUESTIONS

Oral Questions

- 52/2023 Hon. Ioane Naivalurua to ask the Minister for Public Works and Meteorological Services, and Transport – Can the Minister inform Parliament whether the infrastructure projects that were budgeted for the 2022-2023 financial year will be completed and what is the progress.
- 53/2023 Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu to ask the Minister for Women, Children and Poverty Alleviation – Can the Minister update Parliament on the Golden Homes in Lautoka.
- 54/2023 Hon. Parveen Bala to ask the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice – Can the Minister update Parliament on the electoral system to be used in the proposed Municipal Elections.
- 55/2023 Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure to ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation – Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the works currently being carried out on developing community-based tourism.

- 56/2023 Hon. Ketan Lal to ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics – Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament if the 20 cents per litre fuel duty will be removed.
- 57/2023 Hon. Alitia Bainivalu to ask the Minister for Agriculture and Waterways – Can the Minister update Parliament on the nature based seawalls project that has been agreed to between the Ministry and the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) and the Kiwa Initiative.
- 58/2023 Hon. Joseph Nand to ask the Minister for Education – Can the Minister inform Parliament as to which guidelines does the Ministry use to make appointments.
- 59/2023 Hon. Jovesa Vocea to ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics – Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on the status of tax rebates provided to investors using Fiji as their location for film productions.

Written Questions

- 60/2023 Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna to ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public Enterprises and Veteran Affairs – Can the Prime Minister inform Parliament of the cost of exclusive Government newspaper advertising in the Fiji Sun from 2014 to 2022 excluding advertising by Government commercial companies, statutory organisations and independent institutions that came by way of a directive.
- 61/2023 Hon. Jovesa Vocea to ask the Minister for Housing and Local Government – Can the Minister update Parliament on the following –
- (a) the budgetary allocation for each financial year from 2017-2018 to 2022-2023 Budgets for assistance to victims of house fires;
 - (b) the total number of victims of house fires assisted and the total amount of funds paid out towards this policy in each financial year and specific data on the tax dollar value per annum disbursed by the Ministry for these fire accidents – by

name, date, locality (village or rural community centre), division, ethnicity and gender for the period January 2018 to 23 December 2022; and

- (c) the Minister's future plans for the Ministry for fire accident assistance.

62/2023 Hon. Jone Usamate to ask the Minister for Public Works and Meteorological Services, and Transport – Can the Minister inform Parliament on a complete list of all grid extension projects that Government has paid to the EFL to complete from 2017 onwards –

- (a) the percentage of completion of each project;
- (b) reasons for any delays; and
- (c) how these delays are being addressed.

63/2023 Hon. Alvick Maharaj to ask the Minister for Women, Children and Poverty Alleviation – Can the Minister update Parliament on the number of recipients that were assisted through the following programmes since inception until to date –

- (a) Disability allowance;
- (b) Care protection allowance;
- (c) Senior pension scheme;
- (d) Bus fare subsidy assistance;
- (e) Expanded food voucher for rural pregnant mothers; and
- (f) Poverty benefit scheme.

64/2023 Hon. Premila Kumar to ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics – During the National budget, multiple tax benefits were announced to encourage the private sector investments for housing to increase both house stocks and rental homes in the market, can the Deputy Prime Minister update the Parliament on the following information –

- (a) The type of tax incentives and the number of investors who took advantage of the incentives in the last 5 years; and
- (b) What was the total cost of incentives given by the Government and the number of new house stocks and rental homes added to the market.