



# PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FIJI

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## ORDER PAPER

**Monday, 20 November 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 Friday, 15 September 2023, 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. Questions (*see Schedule 2*)
8. Consideration of Bills
9. Motions for which notice has been given (*see Schedule 3*)

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## **SCHEDULE 1 — PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND CERTAIN DOCUMENTS**

1. Asset Fiji PTE Limited – Annual Report 2016 – 2019 (*Parliamentary Paper 104 No. of 2022*)
2. Fiji Airports – 2021 Annual Report (*Parliamentary Paper No. 59 of 2023*)
3. Fourth Quarter Appropriation Statement – Actual Expenditure from 1 May 2023 – 31 July 2023
4. Reserve Bank of Fiji Insurance – Annual Report 2022 (*Parliamentary Paper No. 21 of 2023*)
5. Tourism Fiji – Annual Report 2015 (*Parliamentary Paper No. 107 of 2023*)
6. Tourism Fiji – Annual Report 2016 1st January – 31st July (*Parliamentary Paper No. 108 of 2023*)
7. Tourism Fiji – Annual Report August 2016 – July 2017 (*Parliamentary Paper No. 109 of 2023*)
8. Tourism Fiji – Annual Report August 2017 – July 2018 (*Parliamentary Paper No. 110 of 2023*)
9. Consumer Council of Fiji – Annual Report 2019 – 2020 (*Parliamentary Paper No. 105 of 2022*)
10. Ministry of Housing and Community Development – Annual Report 2018 – 2019 (*Parliamentary Paper No. 77 of 2023*)
11. Tavua Town Council – Annual Report for the Year Ended 2016 (*Parliamentary Paper No. 51 of 2023*)
12. Ministry of Sugar Industry – 2019 – 2020 Annual Report (*Parliamentary Paper No. 36 of 2021*)
13. Sugar Industry Tribunal – Annual Report 2017 (*Parliamentary Paper No. 125 of 2023*)
14. Sugar Industry Tribunal – Annual Report 2018 (*Parliamentary Paper No. 126 of 2023*)

15. Fiji Sugar Corporation – Annual Report 2021 (*Parliamentary Paper No. 122 of 2023*)
16. Fiji Sugar Corporation – Annual Report 2022 (*Parliamentary Paper No. 123 of 2023*)
17. Fiji Sugar Corporation – Annual Report 2023 (*Parliamentary Paper No. 124 of 2023*)

## **SCHEDULE 2 — QUESTIONS**

### **Oral Questions**

- 146/2023 Hon. Alvick Maharaj to ask the Minister for Employment, Productivity and Industrial Relations – Can the Minister inform Parliament whether the Ministry has undertaken any survey or study to ascertain which industry sectors are affected the most and consequently, whether any policy initiative has been put in place to address the skills shortages by the private sector.
- 147/2023 Hon. Alitia Banivalu 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 update Parliament on the signing of the High Seas Treaty (BBNJ) under the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS).
- 148/2023 Hon. Jone Usamate to ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics – The official CPI has been stated to be 4.2% in 2022 and below 2% in 2023. Can the Deputy Prime Minister clarify the inflation level.
- 149/2023 Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna to ask the Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection – Can the Minister update Parliament on the monitoring mechanism in place on the implementation of the poverty alleviation programme to ensure that Government investment covers the targeted beneficiaries.
- 150/2023 Hon. Alipate Tuicolo to ask the Minister for Education – Can the Minister inform Parliament on how the Ministry is addressing the problem of early school dropouts and truancy amongst primary and secondary school students.

- 151/2023 Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu to ask the Minister for iTaukei Affairs and Culture, Heritage and Arts – Can the Minister update Parliament on specific criteria and requirements in place that needs to be adhered to by chiefs representing any Fijian province to qualify for membership within the Great Council of Chiefs.
- 152/2023 Hon. Joseph Nand to ask the Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the measures being used to address the issue of transportation between the mainland and the outer islands.
- 153/2023 Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Services – Can the Minister update Parliament on the development of a 100 bed hospital via the Indian Government Grant.

### **Written Questions**

- 154/2023 Hon. Hem Chand to ask the Minister for Education – Can the Minister update Parliament with a full costing and a list of the outcomes of the Education Summit that was recently organised in Nadi.
- 155/2023 Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva to ask the Minister for Agriculture and Waterways – Can the Minister provide Parliament details on how many women are registered under the Women for Agriculture Programme as follows –
- (a) the age group;
  - (b) the farming sector they come under; and
  - (c) their performance status.
- 156/2023 Hon. Hem Chand to ask the Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the number of senior citizens currently receiving an allowance of \$125 and \$115 respectively.
- 157/2023 Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva to ask the Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following –
- (a) details of the number of complaints received through the LTA 582 text free platform; and
  - (b) the breakdown on the nature of complains and the number of issues already addressed from the period January to September 2023.

- 158/2023 Hon. Alvick Maharaj to ask the Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the number of Road accident fatalities from January 2023 till 31 October 2023.
- 159/2023 Hon. Jovesa Vocea to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Services – Can the Minister update Parliament as to how many intakes have graduated from the MBBS programme that were sponsored by Toppers Scholarship from 2014 to 2022 –
- (a) how many were absorbed into the Civil Service and are currently serving in the country;
  - (b) how many of them have migrated overseas; and
  - (c) how many have joined the private sector or have gone into private practice.

### **SCHEDULE 3 — MOTIONS FOR DEBATE**

1. Hon. Alitia Bainivalu to move –  
  
“That Parliament debates the ‘Review of the iTaukei Trust Fund Board Annual Report 2020’ which was tabled on 30 March 2023.”  
*(Parliamentary Paper No. 27 of 2023).*
2. Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure to move –  
  
“That Parliament debates the ‘Review of the Parliament of the Republic of Fiji Annual Report 2017–2018’ which was tabled on 3 April 2023.”  
*(Parliamentary Paper No. 33 of 2023).*
3. Hon. Alitia Bainivalu to move –  
  
“That Parliament debates the ‘Review of the Fiji Airports Annual Report 2020’ which was tabled on 3 April 2023.” *(Parliamentary Paper No. 28 of 2023).*
4. Hon. Alitia Bainivalu to move –  
  
“That Parliament debates the ‘Review of the Ministry of Employment, Productivity and Industrial Relations 1 August 2016–31 July 2017 and 2017–2018 Annual Report’ which was tabled on 4 April 2023.”  
*Parliamentary Paper No. 29 of 2023).*

5. Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna to move –

“That Parliament debates the ‘Review Report of the Fijian Competition and Consumer Commission 2018–2019 Annual Report’ which was tabled on 4 April 2023.” (*Parliamentary Paper No. 36 of 2023*).