



PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FIJI

ORDER PAPER

Wednesday, 17 April 2024 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 Tuesday, 16 April 2024, 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. Questions (*see Schedule 1*)
7. Consideration of Bills
8. Motions for which notice has been given (*see Schedule 2*)

SCHEDULE 1 — QUESTIONS

Oral Questions

- 20/2024 Hon. Premila Kumar to ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance, Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics – Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament of Fiji Airway’s charter policies and procedures they follow when processing charter requests.
- 21/2024 Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu to ask the Minister for Rural and Maritime Development and Disaster Management – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the progress of the revived Rural Housing Programme Initiative.
- 22/2024 Hon. Virendra Lal to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Services – There is an increase in HIV cases and a contributing factor, amongst others, is the practice of injecting diluted meth into blood streams then sharing the drug-infused blood with other users. Can the Minister inform Parliament on the measures in place to combat the issue.
- 23/2024 Hon. Sashi Kiran to ask the Minister for Lands and Mineral Resources – Can the Minister update Parliament on the Ministry’s plan to balance economic development with environmental conservation in the context of mining and land use policies.
- 24/2024 Hon. Ioane Naivalurua to ask the Minister for Youth and Sports – Given the dismal performance of Team Fiji in the last three Pacific Games, can the Minister inform Parliament on the plans to improve and elevate Fiji’s performance in the next Pacific Games.
- 25/2024 Hon. Jovesa Vocea to ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications – Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the new and innovative approaches to raise funds for MSME businesses.
- 26/2024 Hon. Hem Chand to ask the Minister for Housing and Local Government – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the selection criteria and tools employed in the appointment of Special Administrators for towns and cities.

27/2024 Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna to ask the Minister for Employment, Productivity and Industrial Relations – Can the Minister update Parliament on the investigations conducted by the Labour Standards and Compliance Services on workers’ complaints and labour inspections cases lodged with the Ministry from 1st August 2023 to 31st March 2024.

Written Questions

28/2024 Hon. Viliame Naupoto to ask the Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration – In light of the changes in our Immigration Law and policy as announced by the Minister, can the Minister inform Parliament on the following –

- (a) how many that have come to Fiji as Business visitors are now employed and the general sector where they are employed;
- (b) how many of those non-citizens that are registered in the *Vola ni Kawa Bula* have entered Fiji through the permit exemption granted under the Immigration (Amendment) Act 2023; and
- (c) how many foreigners who are descendants of a Fiji Citizen on 10 October 1970 have entered Fiji through the permit exemptions granted under the Immigration (Exemption by Descent) Order 2023.

29/2024 Hon. Sashi Kiran to ask the Minister for Agriculture and Waterways – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following –

- (a) the rationale behind the reinstatement of the Drainage Board;
- (b) the current status of the appointment of the Drainage Boards for each Division; and
- (c) the mechanism as to how the Drainage Board will receive complaints and suggestions and submit the same for remedial action to the Ministry of Waterways.

SCHEDULE 2 — MOTIONS FOR DEBATE

1. Hon. Alitia Bainivalu to move –

“That Parliament debates the ‘Review of the National Fire Authority Annual Report for the 7 months period ended 31 July 2016’ which was tabled on 22 November 2023.” (*Parliamentary Paper No. 131 of 2023*).

2. Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna to move —

“That Parliament debates the ‘Consolidated Review Report of the Fiji Financial Intelligence Unit 2021–2022 Annual Reports’ which was tabled on 22 November 2023.” (*Parliamentary Paper No. 147 of 2023*).

3. Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna to move –

“That Parliament debates the ‘Annual Review Report of the Ministry of Agriculture for the Year 2018–2019’ which was tabled on 22 November 2023.” (*Parliamentary Paper No. 142 of 2023*).