

KEY
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2023 ORAL AND WRITTEN QUESTIONS					
	MARCH	APRIL	SEPTEMBER	NOVEMBER	TOTAL
ORAL QUESTIONS ASKED	27	27	37	34	125
ORAL QUESTIONS WITHDRAWN/LAPSED	5	5	3	1	14
ORAL QUESTIONS DROPPED	-	-	1	4	5
SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS ASKED	66	76	93	53	288
WRITTEN QUESTIONS ASKED	7	17	17	17	58

2023 WRITTEN QUESTIONS RESPONSE					
	MARCH	APRIL	SEPTEMBER	NOVEMBER	TOTAL
WRITTEN QUESTIONS ASKED	7	17	17	17	58
	6 responses received	15 responses received	9 responses received	14 responses received	44 responses received

2024 ORAL AND WRITTEN QUESTIONS					
	APRIL	MAY			TOTAL
TOTAL ORAL QUESTIONS ASKED	37	33			70
ORAL QUESTIONS WITHDRAWN/LAPSED/ OMITTED/DEFERRED	2	5			7
ORAL AND WRITTEN QUESTIONS DROPPED	1	1			2
TOTAL WRITTEN QUESTIONS ASKED	5	12			17
TOTAL SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS ASKED	85	TBC			TBC

2024 WRITTEN QUESTIONS RESPONSE					
	APRIL	MAY			TOTAL
WRITTEN QUESTIONS ASKED	5	17			22
	4 responses received 1 yet to be received	4 responses received 13 yet to be received			

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27/3/2023	1/2023	1		Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Filimoni Vosarogo Minister for Lands and Mineral Resources	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the Government's plan for the Land Bank and whether it will be maintained or removed.	4	
27/3/2023	2/2023	2		Hon. Ilesia Vanawalu	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives and Small and Medium Enterprises, and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on Fiji's ongoing negotiations on the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework.	3	
27/3/2023	3/2023	3		Hon. Ketan Lal	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Minister update Parliament on the current inflation rate and its effect.	2	
27/3/2023	4/2023	4		Hon. Alitia Bainivalu	Hon. Sakiasi Ditoka Minister for Rural and Maritime Development, and Disaster Management	Can the Minister update Parliament on the humanitarian and disaster relief assistance provided to New Zealand and Vanuatu after the recent severe tropical cyclones.	4	
27/3/2023	5/2023	5		Hon. Parveen Bala	Hon. Charan Singh Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry	Can the Minister inform Parliament what price will farmers get per tonne of sugar cane in the next season.	3	
27/3/2023	6/2023	6		Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on the informal settlements that will be upgraded under the Informal Settlement Upgrade Programme in the 2022-2023 financial year.	3	
27/3/2023	7/2023	7		Hon. Penioni Ravunawa	Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public Enterprises and Veteran Affairs	Can the Prime Minister inform Parliament on the positive outcomes of the 'Our Ocean Conference' in Panama.	0	
27/3/2023	8/2023			Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Poverty Alleviation	Can the Minister update Parliament on the benefits for social welfare and pension recipients from Fiji Care Insurance.		Question lapsed as Hon. Tubuna was not present
27/3/2023	9/2023		1	Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	(a) Can the Minister update Parliament on the remuneration, allowances and all entitlements of former RFMF Commanders from the years January 2005 to 16 September 2021; and (b) The rate of return of RFMF Annual Reports for the period January 2005 to 16 September 2021 as per legal requirement(s) then and now, for tabling in Parliament.		Response received
27/3/2023	10/2023		2	Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	(a) Who can hold a Fiji diplomatic passport and who qualifies to have an official Fiji passport and who authorises the issuance of such passports; (b) How many Fiji diplomatic passports were issued from 5 December 2006 to 23 December 2022 – to whom and for what purposes; (c) How many Fiji official passports were issued from 5 December 2006 to 23 December 2022 – to whom and for what purposes; (d) How many former Cabinet Ministers and other persons who were issued a Fiji diplomatic or official passport from the period 5 December 2006 to 23 December 2022 have surrendered the same after relinquishing the office they held and how many have not; (e) How many of the Executive Civil Servants who have been suspended or sent on leave with or without pay or have any form of investigations currently in process, presently hold Fiji diplomatic or official passports, and when will they return the same to the official authority; (f) How many Fiji diplomatic and official passports issued from 5 December 2006 to 23 December 2022 have been reported as destroyed, stolen or missing; and (g) What action (if any) under the current law does the Department of Immigration intend to take upon the retrieval of Fiji diplomatic and official passports from persons who no longer qualify to use the same for travel or identification purpose.		Response received
29/3/2023	11/2023	8		Hon. Vijay Nath	Hon. Agni Singh Minister for Employment, Productivity and Industrial Relations	Can the Minister update Parliament if the Minister supports the PALM and RSE schemes.	4	
29/3/2023	12/2023	9		Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the development of the National Sustainable Tourism Framework.	3	
29/3/2023	13/2023	10		Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Prime Minister inform Parliament why is there inconsistency in the retirement age in the Civil Service.	3	The Hon. Speaker allowed the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics the Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad to respond to Oral Questions 13/2023
29/3/2023	14/2023	11		Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwalevu	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on the First Home Ownership Initiative Assistance Programme.	3	

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29/3/2023	15/2023	12		Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Prime Minister inform Parliament on how much money was spent in the re-branding of the FBC logo and explain how it came back to using the original logo.	1	The Hon. Speaker allowed the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics the Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad to respond to Oral Questions 15/2023.
29/3/2023	16/2023	13		Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Charan Singh Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry	Can the Minister inform Parliament of the total amount of shortchange to cane growers from the guaranteed price of \$85 per tonne of sugarcane in the last three seasons from 2019 to 2021.	1	
29/3/2023	17/2023	14		Hon. Shalen Kumar	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Poverty Alleviation	Can the Minister inform Parliament if the social welfare assistance put in place by the previous Government will be reduced.	2	
29/3/2023	18/2023			Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works and Meteorological Services, and Transport	Can the Minister update Parliament on the maintenance and administration of Government Quarters in the Rural and Maritime areas.		Oral Question 18/2023 was withdrawn by the Hon. Jovesa Vocea
29/3/2023	19/2023		3	Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna	Hon. Jese Saukuru Minister for Youth and Sports	(a) the dollar value of every boat, farming and sports equipment handed out by the Ministry – by date, locality (village or rural community centre), division, ethnicity and gender for the period of January 2018 to 23 December 2022; and (b) the progress to date of every one of those community development assistance programmes for young people.		Response received on 29 March 2023
29/3/2023	20/2023		4	Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the annual pay and other entitlements for all the past and current Councillors, Special Administrators and senior executives for each Municipal Council for the period January 2007 to 23 December 2022.		Response received on 29 March 2023
30/3/2023	21/2023	15		Hon. Shalen Kumar	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament whether TSLs Board will continue to receive application for Toppers and TELS and issue scholarships.	2	
30/3/2023	22/2023	16		Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Ifereimi Vasu Minister for iTaukei Affairs and Culture, Heritage and Arts	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Ministry's plans to ensure vacant chiefly titles are filled promptly.	3	
30/3/2023	23/2023			Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	With the closure of the green ginger market, can the Minister inform Parliament whether the Ministry can assist farmers with unsold and unharvested ginger.		Oral Question 23/2023 had been withdrawn as the Hon. Minister for Agriculture and Waterways had delivered a Ministerial Statement on the day
30/3/2023	24/2023	17		Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Aseri Radrodoro Minister for Education	Can the Minister inform Parliament if TVET is the answer to skill shortage in Fiji and abroad, and what is the current direction of the Ministry in regards to the TVET programme.	3	The Hon. Speaker had allowed the Hon. Sashi Kiran to ask Oral Question 24/2023
30/3/2023	25/2023	18		Hon. Ratu Josaia Niudamu	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works and Meteorological Services, and Transport	Can the Minister inform Parliament what system does the Ministry intend to utilise that will be more transparent than the existing taxi permit lottery system.	2	
30/3/2023	26/2023	19		Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the Domestic Air Services Subsidy Scheme.	3	
30/3/2023	27/2023	20		Hon. Penioni Ravunawa	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister inform Parliament if Fiji is really out of the woods in terms of combating COVID-19.	3	
30/3/2023	28/2023			Hon. Esrom Emanuel	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Poverty Alleviation	Can the Minister update Parliament on the meeting of the UN Commission on the Status of Women held earlier this month.		Oral Question 28/2023 had been withdrawn by the Hon. Esrom Immanuel
30/3/2023	29/2023		5	Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	(a) how many holders of Fiji Passport who are overseas are prohibited to enter Fiji as of 23 December 2022; (b) how many former Fiji citizens with Passport of other countries are prohibited from entering Fiji as of 23 December 2022; (c) how many holders of Fiji Passports in Fiji are prohibited to leave the country as of 23 December 2022; and (d) how many foreign Nationals with Passports other than Fiji Passport are prohibited to leave Fiji as of 23 December 2022.		The Hon. Speaker had allowed – (a) Hon. Sashi Kiran to ask Written Question 29/2023; and (b) Hon. Minister Sakiasi Ditoka to respond to Written Question 29/2023 Response received

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31/3/2023	30/2023	21		Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works and Meteorological Services, and Transport	Can the Minister inform Parliament on how and when will the Government address the deteriorating road condition experienced around the country in place such as Natewa West Roads, Natewa East Roads, Buca Bay and Natewa / Tunuloa Road, Nabalebale to Kubulau Road, Naikawaga Road, the Hibiscus Highway from Labasa to Savusavu and the Nadi to Lautoka highway.	0	
31/3/2023	31/2023			Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the Business Performance of Fiji Airways Limited post COVID.		Oral Question 31/2022 had lapsed
31/3/2023	32/2023	22		Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament how is Government funding the new ministries for which there was no specific budget allocation.	2	
31/3/2023	33/2023	23		Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu	Hon. Aseri Radrodru Minister for Education	Can the Minister update Parliament on the bus fare subsidy scheme.	2	
31/3/2023	34/2023	24		Hon. Vijay Nath	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works and Meteorological Services, and Transport	Can the Minister inform Parliament which responsibilities will be shifted from the FRA to PWD and how this will be financed.	3	
31/3/2023	35/2023	25		Hon. Esrom Immanuel	Hon. Sakiasi Ditoka Minister for Rural and Maritime Development, and Disaster Management	Can the Minister update Parliament on Government's intention to revamp the Rural Housing Assistance Programme.	2	
31/3/2023	36/2023	26		Hon. Alvick Maharaj	Hon. Siromi Turaga Attorney-General and Minister for Justice	Can the Minister inform Parliament whether the Government is still committed to the Yellow Ribbon Programme.	3	
31/3/2023	37/2023	27		Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	Can the Minister inform Parliament of the current Border Management Information System (BMIS).	2	
31/3/2023	38/2023		6	Hon. Sashi Kiran	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Rates are an important source of revenue for Municipal Councils, however over the past years the collections by Councils have been in dire arrears, as reported by the previous Auditor-General's reports – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following – (a) The arrears of annual situation for each Municipal Council spanning the period January 2007 to 23 December 2022; and (b) Current strategies being put in place by the Ministry to improve rates collections, and when the Ministry anticipates seeing some turnaround.		Response received
31/3/2023	39/2023		7	Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	Can the Minister inform Parliament of the following – (a) How many applications were received by former Fiji citizens to obtain Fiji Passports pursuant to section 5 of the 2013 Constitution from the period January 2007 to December 2022; (b) How many Fiji Passport applications have been processed and issued to former Fiji citizens who made such an application under section 5 of the 2013 Constitution; (c) Can the Ministry list the graduation of fees for the issuance of Fiji Passport to former Fiji citizens as per the prescriptions of section 5 of the 2013 Constitution, from the period January 2007 to December 2022; (d) What is the approximate time taken to process an application by a former Fiji citizen in order to obtain a Fiji Passport as provided for by section 5 of the 2013 Constitution; and (e) How many Fiji citizens living in Fiji with a Fiji Passport also possess a second Passport to another country.		
3/4/2023	40/2023			Hon. Viliame Naupoto	Hon. Sakiasi Ditoka Minister for Rural and Maritime Development, and Disaster Management	Can the Minister inform Parliament as to what assistance was given by the Government to those affected by the recent floods.		Hon. Viliame Naupoto withdrew his Oral Question 40/2023
3/4/2023	41/2023			Hon. Alitia Bainivalu	Hon. Kalaveti Ravu Minister for Fisheries and Forestry	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Strategic Framework for Sandalwood Research and Development.		The Hon. Speaker informed Honourable Members that Oral Question 41/2023 had been withdrawn since the Minister for Fisheries and Forestry the Hon. Kalaveti Ravu had delivered a Ministerial Statement on the day
3/4/2023	42/2023	28		Hon. Hem Chand	Hon. Aseri Radrodru Minister for Education	Can the Minister inform Parliament on what basis were new teachers recruited in the school calendar year of 2023 and how many.	2	
3/4/2023	43/2023	29		Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna	Hon. Filimoni Vosarogo Minister for Lands and Mineral Resources	Can the Minister update Parliament on the upgrade of the Geodetic Datum.	4	
3/4/2023	44/2023	30		Hon. Alipate Tuicolo	Hon. Jese Saukuru Minister for Youth and Sports	Can the Minister inform Parliament what types of travel are included in the Ministry's Budget allocation for the Minister and Ministry staff to undertake overseas sport tours.	3	

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3/4/2023	45/2023	31		Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the progress and benefits Fiji will derive from hosting the SPARTAN Event.	3	
3/4/2023	46/2023	32		Hon. Ketan Lal	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Poverty Alleviation	Can the Minister update Parliament on the trends of Domestic Violence up to the present day.	4	
3/4/2023	47/2023	33		Hon. Esrom Immanuel	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the status of the National Security Strategy.	3	
3/4/2023	48/2023		8	Hon. Esrom Immanuel	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives and Small and Medium Enterprises, and Communications	(a) can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the specific grant information for each recipient of the "Young Entrepreneurship Scheme" (YES) launched in 2018, and data on the tax dollar value per annum, by quarter, as disbursed by the Ministry – by name, date, locality (village or rural community centre), division, ethnicity and gender for the period January 2018 to 23 December 2022; and (b) the current status of every grantee to-date.		Response received on 10 May 2023
3/4/2023	49/2023		9	Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works and Meteorological Services, and Transport	Can the Minister please provide the list of individual projects under each of the following categories of Fiji Roads Authority (FRA) Expenditure, their budgeted amounts, the forecasted amount committed or spent, and reasons for any underspend as per the end of Quarter 3 Financial Year 2022/2023 – (a) Road / Corridor Maintenance (i) Sealed Road Maintenance – Potholes Repairs (ii) Footpaths (iii) Traffic Services (Signs, Railings, Lining, etc.) (iv) Unsealed (v) Drainage (vi) Vegetation Control (b) Street Lights Maintenance – (i) Electricity (ii) Electrical Maintenance (Street Light/Traffic Lights) (c) Structures Maintenance – (i) Bridges (ii) Crossings (iii) Jetties (d) Emergency Maintenance (e) Sealed Roads Rehabilitation (f) Unsealed renewal (g) Renewal bridges, crossings, jetties		Response received
3/4/2023	50/2023		10	Hon. Alvick Maharaj	Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public Enterprises and Veteran Affairs	Can the Prime Minister inform Parliament on the list of villages and communities that were relocated to higher grounds, since 2018 to 31 December 2022, due to climate change, and also provide the relocation cost per project.		The Hon. Speaker allowed the Hon. Attorney-General and Minister for Justice the Hon. Siromi Turaga to respond to Written Question 50/2023 Response received
3/4/2023	51/2023		11	Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Aseri Radrodoro Minister for Education	As a result of increasing the retirement age from 55 to 60 years, can the Minister update Parliament on – (a) how many retired teachers have been recruited and in which field in secondary schools or which class in Primary school in 2023; (b) how many new graduates have been recruited in the teaching workforce in 2023; (c) provide a breakdown of the number of teachers and their area of expertise in the waiting pool; and (d) how many surplus teachers are there in the system and provide a breakdown of the number of teachers and the subject they teach.		
4/4/2023	52/2023	34		Hon. Ioane Naivalurua	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau 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.	3	
4/4/2023	53/2023			Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Poverty Alleviation	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Golden Homes in Lautoka.		Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu had withdrawn his Oral Question 53/2023
4/4/2023	54/2023	35		Hon. Parveen Bala	Hon. Siromi Turaga Attorney-General and Minister for Justice	Can the Minister update Parliament on the electoral system to be used in the proposed Municipal Elections.	2	
4/4/2023	55/2023	36		Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure	Hon. Viliame Gavoka 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.	4	
4/4/2023	56/2023	37		Hon. Ketan Lal	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad 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.	2	

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4/4/2023	57/2023	38		Hon. Alitia Bainivalu	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu 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.	3	
4/4/2023	58/2023	39		Hon. Joseph Nand	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister inform Parliament as to which guidelines does the Ministry use to make appointments.	2	
4/4/2023	59/2023	40		Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad 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.	2	
4/4/2023	60/2023		12	Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna	Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka 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.		Response received on 4 April 2023
4/4/2023	61/2023		13	Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa 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.		Response received
4/4/2023	62/2023		14	Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau 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.		Response received on 24 April 2023
4/4/2023	63/2023		15	Hon. Alvick Maharaj	Hon. Lynda Tabuya 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.		Response received on 4 April 2023
4/4/2023	64/2023		16	Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad 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.		Response received on 4 April 2023
5/4/2023	65/2023	41		Hon. Alikia Bia	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister inform Parliament on how Government is dealing with the formalisation of the 47 informal settlements that the previous Government had begun processing.	0	
5/4/2023	66/2023	42		Hon. Alitia Bainivalu	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the one-off \$200 per child back to school support payment to all students from early childhood education (ECE) to Year 12.	2	
5/4/2023	67/2023	43		Hon. Alipate Tuicolo	Hon. Ifereimi Vasu Minister for iTaukei Affairs and Culture, Heritage and Arts	Can the Minister inform Parliament whether Government will continue with the equal distribution of lease money that was implemented by the previous Government.	4	
5/4/2023	68/2023	44		Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	Can the Minister update Parliament on the 16th Session of the Codex Committee North America and South West Pacific (CCNASWP) which met from 30 January to 3 February 2023.	3	
5/4/2023	69/2023	45		Hon. Sanjay Kirpal	Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public Enterprises and Veteran Affairs	Can the Prime Minister inform Parliament on what guideline was used in the recent appointments of Chairs of respective Government Statutory Boards.	3	

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5/4/2023	70/2023	46		Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives and Small and Medium Enterprises, and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the Ministry's plans to incentivise rural communities and use mediums such as Cooperatives for encouraging entrepreneurship.	6	
5/4/2023	71/2023	47		Hon. Faiyaz Koya	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Deputy Prime Minister confirm as to how many new planes Fiji Airways is planning to buy over the immediate future and what are the plans with regards to new routes.	3	
5/4/2023	72/2023	48		Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the Code of Conduct for Tourism Providers.	3	
5/4/2023	73/2023		17	Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on the name, fees, claims and entitlements for Board Directors of FRCS for the period 2014 to 23 December 2022.		Response received on 5 April 2023
5/4/2023	74/2023		18	Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka 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 following – (a) How long was the firm Vatis Communications managing the social media platforms of various ministries' through the Department of Information; (b) What was the duration of every contract between the Department of Information and Vatis Communications; (c) What was the monetary value of every contract between the Department of Information and Vatis Communications; (d) Was the company Vatis Communications awarded the contract and formed before or after the publication of the first tender advertisement or expression of interest published (but not before the Tender or Expression of Interest officially closed); (e) Whether or not the company complied with the Expression of Interest or Tender provision of being "highly experienced and motivated"; (f) Whether or not the two main personnel of Vatis Communications were closely connected to a political party and in charge of the party's social media platforms; and (g) The total amount of public funds paid to Vatis Communications by the Department of Information until the termination of their contract earlier this year.		Response received on 5 April 2023
5/4/2023	75/2023		19	Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works and Meteorological Services, and Transport	Can the Minister update Parliament on the list of all the projects under the various components of Water Authority of Fiji (WAF) Capital and Maintenance budget below to include – (a) the budget for each project; (b) the amount committed and sent as per the end of Quarter 2 for the Financial Year 2022/2023; (c) percentage completion of the work undertaken; and (d) reasons for any delays and how WAF will be addressing problem areas to the following – (i) Water sources and water treatment plant; (ii) Water distribution; (iii) Integrated water meter management; (iv) Non-revenue water; (v) Water catchment management process; (vi) Wastewater treatment; (vii) Improvement and upgrade of wastewater distribution system; (viii) Rural water supply systems; (ix) Relocation of existing wastewater and water pipeline; (x) Electrical Upgrading works; and (xi) ICT Infrastructure upgrades.		Response received
5/4/2023	76/2023		20	Hon. Alvick Maharaj	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Poverty Alleviation	The Government funds the National Domestic Violence Helpline run by the Fiji Women's Crisis Centre. Can the Minister update Parliament on the monthly statistics from 2019 till March 2023 on the nature of violence against women.		Response received on 5 April 2023
5/4/2023	77/2023		21	Hon. Alvick Maharaj	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works and Meteorological Services, and Transport	Can the Minister update Parliament on the list of projects that were completed under the rural electrification programme since its inception until to date and the breakdown through divisions and the cost of individual projects.		Response received
6/4/2023	78/2023	49		Hon. Ketan Lal	Hon. Charan Singh Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the current role of the Ministry of Multi-Ethnic Affairs and what has the Ministry achieved so far.	4	
6/4/2023	79/2023	50		Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister update Parliament on plans for a new National Rehabilitation Centre to replace the current Twomey Hospital in Tamavua.	0	
6/4/2023	80/2023	51		Hon. Viliame Naupoto	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the recent emigration and immigration trends.	3	

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6/4/2023	81/2023			Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the Public Private Partnership for Affordable Housing Project.		Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna had withdrawn his Oral Question 81/2023
6/4/2023	82/2023	52		Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Review of the National Housing Policy and explain new areas that the revised Policy will cover.	3	
6/4/2023	83/2023	53		Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on some of the ongoing partnerships in place to promote Fiji as a tourism destination.	3	
6/4/2023	84/2023			Hon. Parveen Bala	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on the number of new Development leases acquired by the Ministry this year and the Ministry's plans to regularise the informal settlements.		Pursuant to Standing Order 45(6), Oral Question 84/2023 had lapsed
6/4/2023	85/2023	54		Hon. Alitia Bainivalu	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister update Parliament on the collaboration between the Institute Louis Malarde and the Fiji Centre for Disease Control.	2	
6/4/2023	86/2023		22	Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on the following – (a) what is the current legal status of the publicly funded Lautoka swimming pool; and (b) in the interest of transparency to taxpayers, all the contractual documentation, contract variation costs, contract disputes and supporting documents pertaining to the Lautoka swimming pool saga.		Response received on 14 April 2023
6/4/2023	87/2023		23	Hon. Penioni Ravunawa	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister inform Parliament on how many doctors, nurses, oral health and allied health care professionals has the Government recruited.		Response received on 6 April 2023
6/4/2023	88/2023		24	Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	Can the Minister inform Parliament of the following – (a) What is the International ranking of Fiji's Passport; (b) Can the Ministry present a complete list of countries that a Fiji Passport holder can enter without a visa; and (c) The Minister to present a complete list of Enlist countries that do not allow the holder of a Fiji Passport to enter without visa.		
11/9/2023		55		Hon. Inia Seruiratu	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	A few people as reported have fallen sick and seven unfortunately have died in the general areas of Balevuto, Nukuloa, Nacaci and Toge, Ba due to water-borne infections – Can the Minister explain the immediate response Government has carried out and future plans to address the plight of these communities in their water project.	2	Urgent Oral Question
11/9/2023	89/2023			Hon. Ratu Josaia Niudamu	Hon. Ifereimi Vasu Minister for iTaukei Affairs and Culture, Heritage and Arts	Can the Minister inform Parliament if there are plans by the Ministry to resolve the ongoing provincial boundary disputes between the two provinces of Ba and Ra.		An urgent Oral Question was asked and response was provided by the Minister responsible and in that regard, Oral Question 89/2023 was dropped from Monday's Order Paper.
11/9/2023	90/2023	56		Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka 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 current arrangement on housing eligibility for Civil Servants.	2	
11/9/2023	91/2023	57		Hon. Sachida Nand	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the request made by him during the Forum Economic Ministers Meeting on the proposed visa-free travel for Fijians to New Zealand and Australia.	2	
11/9/2023	92/2023	58		Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Ministry's work plan on the extension of sealing works on roads in Vanua Levu, Ovalau, Taveuni and Kadavu.	2	
11/9/2023	93/2023	59		Hon. Faiyaz Koya	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation	Due to the recent increase in the Departure Tax and VAT on tourism related products and services, can the Deputy Prime Minister explain how the Government plans to alleviate the potential burden on local communities and businesses.	3	
11/9/2023	94/2023	60		Hon. Sashi Kiran	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister inform Parliament on Government's plans to ensure the supply, harvest and use of clean water in rural and remote areas where regular piped water supply is not available.	2	
11/9/2023	95/2023	61		Hon. Viam Pillay	Hon. Charan Singh Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry	With the recent increase in VAT and other taxes that has raised concerns among sugarcane farmers who are already facing numerous challenges, can the Minister inform Parliament if an assessment has been conducted to gauge the potential negative impact of these tax hikes on sugarcane farmers.	3	

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11/9/2023	96/2023	62		Hon. Esrom Immanuel	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the plans to include specialised religious education teachers in its remuneration and recognition programmes, considering the important role they play in promoting religious and moral education in our school.	3	
11/9/2023	97/2023		25	Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure	Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka 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 number of Civil Servants that are currently on study leave overseas – (a) how many are on study leave with pay and how many are on study leave without pay; and (b) how many have had their contracts terminated whilst on study leave between 2014 to 2022		
11/9/2023	98/2023		26	Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Filimoni Vosarogo Minister for Lands and Mineral Resources	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the grant of state land lease for the period 2014 to 2022 for the following– (a) the number of applicants being issued Notice of Approval of Lease; (b) the number of proper leases issued upon these Notice of Approval of Lease; (c) the cause of delay in processing proper leases pending Notice of Approval of Lease; (d) what are being taken to accelerate this process for the purpose of ease of doing business and in boosting our resource based sectors; and (e) the number of leases being declined (if any) upon the issuance of Notice of Approval of Lease and the reasons for the same.		Response received on 26 September 2023
11/9/2023	99/2023		27	Hon. Hem Chand	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	As a result of the shortage of qualified teachers in the Early Childhood Education, Primary Schools and Special Needs Schools, can the Minister provide the following information to Parliament – (a) total roll of schools for the current year; (b) provide statistics on the number of teachers required per school; (c) number of teachers that resigned; and (d) number of vacancies for Early Childhood Education, Primary Schools and Special Needs Schools.		Response received on 11 September 2023
11/9/2023	100/2023		28	Hon. Alipate Tuicolo	Hon. Jese Saukuru Minister for Youth and Sports	With the establishment of the Fiji National Sports Commission Act 2013, can the Minister provide the following – (a) how many Communities Sports Associations have been registered with the Fiji National Sports Commission to date; (b) how many Communities Sports Associations are currently active or non-active to date in the Rural, Maritime, Urban and Peri-urban areas; (c) will the Fiji National Sports Commission be introducing any new sports to these communities and will these sports continue to promote equality and inclusivity regardless of age, gender, ethnicity, religious backgrounds, and physical abilities; and (d) do the community sports outreach programmes cover all four Divisions.		Response received on 11 September 2023
11/9/2023	101/2023		29	Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister provide the following – (a) a detailed breakdown of the list of projects and programmes that will be implemented to utilise the budget of Water Authority of Fiji for 2023 to 2024; and (b) the targeted cost of each programme and project, together with planned completion dates.		
12/9/2023	102/2023	63		Hon. Hem Chand	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister update Parliament on the number of teachers who have resigned in the first half of this year and what plans does the Ministry have to address the high turnover of its teaching staff.	2	
12/9/2023	103/2023	64		Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on the total cost of renovating the Prime Minister's residence at Muanikau.	1	
12/9/2023	104/2023	65		Hon. Penioni Ravunawa	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister inform Parliament on mitigation plans to alleviate the mass resignation of nurses, especially the zone nurses who usually provide Primary Health Care awareness activities.	3	
12/9/2023	105/2023	66		Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister update Parliament on the work programme for the installation of solar around the country in this financial year.	4	
12/9/2023	106/2023	67		Hon. Aliko Bia	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	With the enactment of the Media Industry Development (Repeal) Act 2023 which also removed the Code of Conduct, Standards and Advertising Guidelines, can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on the protection in place and the avenue for restitution.	1	
12/9/2023	107/2023	68		Hon. Sashi Kiran	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on what measures are in place to ensure that imported food items meet the required standard so as to avert the rising cases of non-communicable diseases in the country.	2	

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12/9/2023	108/2023	69		Hon. Alipate Tuicolo	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	With the rise in the number of teenagers found on our streets, loitering, glue sniffing and involved in criminal activities, can the Minister explain how will section 8 of the Minor Offences Act 1971 be enforced so as to address these issues.	1	
12/9/2023	109/2023	70		Hon. Alitia Bainivalu	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry and the YWAM Ships Aotearoa Limited.	2	
12/9/2023	110/2023		30	Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on the following – (a) how many International Golf Tournaments have been organised by the Government in Fiji in the past; (b) how much money was involved in each tournament; and (c) what were the economic benefits to the country if any.		Response received on 2 November 2023
12/9/2023	111/2023		31	Hon. Penioni Ravunawa	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the amount spent on the Ministry's Ambulance Services in the last 6 months for each Health Centre around the country.		Response received on 12 September 2023
12/9/2023	112/2023		32	Hon. Penioni Ravunawa	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister provide data on the resignation of Doctors, Nursing staff and Allied Health workers who resigned from the Ministry in the past 6 months.		Response received on 12 September 2023
12/9/2023	113/2023		33	Hon. Sanjay Kirpal	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	Can the Minister provide the following information on Fijians that went abroad since 1 January 2023 to 31 August 2023 in the following categories – (a) data on the number of Fijians that have migrated to Australia, New Zealand, Canada and the USA from 1 January 2023 to 31 August 2023 both on skilled migration and on Visitor's Visa; (b) data on the number of Fijians who were on Visitor's Visa and have still not returned from 1 January to 31 August 2023; and (c) data on the number of Fijians who went to a foreign country in each month from January to August 2023 under skilled migration.		Response received on 12 September 2023
12/9/2023	114/2023		34	Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister provide the following – (a) a detailed breakdown of the list of projects and programmes that will be implemented by the Fiji Roads Authority budget for 2023 to 2024; and (b) the targeted cost of each programme and project, together with planned completion dates.		
13/9/2023	115/2023	71		Hon. Aliko Bia	Hon. Charan Singh Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry	Can the Minister inform Parliament as to when the Sugar Cane Growers election will be conducted as promised to our cane sector by the Government.	3	The Hon. Speaker allowed the Hon. Aliko Bia to ask Oral Question 115/2023
13/9/2023	116/2023	72		Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister update Parliament on the EFL Grid Extension work programme for the current financial year.	4	
13/9/2023	117/2023	73		Hon. Faiyaz Koya	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection	Can the Minister explain what specific provisions or support systems the Government intends to implement to assist single mothers who might be financially impacted by the recent tax adjustments, especially given their increased responsibility as sole breadwinners.	5	
13/9/2023	118/2023	74		Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister provide an update on the 4th Review of Fiji's Trade Policy at the World Trade Organisation that took place from 19 to 21 July 2023 in Geneva.	2	
13/9/2023	119/2023	75		Hon. Taito Rokomatu	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the Ministry's plans for the construction and extension of Nayavu Health Centre.	2	
13/9/2023	120/2023	76		Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the status of the land development works in progress to formalise the informal settlements.	3	
13/9/2023	121/2023			Hon. Sanjay Kirpal	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the plans in place to provide breeders to sheep, goat and cattle farmers.		The Hon. Speaker ruled that Oral Question 121/2023 had been omitted given that the Hon. Minister for Agriculture and Waterways had delivered a Ministerial Statement on the same subject matter
13/9/2023	122/2023	77		Hon. Sashi Kiran	Hon. Aseri Radrodoro Minister for Education	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the initiatives that the Ministry has undertaken to promote digital literacy and ensure that students have access to technology for remote learning, especially in light of recent disruptions to traditional education due to the pandemic.	3	
13/9/2023	123/2023		35	Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following – (a) the number of overseas labour recruitment firms registered and operating in Fiji in respect of recruiting seasonal or long term labour for Fiji or overseas; (b) the number of seasonal or long term labourers who went away from Fiji to work overseas in the last 12 months and their respective country destinations; (c) the number of seasonal or long term labourers who came to work in Fiji in the last 12 months and their nationalities; and (d) the number of work permits declined for seasonal or long term labour in Fiji.		

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13/9/2023	124/2023		36	Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister provide the following – (a) a detailed breakdown of the list of projects and programmes that will be implemented to utilise the budget of the Land Transport Authority for 2023 to 2024; and (b) the targeted cost of each programme and project, together with planned completion dates.		
13/9/2023	125/2023		37	Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister provide the following – (a) a detailed breakdown of the list of projects and programmes that will be implemented to utilise the budget of the Maritime Safety Authority of Fiji budget for 2023 to 2024; and (b) the targeted cost of each programme and project, together with planned completion dates.		
14/9/2023	126/2023	78		Hon. Alvick Maharaj	Hon. Charan Singh Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry	Can the Minister inform Parliament if there are plans in place along with a proper timeline to solve the numerous breakdowns at the Rarawai Sugar Mill, which is affecting farmers, lorry drivers and national productivity.	2	The Hon. Speaker allowed the Hon. Alvick Maharaj to ask Oral Question 126/2023
14/9/2023	127/2023	79		Hon. Alitia Bainivalu	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on the approved changes to the Policy for Housing Assistance to Fire Victims Grant.	2	
14/9/2023	128/2023	80		Hon. Alipate Tuicolo	Hon. Agni Singh Minister for Employment, Productivity and Industrial Relations	Extramarital affairs and marriage/family breakdown have been an issue affecting Fijians contracted under the Pacific Australia Labour Mobility (PALM) and the Recognised Seasonal Employer (RSE) schemes – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the Ministry's plan to address the problem.	6	
14/9/2023	129/2023	81		Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on the Ministry's work plan to address the Black Spot areas in the country.	2	
14/9/2023	130/2023	82		Hon. Hem Chand	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection	Can the Minister inform Parliament if the Ministry has any plans to open Child Care Centres for 3 to 5 year-olds.	2	
14/9/2023	131/2023			Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the planned dredging and engineering works in the major rivers or water inland water systems in Fiji to curb and control incidences of flooding and to avail low value minerals for construction works.		The Hon. Speaker ruled that Oral Question 131/2023 had been omitted given that the Hon. Minister for Agriculture and Waterways had delivered a Ministerial Statement on the same subject matter
14/9/2023	132/2023	83		Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	With the people of Naceva and Nakasaleka in Kadavu anticipating the completion of the Vunisei Kavala Road, can the Minister update Parliament on those roads, and when is it likely to be completed and commissioned.	3	
14/9/2023	133/2023	84		Hon. Sashi Kiran	Hon. Aseri Radrodoro Minister for Education	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the measures being undertaken to enhance the quality and accessibility of technical and vocational education and training (TVET) programmes in the country.	3	
14/9/2023	134/2023		38	Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister provide the following – (a) a detailed breakdown of the list of projects and programmes that will be implemented to utilise the Ministry's budget for the 2023 to 2024 budget; and (b) the targeted cost of each programme and project, together with planned completion dates.		
15/9/2023	135/2023	85		Hon. Penioni Ravunawa	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister inform Parliament how the Ministry is addressing the delay in the processing of vacancies for Health officers.	1	
15/9/2023	136/2023	86		Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Extension to the Agreement of Cooperation with the United Nations Human Settlements Programme.	-	
15/9/2023	137/2023	87		Hon. Sanjay Kirpal	Hon. Filimoni Vosarogo Minister for Lands and Mineral Resources	Can the Minister update Parliament on the reasons for not providing the Sales Data to the Valuer's and Financial Institutes since April 2023 which is essential to Valuer's in determining the Fair Market Values of properties when carrying out valuation.	3	
15/9/2023	138/2023	88		Hon. Alitia Bainivalu	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Exchange of Notes on Japan's Grant Aid to the Ministry Under the Economic and Social Development Programme	3	
15/9/2023	139/2023	89		Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the measures being undertaken by the Ministry and the Land Transport Authority to address the dramatic increase on the number of road accidents and deaths which has set a shocking record of 53 fatalities between January to June 2023 compared to 21 deaths for the same period in 2022.	3	
15/9/2023	140/2023	90		Hon. Sashi Kiran	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on the steps being undertaken by the Fijian Competition and Consumer Commission to ensure fair price marking for basic food items and other goods and services as a result of the change of VAT as announced in the 2023 to 2024 National Budget.	4	The Hon. Speaker allowed Hon. Sashi Kiran to ask questions 140/2023

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15/9/2023	141/2023	91		Hon. Alvick Maharaj	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister inform Parliament how the Ministry intends to stop or regularise those private vehicles involved in illegal PSV activities in order to make their business legal, lawful and safe to the public.	2	
15/9/2023	142/2023			Hon. Esrom Immanuel	Hon. Aseri Radrodoro Minister for Education	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the steps being undertaken by the Ministry to address the quality of education in our schools, particularly in rural and remote areas.		The Hon. Speaker informed Honourable Members that Oral Question 142/2023 was withdrawn
15/9/2023	143/2023		39	Hon. Sashi Kiran	Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public Enterprises and Veteran Affairs	Can the Prime Minister inform Parliament on the following – the number of diplomatic missions Fiji had overseas before 5 December 2006; (a) the number of diplomatic missions established by Fiji overseas from 5 December 2006 to 23 December 2022; (b) the cost of maintaining Fiji's diplomatic missions overseas each year for the period 2007 to 2022; and (c) the number of diplomatic missions Fiji currently has abroad.		The Hon. Speaker allowed Hon. Sashi Kiran to ask questions 143/2023 Response received
15/9/2023	144/2023		40	Hon. Virendra Lal	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	The Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration to provide the following – (a) how many non-residents have been given work permits since January to July this year; and (b) provide data on work permits granted to expatriates by sectors and country of origin.		
15/9/2023	145/2023		41	Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following – (a) how many children and women have been homeless in towns and cities for the past 10 years; and (b) how many single mothers' are receiving welfare assistance and what are their age group.		Response received on 15 September 2023
20/11/2023	146/2023	92		Hon. Alvick Maharaj	Hon. Agni Singh 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.	3	
20/11/2023	147/2023	93		Hon. Alitia Banivalu	Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka 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).	-	
20/11/2023	148/2023	94		Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad 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.	1	
20/11/2023	149/2023	95		Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna	Hon. Lynda Tabuya 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.	2	
20/11/2023	150/2023	96		Hon. Alipate Tuicolo	Hon. Aseri Radrodoro 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.	-	
20/11/2023	151/2023	97		Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Ifereimi Vasu 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.	-	
20/11/2023	152/2023	98		Hon. Joseph Nand	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau 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.	3	
20/11/2023	153/2023	99		Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister update Parliament on the development of a 100 bed hospital via the Indian Government Grant.		
20/11/2023	154/2023		42	Hon. Hem Chand	Hon. Aseri Radrodoro 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.		Response received on 20 November 2023
20/11/2023	155/2023		43	Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu 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.		Response received on 20 November 2023
20/11/2023	156/2023		44	Hon. Hem Chand	Hon. Lynda Tabuya 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.		Response received on 20 November 2023
20/11/2023	157/2023		45	Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau 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.		Response received on 20 November 2023

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20/11/2023	158/2023		46	Hon. Alvick Maharaj	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau 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.		Response received on 20 November 2023
20/11/2023	159/2023		47	Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu 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.		
21/11/2023	160/2023	100		Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva	Hon. Charan Singh Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry	The Ministry of iTaukei Affairs offers leadership training for iTaukei leaders. The training, packaged as the Sauvaki programme, assists them in their community leadership roles – Can the Minister inform Parliament if the Ministry has any plans to provide similar leadership training for other multi-ethnic groups.	3	
21/11/2023	161/2023	101		Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister update Parliament on the status of issuance of PSV license.	4	
21/11/2023	162/2023			Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public Enterprises and Veteran Affairs	Can the Prime Minister inform Parliament on what Government policy is on international conflicts, and if Fiji is continuing its policy of 'Friends to all and enemies to none'.		Oral Question 162/2023 was dropped from the Order Paper as the Minister had provided response during his Ministerial Statement
21/11/2023	163/2023	102		Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Kalaveti Ravu Minister for Fisheries and Forestry	Can the Minister update Parliament on the 2023–2026 Strategic Action Plan Framework on Agriculture and Fisheries Cooperation between the Government of the Republic of China and Pacific Island Countries.	3	
21/11/2023	164/2023	103		Hon. Hem Chand	Hon. Aseri Radrodoro Minister for Education	Can the Minister inform Parliament if market employability survey is conducted before Government grant is allocated to training institutions.	2	
21/11/2023	165/2023	104		Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the total cost of the upgrading of the road from Queen Elizabeth Drive in Nasese to the National Stadium.	2	
21/11/2023	166/2023	105		Hon. Mosese Bilitavu	Hon. Aseri Radrodoro Minister for Education	Can the Minister inform Parliament what the policy is with respect to the distribution of sanitary pads under the Menstrual Hygiene Management activity.	–	The Hon. Speaker allowed the Hon. Aliki Bia to ask Oral Question 166/2023
21/11/2023	167/2023			Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	Can the Minister update Parliament on some of the self-income generating agro-based projects that the Ministry is seeking to fund in its pursuit for agricultural diversification.		Oral Question 167/2023 was dropped from the Order Paper as the Minister had provided response during his Ministerial Statement
21/11/2023	168/2023		48	Hon. Sachida Nand	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	Can the Minister update Parliament on how many commercial vegetable farmers are in Fiji and what measures are being undertaken by the Ministry to assist farmers.		Response received on 21 November 2023
21/11/2023	169/2023		49	Hon. Sachida Nand	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	Can the Minister update Parliament on the following – (a) how many farmers have been assisted by the Ministry on a cost sharing basis in the last financial year; (b) provide a breakdown on cost sharing in each commodity and division; and (c) how many farmers are expected to be assisted by the Ministry on a cost sharing basis this financial year.		Response received on 21 November 2023
21/11/2023	170/2023		50	Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Kalaveti Ravu Minister for Fisheries and Forestry	Can the Minister update Parliament on the following – (a) how many ice plants have been installed around the country in the last eight years from 2014 to 2022 by location; and (b) how many will be installed this financial year by location.		Response received on 21 November 2023
21/11/2023	171/2023		51	Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Siromi Turaga Attorney-General and Minister for Justice	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following – (a) the total number of High Court Judges required by the Judiciary of Fiji and the breakdown of the same by locations; (b) the total number of positions which are filled as of 30 September 2023 with respect to the vacancies created in the High Court of Fiji; and (c) the total number of Judge (High Court of Fiji) positions which were vacant as of 30 September 2023.		Response received on 21 November 2023
22/11/2023	172/2023	106		Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection	There are some reports that have linked the increase in sexual related crimes to pornography. Can the Minister inform Parliament if there are plans to ban or regulate pornographic sites in Fiji.	1	The Hon. Speaker allowed the Hon. Manoa Kamikamica to respond to Oral Question 172/2023
22/11/2023	173/2023	107		Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection	Can the Minister update Parliament on the changes to the Bus Fare Programme as announced in the 2023–2024 budget.	3	
22/11/2023	174/2023	108		Hon. Alipate Tuicolo	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on the Government's plans to assist farmers in the rural communities by establishing roadside stalls to help them sell their farm produce.	1	

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22/11/2023	175/2023	109		Hon. Alitia Bainivalu	Hon. Agni Singh Minister for Employment, Productivity and Industrial Relations	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Agreement between the Ministry and the Volunteer Service Abroad of New Zealand.	3	
22/11/2023	176/2023	110		Hon. Taito Rokomatu	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister inform Parliament what policies are in place when bus companies stop service delivery to the public for any particular route.	3	
22/11/2023	177/2023	111		Hon. Esrom Immanuel	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on whether the Town and City Councils will be given the authority to process and issue Business Licences under their municipality.	1	
22/11/2023	178/2023			Hon. Sachida Nand	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	In the 2023-2024 budget, the dairy industry was allocated \$5million. Can the Minister update Parliament on how has the budget been utilised and what activities are being funded.		Oral Question 178/2023 was dropped from the Order Paper as the relevant Minister had provided a response during his Ministerial Statement
22/11/2023	179/2023	112		Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Agni Singh Minister for Employment, Productivity and Industrial Relations	Can the Minister update Parliament on Labour Reforms consistent to the ideals and principles of the labour law as required and set out by the International Labour Organisation.	-	
22/11/2023	180/2023		52	Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister update Parliament on the following – (a) how many Traffic Infringement Notices were issued within the last 10 months to PSV related offences; and (b) how many PSV Driver license were placed on warning, final warning, suspended or cancelled because of being habitual offenders within the last 10 months.		Response received on 22 November 2023
22/11/2023	181/2023		53	Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	Can the Minister update Parliament on the following – (a) how many farm roads were constructed and completed in the past eight years i.e. 2014 to 2022 by Province; and (b) how many farm roads are earmarked to be constructed in the current financial year by Province.		Response received on 22 November 2023
22/11/2023	182/2023		54	Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following – (a) the number of reports received by the Fiji Police on alleged acts of sacrilege and the breakdown of the same by year and division for the period 2007 to 2022; (b) the number of persons who were charged for committing the alleged acts of sacrilege and presented to any Court of law in the period 2007 to 2022 and the breakdown of the same by year and division; (c) the number of charged persons who were successfully convicted and sentenced for committing acts of sacrilege in the period 2007 to 2022 and the breakdown of the same by year and division; (d) the total number of cases still pending before the Judiciary pertaining to persons charged with committing alleged acts of sacrilege in the period 2007 to 2022; and (e) the total number of suspects and reports still under investigation pertaining to alleged acts of sacrilege in the period 2007 to 2022 and the breakdown of the same by year and division.		
23/11/2023	183/2023			Hon. Rinesh Sharma	Hon. Kalaveti Ravu Minister for Fisheries and Forestry	Can the Minister inform Parliament if the Ministry has undertaken a stock assessment of beach-de-mer to ensure the viability of the resource.		Oral Question 183/2023 was dropped from the Order Paper as the relevant Minister had provided a response during his Ministerial Statement.
23/11/2023	184/2023	113		Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu	Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka 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 Project Cooperation Agreement for the Initiative for Climate Action Transparency Phase II Project.	1	
23/11/2023	185/2023	114		Hon. Hem Chand	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the steps being undertaken by the Ministry to address the ECE sector, particularly the ECE curriculum and salary of teachers.	2	
23/11/2023	186/2023	115		Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Memorandum of Understanding to Enhance Risk Communication Capacity for the Ministry.	-	
23/11/2023	187/2023	116		Hon. Alvick Maharaj	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Given that the market fees review for market vendors and farmers was announced in the 2023-2024 budget. Can the Minister update Parliament on the status of the review.	1	Response received on 27 November 2023
23/11/2023	188/2023	117		Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Minister update Parliament on the establishment of the Scam Taskforce on online fraudulent activities and its future plans.	3	
23/11/2023	189/2023	118		Hon. Ketan Lal	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on the current state of waste management and disposal practices in our communities that used to be covered by Rural Local Authorities.	1	Response received on 27 November 2023

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23/11/2023	190/2023	119		Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the steps been undertaken in partnership with World Heritage Funds to restore the heritage sites damaged during TC Winston in 2016 at Levuka.	-	The Hon. Speaker allowed the Hon. Ifereimi Vasu to respond to Oral Question 190/2023
23/11/2023	191/2023		55		Hon. Siromi Turaga Attorney-General and Minister for Justice	Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva asked the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice – Can the Minister update Parliament on the total compensation that has been paid out by Accident Compensation Commission Fiji for road accident from the period January to September 2023.		Response received on 22 November 2023
23/11/2023	192/2023		56		Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva asked the Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport – Can the Minister provide Parliament with details on the total funds spent by the Land Transport Authority on Road Safety Education and Awareness Programmes and the breakdown of each activity for the period January to September 2023.		Response received on 22 November 2023
23/11/2023	193/2023		57		Hon. Aseri Radrodoro Minister for Education	Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu asked the Minister for Education – Can the Minister update Parliament on the following – (a) how many students had graduated from FNU Koronivia campus in the course of Degree in Animal Health since the inception of the course; and (b) how many have been absorbed into the Ministry		Response received on 22 November 2023
23/11/2023	194/2023		58		Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua asked the Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following – (a) the total number of reports received by the Fiji Police Force in the period 5 December 2006 to 22 December 2022 of alleged acts of brutal and inhumane treatment while in Police custody and the breakdown of the same by year and division; (b) the total number of police officers who were investigated and the total number of police officers who were charged for committing alleged acts of brutalities and inhumane treatment on those in the police custody in the period from 5 December 2006 to 22 December 2022 and the breakdown of the same by year and division; (c) the total number of police officers who were successfully convicted and sentenced for committing acts of brutalities and inhumane treatment on those in police custody in the period from 5 December 2006 to 22 December 2022 and the breakdown of the same by year and division; (d) the total number of police officers who are still under investigation either in the force or suspended for committing alleged acts of brutalities and inhumane treatment on those in the police custody in the period from 5 December 2006 to 22 December 2022 and the breakdown of the same by year and division; and (e) the total number of deaths and injuries in police custody in the period from 5 December 2006 to 22 December 2022 and the breakdown the same by year and division.		
24/11/2023	195/2023	120		Hon. Vijay Nath	Hon. Kalaveti Ravu Minister for Fisheries and Forestry	Can the Minister inform Parliament if the distribution of the US\$60m among Forum Fisheries Committee members has been agreed upon.	1	
24/11/2023	196/2023			Hon. Alitia Bainivalu	Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka 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 Fiji's Membership of the Assembly of the Global Development Network (GDN).		
24/11/2023	197/2023	121		Hon. Virendra Lal	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	Given the major increase in the trafficking and use of hard drugs in Fiji in recent months. Can the Minister inform Parliament what steps the Government is taking to address this issue.	6	
24/11/2023	198/2023	122		Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on how the Ministry is empowering Co-operatives and promoting business sustainability.	1	
24/11/2023	199/2023	123		Hon. Alvick Maharaj	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on the progress of the Savusavu, Levuka and Nakasi markets that were initiated by the previous Government.	1	
24/11/2023	200/2023	124		Hon. Ratu Rakuira Vakalalabure	Hon. Aseri Radrodoro Minister for Education	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Education (Establishment and Registration of Schools) (Amendment) Regulations 2023.	-	
24/11/2023	201/2023	125		Hon. Hem Chand	Hon. Aseri Radrodoro Minister for Education	Prices of most items have increased due to increase in VAT and corporate tax. Can the Minister inform Parliament whether the Ministry is considering increasing the Free Education Grant and Boarding Grant to meet the increase in the cost of items.	1	
TOTAL ORAL QUESTIONS ASKED			125					
ORAL QUESTIONS WITHDRAWN/LAPSED			14					
ORAL QUESTIONS DROPPED			5					
TOTAL SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS ASKED			288					
TOTAL WRITTEN QUESTIONS ASKED			58					

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2024 ORAL AND WRITTEN QUESTIONS					
	APRIL	MAY			TOTAL
TOTAL ORAL QUESTIONS ASKED	37	33			70
ORAL QUESTIONS WITHDRAWN/LAPSED/OMITTED/DEFERRED	2	5			7
ORAL AND WRITTEN QUESTIONS DROPPED	1	1			2
TOTAL WRITTEN QUESTIONS ASKED	5	12			17
TOTAL SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS ASKED	85	TBC			TBC

2024 WRITTEN QUESTIONS RESPONSE					
	APRIL	MAY			TOTAL
WRITTEN QUESTIONS ASKED	5	17			22
	4 responses received 1 yet to be received	4 responses received 13 yet to be received			

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15/4/2024	1/2024	1		Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister update Parliament on the progress of the re-establishment of the Public Works Department and what it has achieved so far.	3	
15/4/2024	2/2024	2		Hon. Alitia Bainivalu	Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka 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 Fiji's Membership of the Assembly of the Global Development Network (GDN).	1	
15/4/2024	3/2024	3		Hon. Sachida Nand	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament of the impact of the reduction of duty from 15% to 0% on imported chicken portions on the local poultry industry.	3	
15/4/2024	4/2024	4		Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on how the proposed MSME Strategic Plan will benefit the MSMEs and increase their contribution to Gross Domestic Product (GDP).	2	
15/4/2024	5/2024	5		Hon. Joseph Nand	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the progress of drainage plans for farmers in Valley Road as nearly all farms were inundated with the recent flash flooding with substantial cash income being lost.	-	
15/4/2024	6/2024	6		Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Education, Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the forthcoming South Pacific Tourism Exchange (SPTX) 2024 event to be hosted by Fiji.	-	
15/4/2024	7/2024	7		Hon. Viam Pillay	Hon. Charan Singh Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry	Can the Minister inform Parliament how the Ministry is assisting farmers and cane harvesting co-operatives to prepare their harvesters and personnel for the crushing season.	3	
15/4/2024	8/2024	8		Hon. Sashi Kiran	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Education, Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the strategic measures that the Ministry is taking to address the issue of outdated education curriculum.	3	
15/4/2024	9/2024		1	Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public Enterprises and Veteran Affairs	Hon. Premila Kumar to ask the Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public Enterprises and Veteran Affairs to provide the following information on official overseas trips taken by Ministers and Assistant Ministers from 24 December 2022 to 31 March 2024 – (a) the total number of trips undertaken; and (b) how much was Government funded.		Response received on 20 May 2024
15/4/2024	10/2024		2	Hon. Sashi Kiran	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	Hon. Sashi Kiran asked the Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration – (a) how does the Fiji Police Force make an assessment on whether or not to establish a Community Post in an area; (b) what are the basic requirements to establish a Community Post; (c) the total number of Community Posts by District and Division and the year of its establishment; and (d) the total number of applications pending for the establishment of Community Posts by District and Division as at 31 March 2024.		
16/4/2024	11/2024	9		Hon. Aliko Bia	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister inform Parliament of the status and plan to complete the road that was initially developed to connect the southern end of Kadavu from Yawe to Lomati and to Daviqele.	1	
16/4/2024	12/2024	10		Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure	Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka 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 Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of Australia and Port Infrastructure Services.	2	
16/4/2024	13/2024	11		Hon. Sachida Nand	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection	The Minister informed Parliament on 29 March 2023 that the Ministry would be rolling out the Fiji Women's Economic Empowerment Plan (2023-2028) – Can the Minister update Parliament on how and when the plan was developed and how well it has been implemented thus far.	2	
16/4/2024	14/2024	12		Hon. Ilesia Vanawalu	Hon. Sakiasi Ditoka Minister for Rural and Maritime Development and Disaster Management	Can the Minister update Parliament on the progress of the relocation of Nabavatu Village.	3	
16/4/2024	15/2024	13		Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva	Hon. Sakiasi Ditoka Minister for Rural and Maritime Development and Disaster Management	Can the Minister inform Parliament on when will the upgrade on the road to Valewaqa Settlement in Vunilagi, Cakaudrove commence so that buses and other light PSV can start providing services to the residents.	1	

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16/4/2024	16/2024	14		Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna	Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Education, Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the establishment of the Office of the International Civil Aviation Organisation Pacific Liaison Officer for the Pacific Small Island Developing States.	1	
16/4/2024	17/2024	15		Hon. Viam Pillay	Hon. Charan Singh Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry	Can the Minister inform Parliament on how the Ministry is ensuring cane access roads are maintained well before harvesting season.	4	
16/4/2024	18/2024	16		Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu	Hon. Agni Singh Minister for Employment, Productivity and Industrial Relations	Can the Minister update Parliament on the reason(s) why the PALM registration is being suspended.	4	
16/4/2024	19/2024		3	Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	Can the Minister inform Parliament on – (a) the number of overseas workers who have entered the workforce from January 2023 until 31 January 2024, by country and trade/skill sectors; and (b) the number of skilled and professional Fijians who left our shores for work, education or immigration in 2023 to date by sector and professional categories.		Response received on 26 April 2024
17/4/2024	20/2024	17		Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and 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.	3	
17/4/2024	21/2024	18		Hon. Ilesia Vanawalu	Hon. Sakiasi Ditoka Minister for Rural and Maritime Development and Disaster Management	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the progress of the revived Rural Housing Programme Initiative.	3	
17/4/2024	22/2024	19		Hon. Virendra Lal	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu 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.	1	
17/4/2024	23/2024	20		Hon. Sashi Kiran	Hon. Filimoni Vosarogo 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.	3	
17/4/2024	24/2024	21		Hon. Ioane Naivalurua	Hon. Jese Saukuru 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.	3	
17/4/2024	25/2024	22		Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica 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.	4	
17/4/2024	26/2024	23		Hon. Hem Chand	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa 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.	3	
17/4/2024	27/2024	24		Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna	Hon. Agni Singh 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.	3	
17/4/2024	28/2024		4	Hon. Viliame Naupoto	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua 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.		Response received on 26 April 2024
17/4/2024	29/2024		1	Hon. Sashi Kiran	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu 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.		Written Question 29/2024 was dropped from the Order Paper as the Minister had provided response during his Ministerial Statement
18/4/2024	30/2024	25		Hon. Viam Pillay	Hon. Kalaveti Ravu Minister for Fisheries and Forestry	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Housing Rehabilitation Assistance provided to landowners through the Fiji Pine Trust after the devastation caused by TC Yasa.	2	The Hon. Speaker allowed the Hon. Joseph Nand to ask Oral Question 30/2024 in the absence of Hon. Viam Pillay
18/4/2024	31/2024	26		Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna	Hon. Jese Saukuru Minister for Youth and Sports	Can the Minister update Parliament on Fiji's bid to secure a licence to enter the National Rugby League (NRL) Premiership Competition with men and women rugby league teams in the 18th Extension Franchise.	2	
18/4/2024	32/2024	27		Hon. Taito Rokomatu	Hon. Charan Singh Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry	Can the Minister inform Parliament as to where the funding for the 5% pay increase for the FSC staff that was recently announced, will be sourced from.	4	

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18/4/2024	33/2024	28		Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna	Hon. Sakiasi Ditoka Minister for Rural and Maritime Development and Disaster Management	Can the Minister update Parliament on how the Ministry through the National Disaster Management Office (NDMO), is working with stakeholders to address the issue of flooding due to drainage issues.	2	
18/4/2024	34/2024		1	Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister inform Parliament on how the LTA issued 80 taxi permits whilst PSV permits and licenses were still frozen.		Pursuant to SO44(13), Oral Question 34/2024 was withdrawn. There are matters pending before the courts pertaining to the question
18/4/2024	35/2024	29		Hon. Alitia Bainivalu	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the importance of Fiji's National Standardisation Strategy, its requirement and benefits.	2	
18/4/2024	36/2024	30		Hon. Penioni Ravunawa	Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister inform Parliament of the strategies in place to address the critical shortage of almost 30 vacancies for Medical Imaging Science Technologies in public hospitals.	-	
18/4/2024	37/2024	31		Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Education, Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on how the Ministry is aiming to improve Physical Education, Music, Arts and Crafts (PEMAC) in schools throughout Fiji.	3	
18/4/2024	38/2024		5	Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister inform Parliament of the following – (a) the total number of State Land Sub-divisions for residential purpose that were developed from 2014 to 2022 by Division and District; (b) the total number of State Land Sub-divisions for residential purpose that is currently under development by Division and District; (c) the total number of State Land Leases issued for residential purpose from 2014 to 2022 by Division; (d) the total number of State Land Notices of Approval of Lease issued for residential purpose from 2014 to 2022 by Division; and (e) the total number of applications pending for grant of lease for residential purpose on a State Land Sub-division by Division and District as at 31 March 2024.		Response received on 18 April 2024
19/4/2024	39/2024	32		Hon. Ketan Lal	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Education, Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the status of the redemption of student bus cards.	3	The Hon. Speaker allowed the Opposition Whip to ask Oral Question 39/2024 in the absence of the Hon. Ketan Lal
19/4/2024	40/2024	33		Hon. Alitia Bainivalu	Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka 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 establishment of the Fiji Public Sector Learning Institute (FPSLI).	1	
19/4/2024	41/2024	34		Hon. Ratu Josaia Niudamu	Hon. Kalaveti Ravu Minister for Fisheries and Forestry	With the seaweed farming having huge potential in coastal communities and maritime islands, can the Minister inform Parliament on the current status of the Seaweed Programme.	2	
19/4/2024	42/2024	35		Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu	Hon. Sakiasi Ditoka Minister for Rural and Maritime Development and Disaster Management	Can the Minister update Parliament on how it has progressed with budget implementation, concurrently with managing disaster operations during the course of the current financial year.	2	
19/4/2024	43/2024	36		Hon. Faiyaz Koya	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Education, Tourism and Civil Aviation	Considering the skilled labour shortage due to many workers leaving Fiji, can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on any plans to quickly upskill individuals to fill the vacancies in the tourism industry.	3	The Hon. Speaker allowed the Hon. Jone Usamate to ask Oral Question 43/2024 in the absence of the Hon. Faiyaz Koya
19/4/2024	44/2024		2	Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on what are the regional and national level strategies the Ministry is undertaking to make kava a 0.5 billion dollar industry.		Question 44/2024 to be deferred to a later sitting day
19/4/2024	45/2024	37		Hon. Viliame Naupoto	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Education, Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament as to whether the Fire Report from the National Fire Authority on the Vatuwaqa Primary School fire in 2022 has been received.	1	
20/5/2024	46/2024	38		Hon. Rinesh Sharma	Hon. Charan Singh Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the lessons learnt from the study tour of cane farmers to India.		
20/5/2024	47/2024		2	Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka 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 recent development in the Vuvale Partnership between Australia and Fiji.		The Hon. Speaker informed Honourable Members that Oral Question 47/2024 was dropped from the Order Paper as it had been addressed by the Hon. Prime Minister's Ministerial Statement

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20/5/2024	48/2024	39		Hon. Faiyaz Koya	Hon. Jese Saukuru Minister for Youth and Sports	Can the Minister inform Parliament as to what measures have been put in place to prevent the repeat of future incidents like the Fijiana Sevens players sleeping on airport benches outside Sydney airport.		
20/5/2024	49/2024	40		Hon. Alitia Bainivalu	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the Operational Partners' Agreement for Global Environment Facility (GEF) for Community Based Integrated Natural Resource Management (CBINRM).		
20/5/2024	50/2024		3	Hon. Viam Pillay	Hon. Charan Singh Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry	Can the Minister inform Parliament on what was the price of a tonne of Fiji's sugar in the international market for the 2023 Cane Crushing Season.		Oral Question 50/2024 was withdrawn by the Hon. Viam Pillay
20/5/2024	51/2024	41		Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister update Parliament on the re-introduction of the School Counselling Services.		
20/5/2024	52/2024	42		Hon. Mosese Bulitavu	Hon. Kalaveti Ravu Minister for Fisheries and Forestry	Can the Minister inform Parliament whether Fiji has sufficient supply of tuna to support the Government's recent announcement of its intention to sell more tuna internationally.		
20/5/2024	53/2024		6	Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public Enterprises and Veteran Affairs	Can the Prime Minister inform Parliament on – (a) the names of Chairpersons and Board Members of all statutory organisations and Government-owned commercial entities; (b) the names of expatriate CEO, Chairpersons and Board Members of all statutory organisations and Government-owned commercial entities; and (c) the selection criteria used to appoint these members.		The Hon. Speaker allowed the Hon. Viliame Naupoto to ask Written Question 53/2024
20/5/2024	54/2024		7	Hon. Sanjay Kirpal	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on – (a) the total monthly revenue collection from August 2023 to April 2024; and (b) the total monthly VAT Collection from August 2023 to April 2024.		
21/5/2024	55/2024	43		Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the progress of the refurbishment of the Ba Mission Hospital, for which a grant of \$710,801.00 was allocated, in the current financial year.		
21/5/2024	56/2024	44		Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the 'Whole of Government' approach in achieving the Sustainable Development Priorities.		
21/5/2024	57/2024	45		Hon. Penioni Ravunawa	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister inform Parliament on its plans to review salary anomalies existing among the Dental and Allied Health professionals in the public sector.		
21/5/2024	58/2024	46		Hon. Sashi Kiran	Hon. Agni Singh Minister for Employment, Productivity and Industrial Relations	Can the Minister update Parliament on the action taken by the Ministry in dealing with bogus employment recruitment agencies in Fiji.		
21/5/2024	59/2024	47		Hon. Alipate Tuicolo	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Minister update Parliament as to how the \$2 million allocated in this financial year for Public Private Partnership for Housing has been utilised.		
21/5/2024	60/2024	48		Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the repatriation of Chinese nationals from Nadi International Airport in 2017.		
21/5/2024	61/2024	49		Hon. Ioane Naivalurua	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister inform Parliament on what specialist training and resources are being provided to teachers, to assist them in dealing with the huge problem of drug possession and drug use prevalent in our schools.		
21/5/2024	62/2024		8	Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Siromi Turaga Attorney-General and Minister for Justice	Can the Minister inform Parliament on – (a) the names of all the Justices of the Peace; and (b) their physical addresses by District, Province and Division as at 31 March 2024.		Response received on 24 May 2024
21/5/2024	63/2024		4	Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on – (a) the total number of foreign investment applications received monthly by Investment Fiji from 2023 to date; (b) how many foreign investment certificates were issued monthly and the investment value; and (c) the number of foreign investment activities implemented monthly.		The Hon. Speaker informed Honourable Members that the Hon. Premila Kumar had withdrawn her Written Question 63/2024
21/5/2024	64/2024		9	Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	Can the Minister inform Parliament on how many Agricultural farm access roads have been completed in this financial year and what are the future plans of the Ministry in this regard.		Response received on 21 May 2024
21/5/2024	65/2024		10	Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister provide a list of all the Solar Homes System projects that were scheduled to be undertaken in 2023-2024 financial year to include the following information – (a) the budget for each project; (b) the dates each project was or is scheduled to be completed; and (c) the percentage completion for each project as at 1 May 2024.		

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22/5/2024	66/2024	50		Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the security measures taken by the Land Transport Authority to ensure its Operating System is safe and protected from possible hacking, tampering and manipulation.		
22/5/2024	67/2024	51		Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Ifereimi Vasu Minister for iTaukei Affairs and Culture, Heritage and Arts	Can the Minister update Parliament on the consultation TLTB is undertaking on Crown Grants and Native Grants.		
22/5/2024	68/2024	52		Hon. Sanjay Kirpal	Hon. Filimoni Vosarogo Minister for Lands and Mineral Resources	Can the Minister inform Parliament whether the Leasehold Market Value is regulated by any Act or Regulations.		
22/5/2024	69/2024		5	Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection	Can the Minister update Parliament on the initiatives implemented to address gender inequality and promote social protection programmes for vulnerable groups, particularly women and children in the rural and maritime areas.		The Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna withdrew his Oral Question 69/2024
22/5/2024	70/2024		6	Hon. Ketan Lal	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection	Can the Minister inform Parliament on specific actions currently undertaken to address the maintenance needs of the Golden Old Age Home in Lautoka.		The Hon. Speaker informed Honourable Members that the Hon. Ketan Lal had withdrawn his Oral Question 70/2024
22/5/2024	71/2024	53		Hon. Alitia Bainivalu	Hon. Agni Singh Minister for Employment, Productivity and Industrial Relations	Can the Minister update Parliament on the approved review of the National Minimum Wage and the ten sectoral minimum Wages Regulations including the proposal of new job classifications within the current Wages Regulations.		
22/5/2024	72/2024	54		Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Ifereimi Vasu Minister for iTaukei Affairs and Culture, Heritage and Arts	Can the Minister update Parliament on the work that has been undertaken during this financial year to preserve historical monuments in Levuka.		
22/5/2024	73/2024	55		Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Agni Singh Minister for Employment, Productivity and Industrial Relations	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Fiji Volunteer Service established under the National Employment Centre Act 2009 and the joint School Employment Exposure Programme (SEEP).		
22/5/2024	74/2024		11	Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on – (a) a list of all commenced and continuing Capital Projects for the financial year 2023-2024; and (b) indicate the status, that is, whether they are completed and/or still work in progress.		
22/5/2024	75/2024		12	Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Ifereimi Vasu Minister for iTaukei Affairs and Culture, Heritage and Arts	Can the Minister update Parliament on how many villagers and settlements have utilised the village beautification and improvement fund scheme.		The Hon. Ifereimi Vasu tabled his response to Written Question 75/2024
22/5/2024	76/2024		13	Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the list of all rural water projects that were scheduled to be undertaken by the Water Authority of Fiji and the Public Works Department in this financial year 2023-2024 and to include the following information – (a) the budget for each project; (b) the dates the project was scheduled or are scheduled to be completed; and (c) the percentage completion of each project as of 1 May 2024.		
23/5/2024	77/2024	56		Hon. Ratu Josaia Niudamu	Hon. Ifereimi Vasu Minister for iTaukei Affairs and Culture, Heritage and Arts	77/2024 asked the Minister for iTaukei Affairs and Culture, Heritage and Arts – Can the Minister update Parliament on the status of the boundary dispute between the Ra and Ba provinces.		
23/5/2024	78/2024	57		Hon. Alitia Bainivalu	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	78/2024 asked the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics – Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the Adaptive Social Protection Strategy and its Implementation Plan.		
23/5/2024	79/2024	58		Hon. Taito Rokomatu	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	79/2024 asked the Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the progress of the EFL extension grid to Soa Village, Matuku Village, Wailailai and Bucalevu in Nakorotubu, Ra.		
23/5/2024	80/2024	59		Hon. Sashi Kiran	Hon. Agni Singh Minister for Employment, Productivity and Industrial Relations	80/2024 asked the Minister for Employment, Productivity and Industrial Relations – Can the Minister update Parliament on plans to improve the workers compensation system in order to deliver better social justice to the workers in Fiji.		
23/5/2024	81/2024	60		Hon. Virendra Lal	Hon. Charan Singh Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry	81/2024 asked the Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry – Can the Minister update Parliament on how the Ministry plans to assist cane farmers obtain land lease renewals on leases that are expiring.		
23/5/2024	82/2024		7	Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	82/2024 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 progress of the Co-operative movement in Fiji and what more can be expected in the upcoming budget for co-operatives.		The Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu withdrew his Oral Question 82/2024
23/5/2024	83/2024	61		Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection	83/2024 asked the Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection – Can the Minister inform Parliament as to how the \$1million allocation in this financial year for the Social Welfare Management Information System has been utilised.		
23/5/2024	84/2024	62		Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Ifereimi Vasu Minister for iTaukei Affairs and Culture, Heritage and Arts	Can the Minister update Parliament on action taken to improve the recognition of Indigenous Arts and Craft and also Contemporary Art.		

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23/5/2024	85/2024		14	Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on the utilisation percentage of the approved 2023–2024 National Budget by April 2024 for – (a) each Ministry; and (b) each statutory organisation.		
23/5/2024	86/2024		15	Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the number of indigenous owned businesses that were awarded Government Contract from 2010 to 2022.		The Hon. Manoa Kamikamica tabled his response to Written Question 86/2024
23/5/2024	87/2024		16	Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister provide a listing of all EFL grid extension projects budgeted for the financial year 2023-2024 to include the following – (a) the budget for each project; (b) the dates each project was or is scheduled to be completed; and (c) the percentage completion of each project.		
24/5/2024	88/2024	63		Hon. Alvick Maharaj	Hon. Charan Singh Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry	Can the Minister inform Parliament on how the supply of cane in the Rakiraki area will be increased.		
24/5/2024	89/2024	64		Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on key activities that the Aviation Industry is undertaking to support growth in the Tourism Sector.		
24/5/2024	90/2024	65		Hon. Semi Koroilavesau	Hon. Kalaveti Ravu Minister for Fisheries and Forestry	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the total number of trees planted to-date, under the 30 million tree planting programme which targets reforestation and climate change mitigation.		
24/5/2024	91/2024	66		Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	Can the Minister inform Parliament what actions have been taken or are planned to be taken to ensure border security given the recent influx in criminal activities and illegal border entries.		
24/5/2024	92/2024	67		Hon. Viliame Naupoto	Hon. Aseri Radrodoro Minister for Education	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the activities and findings of the External Review Committee appointed by the Higher Education Commission in November 2023 to assess Fiji's Universities.		
24/5/2024	93/2024	68		Hon. Alitia Bainivalu	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Nasinu Town Council taking ownership of their waste management operations from Suva Municipal Council.		
24/5/2024	94/2024	69		Hon. Sanjay Kirpal	Hon. Filimoni Vosarogo Minister for Lands and Mineral Resources	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the requirements and procedure used by the Ministry to issue 5-year Foreshore Development leases.		
24/5/2024	95/2024	70		Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on what initiatives the Ministry is undertaking to promote economic diversification.		
24/5/2024	96/2024		17	Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Filimoni Vosarogo Minister for Lands and Mineral Resources	Can the Minister inform Parliament on all Ground Water projects that were to be drilled and reticulated in both large and small islands in the 2023-2024 financial year to include the following information – (a) the budget of each project; (b) the date each project was or is scheduled to be completed; and (c) the percentage completion of each project.		
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ORAL QUESTIONS WITHDRAWN/LAPSED/OMITTED/DEFERRED				7				
ORAL AND WRITTEN QUESTIONS DROPPED				2				
TOTAL WRITTEN QUESTIONS ASKED				17				
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