202	2023 ORAL AND WRITTEN QUESTIONS										
	MARCH	APRIL	SEPTEMBER	NOVEMBER	TOTAL						
TOTAL ORAL QUESTIONS	27	27	37	34	125						
TOTAL ORAL QUESTIONS WITHDRAWN/LAPSED	5	5	3	1	14						
TOTAL ORAL QUESTIONS DROPPED	-	-	1	4	5						
TOTAL SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS	66	76	93	53	288						
TOTAL WRITTEN QUESTIONS	7	17	17	17	58						

202	3 WRITTEN QU	ESTIONS RESP	ONSE		
	MARCH	APRIL	SEPTEMBER	NOVEMBER	TOTAL
	7	17	17	17	58
TOTAL WRITTEN QUESTIONS	7 responses received	17 responses received	17 responses received	17 responses received	58 responses received

	202	4 ORAL AND W	/RITTEN QUEST	IONS			
	APRIL	MAY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	SEPTEMBER- OCTOBER	DECEMBER	TOTAL
TOTAL ORAL QUESTIONS	37	33	45	45	33	46	239
TOTAL ORAL QUESTIONS WITHDRAWN/LAPSED/OMITTED/DEFERRED	2	5	2	3	4	2	18
TOTAL ORAL AND WRITTEN QUESTIONS DROPPED	1	1	3	0	1	0	6
TOTAL WRITTEN QUESTIONS	5	12	14	6	6	10	53
TOTAL SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS	85	89	108	84	74	твс	твс

	202	4 WRITTEN QU	ESTIONS RESP	ONSE			
	APRIL	MAY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	SEPTEMBER- OCTOBER	DECEMBER	TOTAL
WRITTEN QUESTIONS	5	12	14	6	6	10	53
WATTER QUESTIONS	5 responses received	12 responses received	14 responses received	6 responses received	6 responses received	8 responses received	51 responses received

	2025 ORAL AND WRITTEN QUESTIONS												
	MARCH	APRIL-MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER- OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	TOTAL				
TOTAL ORAL QUESTIONS	4								4				
TOTAL ORAL QUESTIONS WITHDRAWN/LAPSED/OMITTED/DEFERRED/DROPPED	1								1				
TOTAL WRITTEN QUESTIONS DROPPED/WITHDRAWN	1								1				
TOTAL WRITTEN QUESTIONS	8								8				
TOTAL SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS	9								9				

		20	025 WRITTEN Q	UESTIONS RESP	ONSE				
	MARCH	APRIL-MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER- OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	TOTAL
WRITTEN OLIECTIONS	8								6
RITTEN QUESTIONS	6 responses received								2 yet to be received

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Withdrawn/Lapsed/Omitted/Deferred/Dropped Oral Questions
Written Questions Dropped/Withdrawn Written Questions Written Questions

Supplementary Questions **ORAL AND WRITTEN QUESTIONS 2023** Count of Count of oral Number of supp Question written Date auestions Question asked by: Question answered by: Question (request for information) questions asked Comments Number auestions (allowed by Speaker) asked asked Hon. Filimoni Vosarogo Can the Minister inform Parliament on the Government's plan for the Land Bank and whether it will be 27/3/2023 1/2023 1 Hon. Jone Usamate 4 Minister for Lands and Mineral Resources maintained or removed Hon Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on Fiji's ongoing negotiations on the Indo-Pacific 27/3/2023 2/2023 2 3 Hon, Iliesa Vanawalu operatives and Small and Medium Enterprises, and Economic Framework. Communications Hon, Prof. Biman Prasad 27/3/2023 3/2023 3 2 Hon, Ketan Lal Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Can the Minister update Parliament on the current inflation rate and its effect. Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics Hon, Sakiasi Ditoka Can the Minister update Parliament on the humanitarian and disaster relief assistance provided to New Minister for Rural and Maritime Development, and 27/3/2023 4/2023 4 Hon. Alitia Bainivalu 4 Zealand and Vanuatu after the recent severe tropical cyclones. Disaster Management Hon. Charan Singh 5/2023 5 3 27/3/2023 Hon, Parveen Bala Can the Minister inform Parliament what price will farmers get per tonne of sugar cane in the next season. Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry Hon, Maciu Nalumisa Can the Minister update Parliament on the informal settlements that will be upgraded under the Informal 3 27/3/2023 6/2023 6 Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure Minister for Housing and Local Government Settlement Upgrade Programme in the 2022-2023 financial year. Hon, Sitiveni Rabuka Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate Can the Prime Minister inform Parliament on the positive outcomes of the 'Our Ocean Conference' in 27/3/2023 7/2023 Hon. Penioni Ravunawa 0 Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public **Enterprises and Veteran Affairs** Hon. Lynda Tabuya Can the Minister update Parliament on the benefits for social welfare and pension recipients from Fiji Question lapsed as Hon. Tubuna was not 27/3/2023 8/2023 Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna Minister for Women, Children and Poverty Alleviation present Care Insurance (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 Hon. Pio Tikoduadua 27/3/2023 9/2023 Hon. Lenora Qeregeretabua Response received Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration (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. (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 Hon. Pio Tikoduadua 27/3/2023 10/2023 Hon. Lenora Qeregeretabua relinguishing the office they held and how many have not; Response received Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration (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. Hon Agni Singh 29/3/2023 11/2023 Can the Minister update Parliament if the Minister supports the PALM and RSE schemes. 8 Hon. Vijay Nath Minister for Employment, Productivity and Industrial 4 Relations Hon, Viliame Gavoka Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the development of the National Sustainable Tourism 29/3/2023 12/2023 9 Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil 3 Framework The Hon. Speaker allowed the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Hon, Prof. Biman Prasad Can the Prime Minister inform Parliament why is there inconsistency in the retirement age in the Civil 29/3/2023 13/2023 10 Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and 3 Strategic Planning, National Development Hon. Jone Usamate Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics and Statistics the Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad to respond to Oral Questions 13/2023

Can the Minister update Parliament on the First Home Ownership Initiative Assistance Programme.

Hon. Maciu Nalumisa

Minister for Housing and Local Government

Hon, Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu

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**ORAL AND WRITTEN QUESTIONS 2023** 

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Date	Question Number	Count of oral questions asked	Count of written questions asked	Question asked by:	Question answered by:	Question (request for information)	Number of supp questions asked (allowed by Speaker)	Comments
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	<ul> <li>(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</li> <li>(b) the progress to date of every one of those community development assistance programmes for young people.</li> </ul>		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 Radrodro 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	<ul> <li>(a) how many holders of Fiji Passport who are overseas are prohibited to enter Fiji as of 23 December 2022;</li> <li>(b) how many former Fiji citizens with Passport of other countries are prohibited from entering Fiji as of 23 December 2022;</li> <li>(c) how many holders of Fiji Passports in Fiji are prohibited to leave the country as of 23 December 2022; and</li> <li>(d) how many foreign Nationals with Passports other than Fiji Passport are prohibited to leave Fiji as of 23 December 2022.</li> </ul>		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 Radrodro 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	<ul> <li>Can the Minister inform Parliament of the following –</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(e) How many Fiji citizens living in Fiji with a Fiji Passport also possess a second Passport to another country.</li> </ul>		Response received on 5 September 2024				
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 Radrodro 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 Radrodro 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.		Response received 15 August 2024				
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. Aliki 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), Ora 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.		Response received on 5 September 2024			
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				

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.

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Sitiveni Rabuka leave overseas -Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate 11/9/2023 97/2023 25 Hon, Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure Response received on 2 September 2024 Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public (a) how many are on study leave with pay and how many are on study leave without pay; and Enterprises and Veteran Affairs (b) how many have had their contracts terminated whilst on study leave between 2014 to 2022 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; Hon. Filimoni Vosarogo 11/9/2023 98/2023 26 Hon. Lenora Qeregeretabua (c) the cause of delay in processing proper leases pending Notice of Approval of Lease; Response received on 26 September 2023 Minister for Lands and Mineral Resources (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 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 – Hon. Aseri Radrodro (a) total roll of schools for the current year; 11/9/2023 99/2023 27 Hon. Hem Chand Response received on 11 September 2023 Minister for Education (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. 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: Hon. Jese Saukuru (b) how many Communities Sports Associations are currently active or non-active to date in the Rural, 11/9/2023 100/2023 28 Hon. Alipate Tuicolo Response received on 11 September 2023 Minister for Youth and Sports 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. Can the Minister provide the following -Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau (a) a detailed breakdown of the list of projects and programmes that will be implemented to utilise the 101/2023 11/9/2023 29 Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Hon. Jone Usamate Response received on 5 September 2024 budget of Water Authority of Fiji for 2023 to 2024; and Transport (b) the targeted cost of each programme and project, together with planned completion dates. Hon, Aseri Radrodro Can the Minister update Parliament on the number of teachers who have resigned in the first half of this 102/2023 12/9/2023 63 Hon, Hem Chand 2 year and what plans does the Ministry have to address the high turnover of its teaching staff. Minister for Education Hon, Prof. Biman Prasad Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on the total cost of renovating the Prime Minister's 12/9/2023 103/2023 64 Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and residence at Muanikau. Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Can the Minister inform Parliament on mitigation plans to alleviate the mass resignation of nurses, 104/2023 65 12/9/2023 Hon. Penioni Ravunawa 3 Minister for Health and Medical Services especially the zone nurses who usually provide Primary Health Care awareness activities. Hon, Ro Filipe Tuisawau Can the Minister update Parliament on the work programme for the installation of solar around the country 12/9/2023 105/2023 66 Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and in this financial year. Transport Hon, Manoa Kamikamica With the enactment of the Media Industry Development (Repeal) Act 2023 which also removed the Code Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade. Co-12/9/2023 106/2023 67 Hon. Aliki Bia of Conduct, Standards and Advertising Guidelines, can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on the operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and protection in place and the avenue for restitution. Communications Hon, Manoa Kamikamica Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on what measures are in place to ensure that imported Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-12/9/2023 107/2023 68 Hon. Sashi Kiran food items meet the required standard so as to avert the rising cases of non-communicable diseases in operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications

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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.		Response received on 5 September 2024			
13/9/2023	115/2023	71		Hon. Aliki 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. Aliki 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, Cooperatives, 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 Radrodro 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.		Response received on 5 September 2024			

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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.		Response received on 5 September 2024				
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.		Response received on 5 September 2024				
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 Radrodro 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.		Response received on 5 September 2024				
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 Radrodro 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.		Response received on 5 September 2024			
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 Radrodro 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 Radrodro 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.		Response received 16 August 2024					
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 Radrodro 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 Bulitavu	Hon. Aseri Radrodro 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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Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna

Hon, Ketan Lal

Co-operatives, Small and Medium Enterprises and

Minister for Housing and Local Government

Communications Hon. Maciu Nalumisa

Supplementary Questions Written Questions **ORAL AND WRITTEN QUESTIONS 2023** Count of Count of oral Number of supp Question written Date Question (request for information) questions asked auestions Question asked by: Question answered by: Comments Number auestions asked (allowed by Speaker) asked Hon. Agni Singh Can the Minister update Parliament on the Agreement between the Ministry and the Volunteer Service Minister for Employment, Productivity and Industrial 22/11/2023 175/2023 109 Hon. Alitia Bainivalu 3 Abroad of New Zealand. Relations Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Can the Minister inform Parliament what policies are in place when bus companies stop service delivery to 22/11/2023 176/2023 110 Hon, Taito Rokomatu Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and 3 the public for any particular route. Transport Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Can the Minister update Parliament on whether the Town and City Councils will be given the authority to 22/11/2023 177/2023 111 Hon, Esrom Immanuel Minister for Housing and Local Government process and issue Business Licences under their municipality. Oral Question 178/2023 was dropped from In the 2023-2024 budget, the dairy industry was allocated \$5million. Can the Minister update Parliament on Hon. Vatimi Rayalu the Order Paper as the relevant Minister had 178/2023 22/11/2023 Hon. Sachida Nand Minister for Agriculture and Waterways provided a response during his Ministerial how has the budget been utilised and what activities are being funded. Statement Hon. Agni Singh Can the Minister update Parliament on Labour Reforms consistent to the ideals and principles of the labour 179/2023 22/11/2023 112 Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua Minister for Employment, Productivity and Industrial law as required and set out by the International Labour Organisation. Relations Can the Minister update Parliament on the following -Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau (a) how many Traffic Infringement Notices were issued within the last 10 months to PSV related offences; 22/11/2023 180/2023 52 Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Response received on 22 November 2023 Transport (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. Can the Minister update Parliament on the following -Hon. Vatimi Rayalu (a) how many farm roads were constructed and completed in the past eight years i.e. 2014 to 2022 by 181/2023 22/11/2023 53 Hon, Iliesa Vanawalu Response received on 22 November 2023 Minister for Agriculture and Waterways Province; and (b) how many farm roads are earmarked to be constructed in the current financial year by Province. 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; Hon. Pio Tikoduadua 22/11/2023 182/2023 54 (c) the number of charged persons who were successfully convicted and sentenced for committing acts of Hon. Lenora Qeregeretabua Response received on 5 September 2024 Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration 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 commit ting 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. Oral Question 183/2023 was dropped from Hon. Kalaveti Ravu Can the Minister inform Parliament if the Ministry has undertaken a stock assessment of beach-de-mer to the Order Paper as the relevant Minister had 23/11/2023 183/2023 Hon, Rinesh Sharma Minister for Fisheries and Forestry provided a response during his Ministerial ensure the viability of the resource. Statement. Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate Can the Prime Minister update Parliament on the Project Cooperation Agreement for the Initiative for 23/11/2023 184/2023 113 Hon, Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public Climate Action Transparency Phase II Project. Enterprises and Veteran Affairs Can the Minister inform Parliament on the steps being undertaken by the Ministry to address the ECE Hon, Aseri Radrodro 23/11/2023 185/2023 114 Hon, Hem Chand Minister for Education sector, particularly the ECE curriculum and salary of teachers. Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Can the Minister update Parliament on the Memorandum of Understanding to Enhance Risk Communication 23/11/2023 186/2023 115 Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna Minister for Health and Medical Services Capacity for the Ministry. Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Given that the market fees review for market vendors and farmers was announced in the 2023-2024 budget. 23/11/2023 187/2023 116 Hon. Alvick Maharaj Response received on 27 November 2023 Minister for Housing and Local Government Can the Minister update Parliament on the status of the review. Hon, Manoa Kamikamica Can the Minister update Parliament on the establishment of the Scam Taskforce on online fraudulent Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade.

activities and its future plans.

communities that used to be covered by Rural Local Authorities.

Can the Minister update Parliament on the current state of waste management and disposal practices in our

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 Radrodro 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	<ul> <li>Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua asked the Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following –</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(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;</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>		Response received on 5 September 2024				
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 Rakuita Vakalalabure	Hon. Aseri Radrodro 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 Radrodro 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 O	OTAL ORAL QUESTIONS ASKED		125									
ORAL QUESTI	RAL QUESTIONS WITHDRAWN/LAPSED		14									
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TOTAL SUPPLE	OTAL SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS ASKED		288									
TOTAL WRITTE	TOTAL WRITTEN QUESTIONS ASKED		58									

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	APRIL	MAY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	SEPTEMBER- OCTOBER	DECEMBER	TOTAL			
TOTAL ORAL QUESTIONS ASKED	37	33	45	45	33	46	239			
TOTAL ORAL QUESTIONS WITHDRAWN/LAPSED/OMITTED/DEFERRED	2	5	2	3	4	2	18			
TOTAL ORAL AND WRITTEN QUESTIONS DROPPED	1	1	3	0	1	0	6			
TOTAL WRITTEN QUESTIONS ASKED	5	12	14	6	6	10	53			
TOTAL SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS ASKED	85	89	108	84	74	TBC	TBC			

2024 WRITTEN QUESTIONS RESPONSE									
	APRIL	MAY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	SEPTEMBER- OCTOBER	DECEMBER	TOTAL		
WRITTEN OLIESTIONS ASKED	5	12	14	6	6	10	53		
WRITTEN QUESTIONS ASKED	5 responses received	12 responses received	14 responses received	6 responses received	6 responses received	8 responses received	51 responses 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 (SPTE) 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	<ul> <li>Hon. Sashi Kiran asked the Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration –</li> <li>(a) how does the Fiji Police Force make an assessment on whether or not to establish a Community Post in an area;</li> <li>(b) what are the basic requirements to establish a Community Post;</li> <li>(c) the total number of Community Posts by District and Division and the year of its establishment; and</li> <li>(d) the total number of applications pending for the establishment of Community Posts by District and Division as at 31 March 2024.</li> </ul>		Response received on 5 September 2024			
16/4/2024	11/2024	9		Hon. Aliki 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 Daviquele.	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. Iliesa 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				

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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					
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. Iliesa 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				

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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	
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 Questic 34/2024 was withdrawn. There are matters pending before the cour pertaining to the question
18/4/2024	35/2024	29		Hon. Alitia Bainivalu	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Cooperatives, 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	<ul> <li>Can the Minister inform Parliament of the following –</li> <li>(a) the total number of State Land Sub-divisions for residential purpose that were developed from 2014 to 2022 by Division and District;</li> <li>(b) the total number of State Land Sub-divisions for residential purpose that is currently under development by Division and District;</li> <li>(c) the total number of State Land Leases issued for residential purpose from 2014 to 2022 by Division;</li> <li>(d) the total number of State Land Notices of Approval of Lease issued for residential purpose from 2014 to 2022 by Division; and</li> <li>(e) the total number of applications pending for grant of lease for residential purpose on a State Land Subdivision by Division and District as at 31 March 2024.</li> </ul>		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. Jor Usamate to ask Oral Question 43/2024 in the absence of the Hon. Faiyaz Koya
19/4/2024	44/2024		2	Hon. Jovesa Vocea		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 late sitting day

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.

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Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Education,
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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.	1	
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
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.	2	
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.	5	
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  Response received on 2 September 2024
20/5/2024	54/2024		7	Hon. Sanjay Kirpal		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.		Response received on 5 June 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.	3	
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.	2	
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.	1	
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.	3	
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.	1	
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.	3	
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

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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.		Response received on 5 September 2024				
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.	5					
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.	5					
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.	2					
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.	2					
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).	4					
22/5/2024	74/2024		11	Hon. Premila Kumar		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.		Response received on 5 July 2024				
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.		Response received on 5 September 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.	2					
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.	1					
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.	4					
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.	4					
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.	3					

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23/5/2024	82/2024		7	Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu		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.	2				
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.	2				
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.		Response received on 5 July 2024			
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.		Response received on 5 September 2024			
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.	4				
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.	2				
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.	5				
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.	9				
24/5/2024	92/2024	67		Hon. Viliame Naupoto	Hon. Aseri Radrodro 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.	4				
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.	4				
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.	2				
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.	2				
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.		Response received on 7 June 2024			

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5/8/2024	97/2024	71		Hon. Penioni Ravunawa	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the progress of the plans for a new National Rehabilitation Centre to replace the current Twomey Hospital in Tamavua.	2	
5/8/2024	98/2024	72		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 establishment of the Financial Services Ombudsman.	3	
5/8/2024	99/2024	73		Hon. Ioane Naivalurua	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on the status of Sukuna Park.	3	
5/8/2024	100/2024	74		Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co- operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the Young Entrepreneurship Scheme Programme.	2	
5/8/2024	101/2024		3	Hon. Alvick Maharaj	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the recent incident involving a Northern Air Services aircraft that affected the safety of passengers and crew.		The Hon. Speaker informed Honourable Members that OQ 101/2024 would be deferred to a later sitting day in the week. The Hon. Speaker informed Honourable Members that OQ 101/2024 was dropped from the Order Paper as it had been addressed by the Hon. Minister in his Ministerial Statement
5/8/2024	102/2024	75		Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure	Hon. Sakiasi Ditoka Minister for Rural and Maritime Development and Disaster Management	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Stand-by Loan for Disaster Recovery and Rehabilitation – Phase 2.	-	
5/8/2024	103/2024	76		Hon. Sanjay Kirpal	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on the informal settlements on state land that have been sub-divided since January 2023.	2	
5/8/2024	104/2024	77		Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu		Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the Implementation of the Supply Chain Agreement under the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework (IPEF) for Prosperity.	2	
5/8/2024	105/2024	78		Hon. Virendra Lal	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister inform Parliament why LTA is holding on to the RSL number plates for those providers whose approval has been given and they already are providing the service.	3	
5/8/2024	106/2024	79		Hon. Sashi Kiran	Hon. Agni Singh Minister for Employment, Productivity and Workplace Relations	Can the Minister update Parliament on the impact of the Pacific Australia Labour Mobility Programme towards children of workers engaged under the programme and what the Ministry is doing to address these challenges.	-	
5/8/2024	107/2024		18	Hon. Penioni Ravunawa		Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on the number of patients and the cost of services to patients seen under the Free Medical and Dental Health Care Schemes from 1 January 2022 to 31 December2023.		Response received on 12 August 2024
5/8/2024	108/2024		19	Hon. Alipate Tuicolo	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Since the establishment of the Tertiary Scholarship and Loans Service (TSLS) in 2023, can the Minister inform Parliament on –  (a) the number of students that have enrolled under the TSLS in the respective Higher Education institutions;  (b) the number of students enrolled under the TSLS that did not complete their studies in the respective Higher Education institutions; and  (c) the number of students enrolled under the TSLS in each Higher Education institution that have been absorbed into the workforce.		Response was tabled by the Minister on 5 August 2024
5/8/2024	109/2024		20	Hon. Sachida Nand	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	Can the Minister update Parliament on how many local veterinarians Fiji has with the Ministry.		Response was tabled by the Minister on 5 August 2024
5/8/2024	110/2024		21	Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister provide the following information regarding the grant given to Pacific Polytech, a new private entity for skills development —  (a) what type of skills development courses are offered by Polytech, and what is the duration of these courses;  (b) against what standards and quality were their courses benchmarked to, to justify receiving a grant of \$7m in the last 18 months; and  (c) what assessment was carried out on the usage of the initial \$2m grant.		Response was tabled by the Minister on 5 August 2024

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Hon. Viam Pillay

Hon, Penioni Ravunawa

Hon, Tomasi Tunabuna

**KEY** Withdrawn/Lapsed/Omitted/Deferred/Dropped Oral Questions
Written Questions Dropped/Withdrawn Written Questions **Supplementary Questions** Written Questions **ORAL AND WRITTEN QUESTIONS 2024** Count of Count of oral Number of supp Question written Date auestions Question asked by: Question answered by: Question (request for information) questions asked Comments Number auestions (allowed by Speaker) asked asked Response was tabled by the Minister on 5 Hon. Aseri Radrodro Can the Minister inform Parliament on the number of Fiji students enrolled privately at the University of Fiji, 5/8/2024 111/2024 22 Hon, Hem Chand Minister for Education the Fiji National University and the University of the South Pacific in the last five years (2020-2024). August 2024 Can the Minister provide Parliament the complete list of Capital Projects to be undertaken by the Fiji Roads Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Authority in the 2024–2025 financial year indicating the following for each project – Response was tabled by the Minister on 5 5/8/2024 112/2024 23 Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Hon. Jone Usamate (a) the project's budget; August 2024 (b) the anticipated completion date; and Transport (c) the projected benefits and beneficiaries of each project. Hon, Prof. Biman Prasad Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament if the Government has any plans to expand the dental 6/8/2024 113/2024 80 Hon, Penioni Ravunawa Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and care programme under the Private Public Partnership Health Care Scheme to the North, Western and 3 Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics Eastern Divisions in this new financial year Hon, Sitiveni Rabuka Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate 1Can the Prime Minister update Parliament on the Grant Funding from the Japan International Cooperation 6/8/2024 114/2024 81 Hon, Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu 2 Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public Agency for Fiji Airports. Enterprises and Veteran Affairs Hon, Maciu Nalumisa Can the Minister inform Parliament if the Government has any plans to renovate and improve the state of 6/8/2024 115/2024 82 Hon, Ioane Naivalurua Minister for Housing and Local Government the public toilet facilities in all towns and cities. Hon, Viliame Gavoka Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the progress made in the development of Medical 6/8/2024 116/2024 83 Hon, Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil 4 Aviation Hon, Ifereimi Vasu Can the Minister update Parliament on the utilisation of the \$4m allocation for the iTaukei Land Development 117/2024 84 2 6/8/2024 Hon. Inia Seruiratu Minister for iTaukei Affairs and Culture, Heritage and Arts in the 2023-2024 budget. The Hon. Speaker informed Honourable Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Members that Oral Questions 118/2024 6/8/2024 Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the monitoring and evaluation measures in place for 118/2024 85 3 Hon, Sakiusa Tubuna 8/8/2024 operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises that have received assistance and funding. would be deferred to a later sitting day in the Communications week and was asked on 8 August 2024 Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Can the Minister update Parliament on the progress of the sale of fresh ginger to the Australia Ginger 119/2024 3 6/8/2024 86 Hon. Sachida Nand Minister for Agriculture and Waterways Farmers Association in the last 12 months as mentioned by the Minister in Parliament in March 2023. The Hon. Speaker informed Honourable Members that Oral Questions 120/2024 6/8/2024 Hon, Ifereimi Vasu 87 120/2024 Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu Can the Minister update Parliament on the progress of the registration of vacant Traditional Title Holder(s). 2 would be deferred to a later sitting day in the 8/8/2024 Minister for iTaukei Affairs and Culture, Heritage and Arts week and was asked on 8 August 2024 The Hon. Speaker informed Honourable Hon, Prof. Biman Prasad Members that Oral Questions 121/2024 6/8/2024 121/2024 88 Hon. Premila Kumar Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on the additional VAT on goods received from overseas. 4 8/8/2024 would be deferred to a later sitting day in the Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics week and was asked on 8 August 2024 The Hon. Speaker informed Honourable Hon. Manoa Kamikamica

Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament of the process that was undertaken to facilitate the

Can the Minister inform Parliament on the strategies to resolve the critical shortage of Dental Hygienists in

Can the Prime Minister update Parliament on the Public Service Broadcasting Grant.

installation of telecommunication towers in our rural and maritime areas.

Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following -

(a) tonnes of sugar cane crushed in the last 5 years;

(b) the amount of sugar and molasses produced; and

(c) the downtime of the mills, dates and cost to repairs

public hospitals.

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-

Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry

Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate

Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public

Communications

Hon. Charan Singh

Hon, Sitiveni Rabuka

Hon, Dr Ratu Atonio I alabalavu

**Enterprises and Veteran Affairs** 

Minister for Health and Medical Services

operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and

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7/8/2024	126/2024		4	Hon. Semi Koroilavesau	Hon. Alitia Bainivalu Minister for Fisheries and Forestry	Can the Minister inform Parliament as to why Cage Farming, which is widely practised in the world and especially in Asia, has yet to be implemented in Fiji.		The Hon. Speaker informed Honourable Members that Oral Question 126/2024 was dropped from the Order Paper as it had been addressed by the Hon. Minister in her Ministerial Statement			
7/8/2024	127/2024	92		Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Memorandum of Understanding between Fiji and Australia on a Defence Pacific Air Programme.	4				
7/8/2024	128/2024	93		Hon. Shalen Kumar	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister inform Parliament as to when will people enjoy undisrupted water supply in parts of Suva like Raiwaqa, Tamavua and Wailoku.	3				
7/8/2024	129/2024	94		Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on the progress of the Informal Settlement Upgrade Programme.	1				
7/8/2024	130/2024	95		Hon. Hem Chand	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister inform Parliament what is Government doing to ensure our Fijian staff welfare and concerns are taken to the USP Council through our representatives.	1				
7/8/2024	131/2024	96		Hon. Sashi Kiran	Hon. Agni Singh Minister for Employment, Productivity and Workplace Relations	Can the Minister inform Parliament on how the Ministry intends to assist unemployed persons in finding suitable employment locally.	4				
7/8/2024	132/2024	97		Hon. Sachida Nand	Hon. Charan Singh Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry	Can the Minister update Parliament on the utilisation of the \$500,000 in the 2023–2024 financial year for the progress of works for gas crematorium in the Navua, Western and Northern divisions.	1				
7/8/2024	133/2024	98		Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	Can the Minister update Parliament on the construction of seawalls in the villages situated in the Natewa Bay Peninsula.	2				
7/8/2024	134/2024		25	Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister provide Parliament the complete list of Capital Projects to be undertaken by the Water Authority of Fiji in the 2024–2025 financial year indicating the following for each project –  (a) the project's budget;  (b) the anticipated completion date; and  (c) the projected benefits and beneficiaries of each project.		Response was tabled by the MInister on 7 August 2024			
7/8/2024	135/2024		26	Hon. Vijay Nath	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on the number of yachts that have entered Fiji waters.		Response received on 13 August 2024			
8/8/2024	136/2024		8	Hon. Penioni Ravunawa	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister update Parliament on the new 100-beds hospital funded by the Government of India in Nasinu.		The Hon. Speaker informed that Oral Question 136/2024 had been withdrawn by the Hon. Penioni Ravunawa			
8/8/2024	137/2024	99		Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co- operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the Ministry's plans to adopt more International Standards and Guidelines in the Building and Construction sector to make the industry more effective and efficient.	4				
8/8/2024	138/2024	100		Hon. Alipate Tuicolo	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister update Parliament on the state of the infrastructure regarding the bridges and roads in remote areas, in particular, the Sigatoka Valley Road.	4				
8/8/2024	139/2024	101		Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna	Hon. Sakiasi Ditoka Minister for Rural and Maritime Development and Disaster Management	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Memorandum of Understanding between Peace Corps Fiji and the Ministry.	2				
8/8/2024	140/2024		5	Hon. Faiyaz Koya		Can the Prime Minister inform Parliament on what measures the Ministry of Civil Service is taking to improve productivity across the civil service in light of increased salary adjustments as highlighted in the budget.		The Hon. Speaker informed Honourable Members that Oral Question 140/2024 was dropped from the Order Paper as it had been addressed by the Hon. Prime Minister in his Ministerial Statement			
8/8/2024	141/2024	102		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 Fiji: Sustainable and Resilient Recovery Programme.	1				
8/8/2024	142/2024	103		Hon. Viam Pillay	Hon. Charan Singh Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the specific details on how the budget will support small-scale sugarcane farmers from larger producers.	2				

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Hon. Inia Seruiratu

Hon, Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu

Minister for iTaukei Affairs and Culture, Heritage and Arts

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Hon. Maciu Nalumisa

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Sakiusa Tubuna Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and nternational Development Office in Suva. Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics Can the Minister provide Parliament the complete list of Capital Projects to be undertaken by the Land Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Transport Authority in the 2024–2025 financial year indicating the following for each project – The response to Written Question 146/2024 27 8/8/2024 146/2024 Hon. Jone Usamate Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and (a) the project's budget; was tabled by the Minister (b) the anticipated completion date; and Transport (c) the projected benefits and beneficiaries of each project. The Hon. Speaker allowed the Government Can the Minister inform Parliament on the number of agricultural state leases (sugarcane areas) which are Whip the Hon. Alitia Bainivalu to table Hon. Filimoni Vosarogo 8/8/2024 147/2024 28 Hon, Viam Pillav Minister for Lands and Mineral Resources in breach of state lease conditions. the written response for Written Question 147/2024 Hon, Prof. Biman Prasad Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on the total amount of loan raised by the Government 8/8/2024 148/2024 29 Hon. Premila Kumar Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and from December 2022 to July 2024, how it was utilised, and what percentage was allocated to operational Response received on 12 August 2024 Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics expenses versus capital expenditure. Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Can the Minister inform Parliament on the types of assistance the Ministry can provide to the public to assist 2 9/8/2024 149/2024 107 Hon, Viliame Naupoto Minister for Agriculture and Waterways in the prevention of cruelty to animals. Hon, Sitiveni Rahuka Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate Can the Prime Minister update Parliament on the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government 9/8/2024 150/2024 108 Hon, Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure 2 Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public of Fiji and the International Peace Institute. Enterprises and Veteran Affair Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on plans to regularise the turmeric prices so that it can be 9/8/2024 151/2024 109 Hon. Alipate Tuicolo 3 operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and a viable commodity for the local communities. Communications Hon, Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the progress and activities of the National Taskforce 9/8/2024 152/2024 110 Hon, Kalaveti Ravu operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and on Food Safety. Communications Hon, Agni Singh Can the Minister update Parliament on the progress of the investigations on the ferries wheel incident a 9/8/2024 153/2024 Hon, Hem Chand Minister for Employment, Productivity and Workplace 111 Relations Hon. Sakiasi Ditoka Can the Minister update Parliament on the National Disaster Management Office partnership with Japan's 9/8/2024 154/2024 112 2 Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu Minister for Rural and Maritime Development and Quasi-Zenith Satellite System for early warning system. **Disaster Management** With the Ministry having embarked on an initiative with investors from Israel to address large scale The Hon. Speaker allowed the Hon. Jone Hon. Vatimi Rayalu 9/8/2024 155/2024 113 Hon, Sachida Nand production technologies, can the Minister update Parliament on the progress of the dairy production facility 2 Usamate to ask question 155/2024 Minister for Agriculture and Waterways project in the Central Division Hon, Manoa Kamikamica The Hon. Speaker informed that Oral Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the strategies in place by the Ministry to revive 9/8/2024 156/2024 9 Hon. Jovesa Vocea Question 156/2024 had been withdrawn by operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and dormant Co-operatives. the Hon. Jovesa Vocea. Communications Can the Minister update Parliament on the utilisation of the \$2m allocation for the Village Improvement Hon Ifereimi Vasu 9/8/2024 157/2024 114 2

Scheme in the 2023-2024 budget

Can the Minister inform Parliament on the types of training offered to tenants of the Public Rental Board.

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Vijay Nath Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and operational and how many are not, and what are the plans to repair, replace and maintain the lighthouses. was tabled by the Minister Transport Hon, Sitiveni Rabuka Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate Can the Prime Minister inform Parliament on the current status and functions of the Pacific Island 3 2/9/2024 161/2024 116 Hon. Ioane Naivalurua Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public Development Forum. Enterprises and Veteran Affairs Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the Secured Transaction Reform including the 2 2/9/2024 162/2024 117 Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Personal Property Securities Registry administered by the Reserve Bank of Fiji. Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Can the Minister inform Parliament on the status upgrade work at the Nautoloulou/Cora Road in Wainunu, Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and 2/9/2024 163/2024 118 Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva Transport Hon, Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-2/9/2024 164/2024 119 Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on Fiji's Plan on Pacer Plus. operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications Can the Minister inform Parliament on the Government's future plans for the Committee on Better Utilisation Hon. Vatimi Rayalu 2/9/2024 165/2024 120 Hon. Inia Seruiratu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways of Land programme that was introduced in 2008. Hon. Lynda Tabuya 2/9/2024 166/2024 121 Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna Can the Minister update Parliament on the Beijing Platform for Action 30 Year National Review Report. 4 Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection The Hon. Speaker allowed the Hon. Jone Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Can the Minister update Parliament on the benefits of the Public-Private Partnership approach for the 2/9/2024 167/2024 122 2 Usamate to ask Oral Question 167/2024 in Hon. Alvick Maharaj Minister for Health and Medical Services healthcare sector. the absence of the Hon. Alvick Maharaj Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Can the Minister update Parliament on plans by the Fiji Roads Authority to extend the road from Tawake to 2/9/2024 168/2024 123 Hon, Jovesa Vocea Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and 4 Wainika village in the Udu Peninsula. Transport Hon. Alitia Bainivalu 2/9/2024 169/2024 124 Hon. Semi Koroilavesau Can the Minister update Parliament on the distribution of solar freezers to rural fishing communities. 3 Minister for Fisheries and Forestry Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Can the Minister update Parliament on the outcomes of the 2020 Meeting of the Pacific Regional Council 170/2024 125 2/9/2024 Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu Minister for Health and Medical Services for Early Childhood Development. Can the Minister inform Parliament on -Hon. Maciu Nalumisa (a) the total number of fires from July 2021 to July 2024; The response to Written Question 171/2024 2/9/2024 171/2024 32 Hon, Ioane Naivalurua Minister for Housing and Local Government (b) the total number of casualties from July 2021 to July 2024; and was tabled by the Minister (c) the causes of fire reported during the same period. Hon. Ifereimi Vasu 3/9/2024 172/2024 126 Can the Minister update Parliament on the status of the Review of the iTaukei Affairs Act. 0 Hon. Ratu Josaia Niudamu Minister for iTaukei Affairs and Culture, Heritage and Arts Can the Minister update Parliament on the National Policy on Healthy Catering and Sale of Food and Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu 3/9/2024 173/2024 127 Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna 3 Minister for Health and Medical Services Beverages and its Standard Operating Procedures. Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Can the Minister inform Parliament on the construction of crossings for Nakowaga village in Koroalau and 174/2024 3/9/2024 128 Hon, Naisa Tuinaceva Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and 0 Viani village in Navatu, Cakaudrove. Transport Hon. Agni Singh Can the Minister update Parliament on the justification to amend the Health and Safety at Work (General 3/9/2024 175/2024 129 Hon. Sashi Kiran Minister for Employment, Productivity and Workplace Workplace Conditions) (Amendment) Regulations 2024.

Can the Minister inform Parliament how has the emphasis on replanting indigenous trees progressed

considering that Fiji has concentrated on the introduction of high-value species in our country.

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Hon. Alitia Bainivalu

Minister for Fisheries and Forestry

Hon. Semi Koroilavesau

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4/9/2024	177/2024	131		Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on what measures are in place to recover the outstanding Town and City rates in all the municipalities in Fiji.	2				
4/9/2024	178/2024	132		Hon. Joseph Nand	Hon. Agni Singh Minister for Employment, Productivity and Workplace Relations	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the Memorandum of Understanding regarding the development of the Fiji National Labour Mobility Framework and Strategy with the International Organisation for Migration.	2				
4/9/2024	179/2024		10	Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the benefits of the recently held Fiji Pro Event.		Oral Question 179/2024 was withdrawn by the Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu			
4/9/2024	180/2024	133		Hon. Ketan Lal	Hon. Filimoni Vosarogo Minister for Lands and Mineral Resources	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Velovelo foreshore land at Lautoka which was under development for industrial purposes.	2				
4/9/2024	181/2024	134		Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister update Parliament on the outcomes of the 2021 Pacific Literacy and Numeracy Assessment.	2				
4/9/2024	185/2024	135		Hon. Aliki Bia	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 measures being undertaken by the Ministry of Environment to enforce the Litter Act 2008.	-				
4/9/2024	186/2024	136		Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister update Parliament as to when the damaged hanging bridge in Bua Lomanikoro which was severely damaged in 2015 will be replaced.	3				
4/9/2024	187/2024		11	Hon. Alipate Tuicolo	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister update Parliament on any plans to upgrade existing water systems in rural areas under the Rural Water Scheme.		The Deputy Hon. Speaker informed that Oral Question 187/2024 had been withdrawn by the Hon. Alipate Tuicolo			
4/9/2024	188/2024	137		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 what strategy was in place by the Fiji Aviation Academy in saving Fiji Airways over \$US10 million [FJD 22.7 million] in training bills annually.	2				
4/9/2024	189/2024	138		Hon. Sachida Nand	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	Can the Minister update Parliament on which sectors were assisted under the \$2million Commercial Agriculture Development Programme in the 2023-2024 financial year.	2				
4/9/2024	190/2024	139		Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Filimoni Vosarogo Minister for Lands and Mineral Resources	Can the Minister update Parliament of the current status of Standing Trees Compensation for Landowning Units whose land were leased to the State for water catchment purposes.	-				
4/9/2024	191/2024	140		Hon. Virendra Lal	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister inform Parliament on what measures have been taken to curb the surge in drug-related offences among young people and the doubling of HIV cases among our youths in recent years.	2				
4/9/2024	192/2024	141		Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Memorandum of Understanding that was signed between the Suva City Council and Pacific Polytech.	2				
4/9/2024	193/2024	142		Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Sakiasi Ditoka Minister for Rural and Maritime Development and Disaster Management	Can the Minister inform Parliament, if the criteria for the appointment of District Advisory Councillors has been strictly adhered to in all appointments since January 2023.	2				
4/9/2024	182/2024		33	Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	Can the Minister inform Parliament on –  (a) the number of farmers that were assisted in the dalo and yaqona farming programmes in the 2023-2024 financial year;  (b) the allocation breakdown in terms of provinces; and  (c) the expected return on investment from each farmer.		The response to Written Question 182/2024 was tabled by the Minister			
4/9/2024	183/2024		34	Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following in relation to the development of the Education Sector Plan which was funded by the Global Partnership for Education in 2022 –  (a) the specific milestones that have been achieved from 2023;  (b) how much of the allocated funds have been utilised, and for what specific purposes; and  (c) what are the tentative dates for the completion of the Education Sector Plan and how will it be implemented.		The response to Written Question 183/2024 was tabled by the Minister			
4/9/2024	184/2024		35	Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister inform Parliament on how many health centres in our rural and maritime areas are earmarked for upgrade in this financial year.		The response to Written Question 184/2024 was tabled by the Minister			
4/9/2024	194/2024		36	Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister inform Parliament on —  (a) the number of road accidents and fatalities from January to July 2024;  (b) the number of infringement notices issued during the same period; and  (c) the number of driver license holders given final warning, suspended or cancelled as a consequence of continuous infringement.		The response to Written Question 194/2024 was tabled by the Minister			

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5-9-2024	195/2024	143		Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister inform Parliament on how the Ministry plans to regularise private vehicles that are engaged in illegal public service activities.	1	
5-9-2024	196/2024	144		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 Farm to Fork initiative that is currently being spearheaded by the Ministry.	3	
5-9-2024	197/2024	145		Hon. Mosese Bulitavu	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the reasons why the Municipal Councils are not providing town base permits to vehicle owners application which have been accepted by LTA for the processing of their PSV permits in particular for LMs and LCs.	2	
5-9-2024	198/2024		12	Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Education and China's Education Ministry.		The Hon. Speaker informed that Oral Question 198/2024 had been withdrawn by the Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna
5-9-2024	199/2024	146		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 reasons for the virement and redeployment of funding away from capital and operational expenditures allocated in the 2023-2024 financial year and its utilisation.	1	
5-9-2024	200/2024	147		Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	Can the Minister update Parliament on the proposed Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry and the United Nations University for Environment and Security.	-	
5-9-2024	201/2024	148		Hon. Viam Pillay	Hon. Charan Singh Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry	Can the Minister inform Parliament on how the FSC intends to assist farmers in light of the recent drought and subsequent low production of cane.	2	
5-9-2024	202/2024	149		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 update Parliament on the proposed increase in student bus fares by the Fijian Competition and Consumer Commission.	-	
5-9-2024	203/2024	150		Hon. Shalen Kumar	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	Given the 94% increase in illicit drug cases recorded in January 2024, what specific measures is the Ministry implementing to combat the surge in drug trafficking and usage, particularly concerning methamphetamine and marijuana.	3	
5-9-2024	204/2024	151		Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Phase 2 of the National Housing Policy Review.	-	
6-9-2024	205/2024	152		Hon. Viliame Naupoto	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the criteria used by the Ministry to approve Cadet training in schools.	1	
6-9-2024	206/2024	153		Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the marketing initiatives in place for Destination Fiji in support of Fiji Airways' forthcoming services to Dallas, United States.	1	
6-9-2024	207/2024	154		Hon. Parveen Bala	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on when the Local Government elections will be held.	2	The Hon. Speaker allowed the Hon. Jone Usamate to ask Oral Question 207/2024 in the absence of the Hon. Parveen Bala
6-9-2024	208/2024	155		Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu	Hon. Graham Leung Attorney-General	Can the Attorney-General update Parliament on the functions and composition of the proposed Fiji's Human Rights Task Force.	1	
6-9-2024	209/2024	156		Hon. Faiyaz Koya	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Cooperatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on what level of expansion we have had in the outsource industry in the last 24 months and has the wage rise affected this expansion.	2	
6-9-2024	210/2024	157		Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Sub-Recipient Agreement between the Ministry and the United Nations Development Programme for a Global Fund Programme to fight Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, Tuberculosis and Malaria in Fiji.	1	
6-9-2024	211/2024	158		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 progress of the Termite Control Assistance Grant for dwellings and structures affected by the Asian Subterranean Termites in both Viti Levu and Vanua Levu.	4	
6-9-2024	212/2024	159		Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co- operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the Memorandum of Understanding between Fiji and the People's Republic of China with respect to Deepening Blue Economy Cooperation and Sustainable Development.	2	
6-9-2024	213/2024	160		Hon. Joseph Nand	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister update Parliament on the development of the dedicated Drug Rehabilitation Centre.	-	

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6-9-2024	214/2024		37	Hon. Hem Chand	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following with respect to the 2024-2025 financial year –  (a) how many primary school teachers are there altogether;  (b) how many teachers teaching in primary schools have primary teachers' qualification (Certificate, Diploma or Degree in Primary Education and early childhood education); and  (c) how many teachers teaching in primary schools have secondary teachers' qualification (Diploma or Degree in Secondary Education).		The response to Written Question 214/2024 was tabled by the Minister		
30-9-2024	215/2024	161		Hon. Penioni Ravunawa	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Memorandum of Understanding between the Youth with a Mission (YWAM) New Zealand and the Ministry.	1	The Hon. Speaker approved the request from the Government Whip for Oral Question 215/2024 to be asked on Thursday		
30-9-2024	216/2024		13	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 Fiji's acceptance of the Regional Cooperative Agreement for Research, Development and Training Related to Nuclear Science and Technology, 2017.		The Hon. Speaker informed Honourable Members that Oral Question 216/2024 had been withdrawn by the Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu		
30-9-2024	217/2024	162		Hon. Ratu Josaia Niudamu	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on the plans to address flooding in Rakiraki Town.	6			
30-9-2024	218/2024	163		Hon. Kalaveti Ravu	Hon. Agni Singh Minister for Employment, Productivity and Workplace Relations	Can the Minister update Parliament on the working conditions of foreign workers in Fiji.	2			
30-9-2024	219/2024	164		Hon. Hem Chand	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister inform Parliament how the Ministry monitors and controls fundraising in schools.	4			
30-9-2024	220/2024	165		Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co- operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the Northern Development Programme and its impact on stimulating economic activities in Vanua Levu.	4			
30-9-2024	221/2024	166		Hon. Semi Koroilavesau	Hon. Alitia Bainivalu Minister for Fisheries and Forestry	Can the Minister inform Parliament if the initiative to replant trees on riverbanks to reduce soil erosion and use mangroves aimed at contributing to coral reef rehabilitation, is still being pursued.	1			
30-9-2024	222/2024	167		Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Jese Saukuru Minister for Youth and Sports	Can the Minister update Parliament if there are pathways in place for students who wish to pursue rugby as a career after having participated in the Fiji Secondary School Rugby Deans Competition.	5			
30-9-2024	223/2024	168		Hon. Viam Pillay	Hon. Charan Singh Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry	Can the Minister update Parliament on the progress of maintaining and repairing the railway network system that was damaged and is no longer in use.	3			
30-9-2024	224/2024	169		Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna	Hon. Sakiasi Ditoka Minister for Rural and Maritime Development and Disaster Management	With the revival of the Rural Outer Island Programme, how will the Ministry implement this programme to ensure maximum return on this investment.	2			
30-9-2024	225/2024		38	Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Cooperatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister –  (a) provide an update on the current status and progress of Fiji's 5G readiness;  (b) key initiatives being undertaken to facilitate this transition; and  (c) timelines for rollout.		The response to Written Question 225/2024 was tabled by the Minister		
30-9-2024	226/2024		39	Hon. Sashi Kiran	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following –  (a) when can Fiji expect the confirmation of tests for the 552 new HIV cases recorded from January to June of this year;  (b) when will the necessary testing kits be expected to arrive in Fiji; and  (c) what measures are being implemented to ensure the safety and well-being of individuals who have started the anti-retroviral therapy based on these initial test results.		Response received on 7 October 2024		
30-9-2024	227/2024		40	Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister provide detailed information on the Tertiary Scholarship and Loan Services (TSLS) for the years 2023 to 2024, specifically –  (a) a year-wise breakdown of the number of students and the TSLS funds disbursed as loans and scholarships to each Higher Education Institute;  (b) a year-wise breakdown of the number of students at each Higher Education Institute who did not complete their studies during this period and the total amount of TSLS funds disbursed that could not be effectively utilised due to student withdrawals or failures; and  (c) the steps the Ministry has taken to address the issue of students not completing their studies under the TSLS programme, and the strategies in place to improve retention and completion rates.		The response to Written Question 227/2024 was tabled by the Minister		
1-10-2024	228/2024	170		Hon. Alipate Tuicolo	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister update Parliament on the St Giles Psychiatric Hospital facelift and upgrade.	1	The Hon. Speaker approved the request from the Government Whip for Oral Question 228/2024 to be asked on Thursday		

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1-10-2024	229/2024		6	Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna	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 Fiji Foreign Policy White Paper.		The Hon. Speaker informed Honourable Members that Oral Question 229/2024 was dropped from the Order Paper as it had been addressed by the Hon. Prime Minister in his Ministerial Statement				
1-10-2024	230/2024	171		Hon. Ratu Josaia Niudamu	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection	Can the Minister inform Parliament as to the types of grants provided to organisations for persons with disability.	4					
1-10-2024	231/2024		14	Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co- operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the National Export Strategy that promotes export and economic diversification.		The Hon. Speaker informed that Oral Question 231/2024 had lapsed pursuant to Standing Order 45(6)				
1-10-2024	232/2024	172		Hon. Inia Seruiratu	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the work that has been undertaken to utilise the \$1.5 million allocation for coastal erosion protection in the 2023–2024 financial year.	1					
1-10-2024	233/2024	173		Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	Can the Minister inform Parliament on what measures are being undertaken by the Ministry to ensure the implementation of sustainable water management practices among farmers particularly in view of the increasing impact by climate change.	4					
1-10-2024	234/2024	174		Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the measures in place to ensure accountability in the Government's management and distribution of social pensions.	2					
1-10-2024	235/2024		15	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 on why the Government has not increased the allowances for university students despite the rising cost of living and education expenses.		The Hon. Speaker approved the request from the Government Whip for OQ 235/2024 to be asked on Thursday. The Hon. Speaker informed that OQ 235/2024 had lapsed pursuant to SO45(6)				
1-10-2024	236/2024		41	Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Siromi Turaga Minister for Justice	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following –  (a) how many Justices of Peace have been appointed in the last 6 months by Province and Division;  (b) the names and addresses of these newly appointed Justices of Peace; and  (c) how many applications were received for the appointment of Justice of Peace from January to June, 2024 and how many of those applications have been processed.		The response to Written Question 236/2024 was tabled by the Minister				
1-10-2024	237/2024		42	Hon. Inia Seruiratu	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 provide the following in relation to the civil service for the end of December 2022 and the end of August 2024 –  (a) the roll or total number of Civil Servants on the two dates; (b) the staff turnover rate by Ministries on both dates; and (c) what plans are in place to address skilled staff shortage.		The response to Written Question 237/2024 was tabled by the Minister (Answer to (c) was provided through email on 6 November 2024)				
2-10-2024	238/2024	175		Hon. Taito Rokomatu	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co- operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament if there are plans to construct telecommunication towers in the Nasau District in Ra.	1					
2-10-2024	239/2024	176		Hon. Esrom Immanuel	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Partnership Arrangement between the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign and Trade and the Ministry of Housing.	3					
2-10-2024	240/2024	177		Hon. Ioane Naivalurua	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the operation procedures to monitor and regulate the movement of small boats travelling between islands.	3					
2-10-2024	241/2024	178		Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister update Parliament on what measures are being undertaken to improve the water supply in the Nadi–Lautoka areas.	4					
2-10-2024	242/2024	179		Hon. Sachida Nand	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister update Parliament on when it is likely to have piped water supply for Vunitaqala Settlement in Navua to enable the community to have access to clean drinking water.	-					
2-10-2024	243/2024	180		Hon. Kalaveti Ravu	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister update Parliament on the National HIV Surge Strategy 2024–2027.	1					
2-10-2024	244/2024	181		Hon. Faiyaz Koya	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister inform Parliament if the Ministry has plans for the relocation of the Sigatoka rubbish dump, which is next to our heritage site and at the entrance to Sigatoka town.	3					
2-10-2024	245/2024	182		Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure		Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on how the Ministry is handling the increase in requests for Co-operative registration.	1					

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2-10-2024	246/2024		16	Hon. Shalen Kumar	Hon. Pio Tikoduadua Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration	With the establishment of the new Narcotics and Drugs Bureau, how does the Ministry plan to involve local communities in the fight against drug abuse and trafficking.		The Hon. Speaker informed that Oral Question 246/2024 had lapsed pursuant to Standing Order 45(6).
2-10-2024	247/2024	183		Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister update Parliament on the current and planned water pipeline extension projects in the North.	3	
3-10-2024	248/2024	184		Hon. Penioni Ravunawa	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister update Parliament on the status of the dental prosthetic services at Nakasi Health Centre.	-	
3-10-2024	249/2024	185		Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the outcomes of the recent Second Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Civil Aviation and the Delhi Declaration.	2	
3-10-2024	250/2024	186		Hon. Alipate Tuicolo	Hon. Ifereimi Vasu Minister for iTaukei Affairs and Culture, Heritage and Arts	Can the Minister inform Parliament on any plans to revive and document the native iTaukei dialects of Fiji.	-	
3-10-2024	251/2024	187		Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co- operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament how the Ministry is working towards increasing participation of women and youth in Co-operatives.	4	
3-10-2024	252/2024	188		Hon. Hem Chand	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister inform Parliament how the Ministry ensures that Early Childhood, Primary and Secondary students and teachers are engaged in learning at school for the minimum required number of hours in a term.	2	
3-10-2024	253/2024	189		Hon. Kalaveti Ravu	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister update Parliament on what actions were taken to alleviate shortage of water supply to consumers during dry conditions and in which areas.	2	
3-10-2024	254/2024	190		Hon. Semi Koroilavesau	Hon. Ifereimi Vasu Minister for iTaukei Affairs and Culture, Heritage and Arts	With the role of the Great Council of Chiefs being pivotal to the iTaukei people especially in the rural village and tikina communities, can the Minister inform Parliament how will the Government be able to manage village and community affairs with the universal individual freedoms espoused to by the international bodies like the United Nations.	-	
3-10-2024	255/2024	191		Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co- operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Minister update Parliament on what the Ministry's plans are on the Trade Policy Framework that is due for review next year.	2	
3-10-2024	256/2024	192		Hon. Sachida Nand	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister inform Parliament if Government has any plans to establish a cancer treatment hospital in Fiji to address the surge in cancer patients.	3	
3-10-2024	257/2024	193		Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister update Parliament on the re-introduction of scaling in the National Examination Process.	-	
3-10-2024	258/2024		43	Hon. Hem Chand	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	There are circumstances due to which some children are compelled to drop out of school. Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following—  (a) what is the Ministry doing to identify these students and how is the Ministry planning to assist these children;  (b) how many students dropped out in the last 5 years (2019 to 2023) before completing primary education; and  (c) how many students dropped out in the last 5 years (2019 to 2023) before completing Year 10.		The response to Written Question 258/2024 was tabled by the Minister
2-12-2024	259/2024	194		Hon. Penioni Ravunawa	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the current evaluation of the erosion issue along the Rewa riverbanks specifically between the central Nausori Town boundary and Lakena Point.	2	
2-12-2024	260/2024	195		Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna	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 status of Fiji's National Carbon Strategy Roadmap.	4	
2-12-2024	261/2024	196		Hon. Alipate Tuicolo	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 plans to reinstate the Rotuma, Rabi and Kioa Island Councils.	1	

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Ro Filipe Tuisawau Can the Minister update Parliament on some of the developments and plans related to Fiji's membership 2-12-2024 264/2024 199 3 Hon. Esrom Immanuel Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and on the International Solar Alliance. Hon. Pio Tikoduadua With rising tensions in the Middle East, particularly Israel's recent attacks on Lebanon, what measures 2-12-2024 265/2024 200 Hon. Semi Koroilavesau Minister for Home Affairs and Immigration are being taken to ensure the safety of our troops serving in UNIFIL and other peacekeeping missions. Can the Minister update Parliament on the work undertaken by the Ministry on the Building Permit Hon. Maciu Nalumisa 2-12-2024 266/2024 201 Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu Application System and how it will contribute to order and efficiency of the building development process Minister for Housing and Local Government in Fiji. Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Can the Minister update Parliament on the progress in converting Naduruloulou Research Station to solely 2-12-2024 267/2024 202 Hon. Sachida Nand Minister for Agriculture and Waterways focus on research and development of organic agriculture in Fiji Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on how Telecom Fiji in partnership with New Zealand's Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-2-12-2024 268/2024 203 Hon, Kalaveti Ravu operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Kordia is progressing in boosting Fiji's digital connectivity. Communications Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Can the Deputy Prime Minister provide a list of the 240 sites identified to receive Starlink or any other Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-The response to Written Question 269/2024 2-12-2024 269/2024 44 Hon. Virendra Lal similar satellite services and specify the areas they will cover to improve connectivity in remote and rural operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and was tabled by the Minister Communications Hon. Viliame Gavoka Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on how much revenue was generated by the Fiji Airways Would be tabled at a later sitting date in 2-12-2024 270/2024 45 Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation Academy since 2020. accordance with Standing Order 45(3) Aviation Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following for each Municipal Council from January 2024 to date -(a) list of Councils currently run by an Executive Chair including the salary levels and the dates of Hon. Maciu Nalumisa The response to Written Question 271/2024 2-12-2024 271/2024 46 Hon. Premila Kumar Minister for Housing and Local Government was tabled by the Minister (b) total expenditure (inclusive of allowance/salary, travel allowances, meals, and accommodation) for Special Administrators and Executive Chairs. Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following – (a) total number of applications received in the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 July 2024 for license to extract low value minerals by division; Hon. Filimoni Vosarogo 2-12-2024 47 272/2024 Hon. Lenora Qeregeretabua (b) total number of licenses issued in the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 July 2024 to extract low value Response received on 5 December 2024 Minister for Lands and Mineral Resources minerals by division; and (c) total number of applications rejected or shelved in the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 July 2024 for license to extract low value minerals by division. Can the Minister inform Parliament on the proactive measures or preventative strategy that is currently Hon. Lynda Tabuya 3-12-2024 273/2024 204 Hon, Naisa Tuinaceva being used by the Ministry to discourage children from moving over to towns and cities and becoming Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection homeless. Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the status of the Integrated Human Resources Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-3-12-2024 274/2024 205 Hon, Iliesa Vanawalu Development Programme in its efforts to create employment and support livelihoods in the rural and perioperatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and urban areas. Communications Hon, Dr Ratu Atonio I alabalavu Can the Minister update Parliament on the salary differences between radiologist, sonographers and those 3-12-2024 275/2024 206 Hon. Penioni Ravunawa Minister for Health and Medical Services performing doppler scans in the public health sector. Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Can the Minister update Parliament on the status of the work undertaken by the Ministry on the new town 3-12-2024 276/2024 207 Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna Minister for Housing and Local Government developments in Nabouwalu and Keiyasi. Hon. Jese Saukuru Can the Minister inform Parliament whether the Boxing Commission of Fiji failed to ensure that boxers 3-12-2024 277/2024 208 Hon. Hem Chand Minister for Youth and Sports were insured for the bouts held at King Charles Park on 26 October. Can the Minister update Parliament on the status of the review of the Tertiary Scholarships and Loans Hon. Aseri Radrodro 3-12-2024 278/2024 209 Hon. Jovesa Vocea

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3-12-2024	279/2024	210		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 Ministry's projection and expectations for Global Tourism as articulated by the World Travel and Tourism Council.					
3-12-2024	280/2024	211		Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister update Parliament on why teachers who have upgraded their qualifications have not received their commensurate salaries.					
3-12-2024	281/2024		48	Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following –  (a) yearly data on teacher absenteeism in schools from 2022 to 2024 including a breakdown by urban, peri-urban, rural and outer Islands as well as the total number of teachers in each category; and  (b) explain what measures the Ministry has implemented to address teacher absenteeism and ensure minimal disruption to student learning.		The response to Written Question 281/2024 was tabled by the Minister			
3-12-2024	282/2024		49	Hon. Sashi Kiran	Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu Minister for Health and Medical Services	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following –  (a) data available on the number of women who experience Postpartum Depression;  (b) are there specific statistics available regarding the demographics of these women (age and socioeconomic status); and  (c) what services or programmes are currently offered to support women dealing with Postpartum Depression.		The response to Written Question 282/2024 was tabled by the Minister			
3-12-2024	283/2024		50	Hon. Ketan Lal	Hon. Siromi Turaga Minister for Justice	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the Stop Departure Order in particular –  (a) the specific section of Fijian laws under which a Stop Departure Order may be issued; and  (b) the agency or agencies authorised to issue Stop Departure Orders.		The response to Written Question 283/2024 was tabled by the Minister			
4-12-2024	284/2024		17	Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection	Can the Minister update Parliament on street dwellers, including children, that have been removed from the streets and reunited with their families.		Oral Question 284/2024 was withdrawn by the Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva			
4-12-2024	285/2024	212		Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu	Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public Enterprises, Immigration and Fiji Police Force	Can the Minister update Parliament on the status of outsourcing of passport services for our overseas diaspora in New Zealand and Australia.					
4-12-2024	286/2024	213		Hon. Viliame Naupoto	Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public Enterprises, Immigration and Fiji Police Force	Can the Minister inform Parliament whether the Police investigates cases of reckless and dangerous driving posted on social media.					
4-12-2024	287/2024	214		Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Cooperatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the new Co-operative Development Grant that was approved in this financial year.					
4-12-2024	288/2024	215		Hon. Rinesh Sharma	Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Cooperatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on the outcomes of the consultations and feasibility study that was conducted for the establishment of Fiji's cannabis industry.					
4-12-2024	289/2024	216		Hon. Jovesa Vocea	Hon. Lynda Tabuya Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection	Can the Minister update Parliament whether there are strategies in place to address the concerns of people living with disability with regards to accessing public transportation such as buses, boats and airplanes.					
<del>4-12-2024</del> 5-12-2024	290/2024	217		Hon. Faiyaz Koya	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament what specific measures is the Ministry implementing to prepare the tourism industry for the upcoming cyclone season and the impacts of climate change.		The Hon. Speaker informed that Oral Questions 290/2024 would be deferred to Thursday			
4-12-2024	291/2024	218		Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the strategies adopted by the Municipal Councils to strengthen their revenue streams and institutional strengthening.					
4-12-2024	292/2024	219		Hon. Shalen Kumar	Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public Enterprises, Immigration and Fiji Police Force	With the rise in incidents of police brutality against suspects, can the Minister inform Parliament what measures is the Fiji Police Force implementing to curb these acts.					
<del>4-12-2024</del> 5-12-2024	293/2024	220		Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Sakiasi Ditoka Minister for Rural and Maritime Development and Disaster Management	Can the Minister update Parliament on the Ministry's status of disaster preparedness considering we are into the hurricane season.		The Hon. Speaker informed that Oral Questions 293/2024 would be deferred to Thursday			
4-12-2024	294/2024		51	Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua	Hon. Viliame Gavoka Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation	Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on the following —  (a) total number of applications received for tourism projects by division for the period 1 January 2023 to 31 July 2024;  (b) total number of applications approved for tourism projects by division for the period 1 January 2023 to 31 July 2024; and  (c) number of applications rejected or shelved for tourism projects by division for the period 1 January 2023 to 31 July 2024.		The Hon. Leader of the Government informed that the response to Written Question 294/2024 would be tabled by the Hon. Deputy Prime Minister in accordance with Standing Order 45(3)			

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Supplementary Questions Written Questions **ORAL AND WRITTEN QUESTIONS 2024** Count of Count of oral Number of supp Question written Date Question (request for information) questions asked questions Question asked by: Question answered by: Comments Number auestions asked (allowed by Speaker) asked Hon, Sitiveni Rabuka Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate Can the Prime Minister inform Parliament on the effective measures that the Fiji Police Force is 5-12-2024 295/2024 221 Hon. Ioane Naivalurua Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public implementing to combat the increasing yaqona thefts in Taveuni. Enterprises, Immigration and Fiji Police Force Hon, Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the implementation of the 'Starting a Business' under 5-12-2024 296/2024 222 Hon, Iliesa Vanawalu the business NOW FIJI project. operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on which communities are being assisted by Fiji Water 5-12-2024 297/2024 223 Hon, Sachida Nand operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and in their free water assistance programme. Communications Can the Minister update Parliament on the short-term and long-term measures that the Ministry and Hon. Maciu Nalumisa 298/2024 Municipal Councils have taken to implement the audit qualification issues identified by the Office of the 5-12-2024 224 Hon, Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure Minister for Housing and Local Government Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka Can the Prime Minister inform Parliament on the measures in place at the Fiji Immigration Department to Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate 5-12-2024 299/2024 225 Hon. Premila Kumar verify the eligibility of Girmitiya descendants and those registered in the Vola ni Kawa Bula holding foreign Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public citizenship to enter Fiji without a permit. Enterprises, Immigration and Fiji Police Force Hon, Viliame Gavoka Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the Memorandum of Cooperation with the Japan 300/2024 Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil 5-12-2024 226 Hon. Jovesa Vocea Tourism Agency of the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism. Aviation Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Can the Minister update Parliament on the measures being undertaken to enhance the capability of the fire 5-12-2024 301/2024 227 Hon. Vijay Nath fighters of the National Fire Authority. Minister for Housing and Local Government Hon. Ifereimi Vasu Can the Minister inform Parliament on the opportunities and programmes that are currently available for 5-12-2024 302/2024 228 Hon, Esrom Immanuel Minister for iTaukei Affairs and Culture, Heritage and the economic empowerment of the iTaukei. Arts Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Can the Minister update Parliament on the construction of replacement crossings for Nasovotava village in 5-12-2024 303/2024 229 Hon. Joseph Nand Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Valley Road, Sigatoka, which were washed away in the 2012 floods. Hon. Manoa Kamikamica Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the role of the Fijian Competition and Consumer Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-5-12-2024 304/2024 230 Hon. Tomasi Tunabuna Commission in fostering competition within the market while maintaining oversight of price-controlled operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and goods and services. Communications Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the restoration payment from FNPF to pensioners as 6-12-2024 305/2024 231 Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Hon. Viliame Naupoto announced in the 2024-2025 National Budget. Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics Hon, Manoa Kamikamica Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on Fiji's participation at the China International Import 6-12-2024 306/2024 232 Hon, Iliesa Vanawalu operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Expo 2024. Communications Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, Climate Given that there are currently more than 8,000 illegal immigrants in the country, can the Prime Minister 6-12-2024 307/2024 233 Hon. Virendra Lal Change, Environment, Civil Service, Information, Public inform Parliament what measures the Ministry is taking to address this issue. Enterprises, Immigration and Fiji Police Force Hon. Viliame Gavoka Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on how the Ministry is ensuring that local communities 6-12-2024 308/2024 Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil 234 Hon, Jovesa Vocea in the rural areas benefit directly from tourism development. Aviation The Hon. Speaker informed that Oral Hon. Aseri Radrodro Can the Minister inform Parliament whether the Ministry has any innovative plan to move the current 6-12-2024 309/2024 18 Question 309/2024 had lapsed pursuant to Hon. Hem Chand Minister for Education teacher registration manual system to an online system. Standing Order 45(6).

Can the Minister update Parliament on the status of the iTaukei Lands and Fisheries Commission review.

Hon, Ifereimi Vasu

Minister for iTaukei Affairs and Culture, Heritage and

Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure

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6-12-2024	311/2024	236		Hon. Shalen Kumar	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister inform Parliament on how the Ministry will address the frequent traffic congestion in the Suva-Nausori corridor.						
6-12-2024	312/2024	237		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 update Parliament on the Fiji Critical Bridges Resilience Project.						
6-12-2024	313/2024	238		Hon. Viam Pillay	Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport	Can the Minister inform Parliament why bus services to Viseisei, Vuda, and Vaivai operate irregularly despite concerns raised by the residents.						
6-12-2024	314/2024	239		Hon. Kalaveti Ravu	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister update Parliament on plans for further expansion of the Public Rental Board Lagilagi Housing Estate in addressing housing needs of low-income families following the opening of its 36 housing flats.						
6-12-2024	315/2024		52	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 provide the breakdown of revenue generated for the following in each of the years from 2019 to 2024 –  (a) Import duty;  (b) VAT on imports; and  (c) VAT refunds for resale of imports.		The response to Written Question 315/2024 was tabled by the Minister				
6-12-2024	316/2024		53	Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the details of official overseas trips taken by the Special Administrators from January 2023 to November 2024, specifically –  (a) a year-wise breakdown of the total number of overseas trips undertaken by the Special Administrators in each Municipality;  (b) the amount funded by each Council; and  (c) the purpose and accomplishments of each trip.		The response to Written Question 316/2024 was tabled by the Minister				
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		UESTIONS DRO	PPED		6							
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14/3/2025	1/2025	1		Hon. Parveen Bala	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister inform Parliament whether or not he has given consent to the Nasinu Town Council to lease the iconic Valelevu ground for development.	2				
14/3/2025	2/2025		1	Hon. Premila Kumar	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister update Parliament on the progress and effectiveness of the Transportation Assistance Scheme for school children from January 2024 to date.					
14/3/2025	3/2025	2		Hon. Shalen Kumar	Hon. Ioane Naivalurua Minister for Policing	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the Ministry's plans to address the rise in robberies, house breakins, and street violence.	3				
14/3/2025	4/2025	3		Hon. Faiyaz Koya	Hon. Maciu Nalumisa Minister for Housing and Local Government	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the Ministry's plans to address the extreme hazard at the Lautoka rubbish dump.	2				
14/3/2025	5/2025	4		Hon. Semi Koroilavesau	Hon. Vatimi Rayalu Minister for Agriculture and Waterways	Viseisei village was promised to have their seawall repaired and extended. Can the Minister update Parliament on the work and plans to complete this work as the houses close to the shoreline need urgent protection.	2				
14/3/2025	6/2025		1	Hon. Hem Chand	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	Can the Minister update Parliament on the following in relation to complaints received by the Ministry over the past 3 years —  (a) the number of complaints received per year per Division; and  (b) the number of complaints sorted into broad classifications, such as transport, classroom, teacher availability, student-related issues, and so on		The response to Written Question 6/2025 was tabled by the Minister			
14/3/2025	7/2025		2	Hon. Ketan Lal	Hon. Siromi Turaga Minister for Justice	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the number and nature of complaints lodged by the general public and the private sector in 2024.		The response to Written Question 7/2025 was tabled by the Minister			
14/3/2025	8/2025		3	Hon. Joseph Nand	Hon. Viliame Naupoto Minister for Immigration	Can the Minister update Parliament on work permits issued to overseas workers from August 2023 to January 2025, including the following—  (a) The total number of work permits issued;  (b) The breakdown of work permits issued for the public and private sectors; and  (c) The average processing time for work permit applications.		The response to Written Question 8/2025 was tabled by the Minister			
14/3/2025	9/2025		4	Hon. Jone Usamate	Hon. Dr 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 engagement of advisors across all ministries from January 2023 to January 2025, including the following –  (a) The total annual expenditure on hiring advisors;  (b) A breakdown of the costs distinguishing Government funding and contributions from donor or development partners; and  (c) The number of advisors hired each year, categorised by ministry.					
14/3/2025	10/2025		5	Hon. Faiyaz Koya	Hon. Siromi Turaga Minister for Justice	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following statistics, from January 2023 to January 2025 –  (a) The total number of pending cases in the High Court, Court of Appeal, and the Supreme Court of Fiji, categorised by year;  (b) A breakdown of pending cases by type (civil, criminal, or other categories), categorised by year; and  (c) The average time taken to dispose of cases in each court.		Response received on 26 March 2025			
14/3/2025	11/2025		6	Hon. Inia Seruiratu	Hon. Dr Biman Prasad Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics	Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on all newly introduced fees and revised charges approved by the Cabinet from 2023 to 2024 that are unrelated to the VAT increase to 15%, including the following –  (a) A detailed breakdown of all new Government-imposed fees, levies, and service charges introduced during this period, categorised by Government ministry or agency;  (b) A comprehensive list of all new fees and charges introduced by each municipal council during this period; and  (c) A list of existing fees and charges that have been increased, including the specific amount of increase, presented separately for Government ministries and each municipal council.					
14/3/2025	12/2025		1	Hon. Viam Pillay	Hon. Dr 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 detailed breakdown of the redeployment of funds amounting to FJ\$28,087,026 within the 2024-2025 budget, including the following information –  (a) The project name, responsible Ministry, Head No, Programme, Activity, and SEG number from which the funds were sourced, as outlined in the 2024-2025 Budget Estimates; and  (b) Whether the funds redeployed are due to cost overruns, and if so, a detailed explanation for the additional costs.		The Hon. Speaker informed that WQ 12/2025 had lapsed because Hon. Viam Pillay was not present			
14/3/2025	13/2025		7	Hon. Rinesh Sharma	Hon. Aseri Radrodro Minister for Education	In November 2023, the Higher Education Commission Fiji appointed an external review committee to assess three universities. Can the Minister update Parliament on the committee's activities and findings to date.		The response to Written Question 13/2025 was tabled by the Minister			

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16/4/2024	14/2025		8	Hon. Alvick Maharaj	Hon. Charan Singh Minister for Multi-Ethnic Affairs and Sugar Industry	Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following –  (a) How many official overseas travel engagements has the Chairman of Fiji Sugar Corporation taken since his appointment to date and to which countries; and  (b) Total expenditure (inclusive of allowances, salary if any, travel allowances, meals and accommodation).		The response to Written Question 14/2025 was tabled by the Minister
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TOTAL SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS ASKED					9			