

PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FIJI

ORDER PAPER

Friday, 2 May 2025 at 9.30 a.m.

- 1. Prayer
- 2. Confirmation of Minutes. The Leader of the Government in Parliament to move –

"That the Minutes of the sitting of Parliament held on Thursday, 1 May 2025, as previously circulated be taken as read and be confirmed."

- 3. Communications from the Chair
- 4. Presentation of papers and certain documents (see Schedule 1)
- 5. Questions (see Schedule 2)
- 6. End of Week Statements (see Schedule 3)
- 7. Consideration of Bills
- 8. Adjournment

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SCHEDULE 1 — PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND CERTAIN DOCUMENTS

- 1. Water Authority of Fiji Annual Report 2019–2020 (Parliamentary Paper No. 1 of 2023).
- 2. Water Authority of Fiji Annual Report 2020–2021 (Parliamentary Paper No. 117 of 2023).
- 3. Water Authority of Fiji Annual Report 2021–2022 (Parliamentary Paper No. 99 of 2024).
- 4. Sugar Cane Growers Fund Annual Report 2023 (*Parliamentary Paper No. 165 of 2024*).

SCHEDULE 2 — QUESTIONS

Oral Questions

- 60/2025 Hon. Jone Usamate to ask the Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport Can the Minister inform Parliament what criteria determines whether FRA or PWD handles specific infrastructure projects.
- Hon. Taito Rokomatu to ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the Government's strategy to maximise economic benefits from Fiji's growing cruise tourism sector.
- Hon. Semi Koroilavesau to ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on the Ministry's plans to address the recent decline in tourism arrivals and improve industry performance.
- Hon. Esrom Immanuel to ask the 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 Cybersecurity partnership with Australia, following the signing of the Cybersecurity Cooperation Memorandum of Understanding last year.

- Hon. Faiyaz Koya to ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade, Co-operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Communications Can the Deputy Prime Minister inform Parliament on what indications have been made or given with respect to the new trade platform of Indo-Pacific Economic Framework and its implications on Fiji.
- Hon. Lynda Tabuya to ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on major tourism related investment projects for road and jetty upgrades in Vanua Levu under the *Na Vualiku* Programme.
- Hon. Parveen Bala to ask the Minister for Lands and Mineral Resources Can the Minister inform Parliament when will the residents of Cuvu receive the 99 year lease which was announced on 12 March 2024 by the Government.
- Hon. Jovesa Vocea to ask the 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 efforts being undertaken to ensure a secure ITC Government Network.
- Hon. Premila Kumar to ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation Can the Deputy Prime Minister update Parliament on the works already undertaken under the Fiji Tourism Development programme for the North.
- 69/2025 Hon. Kalaveti Ravu to ask the Minister for Environment and Climate Change Can the Minister update Parliament on Fiji's Initial Biennial Update Report (BUR) for submission to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

Written Questions

- 70/2025 Hon. Premila Kumar to ask the Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection A total of \$171.3 million was allocated in the current budget for social protection programmes. Can the Minister inform Parliament on the following
 - (a) how much funding has been used to date under each of the following programmes Family Assistance, Child Protection, Social Pension, Disability Support, and Transport Assistance; and

- (b) how many Fijians have received support under each of these programmes so far.
- 71/2025 Hon. Jone Usamate to ask the Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport With the ongoing disruptions to the regular water supply leading to the engagement of water carting services to supply water to households, can the Minister inform Parliament on the following
 - (a) the total cost incurred for water carting per year from 2022 to 2024;
 - (b) the number of trucks currently engaged in watercarting; and
 - (c) the mode through which payments are made to the contractors providing this service.
- 72/2025 Hon. Hem Chand to ask the Minister for Education Can the Minister inform Parliament on the Ministry's policy regarding the employment of officers above the age of 60, including the number of such officers and their roles.

SCHEDULE 3 — END OF WEEK STATEMENTS

1. Hon. Jone Usamate – Ensuring and Maintaining Institutional Effectiveness in Fiji

The statement will highlight the importance of ensuring and maintaining institutional effectiveness in Fiji.

2. Hon. Alipate Tuicolo – Promoting Culture and Heritage

The statement will highlight the initiatives to preserve and promote Fijian cultural heritage and traditions whilst also leveraging culture for economic development.

3. Hon. Faiyaz Koya – Electoral Law Reform

The statement will highlight the triggering of electoral law reforms and the inherently complex and challenging process.

4. Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu – Mental Health Awareness and Support

The statement will highlight the growing need for mental health services, public awareness campaigns, integration of mental health into primary healthcare and training for healthcare professionals.