



Acting Attorney-General, Honorable Siromi Turaga

PARLIAMENTARY RESPONSE TO WRITTEN QUESTION NO. 179/2026

Hon. Jone Usamate to ask the Minister for Justice and Acting Attorney-General – Can the Minister update Parliament on the following information in relation to the Legal Aid Commission –

- (a) the total number of offices operated by the Commission;**
- (b) the number of offices operating from leased premises and the annual rent paid for each leased office; and**
- (c) whether the Commission owns any buildings, if so, specify.**

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(A) the total number of offices operated by the Commission;

i. The legal Aid Commission currently operates a total of 26 offices as follows;

Central / Eastern Division					
No	Location	Landlord	Department / Unit	Remarks	Rented / Non-Rented
1	41 Loftus Street, Suva	Government of Fiji	Criminal Unit and IT Dept	Operational	Non- Rented
2	16 Kimberly Street, Suva	Dynex holding Ltd	Family Unit	Operational	Rented
3	73 Gordon Street , Suva	Pars South Pacific	Headquarters	Operational	Rented
4	3 Thurston Street, Suva	Pacific Conference of Churches	Logistic Unit	Storage	Rented
5	Waimaro Circuit Society Building, Korovou	Roopesh Gift Shop Pte Ltd	Korovou Office	Operational	Rented
6	Level 3,Nausori Plaza, Nausori	Ding Jin Real Estate Development Pte	Nausori Office	Operational	Rented
7	Lomaiviti Holdings Building, Beach Street, Levuka	Lomaiviti Holdings Ltd	Levuka office	Operational	Rented

8	Ground Floor, Level 1 and Level 2, Valelevu Complex	Fast Build Construction Services Ltd	Nasinu Office	Operational	Rented
9	Lot 4 Naitonitoni Road, Navua	Ashok Chand T/A Shiu Shankarand Son	Navua Office	Operational	Rented
Western Division					
10	Level 1, Magistrate Court Complex, Sigatoka	Nadroga , Navosa Provincial Council	Sigatoka office	Operational	Non- Rented
11	1st Floor, GT Plaza, Nadi	M.B. Pala Investment	Nadi Office	Operational	Rented
12	Level 1, Magistrate Court Complex, Lautoka	BA Provincial Council	Lautoka Criminal unit	Operational	Non- Rented
13	Nuqa Place, Marine Drive, Lautoka (Office 6)	Reddy Dimond Northern Ltd T/A Long Run Fuji	Lautoka Civil Unit	Operational	Rented
14	Nuqa Place, Marine Drive, Lautoka (Office 2)	Reddy Dimond Northern Ltd T/A Long Run Fuji	Lautoka Conflict Unit	Operational	Rented
15	Magistrate Court Complex, Old Bridge Road, Ba	Judicial dept	BA Office	Operational	Non- Rented
16	1st Floor, Dalpat Singh Building, Tavua	Surendra & Amba Ben	Tavua Office	Operational	Rented
17	1st Floor, Naidu's Investment Building, Rakiraki	Naidu's Investment Ltd	Rakiraki Office	Operational	Rented
18	Government Station, Keyasi	Ministry of Rural and Maritime	Keyasi Office	Visiting Office (used during court sittings)	Non- Rented
19	New Court Complex, Ba	Judicial dept	Ba Court House Office	Supplementary Office Space	Non- Rented
Northern Division					
20	Old Court House Building, Jaduram Street, Labasa	Government of Fiji	Labasa Office	Operational	Non- Rented
21	70 Seaqaqa Township, Seaqaqa	Fijian Cane Farmers Corporative Ltd	Seaqaqa Office	Operational	Rented
22	Naulumatua House, Nabouwalu	Ministry of Rural and Maritime	Nabouwalu Office	Operational	Non- Rented
23	Level 1, Vunilagi House, Main Street, Savusavu	Cakaudrove Provincial	Savusavu Office	Operational	Non- Rented

		Holding Company Ltd			
24	First Light Inn Building, Ground Floor, Taveuni	Maqaiviti Holdings Ltd	Taveuni Office	Operational	Rented
Maritime Office (Visiting Office – Used during Court Sitzings)					
25	Vunisea, Kadavu	Kadavu Provincial Council	Kadavu Office	Visiting	Non-Rented
26	Ahau Government Station, Rotuma	Rotuma Council	Rotuma Office	Visiting	Non-Rented

ii. Legal Aid Commission Office Summary

Division	Total Office	Operational	Storage	Visiting / Supplementary	Rented	Non-Rented
Central / Eastern	9	8	1	0	8	1
Western	10	8	0	2	5	5
Northern	5	5	0	0	2	3
Maritime	2	0	0	2	0	2
Total	26	21	1	4	15	11

(B) The Legal Aid Commission currently operates 15 offices from Leased premises and pays a monthly rental of \$81,556.92 VIP and annual rental of \$979,103.04 VIP.

The Annual rental paid for 15 leased offices are as follows;

Divisions	N0	Landlord	Address	Location	Agreement Start Date	Agreement End Date	Monthly Rental (VIP)	Annual Rental (VIP)
CENTRAL (7 Offices)	1	Roopesh Gift Shop Pte Ltd	Waimaro Circuit Society Building, Korovou	Korovou	5/2/2024	5/1/2029	593.46	7,121.52
	2	DING JIN REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT PTE	Level 3, Nausori Plaza, Nausori	Nausori	9/1/2024	8/31/2029	5,562.50	66,750.00
	3	Fast Build Construction Services Ltd	Ground floor, Level 1 & 2 Valelevu Complex, Nasinu	Nasinu	7/31/2024	7/31/2029	8,339.07	100,488.84
	4	Dynex Holdings Limited	16 Kimberly Street, Suva	Suva - Family	9/1/2021	8/31/2031	9,900.00	118,800.00
	5	PARS South Pacific	73 Gordon Street, Stands House	Suva - Headquarters	10/11/2024	10/10/2029	34,239.13	410,869.56
	6	Pacific Conference of Churches	3 Thurston Street, Pacific Conference of Churches	Suva - Conflict	8/1/2024	7/31/2029	3,100.50	37,206.00

	7	Ashok Chand T/A Shiu Shankarand Son	Lot 4 Naitonitoni Road, Navua	Navua	7/1/2023	6/30/2028	675.00	8,100.00
WESTERN (5 Offices)	8	M.B.Pala Investment	1st Floor GT Plaza	Nadi	12/1/2020	11/30/2030	4,408.30	52,899.60
	9	Reddy Dimond Northern LTD T/A Long run Fuji	Nuqa Place, Marine Drive Lautoka (Office 6)	Lautoka - Civil Unit	7/1/2021	6/30/3031	5,298.39	63,580.68
	10		Nuqa Place, Marine Drive Lautoka (Office 2)	Lautoka - Conflict Unit	7/1/2021	6/30/3031	2,903.83	34,845.96
	11	Surendra & Amba Ben	1st Floor Dalpat Singh Building	Tavua	10/1/2024	9/30/2029	1,341.74	16,100.88
	12	Naidu's Investment Ltd	1st Floor Naidu's Investment Building	Rakiraki	1/2/2023	1/1/2028	2,025.00	24,300.00
NORTHERN (2 Offices)	13	Maqaiviti Holdings Ltd	First Light Inn Building Ground Floor	Taveuni	2/1/2025	1/31/2030	1,350.00	16,200.00
	14	Fijian Cane Farmers Corporative Ltd	70 Seaqqa Township	Seaqqa	1/2/2023	1/1/2033	1,000.00	12,000.00
EASTERN (1 Office)	15	Lomaiviti Provincial Council	Lomaiviti Holdings Building Beach Street	Levuka	1/2/2021	1/1/2028	820.00	9,840.00
Total (15 Rented Offices)							81,556.92	979,103.04

(C) The Legal Aid Commission currently does not own any building as property under its name. However, the Commission was allocated through Government two (2) buildings, which is owned by the Government of Fiji as follows;

- i) Loftus Building located in Suva was allocated to Legal Aid Commission in 2011; and
- ii) Labasa Office (Old Labasa Court House) was allocated to Legal Aid Commission in June 2014.