



PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FIJI

ORDER PAPER

Friday, 2 October 2026 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 October 2026, as previously circulated be taken as read and be confirmed.”
3. Communications from the Chair
4. Questions (*see Schedule 1*)
5. End of Week Statements (*see Schedule 2*)
6. Consideration of Bills
7. Motions for which notice has been given (*see Schedule 3*)
8. Adjournment

SCHEDULE 1 — QUESTIONS

Oral Questions

- 248/2026 Hon. Joseph Nand to ask the Minister for Agriculture, Waterways and Sugar Industry – Given that the agricultural mechanisation adoption rate remains at 14.2%, can the Minister inform Parliament what systematic barriers are preventing smallholder farmers from adopting machinery, and how the current budget allocation will directly resolve these bottlenecks.
- 249/2026 Hon. Sachida Nand to ask the Minister for Fisheries and Forestry – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the plans and measures to control and prevent the further spread of the African Tulip (*Spathodea campanulata*) in Fiji.
- 250/2026 Hon. Virendra Lal to ask the Minister for Housing and Local Government – Can the Minister inform Parliament on how much direct revenue has the Suva City Council received from the utilisation of the Albert Park grounds for the 2026 Hibiscus Festival.
- 251/2026 Hon. Shalen Kumar to ask the Minister for Lands and Resources – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the municipal rates payable on State Land administered by the Government, including the applicable rates and the provision made in the 2026-2027 National Budget for their payment.
- 252/2026 Hon. Faiyaz Koya to ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and External Trade – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the status of the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework of which Fiji is a founding member.
- 253/2026 Hon. Naisa Tuinaceva to ask the Minister for Agriculture, Waterways, and Sugar Industry – Can the Minister update Parliament on the types of assistance offered to farmers in the maritime zones, especially in the Lau group, to help cope with salt water intrusion into the soil.
- 254/2026 Hon. Hem Chand to ask the Minister for Education – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the monitoring mechanism for students' safety who travel to school by boat.

- 255/2026 Hon. Kalaveti Ravu to ask the Minister for Housing and Local Government – Can the Minister update Parliament on the development and progress of new towns and growth centres over the past four years to support economic development.
- 256/2026 Hon. Parveen Bala to ask the Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport – Can the Minister inform Parliament whether there are plans to retain the current taxi fare.
- 257/2026 Hon. Iliesa Vanawalu to ask the Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection – Can the Minister update Parliament on measures undertaken to ensure that increased digital connectivity in Fiji translates into meaningful economic opportunities for women, particularly women entrepreneurs and those living in rural, maritime and underserved communities.
- 125/2026 Hon. Joseph Nand to ask the Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport – Can the Minister update Parliament on the upgrade of the damaged portion of the Queens Highway road near Semo Village in Sigatoka.
- 153/2026 Hon. Virendra Lal to ask the Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport – Currently, many bus stops along the Suva-Nausori corridor have the capacity to accommodate a maximum of two buses simultaneously. Given the growing fleet size and the increased emphasis on public transport for commuting, can the Minister inform Parliament if there are plans to expand existing bays at major bus stops to increase capacity.
- 174/2026 Hon. Ratu Rakuita Vakalalabure to ask the Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport – Can the Minister update Parliament on the National Water Resources Management and Sanitation Policy (NWRMSP) and the Fiji Integrated Water Resources Management Plan (FIWRMP).
- 187/2026 Hon. Faiyaz Koya to ask Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport – Can the Minister inform Parliament on what progress has been made towards the establishment of the Engineers Registration Board (ERB) and when does the Government expect it to become fully operational.

Written Questions

- 258/2026 Hon. Premila Kumar to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Services – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the complaints received by the Medical and Dental Secretariat, for each year from 2023 to date, including the following –
- (a) the total number of complaints received in each year and the number of complaints resolved, dismissed, withdrawn, referred, or otherwise concluded, with a breakdown of the outcome in each case;
 - (b) the number of complaints currently pending, including the length of time each complaint has remained unresolved; and
 - (c) the nature or categories of complaints received, including complaints relating to professional misconduct, negligence, malpractice, unethical conduct, breaches of professional standards, and any other grounds of complaint.
- 259/2026 Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna to ask the Minister for Women, Children and Social Protection – Can the Minister update Parliament on the following –
- (a) the number of children under state care;
 - (b) those under foster care, including their location and age; and
 - (c) the transition and exit plans for the children prior to turning 18.
- 260/2026 Hon. Hem Chand to ask the Minister for Education – Can the Minister provide Parliament with a breakdown on the number of leadership positions (Head of School, VP, AP, HOD and AHT) filled in the last 3 years.
- 261/2026 Hon. Inia Seruiratu to ask the Minister for Public Works, Meteorological Services and Transport – Can the Minister inform Parliament on the total cost incurred by the Water Authority of Fiji for water carting services from 1 January 2025 to 31 July 2026, with a separate breakdown of the expenditure incurred for –
- (a) 1 January to 31 December 2025; and
 - (b) 1 January to 31 July 2026.

SCHEDULE 2 — END OF WEEK STATEMENTS

1. Hon. Premila Kumar – HIV Must Become a National Priority

This statement will highlight that HIV must become a national priority that requires sustained attention and stronger political commitment.

2. Hon. Ratu Josaia Niudamu – The Positive Impacts of Sports in the Ra Province

The statement will highlight the positive impacts of sports in unifying the people of Ra and its contribution to social cohesion in the province.

3. Hon. Alvick Maharaj – Our Youth, Their Issues, Their Future

The statement will highlight that whilst today's youth face significant challenges, from a changing job market and drug abuse to mental health pressures, they must be empowered to be agents of change.

4. Hon. Sachida Nand – Importance of MSME Sector in Fiji's Economy

The statement will highlight the growth and positive contribution of the MSME sector to Fiji's economy.

SCHEDULE 3 – MOTIONS FOR DEBATE

1. Hon. Prime Minister, and Minister for Civil Service, and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics, and Public Enterprises to move under Standing Order 129, that –
 - (a) a Special Committee be established to consider the Constitution (Amendment) Bill 2026 (Bill No. 32 of 2026) (**‘Bill’**), including the following –
 - (i) examining the Bill;
 - (ii) receiving submissions from members of the public and interested stakeholders on the Bill; and
 - (iii) considering any matters relating to the Bill referred to it by Parliament;
 - (b) the Special Committee shall comprise the following 11 members, including 4 members of the Opposition, of whom 3 members shall be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition –
 - (i) Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka – Chairperson;
 - (ii) Hon. Viliame Gavoka – Deputy Chairperson;
 - (iii) Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad;
 - (iv) Hon. Siromi Turaga;
 - (v) Hon. Filimoni Vosarogo;
 - (vi) Hon. Lynda Tabuya;
 - (vii) Hon. Mosese Bulitavu;
 - (viii) Hon. Inia Seruiratu, Leader of the Opposition;
 - (ix) Opposition Member, to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition;
 - (x) Opposition Member, to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition; and
 - (xi) Opposition Member, to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition; and
 - (c) the Special Committee must, after 30 days of the second reading of the Bill, report to Parliament on its findings and recommendations.