PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FIJI

MINUTES

of Proceedings of Parliament at Suva on Monday, Twenty-eighth day of September, 2026

1. The House met at 9.30 a.m. pursuant to adjournment.

2. Hon. Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer.

3. ATTENDANCE

(a) The Hon. Mosese Bulitavu was absent.

(b) The Hon. Lynda Tabuya, Hon. Ratu Isikeli Tuiwailevu, Hon. Sakiasi Ditoka and Hon. Sanjay Kirpal conveyed their apologies to the Hon. Speaker for being unable to attend the sitting of Parliament.

(c) The following Honourable Members obtained approval from the Hon. Speaker for intermittent absence during the sitting of Parliament –

Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka, Hon. Kalaveti Ravu, Hon. Aseri Radrodro, Hon. Prof. Biman Prasad and Hon. Ketan Lal.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Leader of the Government in Parliament the Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau moved that the Minutes of the special sitting of Parliament held on Tuesday, 22 September 2026 as previously circulated, be taken as read and be confirmed.

Motion seconded.

Question put.

Motion agreed to unanimously.

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

The Hon. Speaker welcomed all Honourable Members to the sitting, those seated in the gallery and those watching the live proceedings on television and the internet.

The Hon. Speaker informed Honourable Members that the Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians (CWP) Fiji Group would host a Pinktober Awareness Programme on Thursday, 1 October 2026, during the morning tea break, to raise awareness on breast and cervical cancer, early detection and screening, and support for those affected by cancer. He further advised that a donation box and Pinktober merchandise would be available and encouraged Honourable Members to support the initiative.

The Hon. Speaker further informed Honourable Members that the Parliament of Fiji was represented at the Inaugural First Ordinary General Assembly of the Pacific Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (PIPA), held in Papeete, Tahiti, French Polynesia, from 7 to 11 September 2026. He noted that the Assembly marked a significant milestone in the establishment of PIPA as the Pacific's permanent parliamentary organisation and that delegates had adopted the *Vaiete* Declaration, reaffirming the commitment of Pacific parliaments to strengthening regional co-operation, dialogue and a collective parliamentary voice on issues of shared concern.

6. MOTIONS FOR DEBATE

(a) The Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Natural Resources the Hon. Kalaveti Ravu moved that Parliament debates the 'Consolidated Review Report on the Annual Reports of Food Processors (Fiji) Pte Limited for the period 2008–2019' which was tabled on 19 August 2026.

Motion seconded.

Motion debated.

Question put.

Motion agreed to unanimously.

The Prime Minister, and Minister for Civil Service, and Strategic Planning, National Development and Statistics, and Public Enterprises the Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka informed Parliament on the passing of the Hon. Inosi Kuridrani.

The Hon. Speaker also paid tribute to the late Hon. Inosi Kuridrani and requested all Honourable Members to observe a minute of silence.

(b) The Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and Defence the Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua moved that Parliament debates the 'Consolidated Review Report on the Rakiraki Town Council January to July 2020 and 2020–2021 Annual Report' which was tabled on 19 August 2026.

Motion seconded.

Motion debated.

Question put.

Motion agreed to unanimously.

(c) The Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Economic Affairs the Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna moved that Parliament debates the 'Review Report on the Fiji Financial Intelligence Unit Annual Report 2024' which was tabled on 19 August 2026.

Motion seconded.

Motion debated.

Question put.

Motion agreed to unanimously.

(d) The Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Economic Affairs the Hon. Sakiusa Tubuna moved that Parliament debates the 'Review Report on the Fiji Revenue and Customs Service Annual Report 2024–2025' which was tabled on 19 August 2026.

Motion seconded.

Motion debated.

Question put.

Motion agreed to unanimously.

7. SUSPENSION MOTION BY THE LEADER OF THE GOVERNMENT IN PARLIAMENT

The Leader of the Government in Parliament the Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau moved pursuant to Standing Order 6 that so much of Standing Order 23(1) be suspended so as to allow the House to sit beyond 4.30 p.m. to complete the remaining items listed on the Order Paper.

Motion seconded.

Motion debated.

Question put.

Motion agreed to unanimously.

(e) The Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts the Hon. Jovesa Vocea moved that Parliament debates the 'Review Report on the Compliance Audit Report' which was tabled on 20 August 2026.

Motion seconded.

Motion debated.

Question put.

Motion agreed to unanimously.

(f) The Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts the Hon. Jovesa Vocea moved that Parliament debates the 'Review Report on the Performance Audit on Implementation of Climate Change Adaptation Actions in Fiji' which was tabled on 20 August 2026.

Motion seconded.

Motion debated.

Question put.

Motion agreed to unanimously.

(g) The Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts the Hon. Jovesa Vocea moved that Parliament debates the 'Review Report on the Office of the Auditor-General Annual Report 2022' which was tabled on 20 August 2026.

Motion seconded.

Motion debated.

Question put.

Motion agreed to unanimously.

(h) The Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and Defence the Hon. Lenora Qereqeretabua moved that Parliament debates the 'Review Report on the Ministry of Sugar Industry 2020–2021 Annual Report' which was tabled on 20 August 2026.

Motion seconded.

Motion debated.

Question put.

Motion agreed to unanimously.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The Hon. Speaker thanked all Honourable Members for their contributions and adjourned Parliament until Tuesday, 29 September 2026 at 9.30 a.m.

Parliament adjourned at 8.13 p.m.

Speaker of Parliament

Secretary-General to Parliament

28th September, 2026.