



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SECOND SESSION
TWELFTH PARLIAMENT

NO. 9
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ORDER PAPER

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 24, 2021: 1:30 P.M.

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OATH OR AFFIRMATION

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BILLS BROUGHT FROM THE SENATE

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1. The Audited Financial Statements of the Power Generation Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited for the year ended December 31, 2010.
(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)
2. The Report of the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago with respect to the Progress of the proposals to Restructure CLICO, BAT and CID for the quarter ended September 30, 2021.
(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts Committee)
3. The Annual Administrative Report of the Trinidad and Tobago Civil Aviation Authority for the period 2018-2019.
(By the Minister of Works and Transport)
4. The Annual Administrative Report of the National Infrastructure Development Company Limited (NIDCO) for Fiscal Year 2017.
(By the Minister of Works and Transport)

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

1. First Report of the Joint Select Committee on Human Rights, Equality and Diversity on an inquiry into the Right to Equal Access to Education with specific focus on the Underperformance of Schools in the Port-of Spain and Environs District with respect to Performance in Terminal Examinations, Second Session (2021/2022), Twelfth Parliament
(By the Member for St. Ann's East)

2. The Second Report of the Joint Select Committee on Local Authorities, Service Commissions and Statutory Authorities (including the THA) on an Inquiry into the efficiency and effectiveness of the National Insurance Appeals Tribunal (NIAT) (with specific focus on the tribunal's capacity to dispose of appeals) First Session (2020/2021), Twelfth Parliament.

(By the Member for D'abadie/O'Meara)

3. The Third Report of the Joint Select Committee on Local Authorities, Service Commissions and Statutory Authorities (including the THA) on An Inquiry into the Administration of the Children's Life Fund Authority, First Session (2020/2021), Twelfth Parliament.

(By the Member for Tunapuna)

PRIME MINISTER'S QUESTIONS

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PUBLIC BUSINESS

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Bills Second Reading:

1. **The debate on the Second Reading of the following Bill which was adjourned on Friday November 12, 2021 will be resumed:**

A Bill entitled, "An Act to establish the Trinidad and Tobago Revenue Authority and for related matters".

(By the Minister of Finance)

2. An Act to amend the Municipal Corporations Act, Chap. 25:04 to establish the Borough of Diego Martin and the Borough of Siparia and to make consequential amendments to the Representation of the People Act, Chap. 2:01, the Interpretation Act, Chap. 3:01, the Elections and Boundaries Commission (Local Government and Tobago House of

Assembly) Act, Chap. 25:50, the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Regulations, Chap. 48:50, the Central Tenders Board Act, Chap. 71:91 and other written laws.

(By the Minister or Rural Development and Local Government)

3. An Act to amend the Summary Courts Act, Chap. 4:20 to remove the requirement of consent for joinder of complaints in summary judicial matters.
(By the Attorney General)

Committee Stage:

1. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Constitution of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago to accord self-government to Tobago and for related matters”.
(By the Prime Minister)
2. A Bill entitled, “An Act to repeal the Tobago House of Assembly Act, Chap. 25:03, and to provide for the powers and functions of the Tobago Island Government and the Tobago Legislature and for related matters”.
(By the Minister of Planning and Development)

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Motions:

1. **BE IT RESOLVED** that this House adopt the Report of the Joint Select Committee on the Miscellaneous Provisions (Local Government Reform) Bill, 2020.
(By the Member for Arouca/Maloney)
2. **BE IT RESOLVED** that this House adopt the Report of the Joint Select Committee on the Cannabis Control Bill, 2020.
(By the Member for San Fernando West)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Motions:

1. **WHEREAS** the House of Representatives, is the elected House of Parliament, where lawfully elected Members are entitled to the Constitutionally entrenched right to freedom of speech;

AND WHEREAS the Standing Orders are not intended to diminish, restrict or violate the rights, privileges and immunities of the House;

AND WHEREAS the Speaker must discharge her functions in an unbiased and impartial manner; free from political influence and in no manner to prevent or protect the Government from criticism;

AND WHEREAS the Speaker's lack of understanding of and/or disregard for her role as an impartial presiding officer, the application of, and at times, indifference to, the Standing Orders has impeded her judgment to perform her role free from bias and thereby unequivocally brought the Office of Speaker into disrepute;

AND WHEREAS the Speaker has oppressed and continues to oppress the voice and opinions of hundreds of thousands of constituents of the Members of the Opposition:

BE IT RESOLVED that this House express a lack of confidence in the Speaker.

(By the Member for Couva South)

2. **WHEREAS** section 76(2) of the Constitution provides that the Attorney General is responsible for the administration of legal affairs in Trinidad and Tobago and civil proceedings for and against the State;

AND WHEREAS the Attorney General has shown his lack of knowledge, bias, incompetence and legal ineptitude to manage the administration of legal affairs in Trinidad and Tobago and civil proceedings for and against the State;

AND WHEREAS the Attorney General having failed to properly execute his constitutional duties;

AND WHEREAS the conduct of the Attorney General has brought his office into odium and disrepute:

BE IT RESOLVED that this House express its loss of confidence in the Attorney General.

(By the Member for Barataria/San Juan)

3. **WHEREAS** the Government has consistently presented Budgets which are unrelated to the demonstrated needs of Trinidad and Tobago;

AND WHEREAS the Government has failed to present a sustainable and viable plan to address job creation, investment or foreign exchange generation;

AND WHEREAS the cost of living continues to escalate, lowering the standard of living and quality of life of a significant segment of the population;

AND WHEREAS the Government continues to fund its wastage and corruption by engaging in increased domestic and foreign debt while depleting state resources:

BE IT RESOLVED that this House condemns the Government for its neglect of the economy and failure to generate sustainable economic growth and development.

(By the Member for Oropouche West)

4. **WHEREAS** it is the responsibility of the Government to provide equal and equitable opportunities for all citizens to access quality education;

AND WHEREAS the Government has failed to address the existing inequities in accessing education exacerbated by the shift to virtual learning;

AND WHEREAS the Government has failed to provide safe learning spaces following its sudden decision to institute in-person classes for some students;

AND WHEREAS the Government has failed to meet the varied requirements of teachers leaving many ill-equipped to execute quality online instruction;

AND WHEREAS the Government has failed to effectively manage resources to facilitate adequate funding to the GATE program, government sponsored scholarships and bursaries, school feeding programme, special education access and other school related services;

BE IT RESOLVED that this House takes note of the increasing and unacceptable levels of disparity in inequitable access to education and the failure of the Ministry of Education to deliver on its essential mandate;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this House calls on the Government to take all immediate and necessary steps to provide equitable access to all students.

(By the Member for Tabaquite)

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The under-mentioned Questions which have been accepted by the Deputy Speaker in accordance with Standing Order 27 are hereby forwarded for the attention of the Ministers concerned.

1. **To the Minister of Health:**

Given that the Minister has indicated that we are in the Third Wave of the COVID-19 pandemic, will the Minister expound on the Government's plan to treat with same?

(By the Member for Caroni Central)

2. **To the Minister of Finance:**

Will the Minister inform the House whether he has given consideration to the call by the business community for an extension of the deadline to submit property tax valuation forms?

(By the Member for Couva North)

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