



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

ORDER PAPER

**NINTH SITTING, FIRST SESSION (2002/2003), EIGHTH PARLIAMENT
FRIDAY DECEMBER 13, 2002 AT 1.30 P.M.**

(a) PRAYERS

(b) OATH OF ALLEGIANCE OF A NEW MEMBER

(c) ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

(d) BILLS BROUGHT FROM THE SENATE

1. The Leases of State Lands (Validation) Bill, 2002.

(By the Minister of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources)

2. The State Lands (Amendment) Bill, 2002.

(By the Minister of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources)

(e) PETITIONS

(f) PAPERS

1. Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Financial Statements of the San Juan Laventille Regional Corporation for the year ended September 30, 1999.

(By the Minister of Trade and Industry who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts Committee)

2. Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Financial Statements of the Penal-Debe Regional Corporation for the year ended December 31, 1995.

(By the Minister of Trade and Industry who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts Committee)

3. Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Financial Statements of the Penal-Debe Regional Corporation for the year ended December 31, 1996.

(By the Minister of Trade and Industry who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts Committee)

4. Audited Financial Statements of Trinidad and Tobago Electricity Commission for the year ended December 2000.

(By the Minister of Trade and Industry who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts Committee)

5. Twenty-fourth Annual Report of the Ombudsman for the period January 01, 2001 to December 31, 2001.

(By the Minister of Trade and Industry)

(g) PRESENTATION OF REPORTS FROM SELECT COMMITTEES

(h) QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS

Questions for Oral Answer

***Question No. 1 to the Honourable Minister of Community Development and Gender Affairs**

(By the Member for Chaguanas)

- (i) Could the Honourable Minister of Community Development and Gender Affairs tell this House the number of persons employed in the Best Village Division over the last year?
- (ii) Could the Minister submit a list of these persons, their positions, their qualifications and the salaries paid to each?
- (iii) Could the Minister explain the procedure for recruitment to these positions?

Question No. 2 to the Honourable Minister of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources

(By the Member for Nariva)

- (a) Could the Minister of Agriculture, Lands and Marine Resources state whether the Ministry has assessed the compensation claims for flood damage to crops of farmers in the Plum Mitan and Cascadoux/Kernahan areas, in the Nariva Constituency due to flooding which occurred in December, 2001 and March 2002?
- (b) Could the Minister list the names of those farmers in the Plum Mitan and Cascadoux/Kernahan areas who are entitled to such compensation, the amounts due, and indicate if any compensation has been paid to date?
- (c) If no compensation has been paid, could the Minister state when the farmers of Plum Mitan and Cascadoux/Kernahan would be compensated?

Question No. 3 to the Honourable Minister of Works and Transport

(By the Member for Nariva)

Would the Minister of Works and Transport state when the rehabilitation and paving of the Cunapo Southern Road in the Nariva constituency that links Rio Claro with Sangre Grande will be re-started now that the heavy rains and flooding have further deteriorated this main thoroughfare?

Question No. 4 to the Honourable Minister of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development

(By the Member for Nariva)

- (a) Would the Minister of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development state how many loans were issued under the National Entrepreneurship Development Company (NEDCO) since the formation of NEDCO to October 31, 2002 and the amount of money disbursed in loans from the company?
- (b) Would the Minister give a breakdown of recipients according to geographical region and state the dates by which the loans are due?
- (c) Would the Minister indicate what criteria was used in granting these loans and what, if any, monitoring mechanisms are in place to ensure that loans are used for the purposes intended?
- (d) Would the Minister state what was the cost for the launch of NEDCO on the Brian Lara Promenade by the Ministry, including entertainment and advertising?

Question No. 5 to the Honourable Minister of Works and Transport

(By the Member for Tabaquite)

- (a) Would the Minister indicate when will the Gran Couva Main Road be paved?
- (b) Would the Minister state whether work on this section of the road was budgeted for in the 2001/2002 fiscal year?
- (c) If the answer to (b) is in the affirmative, would the Minister explain the delay?

Question No. 6 to the Honourable Minister of Works and Transport

(By the Member for Tabaquite)

- (a) Would the Minister indicate when will the portion of the Guaracara/Tabaquite road that traverses Reform, Ben Lomond, Williamsville, Ecclesvillage and Hardbargain be paved?
- (b) Would the Minister state whether work on this section of the road was budgeted for in the 2001/2002 fiscal year?

- (c) If the answer to (b) is in the affirmative, would the Minister explain the delay?

Question No. 7 to the Honourable Minister of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources

(By the Member for Tabaquite)

- (a) Would the Minister inform the House of Government's overall plans for the abandoned State lands of the Esmeralda Development Project?
- (b) Would the Minister indicate whether any consultations were held with the farmers who presently occupy these lands, on Government's plans for these State lands?
- (c) If the answer to (b) is in the affirmative, could the Minister state whether the farmer's suggestions were taken into consideration in the determination of a selection criteria.
- (d) If the answer to (b) is negative, would the Minister identify the criteria to be used in the selection process?

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Question No. 10 to the Minister of Health

(By the Member for Caroni Central)

- (a) Would the Minister inform this House of the number of persons employed by the North West Regional Health Authority for the year 2002?
- (b) Would the Minister submit a list of names, positions, qualifications and salaries paid to each employee?
- (c) Would the Minister inform this House of the procedure used for recruitment to these positions?
- (i) REQUESTS FOR LEAVE TO MOVE THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE ON DEFINITE MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE
- (j) STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS
- (k) PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS
- (l) INTRODUCTION OF BILLS
1. The Finance Bill, 2002.

(By the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance who will move that the next stage of this Bill be taken later in the proceedings)

- (m) MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OR SITTINGS OF THE HOUSE AND MOVED BY A MINISTER OR PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY
- (n) PUBLIC BUSINESS

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Bills Second Reading:

1. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Freedom of Information Act, 1999”.
(By the Attorney General)
2. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Income Tax Act, Chap. 75:01”.
(By the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance)
3. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Children’s Authority Act, 2000”.
(By the Minister of Legal Affairs)
4. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Adoption of Children Act, 2002”.
(By the Minister of Legal Affairs)
5. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Constitution by providing for the establishment of a Police Management Authority, and for other related matters”.
(By the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance)
6. A Bill entitled, “An Act to make provision for the efficient management of the Police Service, to consolidate, amend and revise the law relating to the Police Service and for other related matters”.
(By the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance)
7. A Bill entitled, “An Act to establish an independent body to investigate criminal offences involving police officers, police corruption and serious police misconduct and for other related matters”.
(By the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance)

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