



**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO**  
**ORDER PAPER**

**FIFTEENTH SITTING, FIRST SESSION (2002/2003), EIGHTH PARLIAMENT**  
**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2003 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 Companies (Former-Act Companies) (Validation) Bill, 2002.  
*(By the Minister of Legal Affairs)*
- (e) PETITIONS
- (f) PAPERS
  - 1. Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Financial Statements of the Agricultural Development Bank of Trinidad and Tobago for the year ended December 31, 2001.  
*(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 Trinidad and Tobago Postal Corporation for the year ended June 30, 2001.  
*(By the Minister of Trade and Industry who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts Committee)*
  - 3. Annual Audited Financial Statements of National Helicopter Services Limited for the Financial year ended September 30, 2001.  
*(By the Minister of Trade and Industry who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)*

4. Annual Audited Financial Statements of Trinidad and Tobago Solid Waste Management Company Limited for the Financial year ended December 31, 2001.  
*(By the Minister of Trade and Industry who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)*
5. Annual Audited Financial Statements of Tourism and Industrial Development Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited for the Financial year ended September 30, 2000.  
*(By the Minister of Trade and Industry who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)*
6. Annual Audited Financial Statements of Property and Industrial Development Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited for the Financial year ended September 30, 2000.  
*(By the Minister of Trade and Industry who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)*
7. Annual Audited Financial Statements of Small Business Development Company Limited for the Financial year ended September 30, 2001.  
*(By the Minister of Trade and Industry who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)*
8. Annual Audited Financial Statements of National Enterprises Limited for the Financial year ended March 31, 2001.  
*(By the Minister of Trade and Industry who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)*
9. Annual Audited Financial Statements of National Enterprises Limited for the Financial year ended March 31, 2002.  
*(By the Minister of Trade and Industry who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)*
10. Annual Audited Financial Statements of Point Lisas Industrial Port Development Corporation limited Group for the Financial year ended December 31, 2001.  
*(By the Minister of Trade and Industry who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)*
11. Annual Audited Financial Statements of Caroni (1975) Limited for the years ended December 31, 1991 to 1992.  
*(By the Minister of Trade and Industry who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)*
12. Annual Audited Financial Statements of Caroni (1975) Limited for the years ended December 31, 1993 to 1995.  
*(By the Minister of Trade and Industry who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)*

13. Annual Audited Financial Statements of Caroni (1975) Limited 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 [Enterprises] Committee)*

14. Annual Audited Financial Statements of Caroni (1975) Limited for the year ended December 31, 1997.

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

15. Annual Audited Financial Statements of Caroni (1975) Limited for the year ended December 31, 1998.

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

16. Annual Audited Financial Statements of Caroni (1975) Limited for the year ended June 30, 1999.

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

(g) PRESENTATION OF REPORTS FROM SELECT COMMITTEES

(h) QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS

**Questions for Oral Answer**

**Question No. 18 to the Honourable Minister of Health**

*(By the Member for Princes Town)*

Would the Minister state:

- (a) The date on which the Princes Town Health Facility will become operational?
- (b) The extent and nature of the services which will be available at the said facility?
- (c) How many doctors and nurses will be attached to it?

**Question No. 19 to the Honourable Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs**

*(By the Member for Princes Town)*

Would the Minister inform this House:

- (a) Whether there is a budgetary allocation for rehabilitative works on the Yolande Pompey Recreation Ground for the financial year 2001-2002?
- (b) If the answer to (a) is in the affirmative, could the Minister state the reason for the stoppage of work on the said recreation ground?
- (c) Would the Minister inform this House:

- (i) the date on which work will be recommenced; and
- (ii) the projected date of completion of the work?

**Question No. 20 to the Honourable Attorney General**

*(By the Member for Princes Town)*

Would the Attorney General inform this House what steps are being taken to address the issue of reform in sentencing in Criminal Matters?

**Question No. 23 to the Honourable Minister of Public Utilities and the Environment**

*(By the Member for Caroni East)*

- (a) Would the Minister inform this House of the number of housing quarters owned by WASA as at December 2001 and indicate the location of each?
- (b) Could the Minister also inform this House whether a decision was made by WASA to dispose of such housing quarters to employees and, if so, could he state the market value of the properties offered for sale?

**Question No. 24 to the Honourable Minister of Public Utilities and the Environment**

*(By the Member for Caroni East)*

- (a) Would the Minister indicate whether any legal matters were settled by WASA during the period December 2001 to January 2003?
- (b) If so, could he state the terms and conditions of each settlement?

**Question No. 26 to the Honourable Minister of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development**

*(By the Member for Nariva)*

- (a) Would the Minister state how much money was made available by Government to establish the National Entrepreneurial Development Company (NEDCO) and how was this money sourced?
- (b) Can the Minister advise whether there is a specified time limit for the processing of a NEDCO loan application for a business project?

**Question No. 28 to the Honourable Minister of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development**

*(By the Member for Nariva)*

Would the Minister state whether the contract post of Director, Information Technology in the Ministry of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development was advertised to the public and, if so, through what medium and on what dates?

**Question No. 30 to the Honourable Minister of Public Utilities and the Environment**

*(By the Member for Tabaquite)*

- (a) Would the Minister identify the source of funding for the Community Environment and Enhancement Programme (CEPEP)?
- (b) Would the Minister state the names, addresses and job responsibilities of all staff selected to administer, manage and implement the program together with their respective salaries?
- (c) Would the Minister indicate the recruitment process used to select the staff referred to in part (a) above, indicating the nature and dates of advertisements for the job positions, dates of interviews, ranking of applicants and reasons for selection of the persons chosen?

**Question No. 31 to the Honourable Minister of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development**

*(By the Member for Tabaquite)*

- (a) Would the Minister list the names and addresses of all the contractors who were awarded contracts by the Solid Waste Management Company Limited for the Community Environment and Enhancement Programme (CEPEP) and the payments made to each?
- (b) Would the Minister state whether these contracts were publicly advertised?
- (c)
  - (i) If the answer to part (b) is in the affirmative, would the Minister list the names and addresses of all the contractors who responded to the advertisement(s)?
  - (ii) Would the Minister provide the listing of contractors short-listed for CEPEP?

**Question No. 32 to the Honourable Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister**

*(By the Member for Tabaquite)*

- (a) Would the Minister state the names, addresses and job responsibilities of all staff selected for the Piparo Rehabilitation Centre?
- (b) Would the Minister indicate the recruitment process used to select the staff referred in part (a) above, indicating the nature and dates of advertisements for the job positions, dates of interviews, ranking of applicants and reasons for selection of the persons chosen?
- (c)
  - (i) Would the Minister state whether there are any staffing positions to be created or existing staff vacancies to be filled?
  - (ii) Would the Minister list the selection criteria to be used for the filling of vacancies?

**Question No. 33 to the Honourable Minister of Works and Transport**

*(By the Member for Caroni East)*

Would the Minister indicate the status of the Interchange Project at the junction of the Uriah Butler and Churchill Roosevelt Highways?

**Questions for Written Answer appear in the Appendix<sup>1</sup>**

- (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
- (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. **The debate on the following bill which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Friday February 07, 2003 will be resumed:**  
 A Bill entitled, “An Act to validate certain leases of State lands registered under the Real Property Ordinance Ch. 27 No. 11 and certain leases of State lands registered under the Registration of Deeds Act, Chap. 19:06 and for matters related thereto”.  
*(By the Minister of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources)*
2. **The debate on the following bill which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Friday February 07, 2003 will be resumed:**  
 A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the State Lands Act, Chap. 57:01”.  
*(By the Minister of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources)*
3. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Freedom of Information Act, 1999”.  
*(By the Attorney General)*
4. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Municipal Corporations Act, 1990”.  
*(By the Minister of Local Government)*
5. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Children’s Authority Act, 2000”.  
*(By the Attorney General)*
6. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Adoption of Children Act, 2002”.  
*(By the Attorney General)*

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<sup>1</sup> See Appendix for list of Questions for Written Answers. When received, the answers shall be circulated, in accordance with Standing Order 17(3).

7. A Bill entitled, “An Act to re-enact the Rent Restriction Act, Chap. 59:50 and to validate things done thereunder”.  
*(By the Minister of Legal Affairs)*
8. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Income Tax Act, Chap. 75:01”.  
*(By the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance)*
9. 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)*
10. 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)*
11. 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)*

### PRIVATE BUSINESS

#### Motion:

1. **The debate on the following Motion which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Friday January 24, 2003 will be resumed:**

**WHEREAS** more than twenty-six years elapsed since the coming into operation of our Republican Constitution (1976); and

**WHEREAS** during the said twenty-six years many circumstances have arisen highlighting deficiencies in the Constitution and calling into question the adequacy and/or relevance of many of the provisions thereof; and

**WHEREAS** there is urgent need to redress the inequity and divisiveness inherent in our first-past-the-post electoral system in a plural society such as ours and which have manifestly militated against the development of a truly cohesive and inclusive society; and

**WHEREAS** to date there have been several previous Constitution Commissions which have already reported on constitutional reform; and

**WHEREAS** there have been widespread public calls for constitutional reform to include *inter alia*, electoral reform, political reform and parliamentary reform;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that a Joint Select Committee of Parliament be established to make recommendations for urgent reform of the Constitution of Trinidad and Tobago and be mandated to receive and consider comments from the public on constitutional reform:

**AND BE IT RESOLVED** that a non-partisan technical team be established by government in consultation with the Opposition to assist the Joint Select Committee;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the said Joint Select Committee report to Parliament within one year of its first sitting.

*(By the Member for Siparia)*

*Jacqui Sampson Jacent  
Clerk of the House*

*House of Representatives' Secretariat  
The Red House  
PORT OF SPAIN  
February 13, 2003*

**APPENDIX**

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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**FOURTEENTH SITTING, FIRST SESSION (2002/2003 Session)**

**QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER**

**Question No. 22 to the Honourable Minister of Public Utilities and the Environment**

*(By the Member for Caroni East)*

Would the Minister indicate the monthly revenue and expenditure of WASA from December 2001 to January 2003?

**(Response due no later than 15.02.2003)**

**Question No. 25 to the Honourable Minister of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development**

*(By the Member for Nariva)*

Would the Minister provide a list of the names of the members of staff and the positions they hold at the head office of the National Entrepreneurial Development Company (NEDCO) and the branch offices in Port of Spain, Chaguanas, Tunapuna, Sangre, San Fernando, Point Fortin, Moruga, Tobago, Rio Claro and Arima.

**(Response due no later than 15.02.2003)**

**Question No. 27 to the Honourable Minister of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development**

*(By the Member for Nariva)*

Would the Minister submit, in writing, a list of the names of persons who secured loans from the National Entrepreneurial Development Company (NEDCO) and state the amount of money loaned to each recipient?

**(Response due no later than 15.02.2003)**

**Question No. 29 to the Honourable Minister of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development**

*(By the Member for Nariva)*

- (a) Would the Minister provide, in writing, a list of the names of persons who applied for the position of Director, Information Technology in the Ministry of Labour and Small and Micro Enterprise Development and state the ranking given to each applicant by the interview panel and the name of the person selected for the position?

- (b) Would the Minister provide the names of the persons and their respective positions who comprised the interview panel for this contract post?
- (c) Would the Minister provide details of the salary and other benefits payable to the holder of this contract post?

**(Response due no later than 15.02.2003)**

**Question No. 43 to the Honourable Minister of Housing**

*(By the Member for Caroni East)*

Could the Minister indicate the role and function of the following organizations in the formulation and implementation of the Government's policy on Housing:

- i. Ministry of Housing;
- ii. Home Mortgage Bank;
- iii. National Housing Authority;
- iv. Urban Development Corporation of Trinidad and Tobago (UDECOTT);
- v. Trinidad and Tobago Mortgage Finance Company?

**(Response due no later than 15.02.2003)**

**Question No. 46 to the Honourable Minister of Culture and Tourism**

*(By the Member for Caroni East)*

Could the Minister provide a list of persons employed by contract and their positions in the Ministry of culture for the period December 2001 to January 2003?

**(Response due no later than 21.02.2003)**

**Question No. 49 to the Honourable Minister of Works and Transport**

*(By the Member for Chaguanas)*

- (a) Would the Minister submit to this House the list of Community Centres and Complexes to be built in fiscal year 2003?
- (b) Would the Minister indicate the dates of commencement of construction and the cost of each such community facility to be built?

**(Response due no later than 25.02.2003)**

**Question No. 50 to the Honourable Minister of Local Government**

*(By the Member for Chaguanas)*

- (a) Could the Minister furnish this House with a list of the monthly paid staff of the Unemployment Relief Programme in each of the fourteen Regional Corporation?
- (b) Could the Minister please inform this House whether these positions were advertised and provide details of the dates of advertisements and the process of selection of persons?

**(Response due no later than 25.02.2003)**