



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

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**FIFTY-FOURTH SITTING, THIRD SESSION (2004/2005), EIGHTH PARLIAMENT
WEDNESDAY JULY 20, 2005 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
- (e) PETITIONS
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- (h) QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER APPEAR IN APPENDIX I

Questions for Oral Answer

***Question No. 17 to the Honourable Attorney General**

(By the Member for Tabaquite)

Could the Honourable Attorney General provide this House with a list of all projects and programmes involving State Enterprises, Statutory Authorities and other State Institutions in which Parliamentarians have been engaged by the State, as well as, the amount of monies paid for their services since January 2002 to the present time?

* Questions No. 17 was deferred for one (1) week on 01.04.2005, one (1) week on 15.04.2005, one (1) week on 27.04.2005, two (2) weeks on 06.05.2005, two (2) weeks on 27.05.2005, two (2) weeks on 10.06.2005, two (2) weeks on 24.06.2005, one (1) week on 08.07.2005 and on 15.07.2005 was further deferred to the next sitting of the House.

† Question No. 33 to the Honourable Minister of Community Development, Culture and Gender Affairs

(By the Member for Chaguanas)

Could the Minister inform this House when construction of the Jerningham Junction Community Centre would commence?

- (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

Motions:

1. **BE IT RESOLVED** it is provided by section 47(1) of the Summary Courts Act, that every summons shall be served by an authorized officer:

AND WHEREAS it is provided inter alia by section 47(3) of the said Act, that “authorized officer” means any person whom the Minister may by Order, subject to affirmative resolution of Parliament authorize for the purposes of this section:

AND WHEREAS the Summary Courts (Service of Summons) (Family Court) Order has been made under section 47(3) of the said Act:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this House do now approve the Summary Courts (Service of Summons) (Family Court) Order, 2005.

(By the Attorney General)

† Question No. 33 was deferred for two (2) weeks on 22.06.2005, one (1) week on 08.07.2005 and was further deferred for the next sitting of the House.

Bills Second Reading:

1. **The debate on the following bill which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Monday July 11, 2005 will be resumed:**

A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Education Act, Chap. 39:01”.

(By the Minister of Education)

2. A Bill entitled “An Act for the establishment of a Fair Trading Commission, to promote and maintain fair competition in the economy, and for related matters”.

(By the Minister of Trade and Industry)

3. A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Supreme Court of Judicature Act, Chap. 4:01”.

(By the Attorney General)

4. A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Bail Act, 1994”.

(By the Attorney General)

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)

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)

7. A Bill entitled “An Act to establish an independent body to investigate criminal offences involving police officers, police corruption and serious misconduct and for other related matters”.

(By the Prime Minister)

8. A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Family Proceedings Act, 2004”.

(By the Attorney General)

9. A Bill entitled “An Act to provide for the prevention and punishment of genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes, to give effect to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court done at Rome on the Seventeenth Day of July, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Eight; and for purposes connected therewith or incidental thereto”.

(By the Minister of Foreign Affairs)

10. **The debate on the following Bill which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Friday November 19, 2004 will be resumed:**

A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Old Age Pensions Act, Chap. 32:02 and to validate certain things done thereunder”.

(By the Minister of Social Development)

11. **The debate on the following Bill which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Friday November 19, 2004 will be resumed:**

A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Public Assistance Act, Chap. 32:03 and to validate certain things done thereunder”.

(By the Minister of Social Development)

12. A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Constitution of Trinidad and Tobago”.

(By the Attorney General)

13. A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Fire Service Act, Chap. 35:50”.

(By the Minister of National Security)

14. A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Tobago House of Assembly Act, 1996”.

(By the Minister of State in the Office of the Prime Minister)

15. A Bill entitled “An Act to amend the Land Acquisition Act, 1994”.

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

PRIVATE BUSINESS

Motions:

1. **The debate on the following motion which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Friday June 24, 2005 will be resumed:**

WHEREAS the Occupational Safety and Health Act, No. 1 of 2004, was passed in the House of Representatives on December 05, 2003 and in the Senate on January 13, 2004; and

WHEREAS the said Act was assented to by His Excellency the President of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on January 30, 2004; and

WHEREAS the said Act has not been proclaimed and therefore cannot be implemented; and

WHEREAS there has been a high incidence of industrial accidents resulting in the death of several workers in the workplace;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Government take all necessary steps to have the Occupational Safety and Health Act proclaimed and implemented without further delay.

(By the Member for Nariva)

2. The debate on the following motion which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Friday April 29, 2005 will be resumed:

WHEREAS under the Constitution, the people of Trinidad and Tobago have asserted their belief in a democratic society and have recognized that men and institutions remain free only when freedom is founded upon respect for the rule of law; and

WHEREAS under the Constitution it is recognized and declared that in Trinidad and Tobago there have existed and shall continue to exist the fundamental human right of the individual to life and security of the person and the right not to be deprived thereof except by due process of law and, the fundamental human right of the individual to the protection of the law; and

WHEREAS the Police Service is an essential pillar in upholding the rule of law and in ensuring the aforesaid fundamental human rights; and

WHEREAS the unprecedented twenty-one killings of persons by members of the Police Service has generated considerable alarm, anxiety and apprehension in the country and eroded public confidence in the Police Service:

BE IT RESOLVED that this House:

- (i) reaffirm its commitment to the rule of law and the aforesaid fundamental human rights of the individual;
- (ii) call on the relevant authorities to take steps to review by way of a fair and public hearing by an independent and impartial tribunal all the actions of the Police in the police killings of persons;
- (iii) agree that Government provide the necessary financial and other resources to effect the aforesaid review;
- (iv) agree that this exercise be completed in the shortest possible time.

(By the Member for Siparia)

3. The debate on the following motion which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Friday June 03, 2005 will be resumed:

WHEREAS by virtue of Section 5(1) (c) of the Freedom of Information Act No. 26 of 1999, the President may by Order subject to negative resolution of Parliament determine such public authority or function of a public authority to which the Act shall not apply; and

WHEREAS the Freedom of Information (Exemption) Order, 2005 which was laid in the House of Representatives on the 27th day of April 2005 exempts “information held

by a public authority relating to a matter subject to an investigation by the authority from the application of the Freedom of Information Act;”, and
WHEREAS the said Exemption Order, 2005 is contrary to transparency, accountability, good governance and for diverse other good cause and reasons:

BE IT RESOLVED that the said Freedom of Information Exemption Order 2005, be annulled.

(By the Member for Caroni East)

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Clerk of the House (Ag.)*

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The Red House
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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Question No. 26 to the Honourable Minister of Community Development, Culture and Gender Affairs

(By the Member for Chaguanas)

Could the Minister provide a breakdown of how much funding was provided by the Ministry for various events to individuals and organizations for the period October 01, 2002 to February 28, 2005.

Answer due by 08.04.2005

Question No. 29 to the Honourable Minister of Community Development, Culture and Gender Affairs

(By the Member for Chaguanas)

With respect to the Community Action for Revival and Empowerment Programme (CARE) could the Minister state how many programmes were approved for the period October, 2004 to February, 2005 and to which community groups were approvals granted.

Answer due by 13.04.2005

Question No. 34 to the Honourable Minister of Community Development, Culture and Gender Affairs

(By the Member for Chaguanas)

With respect to the celebration of the following National Holidays Divali, Eid, Indian Arrival Day, Emancipation Day and Shouter's Baptist Liberation Day, could the Minister provide this House with a list of:

- (i) the name of each organization and/or individual that received grants from the Government for the period May 1, 2004 to May 30, 2005; and
- (ii) the amount that each organization/individual received?

Answer due by 29.06.2005