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ORDER PAPER

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

2. The Public Accounts of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago for the financial year 2007 (Volume I and II).

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

3. The Animal (Importation) Control (Amendment) Regulations, 2008.

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Questions for Oral Answer

Question No. 23 to the Honourable Minister of Local Government*(By the Member for Princes Town North)**

Is the Minister aware that a person was injured when he fell through a dilapidated, rotten wooden bridge in the jurisdiction of the Penal/Debe Regional Corporation?

Could the Minister state:-

- a) the number of wooden bridges under the jurisdiction of each Municipal Corporation;
- b) whether funds have been allocated to Municipal Corporations for the conversion of these wooden bridges into concrete bridges;
- c) the allocations for conversion of wooden bridges into concrete bridges in each Municipal Corporation, if the answer to (b) is in the affirmative; and
- d) the number of wooden bridges she expects to be converted into concrete bridges utilizing the said allocation?

*** Question No. 24 to the Honourable Prime Minister****(By the Member for Princes Town North)**

Could the Honourable Prime Minister state:

- a) the allocations given to the Special Purpose Companies for carrying out infrastructure works for the years 2006 and 2007;
- b) what criteria and/or mechanisms are used in determining the type of work and the areas in which such works are to be carried out by the Special Purpose Companies;
- c) the various Ministries under which each Special Purpose Company fall;
- d) the criteria and procedures adopted by these companies in awarding contracts; and
- e) the persons and/or organizations which supervise and/or monitor the performance and the quality of work carried out by them?

Question No. 48 to the Honourable Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs*(By the Member for Caroni Central)**

With regards to the Brian Lara Sporting Complex in Tarouba, could the Minister state:

- a) the projected cost;
- b) how much money has been expended on the project so far; and
- c) the expected date of completion of the entire project?

* Questions No. 23 and 24 were deferred for two (2) weeks on 08.02.2008, for another two (2) weeks on 22.02.2008; for another two (2) weeks on 07.03.2008; for another two (2) weeks on 28.03.2008 and a further two (2) weeks on 11.04.2008

* Question No. 48 was deferred for two (2) weeks on 08.02.2008, for another two (2) weeks on 29.02.2008; for another two (2) weeks on 14.03.2008; for another two (2) weeks on 28.03.2008 and a further two (2) weeks on 11.04.2008.

Question No. 54 to the Honourable Minister of Works and Transport*(By the Member for Mayaro)**

Could the Minister state:

- a) what roads within the Constituency of Mayaro are earmarked for road paving, restoration/rehabilitation; and
- b) when these works are expected to commence?

Question No. 60 to the Honourable Minister of Science, Technology and Tertiary Education*(By the Member for Caroni Central)**

Could the Minister state:

- a) how much money was spent in 2007 to support needy students seeking tertiary training abroad;
- b) how these students were selected for financial support;
- c) whether there was any advertisement with respect to the availability of this fund for assistance to local students studying abroad; and
- d) if the answer to (c) is in the affirmative, could the Minister state the dates and the specific media in which these advertisements were placed?

Question No. 62 to the Honourable Minister of Local Government*(By the Member for Cumuto/Manzanilla)**

Could the Minister state:

- (a) what was the estimated cost of construction of the Sangre Grande Public Market;
- (b) when was construction started and when was it scheduled for completion;
- (c) which contractor/contracting firm was awarded the contract for the construction of the market; and
- (d) is the contractor still on the project and has there been a cost overrun on the construction project?

Question No. 69 to the Honourable Minister of National Security*(By the Member for Tabaquite)**

Could the Minister state :

- (a) the sum of money it has cost the Government to date for it to hire foreign consultant Stephen Mastrofski;
- (b) whether any other foreign consultant or advisor is now employed by the Government in the Police Service, and if so, how many and at what cost in respect of each advisor and/or consultant; and
- (c) what is the total sum spent by the Government since it took office in 2001, to present time, in hiring foreign advisors and /or consultants for the police service and/ or for the fight against crime, giving the particulars for each foreign advisor and /or consultant?

*** Questions Nos. 54, 60 and 62 were deferred for two (2) weeks on 22.02.2008; for another two (2) weeks on 07.03.2008; for another two (2) weeks on 28.03.2008 and a further two (2) weeks on 11.04.2008.**

*** Question No. 69 was deferred for two (2) on 28.03.2008 and a further two (2) weeks on 11.04.2008.**

Question No. 71 to the Honourable Minister of Social Development*(By the Member for Naparima)**

Could the Honourable Minister inform this House:

- (a) if the Government has received the Justice Monica Barnes Report;
- (b) if the answer to (a) is in the affirmative, when this Report will be laid in Parliament; and
- (c) what are the recommendations made in the report and whether these recommendations are being implemented?

Question No. 73 to the Honourable Minister of Community Development, Culture and Gender Affairs**(By the Member for Naparima)**

Could the Minister state:

- (a) the period/s during which the Board of Management of the Barrackpore Regional Complex was appointed and functioned for the last five (5) years;
- (b) if he is aware that there is no functional Board at present; and
- (c) if the answer to (b) is in the affirmative, when the Board will be appointed and become functional?

Question No. 74 to the Honourable Minister of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources**(By the Member for Caroni Central)**

Could the Minister state:

- (a) how many leases for agricultural land have been given out to and executed by ex-Caroni (1975) Ltd VSEP-availed workers as at February 29, 2008; and
- (b) where the lands in (a) are located?

Question No. 75 to the Honourable Minister of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources*(By the Member for Caroni Central)**

Could the Minister state:

- (a) how many leases for residential lands have been given out to and executed by ex-Caroni (1975) Ltd VSEP-availed workers as at February 29, 2008; and
- (b) where the lands in (a) are located?

Question No. 76 to the Honourable Minister of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources*(By the Member for Caroni Central)**

Could the Minister state:

- (a) how many residential lots from land previously owned by Caroni (1975) Ltd will be made available by sale/lease/rental to members of the public;
- (b) the price at which the lands in (a) will be sold;
- (c) when the land in (a) will become available; and the criteria for selection of purchasers for the above lots of lands?

* Questions Nos. 71, 73, 74, 75 and 76 were deferred for two (2) weeks on 28.03.2008 and a further two (2) weeks on 11.04.2008.

Question No. 77 to the Honourable Minister of National Security*(By the Member for Caroni Central)**

Could the Minister state:

- (a) how many citizens of Trinidad and Tobago are in possession of the 'old' (non machine readable) passports;
- (b) the deadline for changing all these passports to the machine readable passports; and
- (c) how many passports applications are processed and new passport delivered at present on a weekly basis?

Question No. 86 to the Honourable Minister of Public Utilities*(By the Member for Cumuto/Manzanilla)**

With regard to the Government's street lighting programme, could the Minister state how many street lights are non-functional as at February 29, 2008 and are they to be replaced by the contractor/contractors?

Question No. 87 to the Honourable Minister of Planning, Housing and the Environment*(By the Member for Cumuto/Manzanilla)**

Could the Minister state the process by which Housing Development Corporation (HDC) houses are allotted to applicants?

Question No. 88 to the Honourable Minister of Local Government*(By the Member for Cumuto/Manzanilla)**

Could the Minister state:

- a) when would the St. Marie Emmanuel Road in Cumuto, Sangre Grande be rehabilitated and re-paved by the Sangre Grande Regional Corporation; and
- b) why was this road not previously paved?

Question No. 89 to the Honourable Minister of Local Government*(By the Member for Cumuto/Manzanilla)**

Could the Minister state when would the Sangre Grande Regional Corporation repair the major landslips in Cumuto at:

- (a) Harkoo Trace; and
- (b) Sookoo Trace?

* Questions Nos. 77, 86, 87 and 88 were deferred for two (2) weeks on 04.04.2008 and a further two (2) weeks on 18.04.08.

* Question No. 89 was deferred for two (2) weeks on the 11.04.2008.

Question No. 95 to the Honourable Minister of Health*(By the Member for Caroni East)**

With respect to the care of patients transferred from public hospitals to private nursing homes/medical institutions in Trinidad and Tobago, could the Minister state:

- (a) what was the sum paid to each institution for 2006 and 2007;
- (b) who authorized the transfer of patients; and
- (c) what were the criteria used in the selection of the particular private nursing home/institution?

Question No. 96 to the Honourable Minister of Health*(By the Member for Caroni East)**

Could the Minister state what sums were paid to individual doctors working in private nursing homes for professional services rendered to public patients in 2006 and 2007 on behalf of the Ministry of Health?

Question No. 98 to the Honourable Minister of Health*(By the Member for Caroni East)**

Could the Minister state the number of doctors, state registered nurses and enrolled nursing assistants that are required at each of the following health institutions, and the number of vacancies that currently exist:

- (a) Port of Spain General Hospital;
- (b) San Fernando General Hospital;
- (c) Mt. Hope Maternity Hospital;
- (d) Eric Williams Medical Sciences Complex; and
- (e) Sangre Grande Hospital?

Question No. 99 to the Honourable Minister of Health*(By the Member for Caroni East)**

Could the Minister state:

- (a) the reasons for the non-commencement of the construction of a Burns Unit in Trinidad and Tobago;
- (b) if the Government is still desirous of constructing such a Unit; and
- (c) if the answer to (b) is in the affirmative, what are the plans for such construction, in terms of tendering, starting and completion dates, and construction costs?

Question No. 100 to the Honourable Minister of Health**(By the Member for Caroni East)**

Could the Minister state:

- (a) the reasons for the non-construction of the Intensive Care Unit at San Fernando General Hospital ; and
- (b) what plans now exist for the construction, including starting and completion dates, and construction costs?

* Questions Nos. 95, 96 and 97 were deferred for two (2) weeks on 04.04.2008 and a further two (2) on the 18.04.2008.

* Questions Nos. 99 and 100 were deferred for two (2) weeks on 11.04.2008.

***Question No. 101 to the Honourable Minister of Science, Technology and Tertiary Education**

(By the Member for Caroni East)

With regard to the University of Trinidad and Tobago (UTT) campuses throughout Trinidad and Tobago, could the Minister state:

- (a) the cost of construction of each; and
- (b) the annual expenditure for 2006 and 2007 on (i) staff, (ii) scholarships to lecturers/professors and (iii) administration?

***Question No. 102 to the Honourable Minister of Science, Technology and Tertiary Education**

(By the Member for Caroni East)

Could the Minister state the salaries and allowances paid by the University of Trinidad and Tobago to the following categories of staff :

- (a) Pro Vice Chancellor/ Principal;
- (b) Professor;
- (c) Associate Professor/Senior Lecturer;
- (d) Assistant Professor/Lecturer; and
- (e) Tutor?

***Question No. 103 to the Honourable Minister of Science, Technology and Tertiary Education**

(By the Member for Caroni East)

Could the Minister state:

- (a) whether any internal audit has ever been done at the University of the West Indies since its inception;
- (b) if the answer to (a) is in the negative, why not;
- (c) if the answer to (a) is in the affirmative, for what years, and have they been reviewed by the Auditor General; and
- (d) has the Auditor General ever conducted an audit of the University of Trinidad and Tobago?

***Question No. 105 to the Honourable Minister of Finance**

(By the Member for Chaguanas West)

With respect to the proposed purchase of a Bombardier Executive Private Jet for use by the Government, could the Minister state:

- (a) whether a firm order has been placed for this jet;
- (b) if the answer to (a) is in the affirmative, who placed the order and on what date was it placed;
- (c) if the order was placed, is there a contract and what is the date of the contract;
- (d) whether any money was advanced to Caribbean Airlines Limited for the purchase of a Bombardier jet; and

* Questions Nos. 101, 102 and 103 were deferred for two (2) weeks on 18.04.2008.

*Questions Nos. 105 was deferred for two (2) weeks on 11.04.08.

(d) if the answer to (d) is in the affirmative, how much money was advanced?

***Question No. 106 to the Honourable Minister of Finance**

(By the Member for Chaguanas West)

With respect to the proposed purchase of a Bombardier Executive Private Jet for use by the Government, could the Minister state:

- (a) on what date was the matter of purchase considered by the Cabinet;
- (b) will the proposed official executive jet be utilized by public officers for Official Travel; and
- (c) was a feasibility study presented to Cabinet upon which a decision was based ?

***Question No. 107 to the Honourable Minister of Finance**

(By the Member for Chaguanas West)

- A. What was the actual annual Government expenditure on Official Overseas Travel (airfares) from 2006-2007?
- B. What is the projected expenditure on Official Travel for 2008?
- C. How many aircraft travel hours are envisaged for 2008?

***Question No. 108 to the Honourable Minister of Finance**

(By the Member for Chaguanas West)

With respect to the purchase of a Bombardier Executive Private Jet for use by the Government, could the Minister state:

- (a) what is the financial commitment to Caribbean Airlines Limited for the annual upkeep of the jet beyond the guaranteed 600 hours; and
- (b) what is the cost of the 600 hours to the Government?

***Question No. 109 to the Honourable Minister of Finance**

(By the Member for Chaguanas West)

With regard to Caribbean Airlines Limited, could the Minister state:

- (a) what was the revenue in its first year of operation;
- (b) what was the expenditure for the same period;
- (c) how did this match the projections for the airline; and
- (d) what was the income earned by Government during the first years of operation of the airline?

* Questions Nos. 106 and 107 were deferred for two (2) weeks on 11.04.2008.

* Questions Nos. 108 and 109 were deferred for two (2) weeks on 18. 04. 2008.

Question No. 110 to the Honourable Minister of Finance*(By the Member for Chaguanas West)**

With regard to Caribbean Airlines Limited, could the Minister state how many foreign companies and foreign individuals are now employed the airline and at what contracted costs?

Question No. 111 to the Honourable Minister of National Security*(By the Member for Princes Town North)**

- A. Could the Minister give the name(s) of the person(s) and /or organization(s) which negotiated the purchase and /or lease of each blimp/sky ship on behalf of the State?
- B. Could the Minister give the name(s) of the person(s) and /or organization(s) which negotiated the purchase and /or lease of each blimp/sky ship on behalf of the suppliers?
- C. Were anti-corruption clauses inserted in the contracts for the purchase and/or lease of each blimp and/or sky ship?

Question No. 113 to the Honourable Minister of National Security*(By the Member for Princes Town North)**

With regard to the Aerus 40 blimps/sky ships, could the Minister state:

- (a) whether the specifications were obtained for each prior to the purchase and/or lease;
- (b) if the answer to (a) is negative, why were they not obtained; and
- (c) if the answer to (a) is in the affirmative, what were the specifications?

Question No. 115 to the Honourable Minister of Local Government*(By the Member for Oropouche East)**

With respect to the Palo Seco Agricultural Enterprises Limited (PSAEL), could the Minister state:

- (a) the names of those constituencies, which are approved for infrastructure project to be undertaken by that company;
- (b) the criteria used to identify constituencies for approval for PSAEL projects; and
- (c) the quantum of monies spent in 2007 on projects undertaken by the company?

Question No. 120 to the Honourable Minister of Works and Transport**(By the Member for Chaguanas West)**

Could the Minister state:

- (a) which roads in the Constituency of Chaguanas West will be paved this year under PURE; and
- (b) what is the commencement date for the paving of each such road?

* Questions Nos. 110 and 115 were deferred for two (2) weeks on 18.04.2008.

* Questions Nos. 111 and 113 were deferred for two (2) weeks on 11.04. 2008.

Question No. 124 to the Honourable Minister of Education**(By the Member for Siparia)**

Could the Minister state:

- (a) the schools still operating on a shift basis and the number of students attending each;
- (b) the expected date by which each school listed in (a) will be de-shifted; and
- (c) the estimated cost of de-shifting each school mentioned in (a) together with a breakdown of expenditure for each in the areas of (i) construction (ii) equipping (iii) furnishing and (iv) any other costs?

Question No. 125 to the Honourable Minister of Education**(By the Member for Siparia)**

Could the Minister state:

- (a) the government schools in which the Local School Board has been constituted and the date each Board was constituted ;
- (b) whether any of the Boards listed in (a) were constituted by Order in accordance with section 23(1) of the Education Act, and the date(s) of the respective Order(s); and
- (c) the government schools in which no School Board has been appointed and the reason(s) for failure to constitute Local School Boards for each of these schools?

Question No. 126 to the Honourable Minister of Education**(By the Member for Siparia)**

Could the Minister state:

- (a) the Local School Boards which have submitted annual reports in accordance with section 23(1) of the Education Act, and the date(s) of each report;
- (b) what were the major areas of concern raised in the annual reports submitted and the steps taken by the Ministry to address these concerns;
- (c) the Local School Boards which have not submitted the requisite annual reports and indicate what steps have been taken to have these Boards act in accordance with the law; and
- (d) the amounts paid to each Local School Board to date?

REQUESTS FOR LEAVE TO MOVE THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE ON
DEFINITE MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OR SITTINGS OF THE HOUSE AND
MOVED BY A MINISTER OR PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY

PUBLIC BUSINESS

PRIVATE BUSINESS

Motions:

1. **The debate on the following Motion which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Friday February 22, 2008 will be resumed:**

WHEREAS the price of food continues to rise and the poor and low-income earners now find it difficult to feed themselves and their families;

AND WHEREAS the Government has failed to take adequate measures to keep food prices at an affordable level to all citizens;

BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House condemn the Government for its failure in containing food prices at affordable levels for the entire population.

(By the Member for Cumuto/Manzanilla)

2. **WHEREAS** there exists no comprehensive, logical, fair, humane and equitable pension plan to ensure that persons who have worked for the Government of Trinidad and Tobago and retired are able to live a life of dignity without experiencing hardships during their retirement, a period when they are least equipped to cope with these hardships;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Government take immediate steps to establish a comprehensive pension plan for all categories of persons who have worked for the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and who have retired; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such a pension plan be linked to the cost of living and the wage and salary increases for government workers to ensure that government retirees are able to live out their retirement years with dignity and without being subjected to financial hardships.

(By the Member for Naparima)

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Motions:

1. **The debate on the following motion which was in progress when the House was adjourned on Wednesday January 30, 2008 will be resumed:**

BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House take note of the Government's efforts to combat crime.

(By the Minister of National Security)

2. **WHEREAS** the Government of Trinidad and Tobago has made tremendous progress in the tertiary education sector over the last six years by expanding its capacity and ensuring accessibility, affordability, relevance and excellence in the sector;

BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House commend the Government for its far reaching and visionary initiatives in the field of tertiary education.

(By the Minister of Science, Technology and Tertiary Education)

Bills Second Reading:

1. **The debate on the following Bill which was in progress when the House adjourned on Wednesday April 23, 2008 will be resumed:**

A Bill entitled, “An Act to provide for the implementation by the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago of the Agreement Establishing the Seat of the Caribbean Court of Justice and the Offices of the Regional Judicial and Legal Services Commission between the Government of Trinidad and Tobago and the Caribbean Court of Justice and the Regional Judicial and Legal Services Commission”.

(By the Minister of Foreign Affairs)

2. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Pensions Act, Chap. 23:52”.

(By the Minister of Public Administration)

Neil Jaggassar
Clerk of the House (Ag.)

House of Representatives' Secretariat
The Red House
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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Question No. 1 to the Honourable Minister of Agriculture, Land and Marine Resources

(By the Member for Caroni Central)

With regards to the Caroni (1975) Ltd, could the Minister state:

- a) the assets held immediately before it was closed;
- b) whether the said assets referred to in (a) were disposed of by lease, rental, sale or other methods;
- c) the names of the individuals or companies which acquired same or acquired any interest in same or were in possession of or were permitted to have occupation of any of the assets including land of the said Caroni (1975) Ltd.; and
- d) the particulars of any such acquisition or the acquisition of any such interest of delivery of possession or giving occupation of any such assets by each individual or company; giving the dates of such acquisitions and/or delivery of possession and/or occupation of any such asset, the price paid and the terms of the acquisition or delivery of occupation and/or possession?

(Answer due on 18.01.2008)

Question No. 56 to the Honourable Minister of Community Development, Culture and Gender Affairs

(By the Member for Mayaro)

With respect to Carnival 2008, could the Minister state:

- a) the total allocation for Carnival 2008 by her Ministry; and
- b) the total disbursement of grants to all cultural and social organizations, (especially Calypso Tents) for Carnival related activities?

(Answer due on 20.02.2008)

Question No. 59 to the Honourable Minister of Information

(By the Member for Caroni Central)

Could the Minister inform this Honourable House as to how much money was spent by each Ministry on advertisement, promotion and publication to each of the media houses in 2007?

(Answer due on 29.02.2008)

Question No. 80 to the Honourable Minister of Planning, Housing and the Environment

(By the Member for Fyzabad)

With regard to government housing projects, could the Minister provide the following, for the period 2006 to 2007:

- (a) a list of the persons who obtained government houses/ apartments;

- (b) the cost of the same;
- (c) the downpayments made on the same; and
- (d) a list of the persons who obtained same without downpayments?

(Answer due on 03.04.2008)

Question No. 81 to the Honourable Minister of Planning, Housing and the Environment

(By the Member for Fyzabad)

With regard to government housing projects, could the Minister state:

- (a) whether additional works were done on houses/apartments distributed between 2006 to 2007; and
- (b) if the answer to (a) is in the affirmative, what was the cost of works done ?

(Answer due on 03.04.2008)

Question No. 82 to the Honourable Minister of Planning, Housing and the Environment

(By the Member for Fyzabad)

With regard to government housing projects, could the Minister provide the following, for the period 2006 to 2007:

- (a) a list of all applicants for government houses/ apartments;
- (b) the dates of the applications; and
- (c) a list of persons who did not obtain same?

(Answer due on 03.04.2008)

Question No. 83 to the Honourable Minister of Planning, Housing and the Environment

(By the Member for Fyzabad)

With regard to government housing projects, could the Minister provide the following, for the period 2006 to 2007:

- (a) a list of the persons who obtained financial support for house construction;
- (b) the amount of monies obtained for same; and
- (c) a list of applicants who did not obtained financial support, and the reasons for refusal?

(Answer due on 03.04.2008)

Question No. 84 to the Honourable Minister of Planning, Housing and the Environment

(By the Member for Fyzabad)

With regard to government housing projects, could the Minister provide the following, for the period 2006 to 2007:

- (a) a list of citizens whose homes were destroyed by the Land Settlement Agency;
- (b) the dollar value of the same;
- (c) the number of persons affected by same; and
- (d) the dollar value of compensation awarded to those persons who were affected?

(Answer due on 03.04.2008)

Question No. 85 to the Honourable Minister of Planning, Housing and the Environment**(By the Member for Fyzabad)**

Could the Minister provide a list of citizens who obtained security of tenure for land via the Land Settlement Agency between 2006 and 2007?

(Answer due on 03.04.2008)**Question No. 90 to the Honourable Minister of Local Government****(By the Member for Oropouche East)**

With respect to the Rural Development Company, could the Minister state:

- (a) the number and type of projects undertaken in the Penal/Debe area between January 01, 2006 and December 31, 2007;
- (b) the total expenditure on each of these projects;
- (c) the names of all contractors employed to undertake these said projects in the Penal/Debe area;
- (d) the status of these projects; and
- (e) what new projects are being proposed in the Penal/Debe area and when are they scheduled to commence?

(Answer due on 08.04.2008)**Question No. 91 to the Honourable Minister of Public Utilities****(By the Member for Oropouche East)**

With respect to the National Social Development Programme, could the Minister state:

- (a) the number and type of projects undertaken in the Penal/Debe area between January 01, 2006 and December 31, 2007;
- (b) the total expenditure on each of these projects;
- (c) the names of all contractors employed to undertake these said projects in the Penal/Debe area;
- (d) the status of these projects; and
- (e) what new projects are being proposed in the Penal/Debe area and when are they scheduled to commence?

(Answer due on 08.04.2008)**Question No. 93 to the Honourable Minister of Planning, Housing and the Environment****(By the Member for Princes Town North)**

Could the Minister give a detailed list, including names, addresses, date of the application, type of unit and/or plot of all the persons (excluding the tenants and/or occupiers) who have applied to the Housing Development Corporation (HDC) and the National Housing Authority (NHA) for housing units or building plots in Fairfield Estate, Princes Town?

(Answer due on 08.04.2008)

Question No. 94 to the Honourable Minister of Planning, Housing and the Environment**(By the Member for Princes Town North)**

With respect to the Buen Intento Housing Development, Princes Town, could the Minister give:

- (a) a detailed list of all the applications made for housing units or building plots, including the names, addresses, the type of unit and/or plot applied for;
- (b) the names and addresses of the applicants who have been successful in obtaining housing units and/or building plots of land; and
- (c) the dates on which these applicants were awarded their housing units and/or plots of land?

(Answer due on 08.04.2008)**Question No. 116 to the Honourable Minister of Local Government****(By the Member for Oropouche East)**

With respect to the Palo Seco Agricultural Enterprises Limited (PSAEL), could the Minister state:

- (a) the number and types of projects undertaken by the company between January 01, 2007 and December 31, 2007;
- (b) the total expenditure on each of these projects;
- (c) the names of all the contractors employed to undertake these said projects ; and
- (d) what new projects are being proposed specifically for the Penal/Debe area and when they are scheduled to commence?

(Answer due on 25.04.2008)**Question No. 130 to the Honourable Minister of Local Government****(By the Member for Mayaro)**

With respect to the Rural Development Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited, could the Minister state:

- (a) what is the mandate, functions and specific geographic area of operations of this Special Purpose Company;
- (b) what is the total expenditure incurred by this agency from its inception to March 2008;
- (c) all the projects which have been undertaken, to date, and the attached costs for each;
- (d) the names of contractors employed and the status of works executed; and
- (e) what new projects are proposed and /or are being undertaken, the areas in which they are to be implemented and the total budget for these works ?

(Answer due on 21.05.2008)**Question No. 131 to the Honourable Minister of Local Government****(By the Member for Mayaro)**

With respect to the Community Improvement Services Limited, could the Minister state:

- (a) what is the mandate and specific geographical area of operation of this entity;
- (b) what is the total expenditure incurred to date ,the type of projects undertaken, the areas in which they were implemented and the status of these works;
- (c) the names of contractors employed, the services they provided and at what cost; and

- (d) what new projects are proposed, the areas in which they are to be undertaken, the total budget for these works and projected commencement and completion dates ?

(Answer due on 21.05.2008)

Question No. 132 to the Honourable Minister of Local Government

(By the Member for Mayaro)

With respect to the Palo Seco Agricultural Enterprises Limited, could the Minister state:

- (a) what is the mandate of this entity, its specific geographical area of operation and the total expenditure incurred from January 2006 – March 2008;
- (b) the total number and type of projects undertaken, January 2006 –March 2008, the areas in which they were implemented and the status of these works; and
- (c) what new projects are being proposed, the areas in which works will be executed, the budget for these works and the projected commencement and completion dates?

(Answer due on 21.05.2008)

Question No. 133 to the Honourable Minister of Local Government

(By the Member for Mayaro)

With respect to the East Port of Spain Development Company Limited, could the Minister state:

- (a) what is its mandate, functions and specific geographic area of operation;
- (b) what is the total expenditure incurred to date, the type of projects undertaken, the areas in which they were implemented and the status of these works; and
- (c) what new projects are being proposed, the areas in which they are to be implemented and the projected commencement and completion dates

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