



# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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## ORDER PAPER

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PRAYERS

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1. The Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Public Accounts of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago for the financial year ended September 30, 2015.  
**(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts Committee)**
2. The Public Accounts of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago for the financial year 2015.  
**(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts Committee)**
3. The Annual Audited Financial Statements of Trinidad Nitrogen Company Limited for the financial year ended December 31, 2015.  
**(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)**
4. The Annual Audited Financial Statements of the CEPEP Company Limited for the financial year ended September 30, 2013.  
**(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)**
5. The Annual Audited Financial Statements of the CEPEP Company Limited for the financial year ended September 30, 2014.  
**(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)**

6. The Consolidated Annual Audited Financial Statements of Business Development Company Limited for the financial year ended September 30, 2012.  
**(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)**
7. The Consolidated Annual Audited Financial Statements of ExportTT Limited for the financial year ended September 30, 2013.  
**(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)**
8. The Consolidated Annual Audited Financial Statements of ExportTT Limited for the financial year ended September 30, 2014.  
**(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)**
9. The Annual Report of the First Citizens Asset Management Limited for the year 2015.  
**(By the Minister of Finance)**
10. The Administrative Report of the Mayaro Rio Claro Regional Corporation for fiscal year 2012-2013.  
**(By the Minister of Rural Development and Local Government)**
11. The Annual Administration Report of the Port of Spain City Corporation for the year ended October 01, 2009 to September 30, 2010.  
**(By the Minister of Rural Development and Local Government)**
12. The Annual Administration Report of the Port of Spain City Corporation for the year ended October 01, 2010 to September 30, 2011.  
**(By the Minister of Rural Development and Local Government)**
13. The Annual Administration Report of the Port of Spain City Corporation for the year ended October 01, 2011 to September 30, 2012.  
**(By the Minister of Rural Development and Local Government)**
14. The Annual Administrative Report of the Trinidad and Tobago Bureau of Standards and its subsidiary Premier Quality Services Limited for the year ended September 30, 2013.  
**(By the Minister of Trade and Industry)**
15. The Privileges and Immunities [CARICOM Implementation Agency for Crime and Security (IMPACS)] Order, 2016.  
**(By the Attorney General)**
16. The Criminal Procedure Rules, 2016.  
**(By the Attorney General)**

17. The Draft Summary of Recommendations and Conclusions of the Forty-First Meeting of the Council for Trade and Economic Development (COTED).

**(By the Minister of Trade and Industry who will move that the Report be referred to the Joint Select Committee on Foreign Affairs)**

#### REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

1. The Third Interim Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Whistleblower Protection Bill, 2015.

**(By the Member for San Fernando West)**

2. The Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Family and Children Division Bill, 2016.

**(By the Member for San Fernando West)**

#### PRIME MINISTER'S QUESTIONS

#### URGENT QUESTIONS

#### QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

#### Questions for Oral Answer

#### **\*Question No. 84 to the Minister of Energy and Energy Industries**

**(By the Member for Chaguanas West)**

Could the Minister state the income received from the National Gas Company and its subsidiaries from September 2015 to date?

#### **Question No. 85 to the Minister of Works and Transport**

**(By the Member for Tabaquite)**

Does the Minister support the 14% wage increase to workers of the National Helicopter Services Limited, in view of the current economic downturn?

#### **Question No. 86 to the Minister of Education**

**(By the Member for Chaguanas West)**

Could the Minister provide the status of the construction of the College of Science, Technology and Applied Arts of Trinidad and Tobago, Main Campus located at Pierre Link and Connector Roads, Endeavour, Chaguanas?

#### **Question No. 87 to the Minister of Public Utilities**

**(By the Member for Chaguanas West)**

In light of the need to prevent toxic landfill fires, could the Minister provide the Government's plan to address solid waste management at the Beetham and Forres Park Landfills?

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\* Question No. 84 was deferred for one (1) week on April 22, 2016.

**Question No. 88 to the Minister of Health**

**(By the Member for Chaguanas West)**

Could the Minister provide the status of the construction of a new health facility in Chaguanas?

**Question No. 90 to the Minister of National Security**

**(By the Member for Princes Town)**

Could the Minister state:

- a) whether a request has been made by the Police Service Commission to contract an appropriate local firm to conduct the recruitment process for the appointment of a Commissioner of Police;
- b) if the answer to part (a) is in the affirmative, state:
  - i. the name of the local firm contracted; and
  - ii. the selection process for the local firm?

**Question No. 91 to the Minister of Energy and Energy Industries**

**(By the Member for Oropouche West)**

Could the Minister advise the outcome of Case No. 111988, World GTL Inc. and World GTL St. Lucia Ltd. v Petrotrin in the London Court of International Arbitration?

**Question No. 92 to the Minister of Energy and Energy Industries**

**(By the Member for Oropouche West)**

With respect to the “Gas-to-liquids” project involving World GTL Inc. could the Minister state:

- a) the total investment;
- b) the profit or loss;
- c) the return on investment by Petrotrin; and
- d) the status of the GTL Plant to be built by World GTL Inc.?

**Question No. 93 to the Minister of Health**

**(By the Member for Fyzabad)**

Could the Minister indicate:

- a) the number of nationals who have graduated from the College of Nursing, COSTAATT and the School of Nursing, Ministry of Health as Nursing Personnel (inclusive of nurses, advanced practice nurses, nurse interns, midwives and nursing assistants) from 2010 to 2015; and
- b) the number of graduates from part (a), who have secured employment contracts with any Regional Health Authorities?

**Question No. 94 to the Minister of Health**

**(By the Member for Fyzabad)**

Could the Minister state:

- a) the number of nationals who have graduated from the Faculty of Medical Sciences, University of the West Indies as medical doctors over the past three (3) years;
- b) the number of graduates from part (a), who have completed an internship at any Regional Health Authority; and
- c) the number of graduates from part (b) who have received employment contracts at any Regional Health Authority and the respective dates of employment?

**Question No. 95 to the Minister of Finance**

**(By the Member for Pointe-a-Pierre)**

Could the Minister state:

- a) the total amount expended on legal fees by the Central Bank over the past ten (10) years;
- b) the names of the attorneys paid; and
- c) the fee paid to each attorney?

**Question No. 96 to the Minister of Finance**

**(By the Member for Pointe-a-Pierre)**

Could the Minister state:

- a) the state enterprises (inclusive of subsidiary companies) to which Mr. Gerry Brooks was appointed as either a Chairman or Board Member from September 8, 2015 to present; and
- b) the remuneration package, inclusive of allowances for each appointment?

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PUBLIC BUSINESS

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

**Motions:**

1. **WHEREAS** it is provided by subsection (3) of section 4 of the Elections and Boundaries Commission (Local Government and Tobago House of Assembly) Act, that as soon as may be after the Elections and Boundaries Commission (hereinafter referred to as “the Commission”) has submitted a report under paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 4 of the said Act, the Minister shall lay before the House of Representatives for its approval the draft of an Order by the President for giving effect, whether with or without modifications, to the recommendations contained in the report:

**AND WHEREAS** the Commission has submitted a report to the Minister in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 4:

**AND WHEREAS** the draft of an Order entitled the “Elections and Boundaries Commission (Local Government and Tobago House of Assembly) Order, 2016” giving effect to the recommendations of the Commission was laid before the House of Representatives on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016:

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the draft of the “Elections and Boundaries Commission (Local Government and Tobago House of Assembly) Order, 2016” be approved.

**(By the Minister of Rural Development and Local Government)**

2. **WHEREAS** it is provided by section 9 of the Privileges and Immunities (Diplomatic, Consular and International Organisations) Act, Chap. 17:01 (hereinafter called “the Act”) that the President may by Order declare that any international or regional organisation or agency named or described in such Order shall, to such extent as specified in the Order, be accorded certain privileges and immunities;

**AND WHEREAS** it is also provided by section 9 of the Act that every Order made under that section shall be subject to affirmative resolution of Parliament;

**AND WHEREAS** the President has on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2016 made the Privileges and Immunities [CARICOM Implementation Agency for Crime and Security (IMAPCS)] Order, 2016

**AND WHEREAS** it is expedient that the Order now be affirmed:

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Privileges and Immunities [CARICOM Implementation Agency for Crime and Security (IMPACS)] Order, 2016” be approved.

(By the Attorney General)

### **Bills Second Reading:**

1. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Remedies of Creditors Act, Chap. 8:09”.

(By the Minister of Finance)

### **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

#### **Motions:**

1. **BE IT RESOLVED** that this House adopt the First Report of the Joint Select Committee on Government Assurances.

(By the Member for Laventille East/Morvant)

2. **BE IT RESOLVED** that this House adopt the Report of the Joint Select Committee on the Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Property (Amendment) Bill, 2015.

(By the Member for Diego Martin North/East)

3. **BE IT RESOLVED** that this House adopt the Report of the Joint Select Committee appointed to consider and report on the Family and Children Division Bill, 2016.

(By the Member for San Fernando West)

### **PRIVATE BUSINESS**

#### **Motions:**

1. **The debate on the following Motion which was adjourned on Friday January 22, 2016, will be resumed:**

**WHEREAS** from 2010 to 2015, the People’s Partnership Government (the former government) provided core textbooks and workbooks to all students in early childhood centres, primary schools and secondary schools and learning material to special needs students, at no cost to parents;

**AND WHEREAS** a commitment was made by the former government to continue this arrangement for the academic year 2015 to 2016;

**AND WHEREAS** there was a further commitment made by the former government that for the academic year 2015 to 2016 E-books would be introduced on a phased basis in Forms 1 and 2 in selected subject areas;

**AND WHEREAS** the Ministry of Education has not provided new text books, workbooks, learning material or replacements for the academic year 2015 to 2016 which has resulted in financial hardship for families and loss of educational material for both students and teachers;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that this Government take urgent steps to ensure that all students are provided with textbooks, workbooks and/or other learning material in fulfillment of commitments given for the academic year 2015 to 2016.

**(By the Member for Caroni East)**

2. **WHEREAS** there has been a need for diversification in Trinidad and Tobago due to heavy dependence on oil and natural gas;

**AND WHEREAS** the prices of oil and natural gas are currently in decline and may continue to decline in the foreseeable future;

**AND WHEREAS** diversification has become an imperative which requires urgent, coordinated and concerted action;

**AND WHEREAS** there is little documented evidence that the current Government of Trinidad and Tobago has a plan of action for diversification in light of Trinidad and Tobago's current economic situation;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that this House call on the Government to present a Diversification Plan to the Parliament for debate within six weeks.

**(By the Member for Caroni Central)**

3. **WHEREAS** the United Nations established 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to be achieved within a fifteen year period;

**AND WHEREAS** the 2015 Paris Climate Conference (COP 21) Agreement made the commitment that countries will work together to ensure that the planet does not heat up by more than 2 degrees centigrade over the next fifteen years;

**AND WHEREAS** Trinidad and Tobago committed to signing the Paris Agreement and is supportive of the SDGs;

**AND WHEREAS** the Government has formally stated its intention to pursue a path of sustainable development;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Government present to Parliament its plan of action for the next four years to advance the SDGs aligned to the goals of COP 21 as well as to advance the overall goals of COP 21 within the next six weeks.

**(By the Member for Caroni Central)**

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

- 1. To the Minister of Rural Development and Local Government:  
(By the Member for Oropouche East)**  
Could the Minister indicate the steps your Ministry intends to take to resolve the impending crisis over the ownership and use of land at the cremation site “Shore of Peace – Shanti Tiram” at Mosquito Creek, Oropouche?
- 2. To the Minister of National Security:  
(By the Member for Princes Town)**  
Having regard to the staff shortages which have affected the work of the Child Protection Unit, would the Minister please indicate what specific actions have been taken to address the shortage of personnel at the Child Protection Unit?
- 3. To the Minister of Public Utilities:  
(By the Member for Chaguanas West)**  
Given the recent widespread electricity blackout across several parts of the country, could the Minister state what measures are being taken to mitigate and avoid future similar nationwide outages?
- 4. To the Minister of Social Development and Family Services:  
(By the Member for Cumuto/Manzanilla)**  
In light of the recent freezing of hundreds of Food Cards and the Baby Care Grant, can the Minister state whether any assessment was conducted to determine whether the holders of these cards were in critical need of assistance?

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