



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SECOND SESSION
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NO. 32
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ORDER PAPER

WEDNESDAY MAY 10, 2017: 1:30 P.M

PRAYERS

OATH OR AFFIRMATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

BILLS BROUGHT FROM THE SENATE

PETITIONS

PAPERS

1. The Consolidated Audited Financial Statements of First Citizens Bank Limited for the financial year ended September 30, 2016.

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

2. The Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Financial Statements of the Point Fortin Civic Centre for the year ended September 30, 2004.

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

3. The Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Financial Statements of the Point Fortin Civic Centre for the year ended September 30, 2005.

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

4. The Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Financial Statements of the Tobago House of Assembly for the year ended September 30, 2015.

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

5. The 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 September 30, 2012.

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

6. The 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 September 30, 2013.

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

7. The Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Financial Statements of the South-West Regional Health Authority for the year ended September 30, 2006.

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

8. The Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Financial Statements of the South-West Regional Health Authority for the year ended September 30, 2007.

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

9. The Second Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Financial Statements of the Sangre Grande Regional Corporation for the year ended September 30, 2008.

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

10. The Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Financial Statements of the Sangre Grande Regional Corporation for the year ended September 30, 2009.

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

11. The Response of the Auditor General's Department to the Fourth Report of the Public Accounts (Enterprises) Committee on the Examination of the Audited Accounts, Balance Sheet and other Financial Statements of the Community Based Environmental Protection and Enhancement Programme for the financial years 2009 to 2014.

(By the Minister of Finance)

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

PRIME MINISTER'S QUESTIONS

URGENT QUESTIONS

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Question for Written Answer appears in the Appendix

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

1. The Finance (Variation of Appropriation) (Financial Year 2017) Bill, 2017.

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

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

PUBLIC BUSINESS

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Motions:

1. **BE IT RESOLVED** that a Joint Select Committee be established to consider the First Report of the Committee established to Review the Levels of Health Care Delivery by the Regional Health Authorities and to Rationalise the System of Public Sector Doctors in Private Practice as well as the Second Report of the Committee to Review the Levels of Health Care Delivery by the Regional Health Authorities and to Rationalise the System of Public Sector Doctors in Private Practice, laid in the House of Representatives on November 9, 2016 and March 24, 2017, respectively:

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Committee be mandated to:

- (a) review and analyze the Reports;
- (b) consider the findings and recommendations contained in the Reports; and
- (c) report its observations and recommendations no later than June 5, 2017.

(By the Leader of the House)

2. **BE IT RESOLVED** that this House consider the findings and recommendations of the Thirty-Eighth Annual Report of the Ombudsman.

(By the Leader of the House)

Bills Second Reading:

1. **The debate on the Second Reading of the following Bill which was adjourned on Friday March 03, 2017 will be resumed:**

A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Marriage Act, Chap. 45:01, the Muslim Marriage and Divorce Act, Chap. 45:02, the Hindu Marriage Act, Chap. 45:03, the Orisha Marriage Act, Chap. 45:04 and the Matrimonial Proceedings and Property Act, Chap. 45:51”.

(By the Attorney General)

2. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Act, the Proceeds of Crime Act, the Financial Intelligence Unit of Trinidad and Tobago Act, the Customs Act and the Exchange Control Act”.

(By the Attorney General)

3. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Land Adjudication Act, 2000”.

(By the Attorney General)

4. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Registration of Titles to Land Act, 2000”.

(By the Attorney General)

5. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Land Tribunal Act, 2000”.

(By the Attorney General)

6. A Bill entitled, “An Act to repeal and replace the Crown Suits Limitation Ordinance”.

(By the Attorney General)

7. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Anti-Terrorism Act, Chap. 12:07”.

(By the Attorney General)

8. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Bail Act, Chap. 4:60.”

(By the Attorney General)

9. A Bill entitled, “An Act to implement the Convention on Mutual Administrative Assistance in Tax Matters which would make provision for the implementation of agreements between Trinidad and Tobago and other States to provide for the exchange of information for the purposes of taxation, and matters incidental thereto.”

(By the Minister of Finance)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Motions:

1. **The debate on the following Motion which was in progress when the House adjourned on Friday April 28, 2017 will be resumed:**

BE IT RESOLVED that this House take note of the rising levels of unemployment, growing poverty and deteriorating living standards through the imposition of a wage restraint/freeze policy on the working people; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this House condemn the Government for its failure to deal with the current unemployment challenges and to present a clear and cogent economic plan to guide the country through these challenges.

(By the Member for Couva South)

2. **The debate on the following Motion which was in progress when the House adjourned on Friday December 02, 2016 will be resumed:**

WHEREAS the Government has unilaterally reduced its allocation to education and training;

AND WHEREAS the sustainability of tertiary education in both the public and private sectors are under threat;

AND WHEREAS these decisions have denied most-in-need citizens the opportunity to pursue high education, training and the opportunity to secure better jobs and an improved quality of life;

AND WHEREAS the country's competitiveness will be undermined by these decisions;

AND WHEREAS these decisions will ultimately lead to higher cost, compromised quality, as well as further job losses;

BE IT RESOLVED that this House collectively condemn the Government for such short-sighted and brutal measures against large sections of the population;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this House call on the Government to immediately reverse these measures which can have a deleterious effect on the future development of Trinidad and Tobago.

(By the Member for Chaguanas East)

3. **BE IT RESOLVED** that this House take note and express its horror at the exponential growth in the crime rate manifested by historic murder rates, violence against the person and property and the inexplicable disappearance of citizens;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this House condemn the Prime Minister and the Government for:

- a) failure to address the rising crime epidemic; and
- b) inability to present a credible Anti-Crime Plan aimed at preventing, detecting, prosecuting and rehabilitating the criminal elements.

(By the Member for Naparima)

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APPENDIX**ORDER PAPER WEDNESDAY MAY 10, 2017****QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER*****Question No. 84 to the Minister of Education****(By the Member for Caroni East)**

With respect to contractors of Education Facilities Company Limited during the period October 1, 2015 to December 30, 2016, could the Minister state:

- a. the names of the contractors;
- b. the total payment to each contractor;
- c. the payment dates;
- d. the services provided;
- e. the outstanding sums yet to be paid; and
- f. the planned payment schedule for the outstanding sums?

(Answer due by 11.04.2017)



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NOTICE OF URGENT QUESTIONS

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 Minister concerned.

1. **To the Minister of National Security:**
(By the Member for Chaguanas West)

In light of the finding of a “bomb-like device” within the precincts of the Chaguanas Magistrate’s Court, what measures are being put in place to improve security at this Court?

2. **To the Minister of Works and Transport:**
(By the Member for Naparima)

Could the Minister indicate the time frame when nationals in Tobago can expect relief from the failure of this government to adequately deal with the inter-island transport arrangements?

3. **To the Minister of National Security:**
(By the Member for Naparima)

Could the Minister provide the House with the assurance that all measures relating to the return of detainees from Turkey have been taken consistent with global best practices and could he state the critical measures taken?

4. **To the Minister of Rural Development and Local Government:**
(By the Member for Pointe-a-Pierre)

Based on recent media reports that some market vendors at the Central Market, Port of Spain will be displaced due to the construction work of the Sea Lots Walk-over, could the Minister state what alternative accommodations or arrangements, if any, will be made to allow these vendors to continue their trade in safe and comfortable manner ?

5. **To the Minister of Health**
(By the Member for Pointe-a-Pierre)

Based on recent reports that scores of Cancer patients continue to be turned away from the San Fernando Oncology Center each day while availability of therapy sessions have been reduced from five days per week to three days per week, can the Minister state the reason for this development and when shall it be rectified?

6. **To the Minister of Works and Transport**
(By the Member for Pointe-a-Pierre)

Based on recent reports of growing financial losses being incurred by truckers who are transporting goods between Trinidad and Tobago due to the inefficiencies of the Barge and Ferry which have replaced the Galicia, could the Minister consider compensating these truckers or providing some form of financial subsidization to meet the extra costs they have been forced to bear?

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NOTICE OF PRIME MINISTER'S QUESTIONS

The under-mentioned Questions which have been accepted by the Speaker in accordance with Standing Order 26 are hereby forwarded for the attention of the Prime Minister.

1. Could the Prime Minister please identify those State Enterprises/companies/agencies that are currently without Boards?
(By the Member for Caroni Central)
2. Could the Prime Minister indicate the official itinerary for the visit to Tobago he undertook late last week and the mode of transportation he utilized to and from Tobago?
(By the Member for Caroni Central)
3. Would the Prime Minister give consideration to the establishment of an independent body like the Congressional Budget Office in the United States which provides “value for money” analyses of cost items in budgets, mid-year reviews and on policy decisions of the executive?
(By the Member for Naparima)
4. Does the Government have any confidence boosting measures to inspire investors in Trinidad and Tobago?
(By the Member for Caroni Central)
5. Given the current controversy in the justice system, is the Government considering the appointment of a Commission of Enquiry into the judicial system?
(By the Member for Chaguanas West)
6. Could the Prime Minister state whether a due diligence was done on Massy Technologies prior to its acquisition by TSTT?
(By the Member for Chaguanas West)
7. Could the Prime Minister provide an update on the Public-Private Partnership Project on housing at Mount Hope entered into September 2016?
(By the Member for Chaguanas West)
8. Is the Prime Minister aware of an 81 page, “Tourism and Heritage Plan for Moruga and Ste. Madeleine” costing less than \$70,000 done in 2015 by world renowned tourism experts for

the Princes Town Regional Corporation and could the Prime Minister justify the expenditure of an additional \$250,000 to complete a feasibility study for Ste. Madeleine?

(By the Member for Naparima)

9. Is the Prime Minister aware of any cost benefit analysis done on the \$255 million purchase by TSTT of Massy Communications and further is he prepared to make this analysis available to the national community?

(By the Member for Naparima)

10. Could the Prime Minister share with this House the result of the recently extended share offering for First Citizens Bank?

(By the Member for Caroni Central)

11. Could the Prime Minister please explain the divergence of views between the Prime Minister and the Minister of Public Utilities on Cabinet knowledge of the TSTT acquisition of Massy Communications?

(By the Member for Caroni Central)

12. Given the urgency of the situation at Maracas Bay, could the Prime Minister advise when will the Maracas Bay Water Treatment Plant Project commence and what is the projected cost of this project?

(By the Member for Chaguanas West)

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