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PRAYERS

OATH OR AFFIRMATION

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1. The Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Consolidated Financial Statements of the Trinidad and Tobago Unit Trust Corporation for the year ended December 31, 2016.

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

2. The Consolidated Audited Financial Statements of the National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited for the financial year ended December 31, 2016.

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

3. The Audited Financial Statements of the Deposit Insurance Corporation for the year ended September 30, 2015.

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

4. The Response of the South West Regional Health Authority to the Third Report of the Joint Select Committee on Local Authorities, Service Commissions and Statutory Authorities (including the THA) on an Inquiry into the Administration and Operations of the South-West Regional Health Authority in relation to the Adequacy of Medical Staff and Equipment at the San Fernando General Hospital.

(By the Minister of Health)

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

1. The First Report of the Joint Select Committee on Land and Physical Infrastructure for the First Session (2015/2016), Eleventh Parliament, on the Inquiry into Land Tenure Issues in Trinidad and Tobago.

(By the Member for Mayaro)

PRIME MINISTER'S QUESTIONS

URGENT QUESTIONS

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Questions for Oral Answer

Question No. 120 to the Minister of Public Utilities

(By the Member for Oropouche West)

With respect to water restrictions implemented by the Water and Sewerage Authority (WASA) in Tobago, could the Minister provide the rationale for water restrictions in Tobago and the date the restrictions will be lifted; and

Question No. 121 to the Minister of Community Development, Culture and the Arts

(By the Member for Oropouche West)

In light of frequent vandalism at the Temple in the Sea, could the Minister indicate whether the Government is willing to assist with the provision of security of the site?

Question No. 122 to the Attorney General

(By the Member for Oropouche West)

With regard to the concerns raised by prominent criminal attorneys in relation to the Criminal Procedure Rules, 2016, is the Attorney General willing to intervene to provide practical solutions?

Question No. 131 to the Minister of Housing and Urban Development

(By the Member for Oropouche East)

Given that millions of dollars in land and buildings are vested in the Housing Development Corporation (HDC), could the Minister state whether the HDC would be required to pay the new property taxes?

Question No. 132 to the Minister of National Security

(By the Member for Oropouche East)

Could the Minister provide the total compensation paid to the beneficiaries of deceased members of the protective services killed in the line of duty as announced on April 18, 2017?

Question No. 133 to the Minister of Finance

(By the Member for Oropouche East)

Could the Minister inform this House whether the Valuation Division, Ministry of Finance and any other relevant department(s) have received additional personnel, financial resources, office and logistical support for the implementation of the property tax?

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

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

PUBLIC BUSINESS

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Motions:

1. **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)

2. **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)

3. **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)

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. **WHEREAS** the Draft National Development Strategy 2016 – 2030 (Vision 2030) was laid in the House of Representatives on April 21, 2017 and in the Senate on April 25, 2017;

BE IT RESOLVED that a Joint Select Committee be established to consider the Draft National Development Strategy 2016 – 2030 (Vision 2030):

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

- (a) review and analyse the Draft National Development Strategy 2016 – 2030 (Vision 2030);
- (b) consider the recommendations contained in the Draft National Development Strategy 2016 – 2030 (Vision 2030); and
- (c) report its recommendations for the development of a National Development Plan no later than June 21, 2017.

(By the Leader of the House)

3. **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 in progress when the House adjourned on Friday May 19, 2017 will be resumed:**

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

(By the Attorney General)

2. **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)

3. 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)

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

(By the Attorney General)

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

(By the Attorney General)

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

(By the Attorney General)

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

(By the Attorney General)

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

(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)

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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 Planning and Development:**
(By the Member for Chaguanas West)

In light of the recently published Institute of Marine Affairs Report indicating there was significant pollution of the North and Northwest coastline and beaches, could the Minister state the measures the Ministry intends to implement to mitigate the risks to the public and the Environment?

2. **To the Minister of Health:**
(By the Member for Fyzabad)

In light of a recent newspaper report that a Venezuelan national died because he was denied medical care in the public health sector, could the Minister indicate the Government's policy with regard to non-nationals seeking care at public health institutions?

3. **To the Minister of Energy and Energy Industries:**
(By the Member for Couva South)

Could the Minister advise this House of the reason(s) which led to the decision of the National Gas Company to send home thirty (30) workers by the end of May 2017?

4. **To the Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs:**
(By the Member for Couva South)

Could the Minister inform this House of the official invitations he received from stakeholders and attended which necessitated his presence in Tobago from May 19 to 22, 2017?

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

Based on a recent media report that police officers of the Driving Under the Influence (DUI) Task-force have been disbanded, could the Minister state the reasons for this given the critical work these officers were undertaking to ensure road safety?

6. **To the Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs:**
(By the Member for Princes Town)

In light of the announcement made by the Minister regarding Trinidad and Tobago hosting the CPL final, would the Minister indicate whether this event and its related budget have been approved by Cabinet?

7. **To the Minister of State in the Office of the Prime Minister:**
(By the Member for Oropouche West)

With respect to the four (4) girls who were reported missing from the St. Dominic's Children's Home, could the Minister state the measures that have been implemented by the Ministry to ensure the safety of children in Foster Homes?

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