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(By the Minister of Finance)

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(By the Minister of Finance)

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(By the Attorney General)

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Question No. 37 to the Minister of Trade and Industry:

(By the Member for Pointe-a-Pierre)

With regard to the Small Business Development Incentive Programme, could the Minister state:

- a) the number of small businesses that received grants from October 1, 2017 to December 31, 2018; and
- b) the value of each grant disbursed to small businesses listed in part (a)?

Question No. 63 to the Minister of National Security:

(By the Member for Barataria/San Juan)

Could the Minister state:

- a) the number of murders committed from 2015 to 2018;
- b) the number of murderers apprehended for each year identified in part (a); and
- c) the ratio of the number of murders detected to the number of murders committed from 2015 to 2018?

Question No. 64 to the Minister of Finance:

(By the Member for Barataria/San Juan)

Could the Minister state:

- a) the total amount of United States Dollars (USD) injected into the local banks and financial institutions for 2018;
- b) the quantum of USD injected in each local bank/financial institution for 2018;
- c) the quantum of USD utilised for credit card payments in part (b); and
- d) the quantum of USD reserve remaining in each local bank/financial institution after credit card payments identified in part (b)?

Question No. 65 to the Minister of Labour and Small Enterprise Development:

(By the Member for Barataria/San Juan)

Could the Minister state:

- a) whether inspections are conducted to ensure that Chinese companies on current state projects comply with the Industrial Relations Act, Chap. 88:01, the Occupational Health and Safety (OSHA) Act, Chap. 88:08 and OSHA Regulations; and
- b) the type, date and location of each inspection conducted in part (a)?

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Motions:

1. **WHEREAS** it is provided by section 5(1) of the Land Acquisition Act, Chap. 58:01 (hereinafter referred to as “the Act”) that the President may by Order, declare that land is required for a public purpose;

AND WHEREAS it is provided by section 5(2) of the Act that Parliament may by resolution approve an Order made under section 5(1);

AND WHEREAS the Land Acquisition (Requisition) Order, 2018 was made by the President under section 5(1) of the Act as Legal Notice No. 190 dated the 19th day of December, 2018;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient to approve the said Order:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Land Acquisition (Requisition) Order, 2018 be approved.

(By the Attorney General)

Bills Second Reading:

1. A Bill entitled, “An Act to repeal and replace the Statistics Act, Chap. 19:02, establish a National Statistical Institute of Trinidad and Tobago and for other related matters”.

(By the Minister of Planning and Development)

2. A Bill entitled, “An Act to combat corruption and other wrongdoings by encouraging and facilitating disclosures of improper conduct in the public and private sector, to protect persons making those disclosures from detrimental action, to regulate the receiving, investigating or otherwise dealing with disclosures of improper conduct and to provide for other matters connected therewith”.

(By the Attorney General)

3. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Companies Act”.

(By the Minister of Finance)

4. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Magistrates Protection Act, 2018, Chap. 6:03”.

(By the Attorney General)

5. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Trespass Act, Chap. 11:07”.

(By the Minister in the Ministry of the Attorney General and Legal Affairs)

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Motions:

1. **The debate on the following Motion which was in progress when the House adjourned on Friday November 09, 2018 will be resumed:**

BE IT RESOLVED that this House adopt the Fifth Report of the Joint Select Committee on National Security on the Final Report of the Police Manpower Audit Committee.

(By the Member for Laventille West)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Motions:

1. **The debate on the following Motion which was in progress when the House adjourned on Friday January 25, 2019 will be resumed:**

BE IT RESOLVED that this House consider the details of the two-part address by the Hon. Keith Rowley, MP, Prime Minister termed, “*Mind your Business: Reporting to the Nation*” that aired on January 6, 2019 and January 7, 2019.

(By the Leader of the Opposition)

2. **WHEREAS** the Government has taken a policy decision to construct and establish an all-inclusive tourist destination in Tobago;

AND WHEREAS this decision has been met with considerable public disquiet, controversy and outrage over matters of procurement of Sandals Resorts International and project planning and development;

AND WHEREAS it is felt that this project had been conceptualized and is being implemented without any regard to transparency, accountability and good governance;

AND WHEREAS this project involves the expenditure of approximately one billion Trinidad and Tobago dollars with concerns over the social and economic returns to such an investment;

BE IT RESOLVED that this House condemn the lack of proper procurement policy, disclosure and the improper implementation of the Sandals Resorts International project.

(By the Member for Couva North)

3. **WHEREAS** the United Nations established seventeen (17) Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to transform the world by 2030;

AND WHEREAS the second target under SDG number five (5) states, “the elimination all forms of violence against all women and girls in the public and private spheres, including trafficking and sexual and other types of exploitation”;

AND WHEREAS women are increasingly becoming victims of domestic abuse, violent crime and human trafficking in Trinidad and Tobago;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Government take urgent steps to ensure the protection of our nation's women.

(By the Member for Fyzabad)

4. **WHEREAS** climate change is a matter of global concern which threatens all nations;

AND WHEREAS small island states and coastal states are especially susceptible to the impact of climate change;

AND WHEREAS the Caribbean region including Trinidad and Tobago has recently experienced heavy rainfall, devastating hurricanes, and floods;

AND WHEREAS earthquakes and drought are anticipated and must be prepared for;

BE IT RESOLVED that this House agree that the Government develop a holistic and sustainable national response to climate change inclusive of solutions to perennial flooding in Trinidad and Tobago and the management of drought conditions.

(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 National Security:**
(By the Member for Mayaro)

Given the warning of a harsh dry season by the Trinidad and Tobago Meteorological Service and the already high presence of bush fires, could the Minister indicate when will the Fire Tenders at the Mayaro and Rio Claro Fire Stations be properly functioning?

2. **To the Minister of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs:**
(By the Member for Naparima)

Could the Minister state how soon CARICOM expects to bring the parties to the negotiating table and whether this position is still relevant given that President Nicolás Maduro has said that he will not hold new elections and that Mr. Juan Guaidó has been barred by the Venezuelan Courts from leaving Venezuela?

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

Given that the order of merit list has a life of one year, could the Minister indicate when the Parliament will debate the nomination of Her Excellency the President for the appointment of a Deputy Commissioner of Police?

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