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ORDER PAPER

FRIDAY JUNE 07, 2024 AT 1:30 P.M.

PRAYERS

OATH OR AFFIRMATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

BILLS BROUGHT FROM THE SENATE

PETITIONS

PAPERS

1. The Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Financial Statements of the San Fernando City Corporation for the year ended September 30, 2010.
(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts 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, 2013.
(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts Committee)
3. The Unconsolidated Financial Statements of the Trinidad and Tobago Electricity Commission (T&TEC) for the year ended December 31, 2022.
(By the Minister of Finance)
4. The Delegation Report on the visit to the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, Canada from May 06 to 10, 2024.
(By the Member for Laventille East/Morvant)

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

1. The Report of the Standing Finance Committee of the House of Representatives for the Fourth Session (2023/2024), Twelfth Parliament on the consideration of proposals for the Supplementary Appropriation for the fiscal year 2024.
(By the Member for Diego Martin North East)

PRIME MINISTER'S QUESTIONS

URGENT QUESTIONS

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Questions for Written Answer appear in the Appendix**Questions for Oral Answer****Question No. 73 to the Agriculture, Land and Fisheries:****(By the Member for Couva North)**

Will the Minister indicate the quantum of financial resources which has been allocated for the paving of agricultural access roads in the area west of Factory Road, Chaguanas?

Question No. 74 to the Agriculture, Land and Fisheries:**(By the Member for Couva North)**

When will the reconstruction work commence on the Randy Carter Bridge in Felicity, Chaguanas?

Question No. 75 to the Agriculture, Land and Fisheries:**(By the Member for Couva North)**

Will the Minister advise whether all the major watercourses that were maintained by Caroni (1975) Ltd., that passes through State owned agricultural lands in the Exchange area, Union Village and Orange Valley, have been cleaned?

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 National Musical Instrument Bill, 2024.
(By the Minister of Tourism, Culture and the Arts)
2. The Finance (Supplementary Appropriation) (Financial Year 2024) Bill, 2024.
(By the Minister of Finance who 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 this House adopt the Report of the Standing Finance Committee of the House of Representatives for the Fourth Session (2023/2024), Twelfth Parliament on the consideration of proposals for the Supplementary Appropriation for the fiscal year 2024.
(By the Minister of Finance)

2. **WHEREAS** it is provided by section 9 of the Beekeeping and Bee Products Act, Chap. 67:53 (hereinafter referred to as “the Act”) that the Minister may make Regulations, inter alia, restricting and regulating the importation or exportation of bees, bee products and bee supplies into or out of Trinidad and Tobago;

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

AND WHEREAS the Minister of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries has on the 24th day of November, 2023 made the Beekeeping and Bee Products (Amendment) Regulations, 2023;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the Beekeeping and Bee Products (Amendment) Regulations, 2023 now be affirmed:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Beekeeping and Bee Products (Amendment) Regulations, 2023 be approved.

(By the Minister of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries)

3. **BE IT RESOLVED** that this House consider the findings and recommendations of the Forty-Fifth 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 February 16, 2024 will be resumed:**

A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Judicial and Legal Service Act, Chap. 6:01, the Prison Service Act, Chap. 13:02, the Defence Act, Chap. 14:01, the Police Service Act, Chap. 15:01, the Civil Service Act, Chap. 23:01, the Fire Service Act, Chap. 35:50 and the Financial Intelligence Unit of Trinidad and Tobago Act, Chap. 72:01 to provide a regulatory framework for polygraph and drug testing and biometric identification for members of the Protective Services and certain offices in the Judicial and Legal Service and the Civil Service and for other related matters”.

(By the Minister of National Security)

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 Prime Minister)

Committee Stage:

1. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Constitution of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago to accord self-government to Tobago and for related matters”.

(By the Prime Minister)

2. A Bill entitled, “An Act to repeal the Tobago House of Assembly Act, Chap. 25:03, and to provide for the powers and functions of the Tobago Island Government and the Tobago Legislature and for related matters”.

(By the Minister of Housing and Urban Development)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Motions:

1. **The debate on the following Motion which was adjourned on Friday May 24, 2024 will be resumed:**

WHEREAS it is the duty of the Government to provide safe, reliable, and compassionate healthcare services for all citizens;

AND WHEREAS the provision of human resources has not adequately met the demands for public health care resulting in patients being subjected to long waiting times and the postponement of clinic visits and surgeries;

AND WHEREAS healthcare professionals do not have access to modern information technology systems, lack access to suitable drugs, equipment, and facilities to deliver modern and advanced healthcare;

AND WHEREAS health care workers have endured physical and mental stress in the delivery of public healthcare services:

BE IT RESOLVED that this House call on Government to implement measures to immediately improve the delivery of healthcare services to the people of Trinidad and Tobago and to address mismanagement in the healthcare sector.

(By the Member for Caroni East)

2. **The debate on the following Motion which was in progress when the House adjourned on Friday March 01, 2024 will be resumed:**

WHEREAS in accordance with the Education Act Chap. 39:01, the Government has the responsibility for managing the education system;

AND WHEREAS the Government has overseen the deterioration of the educational sector and has failed to:

- a. maintain our school infrastructure;
- b. implement data driven measures to make the delivery of special education more equitable and accessible to the citizenry;
- c. optimize curriculum development to reflect our labour needs;

AND WHEREAS the Government has limited access to technical vocational training and qualifications:

BE IT RESOLVED that this House condemn the Government for its failures and mismanagement of the education system;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this House call on the Government to immediately implement data driven measures to guarantee the successful future development of Trinidad and Tobago.

(By the Member for Tabaquite)

3. **WHEREAS** the Government has signalled that electricity and water rates are set to be increased;

AND WHEREAS citizens should have access to affordable public utilities given the rate of

unemployment, increase in crime and high food prices;

AND WHEREAS the state has a responsibility to ensure citizens of Trinidad and Tobago have a reliable and affordable supply of electricity and water;

AND WHEREAS both the Trinidad and Tobago Electricity Commission (T&TEC) and the Water and Sewerage Authority (WASA) are owed billions of dollars in debt mainly by the State:

BE IT RESOLVED that this House call upon Government to settle its indebtedness to T&TEC and WASA and immediately halt increases to public utility rates.

(By the Member for Princes Town)

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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER***Question No. 69 to the Minister of Energy and Energy Industries****(By the Member for Naparima)**

Will the Minister provide in US dollars for fiscal years 2021, 2022 and 2023, the cost for the following:

- a) to import:
 - i. Premium gasoline;
 - ii. Super gasoline;
 - iii. Aviation fuel;
 - iv. Diesel;
 - v. Bitumen;
 - vi. Liquid Petroleum Gasoline (LPG); and
- b) the revenues generated through exports of petroleum products by Heritage Petroleum Company Limited?

(Answer due by 20.05.2024)**Question No. 79 to the Minister of Housing and Urban Development:****(By the Member for Mayaro)**

Will the Minister state in respect of each of the Land Settlement Agency's plots the lands at La Savanne Circular and Nurse Trace, New Lands, Guayaguayare:

- a) has Town and Country approval been granted for the development of lots;
- b) have lots been issued to the public;
- c) if the answer to (b) is in the affirmative –
 - i. how many lots have been issued; and
 - ii. how many lots have yet to be issued.
- d) will the Minister provide the following information –
 - i. the name of each recipient;
 - ii. the current address of each recipient;
 - iii. the date each recipient's application was received; and
 - iv. the date each recipient's application was approved/
- e) for the applicants who reside in the Mayaro Constituency;
 - i. a list of all applicants;
 - ii. how many applications have been processed; and
 - iii. the status of each applications whether it has been approved or rejected.

(Answer due by 04.06.2024)

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* Question No. 69 was deferred for two (2) weeks on May 24, 2024.