



# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FIFTH SESSION  
TWELFTH PARLIAMENT

NO. 14  
2024/2025

## ORDER PAPER

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 05, 2025 AT 1:30 P.M.

PRAYERS

OATH OR AFFIRMATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

BILLS BROUGHT FROM THE SENATE

PETITIONS

PAPERS

1. The Notification of Her Excellency, the President, in respect of the nomination of Mr. Junior Benjamin, for appointment to act in the Office of Commissioner of Police.  
**(By the Speaker of the House)**
2. The Notification of Her Excellency, the President, in respect of the nomination of Mr. Curt Simon, for appointment to act in the Office of Deputy Commissioner of Police.  
**(By the Speaker of the House)**
3. The Forty-Sixth Annual Report of the Ombudsman for the period January to December 2023.  
**(By the Deputy Speaker)**
4. The Annual Report of the Anti-Terrorism Unit for the period 2023-2024.  
**(By the Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs)**
5. The Executed Investment Loan Agreement between the Corporación Andina De Fomento (CAF) and the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, for the Project for the Strengthening of the Export Import Bank of Trinidad and Tobago (EXIMBANK) Limited.  
**(By the Minister of Finance)**
6. The Value Added Tax (Bond-Payment Refund) (Amendment) Regulations, 2025.  
**(By the Minister of Finance)**
7. The Annual Report of the Financial Intelligence Unit of Trinidad and Tobago for the year ended September 30, 2024.  
**(By the Minister of Finance)**

8. The Annual Administrative Report of the Trinidad and Tobago International Financial Centre Management Company Limited as at September 30, 2023.  
**(By the Minister of Finance)**
9. The Audited Financial Statements of Trinidad and Tobago International Financial Centre Management Company Limited (TTIFCMCL) for the year ended September 30, 2024.  
**(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts [Enterprises] Committee)**
10. The Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Financial Statements of the Children's Life Fund for the year ended September 30, 2014.  
**(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts Committee)**
11. 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, 2012.  
**(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts Committee)**
12. The Report of the Auditor General of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Financial Statements of the Police Complaints Authority for the year ended September 30, 2023.  
**(By the Minister of Finance who will move that the Report be referred to the Public Accounts Committee)**
13. The Administrative Report of the Point Fortin Borough Corporation for the period October 01, 2014 to September 30, 2015.  
**(By the Minister of Rural Development and Local Government)**
14. The Administrative Report of the Point Fortin Borough Corporation for the period October 01, 2015 to September 30, 2016.  
**(By the Minister of Rural Development and Local Government)**
15. The Ministerial Response of the Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries to the Eighteenth Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Examination of the Reports of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of the National Agricultural Marketing and Development Corporation (NAMDEVCO) for the financial years 2014 to 2021 and follow-up on the implementation of the recommendations contained in the Public Accounts Committee's Twenty-Third Report from the Eleventh Parliament.  
**(By the Minister of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries)**
16. The Ministerial Response of the Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries to the Nineteenth Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Examination of the Reports of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of the Agricultural Development Bank (ADB) for the financial years 2014 to 2018.  
**(By the Minister of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries)**

## PRIME MINISTER'S QUESTIONS

## URGENT QUESTIONS

## QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

**Questions for Oral Answer****Question No. 37 to the Minister of National Security:****(By the Member for Couva South)**

Having regard to the settlement for the collective bargaining period 2014-2019, will the Minister inform this House of the number of police officers who, as at December 15, 2024, are yet to receive their "back pay"?

**Question No. 38 to the Minister of National Security:****(By the Member for Couva South)**

Will the Minister inform this House of the number of retired police officers who, as at December 15, 2024, have not received their pensions and gratuity entitlements from the Trinidad and Tobago Police Service (ITPS)?

**Question No. 39 to the Minister of National Security:****(By the Member for Couva South)**

Will the Minister indicate the number of retired service men and women/public officers who, as at December 15, 2024, have not received their pension and gratuity entitlements from the following:

- i. The Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force; and
- ii. The Immigration Division?

**Question No. 42 to the Minister of Works and Transport:****(By the Member for Caroni Central)**

Will the Minister provide the revised timeframe for the completion of the highway expansion project from Chaguanas to Chase Village?

**Question No. 43 to the Minister of Rural Development and Local Government:****(By the Member for Caroni Central)**

Will the Minister advise as to the timeframe for the completion of the Edinburgh Road that connects Carlsen Field to Longdenville?

**Question No. 44 to the Minister of Public Utilities:****(By the Member for Chaguanas East)**

Will the Minister indicate the status of the relocation of the WASA Main along the Jerningham Junction Road, Cunapia at the S-Bend?

## 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

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

## PUBLIC BUSINESS

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS****Motions:**

1. **WHEREAS** section 123(1)(a) of the Constitution of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago (“the Constitution”) provides that the Police Service Commission shall have the power to appoint persons to hold or act in the office of Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner of Police;

**AND WHEREAS** section 123(3) of the Constitution provides that the Police Service Commission shall submit to the President a list of the names of the persons nominated for appointment to the office of Commissioner or Deputy Commissioner of Police;

**AND WHEREAS** section 123(4) of the Constitution provides that the President shall issue a Notification in respect of each person nominated under subsection (3) and the Notification shall be subject to affirmative resolution of the House of Representatives;

**AND WHEREAS** the Police Service Commission has submitted to the President the name Mr. Junior Benjamin, Deputy Commissioner of Police, as the person nominated to act in the office of Commissioner of Police;

**AND WHEREAS** the President has on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2025 issued a Notification in respect of the nomination;

**AND WHEREAS** it is expedient to approve the Notification:

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Notification of the President of the nomination by the Police Service Commission of Mr. Junior Benjamin to act in the office of Commissioner of Police be approved.

**(By the Prime Minister)**

2. **WHEREAS** section 123(1)(a) of the Constitution of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago (“the Constitution”) provides that the Police Service Commission shall have the power to appoint persons to hold or act in the office of Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner of Police;

**AND WHEREAS** section 123(3) of the Constitution provides that the Police Service Commission shall submit to the President a list of the names of the persons nominated for appointment to the office of Commissioner or Deputy Commissioner of Police;

**AND WHEREAS** section 123(4) of the Constitution provides that the President shall issue a Notification in respect of each person nominated under subsection (3) and the Notification shall be subject to affirmative resolution of the House of Representatives;

**AND WHEREAS** the Police Service Commission has submitted to the President the name Mr. Curt Simon, Assistant Commissioner of Police as the person nominated to act in the office of Deputy Commissioner of Police;

**AND WHEREAS** the President has on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2025 issued a Notification in respect of the nomination;

**AND WHEREAS** it is expedient to approve the Notification:

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Notification of the President of the nomination by the Police Service Commission of Mr. Curt Simon to act in the office of Deputy Commissioner of Police be approved.

**(By the Prime Minister)**

3. **BE IT RESOLVED** that this House consider the findings and recommendations of the Forty-Sixth Annual Report of the Ombudsman.

**(By the Leader of the House)**

4. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the House approve the One Hundred and Twentieth Report of the Salaries Review Commission of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the Review of the 117th Report with respect to the Review of Salaries and other Terms and Conditions of Service of Offices within the purview of the Salaries Review Commission.

**(By the Minister of Finance)**

#### **Bills Second Reading:**

1. A Bill entitled, “An Act to amend the Senior Citizens’ Pension Act, Chap. 32:02 and the Public Assistance Act, Chap. 32:03”.

**(By the Minister of Social Development and Family Services)**

#### **PRIVATE MEMBERS’ BUSINESS**

#### **Motions:**

1. **The debate on the following Motion which was in progress when the House adjourned on Friday November 22, 2024 will be resumed:**

**WHEREAS** our nation’s children continue to experience acts of bullying, as a result of violence, gang infiltration and extortion at schools;

**AND WHEREAS** many students have been the victims of bullying, resulting in an ongoing crisis that has been left unattended by the authorities;

**AND WHEREAS** the Government has failed to properly implement plans and policies and engage qualified personnel to effectively address bullying in our nation’s schools;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the House call on the Government to provide adequate support and resources for the protection of our nation’s children against bullying in schools throughout Trinidad and Tobago.

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

2. **WHEREAS** the Government has presided over the institutional collapse of key state agencies that have failed to effectively manage, support and evaluate the execution of state projects, thereby resulting in the debilitation of major infrastructural works and constructions projects in Trinidad and Tobago;

**AND WHEREAS** this lack of proper monitoring, evaluating and executing has led to allegations of corruption and nepotism coupled with stakeholder criticism and public dissatisfaction;

**AND WHEREAS** citizens have continued to experience inconvenience due to the Government's failure to conduct routine maintenance and rehabilitation works on major infrastructural projects throughout the country;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that this House condemns the Government on its mismanagement and lack of proper oversight on infrastructural works on major projects;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this House calls on the Government to address these critical issues that have affected citizens and the completion of infrastructural works over the years.

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

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***February 02, 2025***