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Questions for Oral Answer

Question No. 1 to the Minister of Homeland Security:
(By the Member for Arouca/Lopinot)
In relation to the recent acquisition of fifty-one (51) electric vehicles by the TTPS, can the Minister indicate:

a) the name of the company that was contracted by the TTPS for the purchase of the vehicles; and
b) the procurement process used by the TTPS, whether sole select, selective or open tender process?

Question No. 3 to the Minister of Energy and Energy Industries:
(By the Member for Port of Spain North/ St. Ann's West)
Can the Minister advise:

a) on what basis was Candy Roget-Martinez hired at Heritage Petroleum Company Limited in a human resource position;
b) what are her qualifications for that position; and
c) what job experience does she have in the respective area of work; and
d) was the position advertised and subject to a competitive recruitment process?

Question No. 4 to the Minister of Energy and Energy Industries:
(By the Member for Port of Spain North/ St. Ann's West)

A. Can the Minister advise as to why there was a change to the national natural gas allocation policy diverting gas from the Petrochemical Customers at Pt. Lisas to Atlantic LNG?
B. With respect to the change in the allocation policy , indicate the following:
    i. whether there was a Cabinet decision that informed a change in this policy;
    ii. was approval granted for the diversion of natural gas from petroleum chemical producers at Point Lisas to Atlantic LNG; and
    iii. if the answer to ii) is in the affirmative, when did Cabinet make this decision?

Question No. 5 to the Minister of Homeland Security:
(By the Member for Diego Martin West)

In light of the bushfire in the Resurrection Community of Upper Haig Street, Carenage, which came within 10 metres of residential homes, can the Minister indicate, what immediate measures are being put in place to provide firebreak maintenance in high-risk rural and hilly areas formerly serviced by the National Reforestation and Watershed Programme?

Question No. 6 to the Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs:
(By the Member for Diego Martin West)

Can the Minister advise whether:

a) he intends to meet with Non–Governmental Sporting Bodies to resolve the ongoing funding and reconciliation crisis; and
b) what measures are being implemented to ensure national athletes are receive the necessary funding and are equipped and to compete internationally?

Question No. 7 to the Minister of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs:
(By the Member for Arima)

Given that Trinidad and Tobago was one of 123 countries that voted in favour of the UN motion that was moved on 25th March, 2026 declaring chattel enslavement as the gravest crime against humanity:

a) what is the Government's plan to advance the issue of reparatory justice as a matter of policy and the proposed timeline;
b) what is the Government's plan for the reinstatement of the National Reparations Committee?

Question No. 9 to the Minister of Culture and Community Development:
(By the Member for Diego Martin West)

In light of the Ministry's public advertisement for thirty-seven (37) contract positions at the Southern Academy for the Performing Arts (SAPA), can the Minister state:

a) whether SAPA currently has any functioning management or technical staff in place to ensure the safety and security of the multi-million dollar facility;
b) what reason/s led to thirty-seven (37) vacant positions, before the May 4th, 2026 application deadline?

Question No. 10 to the Minister of Homeland Security:
(By the Member for Arouca/Lopinot)

Relative to the police shooting death of Shivnath Jogie at Old Train Line, Corinth, can the Minister indicate whether the police officer involved in the shooting was equipped with:

a) body cameras;
b) tasers;
c) pepper spray; and/or
d) batons?

Question No. 11 to the Minister of Homeland Security:
(By the Member for Arouca/Lopinot)
With respect to the police shootings of home invasion suspects in Central Trinidad, can the Minister state whether Police Officers involved in the shooting were equipped with:

a) body cameras;
b) tasers;
c) pepper spray; and/or
d) batons?

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1. The Public Health (Amendment) (No. 2) Bill, 2026.
   (By the Minister of Planning, Economic Affairs and Development who will move that the next stage of the bill be taken later in the proceedings)

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PUBLIC BUSINESS

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APPENDIX

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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Question No. 2 to the Minister of Homeland Security:
(By the Member for Arouca/Lopinot)
Can the Minister state the following:

a) which State agency was used by the TTPS for the procurement of mobile units for the TTPS;
b) did the Cabinet grant approval for that State agency to be used;
c) what procurement process was used for the purchase of the police mobile units;
d) what is the total contract cost for the purchase of the units;
e) name of the contractor that supplied the Police mobile units?
f) did the state agency follow procurement requirements for the publication of the contract; and
g) award and standstill period prior to the award and execution of the contract?

(Answer due by 24.07.2026)

Question No. 8 to the Minister of Sport and Youth Affairs:
(By the Member for Diego Martin West)
In light of recent reports that a group of dedicated young national athletes including Kylee Young, Shameka Hoyte, Kafele Desormeaux, Christian Nelson, and Zion Lucas were forced to withdraw from the Pan American Games in Mexico due to the non-approval of critical funding, could the Minister advise:

a) the specific reasons why the funding applications for these athletes were denied or not processed in time to meet the respective competition deadlines;
b) what immediate steps are being taken to reform the Elite Athlete Assistance Programme or the Sport Company of Trinidad and Tobago (SPORTT) grants process to ensure that athletes who have met all international qualifying standards are not denied representation due to internal funding delays; and
c) whether the Ministry will provide a formal apology and a commitment of future developmental support to these athletes to compensate for the significant psychological and professional setback caused by this oversight?

(Answer due by 24.07.2026)

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NOTICE OF URGENT QUESTIONS

The under-mentioned Questions which have been accepted by the Deputy Speaker in accordance with Standing Order 27 are hereby forwarded for the attention of the Ministers concerned.

1. **To the Minister of Education:**
   In light of the closure of St. Hilda's Government Primary School due to a bat infestation, can the Minister state the anticipated date for the reopening of school?
   (By the Member for St. Ann's East)

2. **To the Minister of Education:**
   In light of the commencement of the 2026/2027 academic year and the widespread concern by parents who have not received the 2026 School Supplies and Book Grant, can the Minister state the definitive date by which all approved applicants will receive the Grant?
   (By the Member for St. Ann's East)

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