

BRITISH GUIANA

SECOND LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

THIRD SESSION

1959 - 1960

MINUTES of the Proceedings of a Meeting of the Legislative Council of the Colony of British Guiana under the British Guiana (Constitution) (Temporary Provisions) Orders in Council, 1953 and 1956, held in the Chamber of the Legislature at the Public Buildings, Georgetown, Demerara,

AT 2.00 P.M.

on

THURSDAY, 26TH MAY, 1960.

PRESENT:

His Honour the Speaker, Sir Donald Jackson.

Ex-Officio Members

The Honourable the Chief Secretary, Mr. D.M. Hedges.  
The Honourable the Attorney-General, Mr. A.M.I. Austin, Q.C.  
The Honourable the Financial Secretary, Mr. W.P. D'Andrade (Ag.).

Ministers

The Honourable Dr. C.B. Jagan,  
Minister of Trade and Industry.  
The Honourable B.H. Benn,  
Minister of Natural Resources.  
The Honourable Janet Jagan,  
Minister of Labour, Health and Housing.  
The Honourable Ram Karran,  
Minister of Communications and Works.  
The Honourable B.S. Rai,  
Minister of Community Development and Education.

Elected Members, Majority Party

Mr. Ajodha Singh

Other Elected Members

Mr. W.O.R. Kendall  
Mr. L.F.S. Burnham  
Mr. S. Campbell  
Mr. A.L. Jackson  
Mr. Jai Narine Singh  
Mr. E.B. Beharry  
Mr. F. Bowman

Nominated Members

Mr. R.B. Gajraj  
Mr. R.C. Tello  
Mr. R.E. Davis  
Mr. A.M. Fredericks  
Mr. H.J.M. Hubbard  
Mr. A.G. Tasker, O.B.E.

Clerk of the Legislature - Mr. E.V. Viapree (Ag.)  
Assistant Clerk of the Legislature - Mr. F.A. Narain (Ag.)

Absent:

Mr. S.M. Saffee - on leave.

The Clerk read prayers.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, the 25th of May, 1960, as printed and circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

ORAL ASKING AND ANSWERING OF QUESTIONSQuestion No. 9

Mr. Bowman asked the Minister of Labour, Health and Housing the following question:-

QUESTION: Will the Honourable Minister of Labour, Health and Housing say whether her recent visit to Cuba had the full approval of His Excellency the Governor and the Executive Council and whether the expenses incurred were met from public funds? If so, how much was the amount?

The Minister of Labour, Health and Housing gave the following reply:-

ANSWER: His Excellency was informed of my intended visits to Trinidad, Cuba and Jamaica and leave of absence was granted. The expenses incurred in respect of the visit to Cuba were not met from public funds.

Mr. Bowman also asked a Supplementary Question.

PUBLIC BUSINESSORDER OF THE DAY

BILL - Second Reading.

Item 1 - RICE MARKETING (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1960 - Bill No. 12/1960.

The Minister of Trade and Industry moved and the Minister of Community Development and Education seconded that the BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE FURTHER TO AMEND THE RICE MARKETING ORDINANCE AND TO MAKE A MINOR CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE BRITISH GUIANA RICE PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION ORDINANCE be read a second time.

Mr. Bowman, Mr. Davis, Mr. Gajraj and Mr. Jackson spoke to the motion.

Mr. Tello was speaking when the hour of adjournment was reached.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5.00 p.m. the Speaker adjourned Council to 2.00 p.m. on Wednesday, the 1st of June, 1960.

Confirmed,

*Donald Jackson*  
Speaker.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS,  
Georgetown.

1st June, 1960.