

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER,

FOR THE 12TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SECOND  
SESSION (1990) OF THE FIFTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA TO BE HELD

AT 2.00 P.M.,

ON WEDNESDAY, 25TH APRIL, 1990,

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

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BUSINESS FOR SITTING

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DEFINITE MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE -

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MOVED BY A MINISTER, -

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS -

Presentation and First Reading

PENSIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990 - Bill No. 13/1990

The Minister of the Public Service, on behalf of the  
Government, to present the following Bill:-

A Bill intituled An Act to amend the  
Pensions Act.

PUBLIC BUSINESS -

MOTIONS

1. AWARDS FOR ACCIDENT-FREE DRIVERS

Mr. E. Kwayana to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Ministry of Home Affairs organise annual awards to licensed drivers of all vehicles who complete any period of twelve months driving without being involved in an accident;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That in addition to the award the successful driver should enjoy a rebate of the fee paid for the driver's licence.

(Notice Paper No. 6 (M6 Opp 1) published 1990-03-16)

2. PENSION FOR UNEMPLOYED SPOUSES OF REGISTERED MALE WORKERS

Mr. K. Kwayana to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly recommends that on behalf of a registered male worker whose spouse is engaged in domestic work in the home and is not gainfully employed, a contribution should be made from his earnings during the working life of the said registered worker with a view to entitling her to a special registration and to qualification for a separate pension at the pensionable age.

(Notice Paper No. 7 (M7 Opp 2) published 1990-03-17)

3. SYMPATHY ON DEATH OF CDE. BASDEO BHAGGAN

The Minister in the Ministry of Regional Development to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly records its deep regret at the death of Cde. Basdeo Bhaggan and pays tribute to the distinguished service which he rendered to Guyana and to its Parliament and directs that an expression of its sympathy be conveyed to his sorrowing widow and children.

(Notice Paper No. 38 (M21 Govt 9) published 1990-04-19)

**\*4. REVIEW OF CONSTITUTION**

Cde. K.B. Bancroft to move the following motion:

WHEREAS the present Constitution of Guyana was promulgated on 6th October, 1990;

AND WHEREAS a Constituent Assembly had been established to take evidence from the public and to submit a draft Constitution to the National Assembly;

AND WHEREAS the said draft Constitution was debated in the National Assembly and, with some amendments, was passed into law as the present Constitution;

AND WHEREAS the People's Progressive Party, the largest minority party in the National Assembly, had boycotted the Constituent Assembly and made no contribution to the fashioning of the present Constitution;

AND WHEREAS on 6th October, 1990, the said Constitution would have been in existence for a decade;

AND WHEREAS it seems appropriate and timely to review the said Constitution to see how well its various provisions have worked in securing its objective of a democratic society based on the Rule of Law in which all citizens can find full scope for participation in the social, cultural and political life of the country;

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly appoint a select committee to study this issue and report to the National Assembly its opinion on whether it is desirable and appropriate that the Constitution be reviewed;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That should the Select Committee report in the affirmative, the National Assembly urge the Government to set in train appropriate processes for a National review of the Constitution.

(Notice Paper No. 12 (M8 Govt 6) published 1990-03-16)

**\*5. STATE PAPER ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS:**

The Minister of Regional Development to move the following motion;

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly approves of the proposals set out in the State Paper on Local Government Elections which was laid in the National Assembly on 18th April, 1990.

(Notice Paper No. 37 (M20 Govt 8) published 1990-04-18)

\*Not to be proceeded with at this sitting

BILLS - Second Reading

\*6. EQUAL RIGHTS BILL 1990 - Bill No. 5/1990

The Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A Bill intituled An Act to make provision for the enforcement of the principles enshrined in article 29 of the Constitution so as to secure equality for women and for matters connected therewith.

(Read a first time on 1990-03-19)

\*7. FAMILY AND DEPENDANTS PROVISION BILL 1990 - Bill No. 6/1990

The Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A Bill intituled An Act empowering the Court to make provision out of the estate of a deceased person for the spouse, child, child of the family or dependant of that person; and for matters connected therewith.

(Read a first time on 1990-03-19)

\*8. MARRIED PERSONS (PROPERTY) (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990 - Bill No. 7/1990

The Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A Bill intituled An Act to amend the Married Persons (Property) Act.

(Read a first time on 1990-03-19)

\*9. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS (AMENDMENT) BILL 1990 - Bill No. 8/1990

The Minister of Home Affairs to move the second reading of the following Bill:-

A Bill intituled An Act to amend the Registration of Births and Deaths Act.

(Read a first time on 1990-03-23)

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1990-04-19

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