

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE 10TH SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE THIRD SESSION
(1991) - (1992) OF THE FIFTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA HELD

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON MONDAY, 6TH APRIL, 1992

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (73)

Speaker

*Cde. Sase Narain, O.R., S.C., J.P., M.P.,
Speaker of the National Assembly

Members of the Government - People's National Congress (60)

Prime Minister

Cde. H. Green, M.P., Prime Minister

Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs (1)

*Cde. K.S. Massiah, O.R., S.C., M.P., Attorney General and Minister
of Legal Affairs

Deputy Prime Minister (2)

Cde. R.H.O. Corbin, M.P., Deputy Prime Minister, Public Works,
Communications and Regional Development

Cde. W.S. Murray, C.C.H., M.P., Deputy Prime Minister, Minister
of Trade, Tourism and Industry (Absent - on leave)

Senior Ministers (6)

*Cde. C.B. Greenidge, M.P., Minister of Finance (Absent - on leave)

*Cde. Dr. P.L. McKenzie, A.A., M.P., Ministry of Agriculture

*Cde. D.M.A. Bernard, M.P., Minister of Education and Cultural
Development

*Cde. J.R. Kranenburg, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Public
Works, Communications and Regional Development

Cde. C.G. Sharma, A.A., J.P., M.P., Senior Minister in the Office
of the President

*Cde. Rabbian Ali-Khan, M.P., Minister of Labour, Human Services and
Social Security

*Non-elected Member

Ministers (6)

- Cde. D. Sawh, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Trade, Tourism and Industry
 *Cde. V.V. Parvatan, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Agriculture
 Cde. J.T. Kisson, M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Health
 Cde. Dr. Faith Harding, M.P., Minister for the Public Service Ministry (Absent - on leave)
 Cde. Stalla Odi-Ali, M.P., Minister of Home Affairs (Absent)
 Cde. Jean M.G. Persico, A.A., M.P., Minister in the Ministry of Labour, Human Services and Social Security

Government Chief Whip (1)

- Cde. Jennifer A. Ferreira, M.P. (Absent - on leave)

Other Members (32)

- Cde. Viola V. Burnham, O.R., M.P.
 Cde. W.A.L.H. Parris, C.C.H., M.P. (Absent)
 Cde. R.E. Jackson, O.R., M.P. (Absent - on leave)
 Cde. J.R. Thomas, M.P.
 Cde. S. Prashad, C.C.H., M.P.
 Cde. Yvonne V. Harewood-Benn, M.P.
 Cde. Urmia E.H. Johnson, M.P.
 Cde. K.W.E. Denny, M.P. (Absent)
 Cde. K.B. Bancroft, A.A., M.P.
 Cde. M. Corrica, M.S., M.P.
 Cde. Philomena A. Rayman, M.P.
 Cde. E.H.A. Fowler, M.P.
 Cde. Joyce Gill-Mingo, M.P.
 Cde. H. Doobay, M.S., M.P.
 Cde. Joyce Munroe, M.P. (Absent - on leave)
 Cde. Edwina Melville, M.P.
 Cde. Anna Ally, M.P.
 Cde. N. Calistro, M.P.
 Cde. F.M. Cumberbatch, M.P.
 Cde. M.I. Deen, M.P.
 Cde. Cyrillda A. DeJesus, M.P.
 Cde. Edith Deygoo, M.P.
 Cde. Clarice A. Edwards, M.P. (Absent - on leave)
 Cde. C.L. Geddes, M.P.
 Cde. G. Marshall, M.P.
 Cde. B. Persaud, J.P., M.P.
 Cde. K. Sankar, A.A., M.P. (Absent)
 Cde. E.L. Fraser, M.P.
 Cde. Mignon D. Griffith, M.P.
 Cde. P.E. Rockcliffe, M.P.

(There are two vacancies)

Members from the National Congress of Local Democratic Organs (2)

- Cde. Rose I. Semple, M.P.
 Cde. P. Singh, J.P., M.P.

Members from the Regional Democratic Councils (10)

Cde. Nellie R. Charles, M.P. (Region No. 7 - Cuyuni/Mazaruni)
 Cde. R. Bishop, M.S., M.P. (Region No. 4 - Demerara/Mahaica) (Absent)
 Cde. C. Vandenburg, M.P. (Region No. 10 - Upper Demerara/Berbica)
 Cde. Y. Khan, M.P. (Region No. 2 - Pomeroon/Supenaam)
 Cde. Enid E. Abrahams, M.S., J.P. (Region No. 3 - Essaquibo Islands/West Demerara)
 Cde. I. Ally, M.P. (Region No. 6 - East Berbice/Corentyne)
 Cde. S.I. McGarrell, M.P. (Region No. 8 - Potaro/Siparuni)
 Cde. M. Stephens, M.P. (Region No. 9 - Upper Takatu/Upper Essaquibo) (Absent)
 Cde. M. Ajoodhia, J.P., M.P. (Region No. 5 - Mahaica/Berbice)
 Cde. D. Fernandes, M.P. (Region No. 1 - Barima/Waini)

Members of the Minority (11)(i) People's Progressive Party (8)Minority Leader (1)

Cde. Dr. C. Jagan, M.P., Minority Leader (Absent - on leave)

Deputy Speaker (1)

Cde. Reepu Daman Persaud, J.P., M.P., Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly

Other Members (6)

Cde. Janet Jagan, M.P. (Absent - on leave)
 Cde. C.C. Collymore, M.P. (Absent)
 Cde. S.F. Mohamed, M.P., Minority Chief Whip (Absent - on leave)
 Cde. H. Nokta, M.P.
 Cde. C.C. Belgrave, M.P.
 Cde. Dr. Roger Luncheon, M.P.

(ii) United Force (2)

Mr. M.F. Singh, C.C.H., J.P., M.P. (Absent)
 Mr. M.A. Abrahams, A.A., M.P. (Absent - on leave)

(iii) Working People's Alliance (1)

Dr. R. Roopnarine, M.P. (Absent)

OFFICERS

Cde. M.B. Henry, Clerk of the National Assembly (Ag.)
 Cde. S. Isaacs, Deputy Clerk of the National Assembly.

PRAYERS

The Acting Clerk read Prayers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker announced that leave had been granted to -

- (a) Cde. Greenidge from 6th to 10th April, 1992.
- (b) Cde. Dr. C.B. Jagan from 6th - 20th April, 1992.
- (c) Cdes. Ferreira, Edwards and Munroe for that day's sitting.

PUBLIC BUSINESSMOTIONMOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE FOR 1992

Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply to consider the Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 1992.

In Committee of Supply

HEAD 1	OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	722,564,000
HEAD 2	GUYANA DEFENCE FORCE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	507,322,000
HEAD 3	GUYANA NATIONAL SERVICE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	97,806,000
DIVISION 501	OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	197,425,000
HEAD 8	OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	346,000
HEAD 9	PUBLIC AND POLICE SERVICE COMMISSIONS was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	5,143,000
HEAD 10	TEACHING SERVICE COMMISSION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	2,005,000
HEAD 12	PUBLIC SERVICE APPELLATE TRIBUNAL was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	633,000
HEAD 21	MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	1,221,337,000
DIVISION 506	MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	5,000,000
HEAD 34	MINISTRY OF HEALTH was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	162,898,000
HEAD 35	MINISTRY OF HEALTH NATIONAL HOSPITALS was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	249,435,000
HEAD 36	MINISTRY OF HEALTH - OTHER HEALTH PROGRAMMES was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	107,257,000
DIVISION 516	MINISTRY OF HEALTH was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	335,009,000

HEAD 11	PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	3,610,000
HEAD 15	MINISTRY OF LEGAL AFFAIRS was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	2,593,000
HEAD 16	SUPREME COURT OF JUDICATURE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	15,759,000
HEAD 17	MAGISTRATES was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	7,382,000
HEAD 18	ATTORNEY GENERAL was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	11,052,000
HEAD 19	OFFICIAL RECEIVER was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	2,835,000
HEAD 20	DEEDS REGISTRY was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	2,885,000
DIVISION 514	MINISTRY OF LEGAL AFFAIRS was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	1,700,000
HEAD 61	MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMUNICATIONS AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	309,091,000
HEAD 65	CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	97,451,000
DIVISION 520	MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMUNICATIONS AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	1,071,616,000
HEAD 68	REGION 1 - BARIMA/WAINI - ADMINISTRATION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	28,288,000
HEAD 69	REGION 1 - BARIMA/WAINI - AGRICULTURE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	5,503,000
HEAD 70	REGION 1 - BARIMA/WAINI - EDUCATION was <u>passed</u> and <u>printed</u> at	18,099,000
HEAD 71	REGION 1 - BARIMA/WAINI - HEALTH was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	7,788,000
DIVISION 531	REGION 1 - BARIMA/WAINI was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	5,875,000
HEAD 72	REGION 2 - POMEROON/SUPENAAM - ADMINISTRATION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	42,195,000
HEAD 73	REGION 2 - POMEROON/SUPENAAM - AGRICULTURE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	18,955,000
HEAD 74	REGION 2 - POMEROON/SUPENAAM - EDUCATION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	46,184,000
HEAD 75	REGION 2 - POMEROON/SUPENAAM - HEALTH was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	27,433,000
DIVISION 532	REGION 2 - POMEROON/SUPENAAM - was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	22,700,000
HEAD 76	REGION 3 - ESSEQUIBO/ISLANDS/WEST DEMERARA - ADMINISTRATION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	15,718,000
HEAD 77	REGION 3 - ESSEQUIBO ISLANDS/WEST DEMERARA - AGRICULTURE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	22,692,000

HEAD 78	REGION 3 - ESSEQUIBO ISLANDS/WEST DEMERARA - EDUCATION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	88,143,000
HEAD 79	REGION 3 - ESSEQUIBO ISLANDS/WEST DEMERARA - HEALTH was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	34,486,000
DIVISION 533	REGION 3 - ESSEQUIBO ISLANDS/ WEST DEMERARA was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	160,600,000
HEAD 80	REGION 4 - DEMERARA/MAHAICA - ADMINISTRATION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	36,574,000
HEAD 81	REGION 4 - DEMERARA/MAHAICA - AGRICULTURE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	38,193,000
HEAD 82	REGION 4 - DEMERARA/MAHAICA - EDUCATION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	113,426,000
HEAD 83	REGION 4 - DEMERARA/MAHAICA - HEALTH was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	59,153,000
DIVISION 534	REGION 4 - DEMERARA/MAHAICA was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	18,080,000
HEAD 84	REGION 5 - MAHAICA/BERBICE - ADMINISTRATION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	41,214,000
HEAD 85	REGION 5 - MAHAICA/BERBICE - AGRICULTURE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	21,464,000
HEAD 86	REGION 5 - MAHAICA/BERBICE - EDUCATION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	42,615,000
HEAD 87	REGION 5 - MAHAICA/BERBICE - HEALTH was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	27,543,000
DIVISION 535	REGION 5 - MAHAICA/BERBICE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	21,200,000
HEAD 88	REGION 6 - EAST BERBICE/ CORENTYNE - ADMINISTRATION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	47,457,000
HEAD 89	REGION 6 - EAST BERBICE/ CORENTYNE - AGRICULTURE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	49,302,000
HEAD 90	REGION 6 - EAST BERBICE/ CORENTYNE - EDUCATION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	110,709,000

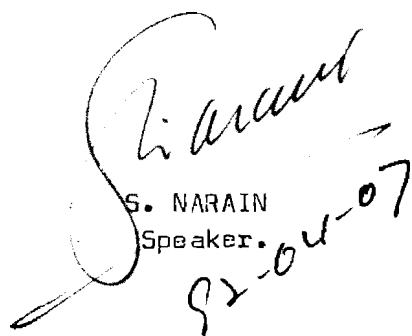
HEAD 91	REGION 6 - EAST BERBICE/ CORENTYNE - HEALTH was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	127,285,000
DIVISION 536	REGION 6 - EAST BERBICE/ CORENTYNE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	17,590,000
HEAD 92	REGION 7 - CUYUNI/MAZARUNI- ADMINISTRATION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	15,190,000
HEAD 93	REGION 7 - CUYUNI/MAZARUNI AGRICULTURE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	1,749,000
HEAD 94	REGION 7 - CUYUNI/MAZARUNI - EDUCATION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	13,977,000
HEAD 95	REGION 7 - CUYUNI/MAZARUNI - HEALTH was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	10,285,000
DIVISION 537	REGION 7 - CUYUNI/MAZARUNI was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	16,425,000
HEAD 96	REGION 8 - POTARO/SIPARUNI - ADMINISTRATION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	14,988,000
HEAD 97	REGION 8 - POTARO/SIPARUNI- AGRICULTURE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	1,482,000
HEAD 98	REGION 8 - POTARO/SIPARUNI - EDUCATION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	5,234,000
HEAD 99	REGION 8 - POTARO/SIPARUNI - HEALTH was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	2,188,000
DIVISION 538	REGION 8 - POTARO/SIPARUNI - was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	6,241,000
HEAD 100	REGION 9 - UPPER TAKATU/UPPER ESSEQUIBO - ADMINISTRATION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	10,732,000
HEAD 101	REGION 9 - UPPER TAKATU/UPPER ESSEQUIBO - AGRICULTURE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	1,793,000
HEAD 102	REGION 9 - UPPER TAKATU/UPPER ESSEQUIBO - EDUCATION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	14,192,000

HEAD 103	REGION 9 - UPPER TAKATU/UPPER ESSEQUIBO - HEALTH was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	7,432,000
DIVISION 539	REGION 9 - UPPER TAKATU/UPPER ESSEQUIBO was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	10,900,000
HEAD 104	REGION 10 - UPPER DEMERARA/ BERBICE - ADMINISTRATION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	8,729,000
HEAD 105	REGION 10 - UPPER DEMERARA/ BERBICE - AGRICULTURE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	2,273,000
HEAD 106	REGION 10 - UPPER DEMERARA/ BERBICE - EDUCATION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	33,581,000
HEAD 107	REGION 10 - UPPER DEMERARA/ BERBICE - HEALTH was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	6,167,000
DIVISION 540	REGION 10 - UPPER DEMERARA/ BERBICE .. was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	12,500,000
DIVISION 517	GUYANA WATER AUTHORITY was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	153,200,000
HEAD 14	PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	8,519,000
HEAD 58	MINISTRY OF TRADE, TOURISM AND INDUSTRY was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	165,766,000
DIVISION 528	MINISTRY OF TRADE, TOURISM AND INDUSTRY was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	34,000,000
HEAD 7	OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL was <u>passed</u> and <u>printed</u> at	28,923,000
DIVISION 505	CONSTITUTIONAL AGENCIES was <u>passed</u> and <u>printed</u> at	43,700,000
HEAD 52	MINISTRY OF FINANCE was <u>passed</u> and <u>printed</u> at	3,341,553,000
HEAD 53	ACCOUNTANT GENERAL DEPARTMENT was <u>passed</u> and <u>printed</u> at	346,041,000
HEAD 54	CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENT was <u>passed</u> and <u>printed</u> at	77,510,000

HEAD 55	INLAND REVENUE DEPARTMENT was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	133,818,000
DIVISION 526	MINISTRY OF FINANCE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	2,823,933,000
DIVISION 527	MINISTRY OF FINANCE - HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	189,336,000
DIVISION 275	PUBLIC DEBT was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	950,000
HEAD 29	MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	13,269,000
HEAD 30	CROPS AND LIVESTOCK DIVISION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	327,036,000
HEAD 31	LANDS & SURVEYS DIVISION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	12,260,000
HEAD 32	HYDRAULICS DIVISION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	75,713,000
HEAD 33	FISHERIES DIVISION was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	2,266,000
DIVISION 508	MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	829,185,000
DIVISION 510	MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE - MMA III was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	40,000,000
DIVISION 512	MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE - ARTISANAL FISHERY was <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u> at	225,000,000

ASSEMBLY RESUMEDADJOURNMENT

At 3.19 p.m., on a motion by the Minister in the Ministry of Agriculture, the Assembly adjourned to 2.00 p.m., on Tuesday 7th April, 1992.


S. NARAIN
Speaker.
92-04-07

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