

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

**FOR THE 22nd SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE FIRST SESSION
(1998-1999) OF THE SEVENTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA TO BE HELD**

AT 2.00 P.M.

ON THURSDAY, 18TH MARCH, 1999

IN THE PARLIAMENT CHAMBER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GEORGETOWN

BUSINESS FOR SITTING

PRAYERS

OATH OF A NEW MEMBER-

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT-

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER-

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS-

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS, ETC.-

QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS-

No.22 - COMPLAINTS OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Dr. Rupert Roopnaraine to ask the Minister of Health and Labour the following questions:

- (i) How many complaints of sexual harassment at the workplace have been received by the Ministry of Health and Labour since the passing of the Prevention of Discrimination Act 1997?
- (ii) Please say in answering in respect of what workplaces these complaints were received and how many of them have been processed by the Ministry and with what results.

(Notice Paper No. 40 (Q23 Opp23) published 17.12.98)

No. 23 - LOSSES/SURPLUSES OF THE GUYANA ELECTRICITY CORPORATION

Dr. Rupert Roopnaraine to ask the Prime Minister the following questions:

- (i) What is the amount of generation or surpluses experienced by the Guyana Electricity Corporation for the part of the year 1998 ending August 31?
- (ii) What is the amount of revenue surplus or loss experienced by the Guyana Electricity Corporation for this year to August 31?

(Notice Paper No. 41 (Q24 Opp24) published 17.12.98)

No. 24 - INTERMEDIATE SAVANNAHS PROJECT

Dr. Rupert Roopnaraine to ask the Minister of Agriculture and Parliamentary Affairs the following question:

Is it a fact that internationally recognised Guyanese consultants executed studies necessary to the execution of the Intermediate Savannahs Project?
If so, what stood in the way of their further involvement in the project?
If not, who did the preliminary studies in recent times?

(Notice Paper No. 42 (Q25 Opp25) published 17.12.98)

No. 25 - CANCER CARE

Dr. Rupert Roopnaraine to ask the Minister of Health and Labour the following question:

Consequent on the welcome introduction of the National Cancer Board, can the Minister say when action will be taken to introduce short term mandatory needs for primary cancer care, in particular, the services of an oncologist and the provision of radio therapy treatment?

(Notice Paper No. 46 (Q26 Opp26) published 3.2.99)

No. 26 - ALLEGATIONS OF MISCONDUCT AGAINST TEACHER OF HELENA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dr. Rupert Roopnaraine to ask the Minister of Education the following question:

On what date did the Ministry of Education submit to the Teaching Service Commission its report on investigations by its officers into the allegations of misconduct against a male teacher of Helena Primary School?

(Notice Paper No. 47 (Q27 Opp27) published 3.2.99)

No. 27 - CHARITY WHARF

Dr. Rupert Roopnaraine to ask the Minister of Transport and Hydraulics the following questions:

- (i) Does the Minister propose to see that the Government or public sector recover all or part of the losses it suffered in the collapse of the structure described as the Charity Wharf valued at \$35 million?
- (ii) Will the Minister table any report of any investigation into the collapse of this structure?

(Notice Paper No. 48 (Q28 Opp28) published 3.2.99)

No. 28 - POVERTY ALLEVIATION COMMISSION

Miss Jean Persico to ask the Minister of Human Services and Social Security the following questions:

For approximately four years, the Government has made allocations in the National Budget for Poverty Alleviation.

- (i) Is there a Poverty Alleviation Commission?
- (ii) If so, who are the members and what organisations, institutions and/or agencies are represented on the Commission?

(Notice Paper No. 50 (Q30 Opp30) published 3.2.99)

No. 29 - POVERTY AMONG WOMEN

Miss Jean Persico to ask the Minister of Human Services and Social Security the following questions:

- (i) What specific plans has the Government put in place to alleviate poverty among women and in what areas of the country are these plans being implemented?
- (ii) Is there any report on what has been achieved so far?

(Notice Paper No. 51 (Q31 Opp31) published 3.2.99)

No. 30 - N.I.S. PREMIUMS DEDUCTED IN REGION 9

Miss Jean Persico to ask the Minister of Human Services and Social Security the following questions:

- (i) Does the Minister know that in Region No. 9 N.I.S. premiums deducted from workers' salary are not being forwarded to the relevant authority?
- (ii) What is being done to ensure that monies deducted as N.I.S. premiums are forwarded promptly to the relevant authority?

(Notice Paper No. 52 (Q32 Opp32) published 3.2.99)

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS-

PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS-

**REQUESTS FOR LEAVE TO MOVE THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE ASSEMBLY
ON DEFINITE MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE-**

**MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OR SITTINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY
AND MOVED BY A MINISTER-**

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS-

PUBLIC BUSINESS

BILLS - Second Reading

1. **SUMMARY JURISDICTION (LAY MAGISTRATES) BILL 1999 - Bill No. 5/1999
published 6.2.99**

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT for the constitution of lay magistrates' courts; for the appointment of lay magistrates; for the regulation of their jurisdiction, practice and procedure and for other like purposes.

(Read a first time on 3.2.99)

2. **CORPORATIONS (PROVISION FOR CONVERSION INTO PUBLIC COMPANIES)**
BILL 1999 - Bill No. 4/1999 published 6.2.99

The Minister of Finance to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to make provision for
converting corporations under the Public
Corporations Act 1988 into public companies
and for matters connected therewith.
(Read a first time on 3.2.99)

3. **NARCOTIC DRUGS AND PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES (CONTROL)**
(AMENDMENT) BILL 1999 - Bill No. 2/1999 published 9.1.99

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 Narcotic Drugs
and Psychotropic Substances (Control) Act 1988.

(Read a first time on 11.1.99)

*4. **MONEY LAUNDERING (PREVENTION) BILL 1998 - Bill No. 10/1998 published**
10.10.98

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

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the prevention of
money laundering and for matters connected therewith
or incidental thereto.
(Read a first time on 29.10.98)

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***Not to be proceeded with at this sitting**

***5. TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING BILL 1999 -
Bill No. 3/1999 published 23.1.99**

The Minister of Education to move the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the
promotion of technical and vocational
education and training, and for purposes
connected therewith.

(Read a first time on 3.2.99)

***6. PESTICIDES AND TOXIC CHEMICALS CONTROL BILL 1998 -
Bill No. 12/1998 published 15.10.98**

The Assembly to proceed upon the further stages of the following Bill, after the Select
Committee has reported thereon:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to regulate the manufacture, importation,
transportation, storage, sale, use and disposal of pesticides and
toxic chemicals, and to provide for the establishment of the
Pesticides and Toxic Chemicals Control Board, and for matters
connected therewith or incidental thereto.

(Read a first time on 29.10.98)

(Read a second time and committed to a Select Committee on 30.11.98)

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Georgetown.**

4th March, 1999