

# **PARLIAMENTARY AGENDA**

## **FOR THE WEEK**

**MONDAY, 25<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2013 - FRIDAY, 29<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2013**

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### **SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

#### **PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS-**

(1) By the Minister of Finance:

Estimates of the Revenues and Expenditure of Guyana for the financial year 2013.

(To be Circulated)

(2) By the Minister of Natural Resources and the Environment:

Guyana Geology and Mines Commission Annual Reports for the years 2001, 2002, 2003, 2005 and 2007.

(To be Circulated)

#### **QUESTIONS ON NOTICE-**

##### **For Written Replies**

1. **IMPACT OF THE 'NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND POLICY'**

**Member Asking:** Ms Africo Selman, M.P.

**Minister Answering:** The Minister of Education

Could the Hon. Minister of Education inform this House whether an evaluation has been conducted to ascertain the impact of the 'No Child left behind Policy' on the delivery of education in Guyana.

**(Notice Paper No.148 (Q 90 Opp. 89) published on 2013-02-05)**

2. **ASSESSMENT OF THE 'NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND POLICY'**

**Member Asking:** Ms Africo Selman, M.P.

**Minister Answering:** The Minister of Education

Could the Hon. Minister of Education inform this House whether the Hon. Minister considers an assessment of the 'No Child left behind Policy' a necessity in relation to the improvement of the quality of education delivery in Guyana?

**(Notice Paper No.149 (Q 91 Opp. 90) published on 2013-02-05)**

3. **PAYMENT OF CLEANERS BY PARENT TEACHER'S ASSOCIATIONS (PTA)**

**Member Asking:** Mrs. Catherine Hughes, M.P.

**Minister Answering:** The Minister of Education

Can the Hon. Minister explain why Parent Teacher's Associations (PTA) are being asked to pay cleaners employed at senior secondary schools?

**(Notice Paper No.161 (Q 103 Opp 101) published on 2013-02-06)**

#### 4. DESIGNATED “PLAY SPACES” IN CERTAIN AREAS

**Member Asking:** Mr. James Bond, M.P.

**Minister Answering:** The Minister of Housing and Water

- (i) Could the Hon. Minister inform this House, whether there are areas designated as “play spaces” in Liliendaal, Bel-Air, Cummings Lodge, Pattensen, Turkeyen, Sections A.B, C, D, E and F Sophia?
- (ii) Could the Hon. Minister indicated, whether any of those areas so designated have been re-allocated as house lots to a private person or religious organisation?

**(Notice Paper No.145 (Q 87 Opp. 86) published on 2013-01-31)**

#### 5. LICENCE FOR CHINA CENTRAL TELEVISION

**Member Asking:** Mrs. Catherine Hughes, M.P.

**Minister Answering:** The Prime Minister and Minister of Parliamentary Affairs

- (i) Can the Hon. Prime Minister say when the licence for China Central Television was applied for?
- (ii) Can the Hon. Prime Minister say when the licence was granted?
- (iii) Can the Hon. Prime Minister provide details of the procedures taken to examine and approve the application for the licence?
- (iv) Can the Hon. Prime Minister provide documentation to substantiate the process?

- (v) Can the Hon. Prime Minister say who is the licensee and who is paying for the licence?
- (vi) Can the Hon. Prime Minister say whether CCTV was required to register as a local company and submit its financial plan to the National Frequency Management Unit or Guyana National Broadcasting Authority?
- (vii) Can the Hon. Prime Minister say whether CCTV/NCN was required to submit its technical specifications and other requirements before being identified for, allocated or licenced to broadcast on a Frequency on Guyana's Limited Public Resource, the Radio Frequency Spectrum?
- (viii) Can the Hon. Prime Minister provide details of the arrangement between CCTV and NCN for rental of space on the Transmission Tower, terrestrial space, electricity, maintenance, etc.?
- (ix) Can the Hon. Prime Minister explain why an entire frequency is being allocated to a Foreign Power and does such an allocation set a precedent in Guyana's International Relations for any other Foreign Entity to demand the same, on terms no less favourable to those offered to the Chinese, based on a Most Favoured Nation status?

**(Notice Paper No.162 (Q 104 Opp 102) published on 2013-02-22)**

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

**SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS NOS. 10(2) AND 38(9)(a)**

The Prime Minister and Minister of Parliamentary Affairs to move the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That Standing Orders Nos. 10(2) and 38(9)(a) be suspended to enable the Minister of Finance to complete uninterrupted the reading of the Budget Speech for 2013 at the sitting of the National Assembly on Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2013.

**(Notice Paper No. 167 (M 63 Govt 22 ) published on 2013-03-19)**

**PUBLIC BUSINESS**

(i) **GOVERNMENT'S BUSINESS**

**MOTION**

**BUDGET FOR 2013**

The Minister of Finance to move the motion for the approval of the Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 2013.

(The Minister will make the annual financial statement or budget speech)

## **Meetings of Parliamentary Committees**

### **\*Sessional Select Committee of Privileges**

**Time :** 11.00 a.m.

**Venue:** Committee Room No. 2, (Ground Floor, west of the main stairway),  
Public Building, Brickdam, Georgetown.

**Business:** (i) Confirmation of Minutes of 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> January,  
2013; and

(ii) Matters Arising;

**Any Other Business**

\*Not opened to the public

**TUESDAY, 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2013**

**Sitting of the National Assembly**

NIL

**Meetings of Parliamentary Committees**

NIL

**WEDNESDAY, 27<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2013**

**Sitting of the National Assembly**

**NIL**

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**NIL**



THURSDAY, 28<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2013

Sitting of the National Assembly

NIL

Meetings of Parliamentary Committees

\*Special Select Committee on the Appointment of a New, Fully Constituted Council to ensure that the University of Guyana has a Governing Body that has the Capacity to transform the Institution into a truly National Asset

**Time :** 10.00 a.m.

**Venue:** Committee Room No. 2 (Ground Floor, West of the Main Stairwy),  
Public Buildings, Brickdam, Georgetown.

**Business:** (i) Correction and confirmation of Minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Meetings held on 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2013 and 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2013, respectively;

(ii) Matters Arising; and

- (iii) Presentation by Members of the University of Guyana Administration.

**Any Other Business**

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FRIDAY, 29<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2013

Sitting of the National Assembly

NIL

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Public Buildings,  
Brickdam,  
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