



COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION

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List of Questions for Oral Answers

Wednesday, 27th November, 2019

(Ministries of Agriculture, Education, Environment, Finance, Health, Social Welfare, Urban Development)

Total No. of Questions – 16

Free Universal Education

QUESTION NO. 1 Ms. Stephanie Horton

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

be pleased to state:

- (a) the rationale for providing free universal education for the less privileged only upto the age of 18 years in your Government policy,
- (b) whether the Government proposes to extend the same to the young people to receive tertiary education, and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Private Investments in Agricultural Sector

QUESTION NO. 2 Ms. Emily Miller

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to encourage private investments in the agricultural sector as well as into GM crops, and
- (b) If so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Dependence on Government Subsidies

QUESTION NO. 3 Mr. Naqiuddin Nazrin

Will the Minister of SOCIAL WELFARE

be pleased to state:

- (a) the challenges identified by the Government to encourage less dependence on Government subsidies, and
- (b) the manner in which the Government proposes to tackle these issues?

Universalisation of Education

QUESTION NO. 4 Mr. Saradth Prasad

Will the Minister of EDUCATION

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the programmes being implemented or proposed to be implemented by the Government for universalisation of education?

Adverse Effects of Climate Change

QUESTION NO. 5 Ms. Elysse Dimitriadis

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE

be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to mitigate the adverse effects of climate change on agricultural productivity in addition to the climate fund bill?

Unemployment among Youth

QUESTION NO. 6 Ms. Mosa Mathubanyane

Will the PRIME MINISTER

be pleased to state:

- (a) the reasons identified by the Government for the prevailing large scale youth unemployment in the country, and
- (b) the corrective measures being taken by the Government in this regard?

Contradictions in Health Policy and Business Policy

QUESTION NO. 7 Ms. Mele Lolane Mavaetangi I Havila Fonua

Will the PRIME MINISTER
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that country's health policy supports intellectual property rights and innovation while the economy and business policy encourages transfer of technology,
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, and
- (c) the corrective measures being taken by the Government in this regard?

Tax incentives for private sector

QUESTION NO. 8 Mr. Joshua Gonzalez Minero

Will the Minister of FINANCE
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to incentivize private sector through tax incentives in the country, and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons therefor?

Education System

QUESTION NO. 9 Ms. Prakamya Archana

Will the Minister of EDUCATION
be pleased to state:

- (a) the reasons identified by the Government for high level of illiteracy in the county,
- (b) the corrective steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard, and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to put in place job oriented quality education system in the county?

Partnership with ADB and UNO

QUESTION NO. 10 Mr. Tyrell B. Giles

Will the PRIME MINISTER

be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the partnerships the Government has entered into with the Asia Development Bank (ADB) and the United Nations Organisation (UNO), and
- (b) the benefits accrued from the partnerships with ADB and UNO?

Investment in Green Energy

QUESTION NO. 11 Mr. Oscar Ricardo Gonzalez Minero

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT

be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to invest in green energy?

FDI in Defence Procurement

QUESTION NO. 12 Mr. Jasper James

Will the PRIME MINISTER

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to allow 74% Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in defence procurement and production,
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor, and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to strengthen the defence of the country?

Reduction of Greenhouse Gases

QUESTION NO. 13 Mr. Aaron Santos

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT

be pleased to state:

- (a) the action plan of the Government to reach its target of 35% reduction of greenhouse gases by 2030?

Protection of Agricultural Industries

QUESTION NO. 14 Ms. Emma Leigh Middleton

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE

be pleased to state:

- (a) the manner in which the Government proposes to protect the agricultural industries with changing weather patterns?

Unemployment Rate

QUESTION NO. 15 Ms. Rhian Shillabeer

Will the Minister of FINANCE

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the unemployment rate is high at 7% in the country,
- (b) if so, the details thereof, and
- (c) the action plan of the Government to reduce the unemployment rate in the country?

Unspent Budgetary Allocation

QUESTION NO. 16 Ms. Evangeline Maffey

Will the Minister of FINANCE

be pleased to state:

- (a) the reasons for 0.7% of unspent budgetary allocation, and
- (b) the manner in which the Government proposes to utilize the unspent budgetary allocation?

**Secretary
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26th November, 2019