


REPUBLIC OF THE GAMBIA

**FIFTH ASSEMBLY OF THE SECOND REPUBLIC
2022 LEGISLATIVE YEAR
FIRST ORDINARY SESSION
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

THURSDAY 03RD FEBRUARY 2022

The Assembly convened *fifty* minutes after *ten* o'clock in the morning. Prayers were read, and the Hon. Speaker, Mariam Jack Denton, took the Chair.

ORDER PAPER

1. PRAYERS

2. Communication from the Chair

3. Correction and Approval of Record of Votes and Proceedings of the National Assembly Sitting of Thursday 18th November 2021

4. STATEMENTS BY HON. MINISTERS

Oral Ministerial Statement on the Implementation and Monitoring of the Annual Budget

(By Hon. Minister for Finance & Economic Affairs)

5. LAYING OF PAPERS AND REPORTS

(i) Report of the Finance and Public Accounts Committee on The Gambia Anti-Corruption Bill, 2019

(By Hon. Vice Chairperson of the Committee)

(ii) Report of the Joint Committee on Public Enterprises and Finance and Public Accounts on the Public Service Pensions Bill, 2020

(By Hon. Co-Chairperson of the Joint Committee)

The following Honourable Members were **present**:

1. Hon. Mariam Jack Denton - Speaker


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2.	Hon. Momodou LK Sanneh	-	Deputy Speaker
3.	Hon. Kebba K. Barrow	-	Majority Leader/Kombo South
4.	Hon. Samba Jallow	-	Minority Leader/Niamina Dankunku
5.	Hon. Sunkary Badjie	-	Foni Berefet
6.	Hon. Alhagie S. Darbo	-	Brikama North
7.	Hon. Kaddy Camara	-	Foni Bondali
8.	Hon. Saikou Marong	-	Latrikunda Sabiji
9.	Hon. Alfusainey Ceesay	-	Sami
10.	Hon. Sainey Touray	-	Jarra East
11.	Hon. Saikouba Jarju	-	Busumbala
12.	Hon. Alhagie Drammeh	-	Jeshwang
13.	Hon. Bakary Camara	-	Kiang Central
14.	Hon. Alhagi S.B Sillah	-	Niani
15.	Hon. Alhagie H. Sowe	-	Jimara
16.	Hon. Momodou S. Ceesay	-	Janjanbureh
17.	Hon. Baba Galleh Jallow	-	Sanimentereng
18.	Hon. Ndey Yassin Secka	-	Nominated Member
19.	Hon. Assan Touray	-	Bakau
20.	Hon. Alhagie Mbow	-	Upper Saloum
21.	Hon. Kajali Fofana	-	Jarra West
22.	Hon. Salifu Jawo	-	Jokadu
23.	Hon. Fatou K. Jawara	-	Tallinding Kunjang
24.	Hon. Birom JS Sowe	-	Niamina West
25.	Hon. Alhaji Sankung Jammeh	-	Foni Jarrol
26.	Hon. Lamin F.M Conta	-	Kombo East
27.	Hon. Sulayman Saho	-	Central Baddibu
28.	Hon. Amadou Camara	-	Nianija
29.	Hon. Dembo KM Camara	-	Illiassa
30.	Hon. Omar Darboe	-	Upper Niumi
31.	Hon. Abdoulie Ceesay	-	Old Yundum
32.	Hon. Lamin J. Sanneh	-	Brikama South


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33.	Hon. Alagie Jawara	-	Lower Baddibu
34.	Hon. Halifa Sallah	-	Serrekunda
35.	Hon. Billay G. Tunkara	-	Kantora
36.	Hon. Muhamed Magassy	-	Basse
37.	Hon. Suwaibou Touray	-	Wuli East
38.	Hon. Musa Amul Nyassi	-	Foni Kansala
39.	Hon. Sidia S. Jatta	-	Wuli West
40.	Hon. Ousman Sillah	-	Banjul North
41.	Hon. Majanko Samusa	-	Nominated Member

The following Honorable Members were **absent with permission**:

42.	Hon. Madi MK Ceesay	-	Serrekunda West
43.	Hon. Mahtarr M. Jeng	-	Lower Niuni
44.	Hon. Bakary Njie	-	Bundunka Kunda
45.	Hon. Muhammed Mahanera	-	Sandu
46.	Hon. Foday N.M Drammeh	-	Tumana
47.	Hon. Alhagie Darboe	-	Lower Fulladu West
48.	Hon. Dawda Kawsu Jawara	-	Upper Fulladu West
49.	Hon. Kebba Jallow	-	Jarra Central
50.	Hon. Yaya Gassama	-	Kiang East
51.	Hon. Sainey Jawara	-	Lower Saloum
52.	Hon. Ousman Touray	-	Sabach Sanjal
53.	Hon. Fatoumatta Njai	-	Banjul South
54.	Hon. Muhammed Ndow	-	Banjul Central
55.	Hon. Omar Ceesay	-	Niamina East
56.	Hon. Momodou Camara	-	Foni Bintang Karanai
57.	Hon. Ya Kumba Jaiteh	-	Nominated Member

Vacancy:

1. Kiang West [Deceased]


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1. Correction and Approval of Record of Votes and Proceedings of the National Assembly Sitting of Thursday 18th November 2021.

The Hon. Member for Jimara moved the motion for the Assembly to consider and approve the Record of Votes and Proceedings of the National Assembly sitting of Thursday 18th November 2021

The Hon. Member for Busumbala seconded the Motion

The Record of Votes and Proceedings of Thursday 18th November 2021 was approved without amendment as the true record of proceedings.

2. STATEMENTS BY HON. MINISTERS (Order 48 & 94)

**Oral Ministerial Statement on the Implementation and Monitoring of the Annual Budget
(By Hon. Minister for Finance & Economic Affairs)**

At the invitation of the Hon. Speaker, the Hon. Minister for Finance and Economic Affairs delivered a statement on the Implementation and Monitoring of the Annual Budget.

The Hon. Speaker opened the floor, and the following Hon. Members asked questions and raised concerns on the Ministerial Statement (Order 48(6))

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| 1. Hon. Sulayman Saho | - | Central Baddibu |
| 2. Hon. Halifa Sallah | - | Serrekunda |
| 3. Hon. Bakary Camara | - | Kiang Central |
| 4. Hon. Kajali Fofana | - | Jarra West |
| 5. Hon. Dembo KM Camara | - | Illiassa |
| 6. Hon. Lamin J. Sanneh | - | Brikama South |
| 7. Hon. Alhaji Sankung Jammeh | - | Foni Jarrol |
| 8. Hon. Alhagie Mbow | - | Upper Saloum |
| 9. Hon. Fatou K. Jawara | - | Tallinding Kunjang |


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10. Hon. Suwaibou Touray	-	Wuli East
11. Hon. Saikou Marong	-	Latrikunda Sabiji
12. Hon. Momodou LK Sanneh	-	Deputy Speaker
13. Hon. Sidia S. Jatta	-	Wuli West
14. Hon. Ousman Sillah	-	Banjul North
15. Hon. Omar Darboe	-	Upper Niumi
16. Hon. Amadou Camara	-	Nianija
17. Hon. Alhagie Drammeh	-	Jeshwang
18. Hon. Assan Touray	-	Bakau
19. Hon. Kebba K. Barrow	-	Majority Leader/Kombo South
20. Hon. Alhagi S.B Sillah	-	Niani
21. Hon. Birom JS Sowe	-	Niamina West
22. Hon. Saikouba Jarju	-	Busumbala

6. LAYING OF PAPERS AND REPORTS

- (i) Report of the Finance and Public Accounts Committee on The Gambia Anti-Corruption Bill, 2019
(By Hon. Vice Chairperson of the Committee)

At the invitation of the Hon. Speaker, the Hon. Vice Chairperson of the Finance and Public Accounts Committee tabled the report of the Committee on *The Gambia Anti-Corruption Bill, 2019*

The Hon. Member for Jarra East seconded the motion and spoke on the Report.

Question put and agreed to:

Question put, that the august Assembly do consider the report of the Finance and Public Accounts Committee on *The Gambia Anti-Corruption Bill, 2019*.


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The Assembly was *NOT divided*. The Assembly agreed to consider the Report.

ENSUING DEBATE

The Hon. Speaker opened the floor, and the following Hon. Members took part in the debate on the Report.

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| 1. Hon. Sainey Touray | - | Jarra East |
| 2. Hon. Alhagie S. Darbo | - | Brikama North |
| 3. Hon. Sunkary Badjie | - | Foni Berefet |
| 4. Hon. Ndey Yassin Secka | - | Nominated Member |
| 5. Hon. Ousman Sillah | - | Banjul North |
| 6. Hon. Halifa Sallah | - | Serrekunda |

At thirty minutes after one o'clock in the afternoon,
THE MAJORITY LEADER AND MEMBER FOR KOMBO SOUTH, HON. KEBBA K.
BARROW, TOOK THE CHAIR

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| 7. Hon. Dembo KM Camara | - | Illiassa |
| 8. Hon. Majanko Samusa | - | Nominated Member |

At fifty minutes after one o'clock in the afternoon,
THE HON. SPEAKER, MARIAM JACK DENTON, TOOK THE CHAIR.

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| 9. Hon. Billay G. Tunkara | - | Kantora |
| 10. Hon. Kajali Fofana | - | Jarra West |
| 11. Hon. Sulayman Saho | - | Central Baddibu |
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At the invitation of the Hon. Speaker, the Hon. Vice Chairperson of the Finance and Public Accounts Committee responded to issues raised and wound-up the debate.

Question put, and accordingly agreed to

Question put, that this Assembly do adopt the report of the Finance and Public Accounts Committee on *The Gambia Anti-Corruption Bill, 2019 with amendments*.

The Assembly was *NOT divided*, and the report was accordingly adopted.

SUSPENSION OF THE ASSEMBLY (ORDER 13)

At *thirty-eight* minutes after *two* o'clock in the afternoon, the Hon. Speaker suspended the sitting for prayer time and lunch break.

RESUMPTION OF THE ASSEMBLY

At *forty-nine* minutes after *three* o'clock in the afternoon, the Assembly resumed.

At forty-nine minutes after three o'clock in the afternoon,
THE HON. DEPUTY SPEAKER, MOMODOU LK SANNEH, TOOK THE CHAIR.

MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE: (Order 53(K) & 100(13))

With the leave of the Hon. Speaker, the Hon. Member for Foni Brefet moved a motion without notice, for the Assembly to grant leave to the *Public Petitions Committee* to continue sit during the session.



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The Hon. Member for Upper Saloum seconded the motion.

Question put, and accordingly agreed to

Question put, that this Assembly do agree to the motion.

The Assembly was not divided. The Public Petitions Committee was granted leave to sit during session.

- (ii) Report of the Joint Committee on Public Enterprises and Finance and Public Accounts on the Public Service Pensions Bill, 2020
(By Hon. Co-Chairperson of the Joint Committee)

At the invitation of the Hon. Speaker, the Hon. Co-Chairperson of the Joint Committee tabled the report on Public Service Pensions Bill, 2020.

The Hon. Member for Busumbala seconded the motion and spoke on the Report.

Question put and agreed to:

Question put, that this august Assembly do consider the *'Report of the Joint Committee on Public Enterprises and Finance and Public Accounts on the Public Service Pensions Bill, 2020*

The Assembly was **NOT** *divided*. The Assembly agreed to consider the Report.

ENSUING DEBATE

The Hon. Speaker opened the floor, and the following Hon. Member took part in the debate.

1. Hon. Kajali Fofana - Jarra West



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At the invitation of the Hon. Speaker, the Hon. Co-Chairperson of the Joint Committee wound-up the debate.

Question put, and accordingly agreed to

Question put, that this Assembly do adopt the report of the *Joint Committee on Public Enterprises and Finance and Public Accounts on the Public Service Pensions Bill, 2020*.

The Assembly was not divided. The Report was adopted.

ADJOURNMENT

At thirty-six minutes after four o'clock in the afternoon, the Assembly was adjourned until Monday 07th February 2022 at 10:00 am prompt.