



REPUBLIC OF THE GAMBIA

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

WEDNESDAY 09TH FEBRUARY 2022

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

ORDER PAPER

1. PRAYERS

2. Correction and Approval of Record of Votes and Proceedings of the National Assembly Sitting of Tuesday 08th February 2022.
3. **Questions for Oral Answer (Standing Orders 36 & 41)**

1) Hon. Minister for Finance and Economic Affairs

- i. Question No. 001/2022 by the Hon. Member for Kombo East
- ii. Question No. 002/2022 by the Hon. Member for Illissa
- iii. Question No. 003/2022 by the Hon. Member for Upper Saloum
- iv. Question No. 004/2022 by the Hon. Member for Upper Saloum
- v. Question No. 005/2022 by the Hon. Member for Upper Saloum
- vi. Question No. 006/2022 by the Hon. Member for Serekunda West
- vii. Question No. 007/2022 by the Hon. Member for Serekunda

2) Hon. Minister for Tourism and Culture

- i. Question No. 008/2022 by Member for Bakau

3) Hon. Minister for Basic and Secondary Education

- i. Question No. 031/2022 by the Hon. Member for Bakau


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4) HON. MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION & GAMBIANS ABROAD

- i. Question No. 030/2022 by the Hon. Member for Tumana

5) HON. MINISTER FOR TRADE, INDUSTRY, REGIONAL INTEGRATION AND EMPLOYMENT

February 2022 Questions

- i. Question No: 025/2022 by the Hon. Member for Illiassa
ii. Question No: 026/2022 by the Hon. Member for Upper Saloum
iii. Question No: 027/2022 by the Hon. Member for Tumana

6) HON. MINISTER FOR LANDS AND REGIONAL GOVERNMENT

- i. Question No: 028/2022 by the Hon. Member for Illiassa
ii. Question No: 029/2022 by the Hon. Member for Bakau

7) HON. MINISTER FOR INTERIOR

- i. Question No: 015/2022 by the Hon. Member for Bakau
ii. Question No: 016/2022 by the Hon. Member for Kombo East
iii. Question No: 017/2022 by the Hon. Member for Serekunda West
iv. Question No: 018/2022 by the Hon. Member for Serekunda West
v. Question No: 019/2022 by the Hon. Member for Serekunda West

The following Honourable Members were **present**:

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| 1. Hon. Mariam Jack Denton | - | Speaker |
| 2. Hon. Kebba K. Barrow | - | Majority Leader/Kombo South |


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3. Hon. Sunkary Badjie	-	Foni Berefet
4. Hon. Alhagie S. Darbo	-	Brikama North
5. Hon. Kaddy Camara	-	Foni Bondali
6. Hon. Saikou Marong	-	Latrikunda Sabiji
7. Hon. Alfusainey Ceesay	-	Sami
8. Hon. Sainey Touray	-	Jarra East
9. Hon. Alhagi S.B Sillah	-	Niani
10. Hon. Alhagie H. Sowe	-	Jimara
11. Hon. Ndey Yassin Secka	-	Nominated Member
12. Hon. Assan Touray	-	Bakau
13. Hon. Fatou K. Jawara	-	Tallinding Kunjang
14. Hon. Amadou Camara	-	Nianija
15. Hon. Samba Jallow	-	Minority Leader/Niamina Dankunku
16. Hon. Halifa Sallah	-	Serrekunda
17. Hon. Suwaibou Touray	-	Wuli East
18. Hon. Sidia S. Jatta	-	Wuli West
19. Hon. Majanko Samusa	-	Nominated Member
20. Hon. Mahtarr M. Jeng	-	Lower Niumi
21. Hon. Ousman Touray	-	Sabach Sanjal
22. Hon. Fatoumatta Njai	-	Banjul South
23. Hon. Momodou Camara	-	Foni Bintang Karanai
24. Hon. Momodou LK Sanneh	-	Deputy Speaker
25. Hon. Foday N.M Drammeh	-	Tumana
26. Hon. Lamin F.M Conta	-	Kombo East
27. Hon. Bakary Camara	-	Kiang Central
28. Hon. Abdoulie Ceesay	-	Old Yundum
29. Hon. Madi MK Ceesay	-	Serrekunda West
30. Hon. Omar Darboe	-	Upper Niumi
31. Hon. Dembo KM Camara	-	Illiasa
32. Hon. Alhagie Darboe	-	Lower Fulladu West
33. Hon. Sainey Jawara	-	Lower Saloum


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34. Hon. Salifu Jawo	-	Jokadu
35. Hon. Alhagie Mbow	-	Upper Saloum
36. Hon. Kajali Fofana	-	Jarra West
37. Hon. Ousman Sillah	-	Banjul North
38. Hon. Muhammed Ndow	-	Banjul Central
39. Hon. Alagie Jawara	-	Lower Baddibu
40. Hon. Momodou S. Ceesay	-	Janjanbureh

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

41. Hon. Muhamed Magassy	-	Basse
42. Hon. Muhammed Mahanera	-	Sandu
43. Hon. Billay G. Tunkara	-	Kantora
44. Hon. Musa Amul Nyassi	-	Foni Kansala
45. Hon. Kebba Jallow	-	Jarra Central
46. Hon. Baba Galleh Jallow	-	Sanimentereng
47. Hon. Bakary Njie	-	Bundunka Kunda
48. Hon. Sulayman Saho	-	Central Baddibu
49. Hon. Dawda Kawsu Jawara	-	Upper Fulladu West
50. Hon. Omar Ceesay	-	Niamina East
51. Hon. Birom JS Sowe	-	Niamina West
52. Hon. Alhagie Drammeh	-	Jeshwang
53. Hon. Lamin J. Sanneh	-	Brikama South
54. Hon. Alhaji Sankung Jammeh	-	Foni Jarrol
55. Hon. Ya Kumba Jaiteh	-	Nominated Member
56. Hon. Saikouba Jarju	-	Busumbala
57. Hon. Yaya Gassama	-	Kiang East

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 Tuesday 8th February 2022.

The Hon. Member for Foni Bondali moved the motion for the Assembly to consider and approve the Record of Votes and Proceedings of the National Assembly sitting of Tuesday 08th February 2022.

The Hon. Member for Lower Niimi seconded the motion.

The Record of Votes and Proceedings of Tuesday 8th February 2022, as corrected, was approved as the true record of proceedings.

2. Questions for Oral Answer (Standing Orders 36 & 41)

1) HON. MINISTER FOR FINANCE AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

The following questions and *Supplementary Question(s)* were asked and answered by the *Hon. Minister for Finance and Economic Affairs*

- i. Question No. 001/2022 by the Hon. Member for Kombo East was *treated with seven supplementary questions*
- ii. Question No. 002/2022 by the Hon. Member for Illissa was *treated with five supplementary questions*
- iii. Question No. 003/2022 by the Hon. Member for Upper Saloum was *treated with seven supplementary questions*
- iv. Question No. 004/2022 by the Hon. Member for Upper Saloum was *treated with seven supplementary questions*



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- v. Question No. 005/2022 by the Hon. Member for Upper Saloum was *treated with six supplementary questions.*
- vi. Question No. 006/2022 by the Hon. Member for Serekunda West was *treated with one supplementary question.*
- vii. Question No. 007/2022 by the Hon. Member for Serekunda was *treated with seven supplementary questions.*

VARIATION OF THE ORDER PAPER (ORDER 14(3))

The Hon. Speaker, acting in accordance with Order 14(3), varied the Order Paper and brought forward the questions for the Minister for Lands and Regional Government.

2) HON. MINISTER FOR LANDS AND REGIONAL GOVERNMENT

The following questions and *Supplementary Question(s)* were *asked* and answered by the **Hon. Minister for Lands and Regional Government**

- i. Question No: 028/2022 by the Hon. Member for Illiassa was *treated with seven supplementary questions.*
- ii. Question No: 029/2022 by the Hon. Member for Bakau was *treated with five supplementary questions.*

3) HON. MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND CULTURE

The following question and *Supplementary Question(s)* were *asked* and answered by the Hon. Minister for Tourism and Culture


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Question No. 008/2022 by Member for Bakau *treated with seven supplementary questions.*

4) HON. MINISTER FOR BASIC AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

The following question and *Supplementary Question(s)* were *asked* and answered by the *Hon. Minister for Basic and Secondary Education*

Question No. 031/2022 by the Hon. Member for Bakau was *treated with one supplementary question.*

5) HON. MEMBER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION & GAMBIANS ABROAD

Question No. 030/2022 by the Hon. Member for Tumana was *suspended* due to the absence of the Minister.

6) HON. MINISTER FOR TRADE, INDUSTRY, REGIONAL INTEGRATION AND EMPLOYMENT

The following questions and *Supplementary Question(s)* were *asked* and answered by the *Hon. Minister for Trade, Industry, Regional Integration and Employment*

- i. Question No: 025/2022 by the Hon. Member for Illiassa was *treated with six supplementary questions*
- ii. Question No: 026/2022 by the Hon. Member for Upper Saloum was *treated with seven supplementary questions.*



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- iii. Question No: 027/2022 by the Hon. Member for Tumana was *treated with five supplementary questions.*

SUSPENSION OF THE ASSEMBLY (ORDER 13)

At *forty* minutes after *two* o'clock in the afternoon, the Speaker suspended the sitting for a lunch break.

RESUMPTION OF THE ASSEMBLY

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

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

7) HON. MINISTER FOR INTERIOR

The following questions and *Supplementary Question(s)* were *asked* and answered by the Hon. Minister for Interior.

- i. Question No: 015/2022 by the Hon. Member for Bakau *treated with five supplementary questions.*
- ii. Question No: 016/2022 by the Hon. Member for Kombo East. The Hon. Member for Kombo East was absent, and with authority, the question was asked by the Hon. Member for Brikama North, and was *treated with five supplementary questions.*
- iii. Question No: 017/2022 by the Hon. Member for Serekunda West was *treated with seven supplementary questions.*



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- iv. Question No: 018/2022 by the Hon. Member for Serekunda West was *treated with two supplementary questions.*
- v. Question No: 019/2022 by the Hon. Member for Serekunda West was *treated without supplementary question.*

ADJOURNMENT (ORDER 13(1))

At forty minutes after four o'clock in the afternoon, the Assembly was adjourned until Thursday 10th February 2022 at 10:00 am prompt.