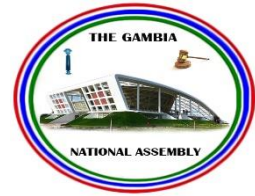




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1. P R A Y E R S

2. Correction and Approval of Record of Votes and Proceedings of the National Assembly Sitting of Tuesday 07th December, 2022

4. Questions for Oral Answer (Standing Order 36 & 41)

1. HON. MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT, WORKS, AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Question No. 0152/2022 (Member for Central Baddibu) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Transport, Works and Infrastructure inform this august Assembly whether a feasibility survey has been conducted on the possibility of conducting river transportation to the rural areas?

Question No. 0153/2022 (Member for Upper Fulladu West) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Transport, works and Infrastructure tell this august Assembly whether his ministry has any plan to provide a new ferry at Bansang-Bush Town crossing point?

Question No. 0154/2022 (Member for Tumana) - Hon. Speaker, the feeder road connecting Tinkinjo, Sanunding, Dingiring, and Madina Samako up to Diabugu Ba Sillah is still in a poor state, thus, a major problem to the People of

Tumana. Could the Hon. Minister for Transport, Works and Infrastructure inform this august Assembly how urgent his ministry plans to address this poor road condition?

Question No. 0155/2022 (Member for Kombo East) - Hon. Speaker, due to lack of school bus services coupled with expensive commercial transport fees, students within Kombo East find it difficult to reach school on time. Could the Hon. Minister for Transport, Works and Infrastructure tell this august Assembly whether his ministry has any plan to provide school bus service to these students?

Question No. 0156/2022 (Member for Lower Baddibu) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Transport, Works and Infrastructure explain to this august Assembly if and when his ministry plans to extend the construction of the road that link Njawara to Minteh Kunda?

Question No. 0157/2022 (Member for Lower Fulladu West) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Transport, Works and Infrastructure inform this august Assembly if his Ministry has any plan to construct series of feeder roads connecting villages in Lower Fulladu West?

Question No. 0158/2022 (Member for Jarra East) - Hon. Speaker, the roads connecting Bureng to Darsilami junction and Sinchu Njengundi to Bureng via several other villages have not been constructed. Could the Hon. Minister for Transport, Works and Infrastructure inform this august Assembly if his Ministry has any plan to construct these roads?

Question No. 0159/2022 (Member for Sandu) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Transport, Works and Infrastructure inform this august Assembly of his ministry's plan to construct feeder roads across the country especially in Sandu Constituency?

Question No. 0160/2022 (Member for Tallinding Kujang) - Hon. Speaker, Tallinding-Chuchill's Town junction to the Fire Service Station has been flooded with water every rainy season for over a decade, which results to serious disruption of traffic and flooding. Could the Hon. Minister for Transport, Works and Infrastructure inform this august Assembly his ministry's strategic plan to remedy this perennial issue before the next rainy season?

Question No. 0161/2022 (Member for Tallinding Kujang) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Transport, Works and Infrastructure update this august Assembly on the state of progress on the construction of Tallinding Koloban feeder road that has been identified as part of the OIC roads project?

Question No. 0162/2022 (Member for Foni Kansala) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Transport, Works and Infrastructure inform this august Assembly if there are plans to construct the following roads in Foni Kansala: Kappa, Ballen, Funtang, Gikes, kaniali, Kanfenda, Burock, Dumbuto to Tintinba, Bwiam , Kurondulai, Bugingah to Karor and Sangajor, and Giramba leading to Darsilameh Sherrif Kunda? Hon. Speaker, all these roads are in bad condition.

Question No. 0163/2022 (Member for Latrikunda Sabiji) - Hon. Speaker, the Government has committed millions of dollars worth of equity to OIC hotel project and the contract for its construction has been signed months ago. However, the progress on construction percentage is still at 0%. Could the Hon. Minister for Transport, Works and Infrastructure inform this august Assembly on the position of the Government on this OIC hotel?

Question No. 0164/2022 (Member for Latrikunda Sabiji) - Hon. Speaker, the Government is faced with donor fatigue and heavy loan portfolio which makes it difficult for the country to attract loans for most of its road projects, resulting in delay on the side of the government to pay several Interim Payment Certificates held by contractors. Could the Hon. Minister for Transport, Works and Infrastructure inform this august body whether the government intends to finish all the locally funded roads projects before contracting fresh ones?

Question No. 0165/2022 (Member for Banjul North) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Transport, Works and Infrastructure inform this august Assembly if there are any sustainability plans for the Banjul Rehabilitation Roads Project?

Question No. 0166/2022 (Member for Niamina East) - Hon. Speaker, the Government recently lunched massive road and infrastructural projects. However, there are a lot more roads in the country which require serious and urgent attention. For example, the roads in Sinchu-Alhagie Pateh Sam, Mahmud Fanna, Kudang and Kudang Tenda in Niamina East Constituency. Could the Hon. Minister for Transport, Works and Infrastructure inform this august Assembly how soon his ministry intends to address the situation of the said roads?

Question No. 0167/2022 (Member for Lower Saloum) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Transport, Works and Infrastructure update this august Assembly on the level of implementation of the road safety regulations?

Question No. 0168/2022 (Member for Lower Saloum) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Transport, Works and Infrastructure update this august Assembly on his ministry's efforts to provide a reliable ferry service at the Kaur – Jareng crossing point, which is needed to ease transportation between Lower Saloum and Niamina Dankunku?

Question No. 0169/2022 (Member for Bundung Ka-Kunda) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Works, Transport and Infrastructure inform this august Assembly whether his ministry has any monitoring mechanisms in place, to monitor and evaluate the condition and lifespan of the Denton Bridge?

Question No. 0170/2022 (Member for Bundung Ka-Kunda) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Works, Transport and Infrastructure inform this august Assembly whether his ministry has plans to decongest the traffic around the Westfield area along the Brikama Highway?

Question No. 0171/2022 (Member for Jeshwang) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Works, Transport and Infrastructure tell this august Assembly what plans does his ministry have to construct the roads that connect EboTown and New Jeshwang starting from the main highway to Badala and Sankung Sillah? All these roads are in bad condition and need urgent action.

Question No. 0172/2022 (Member for Jeshwang) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Works, Transport and Infrastructure tell this august Assembly what plans does his ministry have to construct the road connecting Kanifing South and Pipeline behind the French school?

2. HON. MINISTER FOR PETROLEUM AND ENERGY

SEPTEMBER, 2022 Questions

Question No. 056/2022 (Member for Sami) - Hon. Speaker, the government, through the President promised the people of Sami electricity by the year 2023, could the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy forward for the information of this august Assembly, the names of the villages that are supposed to benefit from the said electricity project in Sami?

Question No. 057/2022 (Member for Wuli East) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy update this august Assembly on the rural electrification project in the URR, the Northern part in particular?

Question No. 058/2022 (Member for Foni Brefet) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy tell this august Assembly how soon his Ministry intends to provide electricity supply to the villages of Jajil and Jalokoto on the highway and Ndemban-Jola to Kanjabina in the interior who were omitted in the first phase of the Rural Electrification Project?

Question No. 059/2022 (Member for Foni Kansala) - Hon. Speaker, can the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy inform this august Assembly what causes the Gam-Petroleum oil spillage at Mandinaring and what steps were taken to mitigate the impact on the environment as well as to prevent its reoccurrence?

Question No. 060/2022 (Member for Jarra Central) - Hon. Speaker, can the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy inform this august Assembly when his ministry intends to electrify the following communities in Jarra

Central: Buiba Jallow Kunda, Buiba Sanukoli, Buiba Mandinka, Buiba Musa Njado, Sare Saidy, Foroya, Foroya Wolof, Sasita Toranka, Medina Sasita, Diganteh, Sare Bully, Jobe Kunda, Sare Kiffa, Fololo, Badumeh Koto, Badumeh Kuta, Kanuma, Sare jama, Sare Omar, Suluko and Minna?

Question No. 061/2022 (Member for Basse) – Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister of Petroleum and Energy tell this august Assembly what plans are available for his ministry to resolve water shortage in the Basse Layouts and satellite villages?

Question No. 062/2022 (Member for Latrikunda Sabiji) – Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy inform this august Assembly what measures are in place to address the water pressure problem experienced by residents in Abuko, Latrikunda, and Fagikunda who continue to suffer on daily basis, and sometimes for weeks without a droplet of water from their taps?

Question No. 063/2022 (Member for Jokadu) – Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy inform this august Assembly when would the rural electricity expansions project reach the following villages which were surveyed a year ago including Kerr Jarga, Kerr Amadou, Memmeh, Kerr Omar Saine, Kerr Ngorr, Kerr Omar Manneh, Medina Madum Kerr Jain, Misira Alh Karu, Kissimajaw?

Question No. 064/2022 (Member for Kiang Central) – Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy explain to this august Assembly if the ministry has plans to provide electricity to the residents of Kiang Central especially Kabada and its environs at the soonest possible time?

Question No. 065/2022 (Lower Baddibu) – Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy tell this august Assembly when would the ministry provide electricity to the northern part of Lower Baddibu?

Question No. 066/2022 (Member for Kiang Central) – Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister explain if, and when the ministry plans to provide the people of Kiang Central and their livestock with clean drinking water?

Question No. 067/2022 (Member for Wuli West) – Hon. Speaker, considering the importance of electricity, could the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy inform this august Assembly if and when the ministry plans to electrify the local communities in Wuli West?

Question No. 068/2022 (Member for Illiassa) – Hon. Speaker, electricity remains a major challenge for many villages in Badibu especially the northern side of Kerewan and parts of Farafenni. Would the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy consider expanding its project into these communities?

NOVEMBER, 2022 Questions

Question No. 0176/2022 (Member for Bakau) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy update this august Assembly on the involvement of Australian oil company (FAR) and Malaysian PETRONAS in the drilling of oil wells in The Gambia as well as the funds generated from the licensing fee?

Question No. 0177/2022 (Member for Foni Brefet) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy commit to provide solar-street lights for the fourteen (14) villages in the Foni Brefet Constituency, and if so, when?

Question No. 0178/2022 (Member for Jarra West) - Hon. Speaker, would the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy tell this august Assembly when will the villages of Kanikunda, Kohel, Sare Biran, Fonkoi Kunda, and Sinchuye all part of Jarra West Constituency be electrified?

Question No. 0179/2022 (Member for Central Baddibu) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon Minister for Petroleum and Energy provide an analysis to this august

Assembly on the economy benefit of sand mining at Denton Bridge and its environmental impact?

Question No. 0180/2022 (Member for Tumana) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Energy and Petroleum tell this august Assembly of his ministry's plan to connect the proposed beneficiaries and communities that were surveyed in Tumana Constituency as part of the Rural Electrification Project?

Question No. 0181/2022 (Member for Foni Bintang Karanai) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy tell this august Assembly whether his ministry has any plan to expand the Rural Electrification Project to the Foni Bintang area?

Question No. 0182/2022 (Member for Foni Bintang) - Hon. Speaker, only two (2) villages in Foni Bondali Constituency are electrified out of thirty-six (36) villages. Could the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy explain to this august Assembly his Ministry's plans to expand water and electricity projects to the rest of the communities in the constituency?

Question No. 0183/2022 (Member for Upper Saloum) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy confirm to this august Assembly the regulatory framework in place for the use of smart meters and smart grids as well as the level of preparedness of NAWEC on Cyber Security issues on these meters and the grids they are connected to?

Question No. 0184/2022 (Member for Serekunda) - Hon. Speaker, families in the Greater Banjul Area including the **only** major referral hospital in Kanifing struggle with water supply. Could the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy tell this august Assembly if the ministry is aware of the water shortage in this area?

Question No. 0185/2022 (Member for Jarra East) - Hon. Speaker, there is no electricity supply in the whole of Jarra East Constituency. Could the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy inform this august Assembly of the ministry's plans, if any, to extend electricity supply to this constituency?

Question No. 0186/2022 (Member for Kombo South) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and

Energy inform this august Assembly how much money was paid by Ginkon Foundation Sand Mining Unit since the issuance of license to the company for extracting sand from various locations within Kombo South?

Question No. 0187/2022 (Member for Kombo South) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy inform this august Assembly on the status of implementation of the Water and Electricity supply in Kombo South, especially in the villages of Gunjur, Tujereng, Tanji, Kunkujang Mariama, Mamouda, Jambur and Sanyang?

Question No. 0188/2022 (Member for Bundung Ka-Kunda) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Petroleum and Energy tell this august Assembly what measures are in place to address the low water pressure problem experienced by the residents of Bundung, Latrikunda Sabiji, Tallinding and Abuko who continue to suffer on daily basis without water?

3. HON. MINISTER FOR HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Question No. 0245/2022 (Member for Foni Bondali) - Hon. Speaker, Foni Bondali constituency is affected by a high number of school dropouts, and considering how crucial it is for young people to access relevant skills to attain modern educational realities, could Hon. Minister for Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology inform this august Assembly if the ministry plans to establish a Vocational and Skills Training Centre in Foni Bondali?

Question No. 0246/2022 (Member for Kombo South) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Higher Education Science Research and Technology update this august Assembly on the outcome of the feasibility study conducted for the construction of Multi – purpose skills centres in various regions of the Country?

Question No. 0247/2022 (Member for Bundung Ka-Kunda) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology inform this august Assembly if his ministry has plans to build a state own university for the Arabic students who complete grade

twelve (12) to pursue their careers here rather than go abroad?

4. HON. MINISTER FOR DEFENCE

Question N. 0221/2022 (Member for Tumana) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Defence tell this august Assembly the faith of world war veterans who have not received any direct compensation/benefit from the British Government since end of the World War II?

Question No.0222/2022 (Member for Foni Bintang) - Hon. Speaker, the presence of Senegalese security forces in Foni has been queried by the people of Foni because it exposes them to security threats, which was evident during their clash with the rebels. Could the Hon. Minister for Defence tell this august Assembly how the ministry plans to address the issue?

Question No. 0223/2022 (Member for Foni Kansala) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Defence inform this august Assembly the Status of Forces Agreement (SoFA) and Status of Mission Agreement (SoMA) between The Gambia Government and ECOMIG Senegalese soldiers stationed in Foni?

Question No. 0224/2022 (Member for Foni Kansala) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Defence inform this august Assembly in detail why the following military officers: Major Kebba Gibba, Major Karamba Jammeh, Captain Gibril Jammeh, Major Lamin Manneh, Major Alieu Sowe, Captain Abdou Badjie, Captain Sulayman Jammeh, General Musa Savage, General Modou Sowe, and Alieu Sowe were forcefully retired from The Gambia Army Forces?

Question N. 0225/2022 (Member for Foni Kansala) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Defence inform this august Assembly if there is any military agreement signed between The Gambia and Senegal warranting the frequent deployment of Senegalese forces in Foni?

Question No. 0226/2022 (Member for Foni Jarrol) - Hon Speaker, could the Hon. Ministry for Defence brief this

august Assembly on the security benefits of the Senegalese troops being deployed in The Gambia particularly in Foni?

5. HON. MINISTER FOR INTERIOR

Question No. 0129/2022 (Member for Foni Bintang Karanai) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Interior inform this august Assembly when would his ministry provide mobility for the Sibamor Police Station considering the workload of police there in responding to emergency situations?

Question No. 0130/2022 (Member for Kombo East) - Hon. Speaker could the Hon. Minister for Interior update this august Assembly on the availability of patrol vehicles at key security points within Kombo East Constituency?

Question No. 0131/2022 (Lower Baddibu) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Interior explain to this august Assembly, what plans his ministry has in place to curb the crime rate in this country?

Question No. 0132/2022 (Member for Serekunda) - Hon. Speaker, would the Hon. Minister for Interior confirm to this august Assembly what stopped the Police Officers from continuing to remove unmotorable vehicles in the streets of Greater Banjul Area?

Question No. 0133/2022 (Member for Kombo South) - Hon. Speaker, one Mr. Buba Drammeh from Brending allegedly killed Mr. Buba Jammeh of Kombo Gunjur at his Orchard on the 16th, March 2019, but subsequently escaped from Mile Two Central Prisons in December 2020. Could the Hon. Minister for Interior inform this august Assembly of the outcome of the investigation regarding his escape?

Question No. 0134/2022 (Nominated Member, Kebba Lang Fofana) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Interior inform this august Assembly of the rationale behind his ministry's plan to ban "Tuk-Tuk" drivers?

Question No. 0135/2022 (Member for Lower Saloum) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Interior consider providing adequate and modern equipment to the Gambia Police Force to complement their efforts in fighting criminals, especially armed robberies in the country?

Question No.0136/2022 (Member for Foni Jarrol) - Hon. Speaker, could the Hon. Minister for Interior brief this august Assembly on how Gambian security personnel posted in the Foni regions and beyond would be able to serve this country well when they are poorly equipped and demotivated?

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