



# MANEABA NI MAUNGATABU

## 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the 11<sup>th</sup> Maneaba Ni Maungatabu

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#### ORAL QUESTION

1. By Hon. Emil Schtuz MP (North Tarawa)

**OQ43.** E butiaki te Tautaeaka bwa e na noora riain kauarerekean riki boon te tutuo n te On-aoraki nakoia taan mwaakete man kaawan nako Tarawa Teinaieta man ae e bwainaki ngkai nakon ae e beebete riki ma ni kona ni kai kabwakaaki riki irouia taan mwaakete aikai?

**Translation/Rairana**

Government is asked to see the need to review the cost of medical check-ups at the hospital currently being imposed on Local Producers from villages in North Tarawa from the current amount to one that is cheaper and more affordable?

**OQ44.** E kona te Tautaeaka n anga aekaki n ibuobuoki ni kabane ake a kona n anga ibukin kakae nneia taan mwaakete ma Tarawa Teinaieta n te tabo teuana i nuukan Tarawa Teinainano ae a na mwengaraoi ma ni manoraoi riki iai ibukin kabonakoan aia bwai ni mwaakete?

**Translation/Rairana**

Could Government render all kinds of assistance necessary in order to find a piece in a more central part of South Tarawa where Local Producers from North Tarawa could be more decently accommodated and properly sheltered when marketing their produce?

**OQ45.** N ana bowi te Maneaba ni Maungatabu inanon te namakaina ae Eberi n te ririki aio ao raou n Tia Tei temanna ae e karineaki mai Tarawa Teinaieta e tabeka te tafiraki teuana ae kangai taekana:

E kona te Tautaeaka ni kabwarabwara bwa e a bwaka ia mwakurian te karikirake ae e boou are Clinic ibukia kain te kawa ae Buota?

Kaekana iroun te Minita n te Kuakua n te tai arei e kangai:

“ I kaotia man te kukurei bwa e na riai n tia ni waaki mwakurian te clinic n te kawa ae Buota”

I kan manga titiraki riki n te tai aio bwa e aera ngkai bon akea naba te kakamwakuri teutana nakon ana clinic te kaawa ae Buota ni karokoa te bong aio?

***Translation/Rairana***

In the meeting of the Maneaba ni Maungatabu in April this year one of my Honourable colleague MP from North Tarawa raised a question which read:

“Could the Ministry concerned explain what is the latest status on the new project construction, of clinic for the Buota village in North Tarawa”

The reply at the time by the then Minister of Health & Medical Services was;

“I am happy to inform that work on Buota clinic should be ongoing”

I would like to ask again now, why there has been no action whatsoever on this clinic until this day?

**OQ46.** N ana bowi te Maneaba ni Maungatabu n Tebetembwa n te ririki ae e nako (2016), ao I tabeka te bubuti nakon te Tautaeaka kainnanaan teuana riki te JSS ibukia ataein kaawan Tarawa Teinaieta ake mai maiaki mai Kanaba nako Buota. E kaekaa te Minita n te Reirei n te tai arei ni kangai bwa eng ngkana e reke nnena are e na tei iai. Ngkai e a tia n reke nnen te JSS aio iroun te Kauntira n Tarawa Teinaieta ao n ningai ngkanne are e na kona ni waaki iai katean te JSS aio?

***Translation/Rairana***

In the meeting of the Maneaba ni Maungatabu in September last year I raised a request to Government regarding the urgent need for another JSS for the Southern villages of North Tarawa from Kainaba to Buota. In his reply the then Minister of Education said yes if a place for it could be identified. Now that the North Tarawa island Council has identified the

most suitable location geographically for this JSS, may I ask when might this project be able to start?

**2. By Hon. Ieremia Tabai MP (Nonouti)**

**OQ48.** Iaon Nonouti ao ataein te JSS man te kawa ae Abamakoro a nakonako n te kawai ae abwabwaki ni katoa Kanimabong n okira aia kawa n tokin te reirei ao n te Tabati ni manga okira aia reirei. Aio te kawai ae abwabwaki ao ni matoatoa bwa n tabetai ao a nakonako n te bong.

I kan titiraki bwa e kona n reke ana ibuobuoki te Tautaeka ni buokan boon baoia ataei aikai?

***Translation/Rairana***

On Nonouti the JSS students from Abamakoro village walked a long distance on Fridays at the end of the school to go back to the village and on Sundays to the school. This is a long and difficult walk as they have to walk during the night sometimes.

I want to ask, it is possible for Government to assist with the cost of the transport for these students?

**OQ49.** N ana reta Noere Teanana ae bonginaki n 10/07/16 nakon te Copra agent (Akineti Matauteka) i Nonouti ao katotongana nakon te Copra Board, ao e tangitang ibukin ana aoa ae tuai ni kaboaki ngke e uatiman n te takataka imwain tokana n te kaibuke. E a tia ni bwaka \$239.00 nakoina ao ai nikirana ae \$699.90, e tuai.

I kan titiraki bwa e na bwaka ningai nakoina te nikira?

***Translation/Rairana***

Noere Teanana in a letter dated 10<sup>th</sup> July to Copra agent (Akineti Matauteka) on Nonouti and copied to the Copra Board, claimed for the unpaid hours when he was employed as watchman for the copra before being shipped. He has been paid \$239.00 leaving a balance of \$699.90.

I want to ask when he is going to be paid the balance outstanding?

**OQ50.** Ni bowin te Auti n Ritemba 2016, te Minita ni kaetan au titiraki iaon kairuan te rongorongoi mai i Tarawa iaon te ben ae umunaki, are e a reke iai te bua nakoia kain Nonouti ae kaniia \$23,000.00 e taku bwa e na rinanoaki te tangitang aio ni waekoa.

I kan titiraki bwa tera ngkai rongorongon te tangitang aio?

***Translation/Rairana***

In the 2016 December meeting of this House, the Minister in answering my question on the wrong message relating to the copra that was oven dried, leaving to a loss to the people of Nonouti close to \$23,000.00, said that the issue would be considered quickly by Government.

I want to ask what is the latest on this complaint?

**3. By Hon Dr. Kautu Tenaua MP (Abaiang)**

**OQ51.** E mwakuri korakora tei Tuarabu iaon Abaiang ni katea ana kiriniki ibukini kaitaraan kangaanga are e na butimaea kainaoia ngkana aoraki ao ni bikoukou. Nna butia te Minita are tabena bwa n ningai te tai are e na oneaki iai aia kiriniki nakon te bwai-ni-Matang?

***Translation/Rairana***

Tuarabu community had demonstrated their dedication and commitment by building their clinic to address the vital health needs of their people, especially for the sick and pregnant. May I ask the Minister concerned is there a plan to replace the locally constructed clinic with the permanent materials?

**OQ52.** E kakoaua te Minita n te Kuakua ao Katoaki Aoraki ae akea ngkai n te Tungaru Central Hospital, Nawerewere rabatan te Taokita ae kinaki ana beeba ibukin te Kabung ma aorakia aine?

***Translation/Rairana***

Does the Minister of Health and Medical Services acknowledge that the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Tungaru Central Hospital, Nawerewere is without a recognized qualified consultant?

**OQ53.** E na butiaki te Minita are tabena bwa tera ngkai aron te babaire ibukin tibwaan aia bwai-n-reirei ataein te Moanrinan ao te Junior Secondary Schools?

***Translation/Rairana***

May I request the explanation from the Minister of Education regarding the distribution policy of stationeries to Primary and Junior Secondary schools students?

**4. By Hon. James Taom MP (Makin)**

**OQ54.** E kona te Minita are tabena n taekinna bwa antai abwamakoro aika a kamanenaa ngkai te mitin ibukin tuoan mwaun te ben ao a kanga n rineaki?

***Translation/Rairana***

Can the responsible Minister explain which islands are now using the Copra Moisture Meter and how these islands were selected?

**OQ55.** E kona te Minita are tabena n taekinna n ibuobuoki ni kabwakaan kantokan mootokaa (trucks) ake a otanaki mai tinaniku, nako aonaba?

***Translation/Rairana***

Can the Minister concerned assist in meeting the cost of freight for imported trucks, to outer islands?

**5. By Hon. Tinian Reiher MP (Butaritari)**

**OQ56.** Iai ana bubuti Bikati ae kanakoaki nakon te Botaki n Reirei ibukin tangiran onean ana umwanreirei n ana primary school man te bwai n Kiribati nakon te bwai n I-matang. E a tia ana babaire te Tautaeaka iaon te bubuti aio?

***Translation/Rairana***

There was a request to the Ministry of Education from the people of Bikati for the need to replace their existing classrooms with permanent materials. Has government made a decision on this request?

**OQ57.** N rokon ana tiim te Botaki n Akawa n karaoa te reirei nakoia taan akawa i Butaritari ao a taekinna n kamatoa ba iai buakakan te intin ae te 30hp Yamaha are e kakoauaki ba a rawata gkai aika a tia n uruaki. Ngkana te koaua aio ao te titiraki ba iai ana iango te Tautaeaka n onei muin itin aikai ake a karekeaki ao man tibwaaki nakon kaawa ma mwakoron Aro nako iaon abamwakoro?

### ***Translation/Rairana***

During the visit by the team from the Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources Development that carried out the training workshop to local fishermen in Butaritari they confirmed that the 30hp Yamaha outboard engine have defective part proven to have been the common cause of very serious breakdown. If that is true then the question is whether or not Government has a plan to replace the engines that were distributed (with fiberglass boats) to villages and church groups in outer islands?

**OQ58.** E a kaan tabwanin ngkai te mwakuri iaon katean te bono are e na totokoa rinnakon taari nakon taian namo-n-rua n te kaawa ae Ukiangang. Te bubuti nakon te Tautaeka ba e kona n waekoa n tobwa naba te kanganga n te namo-n-rua i Keuea ma Tanimaiaki ao n reitaki naba ma te namo-n-rua are n Tebiken-aine are e nang korakora naba rotakina n ana urubwai te nao ma te iabuti?

### ***Translation/Rairana***

Work on the construction of a dyke to prevent seawater intrusion at the namo-n-rua at Ukiangang is now nearing completion. Could Government also give immediate attention to the similar problems in Keuea and Tanimaiaki, together with the namo-n-rua at Tebiiken-aine that has also been badly damaged by recent high tides and destructive waves and current?

**OQ59.** Iai ana kona te Tautaeka n karekea te kabomwui nakoia utu ake a uruaki aia rua n bwabwai ma aia kai n amwarake tain karaoan te kawai i Butaritari?

### ***Translation/Rairana***

Could Government provide compensation to families whose bwabwai (giant taro) pits and other food trees that were damaged during the recent road upgrading work in Butaritari?

**OQ60.** A tangitang taan mwakuri n te karao bikan are e waakinaki i Butaritari inanon namakaina aika a nako ibukin uarereken booia are e reke nakoia iaan te karikirake aio. E kona te Minita are tabe ma te karikirake n kamatata bwa iraua raoi booia taan mwakuri ae e riai n reke irouia n reitaki ma mwaitin te arauenti are e riai naba n bwaka ibukin te mwaimwai ma te tebo i taari?

***Translation/Rairana***

A complaint by locals engaged in the installation of navigational beacons in Butaritari that they were underpaid by the project. Could the Minister responsible explain how much these workers should receive in wages together with the wet and diving allowance also payable to them?

**OQ61.** E kona te Minita ae e rine ibukin Bitiniti n kamatata ba e kanga n karaoaki boon karaian kakoo nakon abamwakoro?

***Translation/Rairana***

Could the Hon Minister for Commerce explain how the handling charge is calculated for outer islands cargoes?

**OQ62.** E butiaki te Minita ae e karineaki te kamatata iaon: (i) e a bwaka iaa ngkai aron te kammwakuri i Nutiran ma Aotiteria ngkai iai te nikira aika a tiku n tatanninga ao (ii) te list ibukin Butaritari man te ririki are e moanaki iai taian scheme n kammwakuri aikai n kamatata ake a waaki n mwakuri n te tai aei ao ake a tiku n tatanninga te kateirake ae e boou?

***Translation/Rairana***

The Hon Minister is kindly asked to (i) provide the update on the employment schemes in New Zealand and Australia as there are still remaining job seekers awaiting recruitment and (ii) provide a list (of names by year) of Butaritari individuals selected since the start of these schemes showing those currently on the job and those who are still in the queue?

**6. By Hon. Tianeti Ioane MP (Aranuka)**

**OQ63.** Inanon ririki aika a mwaiti ao te kantoka n ana Wanikiba Air-Kiribati nakon abamakoro aika Aranuka, Abemama ao Kuria bon ti \$50.00. E kona te Minita are tabena n taekinna nakon te Auti aei bwa e kanga n riki ae iai te kaokoro ni kantoka n te tai aei?

***Translation/Rairana***

For so many years Air Kiribati airfare to Aranuka, Abemama and Kuria was flat \$50.00. Can the responsible Honourable Minister inform to this House the new air-fare and how the Air Kiribati came up the new rate?

**OQ64.** Iai au tabeka ibukin kainanoan tauran ana tabo n reirei ae i Kauake Aranuka are e kaeka te Honorable Minister are e a tia ngkai ni mwaing, ao e kaeka ma te kaeka ae kakukurei bwa e na kibaraki. I kan butia te Minita ae e boou ngkai e a bwaka ia ngkai karaoan nanon te bubuti aio?

***Translation/Rairana***

In December 2016, I raised up the request from Kauake JSS and Primary School on the solar light to be installed which the former Minister replied to that “the request will be addressed soon”. Can the new Honorable Minister inform this House when will this request be attended?

**7. By Hon David Christopher MP (Rabi)**

**OQ65.** E a tia te Tautaeka ni kariaia bwa e na butimaeia ataei ake a pass nakon te University ao iai aika a tia n reke aia scholarship nako tinanikun Kiribati ao iai naba aika a reirei n te USP i Tarawa ikai iaon te In-Country Scholarship.

E kona te Tautaeka ni kariai reken te In-Country Scholarship aei nakoia ataein ni Banaba aika a maeka iaon Biti ike ana kona ni tomaa aia reirei n te USP ke FNU ao ni katiteboaki aroia ma ataei ake a reirei i Tarawa ikai?

***Translation/Rairana***

Government has agreed to sponsor those who have passed entrance to University and some students have offered scholarships outside of Kiribati whilst others continue their studies at USP here in Kiribati under the In-Country Scholarship award.

Can Government consider providing this in-Country scholarship award to Banaban students residing in Fiji where they can pursue their studies at USP or FNU but on similar terms and conditions as those students studying in Tarawa?

**OQ66.** E kona te Tautaeka ni manga noora kabouan te waaki are te iokinibwai imarenan Tarawa ma Rabi?

***Translation/Rairana***

Could Government kindly consider re-establishing the trade link between Tarawa and Rabi?

**OQ67.** E kona te Minita are tabena ni kaongoraea te Auti aei bwa e a toki iaa ngkai te karikirake are katean aia mwaneaba kain Banaba iaon Tarawa ikai?

***Translation/Rairana***

Could the Hon. Minister concerned kindly inform this House what is the latest development on the construction of the maneaba for the Banabans here on Tarawa?

## **WRITTEN QUESTIONS**

**8. By Hon. Tinian Reiher MP (Butaritari)**

**WQ5.** E korakora te bubuti irouia ara botanaomata ibukin tangiran karinakiia ataei ake aki bwaati nakon koraki 4, 5 ao 6. E taekinna te Tautaeka ba e aki kona n butimwaea moa te bubuti n te tai aio iaan uarereken mwaitiia taan reirei ao taian umwa-n-reirei. E ngae n anne ao e tauraoi te Tautaeka ni manga karioa ana babaire ibukin tobwaan te bubuti aio. Te titiraki e a tia te babaire ke ana karikirake te tautaeka ae na tobwa te kantaninga aio ao ngkana iai ao e na waaki nningai?

***Translation/Rairana***

There is insistent request by our people in Butaritari of the need for Government to also take on students who did not make the entrance exams for forms 4, 5 and 6. Government has confirmed that this is not possible at present given the shortage number of both qualified teachers and classrooms to accommodate all students as such. There was assurance, however, that Government will make necessary plans to address these needs at the appropriate time. Could the Hon Minister responsible kindly inform if the plan has already undertaken and when do we expect the new intake (policy) to happen?

**WQ6.** Iai ngkoa te bubuti ibukin karekean te boera n akawa (FAD) teuana ibukin te atimwakoro ae Bikati ma e tuai man koro nanon aio iaan kanganga ngkoa aika a rekereke ma uarereken bwain te karikirake ao akean te kaibuke ibukin karokoan bwaai n mwakuri, etc. E kona te Minita n te Akawa ae karineaki ni manga nora ana kainano Bikati aio ao ngkana e riai ao tao e kona n kantaningaki karaaoan aio n te ririki aei?

### ***Translation/Rairana***

There was a request for a fishing aggregating devise (FAD) for the islet of Bikati, which has been left outstanding due to the shortage of materials and the unavailability of a suitable vessel needed at the time. Could the Hon Minister for Fisheries kindly reconsider this request with a view to have it implemented this year, if possible?

**WQ7.** E korakora te mwamwananga irouia kain te kaawa ae Bikati ibukin aia iokinibwai nako Butaritari ao ibukia atein te reirei n te JSS ma Saint Leo n reitaki ma kae an baon n mwananga nako Tarawa. Ao ibukina ba iai mwamwananga tabeua aika a riain karaoaki ma tamaroan te iabuti n te tairiki ao e a bon rangin kainanoaki ngkanne bwa a na reke taian bikan aika a tau ibukin kairan te booti n roro inanon te rawa. E kona te Minita ae karineaki n butimwaea te bubuti aio?

### ***Translation/Rairana***

Travelling by boat between Bikati and mainland Butaritari has increased due to the increasing demand for the marketing of local produce and for commuted students (JSS and St Leo), as well as for meeting the flight and shipping schedules to and from Tarawa. And because some of the travels have to be undertaken conveniently with the tide in the night, it is, therefore, essential to have sufficient navigational beacons to guide the boats safely through the difficult passages. Can the Minister responsible assist on this?

**WQ8.** N aia maroro kain te Botaki n Kuakua ao a taekinna nakoia kain te kaawa ae Onomaru ba e a bon riain reke aia clinic ae onoti n noran buburan te kaawa ma ana bota n aomata ao te raroa naba man te o'naoraki are i Temanokunuea. Te bubuti nakon te Tautaeaka ba e kona n rinanoa te tabeka aio?

### ***Translation/Rairana***

During a consultation talks with the team from the Ministry of Health the people of Onomaru were informed that they are eligible to have their own clinic given the size of both the population and the village together with the distance away from the nearest medical centre at Temanokunuea. Government is kindly requested to consider this request.

**WQ9.** Iai ana titiraki te Tia Tei temanna mai Abaiang (Hon Dr Kautu Tenaua) n te boowi ae e nako iaon tangiran rinanoakin boon kai n amwarake (banikai, uanikai ao bukinikai) ake a kona n iokinibwaiaki nako

Tarawa. Aio bon ana kainano naba Butaritari ngkai e kakoauaki ba e bon rangin uarereke ara takataka ao bon ti oin ara kareke mwane ae tabangaki bon ti man taian uanikai, banikai ao bukinikai. E kona te Minita ae karineaki n taekinna ba e a bwaka iaa te kamatebwai are e na karaoaki iroun te Tautaeka?

***Translation/Rairana***

A request was raised by one of the MPs for Abaiang (Hon Dr Kautu Tenaua) for Government to review the prices of local fruits, vegetables and root crops that can be sold (traded) to the markets/institutions/businesses on South Tarawa and Betio. Butaritari supported this because we are heavily reliant on the sale of our fruits, vegetables and root crops as the source of income given our low copra production. Could the Hon Minister inform the progress of the study?

**WQ11.** Korakoran mwaitin te man ae te Kimoa bon te urubwai ae kanganga nakon uaan te nii ao taian uanikai iaon Butaritari. E kona te Tautaeka n ibuobuoki iaon te kanganga ae a rianako arona aio?

***Translation/Rairana***

Rat infestation is serious damaging to the coconut and other fruit crops in Butaritari. Could Government assist in addressing this very frustrating problem?

**WQ12.** N te botaki are e karaoaki ibukin kauringaana ana kaa 50 n ririki te Kauntira n Butaritari ao e tabeka ana kakao te Tautaeka nakoia kain te reirei ae Nauraken te Ranga i Tabonuea ba ana kamataku n ana kainaomata Kiribati are e na boo i Tarawa. Te bubuti nakon ara Beretitenti ae moan te karineaki ba e na kamatata ba tera ae e riki ngkai e aki koro nanon te kakao aio?

***Translation/Rairana***

During the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration of Butaritari Council the Government, invited the pupils of Nauraken te Ranga primary school (Tabonuea) to take part (in the cultural entertainment) at the Kiribati Independence Anniversary celebration in Tarawa. Could His Excellency the Beretitenti kindly explain why this invitation was not fulfilled?

**WQ13.** I kona n manga bubutia riki te Beretitenti ke te Minita ibukin te Tua bwa e a bwaka iaa ngkai te kakae iaon te keiti are e bukinaki iai te Minita ngkoa ibukin te Akawa ma Kaubwain ara Marawa bwa e a tia kabongana buaka m'akana n kariaia ba ana kannanna kaibuke n

akawa inanon ana marawa Kiribati. Ao te kauoua, te bubuti bwa a kona n kaotinakoaki bwaai n mwakuri (ununiki) ake a tauaki ngkoa ibukin te kakoaua ba aonga n kabonganaki irouia taan ununiki i Butaritari ngkai tao a bon teimatoa n tamaroa?

***Translation/Rairana***

Can I again kindly ask His Excellency the Beretitenti or the Hon Minister for the Justice the progress of the police investigation into the allegation of abuse of powers by the then Minister for Fisheries and Marine Resources Development in allowing the transshipment of commodities in Kiribati waters without the trading license? And secondly, is it now possible to release the agricultural tools that were confiscated for evidence so that the farmers in Butaritari can use them while they are still in good condition?

## **MOTIONS**

**9. By Hon. Tebao Awerika MP (Betio)**

**Motion No.2**

Bwa te Auti aei e na katabea te Anti-Corruption Select Committee bwa e na karokoi ana ribooti ake a tia ni butimaeaki iroun te Maneba ni Maungatabu nakon te kabowi, ao bwa e na kateia Taan Kairiri ake a tia ni kuneaki iroun te Komete aei bwa aongkoa a kabonganai buaka mwakaia ma ni kamangaongaoa ana bwai ao ana mwane te botanaoamta inanon aia tai ni kairiri.

***Translation/Rairana***

That this House tasks the Anti-Corruption Select Committee to begin court proceedings on the cases as tabled and approved by Parliament, and in so doing have these cases of purposed corrupt practices by leaders who abused funds and public properly heard and decided in court.

**10. By Hon. Titabu Tabane MP (Tab South)**

**Motion No.3**

Bwa te Auti aei e na kaota nanokawakina ironun te Tautaeka ibukin iremwen kabwakaan aia mwane taani uatiman man boboti n takataka man abamakoro aika maiti ake a kateirakeaki n tain urakinan te takataka ma iaon abamakoro n te bake are e roko mai tinaniku n moan te ririki aei.

***Translation/Rairana***

That this House expresses its disappointment with this Government for being slow in paying out charges to watchmen designated by various copra societies from many islands during the time the ship from abroad was in Kiribati at the beginning of this year to load copra for onward shipment to outside Kiribati.

**11. By Hon. Ieremia Tabai MP (Nonouti)**

**Motion No.5**

Bwa te Auti aei e kaumaka te Tautaeka bwa e na uotirakei n te tai ae riai nakon te Auti aei, Biira ibukin kamanoaia taan uarongorongo ao katuruan te inaomata ibukin karekean rongorongo bwa ana kabwaataki bwa tuua ni kauataboa kamwakuran te Tua ni kairiri.

***Translation/Rairana***

That this House urges the Government to put up to this House in a timely manner, the Bills relating to the protection of whistleblowers and for the freedom of information for enactment, to complement the Leadership Code of Ethics Act.

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