

QUESTIONS TO GOVERNMENT

The following Questions are to be asked and answered in the Maneaba ni Maungatabu on **Monday 18 December, 2017**. The numbers refer to the Questions as entered in the Order Book.

By Hon. Tewaaki Kobae, MP (Tabuaraen)

OQ167. N na butia te Minita are tabena bwa e na kaongoa te Auti aei nikiran bwakamwane n te KELP ae tuai bwaka ngkai?

Translation/Rairana

I would request the Minister concerned to inform this House what outstanding claims of KELP that yet to be settled?

Reply by Hon. David Collins, MP (Minister of Education)

Iai ngkai \$22,148.26 botan mwaitin nikiran te bwakamwane man KEIP Phase I ae e na mwakuriaki

Translation/Rairana

There is an outstanding sum of \$22,148.26 from KEIP Phase I which needs to go through proper processing of payment.

By Hon. England Iuta, MP (Beru)

OQ4. Ni boowin te Auti n Aokati ae nako, ao I mwemweka au titiraki bwa te Tautaeaka e butiaki bwa e na kawenea imatan te Auti te beeba are e na kaota mwaitin te kabane mwane ni mwamwanangaia ana Minita, ma kainnabaia nako tinaniku inanon te ririki aio? E ngae ngke e taekinna te Beretitenti bwa e na katauraoa te beeba anne ao bon akea ae e a tia n wene imatan te Auti aei ni karokoa ngkai.

Nna manga butia riki te Beretitenti ae rine, bwa e konaa inanon boowin te Auti ngkai ni kawenea te beeba anne, ni kaota mwin mwamwanangaia ana Minita, ma kainnaibaia ni karokoa tokin Nobemba 2017?

Translation/Rairana

In the last meeting of Parliament in August, I raised a question to Government to provide Parliament a list of the expenses and external travels of Ministers, and their spouses, undertaken this year? Despite te Beretitenti saying that a list was to be provided, none so far has ever been made available.

I am now asking His Excellency Te Beretitenti again if he can kindly provide a list of the expenses and external travels of Ministers, and their spouses up to November 2017?

Reply by His Excellency Taneti Maamau (Beretitenti)

I a angan te Tia Tei ae karineaki mai Beru te list ae e tangiria n tian raoi te mwakuri man au Aobiti iaon rinanoan ni kabane mwananga inanon tokin Nobembwa.

Translation/Rairana

I will provide the Honourable Member from Beru the requested list once my Office has verified all information for travels up to the end of November.

By Hon. Tebao Awerika, MP (Betio)

OQ100. I kan butiia te Tautaeaka, e kona n reke buokan te mate n te mwaii ae bon tau ibukin buokaia kaain ana utu n te tai are mate iai?

Translation/Rairana

I would like to request Government can a deceased person receive a financial assistance as a token amount to assist his/her family at that time of his/her death?

Reply by His Excellency Taneti Maamau (Beretitenti)

I karautaeaka n te tai moa aei bwa akea ana iango te Tautaeaka ni karekea buokan te mate te mwane, ma kanoan ana Motinnano ao ana KV20 te Tautaeaka ae e waaki inanona ngkai bon uarokoia ara botonaomata bwa a na kona ni kaaitarai aia kakumekume n aron te mate.

Translation/Rairana

I regret to advise that Government does not have plans to provide financial assistance towards the cost of a person's funeral but its policy priorities under its Motinnano and KV 20 which are being implemented aim to lift our people out of hardship and poverty to enable them to meet the cost of their own commitments.

By Hon. Jacob Teem, MP (Kiritimati & Kanton)

OQ190. Iai te katamaroa nakon te kawai iaon Kiritimati ae iangoia te Tautaeaka?

Translation/Rairana

Are there any road upgrade for Kiritimati?

Reply by Hon. Mikarite Temari, MP (Minister of Line and Phoenix Islands Development)

Eng, iai ana iango te Tautaeaka ibukin katamaroan te kawai i Kiritimati.

Translation/Rairana

Yes, there are plans to upgrade the road in Kiritimati.

By Hon. Kirata Temamaka, MP (Kiritimati & Kanton)

OQ198. E a bwaka iaa ngkai te ukeuke iaon aia mwane ni kabomi kain Kiritimati ake a oa kataan taian bomb ake a makaroiroi?

Translation/Rairana

What is the latest on compensation for people of Kiritimati who were present during the testing of powerful Bombs there?

Reply by His Excellency Taneti Maamau (Beretitenti)

Ae e bon waaki naba ngkai te mwakuri iaon aio.

Translation/Rairana

Work is ongoing on this issue.

By Hon. Emile Schutz, MP (North Tarawa)

OQ140. I kan titirakina te Minita are tabena e a tia n reke ana babaire ana Ministry ngkai ibukin baoia kaain te Botaki n Aine iaon Tarawa Teinaieta ke e tuai?

Translation/Rairana

I want to ask the Minister responsible, are there plans for transport for the Woman association to be provided or not?

Reply by Hon. Kourabi Nenem, MP (Kauoman ni Beretitenti & Minister of Women, Youth, Sports and Social Affairs)

N te tai aio au Botaki ni Mwakuri e bae ni moanibwaia moa kakaean aanga are e na kona ni karaka ao ni kateimatoa aia aanga ni karekemwane Botaki n Aine nako n aron: te reirei iaon te waewae, te reirei te ununiki, te maniman, karao bwai ni Kiribati ao boutokaan te karao amwarake ao karekean aia aanga ao tabo ni mwaketenii aia karaobwai iaon Tarawa ao i tinanikun Kiribati.

Translation/Rairana

The Ministry's current priorities at this point in time is finding ways of increasing women's sustainable income generating opportunities through training on: sewing, agriculture, livestock, traditional handicrafts, cooking and increasing their access to domestic and overseas markets.

By Hon. Tebao Awerika, MP (Betio)

OQ188. I kan butia te Tautaeka bwa e na taekina aron kamotirawaan Alice Takaria man ana mwakuri ao aron manga rinanoan ana bubuti te tia mwakuri ngkoa aio ngke e bubuti rinanoan kabaneana mairoun te PSC nakon te ACSC?

Translation/Rairana

I wish to request Government to report on how Ms Alice Takaria was terminated from her work and whether her appeal to the PSC and the ACSC were considered?

Reply by His Excellency Taneti Maamau (Beretitenti)

E kamotirawaki Nei Alice Takaria iaan Kibu C.5 n te Tua ni Kamwakuri n te Tautaeka n 22 n Tebetembwa 2016 ao n otau ao ana tangitang e rinanoaki iroun PSC ao ACSC.

Translation/Rairana

Ms Alice Takaria's appointment was terminated in accordance with section C.5 of the National Conditions of Service on 22nd of September 2016 and her appeal was heard by PSC and ACSC.

By Hon. Kirata Temamaka, MP (Kiritimati & Kanton)

OQ194. Tera ana babaire te Tautaeaka ibukin buokan kantokan kaako mai Biti nako Kiritimati?

Translation/Rairana

What is the current policy or guidelines of this Government in addressing the freight for cargoes from Fiji to Kiritimati?

Reply by Hon. Dr Teuea Toatu, MP (Minister of Finance and Economic Development)

Te kainibaire are ngkai e bon teimatoa ni bwainaki ao ni kabonganaki.

Translation/Rairana

The existing freight level policy remain valid.

By Hon. Tekiau Aretateta, MP (Tabuaeran)

OQ161. E teimatoa n tatara mwanen te takataka iaon Tabuaeran n taai aika a nako. Te bubuti nakon te Tautaeaka bwa e kona ni kakaea angan katokan te kanganga aei?

Translation/Rairana

Tabuaeran is still facing the problem of inadequate funds for the copra. Can the Government help to find ways to stop this problem?

Reply by Hon. Dr Teuea Toatu, MP (Minister of Finance and Economic Development)

E teimatoa te kanganga n ririki man te mwarara ni karokoi ribootin mwanen te takataka n taai aika a riai.

Translation/Rairana

The delay was mainly cause due to failure to comply with reporting on copra funds on a timely basis.

By Hon. Shiu-fung Jong, MP (South Tarawa)

OQ71. E kona ni kabwarabwara te Tautaeaka ke te Minita are tabena bwa e a bwaka iaa ngkai rongorongon ana bubuti Nei Taruru Tibaua, Te Tia takakaro temanna ngkoa are e a tia ni karekea te koora n ana tai n kaea te takakaro i Noumea n te ririki 1991?

Translation/Rairana

Could Government or the Minister concerned updates this House on the progress of Nei Taruru Tibaua's request, a former athlete who was the first female to win a gold medal during the games held in Noumea in the year 1991.

Reply by Hon. Kourabi Nenem, MP (Kauoman ni Beretitenti & Minister of Women, Youth, Sports and Social Affairs)

Mai imwin te kakae rongorongo ae bati ao e a tia ni baireia au Botaki ni Mwakuri bwa e nang uotarake ana bubuti nei Taruru iaan te kainibaire are 'Kinakin aia Tokanikai Taan Takakaro ake a moan katabwena karekean te Koora ibukin Kiribati'

Translation/Rairana

After doing a lot of searching to confirm the claim, my Ministry has concluded its findings that Nei Taruru's request will be submitted under the 'Pioneering Contribution as part of the Sport Incentive Policy'.

By Hon. Tangariki Reete, MP (Betio)

OQ82. I kan bubutia te Minita are tabena bwa e kona ni kabwarabwara nakon te Auti aio bwa tera ana babaire nakoia Botaki aika inaomata ake a bane tain aia boraraoi n aia sublease n aba ake e lease iai te Tautaeaka.

Translation/Rairana

I want to ask the Minister responsible what are his plans to NGO/CSO sublease agreement on those plot that are leased by Government that are expired ?

Reply by Hon. Alexander Teabo, MP (Minister of Environment Land and Agricultural Development)

Taian NGO/CSO ake a tia ni bane aia sublease ana bon riai ni manga kaboua aia boraraoi ma te Tautaeka ao n rinanon kawain te bubuti ibukin te sublease.

Translation/Rairana

NGO/CSO whose sublease agreements have expired, are required to renew their sublease with Government. This means that they have to go through the sublease application process.

By Hon. Teima Onorio, MP (Arorae)

OQ98. A teimatoa n namakina te kainnana kaain au abamwakoro ae Arorae ngkai e bon teimatoa naba tataren mwanen te takataka n te aro are e teimatoa ni kakatokaki te katine ao ma wenemaan aki kabwabwakaan mwanen te takataka.

E kona ni kamatata te Tautaeka bwa bukin tera ngkai e a tia ni kariaia bwa e na riki aio ao e na toki n ningai te kanganga aio?

Translation/Rairana

The people of Arorae continue to suffer hardship to repetitive exhaustion of copra funds on the island and resultant ceasing of copra weighing so many times to date. This has led to long delays of payment of up to a month due to inactivity as a result of the inefficiency of the copra payment system.

Could Government clarify why it has allowed my people to suffer so repetitively and what steps is it taking to put an end to this inefficiency?

Reply by Hon. Dr Teuea Toatu, MP (Minister of Finance and Economic Development)

E riki te kanganga aio man itera aika bati. Iai ana waaki ni katamaroa te Tautaeka ae e a waaki ngkai.

Translation/Rairana

The issue with the delay of copra fund payment is a long outstanding issue and Government is currently working to improve this long outstanding issue.

By Hon. Tangariki Reete, MP (Betio)

OQ183. I kan butia te Minita are tabena bwa tera ngkai rongorongon tibwaan booti nakoia boboti n akawa aika kakaokoro iaon Betio ake a kateaki imwiin ana kaongora te Minita ma kain ana aobiti nakoia Kauntira n Betio n aobitin BTC?

Translation /Rairana

Can I ask the Minister responsible if he could provide an update on the distribution of boats to different Fisherman Cooperatives that have been established on Betio after his team from the Ministry consultation with BTC Councillors at BTC office?

Reply by Hon. Tetabo Nakara, MP (Minister of Fisheries and Marine Resources Development)

Te Tibika ae ko Rine, I kukurei n taekinna bwa e bon waaki naba te tibwatibwa n te booti ao te intin nakoia kain Betio.

Translation/Rairana

Honourable Speaker, I am pleased to inform this House that the distribution of boats and engines to Betio is still ongoing.

By Hon. Dr. Kautu Tenaua, MP (Abaiang)

OQ81. Tera oin te baenikai iroun te Tautaeaka ni butimaeana ana bubuti te Kiribati Protestant Church ke te KPC ni kan tauaki mwiina bwa te rabwata n aro iaan te tua?

Translation/Rairana

What is the reason for the delay by the Government to accept the request by the Kiribati Protestant Church or the KPC to be registered as a religious body under the law?

Reply by Hon. Kourabi Nenem (Kauoman ni Beretitenti & Minister of Women, Youth, Sports and Social Affairs)

Oin te baenikai ni butimwaeana ana bubuti te Kiribati Protestant Church bwa e na karinaki mwina bwa ngaia teuana te aro ae kinaki iaan te tua bon angabuakan ae ana karina te ara ae a tangiria ae KPC ngkai iaan te tua ae

ngkai ao e aki kona ni karinaki te ara aio ibukina bwa e a tia ni Kaman tia ni karinaki.

Translation/Rairana

The main cause of the delay for the registration of the Kiribati Protestant Church or the KPC is that according to current laws registered a church name that already registered is not permitted.

By Hon. Pinto Katia, MP (Makin)

OQ130. E kona te Minita are tabena ni kaongoa te Auti aio bwa nakon n ningai ae e na kona n anga ana ibuobuoki nakoia kambwana ake a tia n anga baia ni ibuobuoki ibukin kaoakin kanaia maan n aron te beeki ma te moa?

Translation/Rairana

Could the Minister responsible inform this House when and how could they assist Private Companies who are assisting with the importation of pig and chicken feeds?

Reply by Hon. Alexander Teabo, MP (Minister of Environment, Lands and Agricultural Development)

E tauraoi au Tabo ni Mwakuri ni ikarekebai ma bitineti ake a kaoa kanaia maan bwa aonga ni kona n ata ao ni kaoa kanaia maan aika a raoiroi ao ni materaoi ibukia beeki ma mooa.

Translation/Rairana

My Ministry is ready to work with private businesses importing animal feed to ensure the good quality of animal feed imported.

By Hon. Kirata Temamaka, MP (Kiritimati & Kanton)

OQ154. E kona te Tautaeka n karekea kakoroan tibwan ara kauntira iaon Kiritimati tewana te Truck bwa eaonga n toba ara kanganga iaon baoia ataein n te reirei?

Translation/Rairana

Can the Government provide another Truck for Christmas Island so that it can help student for their transport?

Reply by Hon. David Collins, MP (Minister of Education)

Te mwakuri iaon aei ae bon waaki

Translation/Rairana

The work on this is in progress.
