

# SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

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#### **QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS**

1. The Honourable Dr. Godwin Friday, (Northern Grenadines), to ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, National Security, Legal Affairs and Grenadines Affairs:

- a. How much money has the country received under the long-term loan component of the PetroCaribe Agreement in 2016.
- 2. The Honourable Dr. Godwin Friday, (Northern Grenadines), to ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, National Security, Legal Affairs and Grenadines Affairs:
  - The J.F. Mitchell Airport at Paget Farm Bequia continues to deteriorate. Despite calls on the government to assess and repair the condition of the airport nothing has been done, so that the roof continues to leak, the entrance doors still do not work, the eaves around the terminal building are still broken in many places, the toilets still do not work and the apron leading to the runway and the parking area at the entrance of the terminal building have turned to gravel. Will the Prime Minister say when this important facility will be repaired.
- 3. Dr. the Honourable Godwin Friday, (Northern Grenadines), to ask the Honourable Minister of Transport and Works, Urban Development and Local Government:

Will the Honourable Minister please state why, despite the obvious and urgent need for repair, the following roads have not been repaired and given the further damage caused by recent rains, indicate precisely when they will be fixed:

- (i) The Fort Hamilton (Point Hill) Road;
- (ii) The Mount Pleasant main road;
- (iii) The unpaved road near the Paget Farm cemetery, in the area of Dermot Ollivierre's home;
- (iv) The Paget Farm main road, especially the area between Stonnie Hazell's place and Rita Forde's house and;
- (v) the road at Bluff Point in LaPompe.
- 4. The Honourable Major St. Clair Leacock, (Central Kingstown), to ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, National Security, Legal Affairs and Grenadines Affairs:

We know now that no International airline will commence service to the Argyle International Airport in 2016. We however must be optimistic to a 2017/2018 outcome.

- a) What is the comparative cost paid by Grenada, St. Lucia and Barbados for international flights to their destinations.
- b) What will be the budgeted provision for services out of the UK, USA and Canada to St. Vincent in 2017.
- 5. The Honourable Major St. Clair Leacock, (Central Kingstown), to ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, National Security, Legal Affairs and Grenadines Affairs:

The most cursory of visits to NEMO in the heat of a disaster, reveals that they are highly restricted in responding to assistance of any kind. By and large they depend on interagency cooperation.

- a) What is the budgeted amount to NEMO to respond to request for help from citizens.
- b) What is the disaster related portion of BRAGSA's transfers. (Budget)
- c) What is the disaster related portion of the Police budget through the Fire Brigade, Coast Guard or Special Services Unit.

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d) Would the capacity to assist with disaster relief be enhanced if an institutionalized practice was put in place to have the duly elected Parliamentary Representatives of constituencies visit with NEMO for damage assessments or complaints.

6. The Honourable Major St. Clair Leacock, Member of Parliament for Central Kingstown, to ask the Honourable Minister of Transport, Works, Urban Development and Local Government:

The constituency of Central Kingstown has taken on a battered and bruised look, appearing as what we would say in local language "very run down". This is no more so in the area of North River Road from what is referred to as the Charles Verbeke Centre, pass the Stoney Grounds bridge that is between the Singer Buildings, pass Desies shop all the way up to Ms. Bentick's residence in Block 2000 (Old Montrose).

- a) When will the overgrown grass be cut;
- b) The Stop way drains be repaired;
- c) The road patched;
- d) The dumping of garbage cease;
- e) The parking of trailers discontinued;
- f) The bridges at Block 2000 identified for repairs and improvement that causes the overflow that turns North River road into a veritable river disrupting businesses, the schools and church in the path all the way into Back Street.
- 7. The Honourable Nigel Stephenson, (South Windward), to ask the Honourable Minister of Transport, Works, Urban Development & Local Government:

In recent times St. Vincent and the Grenadines have seen a clear change in atmospheric conditions resulting in increased rainfall intensity and duration. This has caused many rivers and streams including the York River to reach abnormal flood levels and resulted in death of a young boy.

Will the Honourable minister of Transport and Works state whether any river defense will be constructed along the course of the York River and if yes when will such work commence?

8. The Honourable Nigel Stephenson, (South Windward), to ask the Honourable Minister of Mobilisation, Social Development, Family, Gender Affairs, Persons with Disabilities and Youth:

The roof of the Campden Park Community Center collapsed almost 10 years ago and numerous promises were made to restore it.

Will the Honourable Minister please state when residence can expect restorative work to commence on the center.

9. The Honourable Nigel Stephenson, (South Windward), to ask the Honourable Minister of Transport, Works, Urban Development & Local Government:

The South Leeward Highway Rehabilitation is woefully behind schedule.

Will the Honourable minister of Transport and Works please give an update on the status of the project and when it is expected to finish.

## **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

(Government Orders are marked thus\*)

1*. Education (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (Honourable St. Clair Prince/Minister of Education)	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading
2*. Feeder and Agricultural Roads Project (Loan Authorisation) Bill, 2016 (Dr. the Honourable Ralph Gonsalves/Minister of Finance)	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading
3*. Automatic Exchange of Financial Account Information (Common Reporting Standard) Bill, 2016 (Dr. the Honourable Ralph Gonsalves/Minister of Finance)	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading
4*. Airports (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (Dr. the Honourable Ralph Gonsalves/Minister of Finance)	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading
5*. Bankruptcy Insolvency (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (Dr. the Honourable Ralph Gonsalves/Minister of Finance)	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading
6*. Occupational Safety and Health Bill, 2016 (Honourable Camillo Gonsalves/Minister of Labour)	Select Committee
7. International Prayer House Ministries (IPHM) Inc. Incorporation Bill, 2016 (Honourable Mr. Speaker)	Select Committee Report
8. Bride of Christ Ministry, St. Vincent Incorporation Bill, 2016 (Honourable Mr. Speaker)	Select Committee Report
<ol> <li>Baptist Bible College of the Caribbean Incorporation Bill, 2016 (Honourable Mr. Speaker)</li> </ol>	Select Committee Report
<ol> <li>Pillar of Truth Ministries Inc. Incorporation Bill, 2016 (Honourable Mr. Speaker)</li> </ol>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading
<ol> <li>Light House Chapel International Incorporation Bill, 2016 (Honourable Mr. Speaker)</li> </ol>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading
<ol> <li>Church of Christ of Richland Park Incorporation Bill, 2016 (Honourable Mr. Speaker)</li> </ol>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading
<ol> <li>Word of Life Deliverance Ministries Incorporation Bill, 2016 (Honourable Mr. Speaker)</li> </ol>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading
<ol> <li>The Mountain of Fire and Miracles Ministries Incorporation Bill, 2016 (Honourable Mr. Speaker)</li> </ol>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading
<ol> <li>Arnos Vale Covenant Assembly Incorporation Bill, 2016 (Honourable Mr. Speaker)</li> </ol>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading

## **ADJOURNMENT**