

PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FIJI

MINUTES

of Proceedings of Parliament at Suva on Tuesday, Fourth day of March, 2025

- 1. The House met at 9.30 a.m. pursuant to adjournment.
- 2. Hon. Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer.

3. <u>ATTENDANCE</u>

All Honourable Members were present.

The following Honourable Members obtained approval from the Hon. Speaker for intermittent absence(s) during the sitting of Parliament –

Hon. Lynda Tabuya, Hon. Sitiveni Rabuka, Hon. Mosese Bulitavu, Hon. Aseri Radrodro, Hon. Sakiasi Ditoka and Hon. Jovesa Vocea.

4. <u>CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES</u>

The Leader of the Government in Parliament the Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau, moved that the Minutes of the sitting of Parliament held on Monday, 3 March 2025, as previously circulated be taken as read and be confirmed.

Motion seconded.

Question put.

Motion agreed to unanimously.

5. <u>COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR</u>

Hon. Speaker welcomed all Honourable Members to the sitting of Parliament. He also welcomed those in the gallery and those watching the proceedings on television and the internet.

6. <u>RESUMPTION OF DEBATE ON THE MOTION BY THE HONOURABLE PRIME</u> <u>MINISTER</u>

Parliament resumed debate on the motion that the Parliament thanks His Excellency the President for His most gracious speech.

Debate ensued.

[Speakers: Hon. Manoa Kamikamica, Hon. Shalen Kumar, Hon. Sashi Kiran, Hon. Ketan Lal, Hon. Dr Ratu Atonio Lalabalavu, Hon. Virendra Lal, Hon. Graham Leung, Hon. Alvick Maharaj, Hon. Ioane Naivalurua, Hon. Joseph Nand, Hon. Maciu Nalumisa, Hon. Sachida Nand, Hon. Viliame Naupoto and Hon. Vijay Nath.]

7. <u>SUSPENSION MOTION BY THE LEADER OF THE GOVERNMENT IN</u> <u>PARLIAMENT</u>

The Leader of the Government in Parliament the Hon. Ro Filipe Tuisawau moved pursuant to Standing Order 6 that so much of Standing Order 23(1) be suspended so as to allow the House to sit beyond 4.30 p.m. to complete the remaining items listed on the Order Paper.

Motion seconded.

Motion debated.

Question put.

Motion agreed to unanimously.

8. <u>CONSIDERATION OF BILLS</u>

The Hon. Speaker informed all Honourable Members that there were no Bills for consideration.

9. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The Hon. Speaker thanked the Honourable Members for their contributions and adjourned Parliament until Wednesday, 5 March 2025 at 9.30 a.m.

Parliament adjourned at 4.50 p.m.

Speaker of Parliament

Secretary-General to Parliament

4th March, 2025.