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THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

FOURTH SESSION – EIGHTH PARLIAMENT

WEDNESDAY, 8TH FEBRUARY, 2017

Quarter past two o'clock pm.

The Speaker in the Chair.

PRAYERS.

Members Present

Bhebhe A;

Budha - Masara

Bunjira R

Chabaya B.

Chakona P

Chapfika D

Chasi F

Chibagu G

Chidhakwa S

Chigudu M

Chigumba C C.

Chikomba L

Chikukwa M

Chikuni E

Chimanikire G
Chimedza P Dr
ChimeneM M
Chimwamurombe A
Chinamasa P
Chinanzvavana C
Chingosho C.P.M
Chinomona M M
Chinotimba J
Chipato A
Chirisa F
Chitembwe V J
Chitindi C
Chitura L
Chivamba K
Chiwa D
Chiwetu J Z
Chombo I M.C
Cross E G
Damasane S A.E;
Dinha M.T.
Dhewa W
Dutiro P.
Dube S
Dube T.J
Dziva T M
Gabbuza J.G.
Gangarahwe G.
Gava M
Gezi T
Goche N
Gonese I.T
Gumbo E.
Gumbo J.M
Gumbo S
Gwanetsa K K
Gwanongodza E
Guzha N.K.
Haritatos P
Hlongwane M
Holder J
Hungwa G
Jaboon J
Kachepa N

Kadungure D A
Kagonye P
Kanengoni T R
Kanhanga E W
Karoro D
Kasukuwere S
Katsiru L.
Kaundikiza M
Kazembe K
Khupe T
Kwaramba G
Labode M R
Langa A
Machingura R
Mackenzie I
Madanha M
Maduza T.
Madondo T
Madubeko J
Madzinga P
Mahiya M
Mahoka S
Majaya B
Majome F J
Makari Z.
Makoni R R
Makonya J
Makunde T
Makweya M
Mandipaka O
Mandiwanzira S C
Mangami D
Mangwende S
Maondera W
Mapiki J
Marapira D
Maridadi J
Marumahoko R
Masamvu L
Mashakada T
Mashange W
Mashonganyika D
Masiya D
Masuku P

Matambanadzo M
Matangaidze T
Matangira T R
Mataruse P
Matienga M
Matimba K M
Matsikenyere N
Matsunga S.
Matuke L
Mavenyengwa R
Mavima P
Mawere M D V
Mawere M RN S
Maziwisa P.
Mbwembwe E
Mguni N.
Mhere E
Mhlanga N J
Mhona F T
Misihairambwi P M
Mkandla M
Mlilo N.
Moyo L
Mpala M.
Mpariwa P
Mpofu B
Mpofu M M
Mpofu R
Muchenje F
Muchenje M S
Muchinguri O
Mudambo T
Mudarikwa S
Mudau M
Mudzuri E
Mudyiwa M.
Mufunga A
Mugidho M.
Mukanduri S T
Munochinzwa M
Musabayana D.
Mukupe T.
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Mukwena R

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Mupereri V.
Mupfumi I F
Murai E
Musanhi K S
Musundire A L
Musvaire W
Mutomba W
Mutseyami P C
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Ncube O
Ndebele A
Ndhlovu Alice
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Ndlovu D M;
Ndlovu M S
Ndlovu N
Ndor L F
Nduna D
Nguni S R
Nhambu B.
Nhema C F.D.;
Nkatazo M M
Nkomo Mail
Nkomo Malachi
Nleya L
Nyamupinga B B
Nyere C
Paradza K
Passade J
Pedzisai I
Rudzirwayi J M
Runesu B
Rungani A
Ruvai E
Samkange J T
Sansole T W
Savanhu T
Seremwe B.
Shamu W K
Shava J.
Shongedza E

Sibanda D
Sibanda D P
Sibanda K.
Sibanda L
Sibanda M
Sibanda Z
Sithole G K
Simbanegavi Y
Tarusenga U D
Themhani S Z
Toffa J
Tongofa M
Tshuma J.
Tsomondo C
Undenge S
Uta K.
Vutete M
Watson N J
Zemura L
Zhou P
Zhou T
Zindi I
Ziyambi Z
Zvidzai S
Zwizwai M

In attendance in terms of Section 138 (2) and (3) and Section 104 (3) of the Constitution.

Hon Made J.M.
Hon Dokora

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Absent with leave

Hon Wadyajena; Hon. Zhanda; Hon Chikwinya N.; Hon. Moyo J.;

1. Questions without notice.
2. Questions with notice.
3. The Minister of Finance and Economic Development, moved: That Notices of Motions, Nos. 1 and 2, for today, stand over, until Notice of Motion No. 3 has been disposed of.

Motion put and agreed to.

4. Hon. Misihairabwi- Mushonga, seconded by Hon. Gonese, moved: That the motion on the criteria for conferment of heroes' status on deserving Zimbabweans which was superseded by end of the First Session of the Eighth Parliament, be restored on the Order Paper in terms of Standing Order No. 73.

Motion put and agreed to.

5. On the motion of the Minister of Finance and Economic Development: The House adjourned at twenty one minutes to six o'clock pm.

ADVOCATE J.F. MUDENDA,
Speaker.

THURSDAY, 9TH FEBRUARY, 2017

ORDERS OF THE DAY AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

1. SECOND READING: *National Competitiveness Commission Bill*, (H.B. 6, 2016)—***The Minister of Industry and Commerce***.
2. COMMITTEE: *Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Assets Bill*, (H.B. 5, 2016)—***The Minister of Finance and Economic Development***).
3. Adjourned debate on motion on the SECOND READING of the *ZEP – RE (Membership of Zimbabwe and Branch Office Agreement) Bill*, (H.B. 9, 2016)(Adjourned 7th February, 2017 —***The Minister of Finance and Economic Development***).

[Day elapsed: 2]

Question proposed: That the *ZEP – RE (Membership of Zimbabwe and Branch Office Agreement) Bill*, (H.B. 9, 2016) be now read a second time- ***Minister of Finance and Economic Development***.

4. SECOND READING: *Deeds Registries Amendment Bill*, (H.B. 3, 2016)—***The Minister of Justice, Legal and Parliamentary Affairs***.

5. SECOND READING: *Judicial Laws Amendment (Ease of Settling Commercial and Other Disputes) Bill*, (H.B. 4, 2016)—***The Minister of Justice, Legal and Parliamentary Affairs.***
6. COMMITTEE: To resume on consideration of the Adverse Report by the Parliamentary Legal Committee on Statutory Instrument No. 86 of 2016: Plumtree Town Council (Clamping and Tow away By- Laws published in the Gazette during the month of September 2016- progress reported 6th December 2016) – ***Hon. Samukange.***
7. Adjourned debate on motion in reply to the Presidential speech. (*Adjourned 20th December 2016 – Hon Rungani*)

[Time elapsed: 3 hours38 minutes]

Question proposed: That a respectful address be presented to the President of Zimbabwe as follows:-

May it please you, your Excellency the President:

We, the Members of Parliament of Zimbabwe, desire to express our loyalty to Zimbabwe and beg leave to offer our respectful thanks for the speech, which you have been pleased to address to Parliament. - ***Hon. Nyamupinga***

8. HON. CHITINDI
HON. CHIDHAKWA

That the motion on the First Report of the Portfolio Committee on Agriculture, Mechanisation and Irrigation Development on Cotton Sector Production (S. C. 16, 2016) which was superseded by the end of the Third Session of the Eighth Parliament, be restored on the Order Paper in terms of Standing Order No. 73.

9. HON. CHITINDI
HON. CHIDHAKWA

That the motion on the First Report of the Portfolio Committee on Lands, Agriculture, Mechanisation and Irrigation Development on the operations of the Agriculture and Rural Development Authority (ARDA) and Cold Storage Company, which was superseded by the end of the Third Session of the Eighth Parliament, be restored on the Order Paper in terms of Standing Order No. 73.

10. HON. MAJOME
HON. MAONDERA

That the motion on Mandatory Stiff Sentencing for Rape and Other Gender Based Violence Crimes which was superseded by the end of the Third Session of the Eighth Parliament, be restored on the Order Paper in terms of Standing Order No. 73.

11. HON. ZINDI
HON. MAONDERA

That the motion on the Report of the Portfolio Committee on Local Government, Public Works and National Housing on Service Delivery by the City of Harare which was superseded by the end of the Third Session of the Eighth Parliament be restored on the Order Paper in terms of Standing Order No. 73.

12. HON. SIMBANEGAVI
HON. MLILO

That this House conveys its profound gratitude to His Excellency, the President R.G. Mugabe for addressing a Joint Sitting of Parliament on the State of the Nation.

Expresses its commitment to and support for the views contained in his address; and that a respectful address be presented to His Excellency, the President, informing him of the sentiments of the House.

13. HON. DR. CHIMEDZA
HON. D.P. SIBANDA

That this House takes note of the First Report of the Portfolio Committee on Health and Child Care on the Deployment, Roles and Responsibilities of the Village Health Workers / City Health Promoters in the provision of Primary Health Care in Zimbabwe (S.C. 21, 2016).

14. HON. MUDEREDZWA
HON. CHIMANIKIRE

That this House takes note of the First Report of the Portfolio Committee on Defence, Home Affairs and Security Services on Service Delivery by the Registrar General's Department (S.C. 18, 2016).

15. HON. ZINDI
HON. MAONDERA

That this House takes note of the First Report of the Portfolio Committee on Local Government, Public Works and Urban Development on Service Delivery by Local Authorities. (S.C. 23, 2016).

16. HON. NDUNA
HON. MASAMVU

That this House adopts the First Report of the Portfolio Committee on Transport and Infrastructural Development on the Familiarisation Tour of Victoria Falls and Harare Airports and the Plumtree-Mutare Road Project (S.C. 25, 2016).

17. HON. MPARIWA
HON. MARUMAHOKO

That this House adopts the Second Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the findings of the Auditor General on the 2010 and 2011 Accounts for the Bulawayo City Council (S. C. 1, 2017).

18. HON. NDUNA
HON. MUSANHI

That this House adopts the Second Report of the Portfolio Committee on Transport and Infrastructural Development on the enquiry into the Aviation Industry in Zimbabwe (S. C. 3, 2017).

19. HON. MANDIPAKA
HON. MUDEREDZWA

That this House-

AWARE that Zimbabwe is a peace loving nation;

DISTURBED by recent acts of violence and terror on innocent people by some political parties;

WORRIED by vicious attacks on police officers and security agents;

CONCERNED by the looting and destruction of property and infrastructure in Greater Harare;

NOW THEREFORE calls upon Parliament to resolve to:

- (a) Strongly condemn political parties perpetrating acts of violence on our nation;
- (b) Calls upon the Government of Zimbabwe Republic Police to arrest all those rowdy youths involved in acts of violence and to facilitate their prosecution; and
- (c) Asks the Minister of Home Affairs to make a statement on the state of affairs with regards to recent political violence and to assure the nation of its safety and security.

20. HON. MISIHAIRABWI-MUSHONGA
HON. TOFFA

That this House -

ACKNOWLEDGING that Section 18 of the Constitution provides for regional equality and states “The state must promote the fair representation of all Zimbabwe’s regions in all institutions and agencies of government at every level;

FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGING that Section 17 provides that “The State must promote full gender balance in Zimbabwean society, and in particular the state must promote the full participation of women in all spheres of Zimbabwean society on the basis of equality with men;

NOTING that both Section 18 and Section 17 place obligations on the state to take specific measures to rectify both regional and gender imbalances in society;

CONCERNED that the process of identifying providers of government services and government tenders are violating Section 17 and Section 18;

NOW THEREFORE resolves to call upon the Executive to ensure that:

- (a) All processes of identifying providers of services to government are

conducted in a transparent and accountable manner.

- (b) Awarding of government and parastatal tenders promotes fair regional representation; and
- (c) A 30% quota of all government tenders are reserved for women.

21. HON. CHAMISA
HON. GONESE

That this House-

NOTING that it has been exactly one year since the disappearance of Itai Dzamara;

CONSIDERING that the Minister of Home Affairs was ordered to give monthly reports on progress;

PERTURBED that the Government has not been updating the Nation on progress;

COGNISANT of the citizen's constitutional right and the importance of strengthening the constitutionalism, human rights and consolidation of democracy;

ACKNOWLEDGES the existence of the International Convention on the Protection from Enforced Disappearances as an international human rights instrument.

NOW THEREFORE, Parliament calls upon the Government to:

- (a) Bring finality and closure to investigations leaving no stones unturned;
- (b) Chip in on the social welfare and support to the Dzamara family, particularly the wife and children as restorative and rehabilitative measures;
- (c) Guarantee non repetition of such occurrences and giving assurance in the protection to the right to demonstrate and petition; and
- (d) Ensure all perpetrators of politically motivated violence are prosecuted and that victims receive restorative and rehabilitative justice.

22. HON. CHAMISA
HON. D. P. SIBANDA

That this House:

NOTING the disturbing images and video footage of men and women in police uniform beating up innocent civilians

AWARE that the Police Charter rests on the settled principle of *pro lege, pro patria, pro populi* (for the law, for the country, for the people)

WORRIED by the recent behavior and conduct of certain Police details in their handling and beating up of demonstrating and peace loving citizens.

CONCERNED with human rights abuses and rule by law instead rule of law, as instigated by certain police officers or persons masquerading as Police;

PERTUBED that the Minister responsible for the Police or the Commissioner General have not made efforts to censure or discipline the perpetrators who violated the National Constitution.

FURTHER CONCERNED that the bad behavior of a few bad apples among the Police are creating animosity between citizens (people of Zimbabwe) and the Police

ACKNOWLEDGING that His Excellency President Mugabe has publicly condemned the public who were exercising their rights without correspondingly condemning the Police for their abuse of citizen rights and that of the Constitution

NOW THEREFORE, calls upon the Minister of Home Affairs to:

- (a) Investigate the conduct of the Police and report to the Parliament;
- (b) Issue a public apology over the untoward conduct of some of the Police Officers;
- (c) Immediately implement a training of Police on human rights as part of their curriculum in terms of the Constitution;
- (d) Put in place an act of Parliament setting up an Independent Complaints Mechanism for members of the public as contemplated by Section 210 of the National Constitution; and

That Parliament sets up a Commission of Inquiry to investigate into the conduct of such officers.

23. HON. BUDHA - MASARA
HON. MAONDERA

That this House:

DISTURBED by the fact that the rural livelihoods assessment indicated approximately 16% of the rural population is projected to be food insecure for the period of January to March 2016.

WORRIED by the fact that the nation continues to be food insecure yet small grains exhibit the potential to boost food security given their drought – tolerant nature in the event of erratic rains;

FURTHER WORRIED by the failure as a nation, to come up with a deliberate policy on small grains and a national strategy in recognizing the potential of small grains in achieving food security;

CONSCIOUS that the government has a Constitutional duty (Section 15 (c)) to encourage and promote adequate and proper nutrition through mass education and other appropriate means;

NOW THEREFORE, this House calls upon the Executive;

- (a) To immediately set in motion the crafting of a comprehensive National Small Grains Policy buttressed by a National Strategy on small grains;
- (b) To provide innovative solutions in addressing challenges in the entire value

chain within the policy;

- (c) To extensively address the issue of seed unavailability and improved research on new seed varieties for small grains; and
- (d) To review the “Seed Act” and bring to Parliament to approve for ratification of COMESA Seed Trade Harmonisation Regulations in order to open up new opportunities to small grain farmers.

24. HON. HOLDER
HON. RUVAI

That this House:

RECALLING that the Shabani – Mashava Mines (SMM) closed more than 15 year ago and prejudiced over two thousand employees due to non-payment of salaries and wages, poor service delivery as well as deteriorating living standards as a result of poor maintenance of basic facilities such as sanitation, sewer and water reticulation system, roads and infrastructure among others;

NOTING that the credit status of the company has been getting worse since the closure of the mine;

COGNISANT that the company was a big contributor to the economy and that it is deteriorating;

CONCERNED at the consequences of not been reopened

WORRIED that the workers may never get what is due to them and also that the prospects of the re – opening of the mine may never dawn;

NOW, THEREFORE, this House resolves that:

- (a) Through the government, a board be set to run the affairs of the Mines through a properly structured administration;
- (b) The board secures a new investor to resuscitate the Mines and that it be revived in line with dictates of the ZIMASSET Blueprint;
- (c) The welfare of the Mining community and the workers of these mines be improved.
- (d) The flagship of the town be raised.

25. HON. NDEBELE
HON. MARIDADI

That this House –

NOTING that the process of digital migration as outlined by the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) has surgically changed and transformed the broadcasting industry in terms of the spectrum size and management in Zimbabwe;

CONCERNED that the current legislation is inadequate in its scope in addressing emerging issues resulting from this process;

ALSO NOTING that the Ministry of Information Media and Broadcasting has conceded and acknowledged that the Broadcasting Services Act and the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act need to be amended in line with the emerging trends born out of the digital migration process and the dynamics of listenership and readership of the media products;

DISTURBED that despite the provisions of the Broadcasting Services Act in Section 61(3) which guarantee freedom of establishment of broadcasting media subject to licensing conditions that are necessary, Zimbabwe still does not have the 3-tier broadcasting system fourteen years after the promulgation of the Act;

COGNISANT that the many community broadcasters are eagerly expecting invitations for license applications as evidenced by the existence of different local communities that have been awaiting that development;

WORRIED that Section 10 of the Act is prohibitive as it gives discretionary powers to decide when to call for licenses without necessary safeguards to curb abuses that may be detrimental to some classes of licenses as is currently the case with community broadcasters;

AWARE that the Constitution of Zimbabwe (2013) provides for freedom of Expression, the media; and the right of access to information under section 62, Hence the need for the revision of legislation that regulates broadcasting;

CONCERNED that under the Act the appointment process of the BAZ Board undermines best practices and requirement that State Licensing Authority and procedures should be independent of control by government, political or commercial interests.

FURTHER CONCERNED that the appointment procedures and processes under the Broadcasting Services Act are not sufficiently transparent to guarantee the independence of BAZ Board and its decisions.

NOW, THEREFORE, calls upon the Executive to:

- (a) urgently table a Bill to comprehensively amend or repeal the Act;
- (b) facilitate public participation in the processes, as outlined in regional and international instruments on broadcasting; and
- (c) clearly state what percentage of the broadcasting fund goes to local content production.

26. HON. NDUNA
HON. R. MPOFU

That this House -

NOTING with concern that at least 10 percent of the 13 million Zimbabweans have some form of disability;

CONCERNED that despite various awareness programmes initiated by both the Government and non-governmental organisations, people living with disabilities are still subject to stigma and discrimination;

FURTHER CONCERNED that there's no institutionalised deliberate inclusion strategy from primary education to tertiary level to support students with disabilities.

ACKNOWLEDGING the various initiatives taken by Government in post-independence Zimbabwe to empower and improve the lot of people living with disabilities such as the introduction of vocational training centres for people living with disabilities and the enactment of the Disabled Persons Act in 1992;

RECOGNISING the tax concessions extended to people living with disabilities such as the suspension of Customs Duty on certain specified motor vehicles imported by physically handicapped persons for their own use.

DISTURBED that such noble concessions do not extend to critical equipment such as wheelchairs, hearing aids, braille and crutches for use by people living with disabilities;

WORRIED that as a result of the taxes levied on wheelchairs, braille and crutches they are beyond the reach of the majority of people living with disabilities who are poor;

FURTHER WORRIED that sign language which caters for the deaf and dumb and Braille for the blind has not been allowed to take root from primary education level for no fee in line with section 75 of the constitution calling for education for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, CALLS UPON THE GOVERNMENT TO:

- (a) Introduce tax concessions starting from the 2017 Budget for critical equipment such as wheelchairs, braille and crutches to ensure that they are affordable to the majority of people living with disabilities;
- (b) Make sign language and Braille all inclusive and compulsory for all institutions of learning to provide, a well-rounded education system for people living with disabilities and needing such learning and education.
- (c) Urgently Harmonize our laws in line with the United Nations Conventions of Persons Living with Disabilities and the new Constitution to improve the lives of the affected disabled persons; and,
- (d) Increase the allocation for disability services in the national budget to cover the essential basic needs for all disabled people in Zimbabwe.

27. HON. M. S. NDLOVU
HON. MATANGIRA

That this House;

EXPRESSES its profound shock and sorrow at the untimely death of a revolutionary par excellence on Friday 25 November, 2016, the Commandant of the Cuban Revolution, Fidel Castro and places on record its supreme appreciation of the sterling services rendered in support of the just struggle of the African Liberation Forces, inspiration and exemplary leadership.

RESOLVES, that its cardinal sympathy and heartfelt condolence, be conveyed to the family of the deceased and the entire peace loving people of Cuba on this sad loss.

28. HON. MAJOME
HON. MAONDERA.

That this House -

CONCERNED that the state of the capital city Harare's and other urban roads are in an appallingly dilapidated state that is not only car-worthy but is hazardous to life, limb and property.

RECALLING that the Zimbabwe National Roads Administration (ZINARA) took over from Harare City Council and other municipalities the collection of termly vehicle licensing fees, 10% of which revenue would be retained by municipalities for road maintenance.

FURTHER recalling that municipalities were able to fund the maintenance of roads then, but disconcerted that the state of municipal roads deteriorated steadily since ZINARA took over the revenue collection, and even more sharply in the last four years.

CONCERNED that ZINARA fails to disburse to Harare City Council sufficient money to maintain roads, despite the bulk of the nation's vehicle fleet being domiciled in Harare.

FURTHER disturbed by the lack of transparency, inequity in disbursement and misappropriation of revenues from motorists by ZINARA, which is not in the national interest, as exemplified by the recent purchase of snow ploughs.

AFFIRMING and encouraged by the imperative in Section 264(f) of the Constitution to *'transfer responsibilities and resources from national government in order to establish a sound financial base for each provincial council and local authority'* and

MANDATED by the duty of Parliament in Section 119(2) of the Constitution to, *'ensure that the provisions of this Constitution are upheld and that the State and all its institutions and agencies of government at every level act constitutionally and in the national interest'*

NOW THEREFORE this house resolves that;

- (a) ZINARA ceases to collect termly motor vehicle licence fees thereby restoring that function to Harare City Council and all other respective municipalities and local authorities.
- (b) Harare City Council and the respective municipalities and other local authorities retain 100% of the resultant revenues from termly motor vehicle licences and suspend remittances to ZINARA until all their roads are in a demonstrably recovered state.
- (c) ZINARA disburses to Harare City Council by July 2017 all the arrears it had undertaken to pay, and by December 2017 to all other local authorities.
- (d) ZINARA accounts be audited for the past 5 years for its revenues and comparative disbursements to local authorities and its expenditure, and such audit be tabled to the Public Accounts Committee.

29. HON. M. S. NDLOVU
HON Mkandla

That this House:

DISMAYED by the plight of Home owners who are bonded to accommodation at their work places in companies such as the National Railways of Zimbabwe (NRZ), Hwange Colliery, Mashaba Mines, Kamativi Tin Mine and Municipalities in various towns;

DISTURBED that after the death of the bread winners who are the employees of such companies their dependents are not accommodated at all and cannot inherit the houses that they may have occupied for the greater part of their lives;

NOTING that the situation is exacerbated by lack of title deeds to the properties making even the married couples vulnerable as they cannot access such properties on the death of their spouses.

NOW, THEREFORE the Government is called upon to enact comprehensive legislation which protects home occupants of such companies from manipulation on the basis that they do not have title deeds to the said properties.

30. Adjourned debate on motion on the the Second Report of the Portfolio Committee on Public Service, Labour and Social Welfare on the working conditions at the Hwange Colliery Company Limited, National Railways of Zimbabwe and Dete Refractories (*Reinstated 1st December, 2016 – Hon Kwaramba*).

[Days elapsed: 18]

Question proposed: That this House takes note of the Second Report of the Portfolio Committee on Public Service, Labour and Social Welfare on the working conditions at the Hwange Colliery Company Limited, National Railways of Zimbabwe and Dete Refractories (S. C. 8, 2016).– **Hon. Kwaramba**.

31. Adjourned debate on motion on the First Report of the Portfolio Committee Public Service, Labour and Social Welfare on the Administration of the Basic Education Assistance Module (BEAM) (*Reinstated 1st December, 2016 –Hon. Kwaramba*).

[Days elapsed: 23]

Question proposed: That this House takes note of the First Report of the Portfolio Committee on Public Service, Labour and Social Welfare on the Administration of the Basic Education Assistance Module (BEAM) (S. C. 2, 2016)- **Hon. Kwaramba**.

32. Adjourned debate on motion on the Report of the Portfolio Committee on Transport and Infrastructural Development on the Operations of Air Zimbabwe (*Reinstated 1st December, 2016 –Hon. Nduna*).

[Days elapsed: 22]

Question proposed: That this House takes note of the Report of the Portfolio Committee on Transport and Infrastructural Development on the Operations of Air Zimbabwe (S.C. 5, 2016)-**Hon. Nduna**.

33. Adjourned debate on motion on the Second Report of the Portfolio Committee on Transport and Infrastructural Development on the Operations of the National Railways of Zimbabwe (*Reinstated 1st December, 2016 –Hon Nduna*).

[Days elapsed: 34]

Question proposed: That this House takes note of the Second Report of the Portfolio Committee on Transport and Infrastructure Development on the Operations of the National Railways of Zimbabwe, (S.C. 21, 2015)- **Hon. Nduna**.

34. Adjourned debate on motion on the First Report of the First Report of the Portfolio Committee on Transport and Infrastructural Development on Causes of Road Carnage (S.C. 1, 2014) (*Reinstated 1st December, 2016- Hon. Nduna*).

[Days elapsed: 43]

Question proposed: That this House takes note of the First Report of the Portfolio Committee on Transport and Infrastructural Development on Causes of Road Carnage (S.C. 1, 2014)- **Hon. Nduna**.

35. Adjourned debate on motion on the First Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the findings by the Auditor General on the 2014 and 2015 Appropriation Accounts for the Ministry of Industry and Commerce and Funds Accounts under its purview. (S.C. 24, 2016). (*Adjourned 20th, December 2016- Minister of Finance and Economic Development*).

[Days elapsed: 8]

Question proposed: That this House takes note of the First Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the findings by the Auditor General on the 2014 and 2015 Appropriation Accounts for the Ministry of Industry and Commerce and Funds Accounts under its purview. (S.C. 24, 2016). - **Hon. Mpariwa**.

36. Adjourned debate on motion on the Draft SADC Model Law (*Adjourned 29th November 2016 – The Minister of Finance and Economic Development*).

[Days elapsed: 13]

Question proposed: That this House –

NOTING the unanimous adoption of the SADC Model Law on eradicating Child Marriage and Protecting Those Already in Marriage at the 39th Plenary Assembly of the SADC PF in Ezulwini, Swaziland on the 3rd of June 2016;

ACKNOWLEDGING that the Model Law addresses all the issues and matters related to, and incidental to rights and concepts relating to the Child, prohibition of child betrothal and marriage, as well as measures and interventions to mitigating the effects of child marriage, offences and enforcement;

RECOGNISING that the Draft Model Law can be adopted with minimal changes to constitute a holistic, comprehensive and all –embracing legislation dealing with the subject matter,

DESIROUS that child marriages must be ended as a matter of urgency.

NOW, THEREFORE, calls upon the Minister of Justice, Legal and Parliamentary Affairs to forthwith introduce this Model Law to Parliament so that it becomes part of Zimbabwean law with suitable changes. – **Hon. Gonese**.

37. Adjourned debate on motion on the First Report of the Portfolio Committee on Youth, Indigenization and Economic Empowerment on Marange-Zimunya Community Share Ownership Trust. (*Adjourned 24th October, 2016 –Hon. Maturuke*).

[Days elapsed: 17]

Question proposed: That this House takes note of the First Report of the Portfolio Committee on Youth, Indigenization and Economic Empowerment on Marange-Zimunya Community Share Ownership Trust (S.C. 22, 2016). – *Hon Wadyajena*.

38. Adjourned debate on motion on the First Report of the Portfolio Committee on Small and Medium Enterprises and Cooperative Development on the Operational Environment and Economic Contributions of small and Medium Enterprises and the Informal Sector in Zimbabwe(*Reinstated 25th October , 2016 – Hon. Mangami*).

[Days elapsed: 18]

Question proposed: That this House takes note of the First Report of the Portfolio Committee on Small and Medium Enterprises and Cooperative Development on the Operational Environment and Economic Contributions of small and Medium Enterprises and the Informal Sector in Zimbabwe (S.C 9, 2016) – *Hon Mangami*

39. Adjourned debate on motion on the First Report of the Portfolio Committee on Higher and Tertiary Education, Science and Technology Development on Biotechnology (*Adjourned 18th October, 2016 –The Minister of Finance and Economic Development*).

[Days elapsed: 31]

*Question proposed:*That this House takes note of the First Report of the Portfolio Committee on Higher and Tertiary Education, Science and Technology Development on Harnessing Biotechnology for Socio-Economic Development. (S. C. 1, 2016) - *Hon. Dr. Mataruse*.

40. Adjourned debate on motion on the First Report of the Committee on Public Accounts on the examination of the Grain Marketing Board (GMB) Value for Money Audit Report. (S.C. 1, 2015). (*Reinstated 1st December, 2016 - Hon. Mpariwa*)

[Days elapsed: 50]

Question proposed: That this House takes note of the First Report of the Portfolio Committee on Public Accounts on the examination of the Grain Marketing Board (GMB) Value for Money Audit Report and Audited Accounts for the Financial years ended March 2011/ 2012, 2012/ 2013 and 2013/ 2014. (S.C.1, 2015). – *Hon. Mpariwa*

41. Adjourned debate on motion on the Second Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Analysis of the Findings of the Auditor General on the 2013 Appropriations Funds and State Enterprises and Parastatals Accounts. (*Reinstated 1st December, 2016 -Hon. Mpariwa*).

[Days elapsed: 28]

Question proposed: That this House takes note of the Second Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Analysis of the Findings of the Auditor General on the 2013 Appropriations Funds and State Enterprises and Parastatals Accounts. (S. C. 6, 2016). - **Hon. Mpariwa**.

42. Adjourned debate on motion on the Activism against gender-based violence campaign. (*Reinstated 1st December, 2016 –Hon. Khupe*).

[Days elapsed: 15]

Question proposed: That this House:

NOTING that the 16 days of Activism against gender-based violence campaign is a time to galvanise action to end violence against women and girls around the world.

ACKNOWLEDGING that in 2016 the ‘Unite Campaign’ strongly emphasizes the need for sustainable financing for efforts to end violence against women and girls towards the fulfillment of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

RECOGNIZING that this year’s theme is “From Peace in the Home to Peace in the World, Make education Accessible and Affordable for Women and Girls and end Violence against Women and Girls”

CONCERNED that violence against women and girls happens 365 days and yet this campaign is for 16 days, from 25 November to 10 December.

NOW THEREFORE, this August House calls upon:

- (a) The Ministry of Women Affairs and Women’s Organisations to campaign throughout the whole year and advocate for ending violence against women and girls. They must not limit the campaign to 16 days; and
 - (b) The government to make sure that Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development is funded to fulfill these goals.- **Hon Khupe**
43. Adjourned debate on motion on the prohibitive cost of blood in both public and private hospitals (*Reinstated 1st December, 2016 –Hon. Nduna*).

[Days elapsed: 26]

Question proposed: That this House;

COGNISANT that due to the prevailing economic challenges and high levels of unemployment the vast majority of Zimbabweans have very limited disposable income;

AWARE that Section 76 of the Constitution makes access to health care a fundamental and inalienable right of every Zimbabwean and obliges the State to ensure that no person is refused emergency medical treatment in any health-care institution;

ALARMED at the prohibitive cost of blood in both public and private hospitals with a pint going for USD 140 on average which has made access to blood a preserve of the rich;

CONCERNED that the majority of Zimbabweans who require blood transfusions, particularly in district hospitals and clinics, are succumbing to avoidable deaths owing to their inability to afford blood;

FURTHER CONCERNED that though emergency medical treatment is a fundamental human right, health institutions are refusing to give needy patients' blood without prior payment yet the cost is beyond the reach of many;

DISTRESSED that blood transfusion in district hospitals and clinics is only available for expecting mothers and is not extended to victims of accidents and trauma who account for 35% of the national blood requirements;

MINDFUL that blood distribution by the National Blood Service Zimbabwe in 2014 marginally increased by 0.7% primarily due to depressed demand owing to the harsh economic conditions;

DISTURBED that the price of blood in Zimbabwe does not compare favourably with the price of blood regionally;

NOW THEREFORE, call upon the Executive to:

- (a) Subsidize the cost of blood to save lives by ensuring that it is available for all needy patients at private and public hospitals;
- (b) To de-centralise the blood bank by establishing a blood bank at all district hospitals and clinics;
- (c) To raise awareness on the importance of donating blood particularly among adults who account for only 20% of the national blood donations yet use 80% of the blood so donated- **Hon. Nduna**.

44. Adjourned debate on motion on the criteria for conferment of heroes' status on deserving Zimbabweans (*Reinstated 8th February, 2017 –Hon. Misihairabwi - Mushonga*)

[Days elapsed: 2]

Question proposed: That this House-

NOTING that Section 23 of the Zimbabwe Constitution provides for veterans of the struggle who are defined as;

- (a) Those who fought in the war of liberation;
- (b) Those who assisted the fighters in the war of liberation and those who were imprisoned, detained, or restricted for political reasons during the liberation struggle;

CONCERNED that the current War Veterans Act defines a war veteran as one who underwent military training and participated consistently and persistently in the liberation struggle, between 1st January 1962 and 29th February 1980.

FURTHER CONCERNED that in practice hero status is recommended by the ZANU (PF) Politburo, and that the President is designated in the National Hero's Act with the conferment of hero status.

COGNISANT that the National Heroes Act sets largely restrictive criteria of a hero, as one who has well deserved on account of his outstanding, distinctive and distinguished service to Zimbabwe.

SADDENED that though the National Heroes Act has a provision for the Heroes' dependants' welfare, however, many of them remain unassisted.

NOW THEREFORE, calls upon government to;

- (a) Ensure the realignment of both the Heroes Act and the National War Veterans Acts with Section 23 of the Constitution;
- (b) Set objective and more comprehensive criteria of the definition of a hero vis-a-vis a liberation war hero, liberation hero and a national hero;
- (c) Review, through public consultations, the current policy of conferment of Heroes status; and
- (d) Ensure that dependants of Veterans of the Liberation Struggle are treated fairly and with dignity in terms of the benefits legally due to them. – *Hon. Misihairabwi-Mushonga*

45. COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH FEBRUARY, 2017

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

◆ QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE.

* QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE.

- *1. HON. D. P. SIBANDA : To ask the Minister of Local Government, Public Works and Rural Development to state whether the Ministry has a policy to compensate the people who were displaced from the Zambezi Valley during the period 1955-1958 to pave way for the construction of Kariba Dam.

[Transferred from 21st December 2016]

- *2. HON SITHOLE. G: To ask the Minister of Local Government, Public Works and National Housing to inform to the House what the condition of the road from Chinembiri in ward 21 to Chitungwiza town centre is like.

[Deferred from 8th February, 2017]

- *3. HON SITHOLE. G: To ask the Minister of Local Government, Public Works and National Housing to inform the House why house number 33 552 in Unit O in

Chitungwiza changed ownership from Mary Chakanetsa, the initial owner who bought the stand in 2010 to Beauty Mushamba, without the knowledge of the initial owner.

[Deferred from 8th February, 2017]

- *4. HON. TARUNSENGA: To ask the Minister of Environment, Water and Climate to state the level of preparedness for the country in terms of moving towards the green economy.

[Deferred from 8th February, 2017]

- *5. HON. TARUSENGA: To ask the Minister of Environment, Water and Climate to inform the House when the government is going to ratify Paris Agreement so that the country starts to access the “adaptation fund” which other countries are already accessing.

[Deferred from 8th February, 2017]

- *6. HON. PHIRI: To ask the Minister of Higher and Tertiary Education, Science and Technology to state the plans that are in place to construct a college in Kadoma.

[Deferred from 30th November, 2016]

- *7. HON. CHIKUNI: To ask the Minister of Home Affairs to inform the House what the government policy is on corrupt officers who are transferred to other stations whenever they commit a crime and their whereabouts are not disclosed when follow up action is made.

[Deferred from 25th January, 2016]

- *8. HON KHUMALO. M: To ask the Minister of Home Affairs

a) To explain to the House when the Provincial Registry and Passport Official relocated from Mhlahlandlela complex in Bulawayo Province to Lupane Provincial Offices in Matebeleland North Province.

b) To inform the House when Jotsholo Registry Officers would be electrified since the grid is a few metres away from the offices.

c) To inform the House when the Ministry would establish additional sub registry offices at Zewal and Dandanda areas.

[Deferred from 8th February, 2017]

- *9. HON. MKANDLA: To ask the Minister of Rural Development of Preservation of Culture and Heritage to inform the House the period it takes for one to get title deeds after the ownership process has been completed, in view of the fact that 385 houses in Dete under the Hwange Rural District, in the Hwange East Constituency got Phase 1 ownership in March 2006 and Phase 2 in March 2007 but are still yet to be given title deeds.

[Deferred from 8th February, 2017]

- *10. HON. MKANDLA: To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce that in view of the facts and findings from the management of Industrial Development cooperation in Hole Investment in Dete, what are the corrective measures taken by the Ministry to make the work place conducive to the workers in terms of the Labour Act.

[Deferred from 30th November, 2016]

- *11. HON. MKANDLA: To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce to explain to the House why the Industrial Development cooperation in Dete- Hwange East Constituency is not considering the revamping of the management and

administration of the ceramic division and pave way for new personnel with new ideas for the welfare of the workers and benefit of the community.

[Deferred from 30th November, 2016]

- *12. HON. CHIKUNI: To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce to inform the House when the Cairns Foods Company would be fully recapitalized so as to cater for farmers' produce such as tomatoes, butternuts, michigan beans among others in Manicaland and a situation that would help to create employment for the people in the Province.

[Deferred from 8th February, 2017]

- *13. HON. CHIMANIKIRE: To ask the Minister of Tourism and Hospitality the policy measures that has been put in place by the Ministry to promote domestic tourism and explain whether domestic tourism has improved in 2016.

[Deferred from 30th November, 2016]

- *14. HON. CHIMANIKIRE: To ask the Minister of Tourism and Hospitality to inform the House whether Zimbabwe hotel room rates vis-a-vis the SADC Trend on hotel rates are comparable or competitive.

[Deferred from 30th November, 2016]

- *15. HON. CHIKUNI: To ask the Minister of Lands and Rural Resettlement to inform the House how far the ministry has gone in addressing the issue of illegal settlers especially in Chimanimani where they are responsible for veld fires which have destroyed vast plantations this season.

[Deferred from 8th February, 2017]

- *16. HON MASUKU: To ask the Minister of Justice Legal and Parliamentary Affairs, why some individuals are allowed to have contracts of employment in the service of the Government, as is the case with Rita Makarau the Secretary for Judicial Services Commission who is also the chairperson of the Zimbabwe Electoral Commission (ZEC).

[Deferred from 8th February, 2017]

- *17. HON KHUMALO. M: To ask the Minister of Rural Development and Preservation of Culture and Heritage to inform the House when the following traditional healers in Lupane district would be appointed

- a) Chief Gumede
- b) Headman Kheswa
- c) Headman Matshazi
- d) Headman Mbanjwa
- e) Headman Ngubo
- f) Headman Thebe
- g) Headman Joko

[Deferred from 8th February, 2017]

- *18. HON KHUMALO. M: To ask the Minister of Health and Child Care:

- a) To inform the House when the new District Hospital would be constructed in the Lupane District in view of the fact that Jotsholo Growth Point has been designated the new district headquarter for Lupane District.
- b) To inform the House when Lupane Provincial University Hospital would be completed considering that its construction has been going on for the past ten years a situation that has seen some criminal elements vandalizing the infrastructure at the new hospital

[Deferred from 8th February, 2017]

BILL UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE PARLIAMENTARY LEGAL COMMITTEE

Movable Property Security Interests Bill, (H.B. 7, 2016)-The Minister of Finance and Economic Development (Referred 24th January, 2017).