

PARLIAMENT

OF

ZIMBABWE

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE SENATE

FIRST SESSION - NINTH PARLIAMENT

WEDNESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER, 2018

Half past two o'clock pm.

The President of the Senate in the Chair.

PRAYERS.

Bungu, W M

Charumbira C. Chief

Chabuka K,

Chauke, F

Chidawu O,

Chifamba J,

Chikwaka Chief,

Chimbudzi A,

Chinake V,

Chirongoma J.M,

Chitanga Chief
Chundu Chief
Dube A,
Dube M. R,
Femai M,
Gumpo, S
Gweshe K,
Khupe W,
Komichi M.,
Makumbe Chief
Malinga, J. T
Maluleke O. M,
Mapungwana Chief,
Masendu Chief
Mathuthu T,
Matiirira, A
Matsiwo Chief
Mbowa M,
Mkwebu, A
Moeketsi V,
Mohadi T. B,
Mtshane Chief,
Mudzuri E,
Muronzi M,
Mutsvangwa M
Muzenda V. T,
Ncube S,
Ndlovu M,
Ndlovu P,
Nechombo Chief
Nembire Chief
Ngezi Chief
Ngungumbane Chief
Nhema Chief
Nyathi R,
Phuthi M
Rambanepasi C

Rwambiwa E
 Sekeremayi ST
 Shoko G
 Shumba C,
 Siansali Chief
 Sinampande H. M,
 Timire R,
 Timveos L,
 Tongogara A. K,
 Tsomondo B,
 Wunganayi T,
 Zivira H.

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Absent with leave

Lt. Gen. (Rtd) Nyambuya

1. The President of the Senate informed the Senate that the Ministry of Home Affairs and Cultural Heritage had invited all Senators from Matebeleland South Province and other Provinces to a belated commemoration of the World Day against Trafficking in Persons on Saturday 6th October, 2018 at Dulivhadzimu Stadium in Beitbridge.
2. Adjourned debate on motion in reply to the Presidential Speech (*Adjourned 27th September, 2018- The Minister of State for Mashonaland Central Province*).

[Time elapsed: 1 hour 11 minutes]

Question again 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. Sen. S. K. Moyo**

On the motion of Hon. Sen. Muzenda, seconded by Hon. Sen. Mohadi: Debate adjourned until tomorrow.

3. On the motion of Hon. Sen. Muzenda, seconded by Hon. Sen. S. Ncube: The Senate adjourned at quarter to three o'clock pm.

M. M. CHINOMONA,
 President of the Senate.

THURSDAY, 4TH OCTOBER 2018

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

◆ QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE.

* QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

- *1. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Justice, Legal and Parliamentary Affairs to state measures being taken to curb child marriages.

[Deferred from 27th September, 2018]

- *2. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Justice, Legal and Parliamentary Affairs to state measures being taken to raise awareness of marriage laws, particularly to women in rural areas.

[Deferred from 27th September, 2018]

- *3. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Justice, Legal and Parliamentary Affairs to explain the Ministry's role in reunification and reintegration of convicts with their families upon release from prison.

[Deferred from 27th September, 2018]

- *4. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Justice, Legal and Parliamentary Affairs to provide statistics of court cases relating to violation of provisions of the Marriage Act [Chapter 5:11].

[Deferred from 27th September, 2018]

- *5. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Home Affairs and Cultural Heritage to state measures being taken to encourage people to report cases of incest.

[Deferred from 27th September, 2018]

- *6. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Women Affairs, Community, Small and Medium Enterprises Development to explain the national achievements and failures of the Beijing Platform of 1995.

[Deferred from 27th September, 2018]

- *7. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Women Affairs, Community, Small and Medium Enterprises Development to advise on government policy regarding small and medium enterprises that have been affected by veld fires.

[Deferred from 27th September, 2018]

- *8. HON. SEN CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Public Service, Labour and Social Welfare to explain measures being implemented to end the stigmatisation of children with disability.

[Deferred from 27th September, 2018]

- *9. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Information Communication Technology and Courier Services to clarify the Ministry's role in the computerisation of government departments, for instance, the Crime Intelligence Department (CID) which still uses typewriters.

- *10. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Finance and Economic Development to inform the Senate whether there are strategies in place to economically empower women who constitute the majority of the population.

[Deferred from 27th September, 2018]

- *11. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Health and Child Care to explain-

a) the causes of cancer and whether it is hereditary; and

b) measures being taken by the government to control it.

[Deferred from 27th September, 2018]

- *12. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Health and Child Care to inform the Senate of the current maternal mortality rate and measures being taken to reduce it.

[Deferred from 27th September, 2018]

- *13. HON. SEN. CHIMBUDZI: To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructural Development to explain measures being taken to ease traffic congestion during peak hours in city centres.

[Deferred from 27th September, 2018]

ORDER OF THE DAY

1. Adjourned debate on motion in reply to the Presidential Speech (*Adjourned 3rd October, 2018- Hon. Sen. Muzenda*).

[Time elapsed: 1 hour 21 minutes]

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TUESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER, 2018

NOTICE OF MOTION

HON. SEN. TIMVEOUS
HON. SEN. SHOKO

That this House:

NOTING that a National Drug Policy is critical in ensuring that all drugs in the national drug distribution system are safe, efficacious, effective and of good quality whilst it also strengthens administrative, and regulatory controls of the same;

CONCERNED that the existing legal framework, such as the Criminal Law (Codification & Reform), the Dangerous Drugs Act and the Medicines and Allied Substances Act are either outdated and do not sufficiently provide for procurement and use of drugs;

NOTING that these current laws criminalize drug and substance use resulting in drug users fearing to seek treatment for TB and HIV infections;

AWARE that, decriminalization of drug use and drug policy reform as adopted globally by other countries are vital strategies to addressing the drug problem;

NOW, THEREFORE, calls upon Government to come up with a national drug policy and legislative framework that is grounded in science, public health and human rights to effectively minimize the effects of drug use within communities.