

QUESTIONS TO GOVERNMENT

The following Questions are to be asked and answered in the Maneaba ni Maungatabu on **Tuesday 1 May, 2018**. The numbers refer to the Questions as entered in the Order Book.

By Hon. Bonteman Tabera, MP (Nonouti)

OQ77. A rang kakaitau kaain Nonouti nakon te Tautaeaka ibukin rokon ana buoka nakoia Ekaretia. E kona te Tautaeaka ni karaka riki ana buoka aio n te mwaiti are a na kona iai ni bane ni buokaki Ekaretia ni kabuti aia waaki?

Translation/Rairana

The people from Nonouti are grateful to Government for the increase in the Church Grant. Can Government increase the grant to an amount that will cover all operation costs for the Churches?

Reply by Hon. Kourabi Nenem (Vice President and Minister of Women, Youth, Sports and Social Affairs)

Te Tiibika, aio bon teuana mai buakon ana Motinnano te Tautaeaka are ea tia ni kakoroa nanona ni moan rokona n 2016, are ea karaka iai te buoka nakoia Aaro n te mwaiti ae 100%.

Translation/Rairana

Speaker, this is one of Government's promises which was fulfilled at the start of this Administration in 2016 by increasing Church funds by 100%.

By Hon. Tekiau Aretateta, MP (Tabuaeran)

OQ123. Ningai ae na roko iai te Mobile tarebon i Tabuaeran?

Translation/Rairana

When will the mobile telephone service be installed on Tabuaeran?

Reply by Hon. Willie Tokataake (Minister of Information, Communication, Transport and Tourism Development)

E na roko te mobile tareboon i Tabuaerean n te tai are a tia iai karikirake ake a waaki ngkai.

Translation/Rairana

Mobile service will be deployed to Tabuaeran when current mobile deployment projects are completed.

By Hon. Banuera Berina, MP (Kuria)

OQ116. E kona te Minita are tabena ni katerea bwa e a bwaka iaa ngkai te karikirake ibukin kaibuke n akawa aika a uarereke?

Translation/Rairana

Could the Minister concerned provide an update on the small long line fishing boats project?

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

I kukurei n taekinna bwa e a tia te kaba iaon te moan kaibuke inanon Maati 2018, te kauoua ao te kateniua a kantaningaki bwa ana tia inanon Turai 2018.

Translation/Rairana

I am pleased to inform that construction of the first vessel was completed in March 2018 while the second and third vessel are expected to be completed by July 2018.

By Hon. Tebao Awerika, MP (Betio)

OQ151. I kan butiia te Tautaeka ngkana e kona ni karaoa te reitaki n iraorao ma taan kabongana te security service are e n tokin te tai ao e na karokoa booia securities n te tia ni boo ae \$1.30/hr?

Translation/Rairana

I want to ask Government if can initiate talks with security services users so that as a result wages for securities will reach the minimum of \$1.30/hr?

Reply by Hon. Ioteba Redfern (Minister of Employment and Human Resource)

I kukurei n taekinna nakon te Tia Tei temanna ae karineaki mai Betio, bwa e a tia ni waakinaki te mamarooro imarenaia au aobitia man au Botaki ni Mwakuri, ana aobiti te Tia Kaeti Tua ao Taan Bwaiwai ni kambwana n security iaon taekan katamaroan booia Taan Mwakuri ni kambwana n Security Services.

Translation/Rairana

I am pleased to inform one of the Honourable members from Betio, that consultations and discussions on the matter in relation to the salary of Security Services' employees is ongoing between officials from my Ministry, Office of the Attorney General and Security Firms.

By Hon. Bonteman Tabera, MP (Nonouti)

OQ81. E kona te Minita are tabena ni kaumaka te KPA bwa e na waekoa n rinanon riki ana kaetieti are e tuangia suppliers mai tinaniku iaon tiatianakin te rawawata iaon teuana te Konteina ao man kariaia bwa e na kanoaki nakon ana max weight?

Translation/Rairana

Can the Minister responsible urge KPA to review its policy instructing suppliers from abroad on the weight limit applied to the weight for each container and allow that container are filled to their maximum weight?

Reply by Hon. Willie Tokataake (Minister of Information, Communication, Transport and Tourism Development)

E tauraoi n reitaki ao ni kaumaka KPA iaon te tabeka aio.

Translation/Rairana

I am prepared to discuss and urge KPA on the matter.

By Hon. Taberannang Timeon, MP (Tabiteuea North)

OQ93. Imuin anaakin te riburibu man taabo tabeua i taari ibukin karaoan te kawai ma te marae ni wanikiba i Tabiteuea Meang,ao a tiku kamwanomwano ma kiriatibu are a riki bwa aia kanganga booti ma waa n akawa ao bon aomata ngkai aki manga taunaki kamwanomwano imuin anakin te ribu are kainanoaki?

Ngkai a manga kaoti bwai ni makuri iaon te ab'amakoro ibukin manga karaoan te marae a konaa:

- 1) N taunaki muin te kenken are ai tibwa ngkai, ao
- 2) N tauni kam'anom'ano ma kiriatibu ake a tiku man te tia ae nako?

Translation/Rairana

As a result of the excavation of reef mud from certain coastal locations required for improvement work on both the main road and airport runway Tabiteuea North there remained gaping holes and stone piles which are now becoming a problem to the fishing boats and canoes as well as the people themselves.

Now that the heavy equipment are back on the island for the runway improvement could:

- 1) the holes resulting from the most recent work be buried, and
- 2) the holes and stone piles from previous work be also covered up?

Reply by Hon. Ruateki Tekaiara (Minister of Infrastructure and Sustainable Energy)

A na taraaki moa itera nako ibukin noran riain te bubuti ae e tabekia te Tia Tei ae e rine ao e a fibwa kona ni mwakuriaki kanoana.

Translation/Rairana

Before the requested intervention could be made, all related aspects need probing.

By Hon. Banuera Berina, MP (Kuria)

OQ117. E bon teimatoa kainanoan te tareboon ao te intanete iaon Kuria. E kona te Minita are tabena ni ibuobuoki iaon aei n te tai ae e wekoa, taitaoka?

Translation/Rairana

Kuria is still in need of a telephone and mobile service. Could the Minister responsible please assist as soon as possible?

Reply by Hon. Willie Tokataake (Minister of Information, Communication, Transport and Tourism Development)

E na roko te mobile tareboon i Kuria n te tai are a tia iai karikirake ake a waaki ngkai.

Translation/Rairana

Mobile service will be deployed to Kuria when current mobile deployment projects are completed.

By Hon. Tangariki Reete, MP (Betio)

OQ137. A teimatoa Taan Reirei ake a tangoaki n namakina te kanganga n aki rereken booia n tain te bwakabwai?

E kona te Minita are tabena ni kaongoa te Auti aio ibukin tera e teimatoa n riki te kanganga aio?

Translation/Rairana

Contracted Teachers continued to experience the problem of not being able to receive their salaries during payday?

Can the Minister responsible inform this House why this problem continues to happen?

Reply by Hon. David Collins (Minister of Education)

E a bwabwaki kawain karaoan booia contracted staff ao te moan bwai n te kawai anne bon karinan aia beeba Taan Mwakuri ake a kainanoaki ao man rokon akanne ao e a buti naba karaoakin booia.

Translation/Rairana

It may take some time in processing the salaries of contracted staff but the first step in the process is for the contracted/temporary staff to submit their required documents to the Ministry before the process can start.

By Hon. Tebao Awerika, MP (Betio)

OQ148. I kan butia te Tautaeka ngkana e kona n anga rongorongon aia tabo te roro n rikirake are e na kateaki iaon Betio?

Translation/Rairana

I want to ask Government if it can provide an update on the youth building earmarked for Betio?

Reply by Hon. Ioteba Redfern (Minister of Employment and Human Resource)

E rabwa ana titiraki temanna te Tia Tei mai Betio are bon raou naba n Tia Tei ao I kukurei ni kaongoa te Auti aio bwa e a tia n kabwaataki ma iroun Kaebineti katean aia tabo n kataneiai ao n reiakinaki te roro n rikirake are e mena iaon Betio irarikin te KIT are e mwanenaki man te Child Fund mai Nutiran.

Translation/Rairana

I thank the Honourable Member from Betio for the question and that I am pleased to announce to this Honourable House that the project for Youth Learning Centre has been approved by Cabinet as well as the funding from Child Fund from New Zealand.

By Hon. Banuera Berina, MP (Kuria)

OQ120. E a bwakaa iaa ngkai taekan ana trust fund te kauntira ni Kuria?

Translation/Rairana

What is now the latest regarding the trust fund for Kurias Island Council?

Reply by Hon. Kobebe Taitai (Minister of Internal Affairs)

I kukurei ni kaongoa te Tia Tei ae e Rine mai Kuria bwa e a bon fibwa tabwanin raoi te maroro are e karaoaki ma rabwata aika rekereke ma aio ao e a tauraoi ni uotakirakeaki beebana nakon te Kaebineti.

Translation/Rairana

I am pleased to inform the Honorable Member that dialogues with relevant authorities have just recently completed and a proposal will now be submitted to Cabinet.

By Hon. Tekiau Aretateta, MP (Tabuaeran)

OQ126. Te bubuti nakon te Minita bwa iai ana katamaroa nakon te kibakiba imarenan Tabuaeran ma Kiritimati ngkai e kakoauaki bwa e teimatoa n aki rangi n raoiroi?

Translation/Rairana

The flight schedule between Tabuaeran and Kiritimati is not reliable. Could the Minister responsible improve this sector?

Reply by Hon. Willie Tokataake (Minister of Information, Communication, Transport and Tourism Development)

E teimatoa Air Kiribati n kakaai aanga ni katamaroa nakon te kibakiba nako Tabuaeran.

Translation/Rairana

Air Kiribati continues to find ways to improve flights to Tabuaeran.

By Hon. James Taom, MP (Makin)

OQ98. I kan titirakina te Minita are tabena bwa e aera e tuai man reke kaetan aia bwakabwai Taan Reirei n Nan Teikao Primary Schools aika Taeaniiti Atangiruru ao Tekinano Betero ake a tuai man reke irouia n aron are I a tia ni karokoa rongorongona irouia ana Taan Mwakuri ake tabeia ?

Translation/Rairana

Can the Minister concerned explain why it take so long to pay unpaid salaries for Nan Teikao Primary school teachers namely Taeaniiti Atangiruru and Tekinano Betero which I have brought to the attention of those responsible in the Ministry of Education?

Reply by Hon. David Collins (Minister of Education)

E a tia n reke kaetan aia bwakabwai naakai ao e bae n tia n roko i Makin n te bong ae te Kaabong 26th April 2018.

Translation/Rairana

The corrected amount has been processed and should be in Makin on Thursday 26th April 2018.

By Hon. Emil Willie Schutz, MP (North Tarawa)

OQ47. I kan titirakina te Minita are tabena bwa e a bwaka ia ngkai taekan kakaeen te boraraoi iaon karaoan ao kenakin raawa ni booti ibukin kaawan nako Tarawa Teinaieta?

Translation/Rairana

I would like to ask the Minister concerned, how far have negotiations gone into securing the services of a Cut and Suction dredge to address the need of all the villages in North Tarawa in regards to the dredging of their boat channels?

Reply by Hon. Willie Tokataake (Minister of Information, Communication, Transport and Tourism Development)

E tuai tabwanin raoi mwakurian te boraraoi are e nanonaki n te titiraki aio.

Translation/Rairana

Negotiations pertaining to this question have not been finalized yet.

By Hon. Taberannang Timeon, MP (Tabiteuea North)

OQ95. Iai te Nei ni Baneawa imarenaia kaawa aika Tekaman ao Tekabuibui, Tabiteuea North, ae e rang maeureirei kanoana n taai aika a nako im'ain ae uruaki te bono are e tautaua m'aingingin taari nako nanon te Nei aei. E reke naba te bono aei b'a te kootiwei imarenan kaawa aikai, ao riki ataein te reirei mai Tekabuibui nako Tekaman ike e tei iai te Primary School.

E kona te Tautaeka ni waekoa ni ibuobuoki ni karaoa te bono aei b'a:

- 1) b'a e aonga ni manga okira marina te Nei ni Baneawa imarenan kaawa aika uoua aikai? ao
- 2) b'a e aonga ni katamaroa te kawai n reitaki imarenaia kaawa aikai ao riki ibukiia ataein te reirei?

Translation/Rairana

There is a milkfish pond between Tekaman and Tekabuibui, Tabiteuea North, which was very healthy before the seawall that regulated the flow of the sea water on the other side broke up. The seawall also served the double purpose as a causeway for the people of these two villages especially for the school children from Tebuiui attending the primary School at Tekaman village.

Could Government repair the seawall in question early so that:

- 1) the milkfish pond shared by these 2 villages would become healthy again? and

2) the causeway would be safe for use by the villagers especially the school children?

Reply by Hon. Ruateki Tekaiara (Minister of Infrastructure and Sustainable Energy)

E na waaki moa au Botaki ni Mwakuri ni karaoa ana kataratara ibukin kataumwanean karaoan te kootiueei/bono ae e nanonaki n te titiraki aei.

Translation/Rairana

My Ministry will first carry out a scoping survey and come up with costing for the repair of the causeway/seawall in question.

By Hon. Pinto Katia, MP (Makin)

OQ102. E kona n kabwarabwara te Tautaeaka ke te Minita are tabena bwa e a bwaka iaa ngkai karokoan te Mobile Service nakon ara Abamakoro ae Makin?

Translation/Rairana

Could Government or the Minister concerned update this House on the progress of the implementation of the Mobile Service to the island of Makin?

Reply by Hon. Willie Tokataake (Minister of Information, Communication, Transport and Tourism Development)

Te kantaninga bwa e na waaki te mwakuri n te namakaina ae Aokati.

Translation/Rairana

Work is anticipated to be carried out this year in August.

By Hon. Tibanga Taratai, MP (Banaba)

OQ108. Imwin kenakin aon Banaba ao e teimatoa n namakinaki te kanganga iaon Banaba ibukin karekean te maiu ibukin te ununiki ao kakamakun te nakonako n te bong ibukin taian bwangabwanga irarikin te kawai ake a tiku imwin te keniken, e kona te Tautaeaka aio n tobwa ana kanganga Banaba aei?

Translation/Rairana

After the mining of Banaba people on Banaba have problems in agriculture food crops & walking at night risk due to mining holes after mining, can this Government assist in solving these problems on the island?

Reply by Hon. Ruateki Tekaiara, (Minister of Infrastructure and Sustainable Energy)

E boou te tabeka aei nakon te Tautaeaka, ma ngkai e kakoauaaki bwa bon te oi n kainnana irovia kaain Banaba ao e na karaoa ana ibuobuoki te Tautaeaka n te tai ae e riai. E na marooro moa au Botaki ni Mwakuri ma ake iai rekerekeia iaon aanga ni ibuobuoki.

Translation/Rairana

Even though the request is new to this Government, the need is a real one for the Banabans and, therefore, must be addressed as soon as possible. My Ministry will first discuss potential solutions with other stakeholders.

By Hon. Taberannang Timeon, MP (Tabiteuea North)

OQ96. Angiia kaibuke aika a uota te b'aa nako aon ab'amakoro akea aia bwai ni mwakuri n aekan te winti ngaia are Taan Karaii turam ni bwaa a bon bae ni mwaimwai?

Translation/Rairana

Most vessels transporting drums of fuel to outer islands do not have equipments such as a winch for Stevedores to properly handle drums without getting wet

Is there a bonus or allowance to compensate stevedores for getting wet, and if there is, could it be increased?

Reply by Hon. Willie Tokataake (Minister of Information, Communication, Transport and Tourism Development)

N te tai aei ao bon akea moa te allowance ae e kona ni kabwakaki n aron are e tabekia te Tia Tei ae e karineaki.

Translation/Rairana

At present, stevedores cannot be compensated as implied by the Honourable Member.

By Hon. James Taom, MP (Makin)

OQ99. Iai auti iaon Makin aika kainnanao te ibuobuoki ni karokoan te ran man mwanibwa aika raroanako mai irouia. E konaa te Minita are tabena n ibuobuoki ni karekei bwaai aika kainnanaoaki n aron bwaibu ao tabeua riki nakoia te koraki aikai ibukin buokaia?

Translation/Rairana

A few households need some materials such as PVC Pipes and so forth to assist bring water from distant ground water wells. Can the Minister concerned assist provide these materials for free?

Reply by Hon. Ruateki Tekaiara (Minister of Infrastructure and Sustainable Energy)

E rabwa te titiraki (ke te bubuti) are e tabekia te Tia Tei ae e rine ao aei are e na rinanona moa au Botaki ni Mwakuri.

Translation/Rairana

I acknowledge the question (or request) conveyed by the Hon. MP which will be reviewed by my staff.

By Hon. Tebao Awerika, MP (Betio)

OQ152. I kan butiia te Tautaeka ngkana e kona taekinna bwa e a kona ni waaki ngkai te akawa iaon te jetty are e boou?

Translation/Rairana

I want to ask Government if fishing on the new jetty could now commence?

Reply by Hon. Willie Tokataake (Minister of Information Communication Transport and Tourism Development)

I karautaeka nakon te Tia Tei ae e karineaki bwa e tuai moa kona ngkai n waaki te akawa n te jetty are e boou.

Translation/Rairana

I regret to inform the Honourable Member that fishing cannot commence on the new jetty.

By Hon. Pinto Katia, MP (Makin)

OQ103. E kona n reke ana ibuobuoki te Tautaeke nakon booti n akawa aika fiberglass iaon abamakoro n irekereke ma te kanganga ae te tabwena aika a kona n nooraki?

Translation/Rairana

Could Government or the Minister concerned kindly provide assistance to the cracks now visible on most fiberglass boats provided by the Government

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

E tauraoi au Botaki ni Mwakuri n anga te ibuobuoki iaon te reirei ibukin buokan te kanganga aei.

Translation/Rairana

My Ministry can provide maintenance training to address this issue.
