

QUESTIONS TO GOVERNMENT

The following Questions are to be asked and answered in the Maneaba ni Maungatabu on **Tuesday 12 December, 2017**. The numbers refer to the Questions as entered in the Order Book.

By Hon. Emil Schutz, MP (North Tarawa)

OQ138. E a bwaka ia ngkai ana waaki te Ministry are tabena iaon karekean te tiim are e na keni rawa ni booti ao kaibuke inanon kaawan Tarawa Teinaieta ake I a tia n tabetabekia inanon Auti n Tei aika a nako?

Translation/Rairana

What is the latest on the team that will dredge up the boat and ship passages for villages in North Tarawa that I requested in previous sittings of the House?

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

Ae e kakaeaki ngkai te Kambana ni keniken ibukin kenakin rawan Kainaba ma Nabeina.

Translation/Rairana

The process of seeking dredging companies for Kainaba and Nabeina is underway.

By Hon. Tebao Awerika, MP (Betio)

OQ21. Imwiin ana maroro te rabwata ni Kauntira ae bwanin ma te Minita ae e Rine man te Botaki n Akawa ao a tia ni waaki Taan Akawa iaon Betio ni katei aia boboti n akawa are moti man te maroro aio, ao ni karina naba aia bubuti ibukin buokaia aia booti n akawa n aobitin te Botaki n Akawa. I kan butiia te Tautaeaka, bwa e na kaongoa te Auti aei bwa a bwaka ia ngkai mwakurian bubuti aikai?

Translation/Rairana

Following the Full Council meeting with the Hon. Minister for Fisheries, the fishermen on Betio have established their fishermen's cooperatives as agreed and submitted their requests for fishing boats with the MFMRD office. I wish to ask Government what the latest update is on these requests?

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

Te Tibiika ae ko Rine, I kukurei n taekinna bwa e bon waaki naba te fibwatibwa n te booti ao te intin nakoia kain Betio.

Translation/Rairana

Honourable Speaker, I am pleased to inform this House that the distribution of boats and engine to Betio is still ongoing.

By Hon. Taoaba Kaiea, MP (South Tarawa)

OQ28. E kona te Tautaeaka aio n nora riain karakaan riki te riiti ibukia kain Bonriki man te Commercial rate nakon are iaona riki ngkai e korakora rotakin maiun aia kain amwarake man anakin te ran mai iaan abaia?

Translation/Rairana

The subsistence living of the Bonriki people continue to face hardship from the scarcity of groundwater for their food crops. Could Government consider increasing land rent for the Bonriki water reserve to compensate for the economic value of their food crops?

Reply by Hon. Alexander Teabo, MP (Minister of Environment, Lands and Agricultural Development)

E tauraoi te Tautaeaka n rinanon te bubuti aio ngkana e waaki rinanoan boon te riiti are e katautauaki bwa e na waaki n te ririki 2018.

Translation/Rairana

Government will include this matter in the next land review exercise which is expected to start in 2018.

By Hon. Tebao Awerika, MP (Betio)

OQ22. I kan butiia te Tautaeaka, e kona n reke te Ice Plant ibukiia taan akawa ao bon kaain Betio?

Translation/Rairana

I wish to request Government, can an Ice Plant be provided for the fishermen and the people of Betio?

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

E tauraoi au Botaki ni Mwakuri ni karaoa te kamatebwai iaon waakinan te karikirake aio iaon Betio.

Translation/Rairana

My Ministry is ready to conduct a feasibility study on this project for Betio.

By Hon. England Iuta, MP (Beru)

OQ6. E kona te Tautaeka ni kamatata bwa tera raoi ana kai-ni-baire iaon manga kaukan te riti iaon Kiritimati ao e kona ni kawenea imatan te Auti araia ake a tia ni Karin aia bubuti ibukin tangiran te riiti i Kiritimati?

Translation/Rairana

Can Government explain the criteria on its reopening of land leases on Kiritimati and can it provide a list of names on those who have applied so far?

Reply by Hon. Alexander Teabo, MP (Minister of Environment, Lands and Agricultural Development)

Bon iai uaekaki taian kainibaire ake a kabonganaaki ni kaukan te riiti iaon Kiritimati ae e kaineti ma te maeka ao te bitineti, n aron aikai

Te Riiti ni Maeka

1. E na riai te tia bubuti n tia ni iein.
2. E na riai te tia bubuti ni maeka ke ni mena iaon te abamwakoro are e bubuti nna ni maeka iai
3. Ibukiia taan bubuti ake bon iai abaia aia ikawai n te ka-ababa iaon Kiritimati, Tabuaeran ao Teraina, ana kona n tiku uoman mai ibuakoia naati aikanne ni maekana aban aia karo ao ake nikiraia, ana kona ni bubuti aia riiti
4. E na riai n akea barekan te tia bubuti n irekereke ma
 - i. Te tiriman
 - ii. Akawaan te ikari ke te urua, ao
 - iii. Ni itiaki naba ana police clearance,
5. Ana kona naba taan mwakuri n te Tautaeka ma ana kambwana nako ni butimwaeaki aia bubuti ibukin karekean aia riiti.

Te Riiti ni Bitineti

1. E na riai te tia bubuti n tia ni koro 18 ana ririki ni maeu,
2. E na riai te tia bubuti n aki mwakuri n te Tautaeka ke ana kambwana te Tautaeka,
3. E riai n iai ana Business Registration ao ana Business License te tia bubuti,
4. Ngkana te tia bubuti bon te I-Anena, e na riai ni iai te kariaia ma iroun te Komete are tabena rinanoan aia bubuti ni karikirake I-Abatera (FIC),
5. E riai te tia bubuti n akea ana tinetine n roon te riiti ke ana tarau iroun te Tautaeka
6. E riai te tia bubuti n itiaki rongorongona man ana bootaki ni mwakuri nako te Tautaeka ao Kambwana n tangomwane iaon Kiribati.

Mwaitiia nakeke a tia ni karin aia bubuti ibukin te riiti i Kiritimati e bon nakon te mwaiti ae 2,090 bwa 1,540 te riiti ni maeka ao 55 te riiti ni bitineti. E tauraoi au Botaki ni Mwakuri ni buoka te Tia Tei iaon ana bubuti ibukin te ara.

Translation/Rairana

There two types of Policies for granting leases on Kiritimati 1 for Residential and Business as follows:-

Residential Lease

1. Applicant must be married
2. Applicant must be on the island for which lease is requested for
3. Applicants whose forefathers have been granted freehold on Kiritimati, Tabuaeran and Teraina, must have confirmation that 2 other families/offspring of the person granted that freehold, have already occupied the said freehold
4. Applicant must have clear record in relation to the following
 - a. Wild life
 - b. Fishing bone fish and "giant trevally"
 - c. Police record
5. Applicants under the employ of any Government entity is eligible to apply

Business Lease

1. Applicant must be 18 years and above.
2. Applicant must not be working for any Government entity
3. Applicant must possess Business Registration and Business License
4. If applicant is a foreigner, then approval must be sought from FIC
Applicant must have no outstanding lease payments owed to Government

5. Clear record from concerned Government entities including DBK and other money lending institutions.
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There are a total application of 2,090 and of this, 1,540 are residential applications and 55 are business applications. My Office is ready to assist the Honourable Member with his request for names of applicants.

By Hon. Teima Onorio, MP (Arorae)

OQ45. N namakaina aika a nako ni korakoran te buaka ao e a tia ni manga taenako ao mani bua te boera n akawa are e kabwakaki iaan Roreti, Arorae.

Ngkai e korakora kainanoan te boera n akawa ibukin te maiu te ika ni uakaan ma te aba ao I kani butia te Tautaeka e kona ni ibuobuoki ni manga karekea onean mwin te boera n akawa are e bua aio?

Translation/Rairana

In the past couple of months during the strong winds and waves, the fad deployed at Roreti village on Arorae was washed away.

Since the fad is one important source of livelihood for the people for the people of Arorae, I wish to ask Government of it could help get another fad to replace the one which most recently got lost?

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

Te Tibiika ae ko Rine, e tauraoi au Botaki ni Mwakuri ni ibuobuoki iaon aio.

Translation/Rairana

Honorable Speaker, My Ministry is ready to assist with this request.

By Hon. Tebao Awerika, MP (Betio)

OQ102. I rimoa ni kakaaitau nakon te Tautaeka ngkai e a tia n tei te tua are e a matoatoa riki ibukin tabeakinaia taan mwakuri bwa a na aki bwainikirinaki irouia taan kamwakuri ao taan kammwakuri bwa a na aki bwainikirinaki irouia taan mwakuri.

I reitai ma te Tautaeaka ibukin aron tobwaaia taan mwakuri ao I kan titirakina te Tautaeaka e kona n tuanga te Auti aio bwa bitineti raa aika a kabongana te tia ni boo mai nano are \$1.30 ao antai aika a tuai?

Translation/Rairana

I wish to convey my gratitude to the Government for putting in place a stronger law to better safeguard the welfare of employees that they are not exploited by their employers and in return employers are not exploited by employees.

I fully support Government in carrying out these duties and ask Government if it can inform this Parliament which businesses use the minimum wage of \$1.30 and which ones don't?

Reply by Hon. Ioteba Redfern, MP (Minister of Employment and Human Resources)

E a tia au Bootaki ni Mwakuri n tuoi 56 bitineti iaon Tarawa. Man te mwaiti aio ao iai 20 aika a ira nanon te tia ni boo ibukiia taan mwakuri. Iai naba 21 aika a aki ira nanon te Tua aio ao aikai are e tabe n mwakuriia au Botaki ni Mwakuri ma Aobiti ake tabeia taraakin aki iran nanon te Tua. Iai naba 15 aika a bon tabe naba ngkai n tuoaki aia bebwa ni kamwakuri.

Translation/Rairana

My Ministry has inspected 56 registered businesses in Tarawa. Of that number 20 were found in compliance with the Minimum Wage Order. 21 failed to comply and my Ministry is working on their cases with appropriate authorities. There are 15 whose documents are still being inspected.

By Hon. David Christopher, MP (Rabi)

OQ126. Nna butia te Tautaeaka aio bwa e kona ni butimaea ana atibu Banaba ibukin te karao kawai?

Translation/Rairana

I want to request this Government is it possible to use Banaba pinnacle rock for the road development project?

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

My Ministry is ready to consider this request.

Translation/Rairana

E tauraoi au Botaki ni Mwakuri n rinanoa te bubuti aio.

By Hon. Ieremia Tabai, MP (Nonouti)

OQ88. N te tai ae e aki man n nako ao te CEO n te KOIL e kurati n te kaa n te aro ae korakora te uruaki nako iai. E taekinaki bwa te kaa bon kaan te kambana.

I kan titiraki bwa tera te reke ni kai ngkana iai ae a tia n anganaki te Tia Mwakuri aei?

Translation/Rairana

Recently the CEO of Koil was involved in a car accident causing great damage to the vehicle. The vehicle was believed to be owned by the Company.

I want to ask what disciplinary action if any has been taken against the officer?

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

Imwin ongoraaean te keiti ao e a baaireia te Baba n Tararua bwa e na katuaaeaki te tia mwakuri aei ni kakerikaakaki man te nakoa n tararua, ao e na kabooi mwiin uruaki ni kabane nakon te kaa.

Translation/Rairana

After due consideration of the case, the KOIL Board decided that the said employee should be demoted from the OIC position and responsible for all repair charges for the damaged company vehicle.

By Hon. Jacob Teem, MP (Kiritimati & Kanton)

OQ189. E kona te Tautaeka ni maroro ma Fiji Airways ibukin kauarerekean te kantoka imarenan Tarawa ma Kiritimati?

Translation/Rairana

Could Government arrange a dialogue with the Fiji Airways to consider cheap fares to Kiribati?

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

E kona te Tautaeaka ni karaoa ana maroro ma Fiji Airways n rinanoa te boraraoi ae ngkai iaon ana kantoka imarenan Tarawa ma Kiritimati.

Translation/Rairana

Government can arrange its meeting with Fiji Airways on the current agreement to review the fare structure between Tarawa and Kiritimati.

By Hon. Tianeti Ioane, MP (Aranuka)

OQ37. E kona te Minita are tabena te Tautaeaka ni kaongoa te Auti aio bwa tera bukina ngkai e kariaia anakin ana tianaraita te CPPL Branch iaon Aranuka n akea reitakina ma te Kauntira n Aranuka?

Translation/Rairana

Can the responsible Minister inform this House the reason why the generator for CPPL Branch on Aranuka was taken or removed without consulting the Council on Aranuka?

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

Te tianaraita are e anaaki man CPPL Aranuka e bon kabonakoaki nakon te Kauarinan n reirei KUC ae Tannakoroa i Abemama ngkai e noraki ba e a bon aki mwakuri.

Translation/Rairana

The generator that was taken from CPPL Aranuka was sold to KUC Tannakoroa Secondary School in Abemama as it was no longer working.

By Hon. Capt. Bonteman Tabera, MP (Nonouti)

OQ132. Nna butia te Minita are tabena ni kamatata bwa e a bwaka ia ngkai rongorongon mitiin ni mwakuri ibukin kaitiakan buakonikai ao kenakin niibwa ibukin unikan te nii iaon Nonouti are I uotiarake n te auti are inanon Eberi?

Translation/Rairana

Could the Minister in-charge provide updates on working tools and machineries for clearing bushes and digging pits for coconut planting as presented in April Parliament session?

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

E tuai n tia ana kakae au Botaki ni Mwakuri ibukin kakaaean mitiin aika a kona ni kabonganaaki n te karao kawai ao n te ununiki.

Translation/Rairana

A study and search by my Ministry for versatile machinery to use in civil construction and agriculture is still underway.

By Hon. Tibanga Taratai, MP (Banaba)

OQ110. N na butia te Minita are tabena te akawa, iai te kataneiai ae kantaningaki bwa e na karaoaki nakoia kain te abamwakoro ae na tauraoi karaoan te Long line?

Translation/Rairana

I want to request the Minister concerned is there any training to islands that are ready for long line?

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

I kukurei n taekinna bwa iaon kawaina ni waaki te kataneiai nakoia Kaaben ma Intinia ibukiin kaibuke n long-line.

Translation/Rairana

I am pleased to inform that training for Fishing Masters and Engineers for long-line vessels is underway.

By Hon. Jacob Teem, MP (Kiritimati & Kanton)

OQ193. Iai te kaitiaki ae waaki irouia aomata ae kaungaki iroun te Tautaeka iaon kaawa iaon Tarawa Teinainano, iai ana iango te Tautaeka ni kaunga naba aio iaon Kiritimati ngkana e tuai ni waaki?

Translation/Rairana

Could Government consider support for the clean up campaign on Kiritimati?

Reply by Hon. Mikarite Temari, MP (Minister of Line and Phoenix Island Development)

Eng, e na kaungaa naba te waaki ni kaitiaki aei te Tautaeka ioan Kiritimati.

Translation/Rairana

Yes, Government will support the clean-up campaign on Kiritimati.

By Hon. Emile Schutz, MP (North Tarawa)

OQ139. I kan titirakina te Tautaeka bwa tera ngkai ae e a riki nakon tangke n ran ake a na kateimatoan rokon te ran ae mam nakoia kaain Buota ake a maeka n te mwakoro ae ataaki n arana ae Kamwemwenang?

Translation/Rairana

I want to ask the Government, what is happening to the tanks that will provide potable water to the village called Kamwemwenang in Buota?

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

N te tai aei ao kabobongaon auti ni karau ma kanimwan bwaibu n ran, n ikotaki ma te bwam n ran, a nang waakinaki man au Botaki ni Mwakuri.

Translation/Rairana

At this stage, remedial works on rainwater catchment systems in Buota will be taken over by my Ministry.

By Hon. Tinian Reiher, MP (Butaritari)

OQ75. Ibukin rikiraken anakin marin te aba ae te 'mwanai' ao e a bon moanna ngkai n uarereke aron mwaitina. Iai noran riaina iroun te Tautaeka ba e na kaunga kamaeuan te man ae te mwanai?

Translation/Rairana

Due to the increase in mud crabs harvesting (one of the nutrient food sources there has also been significant drop in population to a low level. Does Government sees the need to assist by encouraging farming to replenish the stock?

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

Au Botaki ni Mwakuri e nora riain kaungan te waaki aio, ao e tauraoi ni ibuobuoki.

Translation/Rairana

My Ministry sees the need to encourage farming and is ready to assist.

By Hon. Kirata Temamaka, MP (Kiritimati & Kanton)

OQ153. Tera ana waaki te Tautaeka n tobwan te kanganga iaon ara kawai moa ngkai imwain are e a waaki raoi te mwakuri ae bubura?

Translation/Rairana

Does Government has any temporary plans to construct our road prior to implementation of permanent road project?

Reply by Hon. Mikarite Temari, MP (Minister of Line and Phoenix Island Development)

Ae a waaki ngkai mwakuri ni katamaroa aika a uarereke nakon te kawai i Kiritimati.

Translation/Rairana

Temporary road improvement work in Kiritimati is in progress, prior to the implementation of a major road rehabilitation program.

By Hon. Tewaaki Kobae, MP (Tabuaraen)

OQ168. A tiku ngkai ma te kariaria kaain au abamwakoro ae Tabuaeran n tanninga rokon ana buoka te Tautaeka n otanakin roo n tiwita ake a na kabonakoaki iroun seaweed agent n te boo ae materaoi. I kona ni butia te Minita are tabena bwa e na anga ana kamataata n te itera aei?

Translation/Rairana

My constituents on Tabuaeran have been anxiously waiting for Governments assistance in providing seaweed ropes, those to be sold at affordable price through seaweed agent. May I ask Minister responsible to give an update on this?

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

A bon tekateka ngkai roobu inanon bain ana tia mwakuri CPPL are i Tabuaeran ao a kona ni kabonakoaki n te boo ae \$0.60 n te miita.

Translation/Rairana

The seaweed ropes are now available with CPPL's agent in Fanning Island and can be sold at \$0.60/metre.

By Hon. Jacob Teem, MP (Kiritimati & Kanton)

OQ191. E kona te Tautaeka ni karekea nen te mange aika bubura bwa ana mena n taabo aika ana baireaki ao man rikoaki ni katoa bong?

Translation/Rairana

Can Government provide suitable huge rubbish disposals that can be placed in designated areas and are to be collected everyday?

Reply by Hon. Mikarite Temari, MP (Minister of Line and Phoenix Island Development)

Karekean nnen mange aika bubura bon kanoan naba babaire ibukin katamaroan rikoan te maange iaon Kiritimati.

Translation/Rairana

The setting up of huge rubbish disposals or rubbish collection points is an integral part of the solid waste management project on Kiritimati.

By Hon. Banuera Berina, MP (Kuria)

QO170. Iai aobitia ake a roko i Kuria ibukin rinanoan aia uneaki kaain te mwakoro ae Bouatoa ni irekereke ma aia booti n akawa. Iai rongorongo ake a karekeaki irouia aobitia aikai.

E kona te Minita are tabena n taiaoka ni kabwarabwara bwa tera ngkai te babaire imwin rinanoan aki raun-nanoia kaain Bouatoa irouia kaain ana aobiti ni kaineti ma kainnania kaain Bouatoa ibukin te booti?

Translation/Rairana

Some officers came to Kuria to review the complaint by members of Bouatoa Ward in respect of their fishing boat. The said officers collected certain information.

Could the Minister concerned please explain what the latest decision is after his officers have reviewed the need by members of Bouatoa for a boat?

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

Te Tibiika ae ko Rine, I kukurei n taekinna bwa e a tia n maroro au Botaki ni Mwakuri ma kain Bouatoa ao ni kauringa te Botaki are tararua te booti bwa e na riai n karaoa tabena iaan te boraraoi. Ana babaire au Botaki n Mwakuri bwa te botaki are e taraua ngkai te booti ibukin te kaawa e na reitaki n waaki iaan kabaeana n te boraraoi bwa e aonga n nakoraoi kabonganana te booti ibukin aia kawa.

Translation/Rairana

Honourable Speaker, I am pleased to inform that my Ministry has met with Bouatoa village and recipient managing the boat and engine. My Ministry has decided that the recipient should meet its obligations and work collaboratively with the rest of the villagers for the village's future benefit.
