



REPUBLIC OF KIRIBATI
FOURTH MEETING OF THE 13th MANEABA NI MAUNGATABU

NOTICE PAPER 5

ORAL QUESTIONS

1. By Hon. Birimaka Tekanene, MP (Tarawa Teinainano)

OQ1. I a butia te Minita are tabena bwa e na kabwarabwara bwa tera ngkai ana ibuobuoki/kai ni baire ibukin buokan rikiraken boon te maiu, te bwa, te miita n te iti iaon Tarawa Teinainano ngkai akea riki aia raka ni kareke tianti bwa aki oroben, akea fibwaia n te solar lights ao te maeka i Tarawa e tangira te tianti?

Rairana/Translation

I Kindly asked the Minister responsible to clarify its policy in relation to the increase in living cost, cost of fuel, and electricity cost on south Tarawa nothing that there is no other means to support living as there is no copra, not eligible to solar lights distributions and living in Tarawa needs money?

OQ2. I a butia te Minita are tabena bwa e na kabwarabwara bwa tera te kanganga ngkai angia naake a tia ni mwananga nako ni mwakuri I Aotiteria ao Nutiran ao ngke a oki ao a manga aki mwananga ni karokoa ngkai e ngae ngke bon akea aia kanganga n aia tabo ni mwakuri. Iai naba aika a boou a tia n tuangaki bwa a tauraoi nakon te mwananga ma a bon tuai naba mani mwananga e ngae ngke e tia aroia n reirei?

Rairana/Translation

I kindly asked the Minister responsible to explain why some of the seasonal employees to Australia and New Zealand upon their return were never travel again despite the fact that they do not have issues with their employers. Also those who have completed training and have been advised that they will be engaged sooner have been waiting but never sent to work?

OQ3. I a butia te Minita are tabena bwa e kona ni karaka ritin/roon abaia taan ababa are i Bonriki ngkai e bon moan kabonganaaki bwa te tabo n

ran (te ran e anaki ma e aki kaboaki nakoia taan ababa) ao ngkai e a manga roko te solar iai?

Rairana/Translation

I kindly asked the Minister responsible to Consider increasing the lease rate to the leased land in Bonriki given that it was first assigned as a water reserve (water extracted without payment) and now it is also used for the solar project?

OQ4. I a butia te Minita are tabena bwa e kona ni kamatoa bwa e a tauraoi ni kamaekaia/tiaburiiti taan ababa n abaia are e ritini iaon Tarawa Teinainano, ake a mwawa ao e aki kabonganai?

Rairana/Translation

I kindly asked the Minister responsible to confirm if the Government is ready to allow landowners whose land are leased by the Government on South Tarawa but not developed, to sublease/live on their land?

OQ5. I a butia te Minita are tabena bwa e na taona moa manga warekan ao kabwatan ana Biira n onono nakon te Vat 2025 ao ni kakaea moa buokan aia kanganga te botannaomata ni kaineti ma biriraken boon te maiu, bobuakan te iti, bobuakan te bwa, a tuai bwaka moan taian tinetine n te mwane n aki mwakuri nakoia ake aki reke aia tai n anai, mwararan bwakan te mwane ni motirawa (leave grant), ao aki bwabwakan te bwakamwane iaon taina?

Rairana/Translation

I kindly asked the Minister responsible to defer the second reading and passing of the amendment to the Vat Act 2025 and to find solutions to counter the increase in the living cost, increase in electricity bill, high fuel cost, outstanding in SFU payment, outstanding in leave grant payment and delay in payment of monies due on time?

2. By Hon. England Iuta, MP (Beru)

OQ6. Tera raoi ana babaire te Tautaeka ni kamwakuraia ana tia reirei ake a beeba ao e kaboia bwa ana mwakuri n reirein aaro, iai ana kantaninga bwa e na kona ni katamaroa riki ana babaire nakoia ana taan mwakuri aikai taitaoka?

Rairana/Translation

What exactly are Government's conditions regarding the employment of the qualified teachers it is paying to work in the mission schools. Can the Government consider improving conditions to these employees please?

OQ7. E kona te Minita are tabena n nora riain ae a na karekeaki aia tianaraita taian reirei iaon Beru aika bon tau korakoraia ibukin kamaiuan aia printer aika a tia n tibwatibwaki ao a roko ngkai inanon baia taiaoka?

Rairana/Translation

Can the Minister responsible consider providing generators of reasonable capacity to power the printers that have been distributed and are now in the possession of the schools on Beru?

OQ8. E kona KCDL ni kabonakoi ana baeki n takataka ake a matenten nakoia ake a tauraoi ni kabooi. E aki tau mwaitin te baeki ake a tibwatibwaki iaonnaba ni kabotauaki ma kainanoana irouia taan oro ben?

Rairana/Translation

Can KCDL consider selling out its copra sacks to those who are willing to pay for it. The number of sacks distributed to the islands is inadequate compared to its demands from the copra cutters?

OQ9. Iai tabeman ana taan mwakuri te kauntira ao n ikotaki ma temanna te tia reirei n te Preschool ae e tuai man reke aia leave grant ae bwain te ririki 2024. Rongorongona bwa a bane n tauaki n te Finance, e ngae ngke a tia n anga aia kamatata te Kiraka, Te IEC ao te Tia Mwane i Beru bwa a itiaiki taekaia taan mwakuri aikai,

Ti kan ongora bwa tera bukina ngkai a teimatoa n tauaki aia mwane taan mwakuri aikai ao kanga nakon n ningai ae a na reke iai etin taekaia taiaoka?

Rairana/Translation

A few councils' employees together with a preschool teacher vessel have still not received their leave grants for 2024. The reason being is that they being withheld the reassurances from the Clerk, IEC and the Treasurer that people listed are cleared from collecting SFU payment last year.

We wish to inquire why these leave grant payments continue to be withheld and when is it likely they be released, please?

OQ10. E noraki irouia Boboti n Takataka iaon ara abamwakoro bwa e a aikoa tau korakoraia man mwanen aia tan are rereke irouia ni kabotauaki

ma boon mwakurian karaian takataka nakon kaibuke. E kona te Tautaeka taiaoka n rinanoa kakerakean boon te tan man ae bwainaki ngkai e aonga n reke ikeikeia ara boboti aikai aika bon tau?

Rairana/Translation

The Copra Societies on Beru are no longer able to sustain the costs of transferring copra from their Sheds to the vessels, from the agency fees they received from KCDL. Can the Government consider hiking up the agency fees to a more reasonable level to allow the copra societies some breathing space?

OQ11. Iai te kaibuke n tutuo man te karikirake ae te KOITJIP ae roko i Beru namwakaina aika nako ni karaoi kabanea n tutuo rimataniwiin te rawa n roro are e na katamaroaki. Ni kaineti ngkoa ma ara bubuti n te auti ae nako ngkana e kona te Tautaeka ni karina katamaroan kawain ara abamwakoro ibuakon te karikirake aei are kaekaa te Beretitenti ae e karineaki n te tai arei bwa e kariaiakaki. I tii kan manga bubuti ngkai n ongora bwa tera ana kantaninga te Tautaeka ni kaineti ma te bubuti arei, e bon teimatoa naba n arona?

Rairana/Translation

A vessel from the KOITJIP conducted final surveys in Beru a few months back around the proposed wharf rehabilitation site. I requested during last parliament if the Government could kindly consider the improvement of our islands roads to be included together with this project to which HE Te Beretitenti responded at that time affirmatively. I now wish to inquire about the Government's latest commitment regarding this request please?

3. By Hon. Riteta Iorome, MP (Onotoa)

OQ12. N na butia te Minita ibukin Reirei ae e karineaki bwa e kona ni katamaroa riki ana policy n noora riain butimwaeana aia summer courses ataein tekatenninan (riki USP) bwa kakoroan aia courses ake ana riai ni bwaati n te semester teuana ma teuana taiaoka?

Rairana/Translation

Could the Minister responsible for Education consider revising its current scholarships policy to ensure the GOK-Funded students are allowed to retake courses they have failed during the semester, and to allow them to do so during summer schools without terminating their funding?

OQ13. N na butia te Minita ibukin te Kuakua ae e karineaki bwa tera raoi ana kainibaire (policy) iaomia taan kamarurungaki ake e bairea (recommend) aia doctor bwa ana manga okira Fiji riki kaua ke katen ke nako riki bwa ibukin kateimatoan aia bwai n aoraki ke tuoakin mwiin aia bwai n aoraki?

Rairana/Translation

With reference to the MOH Referral Policy, could the responsible Ministry clarify the policies in place for referral patients who were initially reviewed and referred by their doctors in Fiji, and who are now required to return to Fiji for multiple follow-up reviews to ensure full recovery?

4. By Hon. Tebuai Uai, MP (Tarawa Teinainano)

OQ14. Ma te karineaki ae moan te bati ao e taiaoka te Tautaeka ao riki te Kauoman ni Beretitenti n taekinna ma te koaua nakon te Maneaba aei bwa e riai ni kabwakaaki te Mwane ni Kakairuwa ni kaineti ma taekan ane e taekinaki n te Tiekition 3 (1) (b), ke e aki?

Rairana/Translation

With due respect, I now request Government, especially the Kauoman ni Beretitenti to honestly tell this Maneaba whether the Entertainment Allowance, governed under section 3 (1) (b) of the Salaries and Allowances for Members of the Maneaba and Salaries Tribunal shall be paid as a lump sum or not?

OQ15. E butia te Tautaeka ma te nanorinano ao te karine ae moan te bati bwa e a taiaoka n anga ana kaeka ae “eng ngkana eng” ke “e tuai ngkana e tuai” ni kaekaan au titiraki ae mangori ae kangai taekana bwa “E a tia ni bwaka ni bwanin te arauanti ae te responsibility?

Rairana/Translation

With respect, Government is kindly requested to give its answer of “yes if it is yes” or “not yet if it is not yet” to my humble question as follows, “has the responsibility allowances being paid as a lump sum?

OQ16. E kona te Tautaeka, ni butimwaea te iango ni katamaroa ibukin te wakirake ibukiia ara aoraki ake a na bwainaorakiaki itinaniku bwa a na kanakoaki nakon teuana ana o-n-aoraki Tiaina ae rang ni kinaki ae Guangzhou?

Rairana/Translation

Could Government accept the proposal of sending our patients to one of a well-known and best hospitals in China, Guangzhou Hospital for their medical treatment as a future improvement way forward for our referral patients?

OQ17. E butiaki te Tautaeaka bwa e tauraoi n noora riain kakaokoron mwaitin te mwane ni kara nakoia ara kara ake a koro 70, 80, 90 ao 100 aia ririki ni maiu?

Rairana/Translation

Government is kindly requested to consider the payment of different monetary benefit to our elders who have reached 70, 80, 90 and 100 years old?

OQ18. E a taiaoka te Tautaeaka ni kabwarabwara ana kai-ni-baire ibukin karaiian rooia ataei ake e roonia man te Reirei teuana nakon te Reirei teuana?

Rairana/Translation

Would Government kindly explain its existing policy for the transfer of students' school fee subsidy from one school to another school?

5. By Hon. Tawaria Komwenga, MP (Beru)

OQ19. Iai ana babaire te Tautaeaka are e a kaungaa, aron te bobwai n online ke IB, n te aro bwa e na baiti aron te bobwai ao karekean buokaia. Tina bubutia te Tautaeaka ao te Minita are tabena, bwa iai ana waaki ara Bank ae ANZ ni karoko iaon abaa ibukin kabaitiian karaoan aia card aomata ao riki business iaon aba n te aro bwa ena baiti aron buokaia?

Rairana/Translation

The Government has strongly encouraged the use of online purchases, e-business, and Internet banking across the country. In light of this, I would like to kindly request the Government and the responsible Minister to consider whether there are any plans for ANZ to visit the outer islands to assist local businesses and residents with their ANZ cards and other banking needs?

OQ20. Iai ngkoa ana buoka te Tautaeaka ibukin buokaia taian bobofi iaonnaba taian truck ibukin buokan karaaian aia takataka. N na bubutia te Minita are tabena bwa e a bwaka iaa ngkai aia truck kain Beru, iaan te buoka aio?

Rairana/Translation

There is Government support in place for providing trucks to the Copra Societies on the outer islands to assist with the transportation of copra. In this regards, may I kindly request the Government and the responsible Minister to clarify when the Truck for Beru will be delivered under this support program?

OQ21. Iaon abau ae Beru, ao e tiringaki te bwai n reitaki n te tareboon ni katoabong imwain te nukanibong ao e a manga kamauaki n te aoa 8 ke 9 n te ingabong. Tina bubutia te Tautaeka ao te Minita are tabena bwa e na ibuobuoki ma Vodafone iaon te kanganga aio n te aro bwa a na aki rootaki ao n tokitoki te reitaki ibukia kain Beru?

Rairana/Translation

All mobile connection lines on Beru are currently switched off before midnight and only reconnected around 8:00 or 9:00 am each day. I would like to kindly request the Government and the responsible Minister to address this ongoing connectivity issues and to ensure that Vodafone mobile services in Beru are available 24/7 without any disruption.