#### **NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

#### **MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

## OF THE 27<sup>TH</sup> SITTING OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE FIRST SESSION (2020-2021) OF THE TWELFTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA HELD AT 10.00 A.M.

#### ON THURSDAY, 4th MARCH, 2021

### IN THE DOME OF THE ARTHUR CHUNG CONFERENCE CENTRE, LILIENDAAL, GREATER GEORGETOWN

#### MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (71)

#### Speaker (1)

\*Hon. Manzoor Nadir, M.P., Speaker of the National Assembly

#### **MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT (38)**

#### **Peoples Progressive Party Civic (38)**

#### Prime Minister (1)

Hon. Brigadier (Ret'd) Mark A. Phillips, M.S.S., M.P., Prime Minister

#### Vice-President (1)

Hon. Bharrat Jagdeo, M.P., Vice-President (Absent)

#### **Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs (1)**

Hon. Mohabir A. Nandlall, S.C., M.P., Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs

#### **Senior Ministers (17)**

Hon. Gail Teixeira, M.P. (Region No. 7 — Cuyuni/Mazaruni), Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Governance and Government Chief Whip

Hon. Hugh H. Todd, M.P. (Region No. 4 – Demerara/Mahaica), Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Co-operation

\*Hon. Dr. Ashni K. Singh, M.P., Senior Minister in the Office of the President with Responsibility for Finance

Hon. Bishop Juan A. Edghill, M.S., J.P., M.P., Minister of Public Works

Hon. Dr. Frank C. S. Anthony, M.P., Minister of Health

Hon. Priya D. Manickchand, M.P. (Region No. 3 – Essequibo Islands/West Demerara), Minister of Education

\*Hon. Brindley H.R. Benn, M.P., Minister of Home Affairs

Hon. Zulfikar Mustapha, M.P. (Region No. 6 – East Berbice/Corentyne), Minister of Agriculture

Hon. Pauline R.A. Campbell-Sukhai, M.P., Minister of Amerindian Affairs

Hon. Joseph L.F. Hamilton, M.P., Minister of Labour

Hon. Vickram O. Bharrat, M.P., Minister of Natural Resources

\*Hon. Oneidge Walrond, M.P., Minister of Tourism, Industry and Commerce

Hon. Nigel D. Dharamlall, M.P. (Region No. 2 – Pomeroon/Supenaam), Minister of Local Government and Regional Development

Hon. Collin D. Croal, M.P. (Region No. 1 – BarimaWaini), Minister of Housing and Water

Hon. Vindhya V. H. Persaud, M.S., M.P. (Region No. 4 – Demerara/Mahaica), Minister of Human Services and Social Security

Hon. Charles S. Ramson, M.P., Minister of Culture, Youth and Sport

Hon. Sonia S. Parag, M.P., Minister of the Public Service

#### Junior Ministers (4)

Hon. Susan M. Rodrigues, M.P. (Region No. 4 – Demerara/Mahaica), Minister within the Ministry of Housing and Water

Hon. Deodat Indar, M.P., Minister within the Ministry of Public Works

Hon. Anand Persaud, M.P., Minister within the Ministry of Local Government and Regional Development

Hon. Warren K.E. McCoy, M.P., Minister within the Office of the Prime Minister

#### Other Members (14)

Hon. Dharamkumar Seeraj, M.P.

Hon. Alister S. Charlie, M.P. (Region No. 9 – Upper Takutu/Upper Essequibo)

Hon. Dr. Vishwa D.B. Mahadeo, M.P. (Region No. 6 – East Berbice/Corentyne)

Hon. Sanjeev J. Datadin, M.P.

Hon. Seepaul Narine, M.P.

Hon. Yvonne Pearson-Fredericks, M.P.

Hon. Dr. Bheri S. Ramsaran, M.P.

Hon. Dr. Jennifer R.A. Westford, M.P.

Hon. Faizal M. Jaffarally, M.P. (Region No. 5 – Mahaica/Berbice)

Hon. Dr. Tandika S. Smith, M.P. (Region No. 3 - Essequibo Islands/West Demerara)

Hon. Lee G.H. Williams, M.P.

\*Hon. Sarah Browne, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of Amerindian Affairs

\*Hon. Vikash Ramkissoon, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of Agriculture

Hon. Bhagmattie Veerasammy, M.P.

#### **MEMBERS OF THE OPPOSITION (32)**

#### (i) A Partnership For National Unity + Alliance For Change (APNU/AFC) (31)

Hon. Lt. Col. (Ret'd) Joseph F. Harmon, M.S.M., M.P., Leader of the Opposition

Hon. Khemraj Ramjattan, M.P.

Hon. Roysdale A. Forde, S.C., M.P.

Hon. Raphael G.C. Trotman, M.P. (Virtual - Participation)

Hon. Dawn Hastings-Williams, M.P. (Region No. 7 – Cuyuni/Mazaruni)

Hon. Dr. Nicolette O. Henry, M.P.

Hon. Dr. Karen R.V. Cummings, M.P.

Hon. Tabitha J. Sarabo-Halley, M.P.

Hon. Geeta Chandan-Edmond, M.P.

Hon. Christopher A. Jones, M.P., Opposition Chief Whip

Hon. Annette N. Ferguson, M.P.

Hon. David A. Patterson, M.P.

Hon. Coretta A. McDonald, A.A., M.P.

Hon. Catherine A. Hughes, M.P. (Region No. 4 – Demerara/Mahaica)

Hon. Haimraj B. Rajkumar, M.P.

Hon. Amanza O.R. Walton-Desir, M.P.

Hon. Natasha Singh-Lewis, M.P.

Hon. Sherod A. Duncan, M.P.

Hon. Juretha V. Fernandes, M.P.

Hon. Vincent P. Henry, M.P.

Hon. Ronald Cox, M.P. (Region No. 1 – BarimaWaini)

Hon. Shurwayne F.K. Holder, M.P. (Region No. 2 – Pomeroon/Supenaam)

Hon. Ganesh A. Mahipaul, M.P. (Region No. 3 – Essequibo Islands/West Demerara)

Hon. Nima N. Flue-Bess, M.P. (Region No. 4 – Demerara/Mahaica)

Hon. Maureen A. Philadelphia, M.P. (Region No. 4 – Demerara/Mahaica)

Hon. Deonarine Ramsaroop, M.P. (Region No. 4 – Demerara/Mahaica)

Hon. Vinceroy H. Jordan, M.P., (Region No. 5 – Mahaica/Berbice)

Hon. Dineshwar N. Jaiprashad, M.P. (Region No. 6 – East Berbice/Corentyne)

Hon. Richard E. Sinclair, M.P. (Region No. 8 –Potaro/Siparuni)

Hon. Jermaine A. Figueira, M.P. (Region No. 10 – Upper Demerara/Upper Berbice)

Hon. Devin L. Sears, M.P. (Region No. 10 – Upper Demerara/Upper Berbice)

## A New and United Guyana, Liberty and Justice Party and The New Movement (ANUG, LJP & TNM) (1)

Hon. Lenox R. O'Dell Shuman, M.P., Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly

#### Officers (2)

Mr. Sherlock E. Isaacs, A.A., Clerk of the National Assembly

Ms. Hermina Gilgeours, Deputy Clerk of the National Assembly

#### **COMMENCEMENT OF SITTING**

The Sitting commenced at 10.34 a.m.

#### **PRAYERS**

The Clerk led in Prayers.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER-**

The Speaker made the following announcement:

#### CHANGE IN SEATING ARRANGEMENT

The Honourable Speaker informed the House that there has been a change in seating arrangement between Hon. Susan Rodrigues, M.P., Minister withing the Ministry of Housing and Water and the Hon. Warren McCoy, M.P., Minister within the Office of the Prime Minister.

#### PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND REPORTS-

1. By the Minister of Public Works:

The Civil Aviation (Health-Safety Measures for Airports and Aircrafts during a Public Health Pandemic) Regulations 2021 – No. 3 of 2021.

(Circulated)

2. By the Senior Minister in the Office of the President with Responsibility for Finance:
The Value-Added Tax (Amendment of Schedules I and II) Order 2021 – No 6 of 2021.

(Circulated)

#### **ORAL QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

#### Venezulean Fighter Jets Flying Over Iteringbang, Cuyuni-Mazaruni, Region7

The Hon. Khemraj Ramjattan, M.P., asked the Hon. Hugh Todd, M.P., Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation the following questions:

1. Will the Government of Guyana via the Prime Minister or the Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation will update the Parliament on this very important issue of

the Venezulean Fighter Jets flying over Iteringbang, Cuyuni-Mazaruni, Region 7. Thereafter, the Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation replied.

2. Would the Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation be coming to Parliament with a motion for the Opposition to support this extremely important issue?

Thereafter, the Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation replied.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATIONS-

## INCIDENT THAT OCCURRED BETWEEN THE HON. WARREN MCCOY, M.P., MINISTER WITHIN THE OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER AND THE HON. TABITHA SARABO-HALLEY, M.P.

A request by the Hon. Christopher Jones, M.P., Opposition Chief Whip, for the Hon. Warren McCoy, M.P., Minister within the Office of the Prime Minister be removed from the precincts of the Parliament was disallowed by the Speaker.

#### **SUSPENSION OF SITTING**

At 10.49 a.m., the Sitting was suspended due to grave disorder arising in the Assembly by Members of the A Partnership for National Unity and Alliance for Change.

#### **RESUMPTION OF SITTING**

At 1.02 p.m., the Sitting was resumed.

#### **PUBLIC BUSINESS**

#### **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

#### **MOTION**

#### <u>ITEM 1</u> - <u>BUDGET SPEECH 2021 - MOTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE</u> ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE FOR 2021

The Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply to consider the Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 2021.

(Moved by the Senior Minister in the Office of the President with Responsibly for Finance on 2021-02-12)

#### **In Committee of Supply**

The following Agencies and Programmes in the Estimates of Expenditure were considered and approved by the Committee as presented with the respective amounts allocated thereto:

#### <u>59 – ETHNIC RELATIONS COMMISSION</u>

#### **Current Expenditure**

591 Ethnic Relations Commission

#### **Capital Expenditure**

591 Ethnic Relations Commission

#### <u>60 – JUDICIAL SERVICE COMMISSION</u>

#### **Current Expenditure**

601 Judicial Service Commission

#### <u>61 – RIGHTS COMMISSIONS OF GUYANA</u>

#### **Current Expenditure**

611 Rights Commissions of Guyana

611 Rights Commissions of Guyana

#### <u>62 – PUBLIC PROCUREMENT COMMISSION</u>

#### **Current Expenditure**

621 Public Procurement Commission

#### **Capital Expenditure**

621 Public Procurement Commission

#### 16 - MINISTRY OF AMERINDIAN AFFAIRS

#### **Current Expenditure**

161 Policy Development and Administration

#### **Capital Expenditure**

161 Policy Development and Administration

#### **Current Expenditure**

162 Community Development and Empowerment

#### **Capital Expenditure**

162 Community Development and Empowerment

#### <u>21 – MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE</u>

#### **Current Expenditure**

211 Ministry Administration

#### **Capital Expenditure**

211 Ministry Administration

#### **Current Expenditure**

212 Agriculture Development and Support Services

212 Agriculture Development and Support Services

#### **Current Expenditure**

213 Fisheries

#### **Capital Expenditure**

213 Fisheries

#### **Current Expenditure**

214 Hydrometeorological Services

#### **Capital Expenditure**

214 Hydrometeorological Services

#### 23 – MINISTRY OF TOURISM, INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE

#### **Current Expenditure**

231 Policy Development and Administration

#### **Capital Expenditure**

231 Policy Development and Administration

#### **Current Expenditure**

232 Business Development, Support and Promotion

#### **Capital Expenditure**

232 Business Development, Support and Promotion

#### **Current Expenditure**

233 Consumer Protection

#### **Capital Expenditure**

233 Consumer Protection

#### **Current Expenditure**

234 Tourism Development and Promotion

#### **Capital Expenditure**

234 Tourism Development and Promotion

#### 26 - MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES

#### **Current Expenditure**

261 Policy Development and Administration

#### **Capital Expenditure**

261 Policy Development and Administration

#### **Current Expenditure**

262 Natural Resource Management

#### **Capital Expenditure**

262 Natural Resource Management

#### **Current Expenditure**

264 Petroleum Management

#### **Capital Expenditure**

264 Petroleum Management

#### 31 - MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS

#### **Current Expenditure**

311 Policy Development and Administration

#### **Capital Expenditure**

311 Policy Development and Administration

#### **Current Expenditure**

312 Public Works

#### **Current Expenditure**

313 Transport

#### **Capital Expenditure**

313 Transport

#### **40 – MINISTRY OF EDUCATION**

#### **Current Expenditure**

401 Policy Development and Administration

#### **Capital Expenditure**

401 Policy Development and Administration

#### **Current Expenditure**

402 Training and Development

#### **Capital Expenditure**

402 Training and Development

#### **Current Expenditure**

403 Nursery Education

#### **Capital Expenditure**

403 Nursery Education

#### **Current Expenditure**

404 Primary Education

#### **Capital Expenditure**

404 Primary Education

#### **Current Expenditure**

405 Secondary Education

#### **Capital Expenditure**

405 Secondary Education

#### **Current Expenditure**

406 Post - Secondary/Tertiary Education

#### **Capital Expenditure**

406 Post - Secondary/Tertiary Education

#### <u>44 – MINISTRY OF CULTURE YOUTH AND SPORTS</u>

#### **Current Expenditure**

441 Policy Development and Administration

#### **Capital Expenditure**

441 Policy Development and Administration

#### **Current Expenditure**

442 Culture

#### **Capital Expenditure**

442 Culture

#### **Current Expenditure**

443 Youth

#### **Capital Expenditure**

443 Youth

#### **Current Expenditure**

444 Sports

444 Sports

#### 13 - MINISTRY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

#### **Current Expenditure**

131 Policy Development and Administration

#### **Capital Expenditure**

131 Policy Development and Administration

#### **Current Expenditure**

133 Regional Development

#### **Capital Expenditure**

133 Regional Development

#### **Current Expenditure**

134 Local Government Development

#### **Capital Expenditure**

134 Local Government Development

#### <u>71 – REGION NO. 1: BARIMA/WAINI</u>

#### **Current Expenditure**

711 Regional Administration and Finance

#### **Capital Expenditure**

711 Regional Administration and Finance

#### **Current Expenditure**

712 Public Works

#### **Capital Expenditure**

#### **Current Expenditure**

713 Education Delivery

#### **Capital Expenditure**

713 Education Delivery

#### **Current Expenditure**

714 Health Services

#### **Capital Expenditure**

714 Health Services

#### **Current Expenditure**

715 Agriculture

#### **Capital Expenditure**

715 Agriculture

#### <u>72 – REGION NO.2: POMEROON/SUPENAAM</u>

#### **Current Expenditure**

721 Regional Administration and Finance

#### **Capital Expenditure**

721 Regional Administration and Finance

#### **Current Expenditure**

722 Agriculture

#### **Capital Expenditure**

722 Agriculture

#### **Current Expenditure**

723 Public Works

#### **Current Expenditure**

724 Education Delivery

#### **Capital Expenditure**

724 Education Delivery

#### **Current Expenditure**

725 Health Services

#### **Capital Expenditure**

725 Health Services

#### 73 – REGION NO. 3 – ESSEQUIBO ISLANDS/WEST DEMERARA

#### **Current Expenditure**

731 Regional Administration and Finance

#### **Capital Expenditure**

731 Regional Administration and Finance

#### **Current Expenditure**

732 Agriculture

#### **Capital Expenditure**

732 Agriculture

#### **Current Expenditure**

733 Public Works

#### **Capital Expenditure**

#### **Current Expenditure**

734 Education Delivery

#### **Capital Expenditure**

734 Education Delivery

#### **Current Expenditure**

735 Health Services

#### **Capital Expenditure**

735 Health Services

#### 74 – REGION NO. 4: DEMERARA/MAHAICA

#### **Current Expenditure**

741 Regional Administration and Finance

#### **Capital Expenditure**

741 Regional Administration and Finance

#### **Current Expenditure**

742 Agriculture

#### **Capital Expenditure**

742 Agriculture

#### **Current Expenditure**

743 Public Works

#### **Capital Expenditure**

743 Public Works

#### **Current Expenditure**

744 Education Delivery

744 Education Delivery

#### **Current Expenditure**

745 Health Services

#### **Capital Expenditure**

745 Health Services

#### 75 – REGION NO. 5: MAHAICA/BERBICE

#### **Current Expenditure**

751 Regional Administration and Finance

#### **Capital Expenditure**

751 Regional Administration and Finance

#### **Current Expenditure**

752 Agriculture

#### **Capital Expenditure**

752 Agriculture

#### **Current Expenditure**

753 Public Works

#### **Capital Expenditure**

753 Public Works

#### **Current Expenditure**

754 Education Delivery

#### **Capital Expenditure**

754 Education Delivery

#### **Current Expenditure**

755 Health Services

#### <u>76 – REGION NO. 6:</u>

#### **EAST BERBICE/CORENTYNE**

#### **Current Expenditure**

761 Regional Administration and Finance

762 Agriculture

763 Public Works

764 Education Delivery

765 Health Services

#### **Capital Expenditure**

761 Regional Administration and Finance

762 Agriculture

763 Public Works

764 Education Delivery

765 Health Services

#### <u>77 – REGION NO. 7: CUYUNI/MAZARUNI</u>

#### **Current Expenditure**

771 Regional Administration and Finance

772 Public Works

773 Education Delivery

774 Health Services

#### **Capital Expenditure**

771 Regional Administration and Finance

773 Education Delivery

774 Health Services

775 Agriculture

#### <u>78 – REGION NO. 8: POTARO/SIPARUNI</u>

#### **Current Expenditure**

781 Regional Administration and Finance

782 Public Works

783 Education Delivery

784 Health Services

785 Agriculture

#### **Capital Expenditure**

781 Regional Administration and Finance

782 Public Works

783 Education Delivery

784 Health Services

785 Agriculture

#### 79 – REGION NO. 9: UPPER TAKATU/UPPER ESSEQUIBO

#### **Current Expenditure**

791 Regional Administration and Finance

792 Agriculture

793 Public Works

794 Education Delivery

795 Health Services

#### **Capital Expenditure**

791 Regional Administration and Finance

792 Agriculture

793 Public Works

794 Education Delivery

795 Health Services

#### 80 - REGION 10: UPPER DEMERARA/UPPER BERBICE

#### **Current Expenditure**

801 Regional Administration and Finance

802 Public Works

803 Education Delivery

804 Health Services

805 Agriculture

#### **Capital Expenditure**

801 Regional Administration and Finance

802 Public Works

803 Education Delivery

804 Health Services

805 Agriculture

#### <u>45 – MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND WATER</u>

#### **Current Expenditure**

451 Policy Development and Administration

452 Housing Development

453 Water Service Expansion and Management

#### **Capital Expenditure**

451 Policy Development and Administration

452 Housing Development

#### 453 Water Service Expansion and Management

At 1.36p.m., during the consideration of the Current Estimates for the Ministry of Housing and Water, the Members of the A Partnership for National Unity and Alliance for Change withdrew from the Chamber.

#### <u>47 – MINISTRY OF HEALTH</u>

#### **Current Expenditure**

- 471 Policy Development and Administration
- 472 Disease Control Communicable Diseases
- 473 Family and Primary Health Care Services
- 474 Regional and Clinical Services
- 475 Health Sciences Education
- 476 Standards and Technical Services
- 477 Disability and Rehabilitation Services
- 478 Disease Control Non-Communicable Diseases

#### **Capital Expenditure**

- 471 Policy Development and Administration
- 472 Disease Control Communicable Diseases
- 473 Family and Primary Health Care Services
- 474 Regional and Clinical Services
- 475 Health Sciences Education
- 476 Standards and Technical Services
- 477 Disability and Rehabilitation Services
- 478 Disease Control Non- Communicable Diseases

#### 39 – MINISTRY OF HUMAN SERVICES AND SOCIAL SECURITY

#### **Current Expenditure**

- 391 Policy Development and Administration
- 392 Social Services
- 393 Child Care and Protection

#### **Capital Expenditure**

- 391 Policy Development and Administration
- 392 Social Services
- 393 Child Care and Protection

#### 38 – MINISTRY OF LABOUR

#### **Current Expenditure**

- 381 Policy Development and Administration
- 382 Labour Administration Services

#### **Capital Expenditure**

- 381 Policy Development and Administration
- 382 Labour Administration Services

#### 51 – MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

#### **Current Expenditure**

- 511 Policy Development and Administration
- 512 Guyana Police Force
- 513 Guyana Prison Service
- 515 Guyana Fire Service
- 516 General Register Office
- 517 Customs Anti-Narcotics

- 511 Policy Development and Administration
- 512 Guyana Police Force
- 513 Guyana Prison Service
- 515 Guyana Fire Service
- 516 General Register Office
- 517 Customs Anti-Narcotics

#### <u>03 – MINISTRY OF FINANCE</u>

#### **Current Expenditure**

- 031 Policy and Administration
- 032 Public Financial Management Policies and Services

#### **Capital Expenditure**

- 031 Policy and Administration
- 032 Public Financial Management Policies and Services

#### **Assembly resumed**

#### **SUSPENSION OF SITTING**

At 1.54 p.m., the Sitting was suspended for refreshments.

#### **RESUMPTION OF SITTING**

At 3.01 p.m., the Sitting was resumed.

The Senior Minister within the Office of the President with Responsibility for Finance reported that the Committee of Supply had considered the Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 2021 and had approved of them as <u>printed</u>.

Thereafter, the motion for the approval of the Estimates of Expenditure for the financial year 2021 was <u>put</u> and <u>carried</u>.

#### BILL - FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS

#### ITEM 2 – APPROPRIATION BILL 2021 – Bill No. 4/2021 published on 2021-02-12

With the Leave of the Speaker, and on a motion by the Senior Minister within the Office of the President with Responsibility for Finance, Standing Order Nos. 13(n) and 54 were suspended to enable the Appropriation Bill 2021 to be introduced at this stage and to be further proceeded with at that Sitting.

On motions by the Senior Minister within the Office of the President with Responsibility for Finance, the following Bill was introduced and was read the first, second and third times and <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u>:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to provide for the issue from the Consolidated Fund of the sums necessary to meet the expenditure (not otherwise lawfully charged on the Consolidated Fund) of Guyana for the fiscal year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2021, estimates whereof have been approved by the National Assembly and for the appropriation of those sums for the specified purposes, in conformity with the Constitution.

#### SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER NO. 54(2)

The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Governance and Government Chief Whip, moved that Standing Order No.54(2) be suspended to allow the Capital Gains Tax (Amendment) Bill 2021-Bill No. 5/2021 to be read a second and third times.

#### BILL - Second Readings

### ITEM 3 - CAPITAL GAINS TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL 2021 – Bill No. 5/2021 published on 2021-03-01

The Senior Minister in the Office of the President with Responsibility for Finance moved the second reading of the following Bill:

A BILL intituled AN ACT to amend the Capital Gains Tax Act.

(Read a first time on 2021-03-01)

The Bill was then read a second time.

Assembly resolved itself into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause.

#### **In Committee**

Clauses 1 and 2 were passed as printed.

#### **Assembly resumed**

On a motion by the Senior Minister within the Office of the President with Responsibility for Finance, the Capital Gains (Amendment) Bill 2021 was read a third time and <u>passed</u> as <u>printed</u>.

#### (ii) **COMMITTEES' BUSINESS**

#### **MOTIONS**

# ITEM 4 - ADOPTION OF THE FIRST REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS IN RELATION TO THE APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER TO THE JUDICIAL SERVICE COMMISSION

The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Governance (Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Appointments) moved the following motion:

#### BE IT RESOLVED:

That this National Assembly adopts the First Report of the Standing Committee on Appointments to address matters relating to the Appointment of Members of Commissions established under the Constitution, and signifies to the President that Justice Beasraj Singh Roy (Ret'd) has been nominated in accordance with Article 198(2)(a) of the Constitution, to be appointed Member of the Judicial Service Commission.

(Notice Paper No. 61 (M20 Committees 3) published on 2021-02-24)

The motion was then <u>put</u> and <u>carried</u>.

# ITEM 5 - ADOPTION OF THE SECOND REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS IN RELATION TO THE APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION

The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Governance (Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Appointments) moved the following motion:

**WHEREAS** in keeping with the Local Government Commission Act No.18 of 2013, Section 4 (1) (c); the Committee is responsible for nomination of;

"one member, appointed by the President, after approval by the National Assembly upon a nomination by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Appointments from persons submitted by Trade Unions within the Local Government System."

**AND WHEREAS,** the Committee agreed that the following list of unions represent Trade Unions within the Local Government System and should be consulted to submit nominees for appointment to the Local Government Commission:

27.

**Guyana Public Service Union;** 

Guyana Local Government Officers Union; and

**Guyana Labour Union** 

AND WHEREAS, the Committee on Appointments after deliberations recommended

Mr. Carvil Duncan, A.A. of the Guyana Labour Union as the nominee to be appointed to the

Local Government Commission.

**BE IT RESOLVED:** 

That this National Assembly adopts the Second Report of the Standing

Committee on Appointments to address matters relating to the appointment of Members

of Commissions and signifies to the President that Mr. Carvil Duncan, A.A. of the

Guyana Labour Union has been nominated in accordance with the Local Government

Commission Act No. 18 of 2013, Clause 4(1) (c), to be appointed to the Local

Government Commission.

(Notice Paper No. 62 (M21 Committees 4) published on 2021-02-24)

The motion was then put and carried.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

At 3.30 p.m., on a motion by the Prime Minister, the Assembly was adjourned to a date to be

fixed.

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HON. MANZOOR NADIR, M.P.,

Hon. Speaker of the National Assembly

#### PARLIAMENT OFFICE,

Public Buildings,

Brickdam,

Georgetown.

4<sup>th</sup> March, 2021.