

Parliament Weekly Summary

2 March – 6 March 2020

Date	Mover	Subject	Brief about subject	Speaker's/House decision
3 March 2020	Hon. Joyce Moriku Kaducu, Minister of State for Health (Primary Health Care)	Statement by Minister: on coronavirus update and preventive measures to be taken by the public	Gives the global picture of the outbreak and the country's preventive measures; says Uganda has no confirmed case of coronavirus; says the Ministry has taken a number of measures in response to the outbreak of the virus including enhancing surveillance on all travellers; following WHO guidelines; isolating people from high risk countries only, not all travellers	Members comment on the statement
3 March 2020	Hon. John Crysostom Miyingo, Minister of State for Higher Education	Statement by Minister: on a Report by a Technical Team of the East African Community that some medical and dental schools in Uganda have inadequate facilities to train and graduate medical and dental practitioners	Minister asks for more time before he can present a comprehensive statement to the House	Speaker gives Minister until Tuesday
3 March 2020	Hon. Benny Namugwanya Bugembe, Minister of Kampala and Metropolitan Affairs]	Statement by Minister: on the status of street lighting in Kampala City	Minister says that KCCA has been able to install 5,436 street lights with 1,368 faulty; says that most divisions in Kampala have a coverage of street lights ranging between 12 - 17 percent; says that the authority is seeking approval to borrow over Euros70 million to increase city lighting by 80 percent	Members comment on Statement

3 March 2020	Hon. Mario Obiga Kania, Minister of State for Internal Affairs	Statement by Minister: on decentralization of services of the National Information and Registration Authority (NIRA)	Statement followed a matter of national interest raised Hon. Mbwatekamwa Gaffa (NRM, Kasambya) regarding the highly centralized, bureaucratic and agonizing process of acquiring and replacing National Identity Cards and the need for its decentralization; says government has invested significant resources into the establishment of the NIRA as a vital infrastructure for this country; over the years it has grown despite the many challenges	Speaker defers debate on the Statement to Tuesday 10 March 2020
3 March 2020	Hon. Okupa Elijah (FDC, Kasilo County)	Laying of Papers in accordance with Rule 31 of the Rules of Procedure: I) Report of the Parliamentary delegation to the Annual Global Parliamentary Meetings from the World Bank and IMF held from 8 – 14 April and 14 – 20 October 2019 in Washington DC, USA	Report of the Parliamentary delegation to the Annual Global Parliamentary Meetings from the World Bank and IMF held from 8 – 14 April and 14 – 20 October 2019 in Washington Dc, USA	
3 March 2020	Hon. David Karubanga, Minister of State for Public Service	Laying of Papers: Supplementary Schedule No.2 for FY 2019/2020; and Treasury Memorandum on the Report of the Public Accounts Committee [Local Government] on the Value for Money Audit on Uganda Support to Municipal	Treasury memorandum shows actions taken by government in response to recommendations or resolutions of the House arising from reports of its accountability committees	Speaker refer Papers to the Committee on Public Accounts (Local Government)

		Infrastructure Development [USMID] Programme implemented by 14 Municipal Councils in the FY 2014/15		
3 March 2019	Hon. Jackson Kafuuzi Karugaba, Deputy Attorney General	Bills Second Reading: the Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Bill, 2019	Bill seeks to amend the Parliamentary Elections Act, 2005 to provide for the participation of independent candidates in elections; to provide for restrictions on candidates' sources of funding to finance elections; to require the Electoral Commission to designate restricted areas and to provide for a special procedure for voting in restricted areas	Bill passed at Third Reading
4 March 2019	Hon. Jackson Kafuuzi Karugaba, Deputy Attorney General	Bills Committee Stage: the Local Governments (Amendment) Bill, 2019	Bill seeks to amend the Local Governments Act, Cap. 243 to provide for the creation of local government and magistrate units at least two years before the due date for the next general elections; to provide for the demarcation of electoral areas; to prescribe the manner of conducting campaigns; to bar persons not ordinarily resident in a local government area from contesting for councilor for that area; and related matters	Members pass clauses of the Bill in the Committee of the Whole House; Bill passed at Third Reading
5 March 2019	Hon. Jackson Kafuuzi Karugaba, Deputy Attorney General	Bills Committee Stage: the Electoral Commission (Amendment) Bill, 2019	to amend the Electoral Commission Act, Cap.140 to establish the Electoral Reform Committee; to provide for the use of technology in the management of	Members pass clauses of the Bill in the Committee of the Whole House; Bill

			elections; to redesignate registrars as district election administrators; to provide for the appointment of assistant returning officers by the commission; and related matters	passed at Third Reading
5 March 2020	Hon. Jackson Kafuuzi Karugaba, Deputy Attorney General	The Political Parties and Organizations [Amendment] Bill, 2019	Bill seeks to amend the Political Parties and Organisations Act, 2005 to remove the powers given to the Minister to prescribe a code of conduct for political parties and organisations and to prescribe a code of conduct for political parties and organisations as required by article 71 (2) of the Constitution	Members pass clauses of the Bill in the Committee of the Whole House; Bill passed at Third Reading
5 March 2020	Hon. Jalia Lukumu Bintu (NRM, Masindi district)	Statement on the occasion of the commemoration of the Commonwealth Day, 9 th March 2020	The Commonwealth Day is celebrated on the second Monday of March every year; it is the annual celebration of countries falling under the Commonwealth	

Speaker, Rebecca Kadaga, adjourns plenary to Tuesday 10 March 2020 at 2:00pm.

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