

Parliament Weekly Summary

March 4th-8th, 2019

Date	Mover	Subject	Brief about subject	Speaker's/House decision
5 March 2019	Hon. David Bahati, Minister of State for Finance (Planning)	Laying of Papers: the Semi-Annual Budget Performance Report for FY 2018/19	The semi-annual report provides a half-year performance of how the budget has been executed overall and by central government ministries and agencies	Paper referred to the Committee on Finance, Planning and Economic Development
5 March 2019	Hon. Arinaitwe Katambuka Rwakajara, (NRM, Workers' Representative)	Motion seeking leave of Parliament to introduce a Private Member's Bill entitled "the Externalization Of Labour Bill, 2019"	Parliament Rules require that a private member first seeks, by way of a motion, leave of the House before moving a private members Bill	Motion passed
5 March 2019	Hon. Dr. Michael Bukenya Iga (NRM, Bukuya County)	Motion seeking leave of Parliament to introduce a Private Member's Bill entitled "National Health Insurance Bill, 2019"	Parliament Rules require that a private member first seeks, by way of a motion, leave of the House before moving a private members Bill	Motion passed
5 March 2019	Hon. Agnes Kunihira (NRM, Workers' Representative)	Motion seeking leave of Parliament to introduce a Private Member's Bill entitled "the Employment (Amendment) Bill, 2019"	Parliament Rules require that a private member first seeks, by way of a motion, leave of the House before moving a private members Bill	Motion passed
6 March 2019	Hon. David Bahati, Minister of State for	Laying of Papers: Supplementary Schedule 1 FY	The Papers are laid in accordance with the Public Finance	

	Finance (Planning)	2018/19	Management Act, 2015	
6 March 2019	Hon. Janet Okori-moe (NRM, Abim district), Chairperson, Committee on Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries	Motion for adoption of the Report of the Committee on Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries on the statement by the Minister of Defence and Veteran Affairs on the operations of the Fisheries Protection Force	The Committee looked at various allegations made by people in the fishing communities including: destruction of boats, torture and extortion; arbitrary arrest and detention; extending brutality to Kenyan Technical Marine and Kenyan fishermen; confiscating motor vehicles; and made recommendations to the House	Speaker asks the Attorney General to guide the House about the legal regime under which the Fisheries Protection Force is operating on the various water bodies in the country, before the Report can be debated; AG asked to give his guidance on 7 March 2019
6 March 2019	Hon. Godfrey Onzima (NRM, Aringa North),	Motion for adoption of the Report of the Committee On Public Service and Local Government on the status of funding for Sub-Counties and Town Councils	The main objective of the Committee's inquiry was to ascertain the status of the funding for the newly created Town Councils and Sub-Counties, following Hon. Moses Kahima (Ruhaama County) seeking an explanation for the lack of funds for entities in the budget estimates contained in the Budget Call Circular for the Financial Year 2019 /2020. Committee recommends that government provides Shs 139.2	Report adopted

			<p>billion for operation of all approved Town Councils and Sub- Counties in FY 2019 I20; and that government should review the policy of creation of new districts and other local government administrative units in view of the limited available funding</p>	
6 March 2019	Hon. Syda Bbumba (NRM, Nakaseke North), Chairperson – Committee on the National Economy	<p>Motion for adoption of the Report of the Committee on the National Economy on the proposal to issue promissory notes not exceeding US \$379.71 million to FINASI/ROKO Construction SPV Limited for the financing of the International Specialised Hospital of Uganda at Lubowa Wakiso</p>	<p>Government intends to offer promissory notes not exceeding US \$379.71 million to FINASI/ROKO Construction SPV Limited for the financing of the International Specialised Hospital of Uganda at Lubowa Wakiso; the proposal was referred to the Committee on National Economy for consideration.</p> <p>Hon. Betty Nambooze presents her Minority Report to the House</p>	<p>Speaker defers consideration of the reports</p>
7 March 2019	Hon. Betty Bamukwatsa Muzanira, (FDC, Woman Representative, Rukungiri District]	<p>Presentation of a petition by the Rwenshama Fishing Community, Bwambara Sub County, Rujumbura County, Rukungiri District</p>	<p>Petitioners are residents and members of the fishing community on Lake Edward, Bwambara Sub County, Rujumbura County in Rukungiri district; they were licenced to operate in the area by the Fisheries Department; petitioners pray that the Minister of State for Fisheries stops any interference by the Fishing</p>	

			Protection Unit; and refer the issue to a Committee on Agriculture for investigation	
7 March 2019	Hon. William Byaruhanga (ex officio), Attorney General	Responses by Ministers to issues raised on: the exorbitant rent fees charged by the purported owners of Qualicel Buildings at Buganda Bus Park, Mr. Drake Lubega and Mr. Yanga Matovu, raised by Hon. Muhammad Nsereko, MP Kampala Central Division	AG says he is not aware that the owners of the building is charging rent to tenants retrospectively; says the President had met owners trying to mediate and resolve the ownership dispute of the building	
7 March 2019	Hon. Dr. Ruhakana Rugunda, Prime Minister/Leader of Government Business	Responses by Ministers to issues raised on: the progress made by the Minister of Foreign Affairs in resolving the border impasse between Uganda and Rwanda raised by Hon. Sam Bitangaro Kwizera, MP Bufumbira County South	Prime Minister says that the governments of Uganda and Rwanda are currently in contact with view of resolving the situation; says he's optimistic that matter will be resolved; says that a travel advisory will be issued to Ugandans intending to travel to Rwanda; promises that government will issue a substantive statement to Parliament	
7 March 2019	Hon. Dr. Joyce Moriku Kaduchu, Minister of State for Primary Health Care	Responses by Ministers to issues raised on: the deplorable state of maternal health services at Kawempe Referral Hospital raised by Hon. Peter Mugema (NRM,	Minister says on average of 2,500 women are delivered at the facility per month, making it a high volume centre; has 399 staff deployed, of which 108 are from Mulago National Referral Hospital, and 291	

		Iganga Municipality)	are newly deployed by the Ministry of Public Service; Minister gives government's strategy to strengthen maternal services at the facility	
7 March 2019	Hon. Peter Lokeris, Minister of State for Minerals	Responses by Ministers to issues raised on: the discharge of effluent in Rivers in Kitagwenda District, raised by Hon. Abbasi Agaba Mugisha (NRM, Kitagwenda)	Illegal mining in most instances is artisanal in nature and involves use of rudimentary tools to win minerals from the earth; the activity is nomadic in nature and many areas are being opened up and others abandoned by miners on a daily basis. Minister gives the current government interventions to curb the illegal mining in Ibanda, Buhweju and Kamwenge catchment area	
7 March 2019	Hon. Jenipher Namuyangu, Minister of State for Local Government	Responses by Ministers to issues raised on: the specific dates for conducting Local Council Elections	Minister says that she would liaise with the Electoral Commission about their current road map to conducting elections and report to the House	Hon. Jackson Oboth says that the EC is ready to conduct the elections, but lacks funds; and recommends that Parliament stops creating new administrative units without required accompanying funds for elections
7 March	Hon. Safia Nalule	Motion seeking leave of	Parliament Rules provide that a	Motion passed

2019	Juuko (PWDs National Female)	Parliament to introduce a Private Member's Bill Entitled "the Persons With Disabilities Bill"	member seeking to move a private members bill first gets leave, by way of a motion; the mover says that there is need for a specific legislation on PWAs to provide for comprehensive protection and promotion of the rights of PWAs; to provide for their registration. rehabilitation, development and wellbeing; to provide for the role and responsibilities of both state and non-state actors; to designate national and district taskforce coordinators for PWAs; and to achieve equalization of opportunities for PWAs	
7 March 2019	Hon. Robina Gureme Rwakoojo, (NRM, Gomba West) Chairperson, Select Committee on inquiry into allegations of sexual violence in institutions of learning in Uganda	Motion for adoption of the Report of the Select Committee on inquiry into allegations of sexual violence in institutions of learning in Uganda	The inquiry arose from a motion presented to Parliament by Hon. Anna Adeke Ebaju, (National Female Youth Rep. which was instigated by the numerous and repeated media reports of gross acts of sexual violence in institutions of learning at all levels; the committee sought to study the causes and extent of the vice of sexual violence in Institutions of learning in the country and its negative effects on the population; study and review laws against sexual violence in Uganda; study	Debate deferred

			policies available for the management and control of sexual violence in Uganda; the committee gives its findings and recommendations	
7 March 2019	Hon. David Bahati, Minister of State for Financing (Planning)	Motion for adoption of the Report of the Committee on the National Economy on the proposal to issue Promissory Notes not exceeding US \$379.71 Million to FINASI/ROKO Construction SPV Limited for the financing of the International Specialized Hospital of Uganda at Lubowa Wakiso	Due to life style changes, increased life expectancy and genetic factors, non-communicable diseases (NCDs) in Uganda are increasingly becoming a major burden; says that there is lack of both the requisite infrastructure and human resource for health required to offer the much needed highly specialized treatment and medical care to combat the burden of disease within the country. The Committee recommends that this House approves the Proposal for Government to issue Promissory Notes not exceeding USD 379.71 Million to FINASI/ROKO Construction Special Purpose Vehicle Limited for financing of the design, construction and equipping of the International Specialized facility	Members debate motion; decision deferred

Speaker, Rebecca Kadaga, adjourns plenary to Tuesday 12 March 2019

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