

Parliament Weekly Summary

1 April – 5 April 2019

Date	Mover	Subject	Brief about subject	Speaker's/House decision
2 April 2019	Hon. David Bahati (NRM, Ndorwa West), Minister of State for Finance (Planning)	Presentation of Papers: Draft estimates of Revenue and Expenditure (Recurrent and Development), Financial Year 2019/2020, Volume I: Central Government Votes for the year ending on the 30th June 2020	Minister also presents estimates of Revenue and Expenditure (Recurrent and Development), Financial Year 2019/2020, Volume III: public corporations and state enterprises for the year ending on the 30th June 2020	Deputy Speaker refers the estimates to the House Committee on the Budget
2 April 2019	Ministers	Presentation of Papers: Policy Statement for the Inspectorate of Government Vote 103, FY 2019/2020; and the Ministry of Information, Communication Technology and National Guidance FY 2019/20	Policy Statement gives the performance of the department in the ending financial year, and its policy plans for the new financial year; it also shows indicative budget estimates for the department for the new financial year	Policy Statements referred to the committees on Legal and Parliamentary

				Affairs, and ICT and National Guidance respectively
2 April 2019	Hon. Sarah Achieng Opendi, Minister of State for Health (General Duties)	Responses to urgent questions under Rule 46 of the Rules of Procedure: on the upgrading of Health Centre IV (Nsiika HC IV) to a district hospital, why more Health Centre IIIs have not been constructed in Sub-Counties, existing Health Centres are poorly equipped and why the district does not receive health benefits that accrue by virtue of being a hard to reach area	Minister says government is upgrading 125 Health Centre IIs; and that there are 132 sub counties that have no health facility at all, but will be addressed using a loan facility; Minister says that the focus is to start with the mountainous areas and islands before addressing all subcounties staggered over the next two years	
2 April 2019	Hon. David Bahati (NRM, Ndorwa West), Minister of	Motion for a Resolution of Parliament to authorize Government To Borrow US\$ 100 million	Government seeks approval of a domestic borrowing amount to US\$ 100 million used to finance classified	Decision deferred to next sitting

	State for Finance (Planning)	[approximately Shs380 billion] from the domestic market to finance classified expenditure under Ministry Of Defence and Veteran Affairs For FY 2018/19	expenditure required for security purposes; Minister says the borrowing is urgent and necessary for the security of the country; borrowing will be financed over a period of three years; Hon. Syda Bbumba, Chairperson of the Committee on National Economy presents committee report	
2 April 2019	Hon. Florence Nakiwala Kiyingi, Minister of State for Youth and Children Affairs	Bills Committee Stage: the Persons With Disabilities Bill, 2018	The object of the Bill is to provide for the respect and promotion of the fundamental and other human rights and freedoms of persons with disabilities and for the non discrimination of persons with disabilities; to provide for the special requirements of PWDs in education, health and employment; and related matters	Consideration pushed to the next sitting
3 April 2019	Ministers	Presentation of Ministerial Policy Statements for FY 2019/2020	Ministers present ministerial policy statements for various	Ministerial Policy Statements are referred to

			ministries and entities for the 2019/2020 financial year	sectoral committees for consideration
3 April 2019	Hon. Mwesigwa Rukutana, Deputy Attorney General	Laying of Papers:	Documents below are laid on table: Comprehensive Evaluation Of The Universal Primary Education (UPE) Policy: Thematic Report 1: Policy, Legal, Regulatory And Institutional Framework; Thematic Report 2: Efficacy Of The Primary School Curriculum In Supporting The Realization Of UPE; Thematic Report 3: Primary Teacher Training For Producing Competent Teachers To Deliver UPE; Thematic Report 4: Efficacy of	Referred to the Committee on Education and Sports

			School Inspection In Supporting The Delivery of UPE; Thematic Report 5: Financing And Costing Of UPE; Thematic Report 6: Education Modeling and Forecasting	
3 April 2019	Hon. Michael Werikhe, Minister of State for Trade	Motion for the reconsideration of the Sugar Bill, 2019 as returned by H.E the President	The President returned the Bill seeking the reconsideration of provisions relating to the licensing of mills, application for a license to operate mill or plant, processing, grant or refusal of license, modification of mill or plant; sugar industry agreements; and other areas	Referred to the Committee on Trade for consideration asked to report in two weeks
3 April 2019	Hon. Florence Nakiwala Kiyingi, Minister of State for	Bills Committee Stage: the Persons With Disabilities Bill, 2018	The object of the Bill is to provide for the respect and promotion of the fundamental	Members consider Bill in the Committee

	Youth and Children Affairs		and other human rights and freedoms of persons with disabilities and for the non discrimination of persons with disabilities; to provide for the special requirements of PWDs in education, health and employment; and related matters	of the Whole House
4 April 2019	Hon. Richard Gafabusa Muhumuza (NRM, Bwamba)	Presentation of a petition by district councilors and cocoa Farmers from Bundibugyo District	The petitioners are farmers aggrieved about a tax imposed by the district council on cocoa trade, which they say will affect cocoa production in the country; petitioners ask Parliament to intervene and have government stop the imposition of the tax	Petition is referred to the Committee on Finance for consideration
4 April 2019	Hon. Frank Tumwebaze, Minister for ICT and National Guidance	Responses to urgent questions under Rule 46 of the Rules of Procedure: on the delay by Government to respond to a matter of suspension	Minister says the Police/UCC had closed Unity FM following complaints received regarding the manner in which this station and other radio stations in the region were covering the death of Okello; Minister said that the	

		of some radio programmes in Lira arising from the death of Mr. Dickens Okello, raised by Hon. Judith Alyek, Woman Representative, Kole District	radios were inciting the public against the Indian community; he said that following investigations by the UCC, the radio has since resumed operations, but with changes including suspensions of some programmes and presenters	
4 April 2019	Hon. Betty Aol Ocan, Leader of the Opposition, and Shadow Cabinet Ministers	Presentation of Papers: Alternative Ministerial Policy Statements	Leader of the Opposition lays alternative ministerial policy statements:	Alternative Ministerial Policy Statements are referred to sectoral committees
4 April 2019	Hon. David Bahati (NRM, Ndorwa West), Minister of State for Finance (Planning)	Motion for a Resolution of Parliament to authorize Government To Borrow US\$ 100 million [approximately Shs380 billion] from the domestic market to finance classified expenditure under Ministry Of Defence and Veteran Affairs For FY 2018/19	Government seeks approval of a domestic borrowing amount to US\$ 100 million used to finance classified expenditure required for security purposes; Minister says the borrowing is urgent and necessary for the security of the country; borrowing will be financed over a period of three years	Motion passed

4 April 2019	Hon. David Bahati (NRM, Ndoorwa West), Minister of State for Finance (Planning)	Motion for a Resolution of Parliament to authorize Government to borrow Euro 40.0 million from Kreditanstalt Fur Wiederaufbau (Kfw), the German Development Bank, to finance the Lira-Gulu –Agago 132kv Transmission Line Project and Associated Substations	The proposed project will improve the voltage profile and thus help in reducing energy losses, while improving power supply availability and quality through the construction and installation of 132KV power line that will improve the system performance and restore the supply voltages to the required limits in the North and West Nile regions of the country	Motion passed
4 April 2019	Hon. David Bahati (NRM, Ndoorwa West), Minister of State for Finance (Planning)	Motion for a Resolution of Parliament to authorize Government to borrow up to SDR 145.9 million (US\$200 million) from the International Development Association (IDA) of the World Bank Group to support the Uganda Intergovernmental Fiscal Transfers Program (UGIFT) For Results in the	The overall goal of the Uganda Intergovernmental Fiscal Transfer Reform Program (UgIFTRP) is to improve the adequacy and equity of fiscal transfers and improve fiscal management of resources by local governments for health and education services; the Intergovernmental Fiscal Transfer Reform Program (IFTRP) has been developed to address the challenges in the	Motion passed

		education and health sectors	functioning of the national government's financing of local government service delivery; it is envisaged that more equitable, adequate and efficient financing of health and education services will ultimately lay the foundation for improved service delivery outcomes	
4 April 2019	Hon. Florence Nakiwala Kiyingi, Minister of State for Youth and Children Affairs	Bills Committee Stage: the Persons With Disabilities Bill, 2018	The object of the Bill is to provide for the respect and promotion of the fundamental and other human rights and freedoms of persons with disabilities and for the non discrimination of persons with disabilities; to provide for the special requirements of PWDs in education, health and employment; and related matters	Members consider Bill in the Committee of the Whole House; passed at third reading
4 April 2019	Hon. Janet Okorimoe (NRM, Abim district), Chairperson,	Motion for adoption of the Report of the Committee on	The Committee was directed to visit the factory following a concern raised by Kumi County MP, Hon. Charles Ilukor in February 2019; the	Motion passed

	Committee on Agriculture	Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries on the repeated Postponement of the opening of the Soroti Fruit Factory	committee gives its observations and recommendations; the Committee recommends that a fruit investor should be encouraged to invest in the region; and was assured that the factory would be opened on 13 April 2019	
4 April 2019	Hon. Angeline Osegge (FDC), former Chairperson, Public Accounts Committee (Central Government)	Motion for adoption of the Report of the Public Accounts Committee (Central Government) on the Report of the Auditor General for FY 2016/17	Member also presents the Report of the Committee on the Report of the Auditor General for the FY 2015/16	Reports adopted

Deputy Speaker adjourns plenary to 23 April 2019

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