



**SIXTH PARLIAMENT
OF THE SECOND REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE
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SPEECHES OF THE TWENTY-SIXTH SITTING**



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The House Met at 10:00a.m.

The Rt. Hon. Speaker, Segepoh Solomon Thomas, Presided.

I. ATTENDANCE:

THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE PRESENT:			
NO	NAME	PARTY	DISTRICT
1.	Hon. Abdulai Charles Osman	SLPP	BO
2.	Hon. Amara Haja Miatta	APC	Western Area Rural
3.	Hon. Aruna Massay Ngahiteh	SLPP	Bo
4.	Hon. Bah Zinab	APC	Western Area Rural
5.	Hon. Bangura Abdul Karim	SLPP	Karene
6.	Hon. Bangura Adama	SLPP	Kambia
7.	Hon. Bangura Daniel Amadu	APC	Tonkolili
8.	Hon. Bangura Ibrahim Aziz	APC	Port Loko
9.	Hon. Bangura Mohamed	APC	Karene
10.	Hon. Banya Sarty	SLPP	Kailahun
11.	Hon. BayohAlie	SLPP	Kenema
12.	Hon. Bockarie Bintu Fatmata	SLPP	Bonthe
13.	Hon. Bockarie Momoh	SLPP	Kenema
14.	Hon. Boima Sylvester Arnold Maxwell (Rtd. Capt.)	SLPP	Moyamba
15.	Hon. Conteh Ibrahim Tawa	SLPP	Western Area Urban
16.	Hon. Conteh John Charles	APC	Bombali
17.	Hon. Conteh Kemokoh	APC	Western Area Rural
18.	Hon. Conteh Paul Samba	APC	Bombali
19.	Hon. Daramy Princess Kadie	SLPP	Western Area Urban
20.	Hon. Edwin Moses A.	SLPP	Bonthe
21.	Hon. Fabbah Habib Keifa	SLPP	Bo
22.	Hon. Fofanah Mohamed Tawallie	SLPP	Kambia
23.	Hon. Fofanah Musa	SLPP	Kono
24.	Hon. Fornah Daniel	APC	Tonkolili
25.	Hon. Gbreh III P.C Bai Shebora Sheba	P.C	Port Loko
26.	Hon. Goba Mariama Ella	SLPP	Kenema
27.	Hon. Jabbie Alpha Fodie Madie	SLPP	Falaba
28.	Hon. Jalloh Memunatu	APC	Port Loko
29.	Hon. Jalloh Osman Wurie	SLPP	Western Area Rural
30.	Hon. Johnny Tamba Simeon	SLPP	Kono
31.	Hon. Kabba Ibrahim	SLPP	Western Area Rural
32.	Hon. Kaisamba Francis Amara	SLPP	Kenema
33.	Hon. Kallon Hawa	SLPP	Pujehun



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34.	Hon. Kamara Abdulai A.	APC	Western Area Urban
35.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim	APC	Kambia
36.	Hon. Kamara Idriss Sahid	SLPP	Western Area Urban
37.	Hon. Kamara Joseph Abdul Bash	SLPP	Bo
38.	Hon. Kamara Mahmoud	APC	Western Area Urban
39.	Hon. Kamara Marie	APC	Bombali
40.	Hon. Kamara Rebecca Yei	SLPP	Kono
41.	Hon. Kamara Rugiatu	APC	Tonkolili
42.	Hon. Kanu Ahmed Joseph	SLPP	Western Area Rural
43.	Hon. Kanu Abdulai Karim	SLPP	Port Loko
44.	Hon. Kanu Rugiatu Rosy	APC	Western Area Urban
45.	Hon. Kargbo Abdul	APC	Port Loko
46.	Hon. Kargbo Amara Momoh	SLPP	Western Area Rural
47.	Hon. Kargbo Mohamed Sheriff	APC	Karene
48.	Hon. Kargbo Sheikh Santigie Ibrahim	SLPP	Port Loko
49.	Hon. Kargobai P.C Desmond Mahayei	-	Bo
50.	Hon. Kawaleh II P.C Kandeh Paria	-	Karene
51.	Hon. Kellie Lucinda Finda	APC	Kono
52.	Hon. Kellie Tamba	APC	Kono
53.	Hon. Koroma Aaron Aruna	APC	Tonkolili
54.	Hon. Koroma Daniel Brima	APC	Koinadugu
55.	Hon. Koroma Ernest Dura	APC	Kambia
56.	Hon. Koroma Ibrahim	SLPP	Kenema
57.	Hon. Koroma Meama Kajue P.C Haja Fatmata Bintu	-	Moyamba
58.	Hon. Koroma Peter Yamba	APC	Bombali
59.	Hon. Koroma Unpha Sorie Gbessay	APC	Western Area Urban
60.	Hon. Lahai Musa	SLPP	Kailahun
61.	Hon. Langley Beatrice Iyamide	SLPP	Western Area Rural
62.	Hon. Lansana P.C Bio Prince	-	Bonthe
63.	Hon. Larkoh Aruna Papay	APC	Tonkolili
64.	Hon. Lebbie Nenneh	SLPP	Bo
65.	Hon. Mackery Yusuf	SLPP	Bo
66.	Hon. Mansaray Brima	SLPP	Kenema
67.	Hon. Mansaray Konkofa Farah	SLPP	Koinadugu
68.	Hon. Marray – Conteh Abdul Sulaiman	SLPP	Western Area Urban
69.	Hon. Moijueh Jibrila Sur	SLPP	Bonthe
70.	Hon. Momodu Sahr Koutu	SLPP	Kono
71.	Hon. Moriba Amie Nyava	SLPP	Bo
72.	Hon. Munda Boston	SLPP	Kenema
73.	Hon. Ngbak IV P.C Bai Farama TassBubu	-	Kambia



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74.	Hon. Nyuma Mathew Sahr	SLPP	Kenema
75.	Hon. Quee Komba	SLPP	Kono
76.	Hon. Rogers Alex Mattia	SLPP	Pujehun
77.	Hon. Sandy Alice Kornya	SLPP	Kenema
78.	Hon. Sankoh – Yillah Ishmael	SLPP	Port Loko
79.	Hon. Saquee V P.C Paul Ngaba	-	Kono
80.	Hon. Sellu Mustapha Musa	SLPP	Moyamba
81.	Hon. Sesay Aminata	APC	Port Loko
82.	Hon. Sesay Jawah	APC	Tonkolili
83.	Hon. Sesay Pessima Mariatu Racheal	SLPP	Port Loko
84.	Hon. Sesay Veronica Kadie	SLPP	Moyamba
85.	Hon. Silikie Bashiru	SLPP	Bo
86.	Hon. Soukenah Fatmata Sarah	SLPP	Western Area Urban
87.	Hon. Tamu P. C. Saffa Monya	-	Pujehun
88.	Hon. Tarawally Cathrine Zainab	APC	Bombali
89.	Hon. Tarawalli-Mussaffa Rugiatu	SLPP	Kenema
90.	Hon. Taylor-Bangura Mabinty Alice	APC	Kambia
91.	Hon. Tengbeh Fallah Kenawah	SLPP	Kailahun
92.	Hon. Tholley Foyoh	SLPP	Tonkolili
93.	Hon. Thompson Alfred Ayodele	APC	Western Area Urban
94.	Hon. Timbo Osman Abdal	APC	Western Area Urban
95.	Hon. Tommy Sia Mahawa Habiamama	SLPP	Kono
96.	Hon. Tongi Emilia Lolloh	SLPP	Kailahun
97.	Hon. Tucker Tom Issic	APC	Kono
98.	Hon. Turay Alhaji Sorieba	APC	Tonkolili
99.	Hon. Turay Benjamin	SLPP	Western Area Urban
100.	Hon. Vandy Christopha Kekura	SLPP	Bo
101.	Hon. Williams – Lamin Joseph	SLPP	Bo
THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT:			
1.	Hon. Bangura Rose - Marie	APC	Tonkolili
2.	Hon. Conteh Hawa	APC	Koinadugu
3.	Hon. Dauda Idris Moiwei	SLPP	Bonthe
4.	Hon. George Edward	SLPP	Moyamba
5.	Hon. Gevao Hindolo Moiwo	SLPP	Kailahun
6.	Hon. Gondor II P.C. Foray Cyril	-	Kailahun
7.	Hon. Johnson Margaret Feimata	SLPP	Kailahun
8.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim	APC	Port Loko
9.	Hon. Kamara Mohamed Sheridan	APC	Kambia
10.	Hon. Kanneh P. C. Alameen	-	Kenema
11.	Hon. Kanneh Mohamed	SLPP	Kailahun
12.	Hon. Keiha III P.C Kandeh Baba	-	Bombali



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13.	Hon. Kemokai Abu	SLPP	Pujehun
14.	Hon. Lebby Ambrose Maada	SLPP	Bo
15.	Hon. Mansaray Alpha Ben	APC	Moyamba
16.	Hon. Mansaray Hamidu Holla	APC	Koinadugu
17.	Hon. Rahman – Coker Mohamed Sheriff	SLPP	Western Area Urban
18.	Hon. Salia – Konneh Quintin	SLPP	Kailahun
19.	Hon. Sama Shiaka Musa	SLPP	Pujehun
20.	Hon. Shaw Mohamed Billoh	SLPP	Falaba
21.	Hon. Zombo Mariama Munia	SLPP	Pujehun

**THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT WITH AN
EXCUSE:**

1.	Hon. Bah Alpha Amadu	APC	Western Area Urban
2.	Hon. Bangura Cecilia Mabinty	APC	Karene
3.	Hon. Bangura Mariama	APC	Western Area Urban
4.	Hon. Bangura Mohamed Papa	APC	Bombali
5.	Hon. Barrie Ibrahim	APC	Bombali
6.	Hon. Conteh Adama	APC	Western Area Urban
7.	Hon. Conteh Mohamed	APC	Bombali
8.	Hon. Fofanah Abu Bakarr	APC	Wester Area n Rural
9.	Hon. Forna Mabinty	APC	Tonkolili
10.	Hon. Fatorma Juliana Aliematu	SLPP	Kenema
11.	Hon. Jalloh Mohamed Alpha	APC	Bombali
12.	Hon. Kamara Alusine Bash	APC	Karene
13.	Hon. Kanbgai Beatrice Maaya	SLPP	Bo
14.	Hon. Kargbo John Sartty	APC	Western Area Rural
15.	Hon. Kumabeh Alice Jebbeh	SLPP	Bonthe
16.	Hon. Lamina Saa Emerson	SLPP	Kono
17.	Hon. Marrah III P.C Alie BalanSama	-	Koinadugu
18.	Hon. Marrah III P.C Thor Thor Sheku Terenah Tongos Neya Konkoroba Fanko Lai	-	Falaba
19.	Hon. Moigua Musa Peter	SLPP	Kenema
20.	Hon. Pyne Umu	SLPP	Moyamba
21.	Hon. Rogers Dickson Momoh	SLPP	Pujehun
22.	Hon. Sesay Abdul Latiff	APC	Port Loko
23.	Hon. Sesay Sallieu Osman	APC	Bombali
24.	Hon. Siafa Rosaline Hawa	SLPP	Kailahun
25.	Hon. Songa Wuyatta Bernadette	SLPP	Kailahun
26.	Hon. Tunis Sidie Mohamed	SLPP	Pujehun

Pronouncement of Quorum:



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The Deputy Clerk of Parliament, **Mr. Gilbert Bosco N'habay**, Made the following pronouncement as quoted: **"Mr. Speaker, Hon. Members. Pursuant to Section 89 of the Constitution of Sierra Leone 1991 (Act No. 6 of 1991) in tandem with S.O. 7(1) of the Standing Orders of Parliament, this House has now had a quorum to commence its proceedings"**.

1. Prayers were read by Ms. Esther Boima (Table Clerk).

2. Suspension of Standing Order 5(2)

The motion for the suspension of S O 5(2) at 10:30 a.m. was moved by **Hon. Veronica Kadie Sesay** from **Moyamba District**. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Nenneh Lebbie** from **Bo District** and approved by the House.

3. Adoption of the Records of Votes and Proceedings for Friday 20th December and Saturday 21st December 2024 Respectively:

The motion for the adoption of the Records of Votes and Proceedings for Friday 20th December and Saturday 21st December 2024 respectively was moved by **Hon. Joseph Williams-Lamin** from **Bo District**. It was seconded by **Hon. Idriss Sahid Kamara** from **Western Area Urban** and adopted by the House.

4. Mr. Speaker's Announcement:

The Rt. Hon. Speaker, **Segepoh Solomon Thomas**, informed the House about the conduct of a journalist called Melvin Tejan Mansaray. He said the journalist had been engaging several media houses, criticizing the decisions of Parliament with the latest been the Auditor General's Report. Mr. Speaker stated that, on that day, he tried the best he could to ensure that the procedures and processes of Parliament were transparent. He ensured that the process was done in the presence of individuals in the gallery to allow for public observation, and also commended the Clerk of Parliament for effectively maintaining order during the session. He further said that he made a ruling to a particular Constitutional matter. He also stated that, when Parliament makes ruling, it behooves citizens who are dissatisfied to seek redress from the Supreme Court for interpretation of certain Provisions. He further stated that Parliament is an open Parliament where citizens are free to approach them as to the decisions they make and they would tell you why they made those decisions. But he (Melvin Tejan Mansaray) had taken upon himself and gone all around the place criticizing not only the ruling of Mr. Speaker, but the decision of Parliament. He said that such behavior does not reflect the type of journalism the country needs, nor the kind of journalism the House should tolerate. He therefore made ruled.



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5.Mr. Speaker's Ruling:

The Rt. Speaker, **Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas**, ruled that Melvin Tejan Mansaray, a Journalist shall not have, henceforth, any access to the precincts of Parliament until such time when Parliament shall decide.

6. Amendment of Order Paper:

The Majority Leader, **Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma**, from **Kenema District** moved a motion to amend the Order Paper by expunging roman figure **ii** under item **IV (Bills)**. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Bashiru Silikie** from **Bo District** and approved by the House.

7. Motion of the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service:

Proposer: Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma

Seconded: Hon. Bashiru Silikie

"Be It Resolved That: The Sixth Report of the Second Session of the Sixth Parliament of the Committee on Appointments and the Public Service be adopted by the House and that the recommendations contained therein be approved."

The Chairman of the Parliamentary **Committee on Appointments and the Public Service**, **Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma** from **Kenema District**, presented the **Sixth** Report of the Second Session of the Sixth Parliament of the Second Republic of Sierra Leone on the vetting of presidential nomination to the House and the recommendations contained therein on the following presidential nominees.

- i. Madam Michaela Barbara Eddina Swallow - Proposed Deputy Permanent Representative 2(Legal) of the United Nations.**
- ii. Mr. Allan Spaceline Toboku Metzger – Proposed Member, Electricity Generation and Transmission Company (EGTC).**



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Debate

No	Names of Hon. Members	Party	District
1.	Hon. Bashiru Silikie	SLPP	Bo
2.	Hon. Abdul Kargbo	APC	Port Loko
3.	Hon. Mathew Sahr Nyuma	SLPP	Kenema

8. Bill:

The National Petroleum Regulatory Authority Act, 2024

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, called upon the Minister of Trade and Industry to proceed with the Introduction and First Reading of the Bill.

Introduction and First Reading:

The Minister of Trade and Industry, **Mr. Ibrahim Alpha Sesay**, moved that the Bill entitled: **"The National Petroleum Regulatory Authority Act, 2024"** be read the First Time.

Mr. Speaker put the question for vote as quoted:

"All those in favour, say Aye."

"All those against, say Nay."

Through collection of voices, Mr. Speaker declared that the Ayes had it.

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, pronounced that the Bill entitled: **"The National Petroleum Regulatory Authority Act, 2024"**, had been read the **First Time**

Second Reading:

The Minister of Trade and Industry, **Mr. Ibrahim Alpha Sesay**, moved that the Bill entitled: **"The National Petroleum Regulatory Authority Act, 2024"** be read the Second Time. He presented the objects and reasons of the Bill to the House and again moved that the Bill be read the Second Time.

Mr. Speaker proposed the question for debate.

The following Hon. Members contributed to the debate



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No	Names of Hon. Members	Party	District
1.	Hon. Veronica Kadie Sesay	SLPP	Moyamba
2.	Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara	APC	Kambia
3.	Hon. Ibrahim Tawa Conteh	SLPP	Western Urban Area

9. Suspension of Standing Order 5 (2) at 12 Noon:

The motion for the suspension of S O 5(2) at 12 noon was moved by **Hon. Veronica Kadie Sesay** from **Moyamba District**. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Francis Amara Kaisamba** from **Kenema District** and approved by the House.

Debate Continued:

No	Names of Hon. Members	Party	District
4.	Hon. Osman Charles Abdulai	SLPP	Bo
5.	Hon. Dr. Unpha Sorie Gbessay Koroma	APC	Western Urban Area
6.	Hon. Mohamed Bangura	APC	Karene
7.	Hon. Bashiru Silikie	SLPP	Bo
8.	Hon. Daniel B. Koroma (Deputy Minority Leader 1)	APC	Koinadugu
9.	Hon. Mathew SahrNyuma (Majority Leader)	SLPP	Kenema

Mr. Speaker stood down the House at 1:00 p.m.
The House resumed at 1:10 p.m.

Continued Proceedings

The Minister of Trade and Industry, **Mr. Ibrahim Alpha Sesay**, responded to the issues raised by Hon. Members and again moved that the Bill be read the Second Time.

Mr. Speaker put the question for vote as quoted:

"All those in favour, say Aye."

"All those against, say Nay."

Through collection of voices, Mr. Speaker declared that the Ayes had it.

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Francis Ernest Farma**, pronounced that the Bill entitled: **"The National Petroleum Regulatory Authority Act, 2024"**. Being an Act to provide for the continuation of the Petroleum Regulatory Authority which shall be known as the National Petroleum Regulatory Authority and shall continue to provide for the regulation of the petroleum downstream industry including the licensing, monitoring and supervision of refineries, transportation, marketing and retail activities and to provide for other related matters, had been read the Second Time.



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10. Standing Order 51 (Committal of Bills)

The Leader of Government Business, **Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma** from **Kenema District**, moved a motion that the Bill entitled “**The National Petroleum Regulatory Authority Act, 2024**” be committed to the Legislative Committee for further scrutiny. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Daniel B. Koroma**, from **Koinadugu District**, and approved by the House.

11. Standing Order 23 (Personal Explanation):

- I. Hon. Fallah KenewaTengbeh** from **Kailahun District**, stood on SO 23 and informed the House that few days into the year 2025, Guineans crossed the Mokona River, came to Sierra Leone and collected data by flying up drones and using mobile tablets and so on, possibly with the intention of conducting catographic mapping to be added to the Guinean map. He said this issue should be seriously looked into. He also brought to the attention of the House that food items and other commodities around the Kissy kingdom was increasing due to the bad condition of roads. He further said that there was almost a cutoff with limited vehicles entering into Koindu. He asked that the SLRA kindly grade the roads so that goods would be transported and the prices could return to normal as in other places.

Mr. Speaker urged him to write a letter to both the Chairmen on Committee on Defence and Committee on Works.

- II. Hon. Sheikh Santigie Ibrahim Kargbo** from **Port Loko District**, rose on SO 23 and informed the House about an information from the people of Kafu Bullom. The families owning the land where the Freetown International Airport is situated. He said they complained that they had not been paid their lease rents for the past four years, and all the facilities granted to them were upheld. He asked the House to please look into their concern.

Mr. Speaker advised him to let the people write a petition to Parliament, and signed by all those concerned.

Adjournment:

**Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to Tuesday 14th January 2025, at 10:00 a.m.
The House rose at 13:55 p.m.**



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