



**VP: Vol. 12** 

[Ref: OP/6/02/12] THURSDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2024

### The House Met at 10:00 a.m. The Rt. Speaker, Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas, Presided.

#### I. Attendance:

	THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE PRESENT:		
NO	NAME	PARTY	DISTRICT
1.	Hon. Amara Haja Miatta	APC	Western Area Rural
2.	Hon. Bah Alpha Amadu	APC	Western Area Urban
3.	Hon. Bah Zinab	APC	Western Area Rural
4.	Hon. Bangura Abdul Karim	SLPP	Karene
5.	Hon. Bangura Adama	SLPP	Kambia
6.	Hon. Bangura Daniel Amadu	APC	Tonkolili
7.	Hon. Bangura Ibrahim Aziz	APC	Port Loko
8.	Hon. Bangura Mohamed Papa	APC	Bombali
9.	Hon. Banya Sarty	SLPP	Kailahun
10.	Hon. Bangura Cecilia Mabinty	APC	Karene
11.	Hon. Bangura Mariama	APC	Western Area Urban
12.	Hon. Bangura Mohamed	APC	Karene
13.	Hon. Barrie Ibrahim	APC	Bombali
14.	Hon. Bayoh Alie	SLPP	Kenema
15.	Hon. Boima Sylvester Arnold Maxwell (Rtd. Capt.)	SLPP	Moyamba
16.	Hon. Conteh Ibrahim Tawa	SLPP	Western Area Urban
17.	Hon. Conteh Kemokoh	APC	Western Area Rural
18.	Hon. Conteh Paul Samba	APC	Bombali
19.	Hon. Edwin Moses A.	SLPP	Bonthe
20.	Hon. Fabbah Habib Keifa	SLPP	Во
21.	Hon. Fornah Daniel	APC	Tonkolili
22.	Hon. Forna Mabinty	APC	Tonkolili
23.	Hon. Gbereh III P.C Bai Shebora Sheba	P.C	Port Loko
24.	Hon. George Edward	SLPP	Moyamba
25.	Hon. Gondor II P.C. Foray Cyril	-	Kailahun
26.	Hon. Jalloh Memunatu	APC	Port Loko
27.	Hon. Jalloh Mohamed Alpha	APC	Bombali
28.	Hon. Jalloh Osman Wurie	SLPP	Western Area Rural
29.	Hon. Kabba Ibrahim	SLPP	Western Area Rural
30.	Hon. Kaisamba Francis Amara	SLPP	Kenema
31.	Hon. Kamara Abdulai A.	APC	Western Area Urban
32.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim	APC	Kambia





33.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim	APC	Port Loko
34.	Hon. Kamara Alusine Bash	APC	Karene
35.	Hon. Kamara Idriss Sahid	SLPP	Western Area Urban
36.	Hon. Kamara Joseph Abdul Bash	SLPP	Во
37.	Hon. Kamara Mahmoud	APC	Western Area Urban
38.	Hon. Kamara Marie	APC	Bombali
39.	Hon. Kamara Rugiatu	APC	Tonkolili
40.	Hon. Kanneh Mohamed	SLPP	Kailahun
41.	Hon. Kanu Abdulai Karim	SLPP	Port Loko
42.	Hon. Kanu Rugiatu Rosy	APC	Western Area Urban
43.	Hon. Kargbo Abdul	APC	Port Loko
44.	Hon. Kargbo Amara Momoh	SLPP	Western Area Rural
45.	Hon. Kargbo John Sartty	APC	Western Area Rural
46.	Hon. Kargbo Sheikh Santigie Ibrahim	SLPP	Port Loko
47.	Hon. Kargobai P.C Desmond Mahayei	-	Во
48.	Hon. Kawaleh II P.C Kandeh Paria	-	Karene
49.	Hon. Kellie Lucinda Finda	APC	Kono
50.	Hon. Koroma Aaron Aruna	APC	Tonkolili
51.	Hon. Koroma Daniel Brima	APC	Koinadugu
52.	Hon. Koroma Peter Yamba	APC	Bombali
53.	Hon. Koroma Unpha Sorie Gbessay	APC	Wester Area n Urban
54.	Hon. Lahai Musa	SLPP	Kailahun
55.	Hon. Lamina Saa Emerson	SLPP	Kono
56.	Hon. Langley Beatrice Iyamide	SLPP	Western Area Rural
57.	Hon. Lansana P.C Bio Prince	-	Bonthe
58.	Hon. Larkoh Aruna Papay	APC	Tonkolili
59.	Hon. Lebby Ambrose Maada	SLPP	Во
60.	Hon. Lebbie Nenneh	SLPP	Во
61.	Hon. Mansaray Brima	SLPP	Kenema
62.	Hon. Mansaray Hamidu Holla	APC	Koinadugu
63.	Hon. Mansaray Konkofa Farah	SLPP	Koinadugu
64.	Hon. Marray – Conteh Abdul Sulaiman	SLPP	Western Area Urban
65.	Hon. Marrah III P.C Thor Thor Sheku Terenah Tongos Neya Konkoroba	-	Falaba
	Fanko Lai		
66.	Hon. Moigua Musa Peter	SLPP	Kenema
67.	Hon. Moijueh Jibrila Sur	SLPP	Bonthe
68.	Hon. Momodu Sahr Koutu	SLPP	Kono
69.	Hon. Moriba Amie Nyava	SLPP	Во
70.	Hon. Munda Boston	SLPP	Kenem
71.	Hon. Ngbak IV P.C Bai Farama Tass Bubu	-	Kambia
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72.	Hon. Nyuma Mathew Sahr	SLPP	Kenema
73.	Hon. Quee Komba	SLPP	Kono
74.	Hon. Rahman – Coker Mohamed Sheriff	SLPP	Western Area Urban
75.	Hon. Rogers Alex Mattia	SLPP	Pujehun
76.	Hon. Rogers Dickson Momoh	SLPP	Pujehun
77.	Hon. Salia – Konneh Quintin	SLPP	Kailahun
78.	Hon. Sama Shiaka Musa	SLPP	Pujehun
79.	Hon. Sandy Alice Kornya	SLPP	Kenema
80.	Hon. Saquee V P.C Paul Ngaba	-	Kono
81.	Hon. Sellu Mustapha Musa	SLPP	Moyamba
82.	Hon. Sesay Abdul Latiff	APC	Port Loko
83.	Hon. Sesay Aminata	APC	Port Loko
84.	Hon. Sesay Jawah	APC	Tonkolili
85.	Hon. Sesay Pessima Mariatu Racheal	SLPP	Port Loko
86.	Hon. Sesay Veronica Kadie	SLPP	Moyamba
87.	Hon. Shaw Mohamed Billoh	SLPP	Falaba
88.	Hon. Silikie Bashiru	SLPP	Во
89.	Hon. Songa Wuyatta Bernadette	SLPP	Kailahun
90.	Hon. Soukenah Fatmata Sarah	SLPP	Western Area Urban
91.	Hon. Tarawalli-Mussaffa Rugiatu	SLPP	Kenema
92.	Hon. Taylor-Bangura Mabinty Alice	APC	Kambia
93.	Hon. Tengbeh Fallah Kenawah	SLPP	Kailahun
94.	Hon. Tholley Foyoh	SLPP	Tonkolili
95.	Hon. Thompson Alfred Ayodele	APC	Western Area Urban
96.	Hon. Timbo Osman Abdal	APC	Western Area Urban
97.	Hon. Tommy Sia Mahawa Habiama	SLPP	Kono
98.	Hon. Tongi Emilia Lolloh	SLPP	Kailahun
99.	Hon. Tucker Tom Issic	APC	Kono
100.	Hon. Turay Benjamin	SLPP	Western Area Urban
101.	Hon. Vandy Christopha Kekura	SLPP	Во
102.	Hon. Williams – Lamin Joseph	SLPP	Во
	THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT W	ERE ABSEN	T:
1.	Hon. Bockarie Bintu Fatmata	SLPP	Bonthe
2.	Hon. Bockarie Momoh	SLPP	Kenema
3.	Hon. Conteh Adama	APC	Western Area Urban
4.	Hon. Conteh John Charles	APC	Bombali
5.	Hon. Gevao Hindolo Moiwo	SLPP	Kailahun
6.	Hon. Jabbie Alpha Fodie Madie	SLPP	Falaba
7.	Hon. Johnny Tamba Simeon	SLPP	Kono
8.	Hon. Kanamanka III P.C Alhaji Masakama	-	Tonkolili





9.	Hon. Kanneh P. C. Alameen	-	Kenema
10.	Hon. Kanu Ahmed Joseph	SLPP	Western Area Rural
11.	Hon. Keiha III P.C Kandeh Baba	-	Bombali
12.	Hon. Kellie Tamba	APC	Kono
13.	Hon. Kemokai Abu	SLPP	Pujehun
14.	Hon. Koroma Ibrahim	SLPP	Kenema
15.	Hon. Sankoh – Yillah Ishmael	SLPP	Port Loko
16.	Hon. Zombo Mariama Munia	SLPP	Pujehun
THE	FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT	WITH AN E	XCUSE:
1.	Hon. Abdulai Charles Osman	SLPP	ВО
2.	Hon. Aruna Massay Ngahiteh	SLPP	Во
3.	Hon. Bangura Rose - Marie	APC	Tonkolili
4.	Hon. Conteh Hawa	APC	Koinadugu
5.	Hon. Conteh Mohamed	APC	Bombali
6.	Hon. Daramy Princess Kadie	SLPP	Western Area Urban
7.	Hon. Dauda Idris Moiwai	SLPP	Bonthe
8.	Hon. Fatorma Juliana Aliematu	SLPP	Kenema
9.	Hon. Fofanah Abu Bakarr	APC	Wester Area n Rural
10.	Hon. Fofanah Mohamed Tawallie	SLPP	Kambia
11.	Hon. Fofanah Musa	SLPP	Kono
12.	Hon. Goba Mariama Ella	SLPP	Kenema
13.	Hon. Johnson Margaret Feimata	SLPP	Kailahun
14.	Hon. Kallon Hawa	SLPP	Pujehun
15.	Hon. Kamara Mohamed Sheridan	APC	Kambia
16.	Hon. Kamara Rebecca Yei	SLPP	Kono
17.	Hon. Kanbgai Beatrice Maaya	SLPP	Во
18.	Hon. Kargbo Mohamed Sheriff	APC	Karene
19.	Hon. Koroma Ernest Dura	APC	Kambia
20.	Hon. Koroma Meama Kajue P.C Haja Fatmata Bintu	-	Moyamba
21.	Hon. Kumabeh Alice Jebbeh	SLPP	Bonthe
22.	Hon. Mackery Yusuf	SLPP	Во
23.	Hon. Mansaray Alpha Ben	APC	Moyamba
24.	Hon. Marrah III P.C Alie Balan Sama	-	Koinadugu
25.	Hon. Pyne Umu	SLPP	Moyamba
26.	Hon. Sesay Sallieu Osman	APC	Bombali
27.	Hon. Siafa Rosaline Hawa	SLPP	Kailahun
28.	Hon. Tamu P . C. Saffa Monya	-	Pujehun
29.	Hon. Tarawally Cathrine Zainab	APC	Bombali
30.	Hon. Tunis Sidie Mohamed	SLPP	Pujehun
31.	Hon. Turay Alhaji Sorieba	APC	Tonkolili





#### 1. Prayers were read by Mr. Alimamy Lincoln-Bangura (Table Clerk).

#### 2. Suspension of Standing Order 5 (2)

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

#### 3. Amendment of Order Paper:

The Leader of Government Business and Majority Leader (Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma from Kenema District) moved a motion to amend the Order Paper by expunging Item IV (Laying of Paper). The motion was seconded by Hon. Bashiru Silikie from Bo District and approved by the House.

#### 4. Adoption of the Record of Votes and Proceedings for Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2024:

The motion for the adoption of the Record of Votes and Proceedings for Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2024 was moved by **Hon. Francis A. Kaisamba** from **Kenema District.** It was seconded by **Hon. Veronica K. Sesay** from **Moyamba District** and adopted by the House.

Mr. Speaker stood down the House at 10:28 a.m. The House resumed at 11:15 a.m.

#### 5. Bill: The Finance Act, 2025 by The Minister of Finance

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Prince Oviasuyui**, called upon **The Minister of Finance** to proceed with the Introduction and First Reading of the Bill.

#### I. <u>Introduction and First Reading:</u>

The Minister of Finance (Mr. Alhaji Sheku Fantamadi Bangura) moved that the Bill entitled: "The Finance Act, 2025" 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. Prince Oviasuyui, pronounced that the Bill entitled: "The Finance Act, 2025" had been read the First Time.





#### Second Reading:

The Minister of Finance (Mr. Alhaji Sheku Fantamadi Bangura) moved that the Bill entitled: "The Finance Act, 2025" 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 a question for the House to debate the merits and principles of the Bill.

The following Hon. Members spoke to the Bill:

No.	Names of Honourable Members	Party	District
1.	Hon. Francis A. Kaisamba	SLPP	Kenema
2.	Hon. Aaron Aruna Koroma	APC	Tonkolili
3.	Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara	APC	Kambia
4.	Hon. Daniel B. Koroma	APC	Koinadugu

#### 6. Suspension of Standing Order 5 (2) at Noon:

The motion for the suspension of S O 5 (2) at 12 noon was moved by **Hon. Veronica K. Sesay** from **Moyamba District.** The motion was seconded by **Hon. Daniel B. Koroma from Koinadugu District** and approved by the House.

#### **Debate Continued:**

5.	Hon. Ibrahim Tawa Conteh	SLPP	Western Urban
6.	Hon. Abdul Kargbo - Minority Leader	APC	Port Loko
7.	Hon. Mathew S. Nyuma – Majority Leader	SLPP	Kenema

The Minister of Finance (Mr. Alhaji Sheku Fantamadi Bangura) responded to the issues raised by Hon. Members and further moved that the Bill entitled: "The Finance Act, 2025" 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. Prince Oviasuyui, pronounced that the Bill entitled: "The Finance Act, 2025" had been read the Second Time.





Mr. Speaker stood down the House at 1:50 p.m. The House resumed at 3:45 p.m.

#### 7. Suspension of Standing Order 5 (2):

The motion for the suspension of S O 5 (2) at 3:45 p.m. was moved by **Hon. Veronica K. Sesay** from **Moyamba District.** The motion was seconded by **Hon. Emilia Lolloh Tongi from Kailahun District** and approved by the House.

**Committee Stage** – The House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole.

[The Mace was covered; the wigs of Mr. Speaker and the Table Clerks were taken off, and Mr. Speaker was addressed as Mr. Chairman].

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Prince Oviasuyui**, pronounced that Clauses 1 to 17 and the Schedule stand part of the Bill.

The Minister of Finance (Mr. Alhaji Sheku Fantamadi Bangura) moved that Clauses 1 to 17 and the Schedule stand part of the Bill.

Mr. Chairman proposed a question for debate.

The debate was done. Some amendments were made.

Mr. Chairman put the question for vote as quoted:

"All those in favour, say Aye."

"All those against, say Nay."

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

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Prince Oviasuyui**, pronounced that Clauses 1 to 17 and the Schedule had formed part of the Bill as amended."

The House resumed from the Committee of the Whole [The Mace was uncovered; Mr. Chairman was then addressed as Mr. Speaker, and the wigs of Mr. Speaker and the Table Clerks were worn on].





#### Report Stage:

The Minister of Finance (Mr. Alhaji Sheku Fantamadi Bangura) reported to the House that the Bill entitled: "The Finance Act, 2025" had gone through Committee of the whole House with some amendments.

#### Third Reading:

The Minister of Finance (Mr. Alhaji Sheku Fantamadi Bangura) moved that the Bill be read the Third Time and passed into law.

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. Prince Oviasuyi, pronounced that the Bill entitled: "The Finance Act, 2025" with its long title: "" had been read the Third Time and passed into law.

#### 8. Standing Order 23 (Personal Explanations):

The following Hon. Members stood on SO 23:

**I. Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara from Kambia District** rose on SO 23 and informed the House about the burial ceremony of the Father of **Hon. Peter Y. Koroma** which would take place on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2024 at Makeni. He noted that because of the said burial ceremony, all of the Opposition Members of Parliament from Bombali District as well as the surrounding districts would be absent for the sittings slated for Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2024 in order to pay their last respects to the father of their colleague. He pleaded with Mr. Speaker to consider their absent for the next sittings with that reasonable excuse.

#### Mr. Speaker's Response:

The Rt. Speaker, **Hon. Segepoh S. Thomas**, granted an excuse to those Hon. Members that would be absent for the said sittings.





II. **Hon. P C Alhaji Kandeh Paria Kawalleh** from **Karene District** informed the House about a bridge between Makeni and Kamakwe that had collapsed. He called upon the Government through the good office of Mr. Speaker to reconstruct the said bridge.

#### Mr. Speaker's Response:

The Rt. Speaker, **Hon. Segepoh S. Thomas,** called upon the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee on Works and Public Assets to look into the concerns raised by the Hon. P C from Karene District.

#### **Adjournment:**

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. The House rose at 5:00 p.m.