



**SIXTH PARLIAMENT
OF THE SECOND REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE
SECOND SESSION, 2024/2025
FIRST MEETING OF PARLIAMENT
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOURTY-FIFTH SITTING**



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TUESDAY 6TH MAY, 2025

**The House Met at 10:05 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. Abdulai Charles Osman	SLPP	Bo
2.	Hon. Amara Haja Miatta	APC	Western Area Rural
3.	Hon. Aruna Massay Ngahiteh	SLPP	Bo
4.	Hon. Bah Alpha Amadu	APC	Western Area Urban
5.	Hon. Bah Zinab	APC	Western Area Rural
6.	Hon. Bangura Abdul Karim	SLPP	Karene
7.	Hon. Bangura Cecilia Mabinty	APC	Karene
8.	Hon. Bangura Daniel Amadu	APC	Tonkolili
9.	Hon. Bangura Ibrahim Aziz	APC	Port Loko
10.	Hon. Bangura Mariama	APC	Western Area Urban
11.	Hon. Bangura Mohamed	APC	Karene
12.	Hon. Barrie Ibrahim	APC	Bombali
13.	Hon. Bayoh Alie	SLPP	Kenema
14.	Hon. Bockarie Momoh	SLPP	Kenema
15.	Hon. Boima Sylvester Arnold Maxwell (Rtd. Capt.)	SLPP	Moyamba
16.	Hon. Conteh Hawa	APC	Koinadugu
17.	Hon. Conteh Ibrahim Tawa	SLPP	Western Area Urban
18.	Hon. Conteh Kemokoh	APC	Western Area Rural
19.	Hon. Conteh Mohamed	APC	Bombali
20.	Hon. Conteh Paul Samba	APC	Bombali
21.	Hon. Daramy Princess Kadie	SLPP	Western Area Urban
22.	Hon. Dauda Idris Moiwai	SLPP	Bonthe
23.	Hon. Fabbah Habib Keifa	SLPP	Bo
24.	Hon. Fatorma Juliana Aliematu	SLPP	Kenema
25.	Hon. Fofanah Abu Bakarr	APC	Western Area Rural
26.	Hon. Fofanah Mohamed Tawallie	SLPP	Kambia
27.	Hon. Fofanah Musa	SLPP	Kono
28.	Hon. Fornah Daniel	APC	Tonkolili
29.	Hon. Forna Mabinty	APC	Tonkolili
30.	Hon. Gbreh III P.C Bai Shebora Sheba	P.C	Port Loko
31.	Hon. George Edward	SLPP	Moyamba
32.	Hon. Gevao Hindolo Moiwo	SLPP	Kailahun



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33.	Hon. Goba Mariama Ella	SLPP	Kenema
34.	Hon. Gondor II P.C. Foray Cyril	-	Kailahun
35.	Hon. Jabbie Alpha Fodie Madie	SLPP	Falaba
36.	Hon. Jalloh Memunatu	APC	Port Loko
37.	Hon. Jalloh Mohamed Alpha	APC	Bombali
38.	Hon. Jalloh Osman Wurie	SLPP	Western Area Rural
39.	Hon. Kabba Ibrahim	SLPP	Western Area Rural
40.	Hon. Kallon Hawa	SLPP	Pujehun
41.	Hon. Kamara Abdulai A.	APC	Western Area Urban
42.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim	APC	Kambia
43.	Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim	APC	Port Loko
44.	Hon. Kamara Alusine Bash	APC	Karene
45.	Hon. Kamara Idriss Sahid	SLPP	Western Area Urban
46.	Hon. Kamara Joseph Abdul Bash	SLPP	Bo
47.	Hon. Kamara Mahmoud	APC	Western Area Urban
48.	Hon. Kamara Marie	APC	Bombali
49.	Hon. Kamara Rebecca Yei	SLPP	Kono
50.	Hon. Kamara Rugiatu	APC	Tonkolili
51.	Hon. Kanu Abdulai Karim	SLPP	Port Loko
52.	Hon. Kanu Rugiatu Rosy	APC	Western Area Urban
53.	Hon. Kargbo Amara Momoh	SLPP	Western Area Rural
54.	Hon. Kargbo John Sartty	APC	Western Area Rural
55.	Hon. Kargbo Mohamed Sheriff	APC	Karene
56.	Hon. Kargbo Sheikh Santigie Ibrahim	SLPP	Port Loko
57.	Hon. Kargobai P.C Desmond Mahayei	-	Bo
58.	Hon. Kawaleh II P.C Kandeh Paria	-	Karene
59.	Hon. Keiha III P.C Kandeh Baba	-	Bombali
60.	Hon. Kellie Lucinda Finda	APC	Kono
61.	Hon. Kellie Tamba	APC	Kono
62.	Hon. Kemokai Abu	SLPP	Pujehun
63.	Hon. Koroma Aaron Aruna	APC	Tonkolili
64.	Hon. Koroma Ernest Dura	APC	Kambia
65.	Hon. Koroma Meama Kajue P.C Haja Fatmata Bintu	-	Moyamba
66.	Hon. Koroma Peter Yamba	APC	Bombali
67.	Hon. Kumabeh Alice Jebbeh	SLPP	Bonthe
68.	Hon. Lahai Musa	SLPP	Kailahun
69.	Hon. Larkoh Aruna Papay	APC	Tonkolili
70.	Hon. Langley Beatrice Iyamide	SLPP	Western Area Rural
71.	Hon. Lansana P.C Bio Prince	-	Bonthe
72.	Hon. Lebbie Nenneh	SLPP	Bo



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73.	Hon. Mackery Yusuf	SLPP	Bo
74.	Hon. Mansaray Alpha Ben	APC	Moyamba
75.	Hon. Mansaray Brima	SLPP	Kenema
76.	Hon. Marrah III P.C Alie Balan Sama	-	Koinadugu
77.	Hon. Marrah III P.C Thor Thor Sheku Terenah Tongos Neya Konkoroba Fanko Lai	-	Falaba
78.	Hon. Marray – Conteh Abdul Sulaiman	SLPP	Western Area Urban
79.	Hon. Moigua Musa Peter	SLPP	Kenema
80.	Hon. Momodu Sahr Koutu	SLPP	Kono
81.	Hon. Moriba Amie Nyava	SLPP	Bo
82.	Hon. Ngbak IV P.C Bai Farama Tass Bubu	-	Kambia
83.	Hon. Nyuma Mathew Sahr	SLPP	Kenema
84.	Hon. Pyne Umu	SLPP	Moyamba
85.	Hon. Rahman – Coker Mohamed Sheriff	SLPP	Western Area Urban
86.	Hon. Rogers Alex Mattia	SLPP	Pujehun
87.	Hon. Rogers Dickson Momoh	SLPP	Pujehun
88.	Hon. Salia – Konneh Quintin	SLPP	Kailahun
89.	Hon. Sama Shiaka Musa	SLPP	Pujehun
90.	Hon. Sandy Alice Kornya	SLPP	Kenema
91.	Hon. Sankoh – Yillah Ishmael	SLPP	Port Loko
92.	Hon. Saquee V P.C Paul Ngaba	-	Kono
93.	Hon. Sellu Mustapha Musa	SLPP	Moyamba
94.	Hon. Sesay Pessima Mariatu Racheal	SLPP	Port Loko
95.	Hon. Sesay Sallieu Osman	APC	Bombali
96.	Hon. Siafa Rosaline Hawa	SLPP	Kailahun
97.	Hon. Silikie Bashiru	SLPP	Bo
98.	Hon. Soukenah Fatmata Sarah	SLPP	Western Area Urban
99.	Hon. Tamu P . C. Saffa Monya	-	Pujehun
100.	Hon. Taylor-Bangura Mabinty Alice	APC	Kambia
101.	Hon. Timbo Osman Abdal	APC	Western Area Urban
102.	Hon. Tucker Tom Issic	APC	Kono
103.	Hon. Vandy Christopha Kekura	SLPP	Bo
104.	Hon. Williams – Lamin Joseph	SLPP	Bo
105.	Hon. Zombo Mariama Munia	SLPP	Pujehun
THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT:			
1.	Hon. Bangura Rose - Marie	APC	Tonkolili
2.	Hon. Bockarie Bintu Fatmata	SLPP	Bonthe
3.	Hon. Conteh Adama	APC	Western Area Urban
4.	Hon. Edwin Moses A.	SLPP	Bonthe
5.	Hon. Johnson Margaret Feimata	SLPP	Kailahun



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6.	Hon. Johnny Tamba Simeon	SLPP	Kono
7.	Hon. Kamara Mohamed Sheridan	APC	Kambia
8.	Hon. Kanneh P. C. Alameen	-	Kenema
9.	Hon. Kanneh Mohamed	SLPP	Kailahun
10.	Hon. Kanu Ahmed Joseph	SLPP	Western Area Rural
11.	Hon. Koroma Ibrahim	SLPP	Kenema
12.	Hon. Mansaray Hamidu Holla	APC	Koinadugu
13.	Hon. Mansaray Konkofa Farah	SLPP	Koinadugu
14.	Hon. Moijueh Jibrila Sur	SLPP	Bonthe
15.	Hon. Quee Komba	SLPP	Kono
16.	Hon. Sesay Jawah	APC	Tonkolili
17.	Hon. Shaw Mohamed Billoh	SLPP	Falaba
18.	Hon. Tarawalli-Mussaffa Rugiatu	SLPP	Kenema
19.	Hon. Tengbeh Fallah Kenawah	SLPP	Kailahun
20.	Hon. Thompson Alfred Ayodele	APC	Western Area Urban
21.	Hon. Tholley Foyoh	SLPP	Tonkolili
22.	Hon. Tommy Sia Mahawa Habiam	SLPP	Kono
23.	Hon. Tongi Emilia Lolloh	SLPP	Kailahun
24.	Hon. Turay Benjamin	SLPP	Western Area Urban
THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT WITH AN EXCUSE:			
1.	Hon. Bangura Adama	SLPP	Kambia
2.	Hon. Bangura Mohamed Papa	APC	Bombali
3.	Hon. Banya Sarty	SLPP	Kailahun
4.	Hon. Conteh John Charles	APC	Bombali
5.	Hon. Kaisamba Francis Amara	SLPP	Kenema
6.	Hon. Kanbgai Beatrice Maaya	SLPP	Bo
7.	Hon. Kargbo Abdul	APC	Port Loko
8.	Hon. Koroma Daniel Brima	APC	Koinadugu
9.	Hon. Koroma Unpha Sorie Gbessay	APC	Western Area Urban
10.	Hon. Lamina Saa Emerson	SLPP	Kono
11.	Hon. Lebby Ambrose Maada	SLPP	Bo
12.	Hon. Munda Boston	SLPP	Kenem
13.	Hon. Sesay Abdul Latiff	APC	Port Loko
14.	Hon. Sesay Aminata	APC	Port Loko
15.	Hon. Sesay Veronica Kadie	SLPP	Moyamba
16.	Hon. Songa Bernadette Wuyatta	SLPP	Kailahun
17.	Hon. Tarawally Cathrine Zainab	APC	Bombali
18.	Hon. Tunis Sidie Mohamed	SLPP	Pujehun
19.	Hon. Turay Alhaji Sorieba	APC	Tonkolili



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i. Pronouncement of Quorum:

In consonance with the ruling made by Mr. Speaker, The Acting 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 SO 7(1) of the Standing Orders of this Parliament, this House has now had a quorum to commence its proceedings."**

ii. Prayers were read by Mr. Alimamy Lincoln Bangura (The Table Clerk).

1. Suspension of Standing Order 5 (2):

The motion for the suspension of S.O. 5 (2) at 10:15 am was moved by **Hon. Nenneh Lebbie from Bo District** for the commencement of proceedings. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Musa Fofanah from Kono District** and approved by the House.

2. Adoption of the Record of Votes and Proceedings for Tuesday 29th April, 2025:

The motion for the adoption of the Record of Votes and Proceedings for Tuesday 29th April 2025 was moved **Hon. Idriss Sahid Kamara from Western Urban District**. It was seconded by **Hon. Princess Kadie Daramy from Western Urban District** and adopted by the House.

3. Announcement by Mr. Speaker:

The Rt. Hon. Speaker (**Segepoh Solomon Thomas**) informed the House that immediately after the adjournment of sitting, he would have a meeting with the Leadership of Sierra Leone Peoples' Party (SLPP) in the Parliament together with the Clerk of Parliament. He urged every Member of the SLPP Leadership in Parliament to attend the meeting as it would be very important.

Mr. Speaker applauded Honorable Members for being punctual on that day's sitting as he was quite impressed about the attendance. He compared and contrasted the attendance of Hon. Members for that sitting to the previous sittings where he had to wait for almost an hour before achieving a Quorum. He reminded the House about the meeting that the House would have regarding attendance and punctuality of Hon. Members for sittings. He noted that the reason for the House to hold the said meeting was to lay down some Sanctions upon which all Hon. Members would agree to collectively uphold regarding attendance and punctuality.

4. Amendment of Order:

The Leader of Government Business, **Hon. Mathew Sahr Nyuma**, moved a motion to amend the Order Paper by expunging Item **"V" (Bill – The National Country Planning Act, 2024)** from the Order Paper. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Bashiru Silikie** and approved by the House.



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5. Mr. Speaker's Announcement:

The Rt. Hon. Speaker, **Segepoh Solomon Thomas**, informed the House that on Thursday 8th May, 2025 immediately after the adjournment of sitting there would be a meeting with all Chairmen of Parliamentary Committees at "Committee Room One." He urged all Chairmen of Parliamentary Committees to be present on that said meeting as important issues would be discussed.

6. Laying of Papers:

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Alimamy Lincoln Bangura**, called upon the Minister of Employment, Labour and Social Security to lay the following paper as itemized on the Order Paper.

A. Paper Laid by The Minister of Employment, Labour and Social Security

The Minister of Employment, Labour and Social Security, **Mr. Rahman Rado Swayray**, laid the following paper:

Agreements and Schedule of Conditions of Contract for the Development and Hosting of a Unified E-Resident and Work Permit System Between the Ministry of Employment, Labour and Social Security and the Ministry of Internal Affairs Through the Sierra Leone Immigration Department and Constrat System Limited Dated 12th February, 2025.

The Table Clerk, **Mr. Alimamy Lincoln Bangura**, called upon the Minister of Higher and Technical Education to lay the following papers as itemized on the Order Paper.

B. Paper Laid by The Minister of Technical and Higher Education.

The Minister of Higher and Technical Education, **Dr. Haja Ramatulai Wurie**, laid the following papers:

- (i) **Agreement on the Cooperation with Regard to the Creation of the West African Science Service Centre on Climate Change and Adapted Land Use Dated 10th February, 2012, Lome, Togo.**
- (ii) **Additional Act to the Cooperation Agreement Establishing the West African Science Service Center on Climate Change and Adapted Land Use (WASCAL) Dated 10th February 2012. Lome, Togo.**



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(iii) Constitution of the West African Science Service Center on Climate Change and Adapted Land Use (WASCAL) Text Adopted By The 1st WASCAL Council of Ministers on 10th February 2012, Lome, Togo.

7. Mr. Speaker's Announcement:

The Rt. Hon. Speaker, **Segepoh Solomon Thomas**, informed the House that on Wednesday 7th May, 2025, he would also have a meeting with the Leadership of the All People's Congress (APC) in Parliament in Mr. Speaker's Conference Room at 12:00 pm.

8. Standing Order (SO) 23 – Personal Explanations:

With the leave of Mr. Speaker and by the indulgence of the House, the following Hon. Members rose on SO 23:

- I. **Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara from Kambia District** informed the House about the saga of the West Africa Senior School Certificate Examination (**WASSCE**). He said that he would not relent to call upon the good office of Mr. Speaker to intervene in that issue. He informed the House that in addition to the students whom were omitted from taking the exam of which the Government of Sierra Leone had already paid for, another 100,000 students had been omitted again from taking the exams. He noted that the West African Examination Council (WAEC) had printed the register of Students that would be taking the exam from the cast year one which were sent in by schools almost two years ago, and that some students had moved from one school to another. He observed the normal tradition was that students had been moved from one school to another, they should be captured under the B.R.S. He stated that the said situation had been affecting every Member of Parliament in Sierra Leone, and that they should ignore that kind of situation and keep quiet as representatives. He demanded that through the leave of Mr. Speaker, the House should call upon the Minister of Basic and Senior Education to come and tell Members of Parliament what actually was the condition of the kids as parents of those kids were being put under undue pressure.

Mr. Speaker Response:

The Rt. Hon. Speaker, **Solomon Segepoh Thomas**, admonished **Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara from Kambia District** to do a write up for questions to the Minister of Basic and Secondary School Education (MBSSE). Mr. Speaker stated that he would invite the Minister of the said Ministry to the Chamber of Parliament on the next adjourned date to answer questions concerning the WASSCE saga. In lieu of the said admonishment, Mr. Speaker urged all other Hon. Members that would like to ask questions to do the needful. He further instructed the Deputy Clerk of Parliament to invite the Minister of Basic and Secondary School Education for Ministerial Statement on the next adjourned date (Thursday 8th May, 2025).



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Statement by the Chairman on Basic and Secondary Education:

The Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee on Basic and Secondary Education (**Hon. Alpha Fodie Madie Jabbie**) informed the House that the said issue had been dispelled by the West Africa Examination Council (WAEC) and the Ministry of Basic and Secondary Education (MBSSE) as the B.R.S. were fake. He noted that any student with a genuine B.R.S., the name of that candidate would be reflected on the approved list that was sent to WAEC by MBSSE, and that the said list would be pasted in all examination centers for each school. He stated that if there were students with genuine B.R.S. issues, let them bring that up through their school authorities to MBSSE as that would be resolved as soon as possible. He noted that there were so many fake B.R.S. going around.

- II. **Hon. Rebecca Yei Kamara** informed the House about the award given to Parliamentary Committee on Employment, Labor and Social security by the Ministry of Employment, Labor and social security on International Labours' Day during in three-day conference and award night in recognition of the good work that the Committee had been doing. She presented the award to Parliament on behalf of the Committee.

The Deputy Leader II of Opposition (**Hon. Aaron Aruna Koroma**) applauded the Hon. Member as the Chairman of the Labour Committee for her dedicated work. He noted that the Committee of Labour had been so effective under her watch.

- III. **Hon. Mustapha Musa Sellu** informed the House about the hazardous operations of mining companies in his constituency as the said companies had not been suppressing the dust on the roads that they had been plying, and that had been so disturbing for the people in his constituency. He noted that he had brought the issue for the third consecutive time, but nothing had been done about it.

The Acting Leader of Government Business (**Hon. Bashiru Silikie**) agreed with the Hon. Member for his emotional submission concerning the conditions of his people of which he had been brought to the attention of the House for the third time. He observed that the Ministry of Environment, the Ministry of Mines and the said companies should be summoned to the House for much better explanation. He encouraged and urged through the leave of Mr. Speaker that the Parliamentary Committees on Mines and Environment should do a joint oversight on the said issue and report to the House accordingly.

Mr. Speaker's Response:

The Rt. Hon. Speaker, **Segepoh Solomon Thomas**, stated that Parliament had all what it took to resolve any problem through its Parliamentary Committees, but when complaints were raised



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that ought to have been solved by certain Committees, nothing would be done. He noted that all Chairmen of Parliament were indirectly or directly representing him as Mr. Speaker when hearing issues that concerned their committees.

Hon. Aaron Aruna Koroma applauded Mr. Speaker for his compassionate ruling even though the submission by the said Hon Member was done under SO 23. He pleaded with Mr. Speaker to be making use of SO 19 (Questions to Ministers) as Mr. Speaker had once promised that the House would be using it to enquire into government policies.

Mr. Speaker's Announcement:

Mr. Speaker admonished all Chairmen of Committees that wanted to go on oversight to do a concept and submitted it to their Leaders for onward submission to the Office of Speakership.

Hon. Aruna Massay Ngahiteh appreciated Hon. Rebecca for representing the women of Parliament and the women of Sierra Leone as a whole.

8. Adjournment:

**Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to Tuesday 8th May, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.
The House rose at 11:55 p.m.**