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SECOND ALLOTTED DAY: PARLIAMENT CONTINUES PRESIDENTIAL DEBATES

The Parliament of Sierra Leone has on Tuesday 15/08/2023 continued debate on the Motion of Thanks to His Excellency the President, Dr. Julius Maada Bio address he so graciously delivered on the Occasion of the State Opening of the First Session of the Sixth Parliament of the Second Republic of Sierra Leone in the Chamber of Parliament on Thursday 3rd August, 2023.

In his submission to the debate, Hon. Ing. Fallah Tengbeh from Kailahun District thanked the President for the Big Five Changer Agenda which he said would transform Sierra Leone. According to him, the content of the President Manifesto is positive and in consonance with the address. He recalled that, the President in his speech expressed optimism for national development.

The MP spoke about infrastructural development especially road construction adding that President Bio has gained 80% in that direction. He appealed to the Government to fix the road from Kailahun Town to Koindu. He heaped praises on the Government for the construction of roads and other related developments in that district. The MP assured that, if roads are fixed in that district agriculture would boom.

Electricity the MP said has been transformed and President Bio has done well in both urban and rural electrification.

"The need to protect the country's border", the MP said is paramount as Guinean soldiers are still at the the Yenga Border and residents in that areas are facing serious threat. The MP used the opportunity to call on the Government to address the menace.

He commended President Bio for improving mechanized farming, in order to ameliorate the threat of food security and improve youth empowerment. He informed that, if this trend of the Big Five Changer is followed, all would be well for Sierra Leone.

While contributing to the debate, Hon. Alice Sandy Esq. from Kenema District said the primary role of her people is agriculture and advanced with statistical data the essence of the sector. She pointed

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out that Feed Salone would address food security, empower rural people and transform the country. She added that to achieve food security, mechanized farming would be a solution. She informed that, value addition, and proper land tenure system as well as solution to climate change. The dynamic female MP urged the House to put hands on deck to support the Feed Salone Initiatives of the President.

Further, the MP underscored President Bio's youth empowerment as a commitment, in light of job creation and employment. She called for concerted effort in that direction and spoke well about public service with innovation and technology. "We can leverage technology to serve our people efficiently and diligently" she stated and acknowledged human capital development and spoke positively about the recent transformation made by President Bio's Government in that direction in recent past. The MP also heaped praises on the Government for improvement in health and other related areas.

She expressed hope for national cohesion and unity.

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