



**FIFTH PARLIAMENT  
OF THE SECOND REPUBLIC OF SIERRA LEONE  
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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE THIRTY FOURTH SITTING**



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THURSDAY, 13<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2020

The House Met at 10:00 a.m.  
The Rt. Hon. Speaker, Dr. Abass Chernor Bundu in the Chair

**I. ATTENDANCE:**

**THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE PRESENT:**

<b>NO</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>PARTY</b>	<b>DISTRICT</b>	<b>CONST.</b>
1.	<i>Hon. Abdulai Osman Charles</i>	SLPP	Bo	079
2.	<i>Hon. Alhadi Lihadi</i>	APC	Western Urban	123
3.	<i>Hon. Alu-Conteh Alusine Kainde</i>	APC	Western Urban	125
4.	<i>Hon. Amara Haja Miatta</i>	APC	Western Rural	112
5.	<i>Hon. Bangura Cecilia Mabinty</i>	APC	Karene	065
6.	<i>Hon. Bangura Ibrahim Aziz</i>	APC	Pot Loko	076
7.	<i>Hon. Bockarie Momoh</i>	SLPP	Kenema	012
8.	<i>Hon. Bubu Ngbak IV P.C. Bai Farama Tass</i>	-	Kambia	-
9.	<i>Hon. Conteh Abdul S. Marray</i>	SLPP	Western Urban	130
10.	<i>Hon. Conteh Emmanuel Saidu</i>	APC	Western Urban	129
11.	<i>Hon. Conteh Ibrahim</i>	APC	Tonkolili	053
12.	<i>Hon. Conteh Ibrahim Tawa</i>	SLPP	Western Urban	132
13.	<i>Hon. Conteh John Charles</i>	APC	Bombali	031
14.	<i>Hon. Conteh Samba Paul</i>	APC	Bombali	035
15.	<i>Hon. Finnoh III P. C. Kandeh</i>	-	Bombali	-
16.	<i>Hon. Fofanah Abubakarr</i>	SLPP	Kenema	016
17.	<i>Hon. Gberek III P. C. Bai Shebora Sehba</i>	-	Port Loko	-
18.	<i>Hon. George Edward</i>	SLPP	Moyamba	097
19.	<i>Hon. Gevao Moiwo Hindolo</i>	SLPP	Kailahun	003
20.	<i>Hon. Hafiju Maada Kanja</i>	SLPP	Kenema	018
21.	<i>Hon. Jabbie Alpha Fode Madie</i>	SLPP	Falaba	040
22.	<i>Hon. Jalloh Musa Bamba Foray</i>	SLPP	Tonkolili	056
23.	<i>Hon. Jalloh Timbo Wurroh</i>	APC	Western Urban	119
24.	<i>Hon. Jorkie Moses Baimba</i>	SLPP	Bonthe	091
25.	<i>Hon. Juana Sahr</i>	SLPP	Kailahun	002
26.	<i>Hon. Kabia Mohamed</i>	APC	Western Rural	106
27.	<i>Hon. Kaisamba Amara Francis</i>	SLPP	Kenema	020
28.	<i>Hon. Kalokoh Mark Mahmoud (Dr.)</i>	APC	Bombali	032
29.	<i>Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim</i>	APC	Kambia	059



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30.	<i>Hon. Kamara Abdul Karim</i>	APC	Port Loko	069
31.	<i>Hon. Kamara Abdul Titus</i>	NGC	Kambia	061
32.	<i>Hon. Kamara Allieu Ibrahim</i>	SLPP	Western Urban	122
33.	<i>Hon. Kamara Alusine Bash</i>	APC	Karene	067
34.	<i>Hon. Kamara Alusine Osaio</i>	APC	Kambia	058
35.	<i>Hon. Kamara Bai Sama</i>	NGC	Kambia	060
36.	<i>Hon. Kamara Foday Mario</i>	NGC	Kambia	057
37.	<i>Hon. Kamara Ibrahim Bun (Dr.)</i>	APC	Port Loko	068
38.	<i>Hon. Kamara Joseph Abdul Bash</i>	SLPP	Bo	084
39.	<i>Hon. Kamara Rebecca Yei</i>	C4C	Kono	029
40.	<i>Hon. Kamara Saidu Babah</i>	APC	Port Loko	071
41.	<i>Hon. Kanneh Alusine</i>	SLPP	Kenema	013
42.	<i>Hon. Kanu Ahmed Joseph</i>	SLPP	Western Rural	108
43.	<i>Hon. Kanu Amadu</i>	APC	Moyamba	093
44.	<i>Hon. Kanu Rugiatu Rosy</i>	APC	Western Urban	113
45.	<i>Hon. Kargbo Ibrahim Ben</i>	APC	Bombali	034
46.	<i>Hon. Kargbo Papa Abdulai</i>	APC	Tonkolili	047
47.	<i>Hon. Kargbo Roland Foday (Dr.)</i>	APC	Karene	064
48.	<i>Hon. Kawalleh II P. C. Alhaji Kandeh Paria</i>	-	Karene	-
49.	<i>Hon. Koroma Aaron Aruna</i>	APC	Tonkolili	048
50.	<i>Hon. Koroma Abdul Karim</i>	APC	Port Loko	070
51.	<i>Hon. Koroma Daniel Brima</i>	APC	Koinadugu	046
52.	<i>Hon. Koroma John Telson</i>	SLPP	Western Urban	127
53.	<i>Hon. Koroma Manuel Allieu</i>	APC	Bombali	036
54.	<i>Hon. Koroma Meama Kajue IV P. C. F. H. Bintu</i>	-	Moyamba	-
55.	<i>Hon. Koroma Peter Yamba</i>	APC	Bombali	033
56.	<i>Hon. Lahai Musa</i>	SLPP	Kailahun	009
57.	<i>Hon. Lansana Abdul Muniru</i>	SLPP	Western Urban	121
58.	<i>Hon. Lansana Festus Mohamed</i>	SLPP	Kenema	015
59.	<i>Hon. Lamina Emerson Saa</i>	C4C	Kono	030
60.	<i>Hon. Lebbie Nenneh</i>	SLPP	Bo	086
61.	<i>Hon. Lebyy Maada Ambrose</i>	SLPP	Bo	083
62.	<i>Hon. Makieu Josephine</i>	SLPP	Kenema	014
63.	<i>Hon. Manly-Spain Ajibola Emmanuel</i>	APC	Western Urban	124
64.	<i>Hon. Mansaray Abu</i>	APC	Port Loko	074
65.	<i>Hon. Marah Alusine</i>	APC	Falaba	041
66.	<i>Hon. Marrah III P. C. Fasalie Kulako Demba</i>	-	Falaba	-
67.	<i>Hon. Marah Lahai</i>	APC	Falaba	042
68.	<i>Hon. Moigua Peter Musa</i>	SLPP	Kenema	011
69.	<i>Hon. Munda Boston</i>	SLPP	Kenema	021
70.	<i>Hon. Panda Genewai Samuel</i>	SLPP	Kailahun	010



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71.	<i>Hon. Pawa P. C. Prince Mambu</i>	-	<i>Kenema</i>	-
72.	<i>Hon. Rahman-Coker Mohamed Sheriff</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>131</i>
73.	<i>Hon. Rogers Alex Mattia</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Pujehun</i>	<i>102</i>
74.	<i>Hon. Sama Musa Shiaka</i>	<i>INDEPENDENT</i>	<i>Pujehun</i>	<i>104</i>
75.	<i>Hon. Samura Hajaratu Faith</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>117</i>
76.	<i>Hon. Sandy Ishmail Sama</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Bo</i>	<i>080</i>
77.	<i>Hon. Sandy Tennyson Hindolo</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>120</i>
78.	<i>Hon. Sanka III P. C. Bai Kurr Kanagbaro</i>	-	<i>Tonkolili</i>	-
79.	<i>Hon. Sankoh Hassan</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Tonkolili</i>	<i>049</i>
80.	<i>Hon. Sellu Mustapha Musa</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Moyamba</i>	<i>095</i>
81.	<i>Hon. Sesay Abdoul Hassan</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Tonkolili</i>	<i>050</i>
82.	<i>Hon. Sesay Abdul Latif</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Port Loko</i>	<i>075</i>
83.	<i>Hon. Sesay Daniel Abdulai (Dr.)</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Tonkolili</i>	<i>052</i>
84.	<i>Hon. Sesay Kusan</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Koinadugu</i>	<i>045</i>
85.	<i>Hon. Sesay Osman Sallieu</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Bombali</i>	<i>038</i>
86.	<i>Hon. Silikie Bashiru</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Bo</i>	<i>082</i>
87.	<i>Hon. Tarawalie Issac</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>118</i>
88.	<i>Hon. Tholley James Ozan</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Tonkolili</i>	<i>054</i>
89.	<i>Hon. Thomas Segepoh Solomon</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Bonthe</i>	<i>089</i>
90.	<i>Hon. Tucker Tom Issic</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Kono</i>	<i>022</i>
91.	<i>Hon. Turay Benjamin</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>128</i>
92.	<i>Hon. Williams- Lamin Joseph</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Bo</i>	<i>081</i>
93.	<i>Hon. Yumkella Kandeh Kolleh (Dr.)</i>	<i>NGC</i>	<i>Kambia</i>	<i>062</i>

**THE FOLLOWING HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT WERE ABSENT:**

1.	<i>Hon. Aruna Massay Ngahinteh</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Bo</i>	<i>085</i>
2.	<i>Hon. Ansumana Aloysious Bockarie</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Kailahun</i>	<i>005</i>
3.	<i>Hon. Bah Alpha Amadu</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>115</i>
4.	<i>Hon. Banya Sarty</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Kailahun</i>	<i>004</i>
5.	<i>Hon. Bhendu Francis Saa</i>	<i>C4C</i>	<i>Kono</i>	<i>027</i>
6.	<i>Hon. Charles Sahr</i>	<i>C4C</i>	<i>Kono</i>	<i>028</i>
7.	<i>Hon. Edwin Moses Andrew</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Bonthe</i>	<i>090</i>
8.	<i>Hon. Fefegula Simeon</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Moyamba</i>	<i>096</i>
9.	<i>Hon. Fofanah Abu Bakarr</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Western Rural</i>	<i>107</i>
10.	<i>Hon. Fofanah Musa</i>	<i>C4C</i>	<i>Kono</i>	<i>023</i>
11.	<i>Hon. Gbekie Emmanuel Sahr</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>116</i>
12.	<i>Hon. Gondor II P. C. Foray Cyril</i>	-	<i>Kailahun</i>	-
13.	<i>Hon. Kabba Lamin Foday</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Koinadugu</i>	<i>044</i>
14.	<i>Hon. Kamanda Komba Mansamayao</i>	<i>C4C</i>	<i>Kono</i>	<i>024</i>
15.	<i>Hon. Kamara Alimamy O.</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Bo</i>	<i>078</i>
16.	<i>Hon. Kanneh Mohamed</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Kailahun</i>	<i>006</i>



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17.	<i>Hon. Kanu Alimamy Brun</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Port Loko</i>	<i>072</i>
18.	<i>Hon. Kassegbama Aiah David Shek</i>	<i>C4C</i>	<i>Kono</i>	<i>026</i>
19.	<i>Hon. Kemokai Abu</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Pujehun</i>	<i>103</i>
20.	<i>Hon. Lavalie-Tshombe Dominic Jaybeh</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Moyamba</i>	<i>098</i>
21.	<i>Hon. Mackery Yusuf</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Bo</i>	<i>087</i>
22.	<i>Hon. Mansaray Brima</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Kenema</i>	<i>017</i>
23.	<i>Hon. Mbriwa II P. C. Sahr Youngai Kontanday</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Kono</i>	<i>-</i>
24.	<i>Hon. Salia-Konneh Quintin</i>	<i>INDEPENDENT</i>	<i>Kailahun</i>	<i>007</i>
25.	<i>Hon. Sam Paul Saa</i>	<i>C4C</i>	<i>Kono</i>	<i>025</i>
26.	<i>Hon. Shaw Mohamed Billoh</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Falaba</i>	<i>039</i>
27.	<i>Hon. Songa Wuyatta Bernadette</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Kailahun</i>	<i>008</i>
28.	<i>Hon. Tongi Lolloh Emilia</i>	<i>INDEPENDENT</i>	<i>Kailahun</i>	<i>001</i>
29.	<i>Hon. Turay Abdul</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Western Rural</i>	<i>105</i>
30.	<i>Hon. Turay Ahmed Samba</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Port Loko</i>	<i>073</i>
31.	<i>Hon. Turay Alhaji Sorieba</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Tonkolili</i>	<i>051</i>
32.	<i>Hon. Turay Sheku Munirr (Dr.)</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Pujehun</i>	<i>099</i>
33.	<i>Hon. Vandy Christopha Keikura</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Bo</i>	<i>088</i>

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

1.	<i>Hon. Bah Chernor R.M.</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>126</i>
2.	<i>Hon. Bangura Mohamed</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Karene</i>	<i>066</i>
3.	<i>Hon. Bangura Rosemarie</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Tonkolili</i>	<i>055</i>
4.	<i>Hon. Jalloh Osman Wurie</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Western Rural</i>	<i>109</i>
5.	<i>Hon. Kamara Ibrahim</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Karene</i>	<i>063</i>
6.	<i>Hon. Kargbo Abdul</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Port Loko</i>	<i>077</i>
7.	<i>Hon. Koroma Unpha Sorie Gbassay (Dr.)</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Western Urban</i>	<i>114</i>
8.	<i>Hon. Kumabeh Jebbeh Alice</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Bonthe</i>	<i>092</i>
9.	<i>Hon. Lansana-Minah P. C. Matilda Yayu</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Pujehun</i>	<i>-</i>
10.	<i>Hon. Macavoray P. C. Kangbai Joe (Prof.)</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Bo</i>	<i>-</i>
11.	<i>Hon. Mansaray Hamidu Hulla</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Koinadugu</i>	<i>043</i>
12.	<i>Hon. Marah III P.C. Alie Balansama</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Koinadugu</i>	<i>-</i>
13.	<i>Hon. Nyuma Sahr Mathew</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Kenema</i>	<i>019</i>
14.	<i>Hon. Rogers Dickson Momoh</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Pujehun</i>	<i>100</i>
15.	<i>Hon. Sesay Veronica Kadie</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Moyamba</i>	<i>094</i>
16.	<i>Hon. Sheriff P. C. Alie Badara</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Bonthe</i>	<i>-</i>
17.	<i>Hon. Tarawally Zainab Catherine</i>	<i>APC</i>	<i>Bombali</i>	<i>037</i>
18.	<i>Hon. Tunis Sidie Mohamed</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Pujehun</i>	<i>101</i>
19.	<i>Hon. Vincent Horace E.</i>	<i>SLPP</i>	<i>Western Rural</i>	<i>111</i>



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1. Prayers were read by Mrs. Fatmata Bintu Weston (*Table Clerk*).
  
2. **Adoption of Record of Votes and Proceedings for Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2020:**  
The motion for the adoption of Record of Votes and Proceedings for **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2020** was moved by **Hon. Moses Baimba Jorkie of Constituency 091, Bonthe District**. It was seconded by **Hon. Alusine Kanneh of Constituency 081, Kenema District** and adopted by the House with some amendments.

**Laying of Papers:**

The responsible Minister of Water Resources and the Leader of Government Business were absent. The following Hon. Members made contributions to that effect.

1. Hon. Hassan A. Sesay of Constituency 050, Tonkolili District:  
He suggested that it was necessary for the Chairpersons in-charge of the Parliamentary Committees take the lead on issues relating to the Ministries that they oversee.
  
2. Hon. Lahai Marah of Constituency 042, Falaba District:  
With reference to S.O. 18(2), he commented on the inclusion of stakeholders in the consultation process. As chairman of the Committee on Water Resource, he informed the House that he only knew about the Statutory Instruments on the previous day via social media. He also made reference to Section 93 (3) which stated the main function of Parliamentary Committees. He kindly asked the Speaker to emphasize the importance of Committee Members and Chairpersons in the consultation process of laying of papers.

**Observation by Mr. Speaker:** Mr. Speaker drew the attention of Hon. Members to Section 171 (1) of the Constitution of Sierra Leone Act No. 6 of 1991 and read out the definition of a Statutory Instrument. "Statutory Instrument means any proclamation, regulation, order, rule or other instrument not being an Act of Parliament having the force of law". He reminded the House about the nature of Statutory Instruments that once they had gone through Parliament, they would have the force of law. He also drew the attention of Hon. Members to Section 170 (7) of the Constitution of Sierra Leone Act No. 6 of 1991 and read out as follows:

"Any orders, rules or regulations made by any person or authority pursuant to a power conferred in that behalf by this Constitution or any other law --

(a) shall be laid before Parliament;

(b) shall be published in the Gazette on or before the day they are so laid before Parliament;

(c) shall come into force at the expiration of a period of twenty-days of being so laid unless Parliament, before the expiration of the said period of twenty-days, annuls any such order, rules or regulations by the votes of not less than two-thirds of the Members of Parliament.



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Referencing the provision of Section 170 (7), Mr. Speaker observed that the Statutory Instruments that were about to be laid before the House carried the signature of the Chairman of the Commission and not the responsible Minister of Government. For clarity, the Hon. Speaker read out Part 1, Section 2 of the Constitutional and Statutory Instrument Act 1999 which reads that “A Statutory Instrument shall be authenticated by the signature of the person or authority empowered to make it at the end.

The Hon. Speaker also requested for the Sierra Leone Electricity and Water Regulatory Commission Act of 2011 which served as the enabling Legislation. He quoted Section 66 of that Act as follows: “The Commission may by Statutory Instrument make rules or regulations for carrying out the purposes of this Act.” He emphasized on the fact that the Act did not state whether or not the Chairman of the Commission was empowered to authenticate the Statutory Instrument.

The following Hon. Members contributed to the issue:

No.	Names of Honourable Member	Constituency	District
1.	Hon. Lahai Marah	042	Falaba
2.	Hon. Daniel B. Koroma	046	Koinadugu
3.	Hon. Alusine Kanneh	013	Kenema

**3. Ruling by Mr. Speaker:**

In light of the explanations offered, Mr. Speaker ruled that the Statutory Instruments were not properly before the House and were not tabled.

**4. Parliamentary Briefing on the Coronavirus Disease:**

The Minister of Health and Sanitation, Dr. Alpha Wurie, and the Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr. Edward Soluku, briefed Members of Parliament about the measures they had put in place to prevent the outbreak of the Coronavirus Disease in Sierra Leone.

**Dr. Alpha Wurie** informed the House that after the Ebola Virus had been contained in Sierra Leone, the Government created a new directorate for health security emergencies. He said that the directorate had then activated a level-two intervention which he described as inter-ministerial intervention of which the Ministry of Health and Sanitation, Internal Affairs, Defence and other relevant Ministries come together to deliberate on emergency issue. He said that the various Ministries met and came out with key decisions which he explained to the House.



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1. He also informed the House that they had instituted full measures at Lungi International Airport as well as Balamuya and Gendema to check the temperature of people entering into Sierra Leone using thermal screening gadgets. He further noted that on the 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2020, they quarantined the first set of 29 people from China and since that moment, they had quarantined 52 people including 17 Sierra Leoneans from China. He said that there were three centers available for Coronavirus test:
  - (i) At the 34 Military Hospital along with the Chinese.
  - (ii) At the Central Public Health Laboratory Center at Lungi.
  - (iii) At Jui Hospital (P3 Lab).
2. That there were also quarantined centers at Kambia and Pujehun borders as a pro-active measure. He said other centers would be ready in the next 48 hours. He also informed the House that his Deputies were engaged in other activities to complement his efforts. He ended by admonishing the people of Sierra Leone to wash their hands frequently as we use our hands to touch our eyes and nose more frequently.

**Mr. Edward Soluku, Minister of Internal Affairs.**

The Minister elaborated on the security aspect of the various measures noting the following:

1. That whosoever was coming from the epic center should be quarantined immediately for 14 days.
2. That the Sierra Leone Police were in charge of security at the quarantined areas at Lungi whilst the Sierra Leone Armed Forces were in charge of the Western Area.
3. He clarified that relatives that were sending food stuff in quarantined areas were properly dressed, and that the food containers were all disposable.

The following Honourable Members contributed to the issue:

No.	Names of Honourable Member	Constituency	District
1.	Hon. Moses B. Jorkie	091	Bonthe
2.	Hon. Segepoh Solomon Thomas	089	Bonthe

**5. Suspension of S.O. 5 (2):**

The suspension of S.O. 5(2) was moved by **Hon. Alusine Kanneh of Constituency 013, Kenema District** at 12:00 noon for proceedings to continue during lunch. The motion was seconded by **Hon. Lahai Marah of Constituency 042, Falaba District** and approved by the House.



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8.	<b>Hon. Maada Kanja Hafiju</b>	<b>018</b>	<b>Kenema</b>
9.	<b>Hon. Aaron A. Koroma</b>	<b>048</b>	<b>Tonkolili</b>
10.	<b>Hon. Abdul Karim Kamara</b>	<b>059</b>	<b>Kambia</b>
11.	<b>Hon. Dr. Kandeh Kolleh Yumkella</b>	<b>062</b>	<b>Kambia</b>
12.	<b>Hon. P.C. Bai Kurr Kanagbaro Sanka III</b>	<b>.....</b>	<b>Tonkolili</b>

**6. Standing Order 23- Personal Explanations:**

The following Honourable Members stood on S.O. 23:

- Hon. Saa Emerson Lamina of Constituency 030, Kono District:** He reported to the House that Kono had lost an illustrious son, the Late Hon. Saa Fillie Faboi. He informed the House that the family of the late man had requested Members of Parliament to join them in the laying-out ceremony of the deceased on the 13<sup>th</sup> February 2020. He also requested that S.O. 70 (2) (a) and (b) so that the Leaders would inform the House about parliamentary business that should be considered.

**Observation of a Minute's Silence:**

Mr. Speaker asked all to rise and observe a minute's silence in honour of the deceased person. He recited the following prayer: "May his soul rest in perfect peace."

- Hon. Josephine Makieue of Constituency 014, Kenema District:** She reported to the House about a man called Mr. Lansana Juana whom she said had been using obscene languages against her for issues relating to politics. She also said Mr. Juana aspired for the parliamentary seat during the 2018 general elections.

**Mr. Speaker's Response:**

Mr. Speaker responded that the Hon. Member should tender written complaint to Parliament so that the matter would be referred to the Parliamentary Committee on Privileges.

- Hon. Maada Ambrose Lebby of Constituency 083, Bo District:** He reported that a village in his constituency was affected by a wildfire that had left 6 houses burnt down, 2 local rice stores destroyed and 19 households displaced. He also reported that in December 2019, a truck which was plying along the route of Njala Komboya to collect cocoa was involved in a fatal road accident resulting in the death of one person. He said that the accident was as a result of bad road network. He informed the House that his constituency was one of the most challenged and deprived among



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other constituencies in Bo District. He reported that for the past 13 years, the roads in his constituency have not been rehabilitated despite the efforts made to draw the attention of the Government. He also informed the House that within the last 2 to 3 years, flooding had occurred in three chiefdoms in his constituency during the rains. He said even though an assessment was made, no one from the Office of National Security (ONS), Sierra Leone Red Cross and no humanitarian organization had volunteered to render any assistance to the affected people. He called on Mr. Speaker's intervention for the Sierra Leone Road Authority (SLRA) and the Road Maintenance Fund Administration (RMFA) to address the poor road network in his constituency.

4. **Hon. Lahai Marah of Constituency 042, Falaba District:** He raised concern over the welfare of Hon. Members with regards the allocation of medical allowance for Members of Parliament to have equal opportunity to seek medical attention out of the country. He said it was their right to have medical allowance and that Sierra Leone was the only country that did not acknowledge that. He said whenever a Member of Parliament got sick, he would not get any medical attention especially to go out of the country unless he or she was favoured by the Government.

**Mr. Speaker's Response:**

Mr. Speaker responded that the House would retire to Committee Room No 1. to continue their discussions in addressing the welfare issue after adjournment.

5. **Hon. Hindolo Moiwo Gevao of Constituency 003, Kailahun District:** The Hon. Member informed the House that he had been briefed about a very serious problem at the Sierra Leone Law School. He beseeched the House to look into the matter as he informed Members that after the Sierra Leone Law School had shortlisted 112 qualified students, only 65 students were admitted. He said even though students were qualified, some were not even shortlisted. As Chairman of the Legislative Committee, he said he had already sent a summon letter to the Registrar of the Law School. He commented that the Sierra Leone Law School was one of the most sensitive institutions in the country and that if each year, it produced 50 disgruntled students in the nation, it would not be good for the nation.

**Mr. Speaker's Response:**

Mr. Speaker requested that the Legislative Committee to look into the matter and report to the House.

6. **Hon. Joseph Williams-Lamin of Constituency 081, Bo District:** The Hon. Member raised concern over the sharing of microphones among Members of Parliament and also said that it was not hygienic. He called on the ICT Department to address the issue.



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7. **Hon. Alusine Kanneh of Constituency 013, Kenema District:** The Hon. Member informed the House that there were some people who extorted money from other people using his name. He said the scammers were purporting to be Hon. Alusine Kanneh asking for money from victims. He said the scammers went as far as using his pictures to implicate him.

7. **Adjournment:**

- **The House was adjourned to Tuesday 18<sup>TH</sup> February 2020, at 10:00 a.m.**
- **The House rose at 2:10 p.m.**