



# ANNUAL REPORT 2019



**The Media, Youth & Culture committee**

**SIXTH ASSEMBLY  
2019**

**The Media, Youth & Culture Committee composed of the Members as listed below, submits its Annual Report for 2019 on.....:**

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**Chairperson**

Hon. Flory Larue

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**Vice-Chairperson**

Hon. Simon Gill

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**Member**

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**Member**

Ms. Alexandria Faure

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**Committee Secretary**

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## **1. INTRODUCTION**

In 2019 the Media Committee embarked on a journey to expand its Terms of Reference (TOR) to include the Youth & Culture sector in order to extend crucial oversight over the Governmental entities that function under these two sectors. The new TOR of the Committee is prescribed as below:

### **Role & Purpose**

*The main purpose of the Media, Youth & Culture Committee (MYCC) is to ensure monitoring and analysis of policy, administration and the budget of the Media, Youth and Culture Departments of the Government, as well as to scrutinize matters within the Ministerial Portfolio of Media, Youth and Culture.*

### **Tasks & Responsibilities**

The Committee will:

- Propose and assist with training for Members of the National Assembly and journalists in Parliamentary Reporting and Broadcasting
- Conduct inquiries into areas of interest within its remit such as new or existing developments in media and digital infrastructure.
- Carry out an oversight role on future projects of all media organisations partly or fully funded from the national budget; and partly or fully owned by the Government of Seychelles.
- Conduct inquiries into the distribution of funds by Media, Youth and Culture related Governmental bodies.
- Conduct visits to the Departments of Culture, Youth and Media
- In the youth sector, propose and assist with capacity building and strengthen relations with local youth organisations.
- Study and review legislation within the Ministerial Portfolios of Media, Youth & Culture
- Make reports and recommendations to the House as often as possible, that includes recommendations for proposed legislation or policies.
- Review and assess programmes and policies of the Ministries and departments and the effectiveness of their implementation.

### **Composition**

- The Committee shall consist of seven Members appointed as per Article 104 (2) of the Constitution.
- The Committee shall elect its own chairperson as per Rule 5 of the Rules of Procedures for Committees of the National Assembly.
- The Committee shall meet at least once a month, or as and when required.
- The Committee shall be appointed for the duration of the Session of the National Assembly.
- The Secretary and Secretary Assistant of the Committee shall be appointed by the Secretariat of the National Assembly.
- The Committee may co-opt any person with interest in Media, Youth & Culture to serve in this Committee.

The historical expansion of the mandate of the Committee kicked off a whole new working plan that will continue on in 2020.

## **2. MEMBERSHIP**

The Committee consists of seven Members as follows:

Hon. Gervais Henrie – *Chairperson*  
Hon. Flory Larue – *Vice Chairperson*  
Hon. Chantal Ghislain – Member  
Hon. Wavel Woodcock – Member  
Hon. Paul Ernesta – Member  
Hon. Jany De Letourdie – Member  
Hon. Simon Gill – Member

The Committee is also assisted by a Secretary, *Ms. Alexandria Faure* and a Secretary Assistant, *Ms. Samia Lebon*.

## **3. MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE**

During the year 2019, the Media Committee held seven (7) meetings. In addition to that, the Committee also participated in a Radio Blitz for World Radio Day, hosted a moderated debate on the precinct of the National Assembly to commemorate World Press Freedom Day 2019 and carried out two site visits.

The list of meetings and events for the year 2019 can be seen at **ANNEX 1** on page number **XX**.

### **3.1 ANNUAL MEETING WITH NATIONAL MEDIA HOUSES**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

On Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2019, the MYCC held a meeting with representatives from the Media Houses to discuss how the working relationship between the National Assembly and their respective organizations can be further enhanced. The meeting was held at the National Assembly and provided the Media Houses with a platform to express their concerns and bring forward recommendations. The Meeting is now customary and will be held at the beginning of each year.

#### **AIM OF THE MEETING**

The aim of the meeting was to have open discussions with the Media Houses regarding the enhancement of the working relationship between the National Assembly, as well as foster stronger relations between the Committee, the media representatives and Editors of Media Houses. The below Agenda was discussed:

1. *Parliament as a Source of News*
2. *Training in Reporting on Parliament*
3. *Further Collaboration with the Committee/NA*
4. *Update on World Press Freedom Day Activity*
5. *AOB*

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Seven (7) Media Organizations were represented at the meeting. The Committee notes the absence of K-Radio.

ORGANISATION	REPRESENTATIVES
Today Newspaper	Christopher Lucas
Nation Newspaper	Marie-Anne Lepathy
Pure FM	Phyllis Coeur De lion
Seychelles News Agency & AMPS	Rassin Vannier
SBC	Willy Jacques
Le Seychellois Hebdo	Lindy Vital
Seychelles Media Commission	Ibrahim Afif
Telesesel	Clive Camille

**FEEDBACK FROM MEDIA HOUSES**

**Political Reporting & Investigative Journalism:** The Media Houses alerted the Committee that they face human resources constraints which is why they are not able to dedicate a journalist on the debates of the National Assembly. It was also highlighted that most of the Media Houses do not have journalists dedicated to Reporting on Politics and the National Assembly as there is currently no training that exists in political reporting and most media houses are too under staffed.

**Misinformation & Information Saturation:** Certain Media Houses feel that since 2016 there has been an over saturation of information coming from the National Assembly and at times the information brought forward by Members in the Chamber is not accurate and with the constraints of human resources this results in media houses wasting time to research and double check whether this information is correct. Currently, the Media Houses are being sent a lot of information and has increased their work load when it comes to reporting on the National Assembly.

**Lack of Information from Ministries & Government Entities:** The Media Houses highlighted that it is very difficult to get information from the majority of the Ministries and Government Departments and this causes delays in reporting in greater detail on national and district based issues. It was discussed that although Media Houses want to delve deeper into issues and investigate further, the lack of information is a serious limitation.

**Lack of Community based Reporting:** The Media Houses expressed concern on the challenges of reporting on community based issues that also link with policy decisions. The Media Houses expressed that the mixing of local government duties and that of an MNA, as well as the duplication of organizations causes confusion when reporting. Some media houses discussed the importance of

community based news and it was also highlighted that Motions, Statements and Questions brought up in the Assembly relate back to Constituents.

**Accessing Video Footage of the National Assembly:** It was expressed that because the footage of the National Assembly is currently filmed via SBC, other Broadcasting media houses can only access the footage from the Youtube Channel and if there are any technical issues other media houses get affected.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **Recommendation 1: *The National Assembly Filming of Sittings***

In order for additional broadcasting media houses to access and diffuse the live footage of Sittings, it was suggested that the National Assembly obtain their own cameras in the Chamber and film the footage internally.

#### **Recommendation 2: *The Creation of a New User Friendly Website***

It was expressed by several representatives that the current website is not user friendly. In addition, it was also highlighted that the Verbatim is not searchable and difficult access. It was discussed that this is an issue that the National Assembly is already aware of and plan to budget for the creation of a new website in 2020. It was suggested that the National Assembly introduce a new, modern and user friendly website, as well as include a user friendly searchable access to the verbatim.

#### **Recommendation 3: *National Assembly as a Source of Programmes***

It was suggested that the National Assembly look into working with broadcasting media houses to introduce programmes. It was also discussed that the Assembly can also be a source of educational programmes both on TV and on the Radio to further sensitize the public on the role of the National Assembly as an institution and the MNAs. And it was discussed that through these programmes is where investigative journalism would come in.

## **3.2 MULTISTAKEHOLDER MEETING WITH THE DESIGNATED MINISTER**

### **INTRODUCTION**

The Media, Youth & Culture Committee of the National Assembly met with the Designated Minister, Mrs. Macsuzy Mondon, as well as the CEOs and Chairpersons of the different entities under the sectors of Culture and Youth on Monday 10th June 2019.

### **AIM OF THE MEETING**

The multi-stakeholder introductory meeting was aimed at connecting the Committee with the representatives from the different organizations under Youth & Culture, as well as carry out open discussions on challenges and the development of projects and initiatives within the remit of these organizations.

Each organization had the opportunity to explain their mandate and scope of work to the Committee, as well as discuss certain challenges and future developments within their respective sectors. During the meeting both Hon. Henrie, Chairperson of the Committee and Minister Mondon, as well as the representatives present agreed on the importance of promoting and valuing youth and culture in the national development of the country; for Youth and Culture to be given its national value.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

The Organisations represented at the meeting are as follows:

Organisations
Office of the Designated Minister
The National Arts Council
The Heritage Foundation
CINEA
Seychelles National Youth Council
Department of Youth
Department of Culture
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**3.3 MEETING WITH THE YOUTH LED NGOS & CEPS**

**INTRODUCTION**

The Committee met with youth Community Based Organisations (CBOs) and Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) on Saturday 22nd June at the CEPS headquarters at Orion Mall.

**AIM OF THE MEETING**

The aim of the meeting was to connect with youth civic leaders to better understand the challenges currently present in civil society and discuss issues that are affecting young people at grass roots level.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Recommendation 1: *The NGOS & CBOS Participate in Legislative Amendments***

It was put forward that the NGOs and CBOs should be more proactive in assisting the Committee and submitting proposals for legislative amendments.

**3.4 MEETING WITH THE 250 YEARS ORGANISING COMMITTEE**

**INTRODUCTION**

The 250 Celebration Committee Chairperson, *Mrs. Sherin Francis* accompanied by two members – *Mrs. Jeannine Chung-Fay* and *Mr. Emmanuel D’offay* met with the Committee to appraise the members on the planned activities on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2019.



### **AIM OF THE MEETING**

Following the official launching of the celebration, the Committee solicited the support of the Members of MYCC for the budget required for the yearlong celebration that will commence in 2020. The total estimate of the required budget was R16 million.

### **FEEDBACK**

It was expressed that there was a lack of funding and the MYCC discussed the possibility of raising this issue during the Budget 2020 debates.

## **4. SITE VISITS & ACTIVITIES**

The Committee carried out a few Site Visits within the Culture & Media sector of which included Today Newspaper, ICCS and the Music Stadium with the aim of better understanding current challenges that these entities have been facing, as well as their budgetary constraints. The Committee also participated in interviews on the radio to commemorate World Radio Day 2019.

### **4.1 WORLD RADIO DAY ACTIVITY**

To commemorate World Radio Day 2019 on the 13<sup>th</sup> February, the Committee took over the radio airwaves of all four radio stations in the first ever blitz, to discuss the theme of '*Dialogue, Tolerance and Peace*', as well as other topics relating to politics and the media.

The Committee were hosted by all four of the radio stations in Seychelles, namely; *Pure FM, K-Radio, SBC's Paradise FM and Radyo Sesel* and the interviews provided the Members with a platform for dialogue and democratic debate over issues, such as role of the Assembly in promoting the exchanges of ideas, open-mindedness and harmony in the community. The Members also had the opportunity to discuss and raise awareness among listeners and inspire understanding for the way the Assembly Committees work, along with their hosts of whom included *Shamir Peermohamed, Sylvie Ah-Time, Marie Claude Onyekachi and Chicco Martino*.

### **4.2 VISIT TO TODAY NEWSPAPER**

On Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2019 the Committee met with the manage Team of Today in Seychelles and also had a brief site visit of the headquarters of the media house. went on a Site Visit to Télésesel Head Quarters. During this visit the Committee had the opportunity of discussing challenges and successes with staff, as well as having a tour of the studios of Télésesel.

the Committee met with the Managing Director of Today, *Ms. Veronica Maria*, who was accompanied by *Ms. Jenifer Bipat*, Chief Editor, *Mr. Nelson Esparon*, Newsroom Manager and *Mr. Christopher Lucas*, Assistant Editor whereby the Chairperson of the Committee, Hon. Gervais Henrie had the opportunity of explaining the new mandate and scope of the MYCC, as well as openly discuss certain challenges and future developments within the media sector.

### **4.3 VISIT TO CINEA, ICCS & THE MUSIC STADIUM**

On the afternoon of Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August, the Committee then met with the CEO of CINEA, *Mr. Galen Bresson*, the Deputy CEO, *Mr. Gustave De Comarmond* and other representatives from the Organization on the construction site of the Music Stadium currently being built. The Members of the Committee

openly discussed the challenges and budgetary constraints of the construction of the Music Stadium with Mr. Bresson and his team.

Following from that a visit of the facilities of the ICCS and a meeting with the CINEA team was held whereby there was a discussion on the budgetary constraints on the requirements of the ICCS renovations & Music Stadium allocations that the MYCC would raise in the Budget 2020 Debates.

## **5. WORLD PRESS FREEDOM DAY, 2019 (ANNUAL HOSTED EVENT)**

### **INTRODUCTION**

Friday 3rd May 2019 was the commemoration of World Press Freedom Day 2019 under the theme of *'the role of media in elections and democracy'*. The theme endeavoured to encourage discussions and promote understanding and awareness about current challenges to the role of the media during elections. The Media are essential to democracy, and a democratic election – acting as a crucial watchdog. In order to fulfill their roles, the media need to maintain a high level of professionalism, accuracy in their coverage, as well as adhere to laws and regulations relating to the fundamental freedoms essential to democracy; including freedom of information, expression and participation. As well as being watchdogs the media also have crucial roles of educating voters; reporting on developments of the election campaigns; providing a platform for the public to communicate their concerns and opinions; reporting on the results; scrutinize the electoral process; and help to prevent election-related violence.

The numerous ways in which the media ensure democratic electoral processes fall into the below categories:

- 1. Media as a transparency/watchdog*
- 2. Media as a campaign platform*
- 3. Media as an open forum for debate and discussions/also as a public voice*

### **AIM OF THE EVENT**

The debate theme was *'What is the role of the local media in multi-party elections?'*

And the Objectives of the Debate were as follows:

- Position the Media Committee as a meaningful voice in debates concerning key media related issues on a national level*
- Foster an environment of healthy debates and analysis*
- Build a presence that is driven by fair and transparent processes and procedures, and that values accountability and diversity of expression*
- Connect the institution further with Civil Society & the Media*

The Media Committee endeavoured to address pressing challenges relating to the role of the Media during elections, as well as their role in democracy as a whole; and discuss ways of strengthening journalism as a central factor in building fair, responsible and inclusive societies.

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

Twenty four (24) Organisations were represented at this event with twenty nine (29) participants attended the event and participated in the open discussions that took place.

Organisation	Representative
1. Telesesel	Mr. Clive Camille
2. Le Seychellois	Ms. Lindy Vital
3. SBC	Ms. Georgette Hoareau
4. Today	Mr. Nelson Esparon
5. Nation	Ms. Elsie Pointe
6. The People & United Seychelles	Ms. Sheila Lafortune
7. LDS	Ms. Vesna Rakic
8. Seychelles Patriotic Movement	Mr. Alix Letourdie
9. The Seychelles Media Commission	Mr. Ibrahim Afif (CEO)
10. Public Ethics Officers of the Ethics Commission	Ms. Mina Crea (CEO)
11. Anti-Corruption Commission	Mr. Denis Joubert
12. ARID	Ms. Lucianne Sofola Ms. Winnie Baccarie
13. UNDP	Mr. Roland Alcindor Mrs. Preethi Nair
14. Citizens Democracy Watch	Ms. Eline Moses, Ms. Tressy Dine, Mr. Rodney Maria
15. CEPS	Ms. Mayra Matatiken
16. The Bar Association	Mr. Divino Sabino
17. PS of the Department of Information	Mr. Denis Rose
18. Transparency Initiative Seychelles	Mrs. Marie-France Watson
19. SBC Board Members	Mr. Gerard Lafortune (Chair of Board), Ms. Marie-Annette Ernesta (Board Member)
20. Seychelles National Youth Council	Ms. Penny Belmont
21. Seychelles Youth Assembly	Ms. Jeanette Ali , Mr. Marlon Esparon (Speaker of SNYA)
22. Freelance Journalist	Ms. Sasha Lee-Marivel

23. Freelance Journalist & Secretary of AMPS	Ms. Patsy Athanase
24. Freelance Journalist	Ms. Kate Carolus

**MAIN TALKING POINTS**

The debate was fruitful and enriching and the below points a concerns were highlighted:

**Challenges in Journalism During Elections**

The political Print Media present expressed that they feel that there aren't restrictions and that there is freedom for them to promote their presidential candidates and political ethos of their respective parties.

Representatives from media outlets expressed concerns over the lack of understanding of legal boundaries, including defamation within journalism and it was highlighted that this could be a deterrent to more investigative reporting.

The lack of laws protecting whistleblowers was also flagged as a concern.

The working hours and low salaries for journalists was also flagged as a component of why journalists maybe do not investigate subjects further, as well as the under staffed media outlets.

**The Crucial Role of the Media During Elections**

It was also highlighted that the role of the Media is crucial in generating information and debate, as well as as being a watchdog and public educator. But it was asked as to whether the local media are ready to take on these roles fully?

It was brought forward that elections are not static but a dynamic cycle that never ends and that the media plays a role on keeping that cycle going and this would involve analysis, as well as promoting debate and access to information to keep elected politicians accountable.

It was brought forward that the Media and not only the Electoral Commission should put in place educational campaigns during and after elections for the public to better understand their role in democracy.

It was highlighted that the media landscape has changed over the years with the presence of more and more media outlets, in addition it was also discussed that the 2020 Presidential Elections will be very interesting as the presence of more private media outlets will provide unregulated coverage for candidates.

**Gaps In Political Reporting & Investigative Journalism**

The percentage of voters actually looking at policies and their impact to be well informed on who they vote for was also discussed and it was highlighted that the media has a crucial role to play to educate the public and bring to light more facts so that citizens make more informed decisions during elections. This also brought into questions of how policies and political themes are being portrayed to the public.

There was a call for more independent media and for more investigative journalism.

It was highlighted that more televised debates should take place for citizens to be better informed of the goals and objectives of candidates, as well as promoting more multi stakeholder discussions on issues.

#### **The Ownership & Financing of Media Houses**

The question of ‘who owns newspapers?’ was highlighted and as businesses and political parties have the biggest share this can create barriers in press freedom and highlights a need for more analysis into the ownership of media houses and their impact on the press and the information that is provided to citizens.

How media ownership can be regulated was also questioned.

#### **Lack of Human Resource & Political Analysts**

It was highlighted that there is currently a lack of trained journalists and political analysts for more investigative journalism to take place. There was a call for more training for journalists on investigative journalism and political reporting.

#### **Cooling off Period is Problematic**

There isn't a clear framework on how the cooling off period affects private and commercial media houses. It was highlighted that the cooling off period is a barrier and very problematic for journalists as the advantage goes to the incumbent.

#### **Need for Reformed Laws & Regulations**

It was discussed that the electoral laws do not make provisions for the private media houses and the growing number of media outlets that will cover elections. The criminal defamation laws also acts as a deterrent for Journalists to investigate further or write controversial articles, as well as the lack of laws protecting whistleblowers.

It was discussed that more multi-stakeholder meetings to discuss gaps in laws and regulations should take place.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS & CONCLUSIONS BY THE COMMITTEE**

The Committee met on Wednesday the 22nd May to discuss feedback on the event and the below recommendations were brought forward:

#### **To Host the Next Debate at ICCS to Increase Public Participation**

The Committee received feedback from the public that the debate should be open. The Committee discussed that in 2020 the debate be organized at ICCS or a bigger venue in order for the public to participate and at the same time increase the visibility of the committee. It was discussed that Members of the Committee could also invite constituents to the debate.

#### **Talking Points & Questions for the Committee**

It was expressed that some Members of the Committee could not fully participate in the debate as it was solely focused on the media and it was recommended that going forward questions and talking points for the Members be provided in order to not only enrich the debate but also allow Members to also interact with the audience.

Overall the Committee were pleased with how the Debate turned out and wish to continue hosting this debate annually.

## **6. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

Based on the meetings and site visits held throughout the year with multiple stakeholders across the Media, Youth & Culture sectors, the Committee is proposing the below recommendations in order to enhance the procedural framework of Standing Committees of the National Assembly, as well as provide a resources and access to not only media houses but various stakeholders across the mentioned sectors.

### **NATIONAL ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE INQUIRY PROCEDURES**

The Committee has observed an necessity for increased oversight and accountability mechanisms to take place within the Standing & Select Committee of the National Assembly. This will result in policy analysis and the hosting of public enquiries – requiring oral and written evidence. The Committee proposes that a procedural framework be drafted as part of Committee Procedures to better guide Committees and the Secretariat to handle enquiries and evidence in the most transparent and ethical manner.

### **NATIONAL ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE BUDGET ALLOCATIONS**

The work of Committees are increasingly expanding to include site visits, outreach activities, participations at parliamentary conferences overseas and local events centred on their remit. Providing budget allocations for Committees within the structure of Committee procedures will allow committees to better strategize and outline their plans of action each year, resulting in targeted events and effective oversight.

### **A MEDIA ROOM FOR MEDIA HOUSES**

Media Houses have expressed the need for a Media Room at the National Assembly to better facilitate their work whilst they are covering news and events at the National Assembly.

### **FILMING OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS, EVENTS & HEARINGS**

The Media Committee recognises the improvements of the graphics on the National Assembly YouTube channel and propose that the Channel be used more by posting educational videos, filming's of events, committee work and meetings to increase visibility of the work carried out by Committees.

### **ONLINE APPLICATIONS FOR MEDIA ACCREDITATION**

The Committee proposes that an online application for media accreditation be introduced for the facilitation of applications for media houses and international journalists/media professionals with the aim to streamline the process and to assist in the management of press attending major events at parliament.

### **MEDIA TRAINING FOR JOURNALISTS, SECRETARIAT STAFF & PARLIAMENTARIANS**

The Committee proposes that trainings be provided with the aim of exposing journalists to comparative experiences to help create awareness and to facilitate implementation of practices learned in Parliamentary/Political Reporting. In addition, mentoring or guidance workshops be explore for journalists to help them develop their skills in Parliamentary Reporting. The Committee also proposes that the National Assembly consider providing media training and capacity building for Secretariat Staff & Parliamentarians in the work of Parliamentary Democracy and Committee Procedures.

### **RESEARCH & POLICY ANALYSIS TRAINING FOR MEDIA SECRETARIES**

The Committee proposes that specialised trainings for Committee Secretaries be provided with the aim of providing them with research and policy analysis skills to better assist committees in their oversight work.

## **7. STRATEGY OF WORK FOR 2020**

### **REVIEW OF NEW CULTURE POLICY**

The Committee has recognised the need for oversight into other sectors such as Youth, Arts & Culture, especially relating to policies and future projects planned to be put in place. The Committee will be reviewing the new Culture Policy and will submit any recommendations to the Department of Culture.

### **WORLD RADIO DAY 2020 OUTREACH**

With the aim to raise awareness on the value and importance of different media platforms the Committee plans to organise and participate in interviews on the Radio to commemorate World Radion 2020.

### **WORLD PRESS FREEDOM DAY 2020 DEBATE**

The Committee is committed to hosting another World Press Freedom Day Debate and hopes to make the activity available to the general public and have it televised live.

### **VISIT TO SEYCHELLES HERITAGE FOUNDATION**

The Committee plans to visit the Heritage Foundation to meet with the Board and Management team to better understand their scope of work, challenges and budgetary allocations.

### **VISIT & MEETING TO THE NATIONAL YOUTH ASSEMBLY**

The Committee plans to attend a session of the SNYA and also meet with the young leaders in order to connect with the Youth and gain a better understanding of the development of the Youth Assembly.

### **VISIT & MEETING TO THE NATIONAL ARTS COUNCIL**

The Committee plans to visit the National Arts Council and meet with the Board and Management team to better understand their scope of work, challenges and budgetary allocations.

### **POLITICAL MEDIA REPORTING AWARD**

The Committee plans to spearhead the idea of hosting an annual reporting award with the aim of encouraging Journalists to report on Parliament and on Politics in the country.

### **WORKSHOP ON STANDING ORDERS FOR JOURNALISTS**

Based on the recommendations brought forward by Media Houses at the annual meeting last year. The Committee will be carrying out a workshop for journalists on the Standing Order and legislative function of the National Assembly.

# ANNEXURE

## **ANNEX 1:** *List of meetings and events held in 2019*

### Committee Meetings, Site Visits & Events

DATE	ACTIVITY	VENUE
13 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	Radio Blitz	Different Radio Stations
30 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	Annual Committee Meeting with the Media Houses	National Assembly
3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2019	World Press Freedom Day Debate	National Assembly
22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2019	Committee Meeting	National Assembly
22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2019	Committee Meeting with CEPS & Youth led NGOs	CEPS
10 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Committee Meeting with Designated Minister	Department of Culture
7 <sup>th</sup> August 2019	Committee Meeting	National Assembly
22 <sup>nd</sup> August 2019	Meeting with Management of Today Newspaper	Today Offices
22 <sup>nd</sup> August 2019	Site Visit to the Music Stadium & Meeting with CINEA	ICCS & Music Stadium
24 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	250years Organising Committee Meeting	National Assembly