

**AGENDA FOR THE THIRTEENTH SESSION OF
THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF BHUTAN**

(Subject to change without notice)
(15th May – 20th June 2014)

Thursday, 15 May

REGISTRATION OF HONOURABLE MEMBERS

- a. Briefing by the Chairperson and Secretary General of the National Council

Friday, 16 May

MORNING: OPENING CEREMONY OF PARLIAMENT (JOINT SITTING)

- a. Opening Ceremony
- b. Address by His Majesty the Druk Gyalpo (If it pleases His Majesty to address the Parliament)
- c. Move motion of gratitude to His Majesty the Druk Gyalpo
- d. Inaugural Address by the Hon'ble Speaker

AFTERNOON: OPENING CEREMONY OF NATIONAL COUNCIL

- a. *Marchang ceremony*
- b. Inaugural Address by the Chairperson

Monday, 19 May

FOLLOW-UP REPORTS ON THE 12TH SESSION RESOLUTION

- a. Follow-up on resolution of the 12th session of the National Council by the Social & Cultural Affairs Committee

Tuesday, 20 May

ISSUES FROM DZONGKHAG TSHOGDU

- a. Report on Issues from Dzongkhag Tshogdu

Wednesday, 21 May

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES – 1

- a. Introduction of Office of the Attorney General Act (Amendment) Bill 2014
- b. Deliberation on Office of the Attorney General Act (Amendment) Bill 2014

QUESTION TIME - 1

Thursday, 22 May

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES – 2

- a. Continue deliberation on Office of the Attorney General Act (Amendment) Bill 2014

Friday, 23 May

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES – 3

- a. Introduction of Local Government Act (Amendment) Bill 2014
- b. Deliberation on Local Government Act (Amendment) Bill 2014

QUESTION TIME - 2

Monday, 26 May

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES – 4

- a. Continue deliberation on Local Government Act (Amendment) Bill 2014

Tuesday, 27 May

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES – 5

- a. Introduction of National Assembly Act (Amendment) Bill of Bhutan 2014
- b. Introduction of Right to Information Bill of Bhutan 2014

Wednesday, 28 May

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES – 6

- a. Deliberation on National Assembly Act (Amendment) Bill of Bhutan 2014

QUESTION TIME - 3

Thursday, 29 May

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES – 7

- a. Continue deliberation on National Assembly Act (Amendment) Bill of Bhutan 2014
- b. Deliberation on Right to Information Bill of Bhutan 2014

Friday, 30 May

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES – 8

- a. Continue deliberation on Right to Information Bill of Bhutan 2014

QUESTION TIME - 4

Monday, 2 June

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES – 9

- a. Deliberation on the Pay Commission Report

Tuesday, 3 June

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES – 10

- a. Adoption of Local Government Act (Amendment) Bill 2014
- b. Adoption of National Assembly Act (Amendment) Bill of Bhutan 2014
- c. Adoption of Right to Information Bill of Bhutan 2014

Wednesday, 4 June

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES – 11

- a. Ratification of Trade and Economic Cooperation Agreement between the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand and the Royal Government of Bhutan
- b. Ratification of Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards

QUESTION TIME - 5

Thursday, 5 June

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES – 12

- a. Ratification of International Convention on the Simplification and Harmonization of Customs Procedures (as amended and also known as Revised Kyoto Convention)
- b. Adoption of Attorney General Act (Amendment) Bill 2014

Friday, 6 June

POLICY REVIEW ISSUES - 1

- a. Deliberation on Annual Anti-Corruption Report 2013

QUESTION TIME - 6

Monday, 9 June

POLICY REVIEW ISSUES - 2

- a. Issues related to shortage of LPG and Kerosene by EAC

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Tuesday, 10 June

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES – 13

- a. Re-deliberation on National Council Act (Amendment) Bill of Bhutan 2014

- b. Re-deliberation on Tobacco Control Act (Amendment) Bill of Bhutan 2014

Wednesday, 11 June

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES – 14

- a. Presentation of Budget & Appropriation Bill 2014-2015
- b. Deliberation on Budget & Appropriation Bill 2014-2015

QUESTION TIME - 7

Thursday, 12 June

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES – 15

- a. Continue deliberation on Budget & Appropriation Bill 2014-2015

Friday, 13 June

HOLIDAY ON THE OCCASION OF LORD BUDDHA’S PARINIRVANA

Monday, 16 June

JOINT SITTING – 1

- a. Report by the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) on the Annual Audit Report 2013

Tuesday, 17 June

JOINT SITTING – 2

- a) Joint Sitting on Bills (if any)

Wednesday, 18 June

JOINT SITTING – 3

- a) Presentation of the Annual Report by the Prime Minister on the State of the Nation, including legislative plans, annual plans and priorities of the Government to the Druk Gyalpo and to the Joint Sitting of Parliament

Thursday, 19 June

RATIFICATION OF RESOLUTIONS

CLOSING CEREMONY OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL

- a. Closing Address by Chairperson
- b. *Tashi Moenlam*

Friday, 20 June

CLOSING CEREMONY OF PARLIAMENT (JOINT SITTING)