# **Parliamentary Calendar Proposed Format**

Calendar will be based on: Bills in the Parliament (National Assembly and Pending bills from the previous term of House of Representatives). Common Minimum Programs, Annual Schedule of the Ministries, Parliamentary Committees

## **Annual Plan of Parliamentary Session [Sample]**

Winter Session: Mangsir to Chaitra Summer Session: Shrawan to Ashoj Budget Session: Baisakh to Asar

## After every 6 weeks, the parliamentary session will be adjourned for 2 weeks.

During this time, the Members of Parliament must [can] visit their respective constituencies to understand the problems in their constituencies, explain the new policies formulated and prepare to represent their constituency for further meetings. MPs can organize town halls and surveys to facilitate a democratic practice.

Annual plans and schedule of the ministries are required for the formulation of the parliamentary calendar. After all the Ministries submit their annual plan and schedule, the Federal Parliament Secretariat can prepare the agenda for parliamentary sessions.

<b>Bills in the National Assembly</b>	Pending bills to be tabled in the HoR		
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Office of the Prime Minister and Council of Ministers	Office of the Prime Minister and Council of		
1. Commission for Investigation of Abuse of	Ministers		
Authority (Third Amendment) Bill 2076	1. Nepal Special Service Bill 2076		
2. Prevention of Corruption (First Amendment) Bill	2. Policy Research Foundation Bill 2076		
2076	Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation		
3. Monitoring and Evaluation Bill	3. Nepal Air Service Authority Bill 2076		
Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation	4. Nepal Civil Aviation Authority Bill 2076		
4. Copyright (First Amendment) Bill 2076	Ministry of Communication and Information		
5. Preservation of Records (First Amendment) Bill	Technology		
2077	5. Media Council Bill 2075		
Ministry of Communication and Information			
Technology			
6. Public Service Broadcasting Bill, 2077			
7. Security Printing Bill 2077			
Ministry of Education, Science and Technology			
8. Nepal University Bill 2079			
Ministry of Home Affairs			
9. Immigration Bill 2076			
Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development			
10. Food Hygiene and Quality Bill 2077			

## **Common Minimum Programs**

- 1. Change policies, laws and structures that are obstacles to good governance, effective service delivery and a drive for prosperity
- 2. Restructure state institutions that have become inefficient due to over-politicization
- 3. Effective coordination between state agencies
- 4. Effective monitoring to ensure quality performance delivery
- 5. Reform the judiciary by forming a high-level commission
- 6. Ensure that citizens get easy, quick, and fair justice
- 7. Form a high-level task force to make civil administration and security agencies competent, professional, and accountable to the public
- 8. Make Public Procurement Monitoring Office and National Vigilance Centre result-oriented
- 9. Empower regulatory agencies like Commission for the Investigation of Abuse of Authority (CIAA) with laws, human resources, and tools
- 10. Take legal action against corruption in any period and any person involved in corruption
- 11. Within a month of formulation of the government, solve citizenship issues for the children of Nepalese citizens
- 12. Make institutional and procedural policy-level reforms to promote private sector investment
- 13. Make revenue administration more agile, streamlined and taxpayer friendly
- 14. Cut office operating expenses
- 15. Complete remaining work on peace process and transitional justice as soon as possible

## **Parliamentary Committees:**

- 1. Finance Committee
- 2. Committee on International Relations
- 3. Industry and Commerce and Labor and Consumer Interest Committee
- 4. Law, Justice and Human Rights Committee
- 5. Agriculture, Cooperatives and Natural Resources Committee
- 6. Women and Social Committee
- 7. State Order and Good Governance Committee
- 8. Development and Technology Committee
- 9. Health and Education Committee
- 10. Public Accounts Committee
- 11. Parliamentary Hearing Committee (Joint)
- 12. Implementation Monitoring and Evaluation Committee of State Directive Principles, Policies and Responsibilities (Joint)

# Magh 2079 [Jan/Feb 2023] - Current Format

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5 <u>11:00</u> House of Representatives <u>13:00</u> National Assembly	6	7 <u>13:00</u> House of Representatives
8	9	10 <u>11:00</u> House of Representatives <u>13:00</u> National Assembly	11	12	13 <u>15:59</u> National Assembly	14
15	16	17 <u>13:00</u> Legislative Management Committee	18 13:00 House of Representatives	19	20	21
22	23 <u>11:59</u> National Assembly	24	25	26	27	28
29 <u>13:00</u> House of Representatives						

## **Monthly Agenda of the Parliament - Proposed Format [Sample]**

#### Falgun 2079 [Feb/March 2023]

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	11:00	11:00	11:00	<u>11:00</u>	16:00	
	<b>National Assembly</b>	House of Representatives	National Assembly [Office of	House of	International	
	[Office of the Prime	[Ministry of Culture,	the Prime Minister and	Representatives	Relations	
	Minister and Council of	Tourism and Civil Aviation]	Council of Ministers]	[Ministry of	Committee	
	Ministers]	Nepal Air Service Authority	Commission for Investigation	Culture, Tourism		
	Commission for	Bill, 2076;	of Abuse of Authority (Third	and Civil	Subject of	
	Investigation of Abuse of	Nepal Civil Aviation	Amendment) Bill, 2076;	Aviation]	Debate	
	Authority (Third	Authority Bill, 2076	Prevention of Corruption	Nepal Air Service	Debate	
	Amendment) Bill, 2076;		(First Amendment) Bill, 2076;	Authority Bill,		
	Prevention of Corruption	<u>16:00</u>	Monitoring and Evaluation	2076;		
	(First Amendment) Bill,	Legislative Management	Bill	Nepal Civil		
	2076;	Committee		Aviation Authority		
	Monitoring and		<u>16:00</u>	Bill, 2076		
	Evaluation Bill	Subject of Debate -	Finance Committee			
		Parliamentary Calendar				
	<u>16:00</u>		Subject of Debate			
	Implementation					
	Monitoring and					
	Evaluation Committee of					
	State Directive					
	Principles, Policies and					
	Responsibilities (Joint)					
	Subject of Debate					

7 <u>13:00</u> Industry, Commerce, Labor and Consumer Interest Committee Subject of Debate	8 <u>11:00</u> National Assembly [Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation] Copyright (First Amendment) Bill, 2076; Preservation of Records (First Amendment) Bill, 2077 [Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development] Food Hygiene and Quality Bill, 2077	9 <u>11:00</u> House of Representatives [Office of the Prime Minister and Council of Ministers] Nepal Special Service Bill, 2076; Policy Research Foundation Bill, 2076 <u>16:00</u> Law, Justice and Human Rights Committee Subject of Debate	1011:00National Assembly[Ministry of Culture,Tourism and Civil Aviation]Copyright (First Amendment)Bill, 2076;Preservation of Records (FirstAmendment) Bill, 2077[Ministry of Agriculture andLivestock Development]Food Hygiene and QualityBill, 207716:00Agriculture, Cooperatives andNatural Resources CommitteeSubject of Debate	<b>11</b> <u>11:00</u> <b>House of</b> <b>Representatives</b> <b>[Office of the</b> <b>Prime Minister</b> <b>and Council of</b> <b>Ministers]</b> Nepal Special Service Bill, 2076; Policy Research Foundation Bill, 2076	12 <u>16:00</u> Women and Social Committee Subject of Debate	13
14 <u>13:00</u> State Order and Good Governance Committee Subject of Debate	<b>15</b> <u>11:00</u> National Assembly [Ministry of Communication and Information Technology] Security Printing Bill, 2077; Public Service Broadcasting Bill, 2077 [Ministry of Home Affairs] Immigration Bill, 2076	16         11:00         House of Representatives         [Ministry of Communication and Information         Technology]         A bill to amend and unify the law related to Nepal Media Council         16:00         Development and Technology Committee         Subject of Debate	17 <u>11:00</u> National Assembly [Ministry of Communication and Information Technology] Security Printing Bill, 2077; Public Service Broadcasting Bill, 2077 [Ministry of Home Affairs] Immigration Bill, 2076 <u>16:00</u> Education and Health Committee Subject of Debate	<b>18</b> <u>11:00</u> <b>House of</b> <b>Representatives</b> [Ministry of <b>Communication</b> <b>and Information</b> <b>Technology</b> ] A bill to amend and unify the law related to Nepal Media Council	19 <u>16:00</u> Public Accounts Committee Subject of Debate	20

21 <u>13:00</u> Parliamentary Hearing Committee (Joint) Subject of Debate	22 <u>11:00</u> National Assembly [Ministry of Education, Science and Technology] Nepal University Bill, 2079 <u>16:00</u> Monitoring and Evaluation Committee (Joint) on Implementation of Directive Principles, Policies and Responsibilities of the State Subject of discussion (Parliamentary Inquiry*)	23 <u>11:00</u> House of Representatives <u>16:00</u> Legislative Management Committee Subject of discussion (Parliamentary Inquiry*) - Parliamentary Calendar	24 <u>11:00</u> National Assembly [Ministry of Education, Science and Technology] Nepal University Bill, 2079 <u>16:00</u> Finance Committee Subject of discussion (Parliamentary Inquiry*)	25 <u>11:00</u> House of Representatives	26 <u>16:00</u> International Relations Committee Subject of discussion (Parliamenta ry Inquiry*)	27
28 <u>13:00</u> Industry, Commerce, Labor and Consumer Interest Committee	29 11:00 National Assembly [Non-Governmental] Social Security (First Amendment) Bill, 2077	30 <u>13:00</u> Law, Justice and Human Rights Committee				

## **Daily Agenda of the Parliament**

Time	Monday- National Assembly	Tuesday- House of Representatives	Wednesday- National Assembly	Thursday- House of Representatives	
11:00 AM	<ul> <li>Opening</li> <li>Petitions</li> <li>Statement by Ministers</li> <li>Executive Directives - Notifications and Orders of the Day</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Opening</li> <li>Petitions</li> <li>Executive Directives - Notifications and Orders of the Day</li> <li>Statements on important matters</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Opening</li> <li>Petitions</li> <li>Statement by MPs</li> <li>Executive Directives - Notifications and Orders of the Day</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Opening</li> <li>Petitions</li> <li>Executive Directives - Notifications and Orders of the Day</li> <li>Statements on important matters</li> </ul>	
12:30 PM	Parliament adjourned for lunch	Parliament adjourned for lunch	Parliament adjourned for lunch	Parliament adjourned for lunch	
1:30 PM	A 90-second statement by MPs	Parliamentary Discussion	A 90-second statement by MPs	Parliamentary Discussion	
1:50 PM	Question time		Question time		
2:50 PM	Presentation of documents**	Presentation of documents**	Presentation of documents**	Presentation of documents**	
3:15 PM	Matter of public importance***	Matter of public importance***	Matter of public importance***	Matter of public importance***	
3:40 PM	Minister's Statement****	Minister's Statement****	Minister's Statement****	Minister's Statement****	
3:50 PM	End of Meeting	End of Meeting	End of Meeting	End of Meeting	

**Presentation of documents**\*\* - The Minister submits any annual or other government report or report of an inquiry into government administrative matters

Matter of public importance\*\*\* - To discuss a relevant public issue, which has not received the attention of the government or has not been well handled by the government

**Minister's Statement (If Any)**\*\*\*\* - Ministers may make prepared statements on government policy or other matters for which they have ministerial responsibilities. This is another example of the government holding the House accountable.

**Parliamentary Discussion -** Any Member of Parliament can raise national and international issues before the Ministers and the Minister shall be accountable to the Member of Parliament. Example:<u>https://www.parliament.uk/about/how/business/debates/westminster-hall-debates/</u>

## **Daily Agenda of the Committee**

Example: <u>https://committees.parliament.uk</u>

## **Committee - Legislative Management Committee**

#### **Subject of Debate - Parliamentary Calendar**

\* Debate - In this meeting the Committee will investigate certain matters or perform its legal oversight. Ordinary citizens will not be allowed to express their opinion in this meeting. The committee members will debate the case according to their studies.

#### **Committee - Legislative Management Committee**

## **Subject of discussion (Parliamentary Inquiry\*) - Parliamentary Calendar**

\* **Parliamentary Inquiry** – Once a committee has decided to investigate a matter or complete its statutory oversight function, it advertises that it is holding a public inquiry and invites the community to send submissions addressing the issue under discussion. Anyone can submit an inquiry.

### **Other Samples** –

VISIT WEBSITE https://www.theyworkforyou.com/calendar/

## **Example - Parliament of New South Wales**

https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/la/houseprocedures/Pages/Interactive-Sitting-Day-Schedule.aspx

Calendar of Business, USA

https://www.congress.gov/legislative-process/calendars-and-scheduling

#### Senate and House of Commons, Parliament of Canada

https://www.parl.ca/legisinfo/en/overview