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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Universities (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

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The Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—
Emoluments and Other Allowances being paid to Chairmen and Members of
Independent Commissions,—

Whereas approval of the Cabinet of Ministers has been granted to provide the payment of the following emoluments and allowances to the Chairmen and Members of the nine Independent Commissions stipulated in the Schedule of Article 41(b) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as amended by the 19th Amendment to the Constitution and to treat the date on which the relevant Commissions commenced their functions in actuality as the effective date to commence the payments:-

- (a) A monthly allowance of Rs.100,000/-, a monthly telephone allowance of Rs. 10,000/- and an official vehicle which may also be used for personal use along with a quota of 225 ltrs. of fuel or a fuel allowance on par with the prevalent fuel price in the market, to Chairmen other than the ex. officio Chairmen;
- (b) Payment of monthly allowance, equal to 50% of the monthly allowance of a Chairman of an Independent Commission, to ex. Officio Chairmen appointed to Independent Commissions, in addition to salary and other allowances in their substantive posts;
- (c) In the case of non-ex. officio Members of all other Commissions except the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption, a monthly allowance of Rs. 75,000/-, a monthly telephone allowance of Rs. 8,000/- and a transport allowance of Rs. 25,000/- up to a limit of 350 kilometres or a transport allowance of Rs. 50,000/- for distance of over and above 350 kilometres depending on the distance from their residencies to the office of the Commission to be made;

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- (d) An attendance allowance of Rs. 10,000/- per meeting to be made to ex. officio Members of Independent Commissions, as per provision laid down in Public Enterprises Circular No. 3/2015 of 17.06.2015;
- (e) In the case of the Chairman of Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption and Members thereof who have been equally delegated with powers in keeping with the provisions laid down in Section (8) of the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption Act, No. 19 of 1994, payment of a monthly allowance of Rs. 95,000/-, a monthly telephone allowance of Rs.8,000/- and an official vehicle which may also be used for personal use along with a quota of 170 ltrs. of fuel or a fuel allowance on par with the prevalent fuel price in the market; and
- (f) Payment of a special allowance equal to $\frac{3}{4}$ of their monthly allowance to be made to the Chairman and Members of the Elections Commission during the period from the date of declaring an election to the date of releasing results thereof.

Accordingly, that this Parliament resolves to pay the above mentioned emoluments and other allowances to the Chairmen and Members of the nine Independent Commissions stipulated in the Schedule of Article 41(b) of the Constitution.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation,— Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation under Section 237 of the Motor Traffic Act (Chapter 203) read with Sections 122 and VII A of the aforesaid Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1939/4 of 02nd November 2015 in which mistakes in Sinhala and Tamil versions were corrected by the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1972/33 of 22nd June 2016, which were presented on 21.07.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

* *Indicates Government Business*

Friday, August 12, 2016

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

P. 179/16

Hon. Sisira Jayakody,— Establishment of an Authority to rehabilitate the drug addicts,— That this Parliament resolves that an Authority should be established in order to rehabilitate drug addicts with the initiative of religious leaders and by using Buddhist spiritual meditations, indigenous medicine and other remedies, since the absence of a proper programme or procedure for rehabilitation has become a severe burden for youths who want to abandon their drug addiction.

P 180/'16

Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala, — Implementation of Island-wide Combined Schedule to operate S.L.T.B. and Private buses at night, — That this Parliament resolves that the Sri Lanka Transport Board and Road Passenger Transport Authorities established under the Provincial Councils should develop and implement a combined schedule for S.L.T.B. and private buses to operate at night throughout the Island as passengers are severely inconvenienced owing to S.L.T.B. and private buses not operating in a proper manner after 6 p.m. throughout the Country .

P.181/'16

Hon. Abdullah Marhooff,— Resettlement of the Muslim community, forcibly evicted from the Northern Province, — That this Parliament resolves that it is the responsibility of the government to identify and remove all the stumbling blocks to resettle the Muslim community lived in the Northern Province for centuries who were forcibly evicted within forty eight hours, to leave their assets and belongings behind and without a guarantee for their lives in 1990, even though this minority local populace continue to live in the country without going abroad or betraying this country and they even cast 95% of their vote during the Presidential and General Elections, but they are still unable to return to their original places, therefore, they must be allowed to resettle in their original places with all the rights.

P.182/'16

Hon. Abdullah Mahrooff,— Recruitment of graduates as counseling officers to schools, — That this Parliament resolves that an action plan to employ officers to guide the primary, secondary and advanced level students in parallel to their academic activities in all schools island-wide, whose functions are similar to that of counseling officers currently attached to the Divisional Secretariats to be implemented in order to eradicate the abuse of women and children, taking place island-wide by way of absorbing the graduates as the officer mentioned above to each and every school by means of providing them with special appointments which shall effect from 2016 and which would also generate employment opportunities to the graduates.

P.183/'16

Hon. Abdullah Mahrooff,— Priority to be given to the youths in the Northern and the Eastern Provinces, when the implementation of one million employments project,— That this Parliament resolves that during the implementation of one million employments project, the priority should be given to the youths between the age of thirty five to forty years live in the Northern and the Eastern provinces, and to take necessary steps to offer permanent status to those who dropped out from schools at primary, secondary and senior secondary levels and have been employed as volunteer teachers at schools for more than twenty years with the G.C.E. (O/L) qualifications, without considering higher educational qualifications

P.184/'16

Hon. S. M. Marikkar,— Compulsion of Sunday School Education,— That this Parliament resolves that Sunday School Education up to grade 9 must be made compulsory to all the children according to their religion in order to curb abuse and juvenile offences which are spreading in a manner that is not suitable for a civilized society and to promote self discipline.

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Thursday, August 25, 2016
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

142/'15

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise Development,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the public institutions which incurred losses during the financial year 2014 ;
 - (ii) the losses incurred by the aforesaid institutions, separately; and
 - (iii) the amount of money to be paid to other public institutions by the institutions mentioned in (i) above, separately?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) the amount of money issued by the General Treasury to each of the aforesaid institutions to settle the losses, separately;
 - (ii) whether an inquiry has been conducted in regard to the reasons for the aforesaid losses;
 - (iii) if so, the reasons relevant to each institution, separately
 - (iv) Whether steps will be taken to make the aforesaid institutions profit making ventures; and
 - (v) if so, the manner in which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

637/'16

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Hadukanda Samurdhi Society, Kiriella, has entered into an agreement with the Kuruvita Pradeshiya Sabha, Rathnapura under the “Dorin Dorata - Gamin Gamata programme” implemented by the previous government in 2014; and according to that agreement it has been agreed to pay Rs. 300,000/- to cut and lay concrete on the Hadukanda - Kurundukotuwa road;
 - (ii) although an year has passed since the completion of the aforesaid road and according to the agreement the aforesaid society has been paid only a 20% (Rs. 58,000/-) by now; and
 - (iii) the society has suffered severe inconvenience due to the failure of the other party to repay the balance payment?

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- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether steps will be taken to pay the balance payment of the contract to the aforesaid society; and
 - (ii) in addition to that whether steps will be taken forthwith to pay the amount of money that should be paid to the society for laying concrete on,—
 - the upper part of the Baduwala road – Rs. 500,000/-
 - Hadukanda - Polgahahena road - Rs. 300,000/-
 - Hadukanda - Ilukpitiya road - Rs. 300,000/-
 - Hadukanda - Kekillawatta road - Rs. 300,000/-?
- (c) If not, why?

639/'16

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the names of the members of the Presidential Task Force on recovery of illegally acquired state assets?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
- (i) of the name of the Chief of aforesaid Task Force;
 - (ii) of the intention of establishing it;
 - (iii) of the foreign countries that the Members or the Assisting Officers, have toured;
 - (iv) of the total amount of money, spent on the tours of the Members or the Assisting Officers, as at 31st of March 2016; and
 - (v) of the value of illegally acquired assets, acquired on the recommendations of the Task Force as at 31st March 2016?
- (c) If not, why?

725/'16

Hon. M. H. M. Salman,— To ask the Minister of Disaster Management,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) a landslide occurred recently in the premises in which the three storeyed building belonging to K/Almanar National School in Handessa in Kandy District, is located; and
 - (ii) although the Secretary to the Ministry of Education has informed the Director of the National Building Research Organization by the Letter No. ED/7/99/9/1/31 of 14.12.2015 in this regard, no steps has been taken?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether steps will be taken to construct a protection wall adjacent to the mound of earth that was subjected to the land landslide since the aforesaid school building and the adjacent area is at a risk in a condition of heavy rain?
- (c) If not, why?

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655/'16

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately, the politicians, government officials and other individuals who used helicopters or aircraft of the Sri Lanka Air Force for official or private visits during the period from 10th January 2015 to 30th April 2016;
 - (ii) separately, the amount of money charged from each person for the said flights;
 - (iii) of the money to be recovered for the said flights, the amount not paid thus so far; and
 - (iv) the measures to be taken to recover the said arrears?
- (b) If not, why?

608/'16

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the policies made by the previous government in regard to admitting the children of Army personnel who are not in officer grades to the schools for the children of members of Armed Forces?
- (b) If not, why?

Friday, August 26, 2016

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

660/'16

Hon (Mrs.) Hirunika Premachandra,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that students are subjected to various discriminations and physical and mental harassments by certain principles and teachers of Provincial Council Schools?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately as per each district of the number of male and female students who were thus subjected to mental and physical harassments; and
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to steer clear of mental and physical harassments and to take a certain step regarding their disciplined behavior having informed and consulted the Chief Minister of Provincial Councils?
- (c) If not, why?

673/'16

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Prisons Reforms, Rehabilitation, Resettlement and Hindu Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether refugee camps are maintained by the government in the Northern and Eastern provinces;
 - (ii) if so, separately, the locations of the said camps and the number of people and families housed in them;
 - (iii) separately, in respect of each camp, the amount of money allocated for the people in the said camps; and
 - (iv) separately, the assistance given to each of those individuals and families per month?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) separately, if the lands or houses belonging to these refugees are occupied by the government or private institutions or other individuals, details of same and the number of refugees to whom such houses/ lands belong; and
 - (ii) separately, in respect of each camp, the number of persons amongst these refugees who do not have a land or a house for residence?
- (c) If not, why?

703/'16

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) a decision had been taken by the government, when the age of retirement for a public servant was 55 years, that the monthly salary given to the families of the soldiers who died in action be given to them until the deceased soldier is supposed to reach 55 years;
 - (ii) the government has extended the retirement age up to 60 years with an automatic extension up to 58 years and from 58 to 60 years by obtaining prior approval; and
 - (iii) the monthly salary of the war heroes who sacrificed their lives are given to their families only up to the time the deceased person is supposed to reach 55 years?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether action will be taken that the monthly salary of the deceased war heroes be given to their families up to the time the deceased war hero is supposed to reach 60 years; and
 - (ii) the date from which the aforesaid age limit will be amended?
- (c) If not, why?

718/'16

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) A/Zahira College, the only Tamil Medium National school in the Anuradhapura District is faced with numerous shortcomings owing to being subjected to neglect;
 - (ii) although, Jayah Muslim Maha Vidyalaya in Kadandugama and Muslim Maha Vidyalaya Kahatagasdigiliya have been included in the “1000 Schools” programme, no facilities other than Technology Laboratories have been provided to them; and
 - (iii) there is a dearth of teachers for Mathematics, Science, English and Technology in Sinhala and Tamil medium schools?
- (b) Will he inform this House separately, in relation to the school mentioned in (a) (i) above—
 - (i) the date, the dearth of teachers in the Advanced Level Science Stream would be met;
 - (ii) the date, a new building is constructed;
 - (iii) the date, an office for the Principal and an auditorium is constructed; and
 - (iv) and the date, a water filter would be provided, separately?
- (c) Will he also inform this House separately of the dates when—
 - (i) other facilities for the schools mentioned in (a) (ii) above would be provided; and
 - (ii) the vacancies in the schools in (a) (iii) above would be filled?
- (c) If not, why?

722/'16

Hon. T. Ranjith De Zoysa,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the extent of hectares of the paddy fields, got damaged due to sudden floods in last May;
 - (ii) of the approximate loss, incurred due to aforesaid damage;
 - (iii) of the number of irrigation systems, got damaged together with small tanks; and
 - (iv) separately, of the districts where damaged irrigation projects are located?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether aforesaid flood has an impact on the future food security of the country;
 - (ii) whether the government will take measures to provide relief for the distressed farming community; and
 - (iii) if so, in which manner ?
- (c) If not, why?

727/'16

Hon. Bandula Gunawardana,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he admits that a special permission was granted by the Budget Proposals of 2016 to register domestically assembled but unregistered vehicles;
 - (ii) the number of commercial vehicles registered before the 31st of March 2016; the names of persons against whom such vehicles have been registered; and
 - (iii) the number of vehicles which were registered by paying one million rupees; the names of persons against whom such vehicles have been registered?
- (b) If not, why?

775/'16

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,— To ask the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware—
 - (i) that a government medical officer has not been attached to the Primary Health Care Unit of the Ranajayapura village of Ipalogma in the district of Anuradhapura where approximately 1235 families belonging to the three Armed Forces permanently reside; and
 - (ii) that medical officers belonging to the Army, Navy and Air Force periodically serve in this unit as a consequence of not attaching a Government Medical Officer to this unit permanently?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to provide a permanent government medical officer to the Primary Health Care Unit of this village; and
 - (ii) of the time that will be taken for the said purpose?
- (c) If not, why?

674/'16

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of official residences located in the Colombo District for the Secretaries of Ministries, the Heads of Departments and the Chairmen of Government Corporations and Companies;
 - (ii) the number official residences belonging to each institution;

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- (iii) whether he will submit a list of names of persons who currently occupy these residences;
- (iv) whether there is a circular or a document setting out regulations to be adopted for the allocation of these Official Residences;
- (v) if so, whether that can be tabled;
- (vi) if there is no such circular regarding regulations, the procedure for allocating these residences; and
- (vii) the number of persons occupying the said residences who have not met the eligibility criteria as per the regulations or the procedure for the allocation of residences?

(a) If not why?

704/'16

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the total amount of money spent for the propaganda advertisements on debt crisis in print and electronic media by the Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs from April 2016;
- (ii) separately, the names of the newspapers in which the aforesaid advertisements were published along with the amount of money spent for that;
- (iii) separately, the amount of money paid to the TV and Radio channels to broadcast those advertisements;
- (iv) as to how the funds were raised for those advertisements;
- (v) if the funds for those advertisements were obtained from Public Funds the Expenditure Heads from which those funds were obtained; and
- (vi) if the funds for those advertisements were obtained through semi government and private sector sponsorship, the names of those institutions and the amount of money obtained from each institution, separately?

(b) If not, why?

719/'16

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of City Planning and Water Supply,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) although the mass scale drinking water supply projects implemented by the government to solve the drinking water problem, one of the serious problems in the Anuradhapura District have not yielded the expected results;

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- (ii) over 25,000 people in this District suffer from the chronic kidney disease and 11,000 of them lead their lives in fatal condition;
 - (iii) diseases of this type occur as a result of chemicals such as cadmium mixing with drinking water; and
 - (iv) the water purifiers installed at present with a view to combatting the chronic kidney disease are not sufficient?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether a new programme would be implemented to provide drinking water to the areas affected by the drinking water problem;
 - (ii) if so, the date it will be implemented; and
 - (iii) the date when water purifiers would be provided to the areas where chronic kidney disease patients are found in abundance?
- (c) If not, why?

723/16

Hon. T. Ranjith De Zoysa,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) separately, of the Local and the Foreign Indebtedness of Sri Lanka by now;
 - (ii) of the Total Indebtedness as a percentage to the National Income;
 - (iii) whether aforesaid percentage is lower or higher than the indebtedness that was prevailing in the year 2004; and
 - (iv) of the steps that the government proposes in order to settle aforesaid debts?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the amount of money allocated by the Ministry of National Policy and Economic Affairs, recently, to advertise on aforesaid indebtedness through electronic and print media?
- (c) Will he further inform this House —
- (i) separately, of the amount of money allocated for state and private television channels, for telecasting aforesaid advertisements;
 - (ii) separately, of the amount of money allocated for state and private radio channels; and
 - (iii) of the amount of money allocated for daily and weekend newspapers?
- (d) If not, why?

Hon. Bandula Gunawardana,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the types of Direct Taxes charged by the government of Sri Lanka since 1995;
 - (ii) the basis of charging each of the taxes separately?
 - (iii) the contribution made by the Direct Taxes to the State Revenue from 1995 to 2015, in relation to each year separately in rupees;
 - (iv) the contribution mentioned in the (iii) above as a percentage of Total Government Revenue and the Gross Domestic Product in relation to each year separately;
 - (v) the reasons for the Direct Tax Income of Sri Lanka remaining at a lower level, when compared to developed countries;
 - (vi) the trends of the Direct Tax Income of Sri Lanka in comparison to countries in the SAARC region in 2015; and
 - (vii) the proposed special measures to be introduced in order to enhance the Direct Tax Income of Sri Lanka?
- (b) If not, why?
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