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**NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY**

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Engineering Council, Sri Lanka Bill,— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,— Regulations under the Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Power and Renewable Energy under Section 67 of the Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority Act, No. 35 of 2007, read with paragraphs (d) and (e) of Sub-section (2) of Section 36 of the said Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1971/13 of June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016, which were presented on 20.09.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\* *Indicates Government Business.*

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**Wednesday, October 05, 2016**

**QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS**

524/16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Primary Industries,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the extent of land in which coffee has been grown in Sri Lanka by the year 2015;
- (ii) the amount of coffee produced in each year during the five years from the year 2010 up to 2015 separately in kilograms;
- (iii) whether the government directly purchases coffee from farmers; and
- (iv) if so, the amount of coffee purchased in each year during the last five years separately?

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- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether steps will be taken to enhance coffee production; and
  - (ii) if so, the aforesaid steps;
- (c) Will he also inform this House —
  - (i) whether coffee is imported to Sri Lanka at present;
  - (ii) if so, the amount of coffee imported to Sri Lanka in each year during the last five years separately;
  - (iii) whether Sri Lanka exports coffee; and
  - (iv) if so, the amount of coffee exported by Sri Lanka in each year during the last five years separately?
- (d) If not, why?

611/16

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(3)

- (a) Will he state separately in relation to each year from 2010 to date —
  - (i) the quantity of karunka (dried arecanut) that has been exported from Sri Lanka to India;
  - (ii) the value of the aforesaid quantity of karunka;
  - (iii) the names and addresses of the exporters of the aforesaid quantity;
  - (iv) the quantity and the value of the karunka that has been exported by each exporter; and
  - (v) the value of the tax that has been paid to the government by each exporter?
- (b) Will he also state separately in relation to each year from 2010 to date —
  - (i) the quantity of karunka that has been imported to Sri Lanka;
  - (ii) the value of the aforesaid quantity;
  - (iii) the names and addresses of the importers of the aforesaid quantity;
  - (iv) the quantity and the value of the karunka that has been imported by each importer; and
  - (v) the countries from which the aforesaid amount of karunka has been imported; and
  - (vi) the value of the tax that has been paid to the government by each importer?
- (c) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) separately in relation to each year from 2010 to date, of the quantity of karunka that has been produced in Sri Lanka;

(3)

- (ii) whether he admits that an illegal process of re-exporting karunka via Sri Lanka is taking place and that the local karunka producers and exporters have been greatly inconvenienced due to this illegal process; and
  - (iii) of the measures that will be taken by the government to stop such illegal re-exporting of karunka?
- (d) If not, why?

736/16

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015 —
  - (i) of the number of registered Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts; and
  - (ii) of the number of Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew;in the District of Kilinochchi?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew and by —
  - (i) state owned companies;
  - (ii) semi government institutions;
  - (iii) the private sector;
  - (iv) the industrial sector;
  - (v) the agricultural sector;
  - (vi) the service sector?
- (c) If not, why?

820/16

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Lands,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) a shop was maintained by the person called Somadasa Sellahewa on the land bearing Map No. 280007, Lot No.686 and Permit No. අම/ව/බ 1369, situated at 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, D. S. Senanayake Mawatha in Senanayakepura Grama Niladhari Division of Ampara Divisional Secretariat Division;
  - (ii) the said land was acquired by the government in 1991 for some public purpose; and
  - (iii) Mr. Somadasa Sellahewa has been granted permission by the Assistant Commissioner of Lands of Ampara to enjoy the said land again after charging Rs.171,050/-, the valuation for 30 years and Rs.1,450/- as surveyor's fee, as it was not used for any public purpose?

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- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether the land mentioned in (a)(i) above is a land belonging to Mr.Somadasa Sellaheva;
  - (ii) of the extent of that land;
  - (iii) of the first and last dates of the period within which a shop was maintained there;
  - (iv) whether acquisition of the said land by the government has been done; and
  - (v) of the public purpose for which the said land was acquired?
- (c) If not, why?

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**Tuesday, October 25, 2016**

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

456/16

Hon. M. H. M. Salman,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(2)

- (a) Will he state —
- (i) whether he is aware of the fact that the plot of land called Polwatta of Rotawewa which has been identified by the Hingurakgoda Pradeshiya Sabha as a site for disposing garbage is faced with the risk of getting contaminated and thereby contaminating the water sources in the said location;
  - (ii) the steps that will be taken to minimize the effects of this action on the people of this area where the issue of potable water and kidney disease is severe;
  - (iii) whether project to dispose of waste in a methodical manner without damaging the surrounding environment will be launched; and
  - (iv) if so, the date on which it will be done?
- (b) If not, why?

464/16

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(3)

- (a) Will he state —
- (i) separately, the number of Advisors, Secretaries, Coordinating Officers, Personal Assistants and such other officers that have been appointed by the President to his staff as at 01<sup>st</sup> January 2016;
  - (ii) the total number of officers as per (i) above;
  - (iii) separately, the names of the officers mentioned in (i) above and the salary, allowances, the staff and other facilities that have been provided to each of those officers; and
  - (iv) separately, the educational and professional qualifications of each of the officers mentioned in (i) above?
- (b) If not, why?
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**Wednesday, October 26, 2016**  
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

465/16

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) of the foreign tours that His Excellency the President engaged in, within the year 2015; and
  - (ii) of the names and the designations of the individuals who participated in each of the aforesaid foreign tours and, separately, of the expenditure borne by the government and semi government institutions on aforesaid individuals?
- (b) If not, why?

479/16

Hon. Kanaka Herath,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House in respect of the year 2015—
  - (i) the total quantity of sugar that was consumed by the Sri Lankans in metric tons;
  - (ii) the quantity of sugar that was imported out of the total quantity consumed;
  - (iii) the value of the quantity of sugar that was imported; and
  - (iv) the quantity of sugar that was manufactured at local sugar factories?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
  - (i) separately, the quantity of sugar manufactured by local factories in years 2014 and 2015; and
  - (ii) whether there was an increase in the production of sugar in the year 2015 when compared with the year 2014?
- (c) If not, why?

598/16

Hon. Lucky Jayawardana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the number of private schools operating in Sri Lanka and providing education from grade one to upper grades?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately —
  - (i) of the names of the aforesaid schools;
  - (ii) of the locations of the aforesaid schools;

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- (iii) of the names of the persons running the aforesaid schools; and
- (iv) of the number of students studying in the aforesaid schools?
- (c) Will he admit that —
  - (i) majority of those studying in government schools as well as private schools are Sri Lankan children and that exorbitant fees are charged by private schools; and
  - (ii) a methodology to monitor and regulate the provision of quality education to pupils studying in private schools and the charging of reasonable fees is urgently required?
- (d) Will he further inform this House —
  - (i) whether steps will be taken to formulate the methodology mentioned in (c) (ii) above; and
  - (ii) if so, of the date on which it will be done?
- (e) If not, why?

634/16

Hon. I. Charles Nirmalanathan,— To ask the Minister of Social Empowerment and Welfare,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether he is aware that persons who have not completed the basic qualifications have been recruited as Samurdhi Officers in Wannai District without following a formal recruitment procedure;
  - (ii) of the details of the Samurdhi Officers who have been recruited without qualifications in this manner; and
  - (iii) whether early steps will be taken to remove the persons recruited in an irregular manner and recruit new officers in a proper manner?
- (b) If not, why?

720/16

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
    - (i) people who are engaged in agricultural livelihoods reside in the district of Anuradhapura mostly;
    - (ii) many large and small tanks of this area have been abandoned without renovations; and
    - (iii) especially 16 large tanks and 48 small tanks require expeditious renovations?
  - (b) Will he inform this House of the date on which the renovation of the tanks mentioned in (a) (iii) above will be initiated?
  - (c) If not, why?
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**Thursday, October 27, 2016**  
**QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS**

490/16

Hon. Kanaka Herath,— To ask the Minister of Social Empowerment and Welfare,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the criteria that was taken into consideration to provide Samurdhi assistance for the year 2015 - 2016;
  - (ii) whether he is satisfied that the Samurdhi assistance has been given based on the aforesaid criteria;
  - (iii) whether he accepts that there are families who do not receive assistance though they are entitled to receive;
  - (iv) whether steps will be taken to provide assistance to them; and
  - (v) if so, when?
- (b) If not, why?

782/16

Hon. Bandula Gunawardana,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) separately, as per for each year from 2000 to 2014 of the rupee value of the foreign grants that the Sri lankan government received;
  - (ii) of the amount of projected foreign grants with regard to the annual estimation for the year 2015;
  - (iii) of the total amount of foreign grants, received by the government of Sri Lanka, in the year 2015;
  - (iv) of the reasons, led for the decline of the foreign grants received for the year 2015; and
  - (v) whether a positive change on the projected foreign grants in 2016, is anticipated?
- (b) If not, why?

786/16

Hon. Indika Anuruddha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) the traditional handloom industry has run into a serious crisis;
  - (ii) the demand for these products has increased and a high price can be obtained for quality products; and
  - (iii) this industry is widespread in the Gampaha District and the previous government provided machinery and skills to about 300 traditional industrialists in Madampella area, Divulapitiya?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the number of —
  - (i) families engaged in this industry as a household industry;
  - (ii) weaving centres; and
  - (iii) officers available for the provision of facilities; in Gampaha district?
- (c) Will he state—
  - (i) whether he has looked into the situation of the persons referred to in (a) (iii) above;
  - (ii) the number of persons engaged in the industry as of now;
  - (iii) their monthly output; and
  - (iv) as to whom they sell them to?
- (d) Will he also state—
  - (i) whether there is a programme to supply raw materials which are in short supply;
  - (ii) whether there is a programme to purchase the products or link up with buyers;
  - (iii) whether training workshops and sales promotion programmes are conducted;
  - (iv) if so, the date on which such was held last; and
  - (v) the programme for the development of the industry?
- (e) If not, why?

788/16

Hon. Lakshman Ananda Wijemanne,— To ask the Minister of Home Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that —
  - (i) the administrative activities of the 11 Divisional Secretariat Divisions in Trincomalee District have been carried out so far in accordance with the old demarcations, and the new demarcations are being marked in accordance with the Transfer of Powers Act, No. 58 of 1992 and the Gazette Notification No.935 dated 02.08.1996;



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- (ii) this demarcation divides the Grama Niladhari Divisions of 31 J Sinhapura, 31 F Old Medawachchiya and 31 M Samanpura in Padavi Sri Pura Division into two divisions;
  - (iii) a part of the 233 C Mailawewa Grama Niladhari Division in Gomarakadawala Division and some parts of the Seruvila Division are divided among other divisions?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
- (i) the Grama Niladhari Divisions and villages into which the 11 Divisional Secretariat Divisions in Trincomalee District have been divided according to the old administrative division system;
  - (ii) the Grama Niladhari Divisions / Villages which came under the demarcation limits of other divisions when marking the demarcation lines in accordance with the Act mentioned in (a) (i);
  - (iii) whether new demarcation lines are marked according to the decisions of the Delimitation Committees functioning at present;
  - (iv) if so, the aforesaid basis; and
  - (v) whether the concurrence of the occupants of each division is sought for it?
- (c) If not, why ?

790/16

Hon. Vidura Wickramanayaka,— To ask Minister of Social Empowerment and Welfare,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) the Victoria Home situated in Rajagiriya consists of 14 wards and 153 persons with incurable disabilities reside in it;
  - (ii) approximately 08 million rupees is annually provided by the government for all the expenses of the residents of this Home and for administrative expenses including water and electricity bills and the salaries of the staff;
  - (iii) the aforesaid amount of money is not adequate for the said matters;
  - (iv) the existing staff is insufficient but new recruitments cannot be made because the salaries paid to the employees are not sufficient; and
  - (v) there is an issue with regard to obtaining an optimum service from the employees who have been mentally distressed as a result of not having sufficient staff quarters and due to not getting an adequate salary?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether action will be taken to increase the salaries and to provide other facilities to obtain an optimum service from the present employees; and
  - (ii) whether action will be taken to recruit employees anew?
- (c) If not, why?

800/16

Hon. (Mrs.) Shanthi Sriskandarasa,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House the number of schools in Mullaitivu Educational Zone, which are included in the programme of “The closest school is the best school” ?
- (b) Is he aware that the Mullaitivu Educational Zone is comprised of two Divisional Secretariat Divisions and most of the schools in those divisions have been neglected by not including them in the programme of “The closest school is the best school”?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
  - (i) the reason for neglecting the schools mentioned in (b) above; and
  - (ii) whether steps will be taken to include the schools in the Mullaitivu Educational Zone, which have been neglected, in the programme of “The closest school is the best school” as per its criteria?
- (d) If not, why?

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**Friday, October 28, 2016**  
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

491/16

Hon. Kanaka Herath,— To ask the Minister of Telecommunication and Digital Infrastructure,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether the project for establishing free Wi-Fi zones under the 100 day programme is currently in operation;
  - (ii) the number of free Wi-Fi zones established under this project;
  - (iii) whether he is satisfied with this number; and
  - (iv) whether they are in operational condition?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
  - (i) whether free Wi-Fi zones have been established in the Kegalle district;
  - (ii) if so, the locations of such zones; and
  - (iii) the areas in which free Wi-Fi zones are to be established in future?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) of the total number of foreign investors who have come to Sri Lanka from 10.01.2015 to date to invest in this country and the value of the total investments they have made during that period in US dollars;
  - (ii) separately of the names of the countries from which such investors came, the names of those foreign business firms and their addresses, and the amount invested by each of those investors; and
  - (iii) separately of the names of the areas where such investment projects have been located in Sri Lanka and the nature of those investment projects?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
  - (i) separately of the number of Sri Lankan citizens employed in each of the aforesaid projects;
  - (ii) if there are differences between the number of employment opportunities the investors had agreed to provide before signing the agreements and the actual number of employment opportunities they have provided after implementing the projects, of the names of such projects;
  - (iii) whether there are investors who have not implemented their projects so far after obtaining the relevant facilities provided for making investments in Sri Lanka or after entering into agreements;
  - (iv) if so, of the nature of the facilities that have been provided to the relevant investors or companies; and
  - (v) separately of the total value of the foreign investments made in Sri Lanka in years 2012, 2013 and 2014 in US dollars?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. (Mrs.) Shanthi Sriskandarasa,— To ask the Minister of Social Empowerment and Welfare,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) separately of the number of families that obtain Samurdhi allowance in the districts of Mullaitivu, Vavuniya and Mannar;
  - (ii) separately of the number of families who are below the poverty line in the above districts; and

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- (iii) whether action will be taken to provide the Samurdhi allowance to those who do not receive it, in spite of the fact that they are below the poverty line and entitled to obtain the Samurdhi allowance?

(b) If not, why?

816/16

Hon. Prasanna Ranaweera,— To ask the Minister of Disaster Management,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) the number of persons to whom the allowance of Rs.10,000/- which the government promised to give to the persons affected by the flood situation that seriously affected Kollonnawa, Kelaniya, Kaduwela, Hanwella and Biyagama Divisional Secretariat Divisions in the month of May 2016 has been given by now;
- (ii) the amount of money that has been spent for this by now;
- (iii) the criteria that is used to grant aid;
- (iv) the number of persons who have qualified to get aid; and
- (v) whether the persons who reside in the houses that have been obtained by them on rent, lease or temporary basis are given this financial assistance?

(b) Will he also inform his House—

- (i) whether the financial and material aid which was said to be given by countries such as United States of America and Japan to provide relief to the persons affected by the floods has been received by the country by now;
- (ii) if so, the amount of financial aid received along with the value of the material aid received, separately;
- (iii) whether the aforesaid aid has been given to people; and
- (iv) if so, the number of persons who have received the aforesaid aid?

(c) If not, why?

817/16

Hon. Wimalaweera Dissanayaka,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(2)

(a) Is he aware that the members of the Civil Security Forces are called from far away areas to be deployed in different services in Colombo or suburbs?

(b) Will he admit that—

- (i) in addition to the salary, an subsistence allowance is paid to a certain group of the members of the Department of Civil Security who are so called and deployed in different services;
- (ii) a group of other members who are so deployed in the said services under equivalent conditions are not provided with the said subsistence allowance; and

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- (iii) accordingly, it is not fair to discriminate the aforesaid group of members of the Civil Security Force who are under equivalent services and conditions?
- (c) If so, will he inform this House whether steps will be taken to provide a reasonable subsistence allowance to the members who are thus treated unfairly?
- (d) If not, why?

822/16

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

- (a) Will he state—
  - (i) the benefits received from the Board by an officer of the National Water Supply and Drainage Board on retirement;
  - (ii) the documents needed to be submitted in this regard;
  - (iii) the reasons for delay in the payment of benefit, despite the relevant documents being in order; and
  - (iv) as to why the benefits paid by the Board are not separately notified to the relevant officer?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) if the signature of the officer is obtained for the notice of all payments and the receipt of payments while in service, as to why it is not practiced on retirement?
  - (ii) If so, whether he acknowledges that it is an offence;
  - (iii) If not so, why; and
  - (iv) whether the relevant payments to all officials who retired from the year 2012 up to now have been completed?
- (c) If not, why?

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**Friday, November 11, 2016**  
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

681/16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Social Empowerment and Welfare,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether the government servants are entitled for the Samurdhi allowance; and
  - (ii) of the assistance and allowances provided by the government that can be obtained by the public servants?

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- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether he is aware of the fact that the public servants of the Pannala Divisional Secretariat Division in the Kurunegala District obtain Samurdhi allowance;
  - (ii) if so, of the names, positions and places of work of the aforesaid officer;
  - (iii) of the measures that were taken against the aforesaid persons?
- (c) If not, why?

732/16

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to the years 2013, 2014 and 2015 —
- (i) of the number of registered Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts;
  - (ii) of the number of Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew;
- in the District of Colombo?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to the years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew and by —
- (i) state owned companies;
  - (ii) semi government institutions;
  - (iii) the private sector;
  - (iv) the industrial sector;
  - (v) the agricultural sector;
  - (vi) the service sector?
- (c) If not, why?

682/16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise Development,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that,—
- (i) fees charged for the safe deposit box service provided by the state and private banks have been increased; and
  - (ii) the customers have been inconvenienced as a result?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
- (i) of the reasons for increasing the fees charged for the safe deposit boxes;
  - (ii) whether additional privileges will be provided to the customers;

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- (iii) if so, what those privileges are; and
  - (iv) whether action will be taken to reduce the fees charged for this service?
- (c) If not, why?

734/16

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015 —
- (i) of the number of registered Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts; and
  - (ii) of the number of Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew;
- in the District of Kandy?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew and by —
- (i) state owned companies;
  - (ii) semi government institutions;
  - (iii) the private sector;
  - (iv) the industrial sector;
  - (v) the agricultural sector; and
  - (vi) the service sector?
- (c) If not, why?

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**Saturday, November 12, 2016**  
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

683/16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that,—
- (i) not only drugs but also aphrodisiac medicines are a reason for the increase in sex crimes within Sri Lanka by now;
  - (ii) Slidenafil and other aphrodisiac medicines can be easily and freely purchased in the market; and
  - (iii) distribution of these drugs is done through schools, tuition classes, lodges and newspaper advertisements?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
- (i) whether the government will take steps to control the free accessibility to aphrodisiac medicines for purchase;

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- (ii) if so, how that will be done;
  - (iii) whether the government will take action to regulate the standard and sale of aphrodisiac medicines; and
  - (iv) if so, how that will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

760/16

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015 —
- (i) of the number of registered Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts; and
  - (ii) of the number of Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew;
- in the District of Gampaha?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew and by —
- (i) state owned companies;
  - (ii) semi government institutions;
  - (iii) the private sector;
  - (iv) the industrial sector;
  - (v) the agricultural sector; and
  - (vi) the service sector?
- (c) If not, why?

693/16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the annual wasp honey requirement of Sri Lanka;
  - (ii) of that quantity, the percentage produced in Sri Lanka; and
  - (iii) the quantity imported?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether measures will be taken to produce the quantity of wasp honey required by the country; and
  - (ii) if so, the programme for same?
- (c) If not, why?



Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Labour and Trade Unions Relations, —(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015 —
  - (i) of the number of registered Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts; and
  - (ii) of the number of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts registered anew;in the District of Gampaha?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts registered anew and by —
  - (i) state owned companies;
  - (ii) semi government institutions;
  - (iii) the private sector;
  - (iv) the industrial sector;
  - (v) the agricultural sector; and
  - (vi) the service sector?
- (c) If not, why?

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**Tuesday, November 15, 2016**  
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) the annual bee honey requirement of Sri Lanka;
  - (ii) of that quantity, the percentage produced in Sri Lanka; and
  - (iii) the quantity imported?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
  - (i) whether measures will be taken to produce the quantity of bee honey required by the country; and
  - (ii) if so, the programme for same?
- (c) If not, why?

762/16

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015 —
  - (i) of the number of registered Employee' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts; and
  - (ii) of the number of Employee' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew;in the District of Polonnaruwa?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employee' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew and by —
  - (i) state owned companies;
  - (ii) semi government institutions;
  - (iii) the private sector;
  - (iv) the industrial sector;
  - (v) the agricultural sector; and
  - (vi) the service sector?
- (c) If not, why?

695/16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of,—
  - (i) the annual requirement of Weniwel for Sri Lanka;
  - (ii) the quantity produced locally as a percentage of that; and
  - (iii) the quantity imported?
- (b) Will he also inform this House,—
  - (i) whether action will be taken to cultivate the Weniwel requirement of the country; and
  - (ii) if so, of the arrangement in place for that?
- (c) If not, why?

763/16

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Labour and Trade Unions Relations, —(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015 —
  - (i) of the number of registered Employee' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts; and
  - (ii) of the number of Employee' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts registered anew;in the District of Polonnaruwa?

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- (b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts registered anew and by —
- (i) state owned companies;
  - (ii) semi government institutions;
  - (iii) the private sector;
  - (iv) the industrial sector;
  - (v) the agricultural sector; and
  - (vi) the service sector?
- (c) If not, why?

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**Wednesday, November 16, 2016**  
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

696/16

Hon. Buaddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he admit that,—
- (i) a large amount of money is spent annually on the fruit imported to Sri Lanka;
  - (ii) the chemicals used to increase the shelf life of those fruits are harmful to the people's health; and
  - (iii) most of those imported types of fruit can be cultivated locally?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
- (i) of the types of fruit that could be cultivated locally but imported;
  - (ii) whether the government would take steps to provide facilities to farmers to cultivate such fruits; and
  - (iii) if so, how that would be done?
- (c) If not, why?

764/16

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015 —
- (i) of the number of registered Employee' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts; and
  - (ii) of the number of Employee' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew;
- in the District of Matale?

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- (b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employee' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew and by —
- (i) state owned companies;
  - (ii) semi government institutions;
  - (iii) the private sector;
  - (iv) the industrial sector;
  - (v) the agricultural sector; and
  - (vi) the service sector?
- (c) If not, why?

697/16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce Affairs,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that,—
- (i) the have made their living on lacquer related products are getting distanced from that industry at present;
  - (ii) there are problems in regard to raw materials and the market; and
  - (iii) this industry could bring a lot of foreign exchange to the country?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
- (i) whether lacquer products are exported;
  - (ii) if so, the export income received in the year 2015; and
  - (iii) if lacquer is not exported, whether action will be taken to export lacquer; and
  - (iv) if so, the date on which it will be commenced?
- (c) Will he also inform this House,—
- (i) whether the government has taken steps to broaden the market for lacquer industry in the country; and
  - (ii) if so, the aforesaid steps?
- (d) If not, why?

765/16

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Labour and Trade Unions Relations,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015 —
- (i) of the number of registered Employee' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts; and

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- (ii) of the number of Employee' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts registered anew;  
in the District of Matale?
  - (b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employee' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts registered anew and by —
    - (i) state owned companies;
    - (ii) semi government institutions;
    - (iii) the private sector;
    - (iv) the industrial sector;
    - (v) the agricultural sector; and
    - (vi) the service sector?
  - (c) If not, why?
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**Thursday, November 17, 2016**  
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

698/16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
  - (i) the amount of coriander that was imported to Sri Lanka in the year 2015; and
  - (ii) the main countries from which Sri Lanka imports coriander?
- (b) Will he also inform this House,—
  - (i) whether coriander is cultivated in Sri Lanka;
  - (ii) if so the percentage of it out of the requirement of the country;
  - (iii) if coriander is not cultivated, the reason for it; and
  - (iv) the steps that will be taken by the government to spread coriander cultivation in Sri Lanka?
- (c) If not, why ?

766/16

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015 —
    - (i) of the number of registered Employee' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts; and
    - (ii) of the number of Employee' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew;
- in the District of Monaragala?

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- (b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employee' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew and by —
- (i) state owned companies;
  - (ii) semi government institutions;
  - (iii) the private sector;
  - (iv) the industrial sector;
  - (v) the agricultural sector; and
  - (vi) the service sector?
- (c) If not, why?

699/16

Hon Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
- (i) the quantity of white sandalwood and the quantity of red sandalwood that was imported to Sri Lanka in the year 2015, separately; and
  - (ii) the main countries from which Sri Lanka imports white sandalwood and red sandalwood ?
- (b) Will he also inform this House,—
- (i) whether white sandalwood and red sandalwood is cultivated in Sri Lanka;
  - (ii) if so, the percentage of it out of the requirement of the country;
  - (iii) if white sandalwood and red sandalwood is not cultivated, the reason for it; and
  - (iv) the steps taken by the government to expand white sandalwood and red sandalwood cultivation in Sri Lanka?
- (c) If not, why ?

767/16

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Labour and Trade Unions Relations,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015 —
- (i) of the number of registered Employee' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts; and
  - (ii) of the number of Employee' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts registered anew;
- in the District of Monaragala?

(23)

- (b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employee' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts registered anew and by —
- (i) state owned companies;
  - (ii) semi government institutions;
  - (iii) the private sector;
  - (iv) the industrial sector;
  - (v) the agricultural sector; and
  - (vi) the service sector?
- (c) If not, why?

849/16

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
- (i) the names of Grama Niladhari divisions in the Sirambiadi area in the Puttalam District where the people with African ancestry live;
  - (ii) the number of people living in those areas at present; and
  - (iii) whether it has been reported that such people live in other areas of Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether the government has guaranteed the right for basic needs such as education, higher education and health of these people;
  - (ii) if so, the measures taken in that regard; and
  - (iii) whether the government has extended patronage for them to preserve their cultural identities and traditional heritage;
  - (iv) if so, what such patronages are?
- (c) If not, why?

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**Friday, November 18, 2016**  
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

768/16

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015 —
- (i) of the number of registered Employee' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts; and

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- (ii) of the number of Employee' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew;

in the District of Badulla?

- (b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employee' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew and by —
  - (i) state owned companies;
  - (ii) semi government institutions;
  - (iii) the private sector;
  - (iv) the industrial sector;
  - (v) the agricultural sector; and
  - (vi) the service sector?
- (c) If not, why?

769/16

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Labour and Trade Unions Relations,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015 —
    - (i) of the number of registered Employee' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts; and
    - (ii) of the number of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts registered anew;
- in the District of Badulla?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts registered anew and by —
    - (i) state owned companies;
    - (ii) semi government institutions;
    - (iii) the private sector;
    - (iv) the industrial sector;
    - (v) the agricultural sector; and
    - (vi) the service sector?
  - (c) If not, why?
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**Saturday, November 19, 2016**  
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

770/16

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015 —
  - (i) of the number of registered Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts; and
  - (ii) of the number of Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew;in the District of Trincomalee?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew and by —
  - (i) state owned companies;
  - (ii) semi government institutions;
  - (iii) the private sector;
  - (iv) the industrial sector;
  - (v) the agricultural sector; and
  - (vi) the service sector?
- (c) If not, why?

771/16

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Labour and Trade Unions Relations,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015 —
  - (i) of the number of registered Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts; and
  - (ii) of the number of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts registered anew;in the District of Trincomalee?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts registered anew and by —
  - (i) state owned companies;
  - (ii) semi government institutions;

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- (iii) the private sector;
  - (iv) the industrial sector;
  - (v) the agricultural sector; and
  - (vi) the service sector?
- (c) If not, why?

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**Monday, November 21, 2016**  
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

772/'16

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015—
  - (i) of the number of registered Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts; and
  - (ii) of the number of Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew;in the District of Ampara?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew and by —
  - (i) state owned companies;
  - (ii) semi government institutions;
  - (iii) the private sector;
  - (iv) the industrial sector;
  - (v) the agricultural sector; and
  - (vi) the service sector?
- (c) If not, why?

773/'16

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Labour and Trade Unions Relations,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015 —
  - (i) of the number of registered Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts; and

(27)

(ii) of the number of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts registered anew;

in the District of Ampara?

(b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts registered anew and by —

(i) state owned companies;

(ii) semi government institutions;

(iii) the private sector;

(iv) the industrial sector;

(v) the agricultural sector;

(vi) the service sector?

(c) If not, why?

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