



[Eighth Parliament - First Session]

No. 229.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Wednesday, December 06, 2017 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

690/16

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

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) the people who have made their living on cane products industry are currently leaving that industry;
- (ii) there are problems in regard to raw materials and the market; and
- (iii) this industry could bring a huge amount of foreign exchange to the country?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether cane products are exported;
- (ii) if so, the income earned from it in the year 2015;
- (iii) if the aforesaid products are not exported, whether action will be taken to export those products; and
- (iv) if so, when it will be done?

(c) Will he also inform this House—

- (i) whether the government has taken steps to expand the market required for the cane industry in the country; and
- (ii) if so, the aforesaid steps?

(d) If not, why?

2.

1738/17

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

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) whether he is aware that an audit query dated 18. 10. 2016 has been issued on Department of Education of Uva Province in respect of year 2015 and 2016 ;

(2)

- (ii) if so, whether he submits the particulars in section 2 b,c,d,e and f and the paragraph 3 of the audit query in respect of the school based management and teacher training programs which were held in Thailand and Philippine;
 - (iii) whether measures will be taken against the officials who are connected with certain malpractices, corrupt activities and illegal activities occurred there; and
 - (iv) if so, of aforesaid measures?
- (b) If not, why?

3.

2169/17

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the number of persons to be paid compensation for the houses, dry lands and paddy lands acquired for the Uma Oya project in respect of each Divisional Secretariat Division;
 - (ii) the number of persons who have not been paid compensation from October 2014 to date though their properties have been acquired in respect of each Divisional Secretariat Division;
 - (iii) the reason for not paying compensation until now;
 - (iv) the basis on which compensation is deposited in the court;
 - (v) whether the advice of the Attorney General's Department is sought for the deposit of compensation in the court;
 - (vi) if so, the time to be taken for that purpose;
 - (vii) the basis for referring to the Attorney General's Department; and
 - (viii) whether steps will be taken for the speedy payment of compensation to those aggrieved due to non-receipt of compensation?
- (b) If not, why?

4.

2187/17

Hon. Prasanna Ranathunga,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) whether he accepts the fact that teacher training programs are very helpful in nurturing the teachers in new knowledge;
 - (ii) whether the Ministry of Education organized teacher training programs in zonal levels on subject basis, in year 2015, 2016 and 2017; and
 - (iii) separately, of the number of teacher training programs so organized, the subjects and the costs incurred?

(3)

(b) Will he also state —

- (i) separately, in respect of each school of the number of teachers in Minuwangoda Education zone of Western province by the date of 06.06.2016;
- (ii) separately, in respect of each subject, of the number of teacher training programs held and the costs incurred in year 2015, 2016 and 2017;
- (iii) whether the number of teacher training programs conducted and the amount of money allocated are adequate;
- (iv) whether he is aware that the funds can not be allocated for teacher training programs out of the decentralized funds of the Members of the Parliament; and
- (v) whether a policy decision enabling the allocation of funds for teacher training programs out of the decentralized funds of the members of the Parliament will be taken, considering same as a national requirement ?

(c) If not, why?

5.

2192/17

Hon.Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena,— To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise Development,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether he is aware that the aviation services carried out under Mihin Lanka Ltd. have been acquired by the Sri Lankan Airline Ltd. since 30.10.2016;
- (ii) of the number of Mihin Lanka employees enrolled to Sri Lankan Airline Ltd. in parallel to it and their names and positions;
- (iii) of the number of Mihin Lanka employees whose service was terminated and their names and positions;
- (iv) of the amount paid as compensation to each employee separately, whose service was terminated;
- (v) of the names and positions of the persons who have been employed after 31.12.2016;
- (vi) of the number of persons who served as consultants till 31.12.2016;
- (vii) of the group of persons mentioned in (vi) above, how many have been paid with salaries for the upcoming months, the compensations, wages or allowances paid to them;
- (viii) of the number of employees who have appealed due to not receiving adequate compensation; and
- (ix) whether they will be provided with outstanding compensation?

(b) If not, why?

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6.

2196/'17

Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the Employees' Provident Fund contributions, Employees' Trust Fund contributions and Gratuity Payments deducted from the salaries of the workers of the estates belonging to the Janatha Estate Development Board and state Plantation Corporation had not been paid to the workers even at the end of 2016;
 - (ii) the number of workers employed in these estates and the outstanding amounts to be paid to them separately;
 - (iii) whether he admits that a grave injustice has been caused to the family members of some of the workers who were to receive the payments and are now dead as a result of not making those payments;
 - (iv) whether steps would be taken to make those payments to the workers immediately;and
 - (v) if so, when?
- (b) If not, why?

7.

2283/'17

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Home Affairs,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the acquisition of lands carried out by the Divisional Secretary of Kotapola under the acquisition of lands for a public purpose through Gazette Notification No. 2006/11 dated 13th February, 2017 has been finalized; and
 - (ii) if not, the progress of relevant acquisition activities as of now?
- (b) If not, why?

8.

2433/'17

Hon. D.V. Chanaka,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Shipping,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the total extent of lands that would be awarded through the agreement to privatize the Hambantota Port and of the basis on which the lands would be awarded;
 - (ii) whether a rental will be charged for the lands that are leased for the operations terminal under this agreement;
 - (iii) whether either of the two companies with which the agreement has been entered into will be given the right to construct the third and the fourth phases of this port;

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- (iv) if so, of the basis on which such right will be given;
 - (v) whether the 110-acres island that was built at the second phase of the Hambantota Port will be given to either of these two companies;
 - (vi) if so, of the basis on which it will awarded;
 - (vii) whether a valuation has been obtained for this either from a local company or an international company; and
 - (viii) if not, of the basis on which the value of that island was determined?
- (b) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Presentation of Bills

1.

The Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,— Securities Exchange,— Bill to establish the Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka; to regulate market institutions, public offers of securities, market intermediaries; to deal with market misconduct; and to meet the challenges encountered by securities markets in an effective and efficient manner and to repeal the Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka Act, No. 36 of 1987 and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*a1.

Appropriation Bill (2018) — (Twenty First Allotted Day) — Committee (Progress 05th December).

*2.

Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*3.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Notification under the Excise Ordinance,— That the Notification made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 32 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) read with Sections 12, 14 and 22 regarding Excise duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2029/51 of 28th July 2017, which was presented on 09.10.2017, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 996)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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*4.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Excise (Special Provisions) Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 3 of the Excise (Special Provisions) Act, No. 13 of 1989, relating to Excise Duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2032/31 of 17th August 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*5.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.1),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2021/7 of 30th May 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*6.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2022/7 of 06th June 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*7.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.3),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 5 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2022/8 of 06th June 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*8.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.4),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2025/44 of 30th June 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*9.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.5),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2028/44 of 19th July 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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*10.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.6),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2029/25 of 26th July 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*11.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.7),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2030/10 of 31st July 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*12.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.8),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2030/20 of 01st August 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*13.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.9),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2032/11 of 15th August 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*14.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.10),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2032/24 of 16th August 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*15.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.11),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2033/31 of 23rd August 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*16.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.12),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2035/28 of 08th September 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*17.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.13),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2039/2 of 02nd October 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*18.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Resolution under the Customs Ordinance,— That the Resolution under Section 10 of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to Import Duties, which was presented on 18.11.2017, be approved.

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 2031/49 of 11th August 2017)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*19.

Commercial Mediation Centre of Sri Lanka (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*20.

Anti-Dumping and Countervailing Duties Bill — Second Reading

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*21.

Safeguard Measures Bill — Second Reading

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*22.

Fisheries (Regulation of Foreign Fishing Boats) (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*23.

Revised Draft Standing Orders of Parliament,— Report of the Committee on Standing Orders in relation to the revised Draft of the Standing Orders of Parliament presented on Tuesday, 07th November 2017,— Consideration.

*24.

Twentieth Amendment to the Constitution Bill— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*25.

International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*26.

Buddhist Temporalities (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*27.

Theravadi Bhikku Kathikawath (Registration) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*28.

Resolution under the Constitution,— Adjourned Debate on Question (22nd June, 2016) Motion made and question proposed,—“Media guidelines to be followed/ Policies to be observed by the Electronic and Print Media during Referenda and Elections published by the Election Commission in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1955/19 of 25th February 2016 in terms of the provisions of Article 104B (5)(a) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka which was presented on 06.05.2016, be approved.”

29.

Institute of Personnel Management, Sri Lanka (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

30.

Child Rehabilitation Centre (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

31.

United Christian Fellowship of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

32.

Sri Lanka Women’s Conference (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

33.

Moneragala District Kantha Maha Sangamaya (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

34.

Lasallian Community Education Services (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

35.

International Women’s and Children’s Rights (IWCRC) (Incorporation) Bill—
Second Reading.

36.

Aloka Social Service Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

37.

Institute of Certified Public Accountants (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

* *Indicates Government Business.*

NOTICES OF AMENDMENTS RELATING TO ORDERS OF THE DAY

a1.

For amendments in Committee on the Appropriation Bill (2018)—See separate Paper “Supplement to the Orders of the Day”.
