



[Eighth Parliament - First Session]

No. 230.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Thursday, December 07, 2017 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

691/16

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the people whose livelihood in reed industry are quitting the industry at present;
 - (ii) there are problems relating to raw materials and market;
 - (iii) this is an industry that can bring in a lot of foreign exchange to the country?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether reed products are exported;
 - (ii) if so, the income earned from exporting reed products in 2015;
 - (iii) if not exported, whether steps will be taken to export such products; and
 - (iv) if so, the date from which it will be done?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the government has taken steps to expand the domestic market for the reed industry;
 - (ii) if so, what these steps are?
- (d) If not, why?

2.

1233/16

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,—To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) how many places of archaeological interest are located in the Mullaitivu District;
 - (ii) in how many places conservation activities are being carried out of the aforesaid sites;
 - (iii) what amounts were allocated in the years 2015 and 2016 for this purpose, separately;

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- (iv) what places of archaeological interest were destroyed by the LTTE terrorists;
 - (v) if an assessment of such destructions has been done, what the estimated value is in respect of each site separately.
 - (vi) whether legal measures have been taken in respect of these destructions; and
 - (vii) whether he will submit a comprehensive report on all above?
- (b) If not, why?

3.

1378/16

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) in terms of Budget proposal No. 132 of budget 2016, whether he accepts the fact that Rs. 1000 Million has been allocated to construct three massive warehouses in Polonnaruwa, Kilinochchi and Rathnapura (Embilipitiya) districts and to complete the construction of a warehouse that is being constructed in Mannar district;
 - (ii) whether the original cost estimate and the current progress report on the warehouse that is being constructed in Mannar district, will be submitted;
 - (iii) of the progress made at the constructions of three warehouse complexes in Kilinochchi, Embilipitiya and Polonnaruwa; and
 - (iv) of the manner in which Rs. 1000 millions that was allocated for the proposal No. 132 of budget 2015, was spent?
- (b) If not, why?

4.

1517/17

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 cost borne by the government on the Public Representations Committee on Constitutional Reforms;
 - (ii) the names of the members of that Committee;
 - (iii) the criteria that were taken into consideration in appointing the members to that Committee;
 - (iv) the number of Committee members who have recommended that the Chapter II of the Constitution regarding the status of Buddhism should not be changed?
- (b) If not, why?

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1898/17

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

- (a) Is he aware that the Auditor General has sent to the Chief Secretary of the Uva Province the inquiry report No. SIN/B/AG/KI/2017/02 dated 20.04.2017 in respect of the irregularities that have taken place and are taking place in the Uva Provincial Council?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he would present to this House the facts contained in the paragraphs from 3(a)(i) to 3(a)(x) of the aforesaid report which disclose information regarding the foreign study tours of the public representatives and staff-grade officers of the Uva Provincial Council;
 - (ii) whether observations of the report that have been presented in paragraphs from (b)(i) to (iii) in regard to the aforesaid disclosures will be presented to this House?
- (c) If not, why?

6.

2189/17

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the total number of Cabinet Ministers in the present government according to the last Cabinet reshuffle;
 - (ii) of the number of State Ministers and Deputy Ministers, separately;
 - (iii) how many Members of Parliament are assigned with Ministerial monitoring tasks;
 - (iv) of the total amount of money spent for each Cabinet Minister annually;
 - (v) whether the National Budget for the year 2017 has allocated funds for the Ministries newly added during the Cabinet reshuffle; and
 - (vi) if so, what amount of money was allocated for the purpose?
- (b) If not, why?

7.

2198/17

Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a programme has been drawn up to develop rural roads on which bus services are operated in the plantation areas of the Kandy, Nuwaraeliya and Badulla districts by carpeting or tarring;

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- (ii) if so, the amount of money allocated for this purpose in the years 2015, 2016 and 2017;
 - (iii) whether he will submit a list of roads to be constructed under this programme;
 - (iv) the measures taken to develop roads in the plantation areas in future?
- (b) If not, why?

8.

2217/17

Hon. S. Shriritharan,— To ask the Minister of Prison Reforms, Rehabilitation, Resettlement and Hindu Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware—
- (i) of the village of Muhamalai that belongs to Pachchilaipalli Divisional Secretariat Division in the Killinochchi District;
 - (ii) of the extent of the area of land and the population of that village; and
 - (iii) of the fact that landmines have been buried in that area, and of the persons who are providing financial assistance for the programme that is being implemented to demine that area?
- (b) Will inform this House—
- (i) of the period of time that will be taken to completely demine that area;
 - (ii) of the date on which those lands are expected to be handed over to the people enabling them to settle there; and
 - (iii) whether steps will be taken to provide those people with facilities such as resettlements and housing schemes?
- (c) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament (No. 1),— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 7 of the Parliament and the motions agreed to by Parliament on 08.03.2016 and 15.11.2017, the hours of sitting of Parliament this day shall be 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.00 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.. At 8.30 p.m. Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the Parliament without question put.

2.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament (No. 2),— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 7 of the Parliament and the motions agreed to by Parliament on 08.03.2016 and 15.11.2017, the hours of sitting of Parliament on Friday 08th December 2017 shall be 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.00 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.. At 9.30 p.m. Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the Parliament without question put.

3.

Hon. K. Kader Masthan,— Leave to introduce Bill,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Ayes Shah Education Trust”

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*a1.

Appropriation Bill (2018) — (Twenty Second Allotted Day) — Committee (Progress 06th 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.)

*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.)

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*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.)

*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.)

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*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”.
