



(Eighth Parliament - Second Session)

No. 10.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Wednesday, June 06, 2018 at 1.00 p.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

35/18

Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Mass Media,—(1)

- (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 2016, was spent?
- (b) If not, why?

2.

239/18

Hon. Heshan Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Social Welfare and Primary Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) separately as per each Divisional Secretariat Division of the number of families living below the poverty line out of the families residing in the District of Rathnapura; and
 - (ii) of the steps that would be taken the Ministry to uplift the living standards of the aforesaid families?
- (b) If not, why?

(2)

3.

308/18

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,— (1)

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) the number of subsidiaries owned by LTL Holdings (Pvt.) Ltd and their names;
 - (ii) the methodology followed to establish those subsidiaries; and
 - (iii) duties carried out by each subsidiary separately?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) percentage of the profit received by Ceylon Electricity Board from the revenue of aforesaid companies, as a breakdown of each company separately;
 - (ii) whether he accepts this profit share is not correct; and
 - (iii) if so, measure will be taken to rectify it?
- (c) If not, why?

4.

386 /18

Hon. K. Cader Masthan,—To ask the Minister of Resettlement, Rehabilitation, Northern Development & Hindu Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether he is aware that various forms of assistance was granted by local and international organizations to families in the Menik Farm transit camp in the Vavuniya District between years 2009 and 2012;
 - (ii) of the number of vehicles received from foreign countries and local and foreign organizations to handle matters pertaining to the aforementioned Menik Farm during the said time period;
 - (iii) of the make and registration numbers of the aforementioned vehicles;
 - (iv) of the names of persons who utilized the aforesaid vehicles during the said period; and
 - (v) of the names of persons who are currently using the said vehicles?
- (b) If not, why?

(3)

5.

390/18

Hon. T. Ranjith De Soyza,— To ask the Minister of Social Empowerment,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of beneficiaries who get the samurdhi benefit in the country as at today;
 - (ii) the total amount of money allocated for that from the budget 2017;
 - (iii) whether an island wide survey was conducted with regard to those beneficiaries;
 - (iv) if an allowance was given to the officers who participated in this survey, the basis on which it was made;
 - (v) the objective of this survey; and
 - (vi) the amount of money spent for that survey?
- (b) If not, why?

6.

407/18

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,— To ask the Minister of City Planning and Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) how many households within the Mannar District had been connected to the supply of clean drinking water by the National Water Supply and Drainage Board by 1983;
 - (ii) how many households are provided with clean drinking water by now;
 - (iii) what amount was allocated by the government in each year for providing drinking water until the end of the war situation after 1983;
 - (iv) what amounts had been allocated by the government for projects implemented for the supply of drinking water, separately in respect of each of the years following the war situation until the year 2015; and
 - (v) whether he will table a progress report on all above?
- (b) If not, why?

(4)

7.

471/18

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

8.

491/18

Hon. Shehan Semasinghe,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration & Management and Law & Order,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the annual staff transfer policy of the Sri Lanka Police;
 - (ii) separately of the number and the names of Police OICs that received transfers from July to October, 2017 together with reasons for their transfers;
 - (iii) whether the aforesaid transfers are in violation of Circular 2017/01 of the National Police Commission;
 - (iv) if so, of the requirement that resulted in making the aforesaid transfers?
 - (b) If not, why?
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AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Business of the Parliament,— That for the purpose of the proceedings of the current session, Standing Order No. 8(2) of the Parliament shall operate with substitution of the words “9.30 a.m.” for the words “10.30 a.m.”

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

Shop and Office Employees (Regulation of Employment and Remuneration) (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*2.

Maternity Benefits (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*3.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Notification under the Excise Ordinance (No.1),— That the Notification made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media, under Section 32(1) of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) regarding on Excise duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2054/41 of 18th January 2018, which was presented on 22.05.2018, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 03/2018)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*4.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Notification under the Excise Ordinance (No.2),— That the Notification made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media, under Section 25 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) regarding on Excise duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2054/42 of 18th January 2018, which was presented on 22.05.2018, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 04/2018)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*5.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Notifications under the Excise Ordinance (No.3),— That the Notifications made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media, under Sections 2 and 22 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) regarding on Excise duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2055/9 of 23rd January 2018, which were presented on 22.05.2018, be approved.

(Excise Notifications Nos. 05/2018 and 06/2018)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

(6)

*6.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Notification under the Excise Ordinance (No.4),— That the Notification made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media, under Sections 2, 12, 22 and 25 read with Section 32 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) regarding on Excise duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2059/32 of 21st February 2018, which was presented on 22.05.2018, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 07/2018)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*7.

National Defence Fund (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*8.

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 25 read with Section 32 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) relating to Annual Liquor License Fees and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2049/4 of 11th December 2017, which was presented on 20.03.2018, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 1004)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*9.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade ,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade under Section 20 read with Section 4(3) and Section 14 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 amended by Acts, No. 48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 relating to Imports and Exports Control (Standardization and Quality Control) regulations 2017 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2064/34 of 29th March 2018, which were presented on 09.05.2018, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*10.

The Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,— Regulations under the National Medicines Regulatory Authority Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine under paragraph (u) of Section 142(2) read with the Sections 59 and 63 of the National Medicines Regulatory Authority Act, No. 5 of 2015 relating to Registration and Licensing of Medicines (fees) Regulations No. 2 of 2017 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2052/33 of 05th January 2018, which were presented on 03.04.2018, be approved.

*11.

National Audit Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*12.

Demutualization of the Colombo Stock Exchange Bill — Committee.

(7)

- *13.
Code of Criminal Procedure (Special Provisions) (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *14.
Commercial Mediation Centre of Sri Lanka (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *15.
Securities Exchange Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *16.
Pradeshiya Sabhas (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *17.
Prescription (Special Provisions) (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *18.
Commissions of Inquiry (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *19.
Bribery (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *20.
1990 Suwaseriya Foundation Bill — Second Reading
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *21.
Land (Restrictions on Alienation) (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *22.

The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of People's Bank (2016),— That the Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of People's Bank together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2016 and presented on 16.11.2017 under Section 35(3) of Monetary Law and under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 06.03.2018)

*23.

The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of Sri Lanka Cashew Corporation (2015),— That the Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of Sri Lanka Cashew Corporation together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2015 and presented on 24.11.2017 under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 06.03.2018)

*24.

The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of Bank of Ceylon (2016),— That the Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of Bank of Ceylon together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2016 and presented on 04.12.2017 under Section 35(3) of Monetary Law and under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 06.03.2018)

*25.

The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Financial Statements of Regional Development Bank (2015),— That the Annual Report and Financial Statements of Regional Development Bank together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2015 and presented on 07.11.2017 under Section 35(3) of Monetary Law Act and under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 06.03.2018)

*26.

The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Financial Statements of State Mortgage & Investment Bank (2014),— That the Annual Report and Financial Statements of State Mortgage & Investment Bank together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 23.06.2017 under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 21.09.2017)

*27.

The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Financial Statements of State Mortgage & Investment Bank (2015),— That the Annual Report and Financial Statements of State Mortgage & Investment Bank together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2015 and presented on 11.11.2017 under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 06.03.2018)

*28.

The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Financial Statements of Sri Lanka Savings Bank (2014),— That the Annual Report and Financial Statements of Sri Lanka Savings Bank together with the observations of the Independent Auditors for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 08.08.2017 under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 21.09.2017)

*29.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Annual Report and Accounts - Board of Investment of Sri Lanka (2012),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of Board of Investment of Sri Lanka together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2012 and presented on 19.10.2017 under Section 31 of the Greater Colombo Economic Commission Law No. 4 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 10.11.2017)

*30.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Annual Report and Accounts - Board of Investment of Sri Lanka (2013),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of Board of Investment of Sri Lanka together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 07.12.2017 under Section 31 of the Greater Colombo Economic Commission Law No. 4 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 20.03.2018)

*31.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Annual Report and Accounts - Board of Investment of Sri Lanka (2014),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of Board of Investment of Sri Lanka together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 07.12.2017 under Section 31 of the Greater Colombo Economic Commission Law No. 4 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 20.03.2018)

*32.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Annual Report and Accounts - Sri Lanka Export Development Board (2014),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Export Development Board together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 20.10.2017 under Section 16 of the Sri Lanka export Development Act No. 40 of 1979 and Section II of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 20.02.2018)

*33.

The Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,— Report of the Delimitation Committee for the Delimitation of Electorates in Provincial Councils,— That the Report of the Delimitation Committee submitted to the Minister by the said Committee in terms of the Section 3A.(11) of the Provincial Councils Elections Act, No. 2 of 1988 as amended by the Act, No.17 of 2017, which was presented on 06.03.2018, be approved.

*34.

The Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,— Determination under the Constitution,— Whereas Mr. H. M. Gamini Wijesinghe has been appointed as the Auditor-General by the President with effect from 27.11.2015, subject to the approval of the Constitutional Council in terms of Article 153 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka;

And whereas the salary of the Auditor-General shall be determined by Parliament and shall be charged on the Consolidated Fund of the Government in terms of Article 153 (2) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka;

And whereas the approval of the Cabinet of Ministers has been granted on 05.12.2017 according to the Cabinet Memorandum of 14.11.2017 submitted by the President to pay salaries and other allowances to Mr. H. M. Gamini Wijesinghe, Auditor-General as follows:—

- (a) To pay salaries and other allowances entitled to the post placing on the 08th Salary Step of SL- 4 Salary Scale of the Public Administration Circular No. 06/2006 with effect from 27.11.2015;
- (b) To pay salaries under SL- 4 Salary Scale converted as instructed in the Public Administration Circular No. 03/2016 when the conversion of salaries is effected as per the said Circular with effect from 01.01.2016; and
- (c) To pay the annual salary increments as specified under the said salary scale.

Accordingly, that this Parliament determines that Mr. H. M. Gamini Wijesinghe, Auditor-General be paid the aforesaid monthly salary and allowances to be charged on the Consolidated Fund of the Government in terms of Article 153 (2) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

*35.

The Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution,— That the Media guidelines to be observed by the Electronic and Print Media during Referenda and Elections made by the Election Commission in terms of Article 104B (5) (a) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2048/1 of 04th December 2017, which was presented on 23.01.2018, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*36.

Buddhist Temporalities (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*37.

Theravadi Bhikku Kathikawath (Registration) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*38.

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.”

39.

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

40.

Child Rehabilitation Centre (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

41.

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

42.

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

43.

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

44.

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

45.

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

46.

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

47.

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

* *Indicates Government Business.*
