Business of the House for June 07, 2022

Date : 07-06-2022

The Hon. Mahinda Yapa Abeywardana, the Speaker took the Chair.

Messages from the President

A : Order under the Public Security Ordinance (Chapter 40)

Announcements by the Speaker

B : Receipt of the copies of petitions filed at the Supreme Court
C : Members to serve in the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Power and Energy
D : To promote e-version instead of printed documents
E : Meals for Hon. Members of Parliament, Parliament staff and other related staff
F : Meeting of the Committee on Parliamentary Business

Presentation of Papers by the Speaker

(i) Fifth Installment – Parts IV and V and Sixth Installment – Parts VIII, IX and X of the Report of the Auditor–General for the Financial Year 2020 in terms of Article 154(6) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka

(ii)
- Eighth Installment – Part VI of the Performance Report of the Auditor-General on the Regulation of the prevention and control of non-communicable chronic diseases in Sri Lanka; and
- Eighth Installment – Part VII of the Performance Report of the Auditor-General on the Conservation of Coastal and Marine National Parks in Sri Lanka

in terms of Article 154(6) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka

Presentation of Papers

(i) Performance Report of the State Ministry of Rural Housing and Construction & Building Materials Industries Promotion for the year 2021
(ii) Performance Report of the State Ministry of Women and Child Development, Pre-Schools & Primary Education, School Infrastructure & Education Services for the year 2021
(iii) Annual Performance Report of the State Ministry of Dhamma Schools, Pirivenas and Bhikku Education for the year 2021
(iv) Annual Performance Report of the Ministry of Water Supply for the year 2021
(v) Annual Performance Report of the State Ministry of Rural and Divisional Drinking Water Supply Projects Development for the year 2021
(vi) Annual Performance Report of the State Ministry of Foreign Employment Promotion and Market

Diversification for the year 2021

(vii) Supplementary Estimate No. 01 of 2022
(viii) Regulations made by the Minister of Finance under Section 29 read with Section 7 of the Foreign Exchange Act, No. 12 of 2017 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2273/06 of 28th March 2022
(ix) Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 19(A) of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) as amended by the Customs (Amendment) Law No. 35 of 1974 and the Customs (Amendment) Act No. 83 of 1988 relating to payment of the Customs Import Duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2273/74 of 31st March 2022
(x) Note on Supplementary Allocations from the Supplementary Support Services and Contingent Liabilities Project appearing under Expenditure Head No. 240 of the Department of National Budget for the period from 01.04.2022 to 30.04.2022 under Section 6(1) of the Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021

Presentation of Reports from the Committees

The Report from the Committee on Public Finance was presented by the Hon. Anura Priyadarshana Yapa, the Chair of the Committee.

Presentation of Petitions

(i) The Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage
(ii) The Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma
(iii) The Hon. (Mrs.) Manjula Dissanayake
(Petitions stand referred to the Committee on Public Petitions)

Questions under Standing Order 27(2) of the Parliament

The Hon. Sajith Premadasa

Issues faced by construction and other industries

Ministerial Statements

(i) Hon. Ranil Wickremesinghe, Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies made a Ministerial Statement regarding the current economic situation in the country.

(ii) Hon. Kanchana Wijesekera, Minister of Power and Energy made a Ministerial Statement regarding the current situation in the country regarding power and energy.

(iii) Hon. Mahinda Amaraweera, Minister of Agriculture and Minister of Wildlife and Forest Resources Conservation made a Ministerial Statement regarding food situation in the country

House agreed to the following Motions moved by the Hon. Dinesh Gunawardena, the Leader of the House of Parliament -

(i) Ministerial Consultative Committees

The designations of the following Ministerial Consultative Committees shall be re-designated as per the decision taken by the Committee of Selection on 02nd June 2022:—

1. The Ministerial Consultative Committee on Finance as the "Ministerial Consultative Committee on Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies";
2. The Ministerial Consultative Committee on Justice as the "Ministerial Consultative Committee on Justice, Prison Affairs and Constitutional Reforms";
3. The Ministerial Consultative Committee on Labour as the "Ministerial Consultative Committee on Labour and Foreign Employment" ;
4. The Ministerial Consultative Committee on Ports and Shipping as the "Ministerial Consultative Committee on Ports, Shipping and Aviation" ;
5. The Ministerial Consultative Committee on Youth and Sports as the "Ministerial Consultative Committee on Sports and Youth Affairs" ; and
6. The Ministerial Consultative Committee on Trade as the "Ministerial Consultative Committee on Trade, Commerce and Food Security".

(ii) Ministerial Consultative Committees

That in terms of the provisions of Standing Order 112(1) of the Parliament, the following Ministerial Consultative Committees be appointed to be designated as per the decision taken on 02nd June, 2022 by the Committee of Selection:—

1. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Transport and Highways
2. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Tourism and Lands

Above each Ministerial Consultative Committee shall consist of the Cabinet Minister in charge of the relevant subject as the Chair, State Minister, Deputy Minister and five (5) other Members of Parliament to be nominated by the Committee of Selection to discuss and report upon such matters as are referred to it.

The quorum of the above each Ministerial Consultative Committee shall be three (3) Members.

The Bill entitled **"Twenty Second Amendment to the Constitution"** was withdrawn by the Hon. (Dr.) Wijeyadasa Rajapakshe with the leave of the House.

Main Business of the House for Today

The following Items (appearing as Item Nos. 1 and 2 of today's Order Paper) were approved by the House:-

(i) Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act
(ii) Resolution under the Local Treasury Bills Ordinance

Adjournment Motion

Adjournment Motion on “Special Statement made by the Hon. Prime Minister on 07.06.2022” was proposed by the Hon. Shehan Semasinghe.

The Parliament was, thereafter adjourned at 1730 Hrs. until 1000 Hrs. on Wednesday 8th June 2022.

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