Business of the House for August 09, 2022

Date : 09-08-2022

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

Presentation of Papers by the Speaker

- Third Instalment – Part XVIII of the Report of the Auditor–General for the Financial Year 2016;
- Second Instalment – Parts XXXI and XXXII, Third Instalment – Part XVI and Ninth Instalment – Part XXVI of the Report of the Auditor–General for the Financial Year 2017;
- Ninth Instalment – Parts XXXII and XXXIII of the Report of the Auditor–General for the Financial Year 2018;
- Second Instalment – Parts XXXVII, XXXVIII and XXXIX, Third Instalment – Part XV and Ninth Instalment – Part XXIX of the Report of the Auditor–General for the Financial Year 2019;
- Second Instalment – Parts XXX and XXXI, Third Instalment – Part XVI and Ninth Instalment – Parts XVIII, XIX, XX and XXI of the Report of the Auditor–General for the Financial Year 2020; and
- Ninth Instalment – Part I of the Report of the Auditor–General for the Financial Year 2021

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

Presentation of Papers

(i) Annual Performance Report of the Sri Lanka Customs for the year 2021
(ii) Performance Report of the Department of Fiscal Policy for the year 2021
(iii) Performance Report of the Election Commission for the year 2021
(iv) Annual Performance Report of the State Ministry of Estate Housing and Community Infrastructure for the year 2021
(v) Performance Report of the Department of Motor Traffic for the year 2021
(vi) Annual Report of the National Authority on Tobacco and Alcohol for the year 2019
(vii) Performance Report of the Department of the Forest Conservation for the year 2020
(viii) Annual Performance Report of the Department of Wildlife Conservation for the year 2020
(ix) Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Judges' Institute for the year 2017
(x) Performance Report of the Ministry of Justice for the year 2021
(xi) Annual Performance Report and Accounts of the Ministry of Tourism and Lands for the year 2021
(xii) Annual Performance Report of the Ministry of Power for the year 2021
(xiii) Annual Reports of the Central Environmental Authority for the years 2019 and 2020
(xiv) Annual Performance Report of the Ministry of Public Security for the year 2021

(xv) Resolution under Section 10 of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to Import Duties (Gazette Extraordinary No. 2282/24 of 31st May 2022)
(xvi) Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies 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. 2282/23 of 31st May 2022

(xvii) Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 2(3) of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2284/03 of 15th June 2022

(xviii) Proclamation made and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2291/26 of 03rd August 2022 and Schedule thereto, by virtue of the powers vested with the President in terms of Section 2 of the Essential Public Services Act, No. 61 of 1979.

(xix) 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 01.06.2022 to 30.06.2022 under Section 6(1) of the Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021.

(xx) Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 10A of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) as amended by Act No. 83 of 1988, relating to surcharge on the Customs Duty payable on imported goods and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2282/25 of 31st May 2022

Questions under Standing Order 27(2) of the Parliament

The Hon. Sajith Premadasa

Issues related to GCE (A/L) Examination 2022

Hon. (Dr.) Susil Premajayantha, Minister of Education replied to the above Question.

Questions of Privilege

(i) Hon. Wasantha Yapabandara

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(ii) Hon. (Dr.) Thilak Rajapakshe

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Presentation of Bills

The Hon. Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved the Bill entitled

“Appropriation (Amendment)”

to amend the Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021.

House agreed to the following Motions moved by the Hon. (Dr.) Susil Premajayantha, the Leader of the House of Parliament-

(i) Committee of Selection

That in terms of the provisions of Standing Order 114 of the Parliament, the Committee of Selection shall consist of the Speaker as the Chair and twelve (12) Members which shall include the Leaders of political parties or their nominees to be nominated by Parliament to serve during the Third Session of the Ninth Parliament

(ii) Committee of Selection

That in terms of the motion agreed to by Parliament this day, the undermentioned twelve (12) Members do serve in the Committee of Selection during the Third Session of the Ninth Parliament:—

Hon. (Dr.) Susil Premajayantha
Hon. Prasanna Ranatunga
Hon. Nimal Siripala de Silva
Hon. Douglas Devananda
Hon. Lakshman Kiriella
Hon. Johnston Fernando
Hon. Gayantha Karunatilleka
Hon. Rauff Hakeem
Hon. Gamini Lokuge
Hon. Vijitha Herath
Hon. Selvam Adaikkalanathan
Hon. Sagara Kariyawasam

Announcements by the Speaker

Meeting of Committee of Selection

Adjournment Motion

Adjournment Motion on “Statement of Government Policy made by the Honourable President on 03rd August 2022 in terms of Articles 32(4) and 33(a) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka” was proposed by the Hon. Lakshman Kiriella.

The Parliament was, thereafter adjourned at 1730 Hrs. until 1000 Hrs. on Wednesday 10th August 2022.

* *This is an unedited version. For the official record of this day's proceedings, please refer the Hansard.*