Business of the House for August 29, 2022

Date : 29-08-2022

The Hon. Ajith Rajapakse, the Deputy Speaker and the Chair of the Committee 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 : Destroying of ballot papers used for Deputy Speaker's elections
D : Special program for Members of Parliament
E : Members to serve in the Committee on Standing Orders
F : Members to serve in the House Committee
G : Members to serve in the Committee on Ethics and Privileges
H : Members to serve in the Committee on Public Petitions
I : Members to serve in the Backbencher Committee

Presentation of Papers by the Speaker

- Eleventh Volume – 01 of the Triennial Report of the Auditor-General on Independent Commissions, in terms of Section 14 of the National Audit Act, No. 19 of 2018;
- Eleventh Volume – 02 of the Triennial Report of the Auditor-General on Universities, Postgraduate Institutes and Higher Education Institutes, in terms of Section 14 of the National Audit Act, No. 19 of 2018; and
- Eleventh Volume – 03 of the Triennial Report of the Auditor-General on Government Funds, in terms of Section 14 of the National Audit Act, No. 19 of 2018

received to the National Audit Office, in terms of Article 154(6) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka

Presentation of Papers

(i) Annual Report of the National Human Resources Development Council of Sri Lanka for the year 2019
(ii) Performance Report of the Sri Lanka Army for the year 2021
(iii) Annual Reports of the National Institute of Fundamental Studies for the years 2017 and 2018
(iv) Annual Report of the National Research Council for the year 2018
(v) Annual Report & Accounts of the Postgraduate Institute of Indigenous Medicine of the University of Colombo for the year 2019

(vi) Annual Report of the Institute of Indigenous Medicine of the University of Colombo for the year 2020
(vii) Annual Report of the Postgraduate Institute of Agriculture of the University of Peradeniya for the year 2020
(viii) Forty Second Annual Report of the University Grants Commission for the year 2020
(ix) Annual Report of the University of Peradeniya for the year 2020
(x) Annual Report of the Uva Wellassa University for the year 2020
(xi) Annual Report of the University of Colombo for the year 2020
(xii) Annual Report of the University of Ruhuna for the year 2020
(xiii) Annual Report and Annual Financial Statements of the Institute of Human Resource Advancement of University of Colombo for the year 2020
(xiv) Annual Report of the Gampaha Wichramarachchi Ayurveda Institute for the year 2020
(xv) Annual Performance Report of the State Ministry of Livestock, Farm Promotion and Dairy & Egg Related Industries for the year 2021
(xvi) Annual Report of the National Authority for Protection of Victims of Crime and Witnesses for the year 2020
(xvii) Annual Report of the National Enterprise Development Authority for the year 2016
(xviii) Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Cement Corporation for the year 2019
(xix) Performance Report of the Department of Buddhist Affairs for the year 2021

(xx) Order made by the President under Section 3(1) of the Extradition Law, No. 8 of 1977 relating to Extradition Treaty between Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the United Arab Emirates published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2282/19 of 31st May 2022
(xxi) Report on the Submission of observations and steps taken in terms of the Standing Order 120(4) of the Parliament with regard to the matters mentioned on National Housing Development Authority of the Ministry of Urban Development and Housing in the report of the Committee on Public Enterprises which was presented to Parliament
(xxii) Regulations made by the Minister of Transport under Section 237 read with Section 126 of the Motor Traffic Act (Chapter 203), and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2273/76 of 31st March 2022

Presentation of Reports from the Committees

The Report from the Committee on Public Finance was presented by the Hon. (Dr.) Harsha de Silva, the Chair of the Committee.

Presentation of Bills

The Hon. Minister of Justice, Prisons Affairs and Constitutional Reforms moved the following Bills entitled-
(i) Notaries (Amendment) - to amend the Notaries Ordinance (Chapter 107).
(ii) Powers of Attorney (Amendment) - to amend the Powers of Attorney Ordinance (Chapter 122).
(iii) Children and Young Persons (Amendment) - to amend the Children and Young Persons Ordinance (Chapter 23).

(iv) Registration of Documents (Amendment) - to amend the Registration of Documents Ordinance (Chapter 117).
(v) Dangerous Animals (Amendment) - to amend the Dangerous Animals Ordinance (Chapter 49).
(vi) Wills (Amendment) - to amend the Wills Ordinance (Chapter 60).
(vii) Prevention of Frauds (Amendment) - to amend the Prevention of Frauds Ordinance (Chapter 70).

House agreed to the following Motions moved by the Hon. Leader of the House of Parliament

(i) Committee on Parliamentary Business

That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 115 of the Parliament and the resolution adopted by Parliament on 10th August 2022, the Committee on Parliamentary Business shall consists of the Speaker as the Chair, the Deputy Speaker, the Deputy Chairperson of Committees, the Leader of the House of Parliament, the Leader of the Opposition in Parliament, the Chief Government Whip, the Chief Opposition Whip and twenty six (26) other Members to be nominated by the Committee of Selection to serve in the Third Session of the Ninth Parliament, as per the decision taken on 12th August 2022 by the Committee of Selection

(ii) Committee on Public Accounts

That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 119 of the Parliament and the resolution adopted by Parliament on 10th August 2022, the Committee on Public Accounts shall consists of twenty seven (27) Members to be nominated by the Committee of Selection to serve in the Third Session of the Ninth Parliament, as per the decision taken on 12thAugust 2022 by the Committee of Selection

(iii) Committee on Public Enterprises

That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 120 of the Parliament and the resolution adopted by Parliament on 10th August 2022, the Committee on Public Enterprises shall consists of twenty seven (27) Members to be nominated by the Committee of Selection to serve in the Third Session of the Ninth Parliament, as per the decision taken on 12th August 2022 by the Committee of Selection

(iv) Committee on Public Finance

That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 121 of the Parliament and the resolution adopted by Parliament on 10thAugust 2022, the Committee on Public Finance shall consists of twenty six (26) Members to be nominated by the Committee of Selection to serve in the Third Session of the Ninth Parliament, as per the decision taken on 12th August 2022 by the Committee of Selection

Announcements by the Speaker

Members to serve in the Committee on Parliamentary Business

Main Business of the House for Today

Sisira Jayakody Siyapatha Foundation (Incorporation) Bill (appearing as Item No. 1 of today's Order Paper)

was passed by the House.

Adjournment Motion

Adjournment Motion on "The difficulties faced by the general public due to increase in the Electricity Tariffs by a large proportion" was proposed by the Hon. Mujibur Rahuman.

The Parliament was, thereafter adjourned at 1620 Hrs. until 1300 Hrs. on Tuesday 30th August 2022.

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