



*(Eighth Parliament - Third Session)*

No. 81.]

## ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Friday, July 26, 2019 at 10.30 a.m.

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### QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

51/'18

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Internal & Home Affairs and Provincial Councils & Local Government,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the number of Solid Waste Management Centres constructed under the “Puraneguma Project” implemented under the Minister of Internal & Home Affairs and Provincial Councils & Local Government;
- (ii) of their names;
- (iii) of the expenditure borne on this; and
- (iv) of the programme available with the Ministry regarding solid waste management in the district of Badulla?

(b) If not, why?

2.

100/'18

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development and Youth Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he inform the House—

- (i) of the number of Police officers who have been disabled while engaged in the country's crime suppression activities from the year 2015 separately in respect of each year;
- (ii) of the number of such officers who have reached total disability;
- (iii) of the value of the compensation paid to them;
- (iv) of the number of such officers to whom compensation has not been paid;

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- (v) of the reasons for not paying them compensation;
  - (vi) whether monthly salaries are duly paid to the officers who have reached total disability;
  - (vii) whether there are any officers who are not paid monthly salaries after reaching total disability; and
  - (viii) if so, of the reasons for not paying monthly salaries to them?
- (b) If not, why?

3.

154/'18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether he is aware of the fact that the bridge situated near the 2<sup>nd</sup> mile post of the Badulla-Bandarawela road is in a state of disrepair;
  - (ii) of the names of the villages which use this bridge as their access point; and
  - (iii) of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to repair this bridge while preserving its antique qualities?
- (b) If not, why?

4.

371/'18

Hon. Velu Kumar,— To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise, Kandyan Heritage and Kandy Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the number of estate workers who served in 2002 in the Mahawila estate that belonged to Janatha Estate Development Board;
  - (ii) separately, the number of male and female estate workers who went on retirement from 2000 – 2015 after serving in this estate;
  - (iii) the number of retired workers out of the aforesaid labourers who have not been paid Employees Provident Fund (EPF), Employees Trust Fund (ETF) and Pension Gratuity; and
  - (iv) the name of each of the aforesaid worker, the membership number and the amount due from the EPF, ETF and Pension Gratuity separately?
- (b) If not, why?

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5.

423/'19

Hon. Padma Udayashantha Gunasekera,— To ask the Minister of Housing, Construction and Cultural Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) of the date on which Kuchchiveli archaeological site in Trincomalee district was gazetted;
  - (ii) whether an archaeological survey or exploration has been carried out regarding that site;
  - (iii) of the archaeological information discovered up to now;
  - (iv) whether a complete report in that regard will be submitted;
  - (v) whether some external parties are occupying the lands of that site in a way that could lead to the destruction of that archaeological site;
  - (vi) whether a complete report on the damages caused to the said archaeological site will be submitted accordingly; and
  - (vii) of the legal action taken by now to protect this archaeological site?
- (b) If not, why?

6.

504/'19

Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera,— To ask the Minister of Housing, Construction and Cultural Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) of the basis on which houses in the housing scheme built in the Nuwara Gam Palatha – Central of the Anuradhapura Division were allocated;
  - (ii) of the name of each person who received the allocated houses, the number of the house he/she received and whether he/she is a public servant or a retired public servant;
  - (iii) whether he is aware of the fact that the aforementioned housing scheme has been built obstructing an elephant pass which is frequented by wild elephants in the area; and
  - (iv) whether steps have been taken to build an elephant fence for the protection of the lives of the recipients of houses?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
  - (i) of the amount of money spent on the publicity campaign for the opening of the housing scheme; and
  - (ii) of the amount of money spent on the plaque built to mark the opening of the housing scheme?
- (c) If not, why?

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7.

577/19

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— To ask the Minister of Power, Energy and Business Development,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) a number of huge electric generators have been installed in the premises of the office of the Ceylon Electricity Board in Mallawapitiya, Kurunagala; and
  - (ii) the people in the vicinity have been highly inconvenienced by the loud noise emanating from these machines when they are functioning?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether an Environmental Impact Assessment report has been obtained to install these machines;
  - (ii) if so, the institution which carried out the aforesaid environmental assessment; and
  - (iii) the steps to be taken by the Ministry to solve this problem?
- (c) If not, why?

8.

610/18

Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage, — To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development and Youth Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) of the number of drug raids carried out;
  - (ii) of the number of persons taken into custody for offenses related to drugs;
  - (iii) of the value of drugs seized;in Kandy District during the past two years separately in respect of each year?
- (b) Will he submit to this House, a list comprising of drugs which have been identified as illegal substances and the names of the countries from which they come to Sri Lanka?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
  - (i) whether he is aware of the fact that Gampola and surrounding areas belonging to Kandy District have been a drug distribution hub for a while now and that the aforesaid distribution network continues function powerfully, targeting schoolchildren and the youth; and
  - (ii) whether steps will be taken to capture these drug traffickers expeditiously and eliminate the drug menace from this area?
- (d) If not, why?

9.

621/'18

Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Megapolis & Western Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) the Urban Development Authority carried out the Nawalapitiya City Development programme at a cost of Rs. 2,500 million;
  - (ii) the businesses that were run at various places in that city were gazetted and located under that programme;
  - (iii) the vegetable shops that were run at various places in the city were located in the public market; and
  - (iv) despite that the urban council has gazetted and approved the locations for shops, the present rule has accepted bribes from businessmen and has granted permission to sell vegetables and fruits in every place of the city?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether action will be taken to stop this illegal activity?
- (c) If not, why?

10.

656/'18

Hon. Susantha Punchinilame,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock Development, Irrigation and Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that though about 40 shop spaces are established in the land situated between the Irrigation Mechanical Workshop and the Sampath Bank in the Kantale town, which is owned by the Department of Irrigation, the businessmen concerned do not have clear title to the said land?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether action will be taken to release the aforesaid plots of land from the ownership of the Department of Irrigation, which are enjoyed as commercial premises at present having made permanent constructions in them; and
  - (ii) the reason for not being able to consider the possession of the aforesaid plots of land by the aforesaid businessmen, without charging the commercial value of the land from them, as they have developed the aforesaid plots of land up to the present condition during a difficult period of time in which wars and conflicts prevailed?
- (c) If not, why?

11.

814/'19

Hon. T. Ranjith De Zoysa,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House, in respect of the years 2016 to 2019—
  - (i) the change in the selling prices of a litre of petrol, diesel, kerosene and aviation fuel;
  - (ii) the types of taxes imposed on a litre of each type of the aforementioned fuels;
  - (iii) the expenditure incurred on each litre of the said types of fuels; and
  - (iv) separately, the profit/loss made from a litre compared with the prices of the world market?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
  - (i) the procedure for revising the selling price of diesel and petrol every month in Sri Lanka; and
  - (ii) the profit made by the government and the advantages and disadvantages for consumers?
- (c) If not, why?

12.

865/'19

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,— To ask the Minister of Land and Parliamentary Reforms,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) Mr. T.B Dissanayake of No. 205, Gammadda Road, Kaluwamodara, Aluthgama has run been running a quarry business using the tone situated at Mukalana, Dothulu Ella, in Thundola Grama Nildhari Division in Wallalawita Divisional Secretariat Division for a number of years;
  - (ii) though a quarry business has been run for a number of years in this manner this industry has been discontinued for a requirement of a Minister or upon an endorsement of the President; and
  - (iii) the President has informed the former Land Commissioner General to grant approval to commence the business again upon a request made to him?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether permission will be granted to commence the quarry business again?
- (c) If not, why?

13.

963/'19

Hon. Mohamadu Nazeer,— To ask the Minister of Megapolis & Western Development,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether he is aware that Mr. A. C. M. Hassan residing at No. 87A, Anagarika Dharmapala Mawatha, Karapitiya, Galle who is considered as one the key shareholders of the land titled Arachchikumbura which was acquired recently by the government under the Karapitiya Town Development Programme has not been paid compensation to date as per the value of that land;
- (ii) as to why no response has hitherto been made to a request made by him for a plot of land belonging to the Urban Development Authority in the backdrop of the failure to grant him a sufficient compensation to the said commercial plot of land linked to his livelihood; and
- (iii) having considered this matter, whether action will be taken to ensure justice to Mr. Hassan?

(b) If not, why?

14.

973/'19

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Telecommunication, Foreign Employment and Sports,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether a programme has been implemented to provide schools to the children of Sri Lankan workers who are in foreign employment, which is a major contribution to the economy of the country; and
- (ii) if so, what that programme is?

(b) If not, why?

15.

1027/'19

Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana,—To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock Development, Irrigation and Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether a write off of 50% of the debt capital amounting up to Rs.100,000/- owed to commercial banks by farmers has been granted as stated by the Minister of Finance through the 100 day revolution declaration;
- (ii) of the expenditure that had to be borne by the government as a result of the write off loans granted for the farmers' loans;

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- (iii) whether a list of names of the farmers for whom the loan write off was granted together with the amount written off next to each name, will be submitted; and
  - (iv) of the amount reimbursed by the government to the commercial banks up to now in lieu of the write off loans granted to the farmers?
- (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,— Sittings of the Parliament (No. 1),— That notwithstanding the provisions of the Standing Order 8 of the Parliament, the Parliament shall sit on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2019 and Thursday 01<sup>st</sup> August, 2019.

2.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament (No. 2),— That notwithstanding the provisions of the Standing Order 8 of the Parliament, the hours of sittings of Parliament on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2019 and Thursday 01<sup>st</sup> August, 2019 shall be 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.. At 6.30 p.m. Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the Parliament without question put.

3.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament (No. 3),— That this Parliament at its rising this day do adjourn until 10.30 a.m. on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2019.

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## NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

\*1.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Order under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act (No.1),— That the Order made by the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade under Section 14(2) of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979 relating to Cess and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2113/3 of 05<sup>th</sup> March 2019, which was presented on 27.06.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*2.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Order under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act (No. 2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade under Section 14(1) of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979 relating to Cess and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2113/4 of 05<sup>th</sup> March 2019, which was presented on 27.06.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)



- \*3.  
People's Bank (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.  
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- \*4.  
Demutualization of the Colombo Stock Exchange Bill — Committee.
- \*5.  
Commercial Mediation Centre of Sri Lanka (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.  
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- \*6.  
Securities Exchange Bill — Second Reading.  
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- \*7.  
Prescription (Special Provisions) (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.  
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- \*8.  
Sri Lanka Electricity (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.  
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- \*9.  
Counter Terrorism Bill — Second Reading.  
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- \*10.  
Shrama Vasana Fund (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.  
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- \*11.  
Wages Boards (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.  
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- \*12.  
Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.  
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- \*13.  
State Land (Special Provisions) Bill — Second Reading.  
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- \*14.

The Minister of Public Enterprise, Kandyan Heritage and Kandy Development,—  
Determination under the Constitution,— Whereas the United National Party which  
obtained the highest number of seats in Parliament has formed a National Government,  
Parliament determines in terms of Article 46(4) of the Constitution of the Democratic  
Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka that the number of Ministers in the Cabinet of Ministers  
shall not exceed 48 and the number of Ministers who are not Cabinet Ministers and the  
number of Deputy Ministers shall not exceed 45.

\*15.

The Minister of Finance,— Notification under the Excise Ordinance (No.1),— That the Notification made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media, under Section 25 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) regarding Excise duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2054/42 of 18<sup>th</sup> January 2018, which was presented on 22.05.2018, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 04/2018)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*16.

The Minister of Finance,— Notification under the Excise Ordinance (No.2),— 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 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017, which was presented on 20.03.2018, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 1004)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*17.

The Minister of Health, Nutrition & Indigenous Medicine,— Regulations under the National Medicines Regulatory Authority Act (No.1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine under Section 142 read with the Section 118 of the National Medicines Regulatory Authority Act, No. 5 of 2015 relating to Medical Devices (Pricing) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2114/54 of 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019, which were presented on 09.07.2019, be approved.

\*18.

The Minister of Health, Nutrition & Indigenous Medicine,— Regulations under the National Medicines Regulatory Authority Act (No. 2),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine under Section 142 read with the Section 118 of the National Medicines Regulatory Authority Act, No. 5 of 2015 relating to Medicines (Ceiling on Prices) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2123/35 of 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019, which were presented on 09.07.2019, be approved.

\*19.

The Minister of Industry & Commerce, Resettlement of Protracted Displaced Persons, Co-operative Development and Vocational Training & Skills Development,— Regulation under the Public Contracts Act,— That the Regulation made by the Minister of Industry and Commerce with the concurrence of the President under Section 36 of the Public Contracts Act, No. 3 of 1987 and the regulations published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 508/7 of 02<sup>nd</sup> June 1988 last amended by the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1773/36 of 30<sup>th</sup> August 2012 further amending and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2055/18 of 24<sup>th</sup> January 2018, which was presented on 09.07.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*20.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 3 of the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act, No. 18 of 2011 relating to Ports and Airports Development Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2113/10 of 05<sup>th</sup> March 2019, which was presented on 12.07.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*21.

The Minister of Justice & Prison Reforms,— Regulation under the Judicature Act,— That the Regulation made by the Minister of Justice & Prison Reforms with the concurrence of the Chief Justice under Section 61 of the Judicature Act, No. 2 of 1978 read with Section 60 of the aforesaid Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2116/28 of 26<sup>th</sup> March 2019, which was presented on 12.07.2019, be approved.

\*22.

The Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development and Youth 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 04<sup>th</sup> December 2017, which was presented on 23.01.2018, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*23.

Resolution under the Constitution,— Adjourned Debate on Question (22<sup>nd</sup> 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 25<sup>th</sup> 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.”

\*24.

Buddhist Temporalities (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*25.

Theravadi Bhikku Kathikawath (Registration) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

26.

Child Rehabilitation Centre (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

27.

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

28. Sri Lanka Women's Conference (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.
29. Moneragala District Kantha Maha Sangamaya (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.
30. Lasallian Community Education Services (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.
31. International Women's and Children's Rights Council (IWCRC) (Incorporation) Bill— Second Reading.
32. Aloka Social Service Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.
33. Institute of Certified Public Accountants (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.
34. Sri Shakyasinharama Viharastha Karyasadhaka Sanvidanaya (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.
35. Institution of Building Services Engineering & Technology of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.
36. Dr. S. S. Gunawardana Indigenous Ayurveda Development Foundation (Incorporation) Bill— Second Reading.
37. Mohan Lanka Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.
38. Chaya Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.
39. Chamber of Construction Industries of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

\* *Indicates Government Business.*

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