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FOR

Tuesday, August 20, 2019 at 1.00 p.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

37/'18

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Highways & Road Development and Petroleum Resources Development,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the number of members in the Association of Ceylon Petroleum Private bowser owners;
- (ii) of their names, addresses and the numbers assigned to their bowsers;
- (iii) whether he is aware of the fact that the members of the aforementioned association are faced with difficulties because their transportation fees were not revised to match the recent increase of the price of fuel; and
- (iv) if so, of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to resolve this issue?

(b) If not, why?

2.

68/'18

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Housing, Construction and Cultural Affairs,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of archaeological sites that come under the Department of Archaeology; and
- (ii) the names of those sites in respect of each district separately?

(b) Will he also inform this House the number of employees who were recruited from 2015 separately in each district—

- (i) on permanent basis;
- (ii) on casual basis;

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- (iii) on contract basis;
- (iv) on casual basis and made permanent in their posts; and
- (v) on contract basis and made permanent in their posts?
- (c) Will he further inform this House—
 - (i) whether these recruitments have been done following the accepted government procedure; and
 - (ii) the number of vacancies in respect of each district separately?
- (d) If not, why?

3.

142/'18

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of International Schools functioning in the district of Badulla;
 - (ii) of the names and the addresses of the aforesaid schools;
 - (iii) separately of the number of teachers serving and the number of students studying in each of the aforesaid schools at present; and
 - (iv) of the steps that have been taken by the Ministry to regulate matters with pertinence to the recruitment of teachers to the aforesaid schools and the charges obtained from the students?
- (b) If not, why?

4.

230/'18

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development and Youth Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) giant Mimosa plant is invading the area around the Bowathenna reservoir of Nawula, Mathale; and
 - (ii) the aforementioned situation will cause grave difficulties to the farmers?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to resolve this issue?
- (c) If not, why?

(3)

5.

244/'18

Hon. Padma Udayashantha Gunasekera,—To ask the Minister of Housing, Construction and Cultural Affairs,—(3)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of archaeological sites that have been identified in Madulla Divisional Secretariat Division in Monaragala district, along with their names;
- (ii) whether there are any archaeological sites in the aforesaid division, which have been identified but excavations have not been done in them;
- (iii) if so, the aforesaid archaeological sites;
- (iv) the number of Rajamaha Viharas in the aforesaid division, which have an archaeological value; whether a report of them will be submitted; and
- (v) whether a detailed report of the allocations made for the conservation activities of the aforesaid archaeological sites will be submitted?

(b) If not, why?

6.

341/'18

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— 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) whether he is aware of the fact that it is not possible to obtain water properly for agricultural activities as a result of not renovating the canals and dams that provide water to all the paddy fields in Mahaweli H Zone in Anuradhapura district for a long time; and
- (ii) the date on which action will be taken to renovate this irrigation system including the canals and dams?

(b) If not, why?

7.

372/'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 Nagastenna 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;

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- (iii) the number of retired workers out of the aforesaid workers who have not been paid Employees Provident Fund (EPF), Employees Trust Fund (ETF) and Pension Gratuity; and
- (iv) the name of the each of the aforesaid worker, the membership number and the amount due from the EPF, ETF and Pension Gratuity separately?

(b) If not, why?

8.

462/'19

Hon. Ashoka Priyantha,— To ask the Minister of Internal & Home Affairs and Provincial Councils & Local Government,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of officials of the North Western Provincial Council who undertook foreign tours since the 'Good Governance' government assumed office;
- (ii) the names and posts of officials who thus undertook foreign tours;
- (iii) the countries they toured; and
- (iv) the amount of money spent for that purpose?

(b) Will he also inform this House, the method adopted by the North-Western Provincial Council in selecting officials for foreign tours?

(c) If not, why?

9.

488/'19

Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the number of international schools functioning in the district of Kandy;
- (ii) of the names and addresses of the aforementioned schools; and
- (iii) of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to regulate activities of the said international schools such as the recruitment of teachers and levying of fees?

(b) If not, why?

10.

501/'19

Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera,— 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 varieties of food that were provided to the Sri Lanka Navy by the suppliers during the period from 2015.02.01 to 2018.01.31;
 - (ii) of the names and addresses of the suppliers, sub suppliers and the institutions that engaged in the aforesaid food supply;
 - (iii) of the institutions that submitted fake documents and acted contravening the procurement regulations;
 - (iv) of the measures that have been taken against the officers who have given the directives to purchase goods and officers who ordered goods without the approval of the Procurement Committee;
 - (v) of the loss incurred on the government as a result of the unlawful purchases; and
 - (vi) whether action has been taken to recover the said loss from the relevant persons and institutions?
- (b) If not, why?

11.

535/'19

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Highways & Road Development and Petroleum Resources Development,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) earth has been removed up to 4 feet on the left and right banks of Kelani river at Raggahawatta area in Kaduwela and concrete pillars constructed in constructing the outer Colombo circular road; and
 - (ii) Raggahawatta and Hewagama areas which suffer from floods every year will suffer ever severely owing to this reason?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether banks that were cut would be brought back to their previous state in order to prevent the people in the area from being harmed by severe floods that would occur owing to the river banks being cut?
- (c) If not, why?

12.

555/'19

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether he is aware of the number of families that reside permanently and the lands belonging to them;
 - (ii) of the number of families/ persons who possess freehold land titles for lands;
 - (iii) of the extent of dry land and paddy land with freehold land titles;
 - (iv) of the number of families/persons with land permits; and
 - (v) of the extent of dry land and paddy land with land permits; in Kilinochchi district?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) of the reasons for not providing freehold land titles to the people who have been living in Kilinochchi district for over 60 years;
 - (ii) whether he is aware that the people of Kilinochchi who were affected by the war, are unable to improve their economic standing by means of action such as mortgaging their lands and obtaining loans from banks or other financial institutions; and
 - (iii) of the number of families/ persons in Killinochchi district that do not possess freehold land titles or land permits up to now?
- (c) If not, why?

13.

563/'19

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration, Disaster Management and Livestock Development,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that there was a severe drought in the North Western Province during the past few months;
 - (ii) if so, the number families affected in the Galgamuwa electorate during that period;
 - (iii) the number of families who received drought relief;
 - (iv) whether he is aware that there was an allegation that the prices of dry rations in the relief package given to them were higher than the market price; and
 - (v) if so, whether he will look into this matter and take necessary measures?
- (b) If not, why?

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14.

593/'19

Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the nature of crises that Share Market brokers were faced with as stated in budget proposal No. 288 of the 2016 budget;
 - (ii) of the manner in which the government made its interventions in order to resolve the aforesaid crises;
 - (iii) whether data will be presented to this House in the form of a table pertaining to the number of brokers operating in the Sri Lankan Share Market during the period from year 2014 to 2016, their regional distribution and the amount of broker transactions that had taken place during that period; and
 - (iv) of the names of the share market brokers who joined together during year 2016?
- (b) If not, why?

15.

944/'19

Hon. Mohamadu Nazeer,— To ask the Minister of Justice & Prison Reforms,—(1)

- (a) Is she aware that —
 - (i) a proposal had been presented for establishing a circuit court for Deltota area, which is located about 40 kilometers away from Kandy City, with the view to enabling the people living in Deltota town to overcome the inconveniences and difficulties they have to face as they come to the Kandy city for their judicial purposes; and
 - (ii) the Provincial Department of Education of the Central Province has agreed to provide for that purpose a building of a school belonging to that Province that has been closed down at present?
 - (b) Will she inform this House whether steps will be taken to establish a circuit court in Deltota town taking into consideration the opportunity the people living in Pathahewaheta and Deltota Divisional Secretariat Divisions and in the surrounding areas get to have their judicial activities fulfilled without difficulty?
 - (c) If not, why?
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AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Presentation of Bills

1.

The Minister of Finance,— Value Added Tax (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Value Added Tax Act, No. 14 of 2002.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

2.

The Minister of Finance,— Nation Building Tax (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Nation Building Tax Act, No. 9 of 2009.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

Notice of Motions

3.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament,— That notwithstanding the provisions of the Standing Order 8 of the Parliament, the hours of sittings of Parliament on this day shall be 1.00 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.. At 5.00 p.m. Standing Order 8(5) of the Parliament shall operate. At 7.30 p.m. Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the Parliament without question put.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

The Non Cabinet Minister of Science, Technology & Research,— Regulations under the Intellectual Property Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Science, Technology & Research under Section 204 of the Intellectual Property Act, No. 36 of 2003 read with Sections 6, 9, 17, 18 and 25 of the aforesaid Act relating to implementation of the mechanism for royalty payments to rights holders of songs or musical works and empowering the Collective Societies and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2128/6 of 17th June 2019, which were presented on 24.07.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

2.

Chamber of Construction Industries of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

*3.

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 15th March 2019, which were presented on 09.07.2019, be approved.

*4.

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 15th May 2019, which were presented on 09.07.2019, be approved.

*5.

People's Bank (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*6.

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 26th March 2019, which was presented on 12.07.2019, be approved.

*7.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Finance Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 22 read with Section 26 of the Finance Act, No. 11 of 2004 relating to International Telecommunications Operators Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2123/19 of 14th May 2019, which was presented on 25.07.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*8.

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 05th March 2019, which was presented on 12.07.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*9.

Demutualization of the Colombo Stock Exchange Bill — Committee.

*10.

Commercial Mediation Centre of Sri Lanka (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*11.

Securities Exchange Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*12.

Prescription (Special Provisions) (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*13.

Counter Terrorism Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*14.

Shrama Vasana Fund (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*15.

Wages Boards (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*16.

Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*17.

Merchant Shipping (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*18.

Excise (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*19.

The Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development and Youth Affairs,— Order under the Essential Public Services Act,— That the Order declared by the President under Section 2 of the Essential Public Services Act, No. 61 of 1979, making Public Transport Services for passengers or goods as essential public services and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2133/65 of 27th July 2019, which was presented on 01.08.2019, be approved.

*20.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Excise (Special Provisions) Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 3 of the Excise (Special Provisions) Act, No. 13 of 1989 relating to Excise duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2117/48 of 04th April 2019, which was presented on 31.07.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*21.

The Minister of Housing, Construction and Cultural Affairs,— Regulations under the Construction Industry Development Act (No. 1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Housing, Construction and Cultural Affairs under Section 58 of the Construction Industry Development Act, No. 33 of 2014 read with Section 52(2) of the aforesaid Act relating to Registration of Adjudicators and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2113/63 of 08th March 2019, which was presented on 06.08.2019, be approved.

*22.

The Minister of Housing, Construction and Cultural Affairs,— Regulations under the Construction Industry Development Act (No. 2),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Housing, Construction and Cultural Affairs under Section 58 of the Construction Industry Development Act, No. 33 of 2014 read with Sections 53(2) and 54(1)(a) of the aforesaid Act relating to Appeal Procedure and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2116/47 of 28th March 2019, which were presented on 06.08.2019, be approved.

*23.

The Minister of Housing, Construction and Cultural Affairs,— Regulations under the Construction Industry Development Act (No. 3),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Housing, Construction and Cultural Affairs under Section 58 of the Construction Industry Development Act, No. 33 of 2014 read with Section 55(2) of the aforesaid Act relating to Information Secretariat and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2116/48 of 28th March 2019, which was presented on 06.08.2019, be approved.

*24.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Regulations under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade under Section 29(2)(d) of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979 relating to Scheme for Registration of Exporters and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2118/60 of 11th April 2019, which were presented on 09.08.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*25.

The Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development and Youth Affairs,— Determination under the Constitution (No. 1),— Whereas in terms of Article 108 (1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Court and of the Court of Appeal shall be determined by Parliament and provision has been granted by Article 108 (2) that the salary payable to, and the pension entitlement of said Judges shall not be reduced after their appointment;

And whereas when a Judge of the Supreme Court or a Judge of the Court of Appeal has granted retirement by the Extraordinary Gazette Notification No. 1190/18 dated 28.06.2001 as amended the Section 25 of the Minutes on Pensions, he is entitled to a pension of 90% of the salary received at the time of retirement;

And whereas Judges of the Superior Court may, on their preference, receive a gratuity up to 24 times of the monthly pension they are entitled to, and the entire pension has been paid monthly without deducting this gratuity, for a long period of time. Since the method of recovery of the said gratuity to the Government upon preference to obtain same gratuity has also been defined, based on the Cabinet Decision taken on 19th July 2019 related to the Cabinet Memorandum dated 24th June 2019 submitted by the President, recovery of gratuity paid as an advance to a Judge of the Superior Court through 10 years or 120 monthly installments does not violate Article 108 (2) of the Constitution;

And whereas the Attorney General has pointed out that the Constitution has empowered Parliament to deal with all matters relating to the reduction of pension or consequents therein of the Judges of the Supreme Court and of the Court of Appeal.

And whereas it has also been concerned that the judicial sector has received a very high salary increase recently;

Accordingly, that this Parliament determines to recover pension gratuity of Judges of the Superior Courts in 120 months in accordance with the existing law.

*26.

The Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development and Youth Affairs,— Determination under the Constitution (No. 2),— Whereas in terms of Article 153 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, Mr. W. P. C. Wickremaratne has been appointed as the Auditor-General with effect from 26.04.2019 by the President, with the approval of the Constitutional Council;

And whereas salary of the Auditor-General shall be determined by Parliament in terms of Article 153 (2) and shall be charged on the Consolidated Fund;

And whereas as per the Cabinet Decision taken on 19th July 2019 based on Cabinet Memorandum dated 24th June 2019 submitted by the President on the recommendation of the National Salaries and Cadre Commission, approval has been granted to place Auditor-General Mr. W. P. C. Wickremaratne on the salary step 7 of the salary scale SL-4 of Public Administration Circular 03/2016 & pay the salary with effect from 26.04.2019 and to pay him other allowances entitled to the post in terms of the Public Administration Circulars and to pay annual increments as per the same salary scale;

Accordingly, that this Parliament determines to pay the above mentioned monthly salary and allowances to Auditor-General Mr. W. P. C. Wickramaratne to be charged to the Consolidated Fund, in terms of Article 153 (2) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

*27.

The Minister of Plantation Industries,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Kalubovitiyana Tea Factory Ltd (2015/2016),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Kalubovitiyana Tea Factory Ltd together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.03.2016 and presented on 08.08.2018 under the Companies Act No. 7 of 2007, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Lands and presented its report to Parliament on 11.07.2019)

*28.

The Minister of Plantation Industries,— Annual Report and Accounts of the National Institute of Plantation Management (2016),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the National Institute of Plantation Management together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2016 and presented on 08.08.2018 under Section 23 of the National Institute of Plantation Management Act No. 45 of 1979, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Lands and presented its report to Parliament on 24.05.2019)

*29.

The Minister of Plantation Industries,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Tea Small Holdings Development Authority (2015),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Tea Small Holdings Development Authority together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2015 and presented on 09.05.2018 under Section 14-1 A, Section II of the Finance Act No. 38 of 1971 and Tea Small Holdings Development Law No. 35 of 1975, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Lands and presented its report to Parliament on 24.05.2019)

*30.

The Minister of Plantation Industries,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Tea Small Holdings Development Authority (2016),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Tea Small Holdings Development Authority together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2016 and presented on 19.09.2018 under Section 14-1 A, Section II of the Finance Act No. 38 of 1971 and Tea Small Holdings Development Law No. 35 of 1975, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Lands and presented its report to Parliament on 24.05.2019)

*31.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Export Development Board (2016),— 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 31.12.2016 and presented on 20.06.2019 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 and presented its report to Parliament on 23.07.2019)

*32.

The Minister of Ports & Shipping and Southern Development,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Ports Authority (2015),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Ports Authority together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2015 and presented on 23.01.2018 under Section 14 (3) of the Finance Act No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Transport and Communication and presented its report to Parliament on 07.06.2019)

*33.

The Minister of Ports & Shipping and Southern Development,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Ports Authority (2016),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Ports Authority together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2016 and presented on 19.07.2018 under Section 14 (3) of the Finance Act No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Transport and Communication and presented its report to Parliament on 07.06.2019)

*34.

The Minister of Agriculture, Rural Economic Affairs, Irrigation and Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Council for Agricultural Research Policy (2016),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Council for Agricultural Research Policy together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2016 and presented on 20.06.2018 under Section 14(2)(c) of the Finance Act No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Lands and presented its report to Parliament on 11.07.2019)

*35.

The Minister of Agriculture, Rural Economic Affairs, Irrigation and Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Lanka Phosphate Company Ltd (2016/2017),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Lanka Phosphate Company Ltd together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.03.2017 and presented on 21.06.2018 under the Public Enterprises Circular No. PED 12, Chapter 6.5.3 dated 02nd June 2003, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Lands and presented its report to Parliament on 25.01.2019)

*36.

The Minister of Agriculture, Rural Economic Affairs, Irrigation and Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Institute of Post-Harvest Technology (2015),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Institute of Post-Harvest Technology together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2015 and presented on 24.08.2018 under Section 2 of the State Agricultural Corporations Act No. 11 of 1972, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Lands and presented its report to Parliament on 25.01.2019)

*37.

The Minister of Agriculture, Rural Economic Affairs, Irrigation and Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Paddy Marketing Board (2013),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Paddy Marketing Board together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 18.09.2018 under Section 14 of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Lands and presented its report to Parliament on 16.03.2019)

*38.

The Minister of Agriculture, Rural Economic Affairs, Irrigation and Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Agriculture and Agrarian Insurance Board (2016),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Agriculture and Agrarian Insurance Board together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2016 and presented on 18.09.2018 under Section 27 of the Agricultural and Agrarian Insurance Act, No. 20 of 1999, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Lands and presented its report to Parliament on 16.03.2019)

*39.

The Minister of Agriculture, Rural Economic Affairs, Irrigation and Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Hector Kobbekaduwa Agrarian Research and Training Institute (2016),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Hector Kobbekaduwa Agrarian Research and Training Institute together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2016 and presented on 09.10.2018 under Section 14(2)(c) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Lands and presented its report to Parliament on 16.03.2019)

*40.

The Minister of Agriculture, Rural Economic Affairs, Irrigation and Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Paddy Marketing Board (2014),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Paddy Marketing Board together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 22.05.2019 under Section 14 of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Lands and presented its report to Parliament on 11.07.2019)

*41.

The Minister of Transport & Civil Aviation,— Annual Report and Accounts of the National Transport Medical Institute (2015),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the National Transport Medical Institute together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2015 and presented on 20.07.2018 under Section 14(2)(c) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Transport and Communication and presented its report to Parliament on 07.06.2019)

*42.

The Minister of Transport & Civil Aviation,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Civil Aviation Authority of Sri Lanka (2015),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Civil Aviation Authority of Sri Lanka together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2015 and presented on 25.11.2017 under Section 14(2)(c) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Transport and Communication and presented its report to Parliament on 07.06.2019)

*43.

The Minister of Transport & Civil Aviation,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Civil Aviation Authority of Sri Lanka (2016),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Civil Aviation Authority of Sri Lanka together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2016 and presented on 09.10.2018 under Section 14 (2) (c) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Transport and Communication and presented its report to Parliament on 07.06.2019)

*44.

The Minister of Transport & Civil Aviation,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Transport Board (2014),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Transport Board together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 09.01.2019 under Section 14 (2) (c) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Transport and Communication and presented its report to Parliament on 07.06.2019)

*45.

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 18th January 2018, which was presented on 22.05.2018, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 04/2018)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*46.

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 11th December 2017, which was presented on 20.03.2018, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 1004)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*47.

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 02nd June 1988 last amended by the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1773/36 of 30th August 2012 further amending and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2055/18 of 24th January 2018, which was presented on 09.07.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*48.

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.

*49.

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 04th December 2017, which was presented on 23.01.2018, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*50.

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.”

*51.

Buddhist Temporalities (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*52.

Theravadi Bhikku Kathikawath (Registration) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*53.

State Land (Special Provisions) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

54.

Child Rehabilitation Centre (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

55.

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

56.

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

57.

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

58.

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

59.

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

60.

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

61.

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

62.

Sri Shakyasinharama Viharastha Karyasadhaka Sanvidanaya (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

63.

Institution of Building Services Engineering & Technology of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

64.

Dr. S. S. Gunawardana Indigenous Ayurveda Development Foundation (Incorporation) Bill— Second Reading.

65.

Mohan Lanka Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

66.

Chaya Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

* *Indicates Government Business.*
