



(Eighth Parliament - Third Session)

No. 93.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Wednesday, September 04, 2019 at 1.00 p.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

44/'18

Hon. Heshu Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Health, Nutrition & Indigenous Medicine,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) the Rassagala hospital in Balangoda has been closed down due to a landslide risk;
- (ii) patients are being treated at the moment on the upper floor of the Rassagala Ayurvedic Centre; and
- (iii) the people who come to get treatment are inconvenienced due to that reason?

(b) Will he inform this House the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to solve this problem?

(c) If not, why?

2.

98/'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 state—

- (i) separately, as per each year from year 2015 to date, the amount of rewards granted to motivate the officers who come forward to combat the crimes in the country;
- (ii) the number of the officers who have been paid the aforesaid rewards to date;
- (iii) whether a criterion which should be followed in the payment of allowances, is available;

(2)

- (iv) if so, whether aforesaid criterion will be tabled;
- (v) whether measures will be taken to increase the value of the rewards and the allowances paid to the aforesaid officers who dedicate their lives; and
- (vi) if so, whether the details of such time periods and the mechanisms will be tabled?

(b) If not, why?

3.

161/'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) the length of the road network in Badulla district, which is under the purview of the local authorities in kilometres;
- (ii) the number of provincial roads which were renovated after the good governance government came into power; and
- (iii) the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to renovate the road network coming under the purview of the local authorities in Badulla district, expeditiously due to fact that most of the aforesaid roads are heavily dilapidated?

(b) If not, why?

4.

365/'18

Hon. Velu Kumar,— To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise, Kandyan Heritage and Kandy Development,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of estate workers who served in 2002 in the Galaboda 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 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?

(3)

5.

616/'18

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

(a) Is he aware that —

- (i) a function was held at the Duncan White Auditorium of the Ministry of Sports on 02.10.2018 to award cricket equipment to 35 selected schools in Colombo district;
- (ii) a person named Bandula Dissanayake, who was the Chairman of the Tournament Committee of Sri Lanka Cricket, attended that function on behalf of the former administration of Sri Lanka Cricket; and
- (iii) at that function, he was wearing the official necktie of Sri Lanka Cricket?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the nature of the legal and ethical background for a former official of Sri Lanka Cricket to attend such an event in a situation where election of office bearers of that institute had been postponed and the institute was functioning under a competent authority; and
- (ii) of the nature of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to prevent the corrupt officials of Sri Lanka Cricket from participating in the activities implemented by the good governance government?

(c) If not, why?

6.

799/'19

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the person who served as the Chairman of the National Housing Development Authority from 09.01.2015 to 25.10.2018 was;
- (ii) of the monthly allowance paid to him;
- (iii) of the monthly telephone allowance paid to him;
- (iv) of the monthly fuel allowance or the transport allowance he has obtained;
- (v) if he had rented a house, the monthly rent paid; and
- (vi) in addition, if any other allowances have been paid, those allowances according to each month, separately?

(4)

- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of vehicles allocated for the Chairman;
 - (ii) of the number of vehicles owned by the authority out of those vehicles; and
 - (iii) if vehicles have been rented or leased, details regarding them?
- (c) If not, why?

7.

811/'19

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a pedestrian space is available at present along the roads leading to Kohuwala junction;
 - (ii) whether the situation got aggravated due to heavier traffic flow;
 - (iii) of the steps that have been taken by the Road Development Authority (RDA) in this regard since 2016;
 - (iv) whether expansion of the above mentioned roadways has been put off because the land the adjacent to those roadways belong to politicians and Lyceum College; and
 - (v) whether he will make a statement in this regard?
- (b) If not, why?

8.

1019/'19

Hon. Anura Priyadharshana Yapa,— 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 Divisions for which vacancies for the post of Registrar of Births and Deaths have been gazetted;
 - (ii) of the recruitment procedure for the said posts of Registrar;
 - (iii) whether arrangements have been made to appoint one Additional Registrar of Births and Deaths for four Grama Niladhari Divisions;
 - (iv) if so, why;
 - (v) of the number of Medical Registrars for Births and Deaths appointed to the main hospitals and the number of hospitals; and
 - (vi) whether a methodology is being implemented to change the tradition in recruiting for the post of Registrar?
 - (b) If not, why?
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AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Presentation of Bills

1.

The Minister of Internal & Home Affairs and Provincial Councils & Local Government,— Immigrants and Emigrants (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Immigrants and Emigrants Act (Chapter 351).

(Cabinet approval signified.)

Notice of Motions

2.

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 6.30 p.m. At 2.00 p.m. Standing Order 8(5) of the Parliament shall operate. At 6.30 p.m. Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the Parliament without question put.

3.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Ministerial Consultative Committees,— That notwithstanding the resolution adopted by Parliament on 09th July 2019, the designations of the following Ministerial Consultative Committees shall be re-designated as follows as per the decision taken by the Committee of Selection on 23rd August 2019.

- The Ministerial Consultative Committee on Agriculture, Livestock Development, Irrigation and Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development as the “Ministerial Consultative Committee on Agriculture, Rural Economic Affairs, Irrigation and Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development”; and
- The Ministerial Consultative Committee on Public Administration, Disaster Management and Rural Economic Affairs as the “Ministerial Consultative Committee on Public Administration, Disaster Management and Livestock Development”.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

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.)

(6)

*2.

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.)

*3.

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.)

*4.

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.)

*5.

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.)

*6.

Shrama Vasana Fund (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*7.

Wages Boards (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

(7)

*8.

The Non Cabinet Minister of Labour & Trade Union Relations,— Regulations under the Factories Ordinance (No. 1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Labour & Trade Union Relations under Section 105 of the Factories Ordinance (Chapter 128) read with Section 3 of the aforesaid Ordinance regarding Registration of Factories and Approval of Factory Buildings, which were presented on 20.08.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*9.

The Non Cabinet Minister of Labour & Trade Union Relations,— Regulations under the Factories Ordinance (No. 2),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Labour & Trade Union Relations under Section 105 of the Factories Ordinance (Chapter 128) read with Section 34 of the aforesaid Ordinance regarding Registration of Steam Boilers, which were presented on 20.08.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*10.

The Non Cabinet Minister of Labour & Trade Union Relations,— Regulations under the Factories Ordinance (No. 3),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Labour & Trade Union Relations under Section 105 of the Factories Ordinance (Chapter 128) read with Sections 34, 35, 36, 36A, 38 and 38A of the aforesaid Ordinance regarding issuance of Certificates for Examination of Steam Boilers and other Pressure Vessels, which were presented on 20.08.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*11.

The Non Cabinet Minister of Labour & Trade Union Relations,— Regulations under the Factories Ordinance (No. 4),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Labour & Trade Union Relations under Section 105 of the Factories Ordinance (Chapter 128) read with Section 58A of the aforesaid Ordinance regarding Protection of Workers from Excessive Noise, which were presented on 20.08.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*12.

The Non Cabinet Minister of Labour & Trade Union Relations,— Regulations under the Factories Ordinance (No. 5),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Labour & Trade Union Relations under Section 105 of the Factories Ordinance (Chapter 128) read with Section 13 of the aforesaid Ordinance regarding General Standard of Lighting, which were presented on 20.08.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*13.

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.

*14.

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.

*15.

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.

*16.

People's Bank (Amendment) Bill—Adjourned Debate on question — (22nd August, 2019) [1]

*17.

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

*18.

Ruhunu Economic Development Corporation of Sri Lanka 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,— 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.

*20.

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.

*21.

Demutualization of the Colombo Stock Exchange Bill — Committee.

*22.

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

*23.

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

*24.

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

*25.

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

*26.

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

*27.

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

*28.

Value Added Tax (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*29.

Nation Building Tax (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*30.

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)

*31.

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)

*32.

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)

*33.

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)

*34.

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)

*35.

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)

*36.

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)

*37.

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)

*38.

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)

*39.

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)

*40.

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)

*41.

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)

*42.

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)

*43.

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)

*44.

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)

*45.

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)

*46.

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)

*47.

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)

*48.

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.)

*49.

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.)

*50.

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.

*51.

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.)

*52.

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.

*53.

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.”

*54.

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

*55.

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

56.

Child Rehabilitation Centre (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

57.

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

58.

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

59.

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

60.

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

61.

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

62.

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

63.

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

64.

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

65.

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

66.

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

67.

Mohan Lanka Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

68.

Chaya Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

* *Indicates Government Business.*

[1] Motion made and Question proposed "That the Bill be now read a Second time."
