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FOR

Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 10.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

26/'18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of complaints regarding rapes, sexual abuse and child abuse received by Sri Lanka Police from the year 2012 up to now, separately in respect of each District; and
 - (ii) of the number of complaints out of those complaints, in respect of which investigations have been completed?
- (b) If not, why?

2.

106/'18

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

- (a) Will he state in respect of each year separately from 2015 to date—
 - (i) the number of kidney patients who have died;
 - (ii) the number of patients who are afflicted with the kidney disease; and
 - (iii) the number of Kidney transplant operations conducted?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) the areas where the Kidney disease is widely prevalent;
 - (ii) whether an arrangement has been worked out with the Ministry of Agriculture to control the Kidney disease, If the use of agrochemicals has been a cause for the disease;
 - (iii) if so, whether that arrangement would be tabled;

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- (iv) whether a national policy has been prepared to control the Kidney disease;
 - (v) if so, whether that national policy would be tabled; and
 - (vi) whether the hospitals have the drugs required by the Kidney patients sufficiently at their disposal?
- (c) If not, why?

3.

220/'18

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development and Youth Affairs,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the date on which the government decided to ban the use of asbestos;
 - (ii) of the reasons for taking such a decision;
 - (iii) of the reports by committees of experts on which the government's decision for that ban was based;
 - (iv) of the date on which the government decided to lift the said ban;
 - (v) of the reasons for taking such a decision; and
 - (vi) of the experts who recommended that the use of asbestos again was suitable?
- (b) If not, why?

4.

424/'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 the location of Yan Oya stupa in Trincomalee district was gazetted as an archaeological site;
 - (ii) of the archaeological surveys or explorations carried out at that site up to now;
 - (iii) whether a complete report in that regard will be submitted;
 - (iv) whether a complete report about the destruction caused will be submitted, as the Yan Oya stupa has been bulldozed; and
 - (v) of the legal action taken in relation to that destruction?
- (b) If not, why?

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5.

439/'19

Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera,— To ask the Highways & Road Development and Petroleum Resources Development,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the number of advisors and public relations officers that had been recruited to Road Development Authority without its approval by 31.12. 2016, separately;
 - (ii) the names and addresses of the aforesaid persons, the allowance paid to them, the projects to which they have been attached, the methodology adopted to recruit them their educational qualifications and other qualifications and the privileges provided to them, separately;
 - (iii) the number of persons out of them, who are in service presently; and
 - (iv) the steps that will be taken by the Ministry in this regard?
- (b) If not, why?

6.

541/'19

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development and Youth Affairs,—(3)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) motorcycles were provided to police officers at a concessionary price of Rs 150,000/- a few years ago;
 - (ii) no conditions were imposed in providing those motorcycles;
 - (iii) nonetheless, almost all retired police officers who obtained motorcycles have been pressured to pay a sum between Rs 150,000-200,000;
 - (iv) they have been informed by their places of work that the payment of pensions would not commence until the settlement of the said amount; and
 - (v) a large number of police officers are in a state of despair over a long period of time due to the non-receipt of their pensions?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a programme will be drawn up without delay to pay pensions to these officers; and
 - (ii) if so, the date on which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

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570/'19

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,—To ask the Minister of Industry & Commerce, Resettlement of Protracted Displaced Persons, Co-operative Development and Vocational Training & Skills Development,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the amount of money spent on milk powder imports to Sri Lanka from the year 2010 up to now separately in respect of each year; and
- (ii) the names of companies that import milk powder to Sri Lanka and the names of their products?

(b) If not, why?

8.

633/'18

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

(a) Will he inform this House on a per year basis separately—

- (i) the number of persons that were sent or went to reside in India from Sri Lanka under various agreements and laws during the period from the year 1948 up to 2015;
- (ii) the number of persons that went to India as refugees during the period from the year 1983 up to 2009; and
- (iii) the number of persons who returned to Sri Lanka out of the persons that went to India as refugees during the period from the year 2009 up to 2017?

(b) If not, why?

9.

761/'19

Hon. Susantha Punchinilame,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development and Youth Affairs,—(3)

(a) Is aware that—

- (i) Dr. I. H. K. Mahanama had held the post of Additional Secretary to the Prime Minister before he held the post of Secretary to the Ministry at the Ministry of Lands; and
- (ii) as chief accounting officer during that period, he not only took decisions at Ministerial Tender Boards, but also functioned in Cabinet Appointed Tender Boards?

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- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the periods in which Dr. Mahanama had served as Chairman/Member of the Cabinet Appointed Tender Boards, together with the positions he held in affairs such as import of pharmaceuticals;
 - (ii) of the names and addresses of Chairpersons, Managing Director and Members of the Boards of Directors of establishments that had submitted tenders to the Tender Boards referred to above during such service;
 - (iii) of the establishments whose tenders were accepted from among those submitted and the prices pertaining to those tenders;
 - (iv) of the pharmaceuticals imported with quantities thereof and the countries from which they were imported on the approval of the Tender Boards in which Dr. Mahanama had been the Chairman or a Member; and
 - (v) the dates on which the Tender Board of the Ministry of Health held its meetings and the Members belonging to such Board from 2010 to date?
- (c) If not, why?

10.

834/'19

Hon. K. Kader Masthan,— 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) whether he is aware that thousands of families displaced during the final phase of the war had been sheltered at Manikfarm camp in Vavuniya district in the period from year 2009 to 2012;
 - (ii) separately, the number of families stayed there during the aforesaid period according to each month; and
 - (iii) total number of persons in the aforesaid families?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the amount allocated by the government to provide cooked food to them on a daily basis;
 - (ii) of the amount allocated for breakfast, lunch and dinner per person;
 - (iii) whether the distributed food were up to the standard;
 - (iv) the full details of the contributions made by international, local organizations and individuals when providing food to them;
 - (v) whether complaints have been received regarding the quality of the food being provided; and
 - (vi) if so, the measures taken regarding the complaints?
- (c) If not, why?

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11.

856/'19

Hon. Kanaka Herath,— To ask the Minister of Transport & Civil Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the executive level officers of the Sri Lanka Transport Board were removed under a scheme to pay compensation;
 - (ii) if so, of the reason for such removal;
 - (iii) whether action will be taken to re-appoint the executive level officers of the Sri Lanka Transport Board;
 - (iv) if so, of the reasons for doing so;
 - (v) of the education and other qualifications required for the abovementioned posts; and
 - (vi) whether the persons who will be re-appointed are in possession of the aforementioned qualifications?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether action has been taken to make legal, only the appointments, promotions and transfers which were effected from 20.12.2018?
- (c) If not, why?

12.

863/'19

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Mr. G. M. W. M. Premathilaka and his ancestors have resided on the land called Thalawa in Udamadura, Nildandahinna, for over 100 years;
 - (ii) they planted about 13 Turpentine trees on one border of their land in 1986;
 - (iii) those plants had been provided to them by the tobacco companies at that time to be used for day to day firewood requirement; and
 - (iv) even though several letters had been sent to the Forest Officer of the area and the Divisional Secretary seeking permission to fell some of the mature Turpentine trees to thatch the roof of the very old house that they occupy because that roof is near collapse, permission has not been granted up to now to fell those trees?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether he will look into this matter and take steps to grant Mr. Premathilaka permission to fell the 13 Turpentine trees they had planted, to enable him to repair his house?
- (c) If not, why?

13.

879/'19

Hon. Wimalaweera Dissanayake,— To ask the Minister of Primary Industries and Social Empowerment,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately of the number of Samurdhi recipient families in Ampara district in terms of each Divisional Secretariat Division;
 - (ii) whether new recipients will be chosen;
 - (iii) if so, of the basis on which aforesaid recipients will be chosen; and
 - (iv) of aforesaid criterion?
- (b) If not, why?

14.

885/'19

Hon. S. C. Mutukumarana, — To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the date on which “Enterprise Sri Lanka” scheme was launched under the Ministry of Finance;
 - (ii) the core objective of the aforesaid scheme; and
 - (iii) to what extent the aforementioned objective has been achieved by now?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) the number of new businesses in Kaluthara District, which have been provided with loan facilities under the abovementioned scheme as at 08.03.2019; and
 - (ii) separately, the volume of loans granted on the basis of each business?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of new businesses in the Anuradhapura District, which have been provided with loan facilities under the abovementioned scheme as at 08.03.2019;
 - (ii) separately, of the volume of loans granted on the basis of each business;
 - (iii) of the extent to which the objective of this loan scheme has been fulfilled in Anuradhapura District;
 - (iv) whether there is a disparity between the two districts in terms of the implementation of the aforementioned loan scheme; and
 - (v) whether action will be taken to change this situation?
- (d) If not, why?

15.

916/19

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the amount of money spent for the construction of Suriyawewa Stadium;
 - (ii) the funding sources of it;
 - (iii) the number of cricket matches held in the stadium so far and the types of matches held;
 - (iv) the amount of income generated through the stadium and the maintenance cost incurred for it so far; and
 - (v) the steps taken by the Ministry to develop this stadium?
- (b) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

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

*2.

The Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development and Youth Affairs,— Determination under the Constitution,— 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.

*3.

The Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development and Youth Affairs,— Determination under the Office for Reparations Act,— Whereas payment of salaries of five members, including the Chairperson of the Office for Reparations, appointed on the recommendation of the Constitutional Council in terms of the provisions of the Office for Reparations Act, No. 34 of 2018, shall be determined by Parliament and shall be charged on the Consolidated Fund in terms of Section 17 of the said Act;

And whereas this Office, established by the Government, is mandated to deal with Transitional Justice initiatives aimed at reconciliation, formulate policies and recommend to the Cabinet of Ministers with regard to the grant of individual and collective reparations to aggrieved persons affected by conflict, receive recommendations with regard to reparations to be made to aggrieved persons from the Office on Missing Persons, implement such policies on reparations as may be approved by the Cabinet of Ministers, provide restitution, rehabilitation, administration and other assistance and welfare services to aggrieved persons not causing any discrimination;

And whereas it has been decided at the meeting of the Cabinet of Ministers on 04th June 2019 in terms of the Cabinet Memorandum dated 16th May 2019 submitted by the Prime Minister as the Minister in charge of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement and Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development and Youth Affairs to pay salaries and allowances to the Chairperson and other members of the Office for Reparations with effect from 01st April, 2019, as follows;

- (a) payment of a monthly allowance of Rs. 135,000/-, a monthly telephone allowance of Rs. 10,000/- and granting of an official vehicle with a quota of 225 liters of fuel per month to the Chairperson of this Office; and
- (b) payment of a monthly allowance of Rs. 90,000/-, a monthly telephone allowance of Rs. 8,000/- and a monthly transport allowance of Rs. 25,000/- to the other members up to a limit of 350 km or a monthly transport allowance of Rs. 50,000/- for a distance over and above 350 km depending on the distance from the residence to the Office.

Accordingly, that this Parliament determines that the aforementioned salaries and allowances to the Chairperson and other members of the Office for Reparations be paid with effect from 01st April, 2019 which shall be charged on the Consolidated Fund in terms of Section 17 of the Office for Reparations Act, No. 34 of 2018.

*4.

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.

*5.

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.

*6.

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.

*7.

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. 2138/10 of 27th August 2019, which was presented on 06.09.2019, be approved.

*8.

Ruhunu Economic Development Corporation of Sri Lanka Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*9.

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.)

*10.

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.)

*11.

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.)

*12.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.1), — That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2122/4 of 07th May 2019, which was presented on 03.09.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*13.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No. 2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2124/2 of 21st May 2019, which was presented on 03.09.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*14.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No. 3),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2124/4 of 21st May 2019, which was presented on 03.09.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*15.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No. 4),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2130/20 of 03rd July 2019, which was presented on 03.09.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*16.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No. 5),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2131/30 of 10th July 2019, which was presented on 03.09.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*17.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No. 6),— That the Order made by the Acting Minister of Finance under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2132/13 of 18th July 2019, which was presented on 03.09.2019, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*18.

The Minister of Finance,— Resolution under the Customs Ordinance,— That the Resolution under Section 10 of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to Import Duties, which was presented on 03.09.2019, be approved.

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 2127/13 of 11th June 2019)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*19.

The Minister of Finance,— Rules under the Excise Ordinance,— That the Rules made by the Minister of Finance under Section 32 read with Sections 8 and 30 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52), relating to Sticker and Sticker Management System and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2128/30 of 20th June 2019, which were presented on 04.09.2019, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 04/2019).

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*20.

Regulations under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act,— Adjourned Debate on Question (05th September, 2019) Motion made and question proposed,—“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.”

*21.

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.)

*22.

The Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development and Youth Affairs,— Determination under the Constitution,— 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.

*23.

Demutualization of the Colombo Stock Exchange Bill — Committee.

- *24.
Commercial Mediation Centre of Sri Lanka (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *25.
Securities Exchange Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *26.
Prescription (Special Provisions) (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *27.
Counter Terrorism Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *28.
Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *29.
Excise (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *30.
Value Added Tax (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *31.
Nation Building Tax (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *32.
Finance Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *33.
Immigrants and Emigrants (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *34.
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)
- *35.
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)

*36.

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)

*37.

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)

*38.

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)

*39.

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)

*40.

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)

*41.

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)

*42.

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)

*43.

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)

*44.

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)

*45.

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)

*46.

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)

*47.

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)

*48.

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)

*49.

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)

*50.

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)

*51.

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)

*52.

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.)

*53.

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.)

*54.

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.

*55.

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.)

*56.

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.

*57.

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.”

*58.

Buddhist Temporalities (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*59.

Theravadi Bhikku Kathikawath (Registration) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

60.

Child Rehabilitation Centre (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

61. United Christian Fellowship of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.
62. Sri Lanka Women's Conference (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.
63. Moneragala District Kantha Maha Sangamaya (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.
64. Lasallian Community Education Services (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.
65. International Women's and Children's Rights Council (IWCRC) (Incorporation) Bill— Second Reading.
66. Aloka Social Service Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.
67. Institute of Certified Public Accountants (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.
68. Sri Shakyasinharama Viharastha Karyasadhaka Sanvidanaya (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.
69. Institution of Building Services Engineering & Technology of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.
70. Dr. S. S. Gunawardana Indigenous Ayurveda Development Foundation (Incorporation) Bill— Second Reading.
71. Mohan Lanka Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.
72. Chaya Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

* *Indicates Government Business.*

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