



(Ninth Parliament - First Session)

No. 14.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Wednesday, October 07, 2020 at 10.00 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

11/2020

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether steps have been taken to construct a “Seva Piyasa” office in each Grama Niladhari Division in the island;
- (ii) if so, of the amount of money allocated for that;
- (iii) of the estimated amount of money to construct one “Seva Piyasa” office; and
- (iv) of the date on which this programme is scheduled to be completed?

(b) If not, why?

2.

60/2020

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Youth & Sports,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether Sri Lanka Cricket had planned to construct a Cricket University;
- (ii) whether money has been spent to purchase a land in Kandy for aforesaid purpose; and
- (iii) if so, of the amount of money spent in that regard?

(b) Is he aware that the Report on Committee on Public Enterprises (COPE) issued by Parliament has exposed a huge financial fraud in purchasing aforesaid land?

(c) If so, will he inform this House of the measures that will be taken by the Ministry in that regard?

(d) If not, why?

(2)

3.

102/2020

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Wildlife & Forest Conservation,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Mutharajawala sanctuary is the largest marshy land in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) this sanctuary is getting destroyed due to various development activities; and
 - (iii) 406 acres of this sanctuary has been provided to a company named Malwatta Property Developers for a housing project?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the price at which one perch of land has been given to the aforesaid project?
- (c) Will he admit the fact that this transaction is illegal?
- (d) If so, will he also inform this House of the action that will be taken against this project?
- (e) If not, why?

4.

111/2020

Hon. Shantha Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that the school students in low income families, who pass the grade 5 scholarship examination are given scholarships?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of school students that receive scholarships having passed the grade 5 scholarship examination in the year 2019;
 - (ii) the amount of money that has been allocated to provide scholarships to them;
 - (iii) whether scholarships have been given properly out of the aforesaid amount of money; and
 - (iv) the amount of money that has been allocated for scholarships in the year 2020?
- (c) Will he admit the allegations to the effect that scholarships have not been given to the scholarship recipients at the due time?
- (d) If not, why?

(3)

5.

129/2020

Hon. Charles Nirmalanathan,— To ask the Minister of Youth & Sports,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the renovation of the playground in Pallimunai village in the Mannar Divisional Secretariat Division of Mannar district has not been completed even after a period exceeding five years, even though renovation was commenced by the then Ministry of Megapolis and Western Development;
 - (ii) water and electricity supplies have been disconnected due to the excessive amounts in arrears due for water and electricity used by the contractor who carried out the renovation of that playground; and
 - (iii) the work has not been commenced yet despite the pledges made by the officials of the Urban Development Authority on several occasions to do so?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to complete the renovation of Pallimunai playground speedily; and
 - (ii) if so, the date by which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

6.

163/2020

Hon. S. M. Marikkar,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the number of houses located within the Kolonnawa Divisional Secretariat Division with no water and sewerage facilities?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the courses of action for providing each such housing unit with the above-mentioned facilities; and
 - (ii) if so, of the such courses of action?
- (c) If not, why?

(4)

7.

214/2020

Hon. Mohomad Muzammil,— To ask the Minister of Trade,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House, separately—
 - (i) the amount of salt imported to Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the amount spent therefor;
 - (iii) the countries from which salt was imported; and
 - (iv) the names of companies which imported salt;in each year from the years 2015 to 2019?
- (b) Will he also inform this House, the total amount of money spent for the import of salt to Sri Lanka during the above period?
- (c) If not, why?

8.

252/2020

Hon. Velu Kumar,— To ask the Minister of Plantation,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that Hanthana Estate situated in Kandy District is an estate belonging to the Janatha Estate Development Board?
 - (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of Divisions that belonged to the aforesaid Estate at the time the state owned estates were reformed in 1992;
 - (ii) the names of those Divisions;
 - (iii) is there any Divisions that had been abandoned or closed in the aforesaid Estate by year 2015; and
 - (iv) if so, the extant of land of the aforesaid Divisions?
 - (c) Will he inform this House, separately—
 - (i) whether lands, the factory and other buildings belonging to the aforesaid Estate had been awarded to external/private parties during the period from 1992 to 2015; and
 - (ii) if so, of the details of such awarding; and
 - (iii) of the extent of land in the aforesaid Estate that has been cultivated and that has not been cultivated in relation to the land survey that was conducted last?
 - (d) If not, why?
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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

- *1.
Nation Building Tax (Amendment) Bill—Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *2.
Economic Service Charge (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *3.
Ports and Airports Development Levy (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *4.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 1),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019 and specified in the Order No. 19 hereto, be approved:—

ORDER**Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019****Order No. 19 under Section 8**

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 22302 “Stores Advance Account (Explosive items) – Sri Lanka Navy” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

<u>Item</u>		<u>Revision</u>	
(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	Not Revised	
(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 640,000,000
		To	Rs. 595,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.	Not Revised	

(6)

- (iv) Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act. Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2019)

Mahinda Rajapaksa,
Minister of Finance

09.09.2020
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*5.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 2),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019 and specified in the Order No. 20 hereto, be approved:—

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019

Order No. 20 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 30602 “Stores Advance Account – Department of Sri Lanka Railways” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

<u>Item</u>		<u>Revision</u>	
(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 1,800,000,000
		To	Rs. 2,400,000,000
(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 1,800,000,000
		To	Rs. 1,500,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.	Not Revised	

(7)

- (iv) Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act. Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2019)

Mahinda Rajapaksa,
Minister of Finance

09.09.2020
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*6.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 3),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019 and specified in the Order No. 21 hereto, be approved:—

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019

Order No. 21 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 31002 “Stores Advance Account – Government Factory” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

	<u>Item</u>			<u>Revision</u>
(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	40,000,000
		To	Rs.	70,000,000
(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	120,000,000
		To	Rs.	70,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.			Not Revised

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| (iv) | Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act. | Not Revised |
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(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2019)

Mahinda Rajapaksa,
Minister of Finance

09.09.2020
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*7.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 4),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019 and specified in the Order No. 22 hereto, be approved:—

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019

Order No. 22 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 31003 “Work Done Advance Account – Government Factory” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

<u>Item</u>		<u>Revision</u>	
(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	Not Revised	
(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 440,000,000
		To	Rs. 360,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.	Not Revised	

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| (iv) | Maximum limit of liabilities
specified in Column V of the Third
Schedule to that Act. | Not Revised |
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(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2019)

Mahinda Rajapaksa,
Minister of Finance

09.09.2020
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*8.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 5),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019 and specified in the Schedule hereto, be approved:—

SCHEDULE

Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019 Order under Section 8

Schedule of variation of limits of Advance Accounts pertaining to Advances to public officers authorized by the Minister of Finance under Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019 in respect of Finance year 2019.

Group Order No.01

By virtue of the powers vested in me under Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government do by this order alter / vary the maximum limits specified in Column II and IV of the Third Schedule to that Act, and the minimum limits specified in Column III of that Schedule being the limits corresponding to item Numbers 00201, 02001, 02401, 05101, 05201, 05301, 05401, 05601, 13001, 15801, 20101, 22301, 22401, 22501, 23101, 28301 and 33101 relating to Advances to Public Officers in the manner set out in the Schedule hereto.

(10)

Sri No.	Ministry/Department	Item No.	II Maximum Limits of Expenditure of Activities of the Government (Rs)		III Minimum Limits of Receipts to be credited to the Accounts of Activities of the Government (Rs)		IV Maximum Limits of Debit Balance of Activities of the Government (Rs)		Order No.
			From	To	From	To	From	To	
1	Prime Minister's Office	00201	23,000,000	21,000,000	11,000,000	9,500,000	77,000,000	76,500,000	1
2	Elections Commission	02001			18,000,000	20,000,000	95,000,000	115,000,000	2
3	National Procurement Commission	02401	1,200,000	2,100,000			3,000,000	4,000,000	3
4	Non Cabinet Minister of Digital Infrastructure and Information Technology	05101			2,500,000	1,300,000			4

5	Non Cabinet Minister of Digital Infrastructure and Information Technology	05201	22,300,000	20,000,000	5				
6	Non Cabinet Minister of Economic Reforms and Public Distribution	05301	2,500,000	170,000	6				
7	Non Cabinet Minister of Labour and Trade Union Relation	05401	4,400,000	3,200,000	7				
8	Non Cabinet Minister of Mass Media	05501	1,000,000	3,500,000	200,000	6,000,000	25,000,000	8	
9	Non Cabinet Minister of Special Areas Development	05601		300,000	120,000			9	
10	Minister of Public Administration and Disaster Management	13001	40,000,000	65,000,000	23,200,000	42,000,000	85,000,000	206,000,000	10
11	Minister of Public Enterprise, Kandyan Heritage and Kandy Development	15801	4,200,000	5,700,000	2,000,000	2,500,000			11
12	Department of Buddhist Affairs	20101			21,000,000	20,500,000			12
13	Sri Lanka Navy	22301			510,000,000	440,000,000			13
14	Sri Lanka Air Force	22401			418,000,000	380,000,000			14
15	Department of Police	22501			1,080,000,000	1,060,000,000			15
16	Department of Debt Conciliation Board	23101			500,000	449,000			16
17	Department of Forests	28301			71,000,000	66,000,000			17
18	Department of Samurdhi Development	33101			275,000,000	255,000,000			18
(These Orders are valid up to 31.12.2019)									
Mahinda Rajapaksa. Minister of Finance									

09.09.2020
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*9.

Twentieth Amendment to the Constitution Bill— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*10.

The Minister of Health,— Regulations under the Medical Ordinance (No. 1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine under Section 72 read with Section 19(e) of the Medical Ordinance (Chapter 105) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2055/54 of 26th January 2018, which were presented on 23.09.2020, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*11.

The Minister of Health,— Regulations under the Medical Ordinance (No. 2),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Health and Indigenous Medical Services under Section 72 read with Section 19(e) of the Medical Ordinance (Chapter 105) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2155/15 of 26th December 2019, which were presented on 23.09.2020, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

* *Indicates Government Business.*
