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FOR

Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

5/2020

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately, of the number of parallel classes of Grade 5 and Grade 6 of the national schools situated in the Colombo, Ratnapura, Galle, Matara, Kandy, Kurunegala, Jaffna and Gampaha districts from the years 2010 to 2018?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately of—
 - (i) the cut-off marks of the Grade 5 scholarship examination;
 - (ii) the number of students admitted to Grade 6 on the results of the said scholarship examination; and
 - (iii) the percentage of students admitted to Grade 6 on the results of the scholarship examination as a percentage of the total number of students admitted to Grade 6;of the above schools from the year 2010 to the year 2018?
- (c) Will he further inform this House separately of the number of students admitted to Grade 6 of the above schools from the year 2010 to the year 2018 from the primary sections not on the basis of the results of the scholarship examination?
- (d) If not, why?

2.

51/ 2020

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(2)

- (a) Will she inform this House—
 - (i) of the date on which the first Covid-19 patient was reported in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) separately, of the number of Covid-19 patients reported daily, since aforesaid date up to now;

(2)

(iii) of the number of PCR (Polymerase Chain Reaction) tests performed daily, since aforesaid date; and

(iv) of the measures that have been taken to combat Covid-19?

(b) If not, why?

3.

94/2020

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(2)

(a) Is he aware that—

(i) bio-weapons are still used clandestinely for various political and trade strategies even though use of bio-weapons is prohibited internationally; and

(ii) there is a possibility of under developed countries including Sri Lanka becoming targets for trying out these bio-weapons?

(b) Will he inform this House—

(i) whether the government has taken measures to prevent attacks with bio-weapons; and

(ii) if so, what those measures are?

(c) If not, why?

4.

116/2020

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House—

(i) of the number of depots of the Sri Lanka Transport Board located in Kurunegala district;

(ii) of the names of those depots;

(iii) separately, the number of buses in running condition in each of the said depots;

(iv) separately, the number of vacancies in each of the said depots; and

(v) of the measures to be taken by the Ministry to improve the bus fleets and the human resource of the depots of the Sri Lanka Transport Board located in Kurunegala district?

(b) If not, why?

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5.

121/2020

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of investments, for which agreements have been entered into, of the Bingiriya Export Processing Zone, up to now;
 - (ii) of the value of those investments; and
 - (iii) of the number of investments, out of the number mentioned above, that has begun work at present?
- (b) If not, why?

6.

126/2020

Hon. Charles Nirmalanathan,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the reconstruction work of the Nanjundankulam tank, which is one among the major tanks belonging to the Pudukuduirippu Divisional Secretariat Division of Mullaitivu district, was not carried out as a result of the heavy and continuous rains, in spite of the financial allocation of Rs. 40 million made by the former government after granting approval to the above reconstruction;
 - (ii) a large number of paddy fields and lands get water from this tank and the rural people are dependent on this tank for their livelihoods; and
 - (iii) although the required approval has been granted to the State Timber Corporation to remove the unnecessary trees that grow along the dam of the Nanjundankulam tank, it has not materialized owing to the dilapidated state of the road used for transportation?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) if so, of the date on which financial allocations will be made for the reconstruction of the Nanjundankulam tank; and
 - (ii) of the date on which the work related to the reconstruction of the above tank will be commenced after having repaired the access road?
- (c) If not, why?

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7.

151/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware—
 - (i) that the roof of the three story building of Sri Sanghabodhi Maha Vidyalaya, Colombo 14 is in a dilapidated State and a part of the roof has collapsed; and
 - (ii) that the safety of the students has been threatened owing to the said situation?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the steps that have been taken by the Ministry of Education in this regard?
- (c) If not, why?

8.

221/2020

Hon. Mohomad Muzammil,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately, pertaining to each of the year during the period from 2015 to 2019, of—
 - (i) the quantity of electronic items imported into Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the countries from which those electronic items were imported; and
 - (iii) the companies which imported those electronic items?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the total expenditure of importing electronic items into Sri Lanka during the period concerned?
- (c) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

Appropriation Bill (2021) — (First Allotted Day)—Adjourned debate on question (17th November 2020) [1].

*2.

Shop and Office Employees (Regulation of Employment and Remuneration) (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*3.

Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*4.

Minimum Wages (Indian Labour) (Amendment) Bill —Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*5.

Factories (Amendment) Bill —Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

* *Indicates Government Business.*

[1].

Motion made and question proposed “That the Bill be now read a second time.”
