



[Seventh Parliament -First Session]

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**ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Thursday, May 26, 2011 at 1.00 p.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0430/'10

1.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (4)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the names of all the Government owned institutions such as Corporations and Boards with the capital invested to date per Institution;
- (ii) the number of persons working in such Institutions for the last three years;
- (iii) the amount of share ownership of the Institutions by the Government; and
- (iv) the profit or loss per Institution for the last year as per (a)(i) above?

(b) Will he also state —

- (i) the number of Institutions out of the total number as per (a)- i which do not report to COPE or PAC;
- (ii) the reasons for not reporting; and
- (iii) whether it is a violation of Section 148 of the Constitution?

(c) If not, why ?

0624/'10

2.

Hon. R. Yogarajan,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (3)

- (a) Is he aware that a serious shortage of teachers prevails in the Hameed Al- Hussainiyya College at No. 45, Hussainiyya Street, Colombo 12 ?

(2)

- (b) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the approved cadre of teachers of aforesaid school in Sinhala and Tamil medium on subject wise ;
 - (ii) the number of teachers available in each medium on subject wise;
 - (iii) the shortage of teachers in each medium on subject wise;
 - (iv) the action that will be taken to address the above shortage of teachers; and
 - (v) as to when such action is taken?
- (c) Is he aware that an excess of teachers prevails at Royal, Ananda and Nalanda College?
- (d) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of teachers excess in the schools mentioned in part (c) on medium wise and subject wise; and
 - (ii) whether actions will be taken to transfer those excess teachers to Hameed Al-Hussainiyya college to fill the existing vacancies?
- (e) If not, why?

0819/'10

3.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that there is a shortage of infrastructure facilities and common amenities in the government schools administered by the Dewinuware Divisional Education Office of the Matara Zonal Educational Office in the Matara District ?
- (b) Will he state in relation to the above schools—
 - (i) the number of schools without electricity;
 - (ii) the number of schools without library and laboratory facilities;
 - (iii) the number of teachers' quarters;
 - (iv) the number of teachers' quarters without electricity; and
 - (v) the number of schools with furniture requirements ?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the names, addresses and telephone numbers of schools with aforesaid shortages;
 - (ii) whether arrangements will be made to allocate the required funds to fulfil the shortcomings in the aforesaid schools; and
 - (iii) if so, the period of time taken for it?
- (d) If not, why?

0906/'10

4.

Hon. Mohamed Aslam,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (2)

- (a) Is he aware that a shortage of over twenty teachers with relevant to various subjects and lack of physical resources exist at Al-Aksha National School situated in Kalpitiya Educational Zone in Puttlam district, where over two thousand pupils study?
- (b) Will he inform this House, whether steps will be taken to address the severe shortage of teachers that exists at this school and to provide the necessary physical resources including auditorium facilities?
- (c) If not, why?

0926/'10

5.

Hon. M. Joseph Michael Perera,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the total estimated cost for the project to construct the new container terminal at Colombo harbour ;
 - (ii) out of this total cost, the amount to be met locally;
 - (iii) the amount to be met through foreign funds;
 - (iv) the sources of funding of the aforesaid project;
 - (v) out of the total cost, the amount being received as loans;
 - (vi) the names of countries granting loans, the relevant interest rates and the loan repayment periods;
 - (vii) the timeframe for the completion of the entire project ?
- (b) Will he state the method of recruiting workers for the activities of the aforesaid project ?
- (c) If not, why ?

0981/'10

6.

Hon. M. T. Hasen Ali,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Employment Promotion and Welfare,— (2)

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the Islamic Sharia law is the law in force in Saudi Arabia;
 - (ii) when a death sentence is imposed on an individual by court in terms of the Sharia Law, that the completion of 18 years of age of the convict on the date the Illegal act or crime s committed is taken into consideration;
 - (iii) the real age of Miss Rizana Nafeek who has been sentenced to death in Saudi Arabia at present was 17 years at the time this criminal charge was leveled against her ?

(4)

(b) If so, will he state—

- (i) the measures that have been taken against the officials who assisted in issuing the forged birth certificate, National Identity Card Sri Lanka Passport to Miss Rizana and the Justice of the Peace who certified the application for Sri Lanka passport and the foreign employment agent who assisted her to go abroad;
- (ii) whether he admits that the Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment which failed to make proper submissions when the case against Rizana was being heard in that country, should accept the full responsibility for the imposition of said sentence on her ?

(c) If not, why ?

1021/'10

7.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the percentage of pregnant mothers in Sri Lanka reported to be suffering from Anaemia, by the end of the year 2010;
- (ii) the measures that have been taken by the government to eradicate Anaemia that prevails among pregnant mothers;
- (iii) whether those measures taken by the government are sufficient to minimize anaemia among pregnant mothers ?

(b) If not, why ?

1060/'11

8.

Hon. Wasantha Aluwihare,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that development of Matale-Raththota road has been started?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether surveying has been completed and road plans have been prepared to develop that road ;
- (ii) the estimated amount for that project ; and
- (iii) the amount that has been allocated for this work ?

(5)

(c) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the extent of land taken over and the number of houses demolished and removed in the activities connected to widening this road ;
- (ii) of the names of the persons who will lose those lands and houses ;
- (iii) whether a gazette notification has been issued with respect to the aforesaid taking over of property ; and
- (iv) if a gazette notification has not been issued, the reasons for that?

(d) Will he state—

- (i) whether compensation is provided for the property taken over in widening the aforesaid road ;
- (ii) the amount allocated for that ;
- (iii) the date on which payment of such compensation will be completed ;
- (iv) whether alternative lands will be provided for those taken over ; and
- (v) if so, the location from where such lands will be provided?

(e) If not, why ?

1090/'11

9.

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Environment,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the acreage of land in which Eucalyptus and Pinus plantations have been removed and indigenous species of trees have been planted in place of them by now under the Helathuru Uyana programme ; and
- (ii) the indigenous species of trees which have been selected to be planted in the aforesaid areas?

(b) Will he state whether attention has been paid to select indigenous species of trees which can provide the same contribution made by Eucalyptus and Pinus plantations to meet the national timber demand in selecting indigenous species of trees mentioned above?

(c) If not, why ?

0450/'10

10.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (1)

- (a) Will he state separately for last five years—
 - (i) the profit or loss of National Lotteries Board ; and
 - (ii) the status of the Balance Sheet of the aforesaid institution as at 31, December of each year?
- (b) Will he inform this House of audited report given in the financial report of each year separately for last five years?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of people working in the National Lotteries Board; and
 - (ii) the amount of money transferred to the Government by National Lotteries Board for last five years on per year basis?
- (d) If not, why ?

0820/'10

11.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that there is a shortage of infrastructure facilities and common amenities in the government schools administered by the Weligama Divisional Education Office of the Matara Zonal Educational Office in the Matara District ?
- (b) Will he state in relation to the above schools—
 - (i) the number of schools without electricity;
 - (ii) the number of schools without library and laboratory facilities;
 - (iii) the number of teachers' quarters;
 - (iv) the number of teachers' quarters without electricity; and
 - (v) the number of schools with furniture requirements ?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the names, addresses and telephone numbers of schools with aforesaid shortages;
 - (ii) whether arrangements will be made to allocate the required funds to fulfil the shortcomings in the aforesaid schools; and
 - (iii) if so, the period of time taken for it?
- (d) If not, why?

1024/'10

12.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Agrarian Services and Wildlife,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether there is a national plan to protect fauna in our country at present;
 - (ii) if so, whether action will be taken to implement it with set timeframes and targets;
 - (iii) whether the relevant ministry has adequate resources to implement the aforesaid plan ?
- (b) If not, why?

1046/'10

13.

Hon. Mohamed Aslam,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that an open competitive examination was held to recruit persons to the Grade III of the Sri Lanka Administrative Service in 2007 (2008) ?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) whether interviews were conducted for the persons who become qualified at the aforesaid competitive examination ;
 - (ii) if so, the dates on which the interviews were conducted ;
 - (iii) the number of persons recruited to the relevant post after conducting the interviews ; and
 - (iv) the names and addresses of person who were recruited?
- (c) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether the recruitment to the aforesaid post was done at district level or national level ;
 - (ii) the minimum number of marks required to be called for the interview ; and
 - (iii) the ethic ratio adopted in the aforesaid recruitment?
- (d) If not, why?

0451/'10

14.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(1)

- (a) Will he state separately for last five years—
 - (i) the profit or loss of Development Lotteries Board ; and
 - (ii) the status of the Balance Sheet of the aforesaid institution as at 31, December of each year?
- (b) Will he submit to this House the audited report given in the financial report of each year separately for last five years?
- (c) Will he state-
 - (i) the number of people working in the Development Lotteries Board; and
 - (ii) the amount of money transferred to the Government by Development Lotteries Board for last five years on per year basis?
- (d) If not, why?

0821/'10

15.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education ,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that there is a shortage of infrastructure facilities and common amenities in the government schools administered by the Matara Divisional Education Office of the Matara Zonal Educational Office in the Matara District ?
- (b) Will he state in relation to the above schools—
 - (i) the number of schools without electricity;
 - (ii) the number of schools without library and laboratory facilities;
 - (iii) the number of teachers' quarters;
 - (iv) the number of teachers' quarters without electricity; and
 - (v) the number of schools with furniture requirements ?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the names, addresses and telephone numbers of schools with aforesaid shortages;
 - (ii) whether arrangements will be made to allocate the required funds to fulfil the shortcomings in the aforesaid schools; and
 - (iii) if so, the period of time taken for it?
- (d) If not, why?

Votes of Condolence

1.
The late Hon. Amarananda Ratnayake, ex- Member of Parliament
2.
The late Hon. M.S. Amarasiri, ex- Member of Parliament
3.
The late Hon. Nissanka Wijeyeratne, ex- Member of Parliament

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1.
Hon. Eric Prasanna Weerawardhana,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.1),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—
“ Bill to incorporate the Hanguranketha Madanwela Rajamaha Vihara Development Foundation.”
2.
Hon. J. R. P. Suriyapperuma,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.2),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—
“ Bill to incorporate the (Dr.) Malani Fonseka Foundation”

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

- *1.
Local Authorities (Special Provisions) Bill — Committee.
- *2.
Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Bill — Committee.
- *3.
Employees’ Pension Benefits Fund Bill — Second Reading.
- *4.
Overseas Employees Pension Benefits Fund Bill — Second Reading.
- *5.
Pensions (Consequential Provisions) Bill — Second Reading.
- *6.
Employees’ Provident Fund (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
- *7.
Finance Business Bill — Second Reading.

*8.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Registered Stock and Securities Ordinance (No.1),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under subsection 3 of Section 4 of the Registered Stock and Securities Ordinance (Chapter 420) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1694/19 of February 25, 2011, which was presented on 03.05.2011, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*9.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Registered Stock and Securities Ordinance(No.2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under subsection 3 of Section 4 of the Registered Stock and Securities Ordinance (Chapter 420) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1694/20 of February 25, 2011, which was presented on 03.05.2011, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*10.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Registered Stock and Securities Ordinance(No.3),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under subsection 3 of Section 4 of the Registered Stock and Securities Ordinance (Chapter 420) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1694/21 of February 25, 2011, which was presented on 03.05.2011, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*11.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Finance Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 2 of the Finance Act, No. 11 of 2002 as last amended by Finance (Amendment) Act, No. 13 of 2009 relating to Port and Airport levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1689/2 of January 17, 2011, which was presented on 03.05.2011, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*12.

The Minister of Industry and Commerce,— Regulations under the Intellectual Property Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Industry and Commerce under Section 204 of the Intellectual Property Act, No. 36 of 2003 read with Sections 5, 9 and 17 of the said Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1687/28 of January 05, 2011, which was presented on 03.05.2011, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*13.

The Minister of Livestock and Rural Community Development,— Regulations under the Animal Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Livestock Development under Section 35, read with Sections 3, 3AA, 11, 26 and 34 of the Animals Act, No. 29 of 1958 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1629/17 of November 26th 2009, which was presented on 05.04.2011, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*14.

The Minister of Plantation Industries,— Regulations under the Sri Lanka Tea Board Law,— That the Regulations made by the Sri Lanka Tea Board under Section 25 of the Sri Lanka Tea Board Law, No. 14 of 1975 read with Sections 5B and 5C of this Act, and approved by the Minister of Plantation Industries, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1677/14 of 27th October 2010, which were presented on 04.01.2011, be approved.

*15.

The Minister of Lands and Land Development,— Regulations under the Registration of Title Act,— That the Regulations made by Minister of Lands and Land Development under Section 67 of the Registration of Title Act, No. 21 of 1998 read with Section 60 and 62 of that Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1616/23 of 24, August 2009, which were presented on 06.05.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*16.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Excise Ordinance,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning, under Section 25 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52), related to Serving of Standard Liquor in Hotels approved by the Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1689/20 of January 21st, 2011, which was presented on 10.02.2011, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 935)

(Cabinet approval signified)

17.

Samanalagiri Satharanga (Nadi) Medical Council Bill— Second Reading.

18.

Olagangala Maha Sudarshana Paropakari Foundation (Incorporation) Bill—Second Reading.

* *Indicates Government Business*

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0211/'10

1.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— (2)

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the total extent of land held by the Land Reforms Commission initially in Welimada Divisional Secretariat division, according to the Land Reforms Commission Act;
- (ii) the extent of land that has been sold by now, out of the extent of land mentioned above; and
- (iii) the name, the extent, the date of sale, the name of the buyer and the selling price of the sales over 5 acres out of the lands sold?

(b) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) whether the lands belonging to the Land Reforms Commission that are situated in the above Divisional Secretariat Division have been given on the basis of long-term lease; and
- (ii) if so, the name of the land so given, name of the lease holder, the date of the lease, the amount of money received for the lease and the date on which the lease agreement terminates?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) the extent of the remaining lands owned by the Land Reforms Commission in the above Division;
- (ii) the acreage of those lands on the basis of each Grama Niladhari Division; and
- (iii) the location of such lands?

(d) If not, why?

0212/'10

2.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the total extent of land held by the Land Reforms Commission initially in Ella Divisional Secretariat division, according to the Land Reforms Commission Act;
 - (ii) the extent of land that has been sold by now, out of the extent of land mentioned above; and
 - (iii) the name, the extent, the date of sale, the name of the buyer and the selling price of the sales over 5 acres out of the lands sold?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) whether the lands belonging to the Land Reforms Commission that are situated in the above Divisional Secretariat Division have been given on the basis of long-term lease; and
 - (ii) if so, the name of the land so given, name of the lease holder, the date of the lease, the amount of money received for the lease and the date on which the lease agreement terminates?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the extent of the remaining lands owned by the Land Reforms Commission in the above Division;
 - (ii) the acreage of those lands on the basis of each Grama Niladhari Division; and
 - (iii) the location of such lands?
- (d) If not, why?

0213/'10

3.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the total extent of land held by the Land Reforms Commission initially in Uva Paranagama Divisional Secretariat division, according to the Land Reforms Commission Act;
 - (ii) the extent of land that has been sold by now, out of the extent of land mentioned above; and
 - (iii) the name, the extent, the date of sale, the name of the buyer and the selling price of the sales over 5 acres out of the lands sold?

(b) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) whether the lands belonging to the Land Reforms Commission that are situated in the above Divisional Secretariat Division have been given on the basis of long-term lease; and
- (ii) if so, the name of the land so given, name of the lease holder, the date of the lease, the amount of money received for the lease and the date on which the lease agreement terminates?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) the extent of the remaining lands owned by the Land Reforms Commission in the above Division;
- (ii) the acreage of those lands on the basis of each Grama Niladhari Division; and
- (iii) the location of such lands?

(d) If not, why?
