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## ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT FOR

Friday, August 26, 2011 at 1.30 p.m.

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### QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0594/'10

1.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (2)

(a) Will he state for the last 8 years on per year basis —

- (i) the amount of money spent on Capital Loan Payments and Interest for the Loans paid to public servants; and
- (ii) the name and the amount of any other Recurrent Expenditure incurred on public service of which value was more than 25 Billion Rupees ?

(b) If not, why ?

1109/'11

2.

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of students in the National schools of Matara district, who have passed the Grade Five Scholarship Examination from the year 2000 up to now ;and
- (ii) the amount received annually by a student as the scholarship grant within the said period, separately with respect to each year?

(b) If not, why?

1134/'11

3.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) separately of the acreage of paddy lands destroyed by floods in each district from November 2010 up to now;
- (ii) separately of the loss incurred in each district due to the aforesaid destruction;
- (iii) whether financial assistance will be provided for the destruction caused to the paddy lands;
- (iv) if so, the amount of money that has been allocated for that purpose; and
- (v) the amount of financial assistance provided for one acre of paddy land that has been destroyed ?

(b) If not, why ?

1250/11

4.

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Local Government and Provincial Councils on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
  - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
  - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
  - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1609/11

5.

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) of the degree courses conducted at the Sripali Campus of the University of Colombo ;
  - (ii) separately of the number of students who have been registered for each of the said courses ; and
  - (iii) of the position of the University of Colombo and the University of Visual and Performing Arts in 2010 in terms of the international rating of universities?
- (b) Will he state—
  - (i) whether there is a plan to affiliate the Sripali Campus to the University of Visual and Performing Arts ;
  - (ii) if so, whether that plan will be tabled ;
  - (iii) the objectives expected to be achieved through that ; and
  - (iv) if not, whether that affiliation is done without any planning?
- (c) Will he inform this House whether there is a plan to transfer the premises where the University of Visual and Performing Arts is currently located, to another public or private institution?
- (d) If not, why?

1063/'11

6.

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

(a) Will he state separately—

- (i) the total amount in US Dollars to be paid at the end of the period of loans or grants lent for last 15 years by the countries and institutions as follows; China, USA, India, IMF, World Bank, ADB, JBIC and EU ; and
- (ii) the average pay back period of loans per country or institution separately ?

(b) If not why?

1110/'11

7.

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

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) the students of Subodhi Kanishta Vidyalaya administered by the Jayawardhanapura Zonal Education Office in Colombo district are admitted to Rahula Girls' School in Malambe for Grade Six;
- (ii) in admitting students to Grade Six, the principal of that school charges Rs. 3162/= per student as facilities and other fees and issues receipts; and
- (iii) another six thousand rupees purported to be the expenditure on desks and chairs is charged without issuing receipts, in addition to the aforesaid amount?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether the principal of Rahula Girls' School of Malabe has any authority to charge money in the aforesaid manner; and
- (ii) if not, whether an investigation on the aforesaid charging of money would be carried out ?

(c) If not, why?

1135/'11

8.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) of the amount of seed paddy in the possession of the government at present;
  - (ii) of the acreage of paddy lands that can be cultivated by using the aforesaid amount of seed paddy;
  - (iii) whether there is a stock of seed paddy in the possession of the government for the use in a natural disaster;
  - (iv) whether that stock of seed paddy is sufficient to cultivate the current extent of paddy lands;
  - (v) if not, the course of action that will be taken in that regard; and
  - (vi) of the reasons for the government for not having a sufficient stock of seed paddy in its possession ?
- (b) If not, why ?

1251/'11

9.

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

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Public Administration and Home Affairs on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
  - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
  - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
  - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1610/'11

10.

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Justice,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
  - (i) the extent of the land, close to the Beach Garden in Panadura on which the official residence of Panadura Magistrate is located ;
  - (ii) the owners of that land ;
  - (iii) whether the aforesaid official residence was damaged by the Tsunami that occurred on 26-12-2004 ; and
  - (iv) the amount of money spent to repair the damaged official residence and the surrounding parapet wall?
- (b) Is he aware that—
  - (i) this official residence of the Panadura Magistrate and the land on which it is located have been leased out to a private institution to run a cafeteria ; and
  - (ii) the Panadura Magistrate is without an official residence, at present?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) The persons who recommended this lease and gave approval to it ;
  - (ii) whether he will table the relevant lease agreement ;
  - (iii) whether he admits the fact that an irregularity or an act of corruption has taken place at the transfer of the ownership of the above property ; and
  - (iv) if so, the course of action to be initiated against those responsible for it?
- (d) If not, why?

1069/'11

11.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,— (1)

- (a) Will he state—
  - (i) the areas that the Export Development Board helps the small and medium scale selected exporters ; and
  - (ii) the total cost incurred by EDB on five areas of assistance identified out of the above?
- (b) Will he also state—
  - (i) the number of staff members in the EDB;
  - (ii) whether the staff members have been allocated on product range or country basis to which products are exported or they are in a pool in order to assist the exporters where ever it is possible;
  - (iii) the names of the specialists in EDB; and
  - (iv) the areas they are specialized in?
- (c) If not, why?

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12.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that a competitive examination was conducted in 2010 to recruit Banking Management Assistants to the Bank of Ceylon?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether Management Assistant Appointments have been made by now, on the results of that examination;
  - (ii) if so, the date on which the appointments were made;
  - (iii) of the date on which those appointments will be made, if appointments have not yet been made on the results of the examination; and
  - (iv) the cut off mark which makes a candidate entitled to be appointed to the above post?
- (c) If not, why?

1136/'11

13.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Social Services,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this house—
  - (i) of the number of elderly persons who receive the charity allowance paid to the elderly persons in the low income families, by the government;
  - (ii) of the amount paid to a recipient of the charity allowance per month; and
  - (iii) of the year in which the aforesaid charity allowance was amended last ?
- (b) Will he state—
  - (i) whether he admits the fact that the amount paid as the charity allowance at present is not at all sufficient in the face of the current economic scenario;
  - (ii) whether steps will be taken to increase the aforesaid amount to commensurate with the current state of the economy; and
  - (iii) if so, the amount that will be increased ?
- (c) If not, why ?

1252/11

14.

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of External Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of External Affairs on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
  - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
  - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
  - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1611/11

15.

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether the Government has made plans to hold the "Commonwealth Games-2018" in Hambantota ; and
  - (ii) if so, the estimated cost expected to be borne by the government to hold the above mentioned "Commonwealth Games-2018"?
- (b) If not, why?

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### Votes of Condolence

1.

The late Hon. L. de. S.A. Gunasekera, ex- Member of Parliament

2.

The late Hon. (Mrs.) Somakumari Tennakoon, ex- Member of Parliament

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The late Hon. R.M. Dharmadasa Banda, ex- Member of Parliament

4.

The late Hon. Wimalasiri de Mel, ex- Member of Parliament

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AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

**Notice of Presentation of Bills**

1.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Coast Conservation (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Coast Conservation Act, No.57 of 1981; to amend Certain Provisions of the Sri Lanka Land Reclamation and Development Corporation Act, No. 15 of 1968 and the Board of Investment of Sri Lanka Law, No. 4 of 1978; and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

\*1.

The Minister of Environment,— Regulations under the National Environmental Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Environment and Natural Resources under Section 32 (2) (h) of the National Environmental Act, No. 47 of 1980, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1627/19 of November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009, which were presented on 09.08.2011, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*2.

Local Authorities (Special Provisions) Bill — Committee.

\*3.

Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Bill — Committee.

\*4.

Employees' Pension Benefits Fund Bill — Second Reading.

\*5.

Overseas Employees Pension Benefits Fund Bill — Second Reading.

\*6.

Pensions (Consequential Provisions) Bill — Second Reading.

\*7.

Employees' Provident Fund (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

\*8.

Finance Business Bill — Second Reading.



\*9.

The Minister of Health,— Annual Report and Accounts of the State Pharmaceutical Corporation 2008,— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the State Pharmaceuticals Corporation together with the Auditor-General's observations prepared for the year ended 31.12.2008 and presented on 11.06.2010 under Section 30(2) of the State Industrial Corporation Act, No. 49 of 1957 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Health.)

\*10.

The Minister of Health,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Jayawardanapura General Hospital 2008,— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Jayawardanapura General Hospital together with the Auditor-General's observations prepared for the year ended 31.12.2008 and presented on 23.09.2010 under Section 30(2) of the State Industrial Corporation Act, No. 49 of 1957 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Health.)

\*11.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the Industrial Technology Institute 2008,— That the Annual Report of the Industrial Technology Institute together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ended 31.12.2008 and presented on 03.12.2010 under Section 40(3) of the Science and Technology Development Act, No. 11 of 1994 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Science and Technology.)

\*12.

The Minister of Power and Energy,—Annual Report of the Atomic Energy Authority 2008,— That the Annual Report of the Atomic Energy Authority with the Auditor-General's observations for the year ended 31.12.2008 and presented on 30.06.2010 under the Section 34 of the Atomic Energy Authority Act, No. 19 of 1969 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Power and Energy.)

\*13.

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 October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010, which were presented on 04.01.2011, be approved.

\*14.

The Minister of Lands and Land Development,— Regulations under the Registration of Title Act,— That the Regulations made by the 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 August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009, which were presented on 06.05.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*15.

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 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011, which was presented on 10.02.2011, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 935.)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

16.

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

17.

Organization for the Creation of Balana Buddha Statue (Incorporation) Bill—  
Second Reading.

\* *Indicates Government Business*

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