



[Seventh Parliament -First Session]

No. 121.]

**ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Thursday, September 08, 2011 at 1.00 p.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0596/'10

1.

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

- (a) Will he state for the last 10 years per year basis—
 - (i) the total Actual Expenditure (Net Economic Outturn) of the government ;
 - (ii) the revenue of the government earned by direct and indirect taxes separately;
 - (iii) the Capital and Recurrent expenditure of the government ;
 - (iv) the GDP of the country ; and
 - (v) the budget deficit of the Government?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) as to how it is financed and give the interest cost for the loans taken to bridge the budget deficit; and
 - (ii) whether it is possible to afford this lifestyle and the country is heading for a debt trap?
- (c) If not, why?

1050/'10

2.

Hon. Mohamed Aslam ,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(4)

- (a) Will he admit that in respect of the applications called by the Ministry of Education of the Central Province as per the decision of the Cabinet of Ministers dated 25.10.2006 and the instructions given through the letter bearing ED/2/20/4/1/47 උප and dated 10/02/2007 of the Ministry of Education with relevance to the appointment of voluntary teachers as teacher assistants, 61 persons were found to have qualifications out of the candidates who came from the Katugastota, Gampola, Teldeniya, Wattagama, Denuwara and Kandy educational zones of the Kandy District ?

(2)

(b) Is he aware that —

- (i) the Education Secretary of the Central Province has been ordered to grant them the posts of teacher assistants through the letter ED/2/29/4/1/47 List and dated 08/09/2008 of the Secretary of the Ministry of Education;
 - (ii) instead of granting the said appointments, only the letters have been sent up to now by the Education Secretary under No (ED/1/20/6/24) on 10.02.2010 assigning them to the relevant centers for teacher training; and
 - (iii) under these circumstances, the above mentioned personnel who are to receive the posts of teacher assistants continue to be in a state of despair ?
- (c) If so, will he state whether action will be taken to grant them the posts of teacher assistants ?
- (d) If not, why ?

1119/'11

3.

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

- (a) Is he aware that there is a severe shortage of physical and human resources in the School Dental Clinics which are operative at government schools in the Southern Province ?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether immediate action will be taken to provide the aforesaid School Dental Clinics with necessary physical and human resources in order to protect the dental health of children;
 - (ii) if so, the period of time taken for it; and
 - (iii) whether financial allocations have been made in that regard ?
- (c) If not, why?

1182/'11

4.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) the number of international ships that have docked at the Hambantota Port as at present;
 - (ii) the dates on which they docked at the aforesaid port and their countries of origin; and
 - (iii) separately, the names of the goods brought by each of those ships along with the weight of their stocks (in tonnes)?

(3)

- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the goods exported from this country through this port; and
 - (ii) the number of ships that have set off from this port with goods ?
- (c) If not, why?

1259/'11

5.

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Traditional Industries and Small Enterprise Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Traditional Industries and Small Enterprise Development 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?

0598/'10

6.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the Gross Domestic Production (GDP)projected for the next 8 years;
 - (ii) the per Capita Income for the last 8 years on per year basis, to date;
 - (iii) the per Capita Debt for the last 8 Years on per year basis, to date; and
 - (iv) the values of the per Capita Earning and Debt as at 01/01/1994, 01/01/2005 and 01/08/2010?
- (b) If not, why?

1120/11

7.

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) whether approval has been obtained for two Cabinet Memoranda relating to granting Government teaching appointments to those who are involved in teaching in the Dhamma Schools, having passed the 'Dharmacharya' examination;
- (ii) whether steps will be taken to give government teaching appointments to the aforesaid set of teachers during the year of 2600th 'Sambuddhathwa Jayanthi'; and
- (iii) if so, the date on which such appointments will be made?

(b) If not, why?

1183/11

8.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of State Resources and Enterprise Development,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether the production activities of the rubber factory of the Moneragala estate owned by the Janatha Estate Development Board have been stopped by now;
- (ii) if so, the reasons for it;
- (iii) of the name of the institution to which the latex harvested from the aforesaid estate is supplied;
- (iv) of the amount of money paid for one unit of latex (Kilos or litres) purchased by the aforesaid institution; and
- (v) of the market price of a unit of latex at present ?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether plans have been made to sell or lease out the aforesaid factory along with the estate that belongs to it; and
- (ii) if so, the reasons for it ?

(c) If not, why?

1260/'11

9.

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Water Supply and Drainage 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?

1615/'11

10.

Hon. Mohamed Aslam,— To ask the Minister of Livestock and Rural Community Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Mr. W. Anwer who resides at Katukeliyawa, Ihalagama has served as a Casual Labourer at the Animal Husbandry Training Centre at Seepukulam from 15.08.2000 up to 30.04.2001 ; and
 - (ii) the officials responsible have failed to confirm this person who had been serving for 255 days continuously in a satisfactory manner?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether steps will be taken to reinstate Mr. Anwer in service and confirm him as per the relevant Public Administration Circulars taking into consideration the fact that he has completed 180 day period of service in the above post ?
- (c) If not, why ?

1121/'11

11.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) eleven years have lapsed since the laying of the foundation stone for the construction of the Omantha bridge across the Bentara river connecting the Omantha Grama Niladhari Division in the Elpitiya Divisional Secretariat Division of the Galle District and the 787 D Thotaha Grama Niladhari Division of the Walallawita Divisional Secretariat Division;
 - (ii) construction activities have not been carried out yet; and
 - (iii) a large number of people of the area have been deprived of benefits as a result?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether speedy action will be taken to construct the aforesaid bridge;
 - (ii) whether funds have been allocated for this purpose;
 - (iii) if so, the total amount allocated; and
 - (iv) of the date on which the construction activities of the bridge will commence?
- (c) If not, why?

1184/'11

12.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a programme will be implemented to remove the officers and soldiers of the regular service from the Army;
 - (ii) if so, the basis on which it will be done;
 - (iii) whether steps will be taken to remove the soldiers who deserted the army and re-joined the service, as a punishment; and
 - (iv) if so, what compensation or privileges will be provided to them?
- (b) Will he admit that it is a severe injustice to remove from the service of the Army as a punishment in addition to the punishments given when the army deserters were recruited to the Army again ?
- (c) If not, why?

1186/11

13.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Disaster Management,— (1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) whether there is alarming trend in earth slips in the country;
- (ii) the worst affected areas that are earmarked as vulnerable areas; and
- (iii) the actions being taken by the government regarding this serious matter?

(b) Will he also state—

- (i) the number of people died owing to earth slips in the country in 2010 and 2011 separately; and
- (ii) the amount of money donated by the government as grants on behalf of the diseased persons?

(c) If not, why?

1261/11

14.

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Livestock and Rural Community Development,—(1)

(a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Livestock and Rural Community Development 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?

1617/11

15.

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

(a) Is he aware that—

(i) Mrs. S. S. Fareeda of No. 88, Kadiyawatta Road, Darga Town is a retired teacher of Grade 1 of Sri Lanka Teachers' Service (Retirement No. 112550708); and

(ii) even though she was promoted to Grade 1 of Sri Lanka Teachers' Service with effect from 01.03.2004, the pension compatible with that promotion or the arrears that she is entitled to from the date of appointment to that grade, have not been provided to her up to now?

(b) If so, will he state whether steps will be taken to provide the revised pension including the arrears that Mrs. Fareeda is entitled to, without delay?

(c) If not, why ?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Presentation of Bills

1.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Housing Development Finance Corporation Bank of Sri Lanka (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Housing Development Finance Corporation Bank of Sri Lanka Act, No.7 of 1997.

2.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Prevention of Money Laundering (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, No. 5 of 2006.

3.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Convention on the Suppression of Terrorist Financing (Amendment),— Bill to amend the convention on the Suppression of Terrorist Financing Act, No. 25 of 2005.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

The Minister of Justice,— Order under the Code of Criminal Procedure (Special Provisions) Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Justice under subsection (2) of Section 7 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (Special Provisions) Act, No.42 of 2007, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1708/5 of May 30th, 2011, which was presented on 23.08.2011, be approved.

*2.

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 10th, 2009, which were presented on 09.08.2011, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*3.

Coast Conservation (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*4.

The Minister of Health,— Regulations under the Food Act (No.1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Health in consultation with the Food Advisory Committee in terms of Section 32 of the Food Act, No.26 of 1980 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1660/30 of June 29th, 2010, which were presented on 25.08.2011, be approved.

*5.

The Minister of Health,— Regulations under the Food Act (No.2),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition under Section 32 of the Food Act, No.26 of 1980 as amended by the Food (Amendment) Act, No. 20 of 1991 in consultation with the Food Advisory Committee and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1646/18 of March 24th, 2010, which were presented on 25.08.2011, be approved.

*6.

The Minister of Health,— Regulations under the Food Act (No.3),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition under Section 32 of the Food Act, No.26 of 1980 as amended by the Food (Amendment) Act, No. 20 of 1991 in consultation with the Food Advisory Committee and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1646/19 of March 24th, 2010, which were presented on 25.08.2011, be approved.

*7.

The Minister of Health,— Regulations under the Food Act (No.4),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition in consultation with the Food Advisory Committee, in terms of Section 32 of the Food Act, No.26 of 1980 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1589/34 of February 20th, 2009, which were presented on 25.08.2011, be approved.

*8.

The Minister of Health,— Regulations under the Food Act (No.5),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition under Section 32 of the Food Act, No.26 of 1980 as amended by the Food (Amendment) Act, No. 20 of 1991 in consultation with the Food Advisory Committee and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1617/16 of September 01st, 2009, which were presented on 25.08.2011, be approved.

*9.

The Minister of Health,— Regulations under the Food Act (No.6),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Health under Section 32 of the Food Act, No.26 of 1980 in consultation with the Food Advisory Committee and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1694/5 of February 23rd, 2011, which were presented on 25.08.2011, be approved.

*10.

Local Authorities (Special Provisions) Bill — Committee.

*11.

Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Bill — Committee.

*12.

Employees' Pension Benefits Fund Bill — Second Reading.

*13.

Overseas Employees Pension Benefits Fund Bill — Second Reading.

*14.

Pensions (Consequential Provisions) Bill — Second Reading.

*15.

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

*16.

Finance Business Bill — Second Reading.

*17.

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.)

*18.

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.)

*19.

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.)

*20.

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.)

*21.

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 27th, 2010, which were presented on 04.01.2011, be approved.

*22.

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 24th, 2009, which were presented on 06.05.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*23.

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.)

24.

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

25.

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

* *Indicates Government Business*
