



[Seventh Parliament -First Session]

No. 133.]

**ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Wednesday, November 09, 2011 at 1.00 p.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1204/'11

1.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately of the quantity of drugs (such as Heroin) seized while being smuggled into Sri Lanka in each of the years from 2000 up to date ;
 - (ii) the names of the persons or institutions that smuggled such drugs into Sri Lanka ;
 - (iii) separately of the fines charged by government from each person or institution for smuggling in drugs ; and
 - (iv) the countries from which such drugs have been imported?
- (b) If not, why?

1231/'11

2.

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Disaster Management,—(2)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Disaster Management 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?

1281/'11

3.

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

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the construction work of the bridge that was started to be built across the Henegedara canal on the road from Lihinigiriya to Eethanawatta which belongs to the Bamunakotuwa Divisional Secretariat Division in the Kurunegala district has been stopped halfway; and
 - (ii) the people of the area have faced a number of hardships due to the delay in the construction of the bridge?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the reasons for stopping the construction work of the bridge abruptly;
 - (ii) the amount of money estimated for the construction of the aforesaid bridge; and
 - (iii) the date on which the construction work of the bridge was to be completed?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to re-start the construction work of the aforesaid bridge that has been stopped by now; and
 - (ii) if so, the date on which it will be started?
- (d) If not, why?

1610/'11

4.

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Justice,—(2)

- (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?

(3)

- (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?

1622/'11

5.

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Civil Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately of the amounts of money provided to Mihin Lanka by the government annually from year 2007 upto year 2010 ;
 - (ii) of the total income earned by the Mihin Lanka during the aforesaid period ;
 - (iii) separately of the profit earned or the loss incurred by Mihin Lanka in each of the aforesaid years ; and
 - (iv) if losses were incurred in the aforesaid years, the factors which contributed to such losses?
- (b) If not , why ?

1205/'11

6.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the countries or shipping companies where the ships belonging to the L.T.T.E. and not brought to Sri Lanka up to now, are docked at or engaged in service at present;
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to have those ships brought to this country; and
 - (iii) if so, the date by which it will be done?
- (b) If not, why?

1234/'11

7.

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Employment promotion and Welfare,—(2)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Foreign Employment promotion and Welfare 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?

1282/'11

8.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the fishermen and the owners of multiday fishing vessels are severely inconvenienced owing to the lack of space at the Devinuwara Puranawella fishing harbour in the Matara district and the scarcity of facilities provided by the Ministry of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development; and
 - (ii) the Auction Hall is not large enough to auction the fish brought by at least 100 vessels though around 900 vessels make their way to this point daily?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to expand this fishing harbour and the Auction Hall and provide the fishermen with adequate facilities;
 - (ii) if so, the period of time required to do that;
 - (iii) whether financial allocations have been made for this purpose by now; and
 - (iv) if so, the sum allocated?
- (c) If not, why?

1611/'11

9.

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Sports,—(2)

(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?

1235/'11

10.

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Minor Export Crop Promotion,—(2)

(a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Minor Exports Crop Promotion 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?

1283/'11

11.

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

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) a large number of traditional dairy farmers live in the areas that come under the Thihagoda and Malimbada Divisional Secretariat Divisions in the Matara District;
- (ii) they are faced with a number of problems owing to the non availability of high quality milch cows and necessary infrastructure facilities; and
- (iii) the farmers complain that the milch cows provided by government institutions which are sold to be of high quality do not comply with the required standard?

(6)

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether arrangements will be made to provide those dairy farmers with high quality milch cows and necessary advice in order to uplift their living standards; and
- (ii) if so, the period of time required to do that?

(c) If not, why?

1341/'11

12.

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the amount of money spent on the inaugural ceremony of 'Divi Neguma' programme commenced under the guidance of the Ministry of Economic Development;
- (ii) the amount of money spent on the publicity programmes held in that respect?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the officers appointed to supervise the 'Divi Neguma' programme;
- (ii) whether they are paid any allowance or wages for such supervision; and
- (iii) if so, the amount paid per person per month?

(c) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament,— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 7 and the motion agreed to by Parliament on 09.07.2010, the hours of sitting this day shall be 1.00 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.. At 7.30 p.m. Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the Parliament without question put.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

Revival of Underperforming Enterprises and Underutilized Assets Bill — Second Reading.

*2.

Appropriation Bill— Second Reading.

*3.

Defence Services Command and Staff College (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

*4.

The Minister of External Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka (No.1),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 157 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, that the Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the State of Kuwait for the Reciprocal Promotion and Protection of Investments, signed on 05th November 2009, being an Agreement for the Promotion and Protection of Investments in Sri Lanka of such foreign State, its nationals or corporations, companies and other associations incorporated or constituted under its Laws, which was presented on 07.09.2011 be approved, as being essential for the development of the national economy.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*5.

The Minister of External Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka (No.2),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 157 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, that the Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam for the Promotion and Protection of Investments, signed on 22nd October 2009, being an Agreement for the Promotion and Protection of Investments in Sri Lanka of such foreign State, its nationals or of corporations, companies and other associations incorporated or constituted under its Laws, which was presented on 07.09.2011 be approved, as being essential for the development of the national economy.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*6.

Local Authorities (Special Provisions) Bill — Committee.

*7.

Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Bill — Committee.

*8.

Employees' Pension Benefits Fund Bill — Second Reading.

*9.

Overseas Employees Pension Benefits Fund Bill — Second Reading.

*10.

Pensions (Consequential Provisions) Bill — Second Reading.

*11.

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

*12.

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.)

*13.

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.)

*14.

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.)

*15.

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.)

*16.

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.

*17.

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.)

*18.

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.)

*19.

Order under the Code of Criminal Procedure (Special Provisions) Act,—Adjourned Debate on Question (08th September, 2011) Motion made and question proposed,— “ 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.”

20.

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

21.

State Employees’ Development Finance Corporation (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

* *Indicates Government Business*
