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Thursday, July 05, 2012 at 1.00 p.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0598/'10

1.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(5)

(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?

1272/'11

2.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(3)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) applications were called from aesthetic graduates to fill 3174 vacancies for aesthetic teachers in the Provincial and National schools throughout the Island in 2009 and 2010; and
- (ii) interviews have been conducted on the results of the written test held accordingly ?

(b) Will he inform this House of the total number of aesthetic graduates who have been appointed upon the above mentioned written test and the interview, so far ?

(2)

- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) the date on which the remaining aesthetic graduates will be recruited as aesthetic teachers, if graduates have not been recruited to fill all existing vacancies for aesthetic teachers; and
 - (ii) whether allocations have been set a side for that ?
- (d) If not, why ?

1724/'11

3.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(2)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether a non banking financial institution named Industrial Finance Limited has been registered with the Central Bank of Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the date on which it was registered;
 - (iii) separately, the names of the Chairman and the members of the Board of Directors along with their addresses and the experience in the financial field?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether this company had been owned by some other company earlier;
 - (ii) if so, the name of that company; and
 - (iii) the names of the Chairman and the members of the Board of Directors along with their addresses?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of customers of the I.F.L. company at present;
 - (ii) the number of depositors who have deposited money in the aforesaid company; and
 - (iii) the value of the deposits of the aforesaid company as at 31st March 2011?
- (d) If not, why?

1735/'11

4.

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education,— (3)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the number of foreign students enrolled at the universities for the academic year of 2011, on the basis of each university and course ;
 - (ii) the number of those students enrolled at each faculty as a percentage of the total number of students enrolled at each faculty for the academic year of 2011 ; and
 - (iii) the countries to which those foreign students belong?

(3)

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the fees charged for each degree course for which foreign students have been registered ;
- (ii) the revenue received by those universities through that ;
- (iii) the purpose for which such monies were spent ; and
- (iv) whether those monies were made available to the consolidated fund of the government?

(c) If not, why?

2085/11

5.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources Management,—(2)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of acres of farm land being developed under the Ridiyagama tank belonging to the Walawa Scheme in the Ambalantota Divisional Secretariat Division;
- (ii) whether arrangements are being made to provide the waters of that reservoir to the development zone including the harbour, which is being built at Hambanthota;
- (iii) if so, the number of acre feet of the volume of water expected to be provided;
- (iv) the steps to be taken to prevent the damages that can be caused to the cultivations of the farmers who cultivate with the water of this tank due to a shortage of water, if the aforesaid amount of water is obtained from the Ridiyagama reservoir;
- (v) whether steps will be taken to build an alternative source from which sufficient water can reach the Ridiyagama reservoir to provide the aforesaid supply of water;
- (vi) whether plans have been made for that; and
- (vii) the amount of money that has to be spent on it?

(b) If not, why?

2101/11

6.

Hon. (Mrs.) Rosy Senanayake,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the date on which the first batch of students were enrolled to the Medical Faculty of the Rajarata University ; and
- (ii) the date on which this batch of students should complete their degree course?

(4)

- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether the Unit of Professors for the final year students of the aforesaid Medical Faculty has been established ;
 - (ii) if so, the date on which it was established ;
 - (iii) the date on which the first session of the clinical training conducted by Professors for these students is to be commenced ;
 - (iv) whether the construction work of the building required for the clinical training conducted by Professors has been completed ; and
 - (v) if so, the date on which the construction work was completed?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) the number of nurses required for the clinical unit conducted by Professors ; and
 - (ii) the number of nurses that has been approved by the Ministry of Health for the aforesaid unit by now?
- (d) If not, why?

2109/11

7.

Hon. John Amaratunga,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (3)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately —
- (i) the number of shares held in Galadari Hotels Lanka PLC, Laughs Gas PLC and Ceylon Grain Elevators PLC by the Employees Provident Fund ;
 - (ii) the dates on which each lot of shares were purchased;
 - (iii) the price at which aforesaid shares were purchased ;
 - (iv) the persons from whom the shares were purchased;
 - (v) if the said shares have been subsequently sold, the person or persons to whom they were sold, on per lot basis ;
 - (vi) the price at which the said shares were sold per each lot ; and
 - (vii) the names of the brokers involved in these transactions?
- (b) If not, why?

1757/'11

8.

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of Ex-Army Officers who are doing business with the Army;
 - (ii) whether it is permissible;
 - (iii) the names of 20 companies trading mostly with Army along with the names of the directors of those companies ;
 - (iv) the trade values of each company for year 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011 separately ;
 - (v) whether aforesaid companies are going through the tender procedures when obtaining business opportunities from the Army; and
 - (vi) If not, as to why it is so?
- (b) If not, why?

1823/'11

9.

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Mr. Henry Nelson Rathnayaka of Thihagoda Divisional Secretariat Division in Matara District runs a filling station at Thihagoda junction ; and
 - (ii) despite the requests made from Ceylon Petroleum Corporation on several occasions for permission to sell petrol at that filling station, such permission has not been granted so far?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the reasons for not granting permission for the sale of petrol at this filling station while permission has been granted for the sale of other types of fuel ;
 - (ii) whether measures will be taken to grant permission to Mr. Nelson Rathnayake for the sale of petrol ; and
 - (iii) if so, the date on which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

2069/'11

10.

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the names of foreign companies which have invested money in the Colombo Stock Exchange from year 2009 up to now and the amount of money invested by each company ;
 - (ii) the names of the companies that have withdrawn their investments by now ;
 - (iii) the dates on which the aforesaid investments were withdrawn ;
 - (iv) whether any reasons have been given for withdrawing aforesaid investments ; and
 - (v) if so, what those reasons are?
- (b) If not, why?

2212/'12

11.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that a pledge was made under the Jana Sevana programme of the “Mahinda Chinthana-Dinawamu Sri Lanka” manifesto that freehold ownership of the houses in urban multi-storey housing schemes would be granted to their residents ?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the year in which the granting of freehold ownership to residents of urban multi-storey housing schemes commenced; and
 - (ii) the number of families who have been granted freehold ownership of houses in multi storey housing schemes by now ?
- (c) If not, why ?

1798/'11

12.

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

- (a) Will he state-
 - (i) as to why the instructions have been given to dwellers in some places within the Colombo Municipal limits to evacuate their existing place of living ; and
 - (ii) the basis on which such notice was given;
 - (iii) the number of houses that have been demolished after evacuation from 1st June 2011 to date along with the electorates they are belong to ;
 - (iv) the Ministry that ordered those houses to be broken down ; and
 - (v) the alternative shelter facilities given to the people who were evacuated?

(7)

- (b) Is he aware that—
 - (i) some people have been residing even more than 30 years at their dwellings from which they were evacuated; and
 - (ii) some of the residents have not been given alternative housing before their houses were broken down?
- (c) If not, why?

1824/'11

13.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources Management,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Alawaththagoda anicut and the Peththare anicut situated in Thihagoda Divisional Secretariat Division in Matara District, were renovated three years ago;
 - (ii) the gates of the Alawaththagoda anicut and the Peththare anicut are in a dilapidated condition; and
 - (iii) the people of the area level allegations that carrying out construction work without adhering to proper standards is the reason for the aforesaid anicuts being destroyed as mentioned above?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the amount of money spent on the renovation of the aforesaid anicuts;
 - (ii) whether the report of the technical officer had been obtained, prior to making payments to the contractor;
 - (iii) whether action will be taken to get both those anicuts renovated expeditiously, by the contractor or through any other provision; and
 - (iv) if so, the date on which it will be done ?
- (c) If not, why?

2070/'11

14.

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the name of the Director-General of the Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the posts held by him prior to being appointed to the present post; and
 - (iii) his educational qualifications?

- (b) Will he also state—
- (i) the names of foreign countries to which the aforesaid Director-General has made official visits from the date on which he was appointed to the aforesaid post up to now;
 - (ii) the reasons for making those visits; and
 - (iii) separately the amount of money spent on each of those visits and the benefits received from each of them?
- (c) If not, why?

2213/12

15.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that a pledge was made under the Janasevana Programme of “Mahinda Chinthana-Dinavamu Sri Lanka” manifesto that measures would be taken to formulate a housing loan scheme for migrant workers with a 30% contribution made by the government ?
- (b) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the year in which the aforesaid housing loan scheme was commenced; and
 - (ii) the number of families that have obtained loans under this housing loan scheme by now ?
- (c) If not, why ?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

Buddhasravaka Bhikku University (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*2.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under sub-Section (3) of Section 3 of the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act, No. 18 of 2011 relating to Ports and Airports Development Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1757/3 of May 09th, 2012, which was presented on 19.06.2012, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*3.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Determination under the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption Act,— That this Parliament hereby determines that the fuel allowances of the Chairman and members of the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption shall be set out as below with effect from 01.05.2012 in terms of Section 2(7) of the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption Act, No. 19 of 1994.

The Parliament further determines that the Chairman and the members of the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption shall be provided monthly with 225 litres and 170 litres of Petrol or Diesel respectively or paid an allowance equivalent to such quantities at the prevailing rates in the market and that the fuel allowances as determined by this resolution shall be substituted for the fuel allowances determined by resolutions previously passed by Parliament with regard to the fuel allowances payable to the Chairman and the members of the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*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.

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.)

*9.

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.)

*10.

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.”

*11.

The Minister of Agrarian Services and Wildlife,— Order under the Fauna and Flora Protection Ordinance,— That the Order made by the Minister of Agrarian Services and Wildlife under subsection (1) of Section 2 of the Fauna and Flora Protection Ordinance (Chapter 469) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1735/21 of December 06th, 2011, which was presented on 13.12.2011, be approved.

12.

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

13.

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

14.

Institute of Martial Arts (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

* *Indicates Government Business*
