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### QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0657/'10

1. Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (5)
- (a) Will he state—
- (i) the 30 biggest state owned enterprises in the country;
  - (ii) as to how they are deemed as within the 30 biggest state owned enterprises ;
  - (iii) the capital deployed in to each entity and the number of workers at present;
  - (iv) the profit or loss of each entity for the last 5 years to date, on per year basis; and
  - (v) the market share of each state owned enterprise?
- (b) Will he state whether each loss making entity out of aforesaid enterprises could be made profitable?
- (c) If not, why?

1339/'11

2. Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Youth Affairs and Skills Development,—(2)

- (a) Will he admit that—
- (i) the Regional Youth Resource Centre that was maintained by the National Youth Council for the youth of Damana Divisional Secretariat Division of Ampara District, has been closed for some years without being used ; and
  - (ii) the opportunity for leaders to emerge and for the youth to gain vocational and sports skills have been lost due to this reason?

(2)

- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the obstacles that caused this resource centre to be abandoned ;
  - (ii) whether measures will be taken to remove those obstacles speedily and make this centre available for the use of the youth of that area ;  
and
  - (iii) if so, the time frame required for that?
- (c) If not, why?

1664/'11

3.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Co-operatives and Internal Trade,—(3)

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) the amount of chicken imported from India by Lak Sathosa during the latter half of 2010 and the first half of 2011;
  - (ii) the amount paid to India per kilo of meat imported;
  - (iii) the locations where such stocks of chicken were stored;
  - (iv) the date on which chicken was released for consumption from the stores, the amount released and the institutions that obtained the meat, separately, with respect to each storehouse;
  - (v) the amount that remained in the storehouses out of the said stocks of chicken, by June 2011; and
  - (vi) the measures taken with regard to the remaining stocks?
- (b) If not, why?

2057/'11

4.

Hon. (Dr.) Harsha De Silva,—To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) all purchases and sales (separately) of listed shares at the Colombo Stock Exchange done by the Employees Provident Fund (EPF) in the last two years ;
  - (ii) the names of brokers responsible for each transaction ;
  - (iii) the cost of each transaction, inclusive of brokerage fees separately ;  
and
  - (iv) the brokerage fees paid to each stock broker company for the aforesaid period of 2 years?

(3)

- (b) Will he state the closing price of each share in (a) (i) above for two weeks prior to each purchase or sale, and 2 weeks since the purchase or sale?
- (c) If not, why?

2105/'11

5.

Hon. (Mrs.) Rosy Senanayake,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that children drop-out at different grades within the school educational process in Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he state—
  - (i) the drop-out rate in relation to (a) above ;
  - (ii) separately, the number of drop-outs in each District ;
  - (iii) the drop-out rate at Grade 5 ; and
  - (iv) the drop-out rate after sitting for the G.C.E (Ordinary Level) Examination?
- (c) Will he state the drop-out rates in relation to Sinhala and Tamil medium students separately?
- (d) Will he state—
  - (i) the reasons for school drop-out in Sri Lanka ; and
  - (ii) the programmes that are implemented to motivate children to attend schools?
- (e) If not, why?

2110/'11

6.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately—
  - (i) the value of the shares held by the Employees Provident Fund in Commercial banks in Sri Lanka or abroad on per bank basis ;
  - (ii) the dates on which each lot of shares were purchased on per company basis ;
  - (iii) the person and/or persons from whom such shares were purchased on per company basis ;
  - (iv) the value at which each lot of shares was purchased;
  - (v) if any such shares have been subsequently sold, the price at which they were sold and the persons to whom they were sold; and
  - (vi) the names, designations and academic qualifications of the nominees of Government and/or Employees Provident Fund to the Boards of Directors of each bank in which the shares are being held ?
- (b) If not, why?

2294/12

7.

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he state separately the number of schools coming under the Central Government and the Provincial Councils that have been closed down in the year 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2011 at district level ?
- (b) Will he state —
  - (i) the alternative measures taken regarding the students and teachers of a school when it is closed down;
  - (ii) the criteria used when a school is closed down;
  - (iii) whether the aforesaid criteria have been followed regarding the schools that have already been closed down; and
  - (iv) if not, the reasons for that ?
- (c) Will he state—
  - (i) whether the buildings of schools that have been closed down by the year 2011 have been used for any productive purposes by now;
  - (ii) if so, the purposes for which they have been used and the annual income earned through them; and
  - (iii) the action that will be taken in future regarding school buildings that have not been used for any productive purpose ?
- (d) If not, why ?

2610/12

8.

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

- (a) Will he state whether —
  - (i) steps have been taken to establish a Quazi Court at Muththettugala in Kurunegala District;
  - (ii) the custodians of the mosque at Kurunegala bazaar have donated a 10 acre land belonging to the aforesaid mosque for this purpose; and
  - (iii) financial assistance has been received from Kuwait for the construction of the aforesaid court building ?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the period of time that will be taken to build this Quazi Court ?
- (c) If not, why?

2612/12

9.

Hon. R. M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) 120 students have been enrolled per year to the physical education course in the Uva College of Education in the recent past; and
  - (ii) only 60 students have been enrolled to the aforesaid College of Education in the year 2012 due to the cut of allocations ?
- (b) Will he admit that—
  - (i) there are vacancies for physical education teachers in the entire school system of the Island; and
  - (ii) the target of filling the aforesaid vacancies cannot be achieved owing to reducing the number of physical education students enrolled to the Uva college of Education in the year 2012 by half ?
- (c) Will he state whether steps will be taken to rectify the injustice caused by the aforesaid situation this year to the children living throughout the country including the Uva Province who possess necessary qualifications to follow the physical education course ?
- (d) If not, why?

2633/12

10.

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

- (a) Will he state—
  - (i) the number of recognized political parties in Sri Lanka;
  - (ii) out of those political parties, whether there are any political parties that obtain funds from foreign countries;
  - (iii) whether the aforesaid political parties that obtain foreign funds are being monitored;
  - (iv) if so, the institution which conducts it; and
  - (v) whether the methodologies adopted for the purpose of obtaining the above mentioned funds by the political parties which obtain foreign funds, are being monitored ?
- (b) If not, why ?

11.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,— (2)

- (a) Will he state—
  - (i) the total number of electricity consumers served by the Ceylon Electricity Board;
  - (ii) the number of consumers of CEB coming under the categories as follows separately: Domestic, Government Institutions, Industrial Institutions, Religious Institutions and others; and
  - (iii) the consumption of electricity by each user category as a percentage of total production ?
- (b) Will he also state—
  - (i) the rates charged for the electricity from the user categories in (a)(ii) for last three years to date; and
  - (ii) the changes of rates during the aforesaid period as a percentage?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) the loss incurred by the CEB per month from January 2011 to date; and
  - (ii) the contribution by each of the aforesaid user category of electricity to the loss in CEB in percentages and actual values separately?
- (d) If not, why?

1350/11

12.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that even though foundation stone was laid to launch a factory associated with the production of rice flour at Oluwila Walawewatta Road in the Ambalantota Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, the project has been suspended midway?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the reasons for suspending this project?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether speedy action will be taken to resume the activities of this project and popularize rice flour among the people of the area;
  - (ii) if not, whether plans have been made to utilize this building and the land for some other purpose; and
  - (iii) if so, what those plans are?
- (d) If not, why?

1864/'11

13.

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

- (a) Will he state—
  - (i) the places where local and foreign players who participated in matches played in Sri Lanka at the last World Cup Cricket tournament were accommodated;
  - (ii) the places where the aforesaid places of accommodation were located;
  - (iii) the teams that lodged in each of the aforesaid places of accommodation;
  - (iv) separately, the number of days each of the aforesaid places of accommodation were allocated for players; and
  - (v) separately, the amount of money spent on each of the aforesaid places of accommodation; and
  - (vi) whether the all payments have been made for the above mentioned places of accommodation by now ?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) of the places of accommodation for which payments are due and the amount to be paid for each place separately, if all payments have not been settled as per (vi) above; and
  - (ii) if payments were not made as scheduled, the reasons for same ?
- (c) If not, why ?

1187/'11

14.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Co-operatives and Internal Trade,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House for the last 5 years on per year basis separately—
  - (i) the total consumption and per capita consumption of garlic;
  - (ii) the local production of garlic and cost of production per one kilogram of garlic;
  - (iii) the import content; and
  - (iv) the value of the import content of garlic?
- (b) If not, why?

15.

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

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) the date on which the lands within the city limits were acquired for widening the Colombo - Trincomalee Road under the Galewela town development plan ;
  - (ii) whether compensation has been paid, for the lands and the properties that were acquired ;
  - (iii) the number of persons who applied for compensation ;
  - (iv) the estimated amount of money for the payment of compensation ; and
  - (v) the amount of money that has been paid as compensation, by now?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the number of applicants and the amount of money that should be paid, if there are applicants, who have not received compensation even by now for the aforesaid lands and the properties that were acquired ;
  - (ii) of the reasons for not paying compensation to them ; and
  - (iii) of the date on which they will be paid compensation?
- (c) If not, why?

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AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

**Notice of Motions**

1.

Hon. John Amaratunga,— Privilege,— That the question of privilege arising out of the matter raised by the Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage, M.P. on 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2012 in Parliament to the effect that her privileges have been infringed, be referred to the Committee on Privileges under Standing Order 127.

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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

\*1.

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)

\*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 09<sup>th</sup>, 2012, which was presented on 19.06.2012, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*3.

The Minister of Environment,— Regulations under the Marine Pollution Prevention Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Environment under the Section 51 read with Sections 7 and 21 of the Marine Pollution Prevention Act, No. 35 of 2008 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1741/19 of January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012, which was presented on 06.07.2012, be approved.

\*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 05<sup>th</sup> 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 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 24<sup>th</sup>, 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 21<sup>st</sup>, 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 (08<sup>th</sup> 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 30<sup>th</sup>, 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 06<sup>th</sup>, 2011, which was presented on 13.12.2011, be approved.

12.

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

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

14.

Institute of Martial Arts (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

\* *Indicates Government Business*

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