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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1381/'11

1.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Sports,— (2)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the profit or loss made by the Sri Lanka Cricket on the World Cup matches held between 19th February and 2nd April 2011;
- (ii) the main sources of revenue and the total revenue earned separately ;
- (iii) the main forms of expenditure made on holding matches;
- (iv) whether expenditure was incurred following proper tender procedure and after being evaluated the competitive bids; and
- (v) if not, as to how those expenditure was made?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether complimentary tickets were issued for the World Cup matches;
- (ii) if so, the persons to whom such tickets were issued; and
- (iii) the value of the complimentary tickets issued?

(c) If not, why?

1586/'11

2.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(2)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) several years have elapsed since the construction work of the Heendeniyawela bridge which crosses Arawakoya at Sirisamanpura in the Ehaliyagoda Divisional Secretariat Division, was stopped halfway; and
- (ii) as a result people in many villages are facing severe hardships?

(2)

- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the year in which the construction work of the aforesaid bridge was commenced;
 - (ii) the institution or institutions which provide allocation for the construction works;
 - (iii) whether tenders were called for the construction work of the Heendeniyawela bridge;
 - (iv) if so, the names of the institutions that submitted tenders;
 - (v) of the bids submitted by each institution; and
 - (vi) of the institutions to which the tenders were awarded and the values of those tenders ?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) of the reasons for stopping the construction work of the bridge halfway;
 - (ii) whether necessary action will be taken to construct the bridge;
 - (iii) whether allocations have been made for it; and
 - (iv) if so, the amount of money that has been allocated?
- (d) If not, why?

1871/11

3.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Telecommunication and Information Technology,—(2)

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) the amount estimated for the renovation of Jaffna Telecom building;
 - (ii) the names and addresses of those who submitted applications, if tenders were called for the renovation of that building;
 - (iii) the names and addresses of the persons who offered the lowest bid in their applications according to the tender procedure; and
 - (iv) the name of the person or the institution that was awarded the tender and the amount of the bid?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether renovation work of the aforesaid building has been completed by now; and
 - (ii) if so, the total amount of money spent on it?
- (c) If not, why?

1925/11

4.

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Employment Promotion and Welfare,—(4)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the number of women who migrated to foreign countries as housemaids in the years 2008,2009 and 2010;
 - (ii) whether the Foreign Employment Bureau has the statistics regarding mothers who were among the women who migrated as housemaids in the above years; and
 - (iii) if so, the number of mothers who migrated as housemaids, separately in relation to each year?
- (b) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the children of the families in which mothers migrated have been adversely affected; and
 - (ii) the government is vested with a special responsibility of protecting the family units in implementing state policies in terms of Article 27(12) of the Constitution ?
- (c) If so, whether the government will take steps to stop women with children from going abroad as housemaids?
- (d) If not, why?

2286/12

5.

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the payment of salary arrears for persons attached to the Sri Lanka Principal Service and the Sri Lanka Teacher Service as per Public Administration Circular 06/2006 (VIII) and as proposed in the budget for the year 2006 has been delayed; and
 - (ii) if so, the period of time for which it has been delayed ?
- (b) Will he admit that the cost of living allowance has not been increased to the persons who retired from the Principal Service and the Teacher Service after 31.12.2005 even by the budget for the year 2012?
- (c) Will he inform this House the types of relief provided to the persons who retired from the Principal Service and the Teacher Service and suffer all forms of hardships as mentioned above ?
- (d) If not, why?

2305/'12

6.

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether lands or buildings belonging to the Ministry of Education have been rented out or leased by now;
 - (ii) if so, the period of time for which the aforesaid buildings or lands have been rented out or leased; and
 - (iii) the annual income earned by the Ministry through that ?
- (b) If not, why ?

2377/'12

7.

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether the industries or institutions that have signed agreements with the Board of Investment can be taken over by the government without giving proper notice to the relevant investors as per the Sri Lanka Board of Investment Act which is in force at present;
 - (ii) if so, the conditions included in the agreement that has been signed with the Board of Investment which enable the government to take over such industries or institutions; and
 - (iii) the courses of action that will be followed by the Board of Investment in relation to the institutions, if there are any, that have been taken over by the government despite the fact that those institutions have entered into agreements with the Board of Investment ?
- (b) If not, why?

2611/'12

8.

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

- (a) Is he aware that —
- (i) a request has been made by the parents of the students of Kalu/ Galewatta Tamil School coming under the Mathugama Education Zone, that a fence be erected after demarcating the land which belongs to the aforesaid school; and
 - (ii) the people of the area have made a request that a school be built for the benefit of the children who live in “Dokkeed” estate in Agalawatta ?

- (b) Will he inform this House, whether the steps will be taken—
- (i) to grant the requests mentioned in a (i) and a (ii) above;
 - (ii) to construct toilets for the use of the teachers and the students of Kalu/Galewatta Tamil School; and
 - (iii) to construct a playground for the aforesaid school ?
- (c) If not, why?

1708/11

9.

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

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) the names of all registered political parties in Sri Lanka as of today;
 - (ii) the names of the office bearers of the above political parties; and
 - (iii) whether the accounts of registered political parties have been handed over on per year basis?
- (b) Will he also state—
- (i) the names of the political parties of which the registrations have been cancelled for non-fulfilment of the conditions stipulated at the registration; and
 - (ii) the amount of money received by the each political party from the Election Commission or Election Commissioner's Office for last three years to date on per year basis separately ?
- (c) If not, why?

1828/11

10.

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

- (a) Will he admit that—
- (i) a large number of vacancies exist at the Department of Post at present ;
 - (ii) applications for the competitive examination to recruit Postal Officers to the aforesaid Department were called in the year 2006 ;
 - (iii) the aforesaid examination was held in the year 2007 and the results were issued in the year 2008 ; and
 - (iv) no recruitments have been made on the above mentioned results up to now?

(6)

- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the reasons for not making the relevant recruitments on the examination results issued in 2008 ;
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to fill the above vacancies ; and
 - (iii) if so, the date on which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

2118/11

11.

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

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) whether a contract was awarded to David N Town Send & Associates for developing a compact network of the Sri Lanka Telecommunication Regulatory Commission during the period from 06.12.2000 to 19.04.2001;
 - (ii) whether tenders had been called for developing that compact plan;
 - (iii) if so, the names and addresses of the parties that submitted tenders along with the bid submitted by each tenderer separately; and
 - (iv) the amount of the bid to which the contract was awarded ?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the qualifications possessed by the institution to which the aforesaid contract was awarded ;
 - (ii) whether the approval of the Board of Directors had been granted to award the contract;
 - (iii) whether the relevant institution submitted an acceptable compact plan;
 - (iv) if not, whether action will be taken to recover the amount spent for that, from the contractor; and
 - (v) the courses of action that have been taken in that regard by now ?
- (c) If not, why ?

2289/12

12.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the total number of applications received for the re-scrutiny of 2011 Advanced Level results;
 - (ii) of the total number of students who sat for the 2011 Advanced Level Examination (under the old and new syllabuses);
 - (iii) whether the errors that occurred in indicating district quota and Z-score for enrolling students to universities have been corrected;
 - (iv) of the reasons for the delay in releasing the results of certain subjects of the aforesaid examination; and
 - (v) as to how the Z-score and district quota were declared before releasing the results of certain subjects?
- (b) Will he admit that students and the public have lost confidence in Advanced Level results by now ?
- (c) If not, why ?

2308/12

13.

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the number of railway season tickets and bus season tickets which have been issued to school children in each of the years during the period from 2002 to 2012; and
 - (ii) the expenditure incurred in each of the above mentioned years for the aforesaid purpose ?
- (b) If not, why ?

2378/12

14.

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of External Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of foreign tours undertaken by the government in the year 2011 with the objective of strengthening friendly diplomatic relationships for the development of Sri Lanka and soliciting international support required to minimize foreign influence tarnishing the image of Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the names of those who participated in the aforesaid foreign tours;
 - (iii) the amount of money spent on them; and
 - (iv) the benefits accrued to the country as a result of the aforesaid foreign tours ?
- (b) If not, why ?

15.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the 10 biggest cost increases during the last 5 years in the Sri Lanka Ports Authority on per port and per year basis;
 - (ii) the amalgamated consolidated impact of putting all the parts together for determination of (i) above;
 - (iii) whether there was a revenue increase in proportionate to the cost increase; and
 - (iv) if not, as to how the short fall has been met?
- (b) Will he state the revenue, cost, profit and value addition per employee of the Sri Lanka Ports Authority for the last 6 years on per year basis?
- (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 7.00 p.m.. At 2.00 p.m. Standing Order 7(5) shall operate.

2.

Hon. Nieranjan Wickremasinghe,— Leave to introduce Bill,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Sri Lanka Institute of Drafting Technologists.”

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

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.)

*2.

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.)

*3.

Local Authorities (Special Provisions) Bill — Committee.

*4.

Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Bill — Committee.

*5.

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.)

*6.

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.)

*7.

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.”

*8.

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.

9.

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

10.

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

11.

Institute of Martial Arts (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

12.

Casimi Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

* *Indicates Government Business*
