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Wednesday, October 10, 2012 at 1.00 p.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1387/'11

1.

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

- (a) Will he state for the years 2010 and 2011 separately —
 - (i) the total cost for renting or leasing of buildings which are not owned by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Skills Development;
 - (ii) the rate per square feet of the rented or leased buildings; and
 - (iii) the leasing period of the buildings?
- (b) Will he also state in relation to the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Skills Development for the aforesaid years separately-
 - (i) the total money spent on hiring or leasing of vehicles which do not belong to any of the Ministry related entities;
 - (ii) the total number of vehicles owned;
 - (iii) the other outsourced services;
 - (iv) the cost incurred in the outsourced services mentioned;
 - (v) the number of people who have been contracted on outsourced basis; and
 - (vi) the total staff strength?
- (c) If not, why?

1644/'11

2.

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

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) the Ananda Kanishta Vidyalaya in Nagoda in Kalutara District has been closed down for nearly six years;
- (ii) at present, all the buildings of the school have gone wild and are decaying; and
- (iii) the people of the area request that this school be reopened to ease the congestion prevalent at the popular schools in the town?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) if this school will be reopened, the time taken for that;
- (ii) if not, whether there is a plan to utilize the resources of the school for some other useful economic activity;
- (iii) if so, what that economic activity is; and
- (iv) the time that will be taken to initiate such economic activity ?

(c) If not, why?

2009/'11

3.

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the extent of the site on which the Ranmihitenna Cinema Village has been built in Hambantota District in acres ;
- (ii) of the date on which it was opened ; and
- (iii) separately, of the income received by this institution at each of the occasions in which the above-mentioned Cinema Village was used to shoot films or teledramas from the date on which it was opened up to now?

(3)

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the names of the teledramas and films shot at the Ranmihitenna Cinema Village ; and
- (ii) the names of the Director, the Producer or the Production Company of each of those creations?

(c) If not, why?

2351/'12

4.

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam,— To ask the Minister of Child Development and Women's Affairs,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) there is a large number of pre-schools at present which have not been registered with any authority; and
- (ii) there are teachers who have been teaching in pre-schools for quite a long time without even the basic qualifications required?

(b) Will he state the measures that will be taken to regularise those teachers and pre-schools?

(c) Will he inform this House as to how long it will take for the government to make arrangements for a permanent salary to be paid to the pre-school teachers?

(d) If not, why?

2721/'12

5.

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether a project named “Nadunkerny Water Supply Project” is being implemented in Vavuniya District; and
- (ii) if so, the objectives of implementing the aforesaid project?

(b) Will he state the total amount of money expected to be spent on the aforesaid project ?

(c) If not, why?

2780/12

6.

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Mass Media and Information,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of licences issued;
 - (ii) the names and addresses of the individuals to whom licences have been issued; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money charged from the above mentioned licence holders for each of the licences issued;
- to run the television channels in Sri Lanka at present?
- (b) If not, why?

2143/11

7.

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the names of the private sector people who gave the funds to the government to finance the Commonwealth Games in Hambantota ; and
 - (ii) the number and the names of the persons brought here to solicit their support to hold the aforesaid Games in Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of persons went overseas to solicit their support to Sri Lanka ;
 - (ii) the names of them ; and
 - (iii) the total cost incurred?
- (c) Will he also state—
 - (i) the number of persons went to St. Kitts in November 2011 ;
 - (ii) the names of the persons went ;
 - (iii) the total cost for the return trip ;
 - (iv) the cost of the charter flight mentioned ; and
 - (v) as to how Sri Lanka lost the hosting of Commonwealth Games after being so confident of winning?
- (d) If not, why?

1837/'11

8.

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) lands have been distributed along with the land permits among the residents of the reawakened village named Bhagyagama located in the Horagoda East Grama Niladhari Division in the Malimbada Divisional Secretariat area of Matara District after having those lands surveyed and demarcation stones laid;
 - (ii) subsequently, the Lands Reform Commission has stated that the ownership of the aforesaid lands lies with it; and
 - (iii) accordingly, the Lands Reform Commission has asked for money from the residents to re-survey the lands and issue the permits?
- (b) Will he state the reasons for asking for money for re-surveying the above lands and grant the permits?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the date, if those lands are to be re-surveyed ;
 - (ii) whether action will be taken in future to issue freehold deeds to those lands;
 - (iii) whether there is a move to charge money from the residents for those lands?
- (d) If not, why?

2127/'11

9.

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the length of the Colombo-Kandy main road which was widened by the Road Development Authority ;
 - (ii) the years in which the widening activities of this road were started and completed ;
 - (iii) the cost estimated for that ;
 - (iv) whether monies in excess of the estimate have been spent ; and
 - (v) if so, the reasons for it?

(6)

- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether sub contracts have been awarded for widening the above mentioned road ;
 - (ii) if so, whether the proper tender procedure was followed in awarding those sub contracts ;
 - (iii) if tenders were called, the names and addresses of those who responded; and
 - (iv) of the name and address of the person or institution that was awarded the tender and the amount of the tender?
- (c) If not, why?

2354/12

10.

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam,— To ask the Minister of Child Development and Women's Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he admit that various problematic situations exist with regard to pre-schools that are operating in Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he state the number of pre-schools against which, complaints or allegations have been made regarding the acts of violating, protection or development of children from the year 2005 to 2010?
- (c) Will he also state whether attention has been drawn by now to prepare a national policy on pre-schools of Sri Lanka?
- (d) If not, why?

2784/12

11.

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that by the letter dated 03.01.2011 bearing No. MPA/AD9/PPC/2007/25, sent by the Secretary of the Ministry of Ports and Highways to the Chairman of the Sri Lanka Ports Authority, the attention has been drawn to non-implementation of the recommendations made by the Human Rights Commission regarding the two individuals named S.B. Wimalaweera and Pathirage Nihal Perera ?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the reasons as to why the Chairman of the Sri Lanka Ports Authority not respecting the recommendations made by the Sri Lanka Human Rights Commission in respect of the two above named employees ?
- (c) If not, why ?

12.

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

- (a) Is he aware that the people of the Udumbugala area have made a request that the road No. 63 which comes under the Medawachchiya Pradeshiya Sabha, be renovated ?
- (b) Will he state whether action will be taken to renovate the above mentioned road and construct a bridge across the Kanadara Oya ?
- (c) If not, why?

2144/11

13.

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) a large scale corruption is continuously taking place at the National School in Madirigiriya ;
 - (ii) some of the misappropriation of funds in the aforesaid school have been exposed by the Presidential Investigation Unit ;
 - (iii) some of these malpractices were reported in the newspapers ;
 - (iv) the principal of this school is solely concentrating on making money fraudulently neglecting the improving of school ;
 - (v) the said principal is harassing the honest teachers who are opposing the malpractices done by him ; and
 - (vi) such principals are a menace to Sri Lanka as they destroy the youth of this country?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the action that has been taken to rectify these matters?
- (c) If not, why?

1838/11

14.

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

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) statements have been recorded by the Criminal Investigation Department on 09.01.2009 and 08.02.2011 from Mr. D.B. Elkaduwa, a Senior Journalist, residing at No.11, Devala Road, Ambepussa, Warakapola, regarding allegations of conspiring against the State;
- (ii) Mr. Elkaduwa has been subjected to intense economic and mental pressure due to continuous harassments; and
- (iii) he has made a request from the responsible officials that he be allowed to engage in free media practice?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether necessary steps will be taken to protect the Fundamental Rights of Mr. Elkaduwa;
- (ii) whether measures will be taken to conduct a proper investigation regarding the inconveniences he had to face; and
- (iii) if so, the date on which such investigation will be conducted?

(c) If not, why?

2128/11

15.

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) separately, the roads belonging to the Road Development Authority, Provincial Council and Pradeshiya Sabha which restored with government provisions or foreign aid, in Paduwasnuwara electorate from 2006 up to now;
- (ii) the estimated amount for each of those roads; and
- (iii) the length, width and the restored condition (tarred, concreted, built with concrete blocks) of each of those roads?

(9)

- (b) Will he submit to this house—
- (i) whether tender procedure was followed with relevance to the aforesaid road restoration;
 - (ii) if not, the reasons for that;
 - (iii) if tenders were called, the names and addresses of those who offered tenders for each of those roads; and
 - (iv) the names and addresses of those who were awarded the tenders?
- (c) Will he inform this house—
- (i) of the total amount spent on each of those roads at the completion of restoration;
 - (ii) whether technical reports have been provided by the institutions that were awarded the contracts, after the completion of restoration of those roads; and
 - (iii) if so, whether those reports will be tabled?
- (d) 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 4.00 p.m. Standing Order 7(5) shall operate.

2.

Hon. Thenuka Vidanagamage,— Leave to introduce Bill,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Piyasena Gamage Foundation.”

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

Local Authorities (Special Provisions) Bill — Committee.

*2.

Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Bill — Committee.

*3.

The Minister of Civil Aviation,— Regulations under the Civil Aviation Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Civil Aviation under Section 117 of the Civil Aviation Act, No. 14 of 2010 read with Section 39(b) of the Civil Aviation Authority of Sri Lanka Act, No. 34 of 2002 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1742/19 of January 25th, 2012, which were presented on 20.09.2012, 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 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.

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.)

*7.

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.)

*8.

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.”

*9.

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.

10.

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

11.

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

12.

Institute of Martial Arts (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

13.

Casimi Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

14.

Roshan Ranasinghe Janasahana Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

15.

Ceylonese Brothers of St. Joseph (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

16.

Ranjith Aluvihare Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

* *Indicates Government Business*

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS

2722/12

1.

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a project named “Wedithalathuv Water Supply Project” is being implemented in Mannar District; and
 - (ii) if so, the objectives of implementing the aforesaid project?
- (b) Will he state the total amount of money expected to be spent on the aforesaid project ?
- (c) If not, why?

2723/12

2.

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a new water supply project is being implemented in Manthai Terrace area of Mannar District; and
 - (ii) if so, the objectives of implementing the aforesaid project?
- (b) Will he state the total amount of money expected to be spent on the aforesaid project?
- (c) If not, why?

2724/12

3.

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a project named “Adarijan Water Supply Project” is being implemented in Mannar District; and
 - (ii) if so, the objectives of implementing the aforesaid project?
- (b) Will he state the total amount of money expected to be spent on the aforesaid project ?
- (c) If not, why?

2725/12

4. Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a project named “Valvettithurai Water Supply Project” is being implemented in Jaffna District; and
 - (ii) if so, the objectives of implementing the aforesaid project?
- (b) Will he state the total amount of money expected to be spent on the aforesaid project ?
- (c) If not, why?

2726/12

5. Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a project named “ Murukkankerny Water Supply Project” is being implemented in Jaffna District; and
 - (ii) if so, the objectives of implementing the aforesaid project?
- (b) Will he state the total amount of money expected to be spent on the aforesaid project ?
- (c) If not, why?

2727/12

6. Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a project named “Padiyankulam Water Supply Project” is being implemented in Manthai North area of Mullaitivu District;and
 - (ii) if so, the objectives of implementing the aforesaid project?
- (b) Will he state the total amount of money expected to be spent on the aforesaid project?
- (c) If not, why?

2728/'12

7.

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a project named “Oddusudan Water Supply Project” is being implemented in Oddusudan area of Mullaitivu District; and
 - (ii) if so, the objectives of implementing the aforesaid project?
- (b) Will he state the total amount of money expected to be spent on the aforesaid project?
- (c) If not, why?

2729/'12

8.

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a project named “Ruhunupura Water Supply Project” is being implemented; and
 - (ii) if so, the objectives of implementing the aforesaid project?
- (b) Will he state the total amount of money expected to be spent on the aforesaid project?
- (c) If not, why?

2730/'12

9.

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a project named “Mallawi Water Supply Project” is being implemented in Mullaitivu District; and
 - (ii) if so, the objectives of implementing the aforesaid project?
 - (b) Will he state the total amount of money expected to be spent on the aforesaid project ?
 - (c) If not, why?
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