



[*Seventh Parliament -First Session*]

No. 268.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Wednesday, April 10, 2013 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1958/11

1.

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

- (a) Is he aware that due to the current shortage of physical resources at Chilaw General Hospital situated in Puttlam District, the people of the area face severe difficulties in obtaining health services?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to address the shortcomings that exist at Chilaw General Hospital speedily and improve health facilities provided to the people of that area;
 - (ii) whether plans have been made for that purpose by now; and
 - (iii) if so, whether the necessary provisions have been allocated?
- (c) If not, why?

2201/11

2.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities,—(3)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of houses built in Kalutara District by the Ministry in the year 2011;
 - (ii) the number of houses expected to be constructed in the years 2012, 2013 and 2014; and
 - (iii) the amount of money allocated for the aforesaid constructions of houses?

(2)

(b) Will he also state—

- (i) whether the newly built houses are given free;
- (ii) if not, the price at which those houses are sold or rented; and
- (iii) the basis on which those houses are allocated?

(c) If not, why?

2282/12

3.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(2)

(a) Will he state separately, in relation to each year during the period from the year 2009 to 2011—

- (i) the total amount of money spent on conducting the Perahera of the Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic in Kandy;
- (ii) the amount of money spent on Kandy Perahera out of the funds of the Temple of the Sacred Tooth Relic;
- (iii) the amount of money received as donations from the government institutions for the aforesaid purpose;
- (iv) the names of the government institutions which donated money and the amount of money donated by each of those institutions;
- (v) the amount of money received from the institutions of the private sector; and
- (vi) the names of the private sector institutions that donated money and the amount of money donated by each of those institutions ?

(b) If not, why?

2328/12

4.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(3)

(a) Is he aware that Police Security Assistants who perform the same type of duties performed by the Police Officers have been confirmed in the service of Sri Lanka Police Department and made entitled to pensions ?

(b) Will he state whether —

- (i) the confirmation of the service of the Police Security Assistants was done in conformity to the recruitment procedure of the Police Department ;
- (ii) they will be provided with a proper uniform and the permission for reporting duties in the note book during duty hours be granted to them;

(3)

(iii) salary increments, zonal allowances, transport allowances, difficult area service allowance and bata which the Police officers are entitled to have been paid to them from the date of confirmation of service; and

(iv) steps will be taken to grant them those privileges, if they have not been paid ?

(c) If not, why?

2969/12

5.

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

(a) Is he aware that—

(i) over 200 schools of this country were closed down during the past 7 months ;

(ii) there are another 1590 schools facing imminent closure ; and

(iii) although the government had stated that schools with modern facilities categorization scheme, not a single such school can be seen?

(b) Will he state—

(i) the schools that were categorized by the government ;

(ii) the number of schools that have been renovated under the aforementioned categorization ; and

(iii) the amount of money allocated for each school under the above categorization?

(c) Will he also state whether action will be taken to prevent the closure of government schools, which ensure the maximum enjoyment of equal rights of free education for children and to modernize them and make them available to posterity?

(d) If not, why ?

1961/11

6.

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

(a) Is he aware that—

(i) the people in the Agunakolapelessa area are greatly inconvenienced owing to the severe dearth of physical and human resources in the Agunakolapelessa district hospital; and

(ii) a number of buildings of this hospital has been abandoned due to lack of repair?

(4)

- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether it has been planned to provide the Agunakolapellesa district hospital with the required facilities soon;
 - (ii) whether required provisions have been allocated for that purpose; and
 - (iii) if so, the date on which the reconstruction activities of the hospital will be started?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) whether the shortage of employees prevailing at this hospital has been identified;
 - (ii) accordingly, the number of vacancies that exist in each division separately;
 - (iii) the date on which arrangements will be made to fill those vacancies?
- (d) If not, why?

2330/12

7.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(3)

- (a) Is he aware that —
- (i) the Civil Security Department has been established as per Cabinet decision No.16/1395/206/052 dated 02.08.2006, to assist the Sri Lanka Police Service;
 - (ii) Civil Security Officers have acted with total commitment when a war situation prevailed, at ceremonies of national importance and in various disaster situations; and
 - (iii) it has been stated that the officers who had completed 180 days of uninterrupted service by 31.10.2009 would be confirmed speedily as per the Circular issued by the Civil Security Department on 15.12.2009 ?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) the number employed in the Civil Security Service at present;
 - (ii) the daily wages paid to each category of officers currently serving in various fields of that service;

(5)

(iii) whether measures will be taken to confirm the employees of the aforesaid Department who are serving for daily wages, place them on a permanent salary scale and grant them all the privileges that public officers are entitled to; and

(iv) the time frame required for that?

(c) If not, why?

2384/12

8.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(2)

(a) Will he state—

(i) whether an Investigation Officer has been appointed for investigating the frauds and malpractices that have taken place in the State Pharmaceuticals Corporation;

(ii) if so, the date on which he was appointed;

(iii) the person in authority who made the aforesaid appointment ;

(iv) the salary and allowances paid to the aforesaid officer monthly and the other facilities which that officer is entitled to;

(v) the frauds and malpractices investigated by the aforesaid officer from the date of appointment up to now;

(vi) the action taken in relation to those frauds and malpractices; and

(vii) the date on which his period of service will end?

(b) If not, why?

2468/12

9.

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

(a) Will he state—

(i) as to when providing of uniform materials to school children was started; and

(ii) by whom that programme was started?

(b) Will he also state, in the year 2011 and 2012—

(i) the number of students benefited by the programme;

(ii) the amount of funds allocated to this program; and

(iii) the actual amount spent on this programme?

(6)

- (c) Will he inform this House whether materials given for school uniforms are locally produced or imported?
- (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 this Parliament at its rising this day do adjourn until 1.00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 23rd, 2013.

2.

Hon. John Amaratunga,— Privilege (No.1),— That the question of privilege arising out of the matter raised by the Hon. Palitha Range Bandara, M.P. on 19th February, 2013 in Parliament to the effect that his privileges have been infringed, be referred to the Committee on Privileges under Standing Order No. 127.

3.

Hon. John Amaratunga,— Privilege (No.2),— That the question of privilege arising out of the matter raised by the Hon. (Dr.) Harsha De Silva, M.P. on 7th February, 2013 in Parliament to the effect that his privileges have been infringed, be referred to the Committee on Privileges under Standing Order No. 127.

4.

Hon M.B. Farook,— Leave to introduce Bill,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Deltota Mahfalul Ulama Arabic College.”

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

Inland Revenue (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*2.

Notaries (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*3.

Registration of Documents (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*4.

Powers of Attorney (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*5.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act,— That the Regulations made by the President under Section 20 read with Sub-section (3) of Section 4 and Section 14 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 and Article 44 (2) of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1799/15 of 01st March 2013, which were presented on 22.03.2013, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*6.

Sri Lanka Electricity (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*7.

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

*8.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Excise (Special Provisions) Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning, under Section 3C of the Excise (Special Provisions) Act, No. 13 of 1989, as last amended by Act, No. 17 of 2011 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1793/5 of 15th January 2013, which was presented on 07.03.2013, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*9.

The Minister of Industry and Commerce,— Order under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act (No.1),— That the Order made by the Minister of Industry and Commerce with the concurrence of the Minister of Finance and Planning, under Section 14(1) of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1794/9 of 22nd January 2013, which was presented on 07.03.2013, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*10.

The Minister of Industry and Commerce,— Order under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act (No.2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Industry and Commerce with the concurrence of the Minister of Finance and Planning, under Section 14(1) of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1794/10 of 22nd January 2013, which was presented on 07.03.2013, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*11.

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.)

*12.

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.)

*13.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Determination under the Constitution,— That this Parliament determines that the salary of Mr. H.A.S. Samaraweera, the incumbent Auditor-General appointed with effect from 15.08.2011 shall be as follows in terms of Article 153(2) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

That this Parliament further determines that Mr. H.A.S. Samaraweera, Auditor-General shall be placed on the salary point of Rs. 48,940/- which is the 2nd step in the salary scale of SL-4-2006, with effect from 15.08.2011 when he was appointed to the said post and that he be paid the other allowances relevant to the post and such annual salary increments as specified in the salary scale.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*14.

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 24th August 2009, which were presented on 06.05.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*15.

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 Sub-section (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 30th May 2011, which was presented on 23.08.2011, be approved.”

*16.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— 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 06th December 2011, which was presented on 13.12.2011, be approved.

17.

Hanguranketha Madanwela Rajamaha Vihara Development Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

18.

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

19.

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

20.

Institute of Martial Arts (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

21.

Bodhirajarama Educational and Cultural Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

22.

Al-Jamiathul Ghawsiyyah (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

* *Indicates Government Business*
