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No. 6(1).]

ADDENDUM TO THE ORDER BOOK No. 6

OF

PARLIAMENT

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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Registration of Electors (Special Provisions) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Social Empowerment and Welfare,— Regulations under the Divineguma Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Social Empowerment and Welfare under Section 42 of the Divineguma Act, No. 1 of 2013, amended by the Act No. 2 of 2017 and under section 42 to be read with Sections 25(2) and 29(2) of said Act and Published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2009/8 of 07th March 2017 which were presented on 03.05.2017, be approved.

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The Minister of Finance,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 1),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 16 of 2015 and specified in the Order No. 32 hereto, be approved:—

Appropriation Act, No. 16 of 2015

Order No. 32 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.16 of 2015, I, Ravi Karunanayake, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 21302 “Printing, Publicity and Sales of Publications, Advance Account – Department of Educational Publications” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

<u>Item</u>		<u>Revision</u>
(i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From Rs.	4,000,000,000
	To Rs.	5,615,000,000

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| (ii) | Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act. | Not Revised |
| (iii) | Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act. | Not Revised |
| (iv) | Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act. | Not Revised |

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2016 only)

Ravi Karunanayake, M.P.,
Minister of Finance.

07.04.2017
Colombo

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Minister of Finance,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 2),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 16 of 2015 and specified in the Order No. 33 hereto, be approved:—

Appropriation Act, No. 16 of 2015

Order No. 33 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.16 of 2015, I, Ravi Karunanayake, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 22302 “Stores Advance Account (Explosive items) – Sri Lanka Navy” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

	<u>Item</u>			<u>Revision</u>
(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	400,000,000
		To	Rs.	480,000,000
(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	420,000,000
		To	Rs.	450,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	360,000,000
		To	Rs.	390,000,000

(3)

- (iv) Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act. Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2016 only)

Ravi Karunanayake, M.P.,
Minister of Finance.

07.04.2017
Colombo

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Minister of Finance,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 3),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 16 of 2015 and specified in the Order No. 34 hereto, be approved:—

Appropriation Act, No. 16 of 2015
Order No. 34 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.16 of 2015, I, Ravi Karunanayake, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 28502 “Maintenance of Agricultural Farms and Seed Sale Advance Account – Department of Agriculture” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Revision</u>
(i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	Not Revised
(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From Rs. 525,000,000 To Rs. 480,000,000
(iii) Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.	Not Revised
(iv) Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act.	Not Revised

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Ravi Karunanayake, M.P.,
Minister of Finance.

07.04.2017
Colombo

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Minister of Finance,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 4),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 16 of 2015 and specified in the Order No. 35 hereto, be approved:—

**Appropriation Act, No. 16 of 2015
Order No. 35 under Section 8**

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.16 of 2015, I, Ravi Karunanayake, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 30602 “Railway Stores Advance Account – Department of Sri Lanka Railways” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Revision</u>
(i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	Not Revised
(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From Rs. 1,800,000,000 To Rs. 1,200,000,000
(iii) Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.	Not Revised
(iv) Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act.	Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2016 only)

Ravi Karunanayake, M.P.,
Minister of Finance.

07.04.2017
Colombo

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Minister of Finance,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 5),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 16 of 2015 and specified in the Order No. 36 hereto, be approved:—

(5)

Appropriation Act, No. 16 of 2015
Order No. 36 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.16 of 2015, I, Ravi Karunanayake, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 31002 “Government Factory Stores Advance Account – Government Factory” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

<u>Item</u>			<u>Revision</u>
(i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	150,000,000
	To	Rs.	80,000,000
(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	150,000,000
	To	Rs.	80,000,000
(iii) Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	40,000,000
	To	Rs.	65,000,000
(iv) Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act.			Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2016 only)

Ravi Karunanayake, M.P.,
Minister of Finance.

07.04.2017
Colombo

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Minister of Finance,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 6),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 16 of 2015 and specified in the Order No. 37 hereto, be approved:—

Appropriation Act, No. 16 of 2015
Order No. 37 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.16 of 2015, I, Ravi Karunanayake, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 31003 “Government Factory Work Done Advance Account – Government Factory” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

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<u>Item</u>			<u>Revision</u>
(i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	300,000,000
	To	Rs.	315,000,000
(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.			Not Revised
(iii) Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.			Not Revised
(iv) Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act.			Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2016 only)

Ravi Karunanayake, M.P.,
Minister of Finance.

07.04.2017
Colombo

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Minister of Finance,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 7),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 16 of 2015 and specified in the schedule hereto, be approved:—

(These orders are valid only up to 31.12.2016)

SCHEDULE

Appropriation Act No. 16 of 2015 Order under Section 8

Schedule of variation of limits of Advance Accounts pertaining to Advances to public officers authorized by the Minister of Finance under Section 8 of the Appropriation Act No. 16 of 2015 in respect of Financial year 2016.

Group Order No.01

By virtue of powers vested in me under section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 16 of 2015, I, Ravi Karunanayake, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government do by this order alter/vary the maximum limits specified in column II and IV of the Third schedule to that Act, and the minimum limits specified in column III of that schedule being the limits corresponding to item Nos. 00101, 00201, 00401, 10201, 10301, 11101, 11701, 11901, 12301, 12401, 13001, 16201, 19701, 19801, 21201, 22201, 22401, 22501, 22601, 23201, 24001, 24101, 24801, 28301, 28401, 29601, 30001, 30601, 32001, 33101 and 33201 relating to Advances to Public Officers in the manner set out in the schedule hereto.

<i>Srl No.</i>	<i>Ministry/Department</i>	<i>Item No.</i>	<i>II Maximum Limits of Expenditure of Activities of the Government Rs.</i>		<i>III Minimum Limits of Receipts to be Credited to the Accounts of Activities of the Government Rs.</i>		<i>IV Maximum Limits of Debit Balance of Activities of the Government Rs.</i>		<i>Order No.</i>
			<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>	
1	His Excellency the president	00101	25,000,000	30,000,000	-	-	-	-	1
2	Office of the Prime Minister	00201	10,000,000	14,000,000	6,000,000	7,000,000	36,000,000	38,000,000	2
3	Judges of the Superior Courts	00401	-	-	1,000,000	500,000	-	-	3
4	Ministry of Finance	10201	16,000,000	19,000,000	9,500,000	10,500,000	-	-	4
5	Ministry of Defence	10301	50,000,000	60,000,000	35,000,000	40,000,000	-	-	5

6	Ministry of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine	11101	-	-	1,100,000,000	1,065,000,000	-	-	6
7	Ministry of Higher Education and Highways	11701	-	-	10,000,000	8,000,000	-	-	7
8	Ministry of Power and Renewable Energy	11901	5,000,000	8,000,000	1,800,000	2,400,000	-	-	8
9	Ministry of Housing and Construction	12301	-	-	7,000,000	4,000,000	-	-	9
10	Ministry of Social Empowerment and Welfare	12401	-	-	-	-	33,000,000	48,000,000	10
11	Ministry of Public Administration and Management	13001	-	-	32,000,000	24,000,000	-	-	11
12	Ministry of Megapolis and Western Development	16201	-	-	4,000,000	3,500,000	-	-	12
13	Ministry of Skills Development and Vocational Training	19701	-	-	12,000,000	9,000,000	-	-	13
14	Ministry of Irrigation and Water Resources Management	19801	4,000,000	8,500,000	1,000,000	6,000,000	20,000,000	31,000,000	14
15	Department of Examinations	21201	23,000,000	23,010,000	-	-	-	-	15
16	Sri Lanka Army	22201	2,500,000,000	2,750,000,000	2,450,000,000	2,700,000,000	-	-	16
17	Sri Lanka Air Force	22401	-	-	475,000,000	460,000,000	-	-	17
18	Department of Police	22501	1,900,000,000	1,200,000,000	1,450,000,000	1,350,000,000	4,000,000,000	2,000,000,000	18
19	Department of Immigration and Emigration	22601	33,000,000	36,000,000	32,000,000	29,000,000	-	-	19
20	Department of Prisons	23201	-	-	130,000,000	125,000,000	-	-	20

21	Department of National Budget	24001	5,000,000	7,000,000	4,000,000	5,000,000	-	-	21
22	Department of Public Enterprises	24101	4,000,000	4,350,000	2,000,000	2,300,000	-	-	22
23	Department of Excise	24801	32,000,000	38,000,000	25,000,000	30,000,000	170,000,000	171,000,000	23
24	Department of Forest	28301	50,000,000	69,000,000	-	-	251,000,000	281,000,000	24
25	Department of Wildlife Conservation	28401	46,000,000	50,000,000	34,000,000	38,000,000	140,000,000	147,000,000	25
26	Department of Import and Export Control	29601	5,000,000	5,126,196	-	-	-	-	26
27	Department of Food Commissioner	30001	-	-	3,500,000	3,400,000	-	-	27
28	Department of Sri Lanka Railways	30601	-	-	350,000,000	300,000,000	-	-	28
29	Department of Civil Security	32001	920,000,000	400,000,000	530,000,000	285,000,000	-	-	29
30	Department of Divineguma Development	33101	600,000,000	300,000,000	300,000,000	225,000,000	-	-	30
31	Department of National Community Water Supply	33201	-	-	-	-	3,000,000	4,000,000	31
Total			6,228,000,000	5,021,986,196	7,004,800,000	6,732,600,000	4,653,000,000	2,720,000,000	

(9)

Ravi Karunanayake, M.P.,
Minister of Finance

07.04. 2017

(Cabinet approval signified)

* *Indicates Government Business.*

Wednesday, June 21, 2017
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

697/16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,—To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce Affairs,—(4)

- (a) Is he aware that,—
 - (i) the people who have made their living on lacquer related products are getting distanced from that industry at present;
 - (ii) there are problems in regard to raw materials and the market; and
 - (iii) this industry could bring a lot of foreign exchange to the country?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) whether lacquer products are exported;
 - (ii) if so, the export income received in the year 2015; and
 - (iii) if not exported, whether action will be taken to export; and
 - (iv) if so, the date on which it will be commenced?
- (c) Will he also inform this House,—
 - (i) whether the government has taken steps to broaden the market for lacquer industry in the country; and
 - (ii) if so, the aforesaid steps?
- (d) If not, why?

808/16

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Sustainable Development and Wildlife,—(1)

- (a) Will he accept that —
 - (i) the Irudeniya colony in Polpithigama, where over one thousand families live at present, commenced settlement in the 1970s under the government's cultivation drive; and
 - (ii) the settlers have been faced with many difficulties as they do not have legal title to the lands they possess?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) in which year the title of lands was vested in the Wild Life Conservation Department in respect of this settlement, in which all the infrastructure including permanent houses, roads, schools, cooperative shops, community centres, electricity and societies are present and all the government's administrative activities are carried out;
 - (ii) why steps are not taken to release these lands in a backdrop where even clashes occur between officers of the Wild Life Conservation Department and the settlers due to the difficulties referred to above;

(11)

- (iii) what resolution / decision was given to this problem, which was presented before the Consultative Committee on Wild Life of the Sixth Parliament by former Member of Parliament Mr. Namal Karunaratna; and
- (iv) whether steps will be taken to release these lands according to such resolution/decision?

(c) If not, why?

1000/16

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(4)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of Army, Navy and Air force camps in the Northern province and their extents of land as at 19th May 2009 separately;
- (ii) the number of Army, Navy and Air force camps in the Northern province and their extents of land as at 08th January 2015 separately; and
- (iii) the number of Army, Navy and Air force camps in the Northern province and their extents of land as at 30th September 2016 separately?

(b) If not, why?

1124/16

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,—To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(3)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether route permits have been issued for private buses within the Uva Province after the present Good Governance government came to power;
- (ii) If so, for what routes such route permits have been issued;
- (iii) of the names of persons who have obtained route permits in that manner; and
- (iv) what criteria were followed for this purpose?

(b) If not, why?

1139/16

Hon S. M. Marikkar,—To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether the same policy applies when the students are admitted to grade 1 of the National Schools and schools governed by the Provincial Councils;
- (ii) if so, the course of action that was followed to fill the remaining vacancies (war heroes and public servants) that were left after the students were admitted to the schools coming under the Western Provincial Council through a preliminary interview in 2016;

(12)

- (iii) whether the Members of the Provincial Council have been given two opportunities when the remaining vacancies are filled;
 - (iv) if so, the reasons for it; and
 - (v) if the method mentioned in (iii) above is reasonable, whether the same method is followed with regard to the National Schools also?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether the popular schools in the Western Province have the authority to have one additional class room and to admit 45 students;
 - (ii) if so, the institution that takes such decisions;
 - (iii) the methodology adopted to admit students for that; and
 - (iv) whether a quota (quota for members) has been granted to each provincial councilor in the Western Province when the students are admitted to schools?
- (c) If not, why?

1164/16

Hon. Douglas Devananda,—To ask the Minister of Prison Reforms, Rehabilitation, Resettlement and Hindu Religious Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) the people in Katpahapuram village in Sampaimadu Grama Niladhari Division in Vavuniya Divisional Secretariat Division were displaced in 1990 due to the war;
 - (ii) out of those families who were displaced, 130 families were resettled in the year 2009, without any basic facilities; and
 - (iii) they have not received Government relief or Housing scheme yet?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether necessary action will be taken to provide these people with a housing scheme and other necessary assistance for the persons who have been resettled; and
 - (ii) if so, what those actions are?
- (c) If not, why?

1168/16

Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the amount of money that had been allocated by the previous government for the establishment of the industrial zone in Ulapane in Nawalapitiya Electorate;
 - (ii) of the number of factories that were started and run in the aforesaid industrial zone; and
 - (iii) of the number of factories that have been closed down by now?

(13)

- (b) Will he also inform this House whether a new programme has been prepared to upgrade the industrial zone mentioned in (a) (i) above?
- (c) If not, why?

1170/16

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,—To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the quantity of rice imported by the Lanka Sathosa during the period from September 2014 to February 2015;
 - (ii) whether tenders were called for this purpose;
 - (iii) what amount was quoted by each tenderer;
 - (iv) of the amounts paid to the Sri Lanka Customs and to the Sri Lanka Ports Authority for clearance of imported rice and as demurrage separately;
 - (v) of the import price and sale price of rice separately;
 - (vi) what loss was caused to the Lanka Sathosa accordingly;
 - (vii) what quantity of rice was sold out of this consignment;
 - (viii) what quantity of rice spoiled and the date on which the cabinet approval was granted to sell it as animal food;
 - (ix) of the quantity that was sold thus, the sale price per kilogram and the loss caused separately;
 - (x) what firm purchased the spoilt rice and what quantity was so purchased; and
 - (xi) of the amount spent by the Lanka Sathosa during the overall process from the import to the sale, proceeds from the sale and the loss incurred by the Lanka Sathosa?
- (b) If not, why?

1178/16

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,—To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of small, medium and large-scale businesses that were in existence within the Jaffna town by 1983;
 - (ii) how many of them were belonged to Tamil businessmen;
 - (iii) how many were belonged to persons of Sinhalese or some other race; and
 - (iv) whether he will table a full report in this regard?

(14)

- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether the businesses that had been run by Tamil and Sinhalese businessman in the year 1983 still continue;
 - (ii) if not, whether the persons who had been running those businesses or their heirs still live within the Jaffna District; and
 - (iii) if so, whether he will table a full report in this regard?
- (c) If not, why?

1278/16

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,—To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the total amount of money held by the Education Employees Co-operative Credit and Thrift Society as at 01.10.2015;
 - (ii) of the amount in fixed deposits with that Society by 11.06.2016;
 - (iii) of the number of persons who have applied for loans from the said Society by now;
 - (iv) of the number of members out of those loan applicants for whom loans have been approved but money has not been released up to now; and
 - (v) of the total amount of loans to be paid to those loan applicants;
 - (vi) of the reason for the delay in releasing money to those loan applicants;
 - (vii) whether he is aware of the fact that the said Society has been rendered to a state of not being able to release loans to its members properly; and
 - (viii) if so, of the measures that will be taken in due course to regulate the financial management of that Society?
- (b) If not, why?

1289/16

Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma,—To ask the Minister of Higher Education and Highways,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) the construction of highways which was an extremely significant measure towards enhancement of infrastructure in Sri Lanka was a prominent development strategy adopted by the previous government;
 - (ii) accordingly, the construction activities of the Matara – Beliatta highway have been commenced by now, and the lands required for the same have been acquired;

(15)

- (iii) the owners of lands have been subjected to injustice with regard to the assessment of compensation in the Thihagoda division of Matara district;
 - (iv) the decrease of the value of lands which are left out adjoining the highway has not been assessed, in comparison with the current value of lands;
 - (v) attention has not been paid towards the plight of the marginalized lands which are left over when only one part of a property is taken over; and
 - (vi) the anticipated livelihood loss, which was calculated pertaining to the acquisition of paddy lands has not been calculated with pertinence to dry land farming?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether he admits the necessity of an alternative system for the assessment of compensation specially considering the fact that the value of lands adjoining the highway does not increase although the value of lands adjoining roads generally increase with an expansion of a road; and
 - (ii) accordingly, whether steps will be taken to provide relief to those who lost property, and cultivations in Thihagoda, Kapuduwa area?
- (c) If not, why?

1321/16

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,—To ask the Minister of Ports and Shipping,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether the Sri Lanka puts Authority recruited 175 individuals on 09.01.2014 and 01.07.2014 for a 3 year period of employment and another 14 individuals on 14.11.2014 without any specific period of employment and 02 women and 03 men on 20.10.2016 as multi skilled trainees; and
 - (ii) whether they have been informed that they are entitled for 7 casual leave and 14 medical leave, annually?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether he accepts the fact that an oral examination was held on July 2015 on the instructions of the Minister and 30 people participated in that and they were called for interviews; and
 - (ii) whether the Minister had called 95 individuals for security division and 120 and 600 individuals for interviews later on and granted them with Work Assistant / Clerk appointments, in contravention to the director board decision dated 16.06.2016 although the same specifies that all vacancies should be filled with trainees?
- (c) If not, why?

1398/'16

Hon. Bandula Gunawardana,— To ask the Minister of Primary Industries,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether an expenditure report on the manner in which Rs.50 million allocated for the expansion of the Cinnamon Training Academies as per proposal number 168 of the 2016 budget proposals, was spent will be submitted;
 - (ii) if not, why;
 - (iii) of the number of Cinnamon Training Academies located in Sri Lanka;
 - (iv) of the places where the aforesaid schools are located; and
 - (v) of the number and the names of persons who received training at Cinnamon Training Academies in year 2016?
- (b) If not, why?

1586/'17

Hon. Sandith Samarasinghe,—To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the number of vehicles that have been used by the Chief Minister of the Sabaragamuwa Province from year 2015 to date;
 - (ii) of the make and registered number of each of those vehicles;
 - (iii) separately on per year basis the amounts of money that have been spent on maintaining each of those vehicles; and
 - (iv) if the Chief Minister has misused vehicles, of the nature of action that will be taken against him by the Ministry?
- (b) If not, why?

1146/'16

Hon. M.H.M. Salman,—To ask the Minister of Home Affairs,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the date on which the Oddamavadi West Divisional Secretariat Division of Koralepattu in the Batticaloa District was established;
 - (ii) whether he will table a copy of the Gazette Notification issued in this regard;
 - (iii) what total extent of land area is covered by that Divisional Secretariat Division;
 - (iv) how many Grama Niladhari Divisions are located in the Division concerned; and
 - (v) what the official codes and names of such Grama Niladhari Divisions are?

(17)

- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether an official delimitation mission has taken place in establishing that Divisional Secretariat Division; and
 - (ii) if so, what its details are?
 - (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether administration or other operations of any of the Grama Niladhari Divisions falling under the Divisional Secretariat Division concerned are currently handled by some other Divisional Secretariats; and
 - (ii) if so, whether he will submit the names and official codes of such Grama Niladhari Divisions?
 - (d) If not, why?
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Thursday, June 22, 2017

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

465/16

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(7)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the foreign tours that His Excellency the President engaged in, within the year 2015; and
 - (ii) of the names and the designations of the individuals who participated in each of the aforesaid foreign tours and, separately, of the expenditure borne by the government and semi government institutions on aforesaid individuals?
- (b) If not, why?

952/16

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) the postmen too have requested for motor bicycles under the scheme of providing motor bicycles to public servants at concessionary rates; and
 - (ii) that they have not yet issued with motor bicycles?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether arrangements will be made to provide motor bicycles to these persons on concessionary rates; and
 - (ii) If so, the date it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

1019/'16

Hon. Namal Rajapaksa,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(4)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of buildings and other constructions belonging to government institutions and statutory institutions which have been declared open by the President during the period from January 2015 to date; and
 - (ii) of the number of constructions which have been commenced after January 2015, out of the aforesaid constructions?
- (b) If not, why?

1084/'16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,—To ask the Minister of Law and Order and Southern Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of dogs in the official Police Kennels of the Sri Lanka Police;
 - (ii) of the amount of money spent annually for the upkeep of the afore mentioned dogs; and
 - (iii) of the purposes served by the afore mentioned dogs?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether action will be taken to obtain more dogs to the Department of Police from foreign countries; and
 - (ii) if so, of the amount expected to be spent on this purpose?
- (c) If not, why?

1099/'16

Hon. Ashoka Priyantha,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that many villages in the Puttalam District face the risk of coastal erosion;
 - (ii) if so, of the names of those villages;
 - (iii) whether any relief programmes has been implemented by the Ministry for the benefit of those villages and people residing in those villages; and
 - (iv) if so, of the details of such programmes?
- (b) If not, why?

1119/'16

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,—To ask the Minister of Social Empowerment and Welfare,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the number of recipients of various types of assistance from the government such as Samurdhi, elderly allowance etc. in each constituency of the Badulla District;
 - (ii) of the names and addresses of the persons referred to in (i) above; and
 - (iii) what programmes the good governance government expects to implement for the enhancement of living conditions of such people?
- (b) If not, why?

1133/'16

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,—To ask the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether an institution named South Asian Institute of Technology and Medicine has sought the approval of the Ministry to award degrees in nursing, health, science or medicine in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) if so, the date on which such approval was sought;
 - (iii) whether the Ministry has granted such approval;
 - (iv) if so, whether the letter granting such approval will be tabled; and
 - (v) whether it is legal to run a degree awarding institution in respect of the health sector without the permission of the Ministry?
- (b) If not, why?

1180/'16

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,—To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House, in respect of the Jaffna District—
- (i) of the extent of agricultural land that was under cultivation by the year 1983;
 - (ii) of the extents of agricultural land cultivated in the years 1982 and 1983, separately in respect of each crop in each year;
 - (iii) of the total extent of cultivated land in each year after 1983 up until the end of the war in 2009, separately;
 - (iv) of the total extent of cultivated land after the end of the war up until now in each year, separately; and
 - (v) whether he will table a full report on all above?
- (b) If not, why?

1293/'16

Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma,—To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the total extent of land in the Matara District in which paddy is cultivated;
 - (ii) separately on per Divisional Secretariat Division basis, of the extent of land mentioned in (i) above;
 - (iii) separately, of the manner in which irrigation for the extent of paddy land mentioned in (i) above has been arranged;
 - (iv) separately the paddy harvest recorded from Matara District from the year 2013 to 2015; and
 - (v) separately on per Divisional Secretariat Division basis, of the paddy harvest mentioned in (iv) above?
- (b) If not, why?

1323/'16

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,— To ask the Minister of Labour and Trade Unions Relations,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the responsibility of the subject Minister and the government on the collective agreement that is operative with regard to the salaries of the estate workers?
- (b) Will he accept that —
 - (i) the Rs. 2500/- allowance that is added to the salaries of private sector labourers, monthly as a budget relief allowance, has not been added to the monthly allowance of the estate workers, in terms of the collective agreement; and
 - (ii) the basic salary should have been increased at least with Rs.1000/-, Rs. 500/- per day?
- (c) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) if so, being on aforesaid stance, whether measures will be taken to file cases against the employers who do not pay the amount, increased;
 - (ii) whether he accepts that the budget relief allowances, provided by the government, is not paid when the conditions of the collective agreements bring more benefits than the budget relief allowance regulations;
 - (iii) if so, of the reasons led to approve the Collective agreement;
 - (iv) whether he is aware that an amount similar to Rs. 2500/- allowance, is already being paid to the estate workers by certain private estate owners; and
 - (v) if so, whether he accepts their statements to the effect that the estate companies can not pay these amounts?
- (d) If not, why?

1395/'16

Hon. Bandula Gunawardana,—To ask the Minister of Primary Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether an expenditure report on the disbursement of the grant of Rs.150 million allocated through the budget as per Budget proposal Numbers 165 and 166 of Budget 2016, for the implementation of the programme to internationally brand the Sri Lankan spices, which have a long history which dates back to 7th century, will be submitted;
 - (ii) of the extent of lands that were leased out for cultivations such as cinnamon, pepper, cardamom and nutmeg as per the above proposal in the year 2016;
 - (iii) whether a register of the above lessees will be tabled;
 - (iv) of the regional plantation companies which were encouraged on the above cultivations in the year 2016; and
 - (v) whether a verified expenditure report on the allocation of Rs.50 million which was made by the above budget proposal for research on cinnamon will be produced?
- (b) If not, why?

1587/'17

Hon. Sandith Samarasinghe,—To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of passenger transport permits issued by the Sabaragamuwa Provincial Transport Authority up to now from year 2015;
 - (ii) the names and addresses of persons who had obtained them ?
- (b) Will he admit that —
 - (i) buses are being operated without passenger transport permits; and
 - (ii) Sabaragamuwa Provincial Transport Authority suffer an immense loss as a result of it?
- (c) Will he also inform this House what are the measures that will be taken by the Ministry in this regard?
- (d) If not, why?

1599/'17

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,—To ask the Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether he is aware that it is alleged that severe environmental pollution occurs as a result of the Norochcholai Coal Power Plant;

(22)

- (ii) of the steps taken to prevent the emission of harmful gasses from the Norochcholai Coal Power Plant;
- (iii) of the steps taken to manage the ashes which emit from the Norochcholai Coal Power Plant; and
- (iv) of the amount of money that the Ceylon Electricity Board intends to spend in future to minimize environmental pollution caused by the Norochcholai Power Plant?

(b) If not, why?

1675/17

Hon. Seyed Ali Zahir Moulana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the names of trainees who completed their training from Teachers Colleges of Batticaloa, Kopay and Kotagala in December 2008, posted to schools in Vanni district and requested to sit the final examination in April 2009, contradictory to the procedure of conducting the examination immediately after the training?
- (b) Is he aware that—
 - (i) those trainees were unable to come out of the district due to the climax of war in that district; and
 - (ii) they sat the examination along with their junior batch, answered the same question papers but different effective dates of certificate were given as 01.01.2011 for them, whilst 01.08.2009 was given for the junior batch?
- (c) Will he also inform this House whether action will be taken to give same effective date of certificate as that of the junior batch?
- (d) If not, why?

1086/16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of dogs deployed for the service in the three armed forces of Army, Air force and Navy separately as per each force;
 - (ii) of the expenditure borne on the upkeep of the aforesaid dogs separately as per each force; and
 - (iii) of the benefits accrued from the above dogs separately as per each force?
 - (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether arrangements will be made to obtain more dogs to the above forces from foreign countries; and
 - (ii) if so, of the projected expenditure of the above purpose separately as per each force?
 - (b) If not, why?
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Friday, June 23, 2017

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1067/16

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,—To ask the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation,—(2)

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) a Cabinet Memorandum was submitted by the then Minister of Internal Transport, Hon. Ranjith Maddumabandara, for the renovation of the railway track from Maho up to Vavuniya in 2015; and
 - (ii) plans were in place accordingly to import the parts of rails and bridges by the Department of Sri Lanka Railways and construct the said railway track through the Department or local industrialists?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a decision has been taken to assign the renovation of the railway track to Indian industrialists without calling for international competitive bids; and
 - (ii) if so, what the reasons for taking such a decision are?
- (c) If not, why?

1087/16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the amount of horses available in the horse mounted units of the three armed forces of Army, Air Force and Navy separately as per each force;
 - (ii) of the expenditure borne on the upkeep of the aforesaid horses separately as per each force; and
 - (iii) of the benefits accrued from the above horses separately as per each force?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether arrangements will be made to obtain more horses to the horse mounted units of the above forces from foreign countries; and
 - (ii) if so, of the projected expenditure of the above purpose separately as per each force?
- (c) If not, why?

1121/16

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that many water catchment areas of the country abounding in biodiversity are located in the Badulla District;
 - (ii) if so, what those locations are;
 - (iii) whether the Ministry of Mahaweli Development and Environment has commenced any course of action to save such water springs for posterity; and
 - (iv) if so, what its details are?
- (b) If not, why?

1135/16

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,— To ask the Minister of Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the date on which the construction work of the Sports Complex of Kalutara district in Bandaragama was completed;
 - (ii) the amount of money spent for that;
 - (iii) the amount of money spent to construct the indoor stadium, running track and the swimming pool separately;
 - (iv) the reasons for the delay of opening it; and
 - (v) the persons who are in charge of the maintenance?
- (b) If not, why?

1182/16

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,—To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House, in respect of the Batticaloa District—
 - (i) of the extent of land that was under cultivation by the year 1983;
 - (ii) of the extents of land cultivated in the years 1982 and 1983, separately in respect of each crop in each year;
 - (iii) of the total extent of cultivated land in each year after 1983 up until the end of the war in 2009, separately;
 - (iv) of the total extent of cultivated land after the end of the war up until now in each year, separately; and
 - (v) whether he will table a full report on all above?
- (b) If not, why?

1291/16

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately of the irrigation systems that come under the Central Government and the Provincial Council in the district of Matara;
 - (ii) of the total extent of paddy lands that is cultivated using the irrigation systems mentioned in (i) above; and
 - (iii) of the extent of paddy lands mentioned in (ii) above as per each Divisional Secretariat Division level?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately as per each year—
 - (i) of the amount of money that has been spent on the maintenance or re-construction of irrigation systems coming under the central government from the year 2013 to 2016; and
 - (ii) of the amount of money that has been spent on the maintenance or re-construction of irrigation systems belonging to Matara district from the year 2013 to 2016 separately?
- (c) If not, why?

1396/16

Hon. Bandula Gunawardana,—To ask the Minister of Primary Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the action taken in the year 2016 to promote commercial cultivation of arecanut as per budget proposal number 161 of the 2016 budget;
 - (ii) of the number of arecanut collection zones established as per the aforesaid proposal;
 - (iii) of the locations in which the aforesaid zones are established;
 - (iv) whether a register comprising of the arecanut production in Sri Lanka, the export volume of arecanut, quantity price and total value from year 1977 to year 2016 will be submitted;
 - (v) whether there is a specific plan for the cultivation of areca nut commercially in Sri Lanka; and
 - (vi) of the Ministry which should undertake the responsibility of formulating such a plan?
- (b) If not, why?

1484/16

Hon. Ashoka Priyantha,—To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) out of the total number of schools functioning under the North-Western Provincial Council, of the number of schools that have been closed down since year 2010 to date?
 - (ii) separately of the names of each of those schools and the names of the relevant Divisional Secretariat Divisions in which those schools are situated;
 - (iii) of the reasons for closing down those schools; and
 - (iv) whether the buildings and the lands of those schools are being used for some productive purpose at present?
- (b) If not, why?

1600/17

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,—To ask the Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the year of the lifetime of three power plants at Norochcholai coal power plant expires;
 - (ii) the alternative methods to be used to obtain energy generated from those three power plants after their lifetime expires; and
 - (iii) whether policy makers of long term power generation schemes have focused attention on the consequences of the deactivation of those power plants before the due time, after considering the frequent technical failures in them?
- (b) If not, why?

1183/16

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,—To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House, in respect of the Trincomalee District—
- (i) of the extent of land that was under cultivation by the year 1983;
 - (ii) of the extents of land cultivated in the years 1982 and 1983, separately in respect of each crop in each year;
 - (iii) of the total extent of cultivated land in each year after 1983 up until the end of the war in 2009, separately;
 - (iv) of the total extent of cultivated land after the end of the war up until now in each year, separately; and
 - (v) whether he will table a full report on all above?
- (b) If not, why?

1295/'16

Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Lands,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the total extent of state land in the Matara District;
 - (ii) separately on per Divisional Secretariat Division, of the extent of land mentioned in (i) above;
 - (iii) of the extent of state land identified in the Matara District for the distribution among the public for residential purposes; and
 - (iv) separately on per Divisional Secretariat Division, of the extent of land mentioned in (iii) above
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to grant land to people of the Matara District who do not have any land to reside in;
 - (ii) if so, of the date on which it will be done; and
 - (iii) of the programmes which are already under way and the programmes which are expected to be implemented?
- (c) If not, why?

1329/'16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Law and Order and Southern Development,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware of—
 - (i) the irregularities that have taken place when disbursing of shares to the employees of LTL Holdings (Pvt) Ltd and a complaint had been lodged at the Financial Crimes Investigation Division under the number ACC/FC/2015/403 regarding the fraud and malpractices of the institution;
 - (ii) an investigation is yet to be carried out on the matter; and
 - (iii) therefore, both the employees and the country have suffered an immense financial loss ?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) measures will be taken to examine the complaint; and
 - (ii) if so, what is the date?
- (c) If not, why?

1677/'17

Hon. Seyed Ali Zahir Moulana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the names of schools in Manmunai West and Kalkudah Educational zones in Batticaloa district with teachers' cadre and present teachers' availability, category-wise in each school;

(28)

- (ii) whether instructions be given to Provincial Director of Education, Eastern Province to transfer excess teachers in neighboring education zones to fill the existing vacancies in order to ensure the equal right for free education of these poor rural students; and
- (iii) if so, when?
- (b) If not, why?

1397/16

Hon. Bandula Gunawardana,—To ask the Minister of Plantation Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the ratio adopted when distributing among Tea, Rubber and Coconut Research Institutes, the provision of Rs.200 million allocated to Tea, Rubber and Coconut Research Institutes as per proposal number 162 of the 2016 budget proposal;
 - (ii) separately the institute-wise number of employees in the Tea, Rubber and Coconut Research Institutes;
 - (iii) separately the year-wise allocation of provisions from the General Treasury for tea research, rubber research and coconut research in years 2002, 2005, 2010 and 2014; and
 - (iv) of the research carried out in the three fields of tea, rubber and coconut during the past decade?
- (b) If not, why?

1468/16

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the number of projects that have been commenced by the Ministry for solid waste management from the year 2010 up to now;
 - (ii) the funds provided to each local authority to implement the aforesaid projects, separately;
 - (iii) the steps that have been taken in regard to the aforesaid projects from the year 2010 up to now;
 - (iv) the steps taken by the Ministry for e-waste management; and
 - (v) the steps expected to be taken in the future under this Government of Good Governance for solid waste management and e-waste management?
 - (b) If not, why?
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