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**Tuesday, June 05, 2018**

**NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY**

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1990 Suwaseriya Foundation Bill — Second Reading

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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Land (Restrictions on Alienation) (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Notification under the Excise Ordinance (No.1),— That the Notification made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media, under Section 32(1) of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) regarding on Excise duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2054/41 of 18<sup>th</sup> January 2018, which was presented on 22.05.2018, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 03/2018)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Notification under the Excise Ordinance (No.2),— That the Notification made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media, under Section 25 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) regarding on Excise duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2054/42 of 18<sup>th</sup> January 2018, which was presented on 22.05.2018, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 04/2018)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Notifications under the Excise Ordinance (No.3),— That the Notifications made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media, under Sections 2 and 22 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) regarding on Excise duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2055/9 of 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2018, which were presented on 22.05.2018, be approved.

(Excise Notifications Nos. 05/2018 and 06/2018)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Notification under the Excise Ordinance (No.4),— That the Notification made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media, under Sections 2, 12, 22 and 25 read with Section 32 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) regarding on Excise duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2059/32 of 21<sup>st</sup> February 2018, which was presented on 22.05.2018, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 07/2018)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\* *Indicates Government Business.*

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**Tuesday, July 03, 2018**

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

20/18

Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
- (i) the number of local authorities in Kandy district;
  - (ii) the names of those authorities;
  - (iii) the number of Grama Niladhari Divisions and families that come under each of the said local authorities;
  - (iv) the local authorities proposed to be established for Kandy district anew;
  - (v) the steps taken by the Ministry to empower the local authorities in Kandy district?
- (b) If not, why?

42/18

Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development and Rural Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether he will admit that the only proposal on poultry industry in the 2016 budget was presented as No. 155;
  - (ii) the progress of the said proposal for the year 2016; and
  - (iii) separately in respect of each year from 1977 to 2016, the quantity of chicken exported from Sri Lanka and imported to Sri Lanka and their value?
- (b) If not, why?

(3)

134/18

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,—To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the total number of posts available in Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service for the Matale District;
  - (ii) of the total number of officers presently serving in the aforesaid posts;
  - (iii) of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to fill the existing vacancies;
  - (iv) of the names and addresses of the candidates who passed the competitive Limited/Open examinations for the recruitment to Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service; and
  - (v) of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to grant appointments to those candidates?
- (b) If not, why?

161/18

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,—To ask the Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the number of lecturers serving in each government medical faculty separately as at 30.06.2017;
  - (ii) of the number of vacancies of lecturers exist on those faculties separately, by now;
  - (iii) of the number of students expected to be increased to medical faculties when increasing the student intake to universities up to 50,000 according to the budget proposals; and
  - (iv) of the plans that the government have to increase the number of lecturers to cater the increasing number of students?
- (b) If not, why?

198/18

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration & Management and Law & Order,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the amount spent to purchase tear gas for the use of Police Department from 2013 to 2017, separately with respect to each year?
- (b) If not, why?

(4)

219/18

Hon. Douglas Devananda,—To ask the Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) the manner in which the project to supply electricity to the farmers at a concessionary rate is implemented at present;
  - (ii) the districts in which this project is implemented; and
  - (iii) the date on which the farmers in the Northern Province including Jaffna where the inauguration ceremony of this national programme was held, get the benefits of this project?
- (b) If not, why?

234/18

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) Kuda Buthgamuva Rajasinghe Vidyalaya is the only mixed National School available in Kolonnawa Education Division;
  - (ii) at present, that school is facing decline day by day due to the shortage of physical and human resources;
  - (iii) currently there are 26 vacancies in the academic staff and 10 vacancies in the non-academic staff of that school; and
  - (iv) due to this situation, the students of that school tend to go to other schools to do G.C.E. (Advanced Level) after passing the G.C.E. (Ordinary Level) Examination?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) of nature of the plans that are in place to fill these vacancies;
  - (ii) of the date on which steps will be taken to implement those plans;
  - (iii) separately of the provisions that have been allocated for the development of physical and human resources of this school in year 2017;
  - (iv) of the progress of the programmes that have been implemented at present utilizing such provisions;
  - (v) whether it has been planned to allocate provisions for the development of physical and human resources of this school in year 2018; and
  - (vi) if, so what those provisions are?
- (c) If not, why?

(5)

237/18

Hon. Heshan Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) the number of Agricultural Research Production Assistant Officers that have been approved for Ratnapura district ;
  - (ii) the number of officers who are in service at present;
  - (iii) names of the Grama Niladhari Divisions in which they serve;
  - (iv) the number of vacancies that exist in the aforesaid post at present; and
  - (v) the action taken by the Ministry to fill the aforesaid vacancies?
- (b) If not, why?

315/18

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,—To ask the Minister of Telecommunication, Digital Infrastructure and Foreign Employment,—(1)

- (a) Will he admit that—
  - (i) the Sri Lankan migrant workers happen to face incidents of physical assault, rape, sexual abuse, financial fraud, loss of life and deployment in prostitution in the destination countries;
  - (ii) there is no methodology for adequate intervention on their behalf during aforesaid unfair circumstances; and
  - (iii) owing to this situation such migrant workers and their family members are severely inconvenienced?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) separately of the number of Sri Lankans who encountered the incidents mentioned in a (i) during the years 2015 and 2016;
  - (ii) whether there is a methodology for the aforesaid Sri Lankans to get compensated from the perpetrating parties; and
  - (iii) if so, how it can be done?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
  - (i) whether measures have been taken by the government to ensure the protection of the Sri Lankan migrant workers;
  - (ii) if so, what those measures are; and
  - (iii) whether it is admitted that it is appropriate to establish a legally authorized unit to appear for the protection of migrant workers?
- (d) If not, why?

(6)

384/18

Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) it is admitted that a programme was implemented by the previous government to acquire estate hospitals to the government, in order to uplift the health of nearly 800 thousand people living in the estates;
  - (ii) of the number of estate hospitals acquired by the end of year 2014, under the programme, their names and the time period;
  - (iii) it is admitted that the project has now come to a standstill;
  - (iv) whether the amount spent annually by the Ministry is presented; and
  - (v) whether measures will be taken to restart the project again, since it was pivotal in uplifting the health of the people living in estates ?
- (b) If not, why?

394/18

Hon. T. Ranjith De Soyza,— To ask the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this house separately —
  - (i) the number of buses deployed on the expressways out of the passenger buses belonging to the Sri Lanka Transport Board;
  - (ii) the number of buses given to the Sri Lanka Transport Board by the government in years 2015, 2016 and 2017; and
  - (iii) the income earned by the government from the Sri Lanka Transport Board and the cost incurred on it by the government from 2014 up to date; and
  - (iv) the income earned by the government from the buses deployed on the expressways and the cost incurred on them by the government from 2014 up to date?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
  - (i) the total number of employees attached to the Sri Lanka Transport Board; and
  - (ii) the number in relation to each grade, separately?
- (c) If not, why?

414/18

Hon. Padma Udaya Shantha Gunasekara,—To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) separately, in terms of each Zonal Education office, of the number of principals employed in Monaragala district;
  - (ii) whether aforesaid principals or the individuals who do not represent the Principals' service, have been given principal service promotions after 8th January 2015; and
  - (iii) if so, whether there are individuals who were subjected to political revenges among the persons who were given promotions?
- (b) If not, why?

(7)

441/18

Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources & Disaster Management,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) number of business entities in Kalutara district that suffered total, partial and minor damages from the floods and landslides occurred on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2017;
  - (ii) the number of such business enterprises in each Divisional Secretariat Divisions separately;
  - (iii) the number of such business entities categorized as small and medium scale business enterprises and self-employment separately; and
  - (iv) the number of business entities categorized as livestock control, technical, trade and other ventures separately;
- (b) Will he also state —
- (i) the names of the owners of the business entities damaged from floods and landslides, addresses, estimated damage, the Grama Niladhari Divisions and the Divisional Secretariat Divisions where those are located, separately;
  - (ii) whether the government has provided compensation to the damaged business entities in Kalutara district;
  - (iii) if so, the names of the businessmen who received compensation, addresses, business entities and the compensation provided, separately; and
  - (iv) the number of business entities in Kalutara district that have been provided compensation and the total amount of compensation?
- (c) If not, why ?

452/18

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately the name and designation of each officer who is attached to the private staff of the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports and has been allocated a vehicle, along with details on the type of vehicle allocated to them, registration number and the name of the officer who authorized such allocation of a vehicle?
- (b) If not, why?

467/18

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
    - (i) of the number of schools in Badulla district with G.C.E (Advanced Level) Technology stream classes;
    - (ii) of the names of aforesaid schools;
    - (iii) of the number of Technology teachers in Badulla district to date;
    - (iv) of the names of aforesaid teachers and the schools where they work to date; and
    - (v) of the measures taken by the Ministry to popularize the technology subject among the students of Badulla district in time to come?
  - (b) If not why?
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**Wednesday, July 04, 2018**

**QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS**

43/18

Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana,— To ask Minister of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development and Rural Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether a system was introduced to provide licences to fish in the deep sea, as per the proposal No. 154 of the 2016 budget;
  - (ii) the names and the addresses of the persons who obtained licences in the year 2016 as per the aforesaid proposal; and
  - (iii) whether it was observed that the condition of deploying at least 100 fishermen in the aforesaid activity by a licence holder mentioned above was fulfilled?
- (b) If not, why?

316/18

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether a survey has been conducted on the villages that engage in productions related to bamboo, cane, rush and jute in Sri Lanka;
  - (ii) if so, of the aforesaid number of villages separately;
  - (iii) of the number of families that engage in the aforesaid industry, separately on the basis of each village; and
  - (iv) of the major issues encountered by them?



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- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether action has been taken to provide the new technology required by those engaged in this industry;
  - (ii) if so, how it is done;
  - (iii) whether action has been taken by the government to expand the market for bamboo, cane, rush and jute products; and
  - (iv) if so, how it is?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) whether ornamental products made out of bamboo, cane, rush and jute are exported;
  - (ii) if so, what those countries are; and
  - (iii) separately of the foreign income received through the export of bamboo, cane, rush and jute products during the years 2015 and 2016?
- (d) If not, why?

415/18

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House in relation to the Jaffna District by the year 1983—
- (i) the number of irrigation systems that had existed;
  - (ii) the number of small-scale tanks, anicuts and canals that had existed; and
  - (iii) the extent of lands that had been brought under cultivation?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
- (i) separately on per year basis from year 1983 until the war situation had ended in 2009 the amount of money that had been allocated for restoration of irrigation schemes, tanks, anicuts and canals; and
  - (ii) separately on per year basis from the time the war situation ended until year 2015 the total amount of money the government had allocated for the restoration of irrigations systems, tanks, anicuts and canals?
- (c) If not, why?

426/18

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) the rural hospital located at Gambiriswewa village in the Central Nuwaragampalatha Divisional Secretariat Division, Anuradhapura is currently confined only to a building; and
  - (ii) though a doctor has been attached to the Outpatients Department during the daytime, there is no doctor at night even for emergency treatments?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether he will pay attention to this matter and take action to offer a solution; and
  - (ii) if so, the date on which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why ?

468/18

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) of the total number of officers employed in Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service by now;
  - (ii) Separately of the names, designations and places of work of aforesaid officers;
  - (iii) of the number of vacancies exist in Education Administrative Service to date and of the places of work where the vacancies exist;
  - (iv) whether Ministry has conducted competitive examinations to fill aforesaid vacancies;
  - (v) if so, of the names and addresses of the individuals who got through aforesaid competitive examination; and
  - (vi) of the measures taken to grant appointments to aforesaid individuals?
- (b) If not why ?

(11)

510/18

Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the plans of the Ceylon Electricity Board towards the generation of power from Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG);
  - (ii) of the cost that would be incurred for that purpose;
  - (iii) of the percentages of profit with relevance to the 'Combined Cycle' power plants in the case of utilizing Liquefied Natural Gas in place of Diesel; and
  - (iv) of the percentages of profit with relevance to the 'Combined Cycle' power plants in the case of utilizing Liquefied Natural Gas in place of furnace oil?
- (b) If not, why?

518/18

Hon. Indika Anuruddha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether compensation is provided to the passengers and pedestrians who get killed and get injured by road accidents;
  - (ii) if so, of the money allocated for year 2017 in order to grant aforesaid compensation; and
  - (iii) of the factors considered in providing aforesaid compensation?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) of the amount of money allocated for the compensation provided in support of the three-wheeler drivers who lose their lives due to three-wheeler accidents, for the year 2017;
  - (ii) of the people got qualified for the compensation by the middle of the year 2017; and
  - (iii) of the people who were granted with the compensation by the middle of the year 2017?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,—To ask the Minister of Finance and Mass Media,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) the amount of money drawn from the foreign reserves of the country annually for the education of Sri Lankan students in foreign universities;
  - (ii) the amount of money drawn from the reserves of Sri Lanka for persons who make personal tours in foreign countries; and
  - (iii) the amount of foreign exchange which is not received, out of the amount of foreign exchange that is due to Sri Lanka for the goods exported or services provided by it?
- (b) If not, why?

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**Thursday, July 05, 2018**

**QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS**

Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana,—To ask the Minister of Sustainable Development, Wildlife and Regional Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the amount of money utilized in 2016 out of the allocation of Rs. 4000 million allocated to be used within three years for devising a target solution for the human-elephant conflict as per proposal No. 175 of the Budget 2016 and its progress?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
  - (i) of the Ministries and institutions responsible for implementing the above budget proposal;
  - (ii) the number of deaths and damages to property owing to human-elephant conflict reported from 1977 up to now in relation to each year;
  - (iii) whether compensation was paid by the government to the parties of persons who died of the human-elephant conflict in each of the above years;
  - (iv) if so, the amount of compensation in relation to each year; and
  - (v) whether he explains the expected target solution for human-elephant conflict mentioned in the above budget proposal?
- (c) If not, why?

135/18

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,—To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) whether a forest reserve is located in Digampathana, Dambulla;
  - (ii) the local government institutions of the area dump garbage in aforesaid place;
  - (iii) the wild elephants of the area, constantly roam in aforesaid locale by reason of garbage dumping; and
  - (iv) aforesaid elephants storm into neighboring villages when no food is found in aforementioned site?
- (b) Will he inform this House, as to what measures would be taken by the Ministry to prevent dumping of garbage in aforesaid site in support of the safety of both the human and the Elephants ?
- (c) If not, why?

162/18

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,—To ask the Minister of Justice & Prison Reforms,—(1)

- (a) Will she inform this House —
- (i) Separately, of the date on which the Attorney General's Department received investigation reports which were sent by the Financial Crimes Investigation Division (FCID), having concluded the investigations by 01.08.2017;
  - (ii) of the number of complaints upon which the cases have been filed by now; and
  - (iii) separately, of the date on which aforesaid each case was filed and of the court before which the case is heard?
- (b) If not, why?

199/18

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,—To ask the Minister of Finance and Mass Media,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) the value of All Share Price Index by 31.12.2016;
  - (ii) from which percentage the All Share Price Index has changed by 31.12.2016 in comparison to 31.12.2014 and 31.12.2015; and
  - (iii) the value of net foreign purchases within the year 2016?
- (b) If not, why?

244/18

Hon. Heshan Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) the number of national schools in each electorate in Kegalle district separately;
  - (ii) the names of the aforesaid schools; and
  - (iii) the steps taken by the Ministry to increase the number of national schools in Kegalle district and to develop the existing schools in that district further?
- (b) If not, why?

317/18

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) whether a survey has been conducted on the villages, engaged in clay related industries like pottery and other products, in Sri Lanka;
  - (ii) if so, of the number of aforesaid villages ;
  - (iii) of the number of families, engaged in aforesaid industry; and
  - (iv) of the major issues that they encounter?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
  - (i) whether measures have been taken to provide aforesaid industrialists with modern technology;
  - (ii) if so , in which manner;
  - (iii) whether government has taken measures to expand the market for clay related products; and
  - (iv) if so, in which manner?
- (c) Will he state —
  - (i) whether ornamental clay items are exported by now;
  - (ii) if so, of aforesaid countries;
  - (iii) separately, in terms of year 2015 and 2016, of the foreign income, received by exportation of clay related products?
- (d) If not, why?

395/18

Hon. T. Ranjith De Soyza,— 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 Coordinating Secretaries approved for the staff of the President of Sri Lanka;
  - (ii) the number of Coordinating Secretaries appointed under the present President from 02.01.2016;
  - (iii) the fields in respect of which the said Coordinating Secretaries were appointed?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
  - (i) separately the name, educational qualifications and other qualifications of each such Coordinating Secretary;
  - (ii) the salary paid to a Coordinating Secretary;
  - (iii) accordingly, the overall cost incurred during the past two years in respect of those Coordinating Secretaries;
  - (iv) whether the relevant Coordinating Secretaries have rendered an adequate service in relation to the said cost?
- (c) If not, why?

416/18

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House in relation to the Kilinochchi District by the year 1983—
  - (i) the number of irrigation systems that had existed;
  - (ii) the number of small-scale tanks, anicuts and canals that had existed; and
  - (iii) the extent of lands that had been brought under cultivation?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately on per year basis —
  - (i) from year 1983 until the war situation had ended in 2009 the amount of money that had been allocated for restoration of irrigation schemes, tanks, anicuts and canals; and
  - (ii) from the time the war situation ended until year 2015 the total amount of money the government had allocated for the restoration of irrigations systems, tanks, anicuts and canals?
- (c) If not, why?

442/18

Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera,— To ask the Minister of Highways & Road Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) the road from Polegoda to Ihala Welgama in the Bulathsinhala Divisional Secretariat Division is impassable due to the landslide that occurred in the area named 1<sup>st</sup> Mile Post, as a result of the floods and landslides experienced on 27.05.2017;
  - (ii) around 10,000 to 15,000 people who used this road in the areas of Omaththa settlement, Omaththa colony, Gampalakanda, Wavulakanda, Muduna, Bategalla, Thennahena, Samagipura, Ihala Welgama, Gallanamulla, Henyaya and Atahawulhena situated in the Grama Niladhari divisions of number 819G Muduna, 819H Gamage Watta, 824 Thennahena and 825 Ihala Welgama, are facing severe hardships; and
  - (iii) measures are yet to be taken to renovate this road?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) whether expeditious measures will be taken to renovate the aforesaid road which is impassable due to the damages; and
  - (ii) if so, the period of time the renovation will begin and when it is scheduled to be completed?
- (c) If not, why?

453/18

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Social Welfare and Primary Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately the name and designation of each officer who is attached to the private staff of the Minister of Social Welfare and Primary Industries and has been allocated a vehicle, along with details on the type of vehicles allocated to them, registration number and the name of the officer who authorized such allocation of a vehicle?
- (b) If not, why?

469/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether he admits that the garbage problem has become serious issue;
  - (ii) of the subsidies and assistance provided to the local government institutions by the Ministry to solve this garbage problem;
  - (iii) of the local government institutions that implement projects with the financial provisions of the Ministry of Provincial Councils and Local Government and Sports; and
  - (iv) of the steps taken by the Ministry to solve the garbage problem?
- (b) If not why?



519/18

Hon. Indika Anuruddha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the total number of government schools in the island;
  - (ii) of the total number of international schools in the island;
  - (iii) of the number of teachers recruited for national schools in the years of 2015, 2016 and 2017, according to each year;
  - (iv) of the number of teachers recruited for provincial schools in the years of 2015, 2016 and 2017, according to each year;
  - (v) of the number of teachers appraised from the external and internal appraisal systems in the first half of year 2016;
  - (vi) of the amount of money allocated to establish teachers' quarters / rest rooms in rural and regional schools from the 2016 budget; and
  - (vii) the present progress of the project?
- (b) If not, why?

529/18

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Mass Media,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the values of the amount of dollars that went off Sri Lanka owing to the increase of interest rates, depreciation of the rupee and the relaxation of foreign exchange control from 2015 up to date?
- (b) If not, why?

553/18

Hon. Ashoka Priyantha,— To ask the Minister of Women and Child Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will she inform this House—
- (i) the number of child abuse incidents reported from Puttlam and Kurunegala districts in the North Western Province from the year 2010;
  - (ii) the names of the divisional secretariat divisions from which the aforesaid incidents were reported;
  - (iii) the steps taken by the National Child Protection Authority in regard to the aforesaid incidents; and
  - (iv) the steps expected to be taken by the Ministry in the future to minimize the incidents of child abuse that would occur in the North Western Province?
- (b) If not, why?

572/18

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,—To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the number of farmers that received compensation from the Agricultural and Agrarian Insurance Board due to the prevalent drought;
  - (ii) whether the list of farmers in Kurunegala District who received compensation in the above manner will be submitted separately on the basis of each Divisional Secretariat Division;
  - (iii) separately of the amount of money paid as compensation to each farmer in the Kurunegala District; and
  - (iv) of the criteria taken into consideration when granting the aforementioned compensation?
- (b) If not, why?
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**Friday, July 06, 2018**

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

4/18

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,—To ask the Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether tenders have been called for the construction of two solar power stations with a capacity of 10 Mw that are proposed to be established in Vavunativ and Polonnaruwa;
  - (ii) of the bids forwarded by the company that obtained the tender and by the other bidders; and
  - (iii) whether he accepts the fact that the project has failed as the lands were not granted at the proper time?
- (b) If not, why?

21/18

Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the number of National schools in Kandy district;
  - (ii) of the names and addresses of those schools;

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- (iii) of the number of students studying and the number of teachers serving in each of those schools, separately;
  - (iv) of the number of vacancies for teachers that exists in those schools;
  - (v) whether the Ministry has paid attention to increase the number of National schools in Kandy district;
  - (vi) of the steps taken by the Ministry to develop the physical and human resources of the National schools in Kandy district?
- (b) If not, why?

46/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) how many of the Dedicated Agricultural and Fishery Export Zones proposed to be established according to Budget Proposal No. 183 in the Budget 2016, as mentioned in the manifesto of the Hon. Prime Minister, were established in the year 2016 and where they have been located;
  - (ii) of the total expenditure borne by the government separately for each of the zones so established according to the aforesaid proposal;
  - (iii) what government agency bears the responsibility for these Dedicated Agricultural and Fishery Export Zones; and
  - (iv) what export income was earned through each such zone if such zones have been established in the year 2016?
- (b) If not, why?

163/18

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the date on which the Anti-Corruption Committee Secretariat was established;
  - (ii) of the duration which the aforesaid Secretariat functioned;
  - (iii) of the strength of the staff that had been attached to that Secretariat;
  - (iv) of the number of complaints received by that Secretariat during the aforesaid period;
  - (v) of the manner in which such complaints were referred to relevant institutes for further investigation; and
  - (vi) of the total expenditure that was incurred on maintaining that Secretariat during the aforesaid period?
- (b) If not, why?

200/18

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the total cost borne by the government on the Public Representations Committee on Constitutional Reforms;
  - (ii) the names of the members of that Committee;
  - (iii) the criteria that were taken into consideration in appointing the members to that Committee; and
  - (iv) the number of Committee members who have recommended that the Chapter II of the Constitution regarding the status of Buddhism should not be changed?
- (b) If not, why?

220/18

Hon. Douglas Devananda,—To ask the Minister of Science, Technology, Research, Skills Development & Vocational Training and Kandyan Heritage,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) the government technical college in the Jaffna district receives a large number of applications annually for vocational training but only a limited number of applicants are selected;
  - (ii) thousands of unemployed youth in the Jaffna district lose the opportunity of receiving training from this technical college;
  - (iii) an extent of 6 acres belonging to the Weerasingham Central College in Meesalai in Thenmarachchi area has been given for constructing another technical college in the Jaffna district for the benefit of those young persons; and
  - (iv) the project proposal sent to the National Planning Department by the authorities of the Department of Vocational Training that inspected the said land, has been approved?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether financial allocations have been made to commence the preliminary work relating to the construction of the Meesalai new technical college; and
  - (ii) if so, the date on which the construction work of the said technical college would commence?
- (c) If not, why?

235/18

Hon. S. M. Marikkar,—To ask the Minister of City Planning and Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) a 02 hours water cut per day has been in operation in Kolonnawa Urban Council limits for a long time; and
  - (ii) at the same time, the pressure of pipe-borne water remains very low for most part of the day?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) of the reasons for such water cuts and drop in water pressure;
  - (ii) what alternative solutions it has at present;
  - (iii) whether any course of action has been formulated to implement those solutions; and
  - (iv) what the specific dates for giving solutions to problems referred to in (i) above?
- (c) If not, why?

245/18

Hon. Heshan Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
  - (i) the date on which the present Chief Minister of the Sabaragamuwa Province assumed that office;
  - (ii) the number of foreign visits he has engaged in from the date that he assumed office up to now;
  - (iii) the objects of each of those foreign visits;
  - (iv) the expenditure incurred in that regard; and
  - (v) the benefits received by the people of Sabaragamuwa as a result of those visits?
- (b) If not, why?

319/18

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,—To ask the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) the basic facilities such as toilets and cafeterias in most of the railway stations like Colombo Fort, Maradana, Kandy, Jaffna, Matara, Galle, Hikkaduwa, Trincomalee and Kurunegala are at a minimum level ;
  - (ii) food and beverages of inferior quality are sold in aforesaid railway stations at exorbitant prices; and
  - (iii) this situation has a direct impact on the tourism industry of the country as foreign tourists mostly use these railway stations?

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- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether measures will be taken to improve the facilities of aforesaid railway stations;
  - (ii) if so, of aforesaid measures; and
  - (iii) whether the financial allocations are available for aforesaid improvements?
- (c) If not, why?

417/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the total number of students who appeared for the G.C.E (Ordinary Level) examination from Moneragala district in 2015;
  - (ii) the number of students who got through the G.C.E. (Ordinary Level) examination, out of the above number;
  - (iii) the total number of students who appeared for the G.C.E. (Advanced Level) examination from the above district in 2015; and
  - (iv) the number of students who gained admission to universities out of the above number, in relation to each course separately?
- (b) Will he also inform this House whether he will present to this House a report comparing the results of the Grade 5 scholarship examination, G.C.E (Ordinary Level) and G.C.E. (Advanced Level) examinations of the Moneragala district with the overall national result?
- (c) If not, why?

427/18

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Post, Postal Services and Muslim Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform the House—
- (i) whether he is aware that the building which houses the Vjithapura Post Office opened in 1994 has been in a ramshackle condition and is faced with the risk of collapsing due to lack of reconstruction; and
  - (ii) of the date on which action will be taken to reconstruct the building concerned?
- (b) If not, why?

470/18

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this house—
  - (i) the number of private electricity generating companies functioning in Sri Lanka from the year 2010;
  - (ii) the names and addresses of the aforesaid companies and names of director board members;
  - (iii) the number of electricity units provided to Ceylon Electricity Board by each company from year 2010 and the amount paid to each company by the Ceylon Electricity Board in each year separately; and
  - (iv) the measures that will be taken by the Ceylon Electricity Board to increase the electricity generation under the present Good Governance Government?
- (b) If not, why?

484/18

Hon. Lucky Jayawardana,—To ask the Minister of Finance and Mass Media,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) the number of television channels operated in Sri Lanka at present;
  - (ii) separately, the institutions that run those TV channels; and
  - (iii) the names of the owners of those TV channels and the dates on which each TV channels have been started?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
  - (i) whether there are TV channels started in Sri Lanka that are not functioning by now;
  - (ii) if so, the names of those TV channels;
  - (iii) the name of the institution that regulates the TV channels;
  - (iv) whether he admits that regulation of those TV channels are not implemented in a proper manner;
  - (v) whether a proper procedure to regulate TV channels will be prepared to prevent certain TV channels telecasting revengeful and satirical programmes harmful to the society; and
  - (vi) if so, how?
- (c) If not, why?

554/18

Hon. Ashoka Priyantha,— To ask the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) a special fund was established in year 2009 with the objective of eradicating Thalassaemia from the North Western Province by year 2020; and
  - (ii) although a Special Investigation Committee was appointed to look into the misuse of more than 10 million rupees of that fund, its report is yet to be published?
- (b) if so, will he inform this House, the measures that will be taken by the ministry against the relevant persons after publishing the investigation report?
- (c) If not, why?

573/18

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,—To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
    - (i) the names of the current employees of the Road Passenger Transport Authority of North Western Province;
    - (ii) the names, addresses and educational qualifications of the Board of Directors; and
    - (iii) the number of Passenger Transport permits issued by the said Authority, separately for each route number?
  - (b) Will he also inform this House—
    - (i) whether he is aware of the fact that 4 passenger transport permit books of that Authority have been misplaced; and
    - (ii) if so, what legal action has been taken in that regard?
  - (c) Will he further inform this House of the steps taken by the Ministry to administer the Road Passenger Transport Authority of North Western Province in line with the good governance policies of the current government, as allegations of being a corrupt institution at present have been leveled against that institution?
  - (d) If not, why?
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