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ADDENDUM TO THE ORDER BOOK No. 1

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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Office for Reparations Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

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Value Added Tax (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

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Amaradeva Aesthetic and Research Centre Bill— Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

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Excise (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

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Medical (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

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New Villages Development Authority for Plantation Region Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Housing and Construction,— Regulations under the Construction Industry Development Act (No.1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Housing and Construction under Section 26 and Section 30 of the Construction Industry Development Act, No. 33 of 2014 read with Section 58 of the aforesaid act relating to Registration of Qualified Persons and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2057/5 of 05th February 2018, which were presented on 17.07.2018, be approved.

(2)

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The Minister of Housing and Construction,— Regulations under the Construction Industry Development Act (No.2),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Housing and Construction under Subsections (1), (2) and (4) of Section 35 of the Construction Industry Development Act, No. 33 of 2014 read with Section 58 of the aforesaid act relating to Registration of Contractors and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2057/5 of 05th February 2018 as amended by the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2079/15 of 10th July 2018, which were presented on 17.07.2018, be approved.

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The Minister of Housing and Construction,— Regulations under the Construction Industry Development Act (No.3),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Housing and Construction under Section 45(2) of the Construction Development Industry Act, No. 33 of 2014 read with Section 58 of the aforesaid act relating to Technical Auditing Procedure and Fees and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2057/5 of 05th February 2018, which were presented on 17.07.2018, be approved.

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The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade under Section 20 read with Section 4(3) and Section 14 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 amended by Acts, No. 48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 relating to Imports and Exports (Control) regulations and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2076/4 of 18th June 2018, which were presented on 17.07.2018, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

* *Indicates Government Business*

Thursday, September 06, 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; and
 - (v) the steps taken by the Ministry to empower the local authorities in Kandy district?
- (b) If not, why?

(3)

133/18

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,—To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the number of national schools in each electorate in the Matale district, separately;
 - (ii) the names of those schools; and
 - (iii) of the steps the Ministry intends to take to increase the number of national schools in the Matale District and further develop the existing national schools?
- (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?

256/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the names and the addresses of the hospitals and the indigenous medical centers that are coming under the purview of the Sabaragamuwa Provincial Council;
 - (ii) separately, of the number of employees of each hospital in terms of their designations;
 - (iii) of the measures that have been taken by the Provincial Council since the year 2010, in developing aforesaid hospitals; and
 - (iv) of the measures that would be taken by the Ministry under the incumbent good governance government, to develop the hospital system of Ratnapura district?
- (b) If not, why?

(4)

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 800,000 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?

(5)

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 27th 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, 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 personal 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?

(6)

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?

477/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the government has taken any decision to grow cannabis in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) if so, the basis of this decision;
 - (iii) whether it is admitted that cannabis is a narcotic;
 - (iv) whether it is admitted that the use of cannabis could weaken physical and mental health;
 - (v) whether there are persons and institutions that obtained legal approval to grow cannabis at present; and
 - (vi) if so, the places where cannabis have been grown legally ?
- (b) If not, why?

479/18

Hon. S. C. Muthukumarana,—To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the acreage that export agricultural crops are cultivated in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the type of crops (vegetables / fruits) that are exported;
 - (iii) the annual amount of foreign exchange received by the country from those exports according to each crop, separately; and
 - (iv) of the measures taken by the government to develop these varieties of export crops ?
- (b) If not, why?

(7)

490/18

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a Working Director is included in the Board of Directors of Lanka Sathosa Company Ltd. according to its Articles of Association;
 - (ii) whether a Post of Working Director exists in the approved cadre of the aforesaid company; and
 - (iii) whether a person has served as a Working Director of the aforesaid company during the period from 10.01.2010 up to 10.01.2015?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) the names of the shareholders of Lanka Sathosa Company Ltd. when it was established; and
 - (ii) the names and designations of the officials who functioned as the members of the Board of Directors representing the Secretary to the Treasury during the period from the commencement of the aforesaid company up to 10.01.2015?
- (c) If not, why ?

1110/18

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Mr.K. Wimalasena who joined the service of Sri Lanka Central Transport Board on 01.12.1978 retired on 24.11.2016;
 - (ii) the total of the gratuity and the surcharge he is entitled to is Rs.2,047,425.25;
 - (iii) the said amount should have been paid before 24.12.2016;
 - (iv) Mr.K.Wimalasena has become utterly helpless as he is a cancer patient; and
 - (v) the gratuity and the surcharge that Mr. Wimalasena is entitled to, have not been paid up to now?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the total of the gratuity and the surcharge Mr. Wimalasena is entitled to will be paid to him; and
 - (ii) if so, the date on which it will be paid?
- (c) If not, why?

1113/18

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether an archeological site with a historical value has been destroyed utilizing machinery in the Belungala, Puugollagama of the Ipalogama Divisional Secretariat Division in the District of Anuradhapura;
 - (ii) if so, of the reasons for that;
 - (iii) whether ancient ruins can be seen in the relevant land;
 - (iv) whether any assumption has been made regarding the period to which the aforesaid ruins belong;
 - (v) of the owners of this land?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
- (i) of the officer who authorized the aforesaid activity;
 - (ii) whether permission for the aforesaid activity has been granted by the Department of Archeology ;
 - (iii) of the measures that will be taken against those who contributed towards the destruction of this archeological site utilizing machinery?
- (c) If not, why ?

1125/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether the finance company known by the name 'Edirisinghe Trust Investment (ETI)' is a finance company that is registered at the Central Bank of Sri Lanka and is operated under its monitoring;
 - (ii) whether he is aware that those who deposited money in this finance company are faced with grave difficulties as a result of the institution's failure to return the deposited money in due manner;
 - (iii) of the course of action implemented at present to recover the money deposited by the aforesaid ETI depositors who followed the instructions issued by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka and deposited their money in a financial institution monitored by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka instead of depositing their money in financial institutions which are not monitored by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka; and
 - (iv) of the preventive measures that will be taken to ensure that people who deposit money in other financial institutions subjected to Central Bank of Sri Lanka monitoring will not face similar issues?
- (b) If not, why?
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Friday, September 07, 2018

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

38/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether a Primary Industry Council has been established as per proposal No.182 of the 2016 budget;
 - (ii) if so, the date on which it was established and its location;
 - (iii) whether he will briefly explain the objective of establishing a Primary Industry Council and the programme for same;
 - (iv) whether a list of experts to be involved in the council is submitted;
 - (v) whether a list of primary industries active in Sri Lanka at present as indicated in the above proposal is submitted; and
 - (vi) the primary industries newly started in Sri Lanka including those in the North and East with the conclusion of the armed conflict in 2009?
- (b) If not, why?

175/18

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,—To ask the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the length of the Matara-Beliatta railway line;
 - (ii) on which date its construction work was commenced;
 - (iii) what its construction cost is;
 - (iv) how many railway stations, tunnel and bridges will be constructed from Matara to Beliatta and what their expenditure will be, separately;
 - (v) accordingly, what will be the cost per kilometre for constructing that railway line;
 - (vi) when the construction work is due to be completed; and
 - (vii) what contracting company is carrying out the construction work?
- (b) If not, why?

(10)

200/18

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(2)

- (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?

227/18

Hon. Douglas Devananda,—To ask the Minister of Social Empowerment,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) Mullaitivu district is a very poor district in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) although it has been identified that approximately 23057 beneficiaries in this district qualify to receive Samurdhi benefits, only 11,111 beneficiaries have been granted with Samurdhi benefits up to now; and
 - (iii) due to the fact that permission was not given for resettlement in 10 Grama Niladhari Divisions in Kareithureipatru Divisional Secretariat Division and 13 Grama Niladhari divisions in Pudukuduirippu Divisional Secretariat Division, no beneficiary was selected from the aforesaid 23 Grama Niladhari divisions when selecting Samurdhi beneficiaries for the year 2013?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) In this context, whether action will be taken to provide Samurdhi benefits to the remaining 11,946 beneficiaries who have been identified to receive Samurdhi benefits; and
 - (ii) the condition of the Samurdhi beneficiaries in Kareithureipatru and Pudukudeirippu Divisional Secretariat Divisions mentioned above?
- (c) If not, why?

257/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the total number of tuberculosis patients that has been reported from the Ratnapura District from year 2010 to date;
 - (ii) of names of MOH divisions from which the aforesaid patients have been reported; and
 - (iii) of the measures that will be taken by the Ministry to provide healthcare facilities that are necessary for the tuberculosis patients in the Ratnapura District?
- (b) 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?

463/18

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Justice & Prison Reforms,—(1)

- (a) Will she inform this House—
 - (i) the addresses of ministerial offices of the Minister of Justice;
 - (ii) if rent or lease is paid for the said offices, the monthly rental/lease; and
 - (iii) the total rent/lease paid from the year 2015 up to the year 2017?
- (b) Will she also inform this House—
 - (i) the number of officials in the personal staff of the Minister;
 - (ii) the number of vehicles allocated for the said personal staff; and
 - (iii) the number of vehicles allocated to the Minister?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (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 Sri Lanka 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?

Hon. Hector Appuhamy,—To ask the Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,—(2)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the steps that have been taken to construct the proposed wind shield for Norochcholai Lakvijaya Power Plant for minimizing the damage caused to the environment by the Power Plant;
 - (ii) whether he is aware that the farmers living in areas surrounding the Power Plant are facing severe difficulties as there is no wind shield for the Power Plant; and
 - (iii) the date on which construction of the wind shield will be commenced?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) the nature of the steps that will be taken to prevent accumulation of ash in the premises of the Power Plant; and
 - (ii) the amount of the compensation that has been paid to the farmers whose cultivations have been damaged due to the ash that is emitted from the Power Plant?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether Norochcholai Plant has obtained a valid environmental protection licence;
 - (ii) if so, of the date on which the aforesaid licence was issued;
 - (iii) of the date on which that licence will expire; and
 - (iv) whether Ceylon Electricity Board will undertake the responsibility for the failure of the Power Plant to fulfill the conditions stipulated in that licence?
- (d) If not, why?

538/18

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) that he admits a SATHOSA branch was declared open at Kohuwala town in April 2017 and the Minister himself attended the opening;
 - (ii) whether he is aware that all the receipts issued by the branch are printed in English only;
 - (iii) whether he admits a British national with an Indian origin has been recruited as a consultant for computer work of this branch; and
 - (iv) the reason for enrolling a foreign national when there are adequate number of Sri Lankans who have the expertise ?
- (b) Will he also inform this House, whether measures will be taken to print the receipts printed only in English, in all three languages and to recruit Sri Lankans for computer activities?
- (c) If not, why ?

564/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) that the kidney disease is spreading fast in the North Western province;
 - (ii) if so, the Divisional Secretariat Division from which patients of kidney disease have been found at present and the number of patients that has been reported from each of those Divisional Secretariat Divisions, separately;
 - (iii) the number of patients of kidney disease reported from the Kurunegala and Puttalam districts from 2010;
 - (iv) the health facilities arranged by the government for the patients of kidney disease in the North Western province to obtain treatment; and
 - (v) the measures taken by the government for the wellbeing of the families in which there are patients of kidney disease?
- (b) If not, why?

584/'18

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,—To ask the Minister of Social Welfare and Primary Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of persons in the North Western Province who receive the Disability Allowance;
 - (ii) separately of the said number as per each Divisional Secretariat Division;
 - (iii) whether he is aware that a large number of persons remain in the Waiting list since 2015 to get the Disability allowance;
 - (iv) of the steps taken by the ministry to provide the Disability Allowance to the group of people who have been in the Waiting list for a considerable period of time?
- (b) If not, why?

967/'18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether it is intended to revive the Rajarata channel of the Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation which has become defunct at the moment; and
 - (ii) if so, of the date on which it will be done?
- (b) If not, why?

1114/'18

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the measures that have been taken by the government with a view to encourage writers from the year 2015 to date;
 - (ii) of the programme that has been implemented by the government for the welfare of the writers;
 - (iii) whether arrangements have been made to levy Royalty Tax under the new Tax Act introduced by the government;
 - (iv) if so, whether a clarification will be made on the aforesaid taxation methodology;
 - (v) whether the criteria behind charging Royalty Tax will be explained;
 - (vi) of the income expected to be generated through this; and
 - (vii) whether it is accepted that levying taxes as above, in an era where writing is a diminishing form of art would be an obstacle for the new professional writers entering the field?
- (b) If not, why?

1126/18

Hon. Wimal Weerawansa,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether the current Director General of the National Archives has assigned to herself the exclusive authority of monitoring confidential documents deposited at the National Archives, although the methodology adopted to monitor all main sections of the National Archives up to now, was to follow a formal mechanism where the said responsibility is shared by the Director General, the Staff Officer and a graduate officer who holds responsibility in this regard;
 - (ii) if so, of the reason behind such action;
 - (iii) of her qualifications which warranted the appointment as the Director General although she is not a person with any prior experience or professional qualifications in protecting and monitoring confidential documents of the public service; and
 - (iv) whether the risky decision to assign the responsibility of confidential documents to single individual within the establishment procedure would not be in violation of accepted establishment procedures?
 - (b) If not, why?
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Tuesday, September 18, 2018

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

11/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of schools maintained with minimum facilities in Sri Lanka which are in need of further development; and
 - (ii) the measures taken by the government to develop such schools?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of projects commenced under the ‘Nearest school is the best school’ project;
 - (ii) of them, the number of projects completed as of now;
 - (iii) of the number of projects not completed as of now;
 - (iv) of the reasons for non-completion of them;
 - (v) whether action will be taken to complete all above projects forthwith; and
 - (vi) of the time to be taken for it?
- (c) If not, why?

17/18

Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the number of Lanka CWE branches in the Kandy District;
 - (ii) the addresses of those branches;
 - (iii) the names, addresses and posts of persons recruited from the year 2010 up to now for the said CWE branches;
 - (iv) the method adopted for the said recruitment; and
 - (v) the measures to be taken by the Ministry to expand the Lanka CWE network in the Kandy District?
- (b) If not, why?

59/18

Hon.(Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana,—To ask the Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether he admits that it was proposed to provide government land in Hambanthota and Trincomalee to promote the ship building, ship breaking and ship repair industry as per budget proposal No.210 of 2016;
 - (ii) of the extent of government lands in Hambanthota and Trincomalee districts in hectares, according to the official reports compiled by the district secretary;
 - (iii) of the extent of land productively utilized and unutilized out of those government lands identified by the government, separately; and
 - (iv) of the extent of land distributed and the persons to whom lands were distributed as per budget proposal No.210 of 2016 and on what conditions?
- (b) If not, why?

143/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether he is aware that Matale District is known as the birthplace of Hockey in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) whether he admits that the Nandimithra Ekanayaka Ground which is used by Hockey players of Matale has not received any assistance for development in the past few years; and
 - (iii) of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to develop Hockey in Matale so that the Matale District can once again claim the pride in the game of Hockey?
- (b) If not, why?

176/18

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 Presidential Commission of inquiring into serious Acts of Fraud, Corruption and Abuse of power, state Resources and privileges was established;
 - (ii) the number of complaints received by it as at 01.09.2017;
 - (iii) the allegations against which the said commission has concluded its investigations and reports handed over; and
 - (iv) the measures taken in respect of the recommendations made by that commission so far?
- (b) If not, why?

210/18

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise & Kandy City Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the members of the Weliamuna Committee which compiled a report on Sri Lankan Airlines;
 - (ii) the amount of money paid to the members of the committee for the compilation of the said report;
 - (iii) the number of recommendations in the said committee report; and
 - (iv) out of the said recommendations, the recommendations that have been implemented as of now?
- (b) If not, why?

258/18

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Petroleum Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House –
 - (i) of the total number of filling station licences that have been issued to the Ratnapura District since 2010;
 - (ii) of the names and addresses of the persons to whom those licences have been issued; and
 - (iii) of the methodology that has been adopted in issuing those licences?
- (b) If not, why?

401/18

Hon. T. Ranjith De Soyza,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a consignment of fuel pumps (meter readable) were purchased for the Ceylon Fishery Harbours Corporation in the year 2013 or 2014, or a year close to these;
 - (ii) if so, how many;
 - (iii) the country of manufacture, the year of manufacture and the brand of the fuel pumps are;
 - (iv) the price of a pump is; and
 - (v) how much was spent in total?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the brand of fuel pumps concerned are those approved by the standard test of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation;
 - (ii) whether those pumps are still in use or removed from use;
 - (iii) if they have been removed from use, what the reason was;
 - (iv) if they have been removed from use, what action will be taken against the officers who purchased the pumps concerned; and
 - (v) the financial loss caused to the government by this purchase?
- (c) If not, why?

412/18

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,—To ask the Minister of City Planning and Water Supply,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) how many households within the Jaffna District had been connected to the supply of cleaned drinking water by the National Water Supply and Drainage Board by 1983;
 - (ii) how many households are provided with cleaned drinking water at present;
 - (iii) what amount in full was allocated by the government in each year for providing drinking water until the end of the war situation after 1983;
 - (iv) what amount in full was allocated by the government for projects implemented for the supply of drinking water, separately in respect of each of the years following the war situation until the year 2015; and
 - (v) whether he will table a progress report on all above?
- (b) If not, why?

442/18

Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera,— To ask the Minister of Highways & Road Development,—(2)

- (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 1st 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?

464/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the addresses of ministerial offices of the State Minister of Mahaweli Development;
 - (ii) if rent or lease is paid for the said offices, the monthly rental/lease; and
 - (iii) the total rent/lease paid from the year 2015 up to the year 2017?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) the number of officials in the personal staff of the State Minister;
 - (ii) the number of vehicles allocated for the said personal staff; and
 - (iii) the number of vehicles allocated to the State Minister?
- (c) If not, why?

470/18

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,— (2)

- (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?

540/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether he is aware of the fact that Mr. K.D. Premasiri of No.137, Awissawella Rd., Wellampitiya was turned down and the then Secretary to the Minister of Higher Education and Highways refused acceptance of his appeal regarding an injustice caused to him when lands were acquired for road development;
 - (ii) whether he admits that the conventional practice is to accept the appeal when such appeals are submitted by any party and that refusing to accept an appeal is not the appropriate conduct that should be adopted by a government servant; and
 - (iii) if so, whether action will be taken to accept the said appeal, take impartial action in this regard and inform the appellant?
- (b) If not, why?

565/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the facts that will be taken into consideration when establishing the proposed new Local Authorities in the Putlam District; and
 - (ii) of the names of the Divisional Secretariat Divisions and Grama Niladhari Divisions that will come under the aforementioned Local Authorities?
- (b) If not, why?

585/18

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— To ask the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the name of the Ayurvedic Commissioner of the North Western Provincial Council ;
 - (ii) his educational and professional qualifications;
 - (iii) the positions that have been given in the Ayurvedic Department of the North Western Province on acting basis without considering professional and other qualifications; and
 - (iv) the steps that are taken by the Ministry to award promotions on qualifications in the Ayurvedic Department of the North Western Province?
- (b) If not, why?

Wednesday, September 19, 2018
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

18/18

Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Sri Lanka Transport Board depots in the Kandy District;
 - (ii) the names of those depots;
 - (iii) the number of buses currently operated by each of the said depots;
 - (iv) of these depots, separately those making profits and those incurring losses;
 - (v) the number of vacancies in each of the said depots;
 - (vi) the number of jobs provided in these depots and the names of persons who received those jobs, after the current 'Good Governance' government came to power; and
 - (vii) the measures to be taken by the Ministry to improve the fleet of the CTB depots in the Kandy District?
- (b) If not, why?

60/18

Hon.(Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana,—To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the action taken to encourage private sector to manufacture Triple Super Phosphate (TSP) as per the budget proposal No. 211 of the 2016 budget;
 - (ii) whether a report that has been prepared on the feasibility study of the phosphate deposit of Sri Lanka will be submitted;
 - (iii) if not, why;
 - (iv) the contribution made by the public sector for the manufacture of phosphate in each year during the period from the year 1990 up to now, separately;
 - (v) the amount by which the expenditure incurred (annually) to import fertilizer was reduced through the contribution made by public sectors for the manufacture of phosphate; and
 - (vi) the benefits that have been achieved through this budget proposal by now?
- (b) If not, why?

144/18

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,— To ask the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) a large number of patients arrive at the Out Patient Department of Dambulla District Hospital every day to get medical treatment; and
 - (ii) this hospital does not have sufficient toilet facilities for those patients?
- (b) If so, will he inform this House of the nature of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to improve facilities at Dambulla District Hospital?
- (c) If not, why?

177/18

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) whether the government of China has signed an agreement with the government of Sri Lanka for the Shangrila Hotel project in Colombo;
 - (ii) accordingly, the parties who have signed the agreement on behalf of China and Sri Lanka;
 - (iii) the date on which the agreement was signed;

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- (iv) whether that agreement will be tabled in this House;
 - (v) the land area that has been given for that project;
 - (vi) the basis on which the aforesaid land has been given; and
 - (vii) if it has been given on free hold basis the number of the free hold title along with the date and the place of the seal affixed to it?
- (b) If not, why?

211/18

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Minister of Internal Affairs & Wayamba Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) If there is a circular, a regulation or a cabinet decision containing information that determines whether any person is entitled to a diplomatic passport, what it is;
 - (ii) other than the President, the members of the Constitutional Council, the members of the commissions appointed by the Constitutional Council, the Governors, the Chief Ministers, the judges, the Members of Parliament, the Ministers of the Provincial Councils, the Secretaries to the Ministries or those holding similar posts and the officers of the diplomatic service, the other posts with entitlement for a diplomatic passport;
 - (iii) whether diplomatic passports have been issued to persons who do not belong to the above posts; and
 - (iv) if so, the reasons for same?
- (b) If not, why?

228/18

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

- (a) Is he aware that —
- (i) the Road Development Authority commenced the construction works of the bridge that is located in the main road that runs towards the village of Valluwarpannai, Uttruppulam, in the Killinochchi District on 25th August 2016 under the 'programme to develop 1000 bridges';
 - (ii) the contract period of the aforesaid bridge ended on 21st May 2017; and
 - (iii) the construction works of the aforesaid bridge are yet to be completed?

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- (b) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether some action has been taken to complete the construction works of the aforesaid bridge; and
 - (ii) if so, of the date on which the construction works of the aforesaid bridge will be completed?
- (c) If not, why?

259/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether he is aware that there is a school named Higgaswatta Primary College in Kuruwita;
 - (ii) the number of students that are studying in the aforesaid school along with the number of teachers that are serving there at present ;
 - (iii) one portion of the embankment of the school land is prone to landslide; and
 - (iv) if so , the steps that will be taken by the Ministry in this regard ?
- (b) If not , why ?

473/18

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether facts given under paragraph number 05 (a) (i) to (v) of the investigation report bearing number SIN/B/AG/KI/2017/02 and dated 2017.04.20 sent to the Chief Secretary of Uva Province by the Auditor-General with pertinence to the malpractices that have taken place and are taking place in the Uva Provincial Council, which has disclosed about obtaining financial sponsorship for the distribution of bags for pre-schools, will be submitted to the House; and
 - (ii) whether the observations made from (b) (i) to (iii) pertaining to the aforesaid disclosures will be presented?
- (b) If not, why?

566/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of vacancies for teachers in the schools administered by the Northwestern Provincial Council;
 - (ii) the measures taken by the Provincial Council to fill those vacancies;
 - (iii) whether he is aware that there is a disagreement between the Provincial Minister of Education and the Provincial Public Services Council over the conduct of examination for the recruitment of teachers in the Northwestern Province; and
 - (iv) the measures to be taken by the Ministry to resolve this disagreement by conducting the aforesaid examination and fill vacancies for teachers in the Province?
- (b) If not, why?

586/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether Ceylon Electricity Board has a Disaster Management Plan;
 - (ii) if not, of the reasons for not having such a plan;
 - (iii) whether Ceylon Electricity Board has a Business Continuity Plan; and
 - (iv) if not, of the reasons for not having such a plan;
- (b) If not, why?

968/18

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Plantation Industries,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Dhathusena Watta of Kalawewa with an extent of approximately 1000 acres which comes under the ownership of a Malsiripura Plantation Company has become a barren land gone in to wilderness at present;
 - (ii) this land can be renovated and reconstructed enabling the government to earn an income out of it; and
- (b) If so, will he inform this House of the date on which the aforesaid task would be initiated?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Padma Udaya Shantha Gunasekara,—To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise & Kandy City Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the year in which Sevenagala sugar factory was started;
 - (ii) the acreage of land allocated for that factory;
 - (iii) the acreage of land allocated for cultivation of sugar cane for that factory?
- (b) Will he also inform this House with relevance to each year separately—
 - (i) the area cultivated with sugar cane out of the land allocated for sugar cane cultivation;
 - (ii) the total quantity of sugar cane obtained from the total area cultivated;
 - (iii) the quantity of sugar cane ground;
 - (iv) the total quantity of sugar produced; and
 - (v) the profit earned through the sale of sugar; within the last five years?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration & Management and Law & Order,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) an injustice has been done to around ten officers when promotions were granted on merit basis in 1998 to fill the vacancies in Grade 11, Class 2 of Sri Lanka Administrative Service; and
 - (ii) an injustice has been done to them as a result of granting promotions by way of double promotions, in total disregard of the provisions of the Establishment Code and Public Administration Circulars by holding an examination with a delay of seven years from the time that vacancies occurred?
- (b) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the reasons for not referring the relevant officers for promotions as those promotions are granted by the end of the service period or after the retirement of an officer; and
 - (ii) the measures that will be taken to deliver justice to the individuals who have been subjected to injustice in that manner?
- (c) If not, why?

1115/18

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Plantation Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the quantity of tea annually exported by Sri Lanka in Metric tons;
 - (ii) of the countries that purchase tea from Sri Lanka; and
 - (iii) whether tea in bulk is subjected to proper tests and exported under a standard monitoring mechanism, when tea is exported by the Sri Lanka Tea Board; and
 - (iv) if not, of the authority that holds the responsibility of the quality of tea exported ?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether sugar or other flavors and colourings were added during the process of drying and processing tea in the factories during the past period;
 - (ii) whether it has been confirmed through testing;
 - (iii) whether a measuring unit is available to measure up the sugar concentration of tea; and
 - (iv) of the measures that will be taken against those who engage in activities that are harmful to the proper quality of tea?
- (c) If not, why ?

595/18

Hon. Susantha PUNCHILAME,— To ask the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of researches underway on the Kidney disease prevalent in the North Central and Eastern Provinces of which a cause has not been specifically identified by now;
 - (ii) of the names of the researchers and institutions that conduct those researches;
 - (iii) of the dates on which the conclusions of those researches are due; and
 - (iv) of the amount of money allocated for those researches?
 - (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the steps that have been taken to prevent the people from afflicting with this disease, in addition to treatment given to patients with the disease;
 - (ii) whether a water filter known as LIFE SAVER which is said to be a product of IOCN LIFE SAVER in Britain has been introduced to this country in addition to Reverse Osmosis Plant that produce distilled water; and
 - (iii) whether he will explain why it cannot be used to control the spread of the kidney disease?
 - (c) If not, why?
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Thursday, September 20, 2018
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

12/18

Hon. Kanaka Herath,— To ask the Minister of Plantation Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of families in Sri Lanka whose livelihood depend on smallholder rubber industry; and
 - (ii) whether he admits that they have been driven to a state of despair due to the decline in the rubber industry?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the quantity of rubber for which the Economic Service Charge (ESC) was levied per person prior to the year 2015;
 - (ii) of the amount of the ESC so levied;
 - (iii) of the quantity of rubber for which the ESC is levied per person as of today; and
 - (iv) whether the ESC has added more burden on the people engaged in the small rubber industry and rubber smallholders?
- (c) If not, why?

32/18

Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Petroleum Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of fuel filling stations located in the district of Kandy;
 - (ii) of the addresses of the aforesaid filling stations;
 - (iii) separately, of the filling stations coming under the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation and the Indian Oil Company(IOC);
 - (iv) of the number of filling station permits that have been issued in the district of Kandy from the year 2010 to date;
 - (v) of the names and the addresses of the persons who obtained the aforesaid permits;
 - (vi) of the amount of money earned by the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation by so issuing the permits; and
 - (vii) of the criteria considered by the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation in issuing the permits for Fuel filling stations?
- (b) If not, why?

61/18

Hon.(Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana,—To ask the Minister of Finance and Mass Media,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House separately in Rupees and in US Dollars—

- (i) the amount of Sri Lankan Export goods and the income received;
- (ii) the amount of Sri Lankan import goods and the expenditure borne;
- (iii) the trade balance;

reported at the end of each year from the year 2000 to 2016, since it has been emphasized with great responsibility by the Budget proposals of year 2016 that the exports of trade goods in Sri Lanka which was at the percentage of 33.3 in 2000 declined to 14% in the year 2014;

(b) Will he also inform this House—

- (i) whether the values related to (i), (ii), and (iii) above will be given as a percentage of the Gross Domestic production; and
- (ii) of the Sri Lanka's contribution in the global export market from the year 2000 to 2017 separately as per each year?

(c) If not, why?

178/18

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

(a) Will she inform this House—

- (i) whether it has been proposed to construct a building complex for the Minister of Justice & Prison Reforms, a training institute for judges and a building complex for judicial affairs under the project of "House of Justices";
- (ii) the estimated cost of the aforesaid project;
- (iii) whether tenders have been called for the aforesaid constructions;
- (iv) the companies which submitted tenders and the bids offered by them;
- (v) the construction company which carry out the aforesaid construction work;
- (vi) the date on which it is expected to complete the aforesaid construction work?

(b) If not, why ?

212/18

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Minister of Megapolis and Western Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) if the Urban Development Authority has prohibited the reclamation of low lying lands in the district of Colombo, the year on which that ban was imposed;
 - (ii) if that ban has been lifted by now the date on which the ban was lifted and the reasons that led to that;
 - (iii) the number of low lying lands in the district of Colombo for which the approval has been granted by the Urban Development Authority or the Sri Lanka Land Reclamation and Development Corporation to reclaim from 10.01.2015 up to now;
 - (iv) the names of the persons to whom the approval was given?
- (b) If not, why?

260/18

Hon. Heshu Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Plantation Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the number of tea small holders in Rathnapura district;
 - (ii) of the names and the addresses of aforesaid tea small holders;
 - (iii) of the number of tea small holders affected by recent disaster situations; and
 - (iv) of the measures taken and will be taken by the ministry in order to revive aforesaid tea small holders?
- (b) If not, why?

402/18

Hon. T. Ranjith De Soyza,— To ask the Minister of Highways & Road Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the average monthly income of the Southern Expressway ;
 - (ii) whether a separate account which is solely for the Southern Expressway is maintained for depositing the aforesaid income;
 - (iii) if so , the total balance of the aforesaid account;
 - (iv) whether the government has obtained any amount of money from the aforesaid account in or around August 2017;
 - (v) if so , the aforesaid amount;
 - (vi) the reason for obtaining such an amount of money from the money which has been deposited ?
- (b) If not , why ?

503/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of pre schools functioning in the district of Badulla;
 - (ii) separately of the name and the address of each of the aforesaid pre school;
 - (iii) of the number and the names of the pre school children who have hitherto obtained the benefits under the project to provide school bags for pre schools by the present Chief Minister of Uva province; and
 - (iv) of the expenditure incurred for this purpose and the sources through which funds were secured for the purpose?
- (b) If not, why?

542/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether it is admitted that a significant delay of 06 to 10 hours resulted when traveling to the Nuge Road Container Inspection Division where containers are currently inspected can be avoided if the land on either side of the Bluemandel entrance to the port is acquired by the port and utilized for the inspection of containers;
 - (ii) whether he is aware that the payment of demurrage is profitable for certain importers who purposely delay the clearance of goods that they have imported until their warehouses get emptied; and
 - (iii) if so, of the future measures taken with pertinence to (i) and (ii) above?
- (b) If not, why?

567/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of fisheries harbours in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the names of those harbours; and
 - (iii) the steps taken by the Ministry to develop each of those fisheries harbours, after the present good governance government came to power?
- (b) If not, why?

969/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether he is aware that the stadium situated in the Kebithigollewa city of the Kebithigollewa Divisional Secretariat Division is in a badly dilapidated state;
 - (ii) whether it is intended to renovate this stadium which is required to enhance the sports capabilities of the children of the schools of the area; and
 - (iii) if so, of the date on which the renovation activities of the said stadium will be commenced?
- (b) If not, why?

994/18

Hon. Padma Udaya Shantha Gunasekara,—To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise & Kandy City Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
- (i) the year in which Pelwatta sugar factory was started;
 - (ii) the acreage of land allocated for that factory; and
 - (iii) the acreage of land allocated for cultivation of sugar cane for that factory?
- (b) Will he also inform this House with relevance to each year separately—
- (i) the area cultivated with sugar cane out of the land allocated for sugar cane cultivation;
 - (ii) the total quantity of sugar cane obtained from the total area cultivated;
 - (iii) the quantity of sugar cane ground;
 - (iv) the total quantity of sugar produced; and
 - (v) the profit earned through the sale of sugar;
- within the last five years?
- (c) If not, why?

1109/'18

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Home Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the amount spent on the Galudupita public building constructed in Wattala Divisional Secretariat Division by the Divisional Secretary of Wattala;
 - (ii) of the purpose for which the said building was constructed;
 - (iii) whether the construction of that building on the relevant land that had been used as a playground by the children of that area has been done on a scientific basis;
 - (iv) whether he is aware of the fact that the building is leaning on to one side by now and that doors, windows and other valuables have been removed;
 - (v) of the steps that will be taken against those who are responsible for not using the said building for any purpose despite its completion by now; and
 - (vi) of the measures that will be taken regarding the building falling into a state of being overgrown with weeds by now?
- (b) If not, why?

1116/'18

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of archeological sites coming under the purview of the Central Cultural Fund;
 - (ii) of the names of the aforesaid sites as per each district?
 - (b) Will he also inform this House separately for each district—
 - (i) of the number of permanent employees;
 - (ii) of the number of casual employees;
 - (iii) of the number of employees serving under the contract basis;
 - (iv) of the number of employees absorbed to the permanent service out of the casual workers; and
 - (v) of the number of employees absorbed to the permanent service out of the contract basis employees;
- recruited for the aforesaid sites from the year 2015?

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- (c) Will he further inform this House—
- (i) whether these recruitments have been made as per a methodologies accepted by the government; and
 - (ii) of the number of staff vacancies currently existing as per each district?
- (d) If not, why?

1179/18

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of National Integration, Reconciliation and Official Languages,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately the name and designation of each officer who is attached to the personal staff of the Minister of National Integration, Reconciliation and Official Languages 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?

Friday, September 21, 2018

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

33/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the number of sales outlets belonging to the Ceylon Fisheries Corporation located in the district of Kandy;
 - (ii) of the addresses of the said sales outlets;
 - (iii) separately, of the income earned and the cost of maintenance of each of the aforesaid sales outlet; and
 - (iv) of the steps that would be taken by the Ministry to expand the branch network of the Ceylon Fisheries Corporation in the district of Kandy?
- (b) If not, why?

62/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether a Small and Medium Scale Enterprise Board was set up a counter on the Stock Exchange in accordance with the proposal No. 293 of the budget of the year 2016;
 - (ii) whether he admits the fact that industrialists are not adequately aware of this counter which is related to the realization of the great objective of providing financial facilities in a manner which is more advantageous to the small and medium scale entrepreneurs of the Stock Exchange;
 - (iii) if so, whether a description of the location of this counter and the services provided by it will be submitted; and
 - (iv) whether intervention will be made to formulate a national programme which grants financial resources for providing seed capital required for commencing small and medium scale enterprises, under concessionary conditions and interest rates keeping entrepreneurship skills as security?
- (b) If not, why?

145/18

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,— To ask the Minister of Sustainable Development, Wildlife and Regional Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether he is aware that people in many Divisional Secretariat Divisions including Dambulla, Galewela, Laggala, Pallegama and Wilgamuwa Divisions in Matale district are faced with wild elephant menace; and
 - (ii) if so, what vision and course of action the Ministry has for saving these people from the wild elephant menace?
- (b) If not, why?

179/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether a committee was appointed by the then Subject Minister to inquire about the murders that took place in the Welikada Prison on 10.11.2012;
 - (ii) if so, of the date on which it was done;

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- (iii) of the members of the said committee;
 - (iv) of the date on which the said report was handed over to the Subject Minister;
 - (v) of the recommendations included in the said report;
 - (vi) whether the said recommendations have been implemented; and
 - (vii) whether the aforesaid comprehensive report will be tabled?
- (b) If not, why?

213/18

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 names of the non citizens of Sri Lanka who hold the post of a director or a membership of a management board in corporations, statutory bodies or public companies as at 30.09.2017; and
 - (ii) the names of the dual citizens who hold the post of a director or a membership of a management board in corporations, statutory bodies or public companies as at 30.09.2017?
- (b) If not, why?

229/18

Hon. Douglas Devananda,—To ask the Minister of Resettlement, Rehabilitation, Northern Development & Hindu Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that —
- (i) despite the fact that the people of Vedivaithakal village of Vavuniya North Divisional Secretariat Division, who were displaced due to war in 1985, have been permitted to settle in the same village, they live in various areas undergoing various hardships as no basic facilities have been provided;
 - (ii) by reason of the absence of basic facilities including housing and transport and due to the threats of wild elephants, the people are not in a position to settle in aforesaid village;
 - (iii) the school which had been renovated under the financial assistance of Indian government well, has been abandoned; and
 - (iv) only 09 families live in neighboring village, Kovilpuliyankulam since no basic facilities are available and the school is also used as a storehouse?

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- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether measures will be taken to develop infrastructure and basic facilities of aforesaid villages and to resettle the people; and
 - (ii) if so, of aforesaid date?
- (c) If not, why?

304/18

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) there is a village named ‘Nonparial Nanadrad’ located 43 km away from Balangoda; and
 - (ii) the families living in that village suffer severe hardships due to the lack of required facilities?
- (b) If so, will he inform this House of the measures that will be taken by the Ministry to develop the aforesaid village?
- (c) If not, why?

448/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether there is a programme to grant full or semi scholarships through the President’s Fund to Sri Lankans for local or foreign academic purposes;
 - (ii) if so, the basis and the methodology for the selection of suitable persons for scholarships as per the said programme;
 - (iii) whether there is a system to award scholarships for students securing the highest marks at the G.C.E. (Advanced Level) examination;
 - (iv) whether there is a system to award scholarships to graduates for postgraduate studies;
 - (v) whether there is a system to award local or foreign scholarships except in (iii) and (iv) above;
 - (vi) if so, what that system is; and
 - (vii) separately the names of persons who received local or foreign scholarships outside the systems indicated in (iii) and (iv) above, the amount of money, institution and if a foreign country the name of same in respect of each year from the year 2005 to year 2017?
- (b) If not, why?

504/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of advisors that have been hitherto recruited to the Ministry of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports after the present good governance government came into power;
 - (ii) of the names, addresses and educational qualifications of the aforesaid advisors;
 - (iii) of the salaries, allowances and privileges provided to the aforesaid advisors;
 - (iv) of the total amount of money that has been so far spent for the purpose mentioned in (iii) above; and
 - (v) of the benefit of these advisors for the general public who obtain services from the Ministry of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports?
- (b) If not, why?

543/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether tenders have been called for industries in the premises of the Hambantota Port in the years 2010,2012 and 2016;
 - (ii) if so, of the annual assessment tax of the government for an hectare of land as calculated during the above occasions ;
 - (iii) whether it has been assessed as 50000 US dollars for an hectare in the years 2010 and 2012 and as 56000 US dollars for an hectare in the year 2016; and
 - (iv) of the above assessment as at today?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the amount assessed for a hectare when these lands of the Hambantota Port were handed over to the Chinese Company; and
 - (ii) whether another appropriate location would be offered for the Investment Companies that obtained approval following the proper tender procedure, having dealt with the Sri Lanka Ports Authority for many years?
- (c) If not, why?

568/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Ministry of Home Affairs has launched a program to provide Bowsers to drought ridden regions;
 - (ii) if so, of the number of Divisional Secretariat Divisions for which aforesaid Bowsers have been provided;
 - (iii) of the number of Bowser trucks provided for the Puttlam district which was severely affected by the drought and separately, of the Divisional Secretariat Divisions for which aforesaid Bowsers have been provided ; and
 - (iv) of the measures that the Ministry will take in order to provide Bowsers for other Divisional Secretariat Divisions ?
- (b) If not why ?

587/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether action will be taken to privatize the Ceylon Electricity Board;
 - (ii) if so, of the reason behind such action;
 - (iii) of the steps taken by the Ministry to prevent the incurring of losses by the Ceylon Electricity Board; and
 - (iv) whether he admits that the method adopted to calculate the charges payable by consumers of electricity is not fair?
- (b) If not, why?

970/18

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of City Planning and Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Kala Wewa hospital situated in Ipalogama Divisional Secretariat Division has faced the problem of severe shortage of drinking water;
 - (ii) the Kala Wewa drinking water project in operation now has stopped 500 metres away from the hospital;
 - (iii) Kala Wewa hospital as well as the people living in the villages of Balalu Wewa, Dik Edi Yaya, Karawilagala and Negama situated beyond this hospital could be provided with drinking water through this 500 metre extension; and
 - (iv) If so, will he inform this House the date by which action would be taken to extend this water project?
- (b) If not, why?

Hon. Padma Udaya Shantha Gunasekara,—To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise & Kandy City Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the year in which Hingurana sugar factory was started;
 - (ii) the acreage of land allocated for that factory;
 - (iii) the acreage of land allocated for cultivation of sugar cane for that factory?
- (b) Will he also inform this House with relevance to each year separately—
 - (i) the area cultivated with sugar cane out of the land allocated for sugar cane cultivation;
 - (ii) the total amount of sugar cane obtained from the total area cultivated;
 - (iii) the amount of sugar cane ground;
 - (iv) the total amount of sugar produced; and
 - (v) the profit earned through the sale of sugar; within the last five years?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) separately, as per each year, of the quantity of rice imported by Lanka Sathosa Ltd. since 2015 to date;
 - (ii) whether the prices at which aforesaid rice was imported will be stated;
 - (iii) of the manner in which the aforesaid rice was issued to the market;
 - (iv) separately, of the quantity of rice issued to the market annually and the prices of the same since year 2015 to date;
 - (v) of the quantity of rice that the Lak Sathosa Ltd. purchased from private sector in the years 2017 and 2018;
 - (vi) of the amount of money paid for a Kilogram of rice; and
 - (vii) of the business enterprises from which rice was so purchased?
 - (b) If not, why?
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