

[Eighth Parliament - First Session]

No. 231.]

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ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Friday, December 08, 2017 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

692/'16

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the people whose livelihood is brass industry are quitting the industry at present;
 - (ii) there are problems relating to raw materials and market; and
 - (iii) this is an industry that can bring in a lot of foreign exchange to the country?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether brass products are exported;
 - (ii) if so, the income earned from exporting brass products in 2015;
 - (iii) if not exported, whether steps will be taken to export such products; and
 - (iv) if so, the date from which it will be done?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the government has taken steps to expand the domestic market for the brass industry; and
 - (ii) if so, what those steps are?
- (d) If not, why?

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1245/'16

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,— To ask the Minister of City Planning and Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) how many households within the Ampara 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 was allocated by the government in each year for providing drinking water until the end of the war situation after 1983;
- (iv) what amounts had been 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?

3.

1750/'17

Hon. Lucky Jayawardana,—To ask the Minister of Finance and Mass Media,—(2)

- (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 channel;
 - (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?

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2069/'17

Hon. Douglas Devananda,—To ask the Minister of Prison Reforms, Rehabilitation, Resettlement and Hindu Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that
 - people of Urani area in Walikamam North within the Telippalai Divisional Secretariat Division in the Jaffna District have been resettled since last January;
 - (ii) as such, 20 families live there;
 - (iii) these people have been severely affected due to lack of tools to be engaged in entrepreneur for earning their livelihoods; and
 - (iv) they had been promised at the time of resettling that they would be provided with tools to conduct their occupations?

- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) what steps have been taken so far to provide people with tools for work; and
 - (ii) on which date such tools will be provided?
- (c) If not, why?

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2122/'17

Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera,— To ask the Minister of Petroleum Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the import tax levied by the government on a litre of petrol when importing petrol;
 - (ii) whether the government levies any other tax on a litre of petrol other than the import tax;
 - (iii) if so, what those taxes are; and
 - (iv) the amount levied as taxes on a litre of petrol separately in relation to each type of tax?
- (b) Will he also inform this House-
 - (i) the total amount levied by the government as taxes on a litre of petrol, as the percentage of the retail price of a litre of petrol; and
 - (ii) the retail price at which a litre of petrol can be made available to the customer if all taxes imposed on a litre of petrol are lifted?
- (c) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the imposition of various types of taxes on a litre of petrol by the government has resulted in the price of goods and services increasing; and
 - (ii) the prices of goods and services can be brought down if all taxes imposed on a litre of petrol by the government are lifted?
- (d) If not, why?

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2141/'17

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of anchorages in the district of Puttalam and the places in which they are situated;
 - (ii) the number of multi day and one day fishing boats that have been registered in the Puttalam district in respect of each Divisional Secretariat Division separately; and
 - (iii) separately the number of fishermen in each Divisional Secretariat Division?

- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) the amount of money that have been spent to develop the infra structure facilities in the fisheries sector;
 - (ii) the number of multi day and one day boats that have been distributed on subsidy basis; and
 - (iii) the details about the fishing gear, message communication machines and life jackets that have been distributed on subsidy basis;

from 2010 up to now in the Puttlam District?

(c) If not, why?

7.

2174/'17

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

- (a) Will he inform this House whether—
 - (i) he acknowledges that being a dual citizen is a disqualification for becoming a Member of Parliament as per the Constitution; and
 - (ii) the methodology adopted by the government to determine whether a certain individual is a dual citizen?
- (b) If not, why?

8.

2218/'17

Hon. S. Shritharan,— To ask the Minister of Prison Reforms, Rehabilitation, Resettlement and Hindu Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware
 - (i) of the Paravipanjan area situated in the Killinochchi Town Grama Niladhari Division in the Kilinochchi District;
 - (ii) that resettlement activities in that area are yet to be completed;
 - (iii) that, after a long time, people were, step by step, resettled in that area, which was under military control;
 - (iv) that, it has been informed by the President that the lands belonging to the people living in this area will be released from the control of the military and will be given to those people;
 - (v) that, an extent of lands of 17.2 acres is yet to be released; and
 - (vi) that, for this reason, 56 families to whom those lands belong have been rendered destitute because they do not have any other place to settle in?

- (b) Will he inform this House
 - (i) whether those lands have been completely released as informed by the President;
 - (ii) of the date on which the lands that are in extent of 17.2 acres will be released;
 - (iii) of the date on which action will be taken to resettle the 56 families referred to in (a)(vi) above; and
 - (iv) of the nature of the action that has been taken in that regard?
- (c) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Business of the Parliament,— That the proceedings on Item Nos. 2 and 3 of Public Business appearing on the Order Paper be exempted at this day's sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order No. 23 of the Parliament.

2.

Hon. Namal Rajapaksa,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.1),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

"Bill to incorporate the Mohan Lanka Foundation."

3.

Hon. K. Kader Masthan,— Leave to introduce Bill (No. 2),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

"Bill to incorporate the Ayeshah Education Trust"

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*a1.

Appropriation Bill (2018) — (Twenty Third Allotted Day) — Committee (Progress 07th December).

*2.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Resolution under the Strategic Development Projects Act (No. 1),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade under subsection (4) of Section 3 of the Strategic Development Projects Act, No. 14 of 2008 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2048/ 31 of 07th December, 2017, which was presented on 07.12.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*3.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Resolution under the Strategic Development Projects Act (No. 2),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade under subsection (4) of Section 3 of the Strategic Development Projects Act, No. 14 of 2008 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2048/ 32 of 07th December, 2017, which was presented on 07.12.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading. (Cabinet approval signified.)

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*4.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Notification under the Excise Ordinance,— That the Notification made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 32 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) read with Sections 12, 14 and 22 regarding Excise duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2029/51 of 28th July 2017, which was presented on 09.10.2017, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 996)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*6.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Excise (Special Provisions) Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 3 of the Excise (Special Provisions) Act, No. 13 of 1989, relating to Excise Duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2032/31 of 17th August 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*7.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.1),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2021/7 of 30th May 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*8.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2022/7 of 06th June 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.3),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 5 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2022/8 of 06th June 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*10.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.4),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2025/44 of 30th June 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*11.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.5),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2028/44 of 19th July 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*12.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.6),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2029/25 of 26th July 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*13.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.7),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2030/10 of 31st July 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*14.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.8),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2030/20 of 01st August 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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*15.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.9),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2032/11 of 15th August 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*16.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.10),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2032/24 of 16th August 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*17.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.11),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2033/31 of 23rd August 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*18.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.12),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2035/28 of 08th September 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*19.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.13),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2039/2 of 02nd October 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*20.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Resolution under the Customs Ordinance,— That the Resolution under Section 10 of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to Import Duties, which was presented on 18.11.2017, be approved.

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 2031/49 of 11th August 2017)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*21.

Commercial Mediation Centre of Sri Lanka (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading (Cabinet approval signified.)

*22.

Anti-Dumping and Countervailing Duties Bill — Second Reading (Cabinet approval signified.)

*23.

Safeguard Measures Bill — Second Reading (Cabinet approval signified.)

*24.

Fisheries (Regulation of Foreign Fishing Boats) (Amendment) Bill- Second Reading

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*25.

Revised Draft Standing Orders of Parliament,— Report of the Committee on Standing Orders in relation to the revised Draft of the Standing Orders of Parliament presented on Tuesday, 07th November 2017,— Consideration.

*26.

Twentieth Amendment to the Constitution Bill-Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*27.

International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*28.

Buddhist Temporalities (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading. (Cabinet approval signified.)

*29.

Theravadi Bhikku Kathikawath (Registration) Bill — Second Reading. (Cabinet approval signified.)

*30.

Resolution under the Constitution,— Adjourned Debate on Question $(22^{nd} \text{ June}, 2016)$ Motion made and question proposed,—"Media guidelines to be followed/ Policies to be observed by the Electronic and Print Media during Referenda and Elections published by the Election Commission in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1955/19 of 25^{th} February 2016 in terms of the provisions of Article 104B (5)(a) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka which was presented on 06.05.2016, be approved."

31.

Institute of Personnel Management, Sri Lanka (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

32.

Child Rehabilitation Centre (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

33.

United Christian Fellowship of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) Bill - Second Reading.

34.

Sri Lanka Women's Conference (Incorporation) Bill - Second Reading.

35.

Moneragala District Kantha Maha Sangamaya (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

36.

Lasallian Community Education Services (Incorporation) Bill - Second Reading.

37.

International Women's and Children's Rights (IWCRC) (Incorporation) Bill-Second Reading.

38.

Aloka Social Service Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

39.

Institute of Certified Public Accountants (Incorporation) Bill - Second Reading.

* Indicates Government Business.

NOTICES OF AMENDMENTS RELATING TO ORDERS OF THE DAY

a1.

For amendments in Committee on the Appropriation Bill (2018)—See separate Paper "Supplement to the Orders of the Day".