



(Eighth Parliament - Second Session)

No. 16.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Friday, June 22, 2018 at 10.00 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

19/18

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 playgrounds in Kandy district;
 - (ii) the names of those playgrounds;
 - (iii) the number and names of those developed from 2010 up to now, out of the said playgrounds;
 - (iv) the amount spent to develop those playgrounds, separately;
 - (v) the names, addresses and contact numbers of the persons or institutions that obtained the contracts for developing the said playgrounds; and
 - (vi) the steps taken by the Ministry to develop the remaining playgrounds in Kandy district?

(b) If not, why?

2.

41/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the measures taken in the year 2016 in order to achieve the objective of making regional plantation companies registered companies in the Colombo Stock Exchange, as per the proposal No. 156 of the 2016 budget ;
 - (ii) whether he will submit a comprehensive report of the plantation companies established in the year 1992 along with the names of their owners;

(2)

- (iii) the profits earned or the losses incurred by each of the plantation company mentioned above in each year during the period from the year 1992 up to 2016, separately; and
- (iv) the number of acres owned by each regional plantation company mentioned above along with their productivity, separately?

(b) If not, why?

3.

133/18

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

(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?

4.

160/18

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

(a) Will he inform this House in respect of each district separately—

- (i) the number of students who sat for the G.C.E (Advanced Level) examination in the biology stream in 2015 from Matale, Nuwara-Eliya and Kandy districts;
- (ii) the number and the percentage of the students who were qualified for university entrance;
- (iii) the number and the percentage of the students qualified for medical faculties; and
- (iv) the minimum result of the students who were qualified for the medical faculty, Z-score, the school in which each student studied and the medical faculty to which they got selected?

(b) If not, why?

(3)

5.

197/18

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources & Disaster Management,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House in regard to the floods caused by the river water and rain water in the wet zone in the year 2017—
 - (i) the number of persons who lost their lives;
 - (ii) the number of persons who became disabled;
 - (iii) the total amount of compensation paid by the government to the persons who were affected by the floods;
 - (iv) the amount of compensation paid by the government on behalf of a person who lost his life;
 - (v) the maximum and minimum amount of compensation paid for the houses that were affected by the floods;
 - (vi) whether permanent houses will be provided to all those who were displaced; and
 - (vii) the nearest date on which a permanent house was provided to a family that was displaced?
- (b) If not, why?

6.

218/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the cadre in the post of Agriculture Research Production Assistant of the Department of Agrarian Development in the Jaffna district; and
 - (ii) the number of officers who are currently serving on this post and the number of vacancies available ;
 - (iii) of the date on which the vacancies existing in the above department would be filled; and
 - (iv) whether acting appointments are given or acting allowances paid to the officers who are acting on the above post?
- (b) If not, why?

(4)

7.

393/18

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 new ministerial portfolios created by the Central Government for provincial development in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) of those Ministries, separately; and
 - (iii) the amount of money allocated to those Ministries for the year 2017, separately?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Ministry of Sabaragamuwa Development had made allocations for project development;
 - (ii) if so, the amount so allocated; and
 - (iii) of those projects are?
- (c) If not, why?

8.

413/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of families beneficial by Samurdhi relief in the Moneragala district;
 - (ii) the number of such families, in terms of the value of the stamps they receive, separately;
 - (iii) whether any categorisation has been done on the information of the last Samurdhi survey;
 - (iv) the number of appeals received after that survey in relation to each Divisional Secretariat division separately; and
 - (v) the steps to be taken in future in regard to those appeals?
- (b) If not, why?

(5)

9.

425/18

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) about 100 families have constructed permanent houses and are living in the “Diyawara” village (fishing village) established during the previous regime above the watershed of the Kala Weva tank within the Ipalogama Divisional Secretariat Division; and
 - (ii) those people have not received ownership to those lands so far?
- (b) If so, will he inform this House of the date on which action will be taken to grant them ownership of these lands?
- (c) If not, why?

10.

449/18

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Sustainable Development, Wildlife and Regional Development,—(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 Sustainable Development, Wildlife and Regional Development and has been allocated official vehicles, along with details of 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?

11.

493/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of Divineguma Community Based Banks (Samurdhi Banks) that operate within Badulla district;
 - (ii) of the locations of those banks; and
 - (iii) of the number of beneficiaries who benefit from each bank branch?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of employees serving at each of the banks mentioned in a (i) above and their names and designations separately;
 - (ii) whether any vacancies exist at those banks at present; and
 - (iii) if so, of the methodology adopted to recruit employees for those vacancies?
- (c) If not, why?

(6)

12.

517/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of students who receive Dhamma School education in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) of the amount of money available in the fund set up for the development of Dhamma Schools;
 - (iii) of the allocations made in the budget 2017 to build up aforesaid fund;
 - (iv) of the promotions carried out by the government so as to complement and appreciate the services rendered by the teachers of Dhamma schools and to retain them in the service;
 - (v) of the new measures taken by the government to regulate and ban tuition classes held on Sunday morning hours as they stand in the way when the students are directed towards the Dhamma education?
- (b) If not, why?

13.

527/18

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Mr.R.Jayabal residing at No.25/14, Maradana Watta, Hendala, Wattala, depended on the interest income received by depositing one million rupees for three years with Ceylinco Reality and Consolidated Ltd., a company that was registered with the Central Bank of Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the interest payable on the said amount has been paid intermittently in an irregular manner; and
 - (iii) even though the balance of Rs. 525, 000/- out of the amount initially deposited, has to be paid back on maturity, the company has failed to provide that amount despite repeated requests made?
- (b) Will he inform this House on the steps that will be taken regarding defrauding of depositors this manner done by several such companies including the aforesaid one?
- (c) If not, why?

(7)

14.

552/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the names of the ministers who hold ministerial portfolios in the North Western Provincial Council;
 - (ii) separately, the Ministries that come under them;
 - (iii) the institutions and other statutory bodies coming under each Minister;
 - (iv) the number of appointments that have been given by each Minister after the present government of good governance came into power;
 - (v) the names, addresses, educational qualifications and the posts of the persons to whom the appointments were given;
 - (vi) the procedure followed in giving those appointments; and
 - (vii) if any irregularity taken place when these appointments were given, the steps taken by the Ministry in this regard?
- (b) If not, why?

Votes of Condolence

1. The late Hon. A.R.M. Abdul Cader, ex-Member of Parliament.
2. The late Hon. (Mrs.) Renuka Herath, ex-Member of Parliament.
3. The late Hon. (Mrs.) Mallika Ratwatte, ex-Member of Parliament.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

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 25 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) regarding on Excise duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2054/42 of 18th January 2018, which was presented on 22.05.2018, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 04/2018)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*2.

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 read with Section 32 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) relating to Annual Liquor License Fees and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2049/4 of 11th December 2017, which was presented on 20.03.2018, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 1004)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*3.

The Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,— Regulations under the National Medicines Regulatory Authority Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine under paragraph (u) of Section 142(2) read with the Sections 59 and 63 of the National Medicines Regulatory Authority Act, No. 5 of 2015 relating to Registration and Licensing of Medicines (fees) Regulations No. 2 of 2017 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2052/33 of 05th January 2018, which were presented on 03.04.2018, be approved.

*4.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 3(3) of the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act, No. 18 of 2011 relating to Ports and Airports Development Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2049/16 of 13th December 2017, which was presented on 05.06.2018, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*5.

National Audit Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*6.

Demutualization of the Colombo Stock Exchange Bill — Committee.

*7.

Code of Criminal Procedure (Special Provisions) (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*8.

Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*9.

Commercial Mediation Centre of Sri Lanka (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*10.

Securities Exchange Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*11.

Pradeshiya Sabhas (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*12.

Prescription (Special Provisions) (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*13.

Commissions of Inquiry (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*14.

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

*15.

Land (Restrictions on Alienation) (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*16.

The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of People's Bank (2016),— That the Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of People's Bank together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2016 and presented on 16.11.2017 under Section 35(3) of Monetary Law and under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 06.03.2018)

*17.

The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of Sri Lanka Cashew Corporation (2015),— That the Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of Sri Lanka Cashew Corporation together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2015 and presented on 24.11.2017 under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 06.03.2018)

*18.

The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of Bank of Ceylon (2016),— That the Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of Bank of Ceylon together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2016 and presented on 04.12.2017 under Section 35(3) of Monetary Law and under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 06.03.2018)

*19.

The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Financial Statements of Regional Development Bank (2015),— That the Annual Report and Financial Statements of Regional Development Bank together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2015 and presented on 07.11.2017 under Section 35(3) of Monetary Law Act and under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 06.03.2018)

*20.

The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Financial Statements of State Mortgage & Investment Bank (2014),— That the Annual Report and Financial Statements of State Mortgage & Investment Bank together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 23.06.2017 under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 21.09.2017)

*21.

The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Financial Statements of State Mortgage & Investment Bank (2015),— That the Annual Report and Financial Statements of State Mortgage & Investment Bank together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2015 and presented on 11.11.2017 under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 06.03.2018)

*22.

The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Financial Statements of Sri Lanka Savings Bank (2014),— That the Annual Report and Financial Statements of Sri Lanka Savings Bank together with the observations of the Independent Auditors for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 08.08.2017 under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 21.09.2017)

*23.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Annual Report and Accounts - Board of Investment of Sri Lanka (2012),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of Board of Investment of Sri Lanka together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2012 and presented on 19.10.2017 under Section 31 of the Greater Colombo Economic Commission Law No. 4 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 10.11.2017)

*24.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Annual Report and Accounts - Board of Investment of Sri Lanka (2013),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of Board of Investment of Sri Lanka together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 07.12.2017 under Section 31 of the Greater Colombo Economic Commission Law No. 4 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 20.03.2018)

*25.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Annual Report and Accounts - Board of Investment of Sri Lanka (2014),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of Board of Investment of Sri Lanka together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 07.12.2017 under Section 31 of the Greater Colombo Economic Commission Law No. 4 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 20.03.2018)

*26.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Annual Report and Accounts - Sri Lanka Export Development Board (2014),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Export Development Board together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 20.10.2017 under Section 16 of the Sri Lanka export Development Act No. 40 of 1979 and Section II of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 20.02.2018)

*27.

The Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,— Report of the Delimitation Committee for the Delimitation of Electorates in Provincial Councils,— That the Report of the Delimitation Committee submitted to the Minister by the said Committee in terms of the Section 3A.(11) of the Provincial Councils Elections Act, No. 2 of 1988 as amended by the Act, No.17 of 2017, which was presented on 06.03.2018, be approved.

*28.

The Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—
Determination under the Constitution,— Whereas Mr. H. M. Gamini Wijesinghe has
been appointed as the Auditor-General by the President with effect from 27.11.2015,
subject to the approval of the Constitutional Council in terms of Article 153 of the
Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka;

And whereas the salary of the Auditor-General shall be determined by Parliament and
shall be charged on the Consolidated Fund of the Government in terms of Article 153 (2) of
the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka;

And whereas the approval of the Cabinet of Ministers has been granted on 05.12.2017
according to the Cabinet Memorandum of 14.11.2017 submitted by the President to pay
salaries and other allowances to Mr. H. M. Gamini Wijesinghe, Auditor-General as
follows:—

- (a) To pay salaries and other allowances entitled to the post placing on the
08th Salary Step of SL- 4 Salary Scale of the Public Administration Circular
No. 06/2006 with effect from 27.11.2015;
- (b) To pay salaries under SL- 4 Salary Scale converted as instructed in the
Public Administration Circular No. 03/2016 when the conversion of
salaries is effected as per the said Circular with effect from 01.01.2016; and
- (c) To pay the annual salary increments as specified under the said salary scale.

Accordingly, that this Parliament determines that Mr. H. M. Gamini
Wijesinghe, Auditor-General be paid the aforesaid monthly salary and allowances to be
charged on the Consolidated Fund of the Government in terms of Article 153 (2) of the
Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

*29.

The Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—
Resolution under the Constitution,— That the Media guidelines to be observed by the
Electronic and Print Media during Referenda and Elections made by the Election
Commission in terms of Article 104B (5) (a) of the Constitution of the Democratic
Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2048/1
of 04th December 2017, which was presented on 23.01.2018, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*30.

Buddhist Temporalities (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*31.

Theravadi Bhikku Kathikawath (Registration) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*32.

Resolution under the Constitution,— Adjourned Debate on Question (22nd 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 25th 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.”

33.

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

34.

Child Rehabilitation Centre (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

35.

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

36.

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

37.

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

38.

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

39.

International Women’s and Children’s Rights (IWCRC) (Incorporation) Bill— Second Reading.

40.

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

41.

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

42.

Sri Shakyasinharama Viharastha Karyasadhaka Sanvidanaya (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

* *Indicates Government Business.*
