



(Eighth Parliament - Second Session)

No. 28.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Friday, August 10, 2018 at 10.00 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

54/18

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether companies involved in tea and rubber industries have been granted a two year tax exemption in accordance with the proposal No. 161 of the 2016 budget;
- (ii) whether the list of companies that the tax exemption was granted will be submitted, according to the aforesaid proposal;
- (iii) the tax revenue lost by the government by granting the aforesaid tax exemption?

(b) If not, why ?

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170/18

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,—To ask the Minister of Public Administration & Management and Law & Order,—(1)

(a) Will he admit that—

- (i) in terms of Public Administration Circular Nos. 01/99 and 27/88, 3% of vacancies in the public sector and in public corporations should be filled with disabled people who are qualified and whose disability will not hamper the activities of the posts concerned, in filling vacancies of those sectors; and
- (ii) the appeal made by Mr. W.L.R.N. Liyanage of 1 1/4 Mile Post, Ampara Road, Siyambalanduwa, who is a physically disabled person who appeared the open competitive examination to recruit officers to the Sri Lanka Administrative Service 2004(2005) under the index No. 0087548 and obtained 135 marks, to the Ministry of Public Administration and Management requesting that he be considered to be recruited to the Sri Lanka Administrative Service, has been rejected by the Ministry stating that disabled persons cannot be recruited to the Sri Lanka Administrative Service?

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- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether there are provisions which bar the recruitment of disabled persons to the Sri Lanka Administrative Service; and
 - (ii) if not, whether steps will be taken to do justice to Mr. Liyanage?
- (c) If not, why?

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207/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of the following details in regard to the advisors, coordinators and project directors recruited to the Urban Development Authority during the period from 18.08.2015 up to 31.07.2017—
 - (i) names;
 - (ii) educational qualifications;
 - (iii) professional qualifications;
 - (iv) salaries and allowances;
 - (v) staff facilities;
 - (vi) vehicles and other facilities?
- (b) If not, why?

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225/18

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) residential facilities are available for nearly 600 trainees of the Kopai Teachers' College in Jaffna to pursue their educational activities;
 - (ii) but it is in a dilapidated condition as it has not been renovated for nearly 25 years; and
 - (iii) therefore, the teacher trainees who are undergoing training after receiving appointments as teacher assistants for an allowance of Rs. 10,000 are faced with many difficulties as they have to spend large amounts for accommodation?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether arrangements will be made to renovate the Hostel of Teachers' College at Kopai to facilitate the above teacher trainees; and
 - (ii) if so, when will such renovation activities will commence?
- (c) If not, why?

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399/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the total length of the Southern Expressway;
 - (ii) of the estimated cost for the construction of the Southern Expressway;
 - (iii) of the number of those who lost their lands and other property due to the construction of the aforesaid expressway;
 - (iv) whether due compensation has been paid to those people as at present; and
 - (v) if so, of the total amount of money that has been paid as compensation?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) separately of the total income that the government generated from the Southern Expressway in years 2015, 2016 and 2017;
 - (ii) of the total amount that was allocated on repairs of the Southern Expressway in the aforesaid years?
- (c) If not, why?

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433/18

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the agricultural road in the 492 - Amunuwetiya Grama Niladhari division in the Ipalogama Divisional Secretariat division, that runs up to Alahapperumagama through the Kalawewa paddy fields, is in a very dilapidated condition;
 - (ii) nearly 1000 farmers use this road for their day-to-day activities and they face many difficulties in transporting their harvest along this agricultural road during the harvesting season; and
 - (iii) this road has not been repaired for nearly 30 years?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the reasons for not repairing this road up to now;
 - (ii) the measures that will be taken in this regard in future; and
 - (iii) whether allocations required for repairing this road would be made available?
- (c) If not, why?

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459/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of foreign visits the President has made from 01.01.2016 to 30.04.2017;
 - (ii) the names of the countries visited;
 - (iii) the expenditure borne for each visit, separately;
 - (iv) the total number that accompanied the President for each visit including the Ministers, Members of Parliament and officials, separately; and
 - (v) the positions held by the other individuals who participated in the visits with the President?
- (b) If not, why?

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481/18

Hon. D.V. Chanaka,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Shipping,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the total extent of lands that would be awarded through the agreement to privatize the Hambantota Port and of the basis on which the lands would be awarded;
 - (ii) whether a rental will be charged for the lands that are leased for the operations terminal under this agreement;
 - (iii) whether either of the two companies with which the agreement has been entered into will be given the right to construct the third and the fourth phases of this port;
 - (iv) if so, of the basis on which such right will be given;
 - (v) whether the 110-acres island that was built at the second phase of the Hambantota Port will be given to either of these two companies;
 - (vi) if so, of the basis on which it will be awarded;
 - (vii) whether a valuation has been obtained for this either from a local company or an international company; and
 - (viii) if not, of the basis on which the value of that island was determined?
- (b) If not, why?

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501/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he accepts that the Uma Oya Development Project has become a menace to the people engaged in agricultural activities within the Badulla District including Bandarawela; and
 - (ii) whether the Ministry has taken steps to pay compensation to the people whose cultivation has been adversely affected by this Project?
- (b) If not, why?

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523/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether officers have been recruited for the Divisional Secretariats in the Hambantota District, to be deployed in a special project on the Collection of household information;
 - (ii) if so, of the name, address, GN division and the Divisional Secretariat Division of each of the officer thus recruited;
 - (iii) whether these officers have been recruited on permanent basis, casual basis or merely for special projects;
 - (iv) of the monthly salary/ daily wage paid to them;
 - (v) of the specific period of service, if they have been recruited on a special or casual basis;
 - (vi) whether financial allocations have been made for such a recruitment; and
 - (vii) if so, what that amount is?
- (b) If not, why?

11.

534/18

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) nearly 30 families living at Kiribathgala Kanda in Pelmadulla were displaced due to the landslide occurred in the area; and
 - (ii) it has been decided to provide alternative lands for the affected families from Dombagammana area situated 20 kilometers away from this village ?

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- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether it is admitted that they have requested lands to be provided from the Kiribathgala state plantation situated close to the village instead of the lands provided from distant areas;
 - (ii) if so, whether measures will be taken to provide lands for them from the Kiribathgala state plantation?
- (c) If not, why?

12.

559/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that there is a tank called Kinipitiya close to the historic Thaniwella Devala, Madampe;
 - (ii) if so, the extent of paddy lands cultivated using water from the said tank;
 - (iii) the number of farmers thus benefitted;
 - (iv) whether he is aware that the tank is in a dilapidated condition today with a dense growth of various aquatic plants; and
 - (v) if so, the measures to be taken by the Ministry for the speedy renovation of the said tank?
- (b) If not, why?

13.

580/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of Dengue patients reported in Kurunegala district from January 2010 to date;
 - (ii) separately, of aforesaid number of patients in terms of each M.O.H division;
 - (iii) of the number of individuals died in dengue during the aforesaid period and their names;
 - (iv) of the health divisions in Kurunegala district which have been named as dengue prone areas;
 - (v) of the measures taken by the Ministry of Health to control the dengue in Kurunegala district ?
- (b) If not, why?

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14.

987/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the number of archaeological sites that have been identified in Bibila Divisional Secretariat Division in Monaragala district, along with their names;
 - (ii) whether there are any archaeological sites in the aforesaid division, which have been identified but excavations have not been done in them;
 - (iii) if so, the aforesaid archaeological sites;
 - (iv) the number of Rajamaha Viharas in the aforesaid division, which have an archaeological value; whether a record of them will be submitted;
 - (v) whether a detailed report of the allocations made for the conservation activities of the aforesaid archaeological sites will be submitted to this House?
- (b) If not, why?

15.

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

- (a) Will she inform this House—
- (i) of the number of inmates incarcerated at present under sentence to death ;
 - (ii) of the number of inmates who were granted pardon and released out of those convicted to death, as per each year from 2010 up to now;
 - (iii) whether the system of granting amnesty through the review of a period of 4 or 8 years to those imprisoned for life upon being sentenced to death which was implemented during the period that capital punishment was abolished is still operative;
 - (iv) if not, the reasons for that;
 - (v) whether those who had served a longer term of the same punishment with good behavior were not granted pardon in granting pardon to those sentenced to death; and
 - (vi) if not, the reasons for that?
- (b) If not, why?
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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. 1,2,3,4 and 5 appearing on the Order Paper be exempted at this days's sitting from the provisions of Standing Order No. 24(2) of the Parliament.

2.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament,— That this Parliament at its rising this day do adjourn until 10.00 a.m. on Thursday 23rd August, 2018.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

1.

P. 1/'18

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijeratne,— Preparing and implementing a programme to properly carryout disciplinary enquiries by Student Discipline Committees of Schools,— That this Parliament resolves that a proper programme be prepared and implemented for taking action to carry out proper and impartial disciplinary enquiries into anti-disciplinary acts committed by school children as it is observed that some schools take steps to sack students from school without carrying out proper disciplinary enquiries into anti-disciplinary acts committed by those students thereby causing great injustice to such students disrupting their education and making most students mental patients due to severe mental pressure they are subjected to, and as there have been occasions where some children have become anti-social criminals who hate the entire teacher community as well as the entire society.

2.

P. 2/'18

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,— Establishment of a state medical faculty affiliated to the Uva Wellassa University using Badulla General Hospital as a teaching hospital,— That this Parliament resolves that a state medical faculty be established affiliated to the Uva Wellassa University using Badulla General Hospital as a teaching hospital in order to strengthen the state education and health services since there are only 50% of the doctors required to maintain the country's health services at a optimum level are available and large number of students who obtain high marks in the G.C.E. (Advanced Level) Biology stream are unable to enter the state medical faculties.

3.

P.15/'18

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Formulation of a programme for the enhancement of the standards of cricket tournaments conducted at school and sports club levels,— That this Parliament resolves that a programme be formulated for the enhancement of the standards of the cricket tournaments conducted at school and sports club levels in view of finding out competent players for the national team as Cricket in Sri Lanka has encountered a serious collapse since the past few years.

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P.20/'18

Hon. (Mrs.) Hirunika Premachandra,— Implementation of existing laws in order to stop ragging that is presently taking place in all universities,— That this Parliament resolves that, in order to completely prevent ragging that new students have to experience within or outside universities, law should be implemented in terms of Prohibition of Ragging and Other Forms of Violence in Educational Institutions Act, No. 20 of 1998 against those who engage in ragging.

5.

P.23 /'18

Hon. Ashoka Priyantha,— Launching an expeditious programme to preserve the coastal belt of Puttlam district,— That this parliament resolves that an expeditious programme should be launched to protect the coastal belt of Puttlam district even though the Puttlam district has been endowed with a very beautiful coastal belt, it has been polluted owing to sea erosion, destruction of mangrove and illegal constructions.

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P. 3/'18

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,— Development of Nagoda General Hospital as the teaching hospital for the proposed medical faculty at University of Moratuwa,— That this Parliament resolves that Nagoda General Hospital be developed as the teaching hospital for the proposed medical faculty for University of Moratuwa since the Budget 2018 has proposed to build a medical faculty affiliated to University of Moratuwa.

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P. 4/'18

Hon. S. M. Marikkar,— Compulsion of Dhamma School Education,— That this Parliament resolves that Sunday School Education up to grade 9 must be made compulsory to all the children according to their religion in order to curb abuse and juvenile offences which are spreading in a manner that is not suitable for a civilized society and to promote self-discipline.

8.

P.16/'18

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Formulation of a programme for protecting the elderly Bhikkus dwelling in the Buddhist temples of rural areas,— That this Parliament resolves that a programme be formulated for protecting the elderly Bhikkus dwelling in rural Buddhist temples since most of the Buddhist temples in the rural areas of Sri Lanka are in an extremely low economic level.

9.

P.21/'18

Hon.(Mrs.) Hirunika Premachandra,— Establishment of a special unit to curtail the circulation of pornographic videos in the internet,— That this parliament resolves that an effective special unit be set up within the Criminal Investigation Division to investigate in to the individuals who create, distribute and keep the pornographic videos, since the privacy of the people is damaged and the women are mostly inconvenienced seeing that various pornographic videos are circulated, presently in the internet, in abundance.

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P.22/'18

Hon.(Mrs.) Hirunika Premachandra,— Appointment of counselors or advisors with special training in mental health to Universities and all other higher education institutions,— That this Parliament resolves that either trained mental health counselors and advisors be appointed to all state education institutes or a special training on psychological counseling be provided to teachers who are already employed in such institutes in order to curb the suicide trend which appears to be common among the youth and students at present.

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P.24/'18

Hon. Ashoka Priyantha,— Launching a programme to restore the reputation that the Puttlam district used to have in Volleyball,— That this parliament resolves that since there is a certain set back, a programme should be launched to restore the esteem that the Puttlam district used to have attributable to the talents shown by the school volleyball players in national and international games, nearly a decade ago.

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P. 25/' 18

Hon. Ashoka Priyantha,— Establishing a canned fish factory in Puttalam district,— That this Parliament resolves that a canned fish factory to be established in Puttalam district as all the resources required to establish a canned fish factory are available in the district and to prevent the outflow of foreign exchange spent to import canned fish annually as well as to provide the required protein to fulfill the nutritional needs of the people.

13.

P.26/'18

Hon. Ashoka Priyantha,— Extending the Colombo-Katunayake Expressway up to Chilaw,— That this Parliament resolves that the Expressway that currently runs from Colombo to Katunayake should be extended up to Chilaw in order to expedite the development drive in Puttalam district, which is rapidly developing under the present Good Governance government and since Expressways are vital for the development of a country.

14.

P.27/'18

Hon. Ashoka Priyantha,— Implementing a kumbuk tree plantation project in the catchment areas of lakes, rivers and canals in North-Western Province – That this parliament resolves that a plantation project of Kumbuk trees that are having a long life span and are capable of preserving soil water and lessening the soil erosion, be initiated in the catchment areas of lakes , rivers and canals.

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P.28 /'18

Hon . Ashoka Priyantha,— Taking immediate measures to fulfill the basic needs of the people who are living in Baththalangunduwa island – That this Parliament resolves that, as no attention has been drawn so far to the basic needs of the fishing community that is living in Baththalangunduwa island which is a main island situated in

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the close proximity of Kalpitiya peninsula in Puttalam District of North-Western Province, immediate measures be taken under current Good Governance Government to uplift the living standards of the fishing community by providing them with the basic needs.

16.

P.29/'18

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— Stopping the Battery Cage system utilized by the Poultry Farmers,— That this Parliament resolves that required measures be taken to put an end to the gravely inhuman method of Battery Cage system utilized by certain Poultry Farmers today, which engenders severe torture on the part of the animals, and also which endangers the livelihoods of small scale poultry farmers through excessive production of eggs considering also the fact that Sri Lanka has been a Buddhist country extending compassion for animals since the past.

17.

P.30/'18

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— Initiating an expeditious programme to solve the problems of the local milk farmers who are engaged in the milk industry,— That this Parliament resolves that an expeditious programme be implemented to solve the problems of the local milk farmers who are engaged in the milk industry due to the fact that a huge amount of money is spent annually for the importation of milk powder and if that amount was retained in the country it could greatly be beneficial the economy of the country .

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P.31/'18

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— Initiating an expeditious programme to conserve the places with archaeological value situated in the North Western Province,— That this Parliament resolves that an expeditious programme be initiated to conserve the archaeological places in Kurunegala district in the North Western Province, a district claiming a proud history, in which a number of sites of archaeological value are situated and even kingdoms of Kurunegala, Dambedeniya and Yapahuwa were established in the past due to the fact that serious problems have arisen by now in regard to the protection of the aforesaid historical sites.

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P.32/18

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— Implementation of a broad Social security network embracing all sectors,— That this parliament resolves that a broad social security network embracing all sectors should be introduced since no any social security scheme is in force for the informal sector employees although a pension scheme or Employees Provident Fund Scheme is in operation for the state and private sector employees of Sri Lanka in view of the fact that it is important to have a social security scheme for the citizens of any country.

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P.33/'18

Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage, — Promotion of fresh water fisheries industry in the Kandy District,— That this Parliament resolves that fresh water fisheries industry should be promoted in all the tanks and reservoirs in the Kandy District for fulfilling the protein requirement of the people living in the Kandy District since this District is geographically located in an area that is very far away from the sea.

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P.34/'18

Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage, — Minimizing the damage caused to the environment due to Pine cultivations in the Kandy District,— That this Parliament resolves that an expeditious programme should be implemented to minimize the damage caused to the environment due to Pine cultivations in the Kandy District as a severe damage has been caused to the environment.

22.

P.35/'18

Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage, — Removal of unauthorized constructions on the premises of Kandy Hospital, — That this Parliament resolves that speedy action should be taken to remove all the unauthorized constructions on the premises of Kandy Hospital since steps are being taken under the present good governance government to develop this hospital as the second national hospital of the country.

23.

P.36/'18

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri, — Formulation of a mechanism to address issues related to the profession of regional journalists,— That this Parliament resolves that a mechanism should be prepared to address the professional issues of regional journalists, who render an important service in providing information, which are pivotal for the development of a country.

24.

P.37/'18

Hon. Ashoka Priyantha, — Implementation of an aquaculture project in Puttalam district, — That this Parliament resolves that an aquaculture project be implemented in the Puttalam district following observations of a team of Japanese research experts that the area near the coastal belt in Puttalam district being conducive for aquaculture and perceived as an ideal opportunity to earn foreign revenue since there is a huge global demand for aqua plants at present.

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P. 38/'18

Hon. Ashoka Priyantha, — Establishment of a cancer hospital in North Western Province, — That this Parliament resolves that a cancer hospital should be established in North Western Province since the number of cancer patients reported from the province has gone up rapidly at present.

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P. 39/'18

Hon. Ashoka Priyantha, — Establishment of a children's hospital in North Western Province, — That this Parliament resolves that a children's hospital should be established in North Western Province that would be beneficial for the people in North Western and North Central Provinces as well as to ease the rush at the Lady Ridgeway Hospital which is the leading hospital dedicated for child care.

27.

P.40/'18

Hon. Ashoka Priyantha, — Establishment of a hotel school in Puttlam district, — That this parliament resolves that a hotel school should be established in Puttlam district in order to train the human resource that is necessary for the development of tourism industry since it is expected to develop Puttlam district as a tourism zone under the Good Governance Government.

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P.41/'18

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena, — Establishment of a hospital in North Western province for kidney patients, — That this parliament resolves that a hospital should be established for the kidney patients in North Western province as there is a rise in kidney disease in Kurunegala district of North western province, in recent times.

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P.42/'18

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena, — Establishment of a hospital in North Western province for Thalassaemia patients, — That this parliament resolves that a separate hospital to treat thalassaemia patients should be established in Kurunegala district as there is no separate hospital to treat Thalassemia patients so far, despite the fact that the highest number of thalassaemia patients has been reported from Kurunegala district recently.

*30.

The Minister of Post, Postal Services and Muslim Religious Affairs,— Rules under the Post Office Ordinance,— That the Rules made by the Minister of Post, Postal Services and Muslim Religious Affairs with the concurrence of the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 7 of the Post Office Ordinance (Chapter 190) relating to Postal Fees and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2074/32 of 07th June 2018., which were presented on 20.06.2018, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*31.

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.

*32.

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.)

*33.

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.)

*34.

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.)

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Demutualization of the Colombo Stock Exchange Bill — Committee.

*36.

Buddhist Temporalities (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*37.

Theravadi Bhikku Kathikawath (Registration) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*38.

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

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*39.

Securities Exchange Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*40.

Pradeshiya Sabhas (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*41.

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

*42.

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

*43.

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

*44.

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

*45.

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

*46.

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

*47.

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

*48.

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.

*49.

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.)

*50.

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.

*51.

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)

*52.

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)

*53.

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)

*54.

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)

*55.

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)

*56.

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)

*57.

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)

*58.

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)

*59.

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)

*60.

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)

*61.

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)

*62.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Annual Report and Accounts of Securities & Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka (2016),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of Securities & Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2016 and presented on 07.12.2017 under Section 37(2) of the Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka Act, No. 36 of 1987 and section 13(1) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971 be approved.

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

*63.

The Minister of Science, Technology, Research, Skills Development & Vocational Training and Kandyan Heritage,— Annual Report of Sri Lanka Accreditation Board for Conformity Assessment (2014),— That the Annual Report of Accreditation Board for Conformity Assessment together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 12.08.2016 under Section 29(5) of the Sri Lanka Accreditation Board for Conformity Assessment Act, No. 32 of 2005, and section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971 to be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 11.12.2017)

*64.

The Minister of Science, Technology, Research, Skills Development & Vocational Training and Kandyan Heritage,— Annual Report of the National Science and Technology Commission (2013),— That the Annual Report of the National Science and Technology Commission together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 09.06.2016 under Section 40(3) of the National Science and Technology Development Act, No. 11 of 1994, and Article 154(6) of the Constitution, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 11.12.2017)

*65.

The Minister of Science, Technology, Research, Skills Development & Vocational Training and Kandyan Heritage,— Annual Report of the National Science Foundation (2013),— That the Annual Report of the National Science Foundation together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 05.07.2016 under Section 40(3) of the National Science and Technology Development Act, No. 11 of 1994, and Article 154(6) of the Constitution, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 11.12.2017)

*66.

The Minister of Science, Technology, Research, Skills Development & Vocational Training and Kandyan Heritage,— Annual Report of the National Science and Technology Commission (2014),— That the Annual Report of the National Science and Technology Commission together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 22.03.2017 under Section 40(3) of the National Science and Technology Development Act, No. 11 of 1994, and Article 154 (6) of the Constitution, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 11.12.2017)

*67.

The Minister of Science, Technology, Research, Skills Development & Vocational Training and Kandyan Heritage,— Annual Report of the Industrial Technology Institute (2014),— That the Annual Report of the Industrial Technology Institute together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 24.01.2017 under Section 40(3) of the Science and Technology Development Act, No. 11 of 1994 and section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971 be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 11.12.2017)

*68.

The Minister of Science, Technology, Research, Skills Development & Vocational Training and Kandyan Heritage,— Annual Report of the Industrial Technology Institute (2013),— That the Annual Report of the Industrial Technology Institute together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 29.01.2016 under Section 40(3) of the Science and Technology Development Act, No. 11 of 1994 and section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971 be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 11.12.2017)

*69.

The Minister of Science, Technology, Research, Skills Development & Vocational Training and Kandyan Heritage,— Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution (2014),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended by 31.12.2014 and presented on 02.12.2016 under Section 37(3) of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution Act, No. 6 of 1984, and Article 154(6) of the Constitution, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 11.12.2017)

*70.

The Minister of Science, Technology, Research, Skills Development & Vocational Training and Kandyan Heritage,— Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Accreditation Board for Conformity Assessment (2015),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Accreditation Board for Conformity Assessment together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended by 31.12.2015 and presented on 22.06.2017 under Section 29(5) of the Sri Lanka Accreditation Board for Conformity Assessment Act, No. 32 of 2005, and section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 11.12.2017)

*71.

The Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Sabaragamuwa University (2013),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Sabaragamuwa University together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 17.10.2017 under Section xiii (110) of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 08.12.2017)

*72.

The Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Sabaragamuwa University (2014),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Sabaragamuwa University together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 17.10.2017 under Section 110 of chapter xiii of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 08.12.2017)

*73.

The Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Jayawardenepura University (2015),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Jayawardenepura University together with the observations of the

Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2015 and presented on 17.10.2017 under Section xiii (110) of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 08.12.2017)

*74.

The Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Uva Wellassa University (2013),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Uva Wellassa University together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 23.03.2017 under Section 110 of chapter xiii of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 08.12.2017)

*75.

The Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Uva Wellassa University (2014),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Uva Wellassa University together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 10.08.2017 under Section 110 of chapter xiii of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 08.12.2017)

*76.

The Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,— Annual Report and Accounts of the University of Colombo (2013),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the University of Colombo together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 26.10.2016 under Section 110 of chapter xiii of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 03.05.2017)

*77.

The Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,— Annual Report and Accounts of the University of Colombo (2014),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the University of Colombo together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 24.01.2017 under Section 110 of chapter xiii of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 03.05.2017)

*78.

The Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,— Annual Report and Accounts of the University of Colombo (2015),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the University of Colombo together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2015 and presented on 21.02.2018 under Section 110 of chapter xiii of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 23.05.2018)

*79.

The Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,— Annual Report and the Accounts of University of Colombo, School of Computing (2013),— That the Annual Report and the Accounts of University of Colombo School of Computing together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 20.07.2016 under Section 110 of chapter xiii of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 03.05.2017)

*80.

The Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,— Annual Report and the Accounts of University of Colombo, School of Computing (2014),— That the Annual Report and the Accounts of University of Colombo School of Computing together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 22.02.2017 under Section 110 of chapter xiii of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 03.05.2017)

*81.

The Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,— Annual Report and the Accounts of the University of Peradeniya (2012),— That the Annual Report and the Accounts of the University of Peradeniya together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2012 and presented on 21.11.2015 under Section 110 of chapter xiii of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, and Section II of the Finance Act No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 20.11.2017)

*82.

The Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,— Annual Report and the Accounts of the University of Peradeniya (2013),— That the Annual Report and the Accounts of the University of Peradeniya together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 24.01.2017 under Section 110 of chapter xiii of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978 and section II of the Finance Act No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 20.11.2017)

*83.

The Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,— Annual Report and the Accounts of the University of Peradeniya (2014),— That the Annual Report and the Accounts of the University of Peradeniya together with the observations of the Auditor-

General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 22.02.2017 under Section 110 of chapter xiii of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978 and section II of the Finance Act No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 20.11.2017)

*84.

The Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Gampaha Wickramarachchi Ayurveda Institute, University of Kelaniya (2013),— That the Annual Report of the Gampaha Wickramarachchi Ayurveda Institute, University of Kelaniya together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended by 31.12.2013 and presented on 24.01.2017 under Section 110 of chapter xiii of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 08.12.2017)

*85.

The Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,— Annual Report and Accounts of the University of Colombo Institute for Agro-Technology and Rural Sciences (2014),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the University of Colombo Institute for Agro-Technology and Rural Sciences together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 11.08.2017 under Section 110 of chapter xiii of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 08.12.2017)

*86.

The Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Postgraduate Institute of Management (2013),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Postgraduate Institute of Management together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 23.03.2017 under Section 110 of chapter xiii of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 08.12.2017)

*87.

The Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Postgraduate Institute of Management (2014),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Postgraduate Institute of Management together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 23.03.2017 under Section 110 of chapter xiii of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development on 08.12.2017)

*88.

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.”

89.

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

90.

Child Rehabilitation Centre (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

91.

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

92.

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

93.

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

94.

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

95.

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

96.

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

97.

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

98.

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

99.

Pharmaceutical Society of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.