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ADDENDUM TO THE ORDER BOOK No. 1

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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Nation Building Tax (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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Apartment Ownership (Special Provisions) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Excise (Special Provisions) Act (No.1),— 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. 2058/33 of 15th February 2018, which was presented on 19.06.2018, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Excise (Special Provisions) Act (No.2),— 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. 2058/34 of 15th February 2018, which was presented on 19.06.2018, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Resolution under the Customs Ordinance (No.1),— That the Resolution under Section 10 of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to Import Duties, which was presented on 21.06.2018, be approved.

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 2062/45 of 16th March 2018)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Resolution under the Customs Ordinance (No.2),— That the Resolution under Section 10 of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to Import Duties, which was presented on 21.06.2018, be approved.

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 2067/2 of 17th April 2018)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Resolution under the Customs Ordinance (No.3),— That the Resolution under Section 10 of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to Import Duties, which was presented on 21.06.2018, be approved.

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 2069/2 of 01st May 2018)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Resolution under the Customs Ordinance (No.4),— That the Resolution under Section 10 of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to Import Duties, which was presented on 21.06.2018, be approved.

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 2069/19 of 02nd May 2018)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Resolution under the Customs Ordinance (No.5),— That the Resolution under Section 10 of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to Import Duties, which was presented on 21.06.2018, be approved.

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 2071/15 of 15th May 2018)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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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. 2059/52 of 23rd February 2018, which was presented on 21.06.2018, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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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. 2061/22 of 07th March 2018, which was presented on 21.06.2018, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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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 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2063/13 of 19th March 2018, which was presented on 21.06.2018, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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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. 2064/49 of 01st April 2018, which was presented on 21.06.2018, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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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. 2069/18 of 01st May 2018, which was presented on 21.06.2018, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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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. 2070/2 of 08th May 2018, which was presented on 21.06.2018, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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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. 2070/6 of 09th May 2018, which was presented on 21.06.2018, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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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. 2071/85 of 20th May 2018, which was presented on 21.06.2018, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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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.)

* *Indicates Government Business.*

Thursday, August 09, 2018
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

25/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the number of the hospitals and central dispensaries in the Kandy district that are coming under the purview of the Central Provincial Council;
 - (ii) of the names and the addresses of aforesaid hospitals and central dispensaries;
 - (iii) separately, of the number of employees of each aforesaid hospital in terms of their designations;
 - (iv) of the measures that have been taken and that would be taken to develop the hospitals and the dispensaries of the Kandy district by the present good governance government?
- (b) If not, why?

53/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether a master plan was prepared for rubber industry as per proposal No.159 of the 2016 budget;
 - (ii) if so, whether the aforesaid plan will be submitted;
 - (iii) whether an amount of 100 million rupees was provided to the Ministry of Plantation Industries in order to implement the aforesaid plan;
 - (iv) if so, the manner in which the aforesaid financial benefits were utilized?
- (b) If not, why?

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139/18

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,—To ask the Minister of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development and Rural Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the date on which the Dambulla Dedicated Economic Centre was established;
 - (ii) of the names of persons running stalls in the aforementioned Economic Centre; and
 - (iii) of the steps that will be taken by your Ministry to resolve issues that have cropped up in the aforesaid Economic Centre and to make the administration of this Economic Centre methodical?
- (b) If not, why?

169/18

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,—To ask the Minister of Plantation Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the number of regional offices belonging to the Sri Lanka Tea Board;
 - (ii) of the locations in which the above mentioned offices are situated;
 - (iii) of the qualifications possessed by the Assistant Tea Commissioners who have been appointed to the said offices at present;
 - (iv) whether the said officers have fulfilled the qualifications required to the said post; and
 - (v) of the reason for a permanent Assistant Tea Commissioner is not appointed to the Regional Office located in the Kalutara District?
- (b) If not, why?

206/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) the total number of jobs that has been provided as at 31.07.2017 under the one million job programme of the government; and
 - (ii) the district wise division of the aforesaid number, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

(6)

224/18

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) over four hundred students are studying up to the General Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level) at Kalaimagal Tamil Vidyalaya in Matugama Education Zone of Kalutara district; and
 - (ii) a foundation stone was laid to develop this school under the “The Nearest School is the Best School” programme?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the date on which the development work mentioned in a (ii) above will be commenced;
 - (ii) whether the arrangements have been made to commence General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level) classes in the said school; and
 - (iii) if so, the date on which those classes will be commenced?
- (c) If not, why?

251/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Samurdhi Development Officers that have been approved for Ratnapura district;
 - (ii) the number of Samurdhi Development Officers who are in service at present;
 - (iii) the number of Grama Niladhari Divisions in which Samurdhi Development Officer vacancies exist; and
 - (iv) the actions that will be taken by the Ministry to fill the aforesaid vacancies?
- (b) If not, why?

398/18

Hon. T. Ranjith De Soyza,— To ask the Minister of Social Welfare and Primary Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the total extent of land under cinnamon cultivation in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the annual production of cinnamon in Sri Lanka in metric tons;
 - (iii) of the world cinnamon requirement, the percentage produced in Sri Lanka; and
 - (iv) the annual income from the import of cinnamon?

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- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) separately, in respect of each year from the year 2010 up to now, the number of acres in which cinnamon is cultivated anew;
 - (ii) whether there has been a gradual decrease in the extent of land cinnamon is cultivated; and
 - (iii) if there has been such a decrease of lands cinnamon is cultivated, the reasons for same?
- (c) If not, why?

432/18

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Megapolis and Western Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that —
- (i) a large number of families live in the area behind the Urban Council building which is located at the border of the Kekirawa town of Anuradhapura District; and
 - (ii) these people are living in this location in shanties and houses built without proper standards?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether steps will be taken to put in order this area which is located at the border of the town and is very important in the development of the town; and
 - (ii) if so, of the date on which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

458/18

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) the lands owned by Mr. T.N. Ameer at No. 3/19, Nagarasaba Nivasa road Hambantota and other 68 persons, who faced the Tsunami catastrophe on 26.12.2004, were acquired on 17.03.2010 to construct a coastal park; and
 - (ii) the above mentioned people have not been paid compensation for the acquired lands up to now?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether action will be taken to pay compensation for these people; and
 - (ii) if so, the date on which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

500/18

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise & Kandy City Development,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the date on which the Mihin Lanka (Pvt) Ltd. was established;
 - (ii) of the initial objectives of the Mihin Lanka (Pvt) Ltd.;
 - (iii) separately of the names, addresses and educational qualifications of the persons who were members of the Board of Directors of Mihin Lanka (Pvt) Ltd. from its establishment to its last Board of Directors along with salaries and other benefits received by them;
 - (iv) separately of the annual loss incurred by the Mihin Lanka (Pvt) Ltd. from its beginning;
 - (v) of the names of government institutions from which loans were obtained by Mihin Lanka (Pvt) Ltd. and the names of government institutions to which is to settle loans along with the amounts obtained as loans; and
 - (vi) of the steps that will be taken by the government regarding the future of the Mihin Lanka (Pvt) Ltd.?
- (b) If not, why?

522/18

Hon. Indika Anuruddha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Mass Media,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the Deficit of Trade Balance in Sri Lanka in the year 2016;
 - (ii) of the amount of money spent on the importation of petroleum and gold;
 - (iii) of the export income generated through the export of tea and spices in the year 2016;
 - (iv) of the measures taken by the government to encourage the relevant sectors with a view to increasing the income generated through tea and spices?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) of the deficit in the current account in Rupees millions;
 - (ii) of the balance of net receipts on service account and secondary income;
 - (iii) of the sources provided to encourage the Tourism Industry promoting the service account;
 - (iv) of the steps proposed for the encouragement of the remittances received from the persons engaged in foreign employment?
- (c) If not, why?

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether he is aware of the fact that “ Neelawala” in Kandy district is an ancient village where traditional jewellery industry flourished;
 - (ii) whether he admits that out of the families that depended on gold and silver jewellery industry, only 03 families engage in that industry by now;
 - (iii) whether he admits that the industrialists in this village are of the view that despite the huge demand that prevailed in the past for gold and silver jewellery produced in “Neelawala” with the intervention of Laksala to uplift the domestic industrialists, this industry has suffered a severe setback as Lakasala has become an institution of a few businessmen; and
 - (iv) whether the government would intervene and take steps to uplift the gold and silver jewellery industry of “Neelawala village” where ancient designs are used for carving?
- (b) If not why?

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the locations where refuse and garbage is dumped by the Local Authorities in the Puttalam District which comes under the North-Western Provincial Council;
 - (ii) whether a project for the management of solid waste has been introduced to the above Local Authorities; and
 - (iii) if so, of the facilities provided and financial allocations made to each of the above Local Authorities for the abovementioned project from year 2010 up to now?
- (b) If not, why?
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Friday, August 10, 2018
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

54/18

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

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 Circulars No. 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 ¼ Mile Post, Ampara Road, Siyambanduwa, 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?
- (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. W.L.R.N. Liyanage?
- (c) If not, why?

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?

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?

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;

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- (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 up to now in year 2017; and
 - (ii) of the total amount that was allocated on repairs of the Southern Expressway in the aforesaid years?
- (c) If not, why?

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?

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;

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- (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?

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?

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 officer 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?

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 ?
- (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?

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?

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?

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?
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Tuesday, August 21, 2018
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

26/18

Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Megapolis and Western Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the number of development projects implemented by the Urban Development Authority in the Kandy district since the year 2010 to date;
 - (ii) separately, of the name of each development project, the expenditure, the names of the companies for which the contracts were granted, the amount of money granted to aforesaid companies and the amount of money spent on the opening ceremonies;
 - (iii) of the development programmes expected to be implemented by the Ministry in the Kandy district?
- (b) If not, why?

55/18

Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana,—To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise & Kandy City Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether he will table a list of investors and enterprises subjected to difficulty by the Under-Utilized Assets and Under-Performing Enterprises Act No. 43 of 2011 as per Budget Proposal No. 206 of the Budget 2016;
 - (ii) what courses of action were taken by the Government to give relief or facilitate the enterprises which were put to difficulties by Act No. 43 of 2011; and
 - (iii) what new laws have been introduced or are intended to be presented to protect local and global investors as per the aforesaid Budget Proposal?
- (b) If not, why?

140/18

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,—To ask the Minister of Highways & Road Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of people in Dambulla district who will lose their land owing to the Central Highway constructed from Kurunegala to Dambulla;
 - (ii) of the names of those persons;
 - (iii) whether he admits that serious issues have emerged in relation to the paying of compensation to those individuals;
 - (iv) if so, of the steps taken by the Ministry to address those issues?
- (b) If not, why?

171/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the date on which the Peliyagoda Central Fish market complex was opened;
 - (ii) the income earned by the Fisheries Corporation of Sri Lanka since the day the vehicle park of that market complex was opened;
 - (iii) whether a portion of the income from that vehicle park goes to a private company;
 - (iv) if so, the amount that goes annually;
 - (v) whether a tender procedure was followed in awarding the task of collecting the above money to that private company;
 - (vi) if so, the other companies that submitted bids for that?
- (b) If not, why?

208/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the amount of government debt pertaining to year 2014,2015 and 2016 as a percentage to the Gross Domestic Production; and
 - (ii) of the per capita government debt pertaining to year 2014, 2015 and 2016?
- (b) If not, why?

253/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the legal basis on which the Presidential Task Force on Energy Demand Side Management was established;
 - (ii) of the key task performed after the establishment of that institution;
 - (iii) whether he admits that a result proportionate to the investment made in that institution has not been achieved?
- (b) If not, why?

434/18

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

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) the bus stand in Kekirawa has not been renovated methodically since the year 1977 and that it is in a dilapidated condition; and
 - (ii) people are greatly inconvenienced as a result and that manoeuvring buses inside this bus stop too has become very difficult?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether steps will be taken in future to renovate this bus stop in future; and
 - (ii) if so, of the date on which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

460/18

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Megapolis and Western Development,—(1)

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

502/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of schools which have technological laboratory facilities out of the schools in the Badulla District of the Uva Province;
 - (ii) of the names of those schools; and
 - (iii) of the steps taken by the Ministry to improve technological knowledge of students in the Badulla District?
- (b) If not, why?

535/18

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

- (a) Is he aware that when individuals are recruited to the three armed forces, recruitments of certain candidates get annulled in spite of the fact that they are of good conduct and character and possess higher educational qualifications, as a consequence of their fathers who were alleged against the use of illicit liquor or who were subjected to penalties?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether steps will be taken to abolish this law?
- (c) If not, why?

560/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Muslim schools in the Puttalam district;
 - (ii) the names of such schools;
 - (iii) the number of Moulavi teachers in this district presently; and
 - (iv) the measures to be taken by the Ministry to address the shortage of Moulavi teachers?
- (b) If not, why?

581/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the income that Sri Lanka earned by betel exports from year 2010 to 2014 and from January 2017 to date;
 - (ii) of the number of families engaged in betel cultivation in Kurunegala district;
 - (iii) whether he is aware that the farmers are unable to sell their betel since Pakistan, the major betel purchaser of Sri Lanka, has imposed huge taxes;
 - (iv) of the measures taken by the ministry having intervened into aforesaid situation in order to uplift the living standards of the betel farmers?
- (b) If not, why?

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the date that the examination to recruit graduates for grade 3(1) of the Sri Lanka Teachers' Service, was held in 2017;
 - (ii) whether he accepts the fact that aforesaid examination which was held on district basis with the intention of filling the vacancies available in national schools, was in Sinhala, Tamil and English medium;
 - (iii) therefore, whether he accepts that the candidates were allowed to answer in any of the aforementioned languages;
 - (iv) whether the candidates who answered in Sinhala had not been allowed to be qualified for English teaching posts;
 - (v) if so, whether there was any prior notice by way of the Gazette Notification by which the applications were called or otherwise, to the effect that the Sinhala medium question paper also should be answered in English medium;
 - (vi) whether he accepts the fact that an injustice has been caused for the candidates who answered in Sinhala medium in a backdrop that there had not been a prior notice to the effect that answering in Sinhala medium amounts to a disqualification for English teaching posts; and
 - (vii) if so, of the measures that will be taken in that regard?
- (b) If not, why?

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 Madulla 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; and
 - (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?
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Thursday, August 23, 2018

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

56/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the list of names of the companies that earned a very high income with undue patronage and thus paid the super gain tax and the amount of money they paid as taxes, since the budget proposal for 2016 says in No.207 that “ we imposed super gain tax on very high income earning companies who have gathered a significant amount of profit in the recent past with the undue patronage of the previous regime”;
 - (ii) whether the companies that paid the super gain tax do contribute to the government projects under the present government;
 - (iii) whether the Ministry of Finance has granted a special patronage for the new investment projects started by those companies after the super gain tax was paid;
 - (iv) the names of the companies that were summoned to the Financial Crimes Investigation Division for questioning;
 - (v) according to financial crimes investigations the names of the companies that paid the super gain tax and an additional fine apart from the tax?
- (b) If not, why?

141/18

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,—To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources & Disaster Management,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether he is aware of the fact that the earth has submerged in Raththota, Helwatta Kanda in Dambagolla;
 - (ii) of the number of houses damaged as a result of such subsidence;
 - (iii) of the manner in which the Ministry intervenes to protect the lives of the people of that area?
- (b) If not, why?

173/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the names of the naval officers who were chosen and sent for the training in Britannia Royal Naval College of Dartmouth by Sri Lanka Navy;
 - (ii) separately, of the period of service of each officer in navy and of the post held when the service was terminated;
 - (iii) whether aforesaid training opportunities are still provided for the officers of Sri Lanka Navy;
 - (iv) if not, the reasons?
- (b) If not, why?

191/18

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Trincomalee – Batticaloa, A-15 road was renovated during the tenure of the previous government;
 - (ii) the culvert which should have been constructed in Murinjaru area which is situated adjacent to Upparu area was not constructed when this road was renovated; and
 - (iii) due to that reason Kinniya area goes under water as water does not drain off?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to construct a culvert in this place; and
 - (ii) if so, the period of time that will be take to construct this culvert?
- (c) If not, why?

194/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether Mr. Gotabhaya Rajapakse had functioned as a shareholder of the Lanka Hospitals Ltd. during the 2010 to 2015 period;
 - (ii) if so, salaries and allowances he received as Chairman of the Lanka Hospitals Private Limited during that period; and
 - (iii) what annual profits were recorded by the Lanka Hospitals (Pvt) Limited in each year during the 2010 to 2015 period?
- (b) If not, why?

239/'18

Hon. Heshan Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Social Empowerment,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately as per each Divisional Secretariat Division of the number of families living below the poverty line out of the families residing in the District of Rathnapura; and
 - (ii) of the steps that would be taken the Ministry to uplift the living standards of the aforesaid families?
- (b) If not, why?

390/'18

Hon. T. Ranjith De Soyza,— To ask the Minister of Social Empowerment,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of beneficiaries who get the samurdhi benefit in the country as at today;
 - (ii) the total amount of money allocated for that from the budget 2017;
 - (iii) whether an island wide survey was conducted with regard to those beneficiaries;
 - (iv) if an allowance was given to the officers who participated in this survey, the basis on which it was made;
 - (v) the objective of this survey; and
 - (vi) the amount of money spent for that survey?
- (b) If not, why?

422/'18

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) about 100 acres of paddy land from the areas of Dhathusenapura, Kalawewa, Maha Akkaraya Watta and Kelaniwatta have been leased to a plantation company of Kurunegala; and
 - (ii) the Divisional Secretary of Ipalogama has informed the Ministry of Lands that the said lands must be freed from the aforementioned plantation company and handed over to the tenant farmers, giving them freehold ownership of these lands since the tenant farmers have been engaging in cultivation activities on land for a long period of time?

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- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether action will be taken to grant freehold ownership of the said lands to the tenant farmers who have been cultivating them; and
 - (ii) if so, of the date on which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

461/18

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

- (a) Will he state the number of complaints received by the Presidential Commission of Inquiry to Investigate and inquire into the Serious Acts of Fraud, Corruption and Abuse of Power, State Resources and Privileges (PRCIFAC) from 2015 to 30th June, 2017 separately in respect of each year?
- (b) Will he also state separately in respect of each year from 2015 to 30th June, 2017—
 - (i) the number of complaints regarding which investigations have been completed, investigations are being conducted and investigations are yet to be commenced;
 - (ii) the number of complaints which cases have been filed in courts;
 - (iii) the number of cases referred to the Attorney-General for legal action or advice;
 - (iv) the number of complaints which no advice has been received to date from the Attorney-General; and
 - (v) of the cases filed, the number connected with politicians?
- (c) If not, why?

475/18

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

- (a) Is he aware that the Auditor-General has sent to the Chief Secretary of the Uva Province the inquiry report No. SIN/B/AG/KI/2017/02 dated 20.04.2017 in respect of the irregularities that have taken place and are taking place in the Uva Provincial Council?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether he would present to this House the facts contained in the paragraphs from 2(a)(i) to (x) of the aforesaid report which disclose information regarding the appointment of advisers of the Chief Minister of the Uva Province;
 - (ii) whether observations that have been presented in paragraphs from 2(a) (i) to (xiii) in regard to the aforesaid disclosures will be presented to this House?
- (c) If not, why?

524/18

Hon. Indika Anuruddha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Housing and Construction,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether the National Housing Development Authority has recruited officers under the “Participatory development programmes” from 2015 up to date;
 - (ii) if so, the number of such officers;
 - (iii) if a monthly salary or an allowance is paid to those officers, the amount so paid;
 - (iv) whether he submits a document containing the details of each officer so recruited such as the name, address, National Identity Card number, Grama Niladhari division and Divisional Secretariat Division;
 - (v) the amount of money allocated to implement the relevant projects;
 - (vi) the results expected of that project?
- (b) If not, why?

536/18

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) market prices of different types of fertilizers used for paddy cultivation and other crops during first half of year 2016 and in the year 2017 separately;
 - (ii) whether it is admitted that fertilizer prices have been increased in comparison to the fertilizer prices at the beginning of year 2016;
 - (iii) whether the price of a 50 kg fertilizer pack which was at Rs.1300/- at the beginning of year 2016 has gone up to Rs. 2900/- by 2017;
 - (iv) whether it is admitted that the public life depended on agriculture including plantations will face an immense setback if fertilizer prices are not controlled or the fertilizer subsidy is not increased in accordance with market prices; and
 - (v) if so, what the proposed solutions are?
- (b) If not, why?

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,— 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 Medagama 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 Vihara temples 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?

Friday, August 24, 2018

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the number of preschools in the Kandy District administered by the Ministry of Provincial Councils and Local Government;
 - (ii) their names and addresses;
 - (iii) the amount of aid given by the Ministry for the development of physical and human resources of each of the said preschools; and
 - (iv) the measures that have been and will be taken by the Ministry for the development of preschool system of the Kandy District?
- (b) If not, why?

37/18

Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) in terms of proposal No. 174 of the Budget 2016, whether he explains of the manner in which Rs. 2000 Million that was allocated for supplementary programmes under National Environmental conservation programme, was spent in year 2016 ;
 - (ii) of the “supplementary programmes” for which financial allocations were made, in terms of the aforesaid proposal; and
 - (iii) of the institutions which held the responsibility in aforesaid supplementary programmes?
- (b) Will he also inform this House in terms of aforesaid budget proposals, separately, of the amount of money spent on—
 - (i) protection of environmental equilibrium, sustainable land management;
 - (ii) conservation of biological resources;
 - (iii) environmental pollution control; and
 - (iv) protection of forest resources?
- (c) If not, why?

158/18

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the occasions when vehicles were purchased for Cabinet Ministers, State Ministers and Deputy Ministers from 08.01.2015 to date;
 - (ii) the make and price of each vehicle; and
 - (iii) the total amount of money spent on those vehicles?
- (b) If not, why?

195/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House in regard to the explosion of the armory of the Army in Salawa , Kosgama in the year 2016—
 - (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 explosion;
 - (iv) the amount of compensation paid by the government on behalf of a person who lost his life;

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- (v) the maximum and minimum amount of compensation paid for the houses that were affected by the explosion;
 - (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?

216/18

Hon. Douglas Devananda,—To ask the Minister of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development and Rural Economic Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that —
- (i) over 300 fishing families live in the village of Valaipadu in Poonarin Divisional Secretariat Division in the Killinochchi district;
 - (ii) out of those families, about hundred families are directly engaged in the fishing industry while the other families are employed in various other fields, but they are living without a sufficient income; and
 - (iii) every day, the aforesaid fishermen harvest over 1,000 kilograms of crabs and other seafood which are sent to other places where they are processed and then sent to other parts of the country?
- (b) Will he inform this house—
- (i) whether steps will be taken to establish a seafood processing factory in this area taking into consideration the nature of the livelihood of these people; and
 - (ii) if so, of the date on which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

240/18

Hon. Heshan Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the number of officers of the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service, Sri Lanka Principals' Service and Sri Lanka Teachers' Service, approved for the Ratnapura district;
 - (ii) the number of officers in the above services in service at present, separately;
 - (iii) the number of vacancies in each of the above services in the Ratnapura district at present, separately; and
 - (iv) the steps the Ministry intends to take to fill those vacancies?
- (b) If not, why?

400/18

Hon. T. Ranjith De Soyza,— To ask the Minister of Justice & Prison Reforms,—(1)

- (a) Will she inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of incidents that are categorized as crimes in Sri Lanka generally on an annual basis;
 - (ii) of the percentage of suspects convicted through court procedures in criminal cases;
 - (iii) whether this percentage is comparatively higher than the conviction rates of the other countries in Asia; and
 - (iv) if so, of the steps proposed by the government in this regard?
- (b) If not, why?

435/18

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the road that runs alongside the Yoda ela that takes water from Kala wewa to Thisawewa belongs to the Ministry of Mahaweli Development and Environment; and
 - (ii) this road, which is used by residents of 6 villages, is in a very dilapidated condition owing to not repairing it for nearly 30 years?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the reasons for not repairing this road up to now; and
 - (ii) the date on which this road will be repaired?
- (c) If not, why?

472/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the disclosure about the distribution of school bags by the Ministry of Education of Uva Province, given under paragraph number 04 (b) (i) to (vii) of the investigation report bearing number SIN/B/AG/KI/2017/02 and dated 2017.04.20 sent to the Chief Secretary of Uva Province by the Auditor-General on the malpractices that have taken place and are taking place in the Uva Provincial Council, will be submitted to the House;
 - (ii) whether the observations made from (b) (i) to (v) pertaining to the aforesaid disclosures will be presented?
- (b) If not, why?

537/18

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,—To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) recruitments have been made for 980 vacancies stating that the results of the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service Examination of 2016 were released; and
 - (ii) however, even the results sheets have yet not been sent to the applicants who sat for this examination and that there is at least no possibility to obtain results on internet;
- (b) Will he inform this House whether measures will be taken to recruit the qualified individuals based on the existing vacancies, having taken steps to release the rest of the results after inquiring the matter?
- (c) If not, why?

561/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of hospitals, central dispensaries and ayurveda hospitals in the Puttalam district operating under the North Western Provincial Council;
 - (ii) the names of the places where they are situated;
 - (iii) separately, the total number of employees employed in each of the aforesaid health centres;
 - (iv) whether there are vacancies in the said Health Centres;
 - (v) if so, details of such vacancies; and
 - (vi) the steps to be taken to upgrade the said Health Centres and fill their vacancies?
- (b) If not, why?

582/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of dairy cattle imported to Sri Lanka from the year 2010 to date;
 - (ii) of the countries from which aforesaid dairy cattle were imported;
 - (iii) of the money spent on importation of dairy cattle;
 - (iv) of the progress of our annual dairy production by now;
 - (v) of the measures taken by the ministry to uplift the local dairy production ?
- (b) If not, why?

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Home Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether a competitive examination was held on 31.12.2016 and interviews were conducted during the two days of 13th and 14th March 2017 and 14.03.2017 and recruitments were made on 09.06.2017 for the post of Technical Officer of the Sri Lanka Technical Service (Grade III) in the Ministry of Home Affairs;
 - (ii) the reasons for the cancellation of the appointment of Miss R.K.S. Prasanga by the letter dated 31.07.2017 of the Secretary of the Ministry of Home Affairs after appointing her to the Matara district and paying salaries for two months?
 - (iii) as to why such matters were not considered at the time of appointment?
- (b) If not, why?

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,— 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 Ampara Divisional Secretariat Division in Amapara 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 Vihara temples in the aforesaid division, which have an archaeological value; whether a report 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?
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