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## ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Thursday, April 10, 2014 at 1.00 p.m.

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### QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

2505/'12

1.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that there are a number of shortages of physical resources and human resources in Sampathnuwara Vidyalaya situated in the Sampathnuwara Divisional Secretariat Division in the Northern Province ?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) of the shortages of physical and human resources that exist in Sampathnuwara Vidyalaya;
  - (ii) whether action will be taken to remedy the aforesaid shortages; and
  - (iii) if so, of the time taken for that ?
- (c) If not, why ?

3233/'12

2.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Highways, Ports and Shipping,—(1)

- (a) Will he state, pertaining to the Road Development Authority—
  - (i) the profit or loss for the year 2012, and to date;
  - (ii) the profit or loss projected for the years 2015-2016;
  - (iii) the capital and reserves as at today;
  - (iv) the number of people working in the institution;
  - (v) whether it is overstaffed or understaffed;
  - (vi) the cost per employee and profit per employee; and
  - (vii) the total of short term debt along with the bank overdrafts, medium and long term debts as at today?
- (b) If not, why?

(2)

3332/'12

3.

Hon. (Mrs.) Rosy Senanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) separately, of the number of complaints received by the Children and Women Bureau of Police concerning child abuses, during the period from the year 2008-2012, annually; and
  - (ii) of the average of child abuses that took place per day according to police reports of the year 2012?
- (b) Will he state for the period between 2008-2012—
  - (i) whether there were instances where the individuals involved in politics were named as accuses of the cases of child abuse; and
  - (ii) if so, number of such instances?
- (c) If not, why?

3522/'13

4.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana;— To ask the Minister of Postal Services,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
  - (i) the date on which the telegramme service provided by the Postal Department and the Sri Lanka Telecom was terminated;
  - (ii) the alternative means of communication introduced in place of the said service;
  - (iii) the benefits that the public will receive through the new service; and
  - (iv) the date on which the new alternative means of communication was introduced?
- (b) If not, why?

3711/'13

5.

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
  - (i) the name and address of the Chairman of the Peoples' Bank who held the post in March 2013;
  - (ii) whether he has held any other post in the Public Sector in addition to the aforesaid post;
  - (iii) if so, what that post is;
  - (iv) separately, the salary and the other allowances received for each of those posts;
  - (v) his educational and other qualifications; and
  - (vi) educational qualifications, other qualifications and experience possessed by him related to the banking field?

(3)

- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether he admits that a fulltime Chairman is required for the Peoples' Bank where a large number of peoples' deposits are maintained; and
  - (ii) if so, of the reasons for appointing a person who is engaged in a large number of duties for the aforesaid post?
- (c) If not, why?

4226/13

6.

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) separately, of the number of Buddhist temples in each of the Divisional Secretariat Divisions of Sri Lanka;
  - (ii) the number of Buddhist temples which have been closed down island wide due to the absence of residential monks; and
  - (iii) separately, of the number of Buddhist temples thus closed at each of the Divisional Secretariat Division?
- (b) Will he state the measures to be taken to open and maintain the Buddhist temples that have been closed down?
- (c) If not, why?

4290/13

7.

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Highways, Ports and Shipping,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
- (i) the amount of funds spent on the construction of the new terminal or the Abhimantota terminal of the Colombo South Harbour;
  - (ii) the funding source of the above construction project;
  - (iii) the date on which an agreement was made with the Chinese Company for constructing this terminal; and
  - (iv) the conditions agreed to on that occasion?

(4)

(b) Will he also inform this House—

- (i) whether there is any truth in the reports published to the effect that the aforesaid new terminal has been leased out to the China Merchant Holding Hong Kong Company for 35 years, until 2048;
- (ii) if so, of the conditions of lease, the manner of income distribution and the ways in which the operations and duties are carried out; and
- (iii) whether he admits that the port operations are privatized by leasing out the harbour in this manner which was a national economic centre?

(c) If not, why?

4409/'13

8.

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha, — To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources Management,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the number of families that were displaced due to the constructions of the Deduruoya Project;
- (ii) whether compensation has been paid for all those families;
- (iii) the total amount of money so paid as compensation;
- (iv) whether there are displaced groups who did not get compensation so far; and
- (v) of the reasons for not paying compensation to them?

(b) If not, why?

2506/'12

9.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(3)

(a) Is he aware that there are several shortages of physical and human resources in Kiriibbanwewa Vidyalaya, situated in the Sampathnuwara Divisional Secretariat Division in the Northern Province?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the existing shortages of the physical and human resources in Kiriibbanweewa Vidyalaya ;
- (ii) whether action will be taken to meet the aforesaid shortages ; and
- (iii) if so, the time that will be taken in that regard ?

(c) If not, why ?

10.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(1)

- (a) Will he state, pertaining to the Bank of Ceylon—
  - (i) the profit or loss for the year 2012, and to date;
  - (ii) the profit or loss projected for the years 2015-2016;
  - (iii) the capital and reserves as at today;
  - (iv) the number of people working in the institution;
  - (v) whether it is overstaffed or understaffed;
  - (vi) the cost per employee and profit per employee; and
  - (vii) the total of short term debt along with the bank overdrafts, medium and long term debts as at today?
- (b) If not, why?

11.

Hon. (Mrs.) Rosy Senanayake,— To ask the Minister of Child Development and Women's Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total number of rape cases, reported in the year 2012?
- (b) Will he also state separately—
  - (i) the number of rape cases that were recorded in the year 2008 on district basis and during the period of 2009-2011, annually;
  - (ii) the number of under 18 rape cases that were recorded during the period of 2008-2012, annually; and
  - (iii) the number of rape cases that were recorded with regard to the age groups of 19-20, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59 and above 60, during the aforesaid period?
- (c) Will he inform this House of the number of complaints received, against the individuals who are connected with politics, concerning the aforesaid rape cases?
- (d) If not, why?

12.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana;— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) whether he is aware that the residents of the Matara Divisional Secretariat Division make allegations that paddy lands in the area are being filled;
  - (ii) of the total extent of paddy lands that has been filled in the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division since 2005 to date;
  - (iii) whether any complaints have been received regarding the aforesaid unauthorized filling of paddy lands;
  - (iv) if so, of the number of complaints that have been received;
  - (v) whether legal action has been taken after carrying out investigations into the aforesaid complaints; and
  - (vi) of the measures that have been taken accordingly?
- (b) Will he state —
  - (i) whether legal authority has been obtained for filling paddy lands in the Matara Divisional Secretariat Division since 2005 to date;
  - (ii) if so, the total area of paddy lands for which permission has been granted for filling; and
  - (iii) the reasons for granting permission to fill those paddy lands?
- (c) If not why?

3712/'13

13.

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka;— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
    - (i) the number of officers belonging to the staff grade in the Ministry of Finance and Planning;
    - (ii) the position and the duties of each of these officers;
    - (iii) the salary, allowances and other facilities granted monthly to each of them; and
    - (iv) the average value of that salaries and allowances?
  - (b) Will he inform this House of —
    - (i) the number of officers who are serving on service extensions out of the officers belonging to the staff grade;
    - (ii) the names and positions of such officers; and
    - (iii) the objectives behind providing them with service extensions?
  - (c) If not, why?
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(7)

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

**Notice of Motions**

1.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,—Sittings of the Parliament,— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 7 and the motion agreed to by Parliament on 09.07.2010, the hours of sitting this day shall be 1.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.. At 2.00 p.m. Standing Order No. 7(5) shall operate.

2.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament,— That this Parliament at its rising this day do adjourn until 1.00 p.m. on Thursday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

\*1.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Regulations under the National Thoroughfares Act,— That the Regulations made by the President under paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of Section 89 of the National Thoroughfares Act, No. 40 of 2008 read with Sections 13 and 14 of the aforesaid Act and with paragraph (2) of Article 44 of the Constitution, relating to the fee to be levied from the drivers of every vehicle using a User Fee National Highway and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1832/28 of 17<sup>th</sup> October 2013, which were presented on 21.03.2014, be approved.

\*2.

The Minister of Investment Promotion,— Order under the Strategic Development Projects Act (No.1),— That the Order made by the Minister of Investment Promotion under sub-section (4) of Section 3 of the Strategic Development Projects Act, No. 14 of 2008 as amended, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1847/35 of 30<sup>th</sup> January 2014, which was presented on 18.02.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*3.

The Minister of Investment Promotion,— Order under the Strategic Development Projects Act (No.2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Investment Promotion under sub-section (4) of Section 3 of the Strategic Development Projects Act, No. 14 of 2008 as amended, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1847/36 of 30<sup>th</sup> January 2014, which was presented on 18.02.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*4.

The Minister of Investment Promotion,— Order under the Strategic Development Projects Act (No.3),— That the Order made by the Minister of Investment Promotion under sub-section (4) of Section 3 of the Strategic Development Projects Act, No. 14 of 2008 as amended, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1847/37 of 30<sup>th</sup> January 2014, which was presented on 18.02.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*5.

Mines and Minerals (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

\*6.

The Minister of External Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka (No.1),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 157 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, that the Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the State of Kuwait for the Reciprocal Promotion and Protection of Investments, signed on 05<sup>th</sup> November 2009, being an Agreement for the Promotion and Protection of Investments in Sri Lanka of such foreign State, its nationals or corporations, companies and other associations incorporated or constituted under its Laws, which was presented on 07.09.2011 be approved, as being essential for the development of the national economy.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*7.

The Minister of External Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka (No.2),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 157 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, that the Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam for the Promotion and Protection of Investments, signed on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2009, being an Agreement for the Promotion and Protection of Investments in Sri Lanka of such foreign State, its nationals or of corporations, companies and other associations incorporated or constituted under its Laws, which was presented on 07.09.2011 be approved, as being essential for the development of the national economy.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*8.

The Minister of Transport,— Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Transport under Section 237 of the Motor Traffic Act (Chapter 203), read with subsection (2) of Section 5 and Section 19 of the aforesaid Act, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1821/31 of 31<sup>st</sup> July 2013, which were presented on 22.11.2013, be approved.

\*9.

The Minister of Labour and Labour Relations,— Regulations under the Employees' Provident Fund Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Labour and Labour Relations under Section 46 of the Employees' Provident Fund Act, No. 15 of 1958 as amended from time to time and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1810/20 of 13<sup>th</sup> May 2013, which were presented on 21.06.2013, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*10.

The Minister of Lands and Land Development,— Regulations under the Registration of Title Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Lands and Land Development under Section 67 of the Registration of Title Act, No. 21 of 1998 read with Section 60 and 62 of that Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1616/23 of 24<sup>th</sup> August 2009, which were presented on 06.05.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)



\*11.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Fauna and Flora Protection Ordinance,— That the Order made by the Minister of Agrarian Services and Wildlife under subsection (1) of Section 2 of the Fauna and Flora Protection Ordinance (Chapter 469) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1735/21 of 06<sup>th</sup> December 2011, which was presented on 13.12.2011, be approved.

12.

Sri Lanka Women's Conference (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

13.

Institute of Martial Arts (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

14.

The Institute of Certified Public Accountants (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

15.

Al-Jamiathul Ghawsiyyah (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

\* *Indicates Government Business*

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