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## ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Thursday, July 24, 2014 at 1.00 p.m.

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### QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

2585/'12

1.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(4)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) of the amount of money required by one Sri Lankan family per month for its subsistence, as per the government statistics;
  - (ii) separately, of the expenditure on food and expenditure on needs other than food for a family per month; and
  - (iii) separately, of the amount of money required by a family per month for its subsistence in each district ?
- (b) Will he also inform this House whether that an amount of Rs. 7500.00 is sufficient for a three member family for its subsistence for a month ?
- (c) If not, why?

3250/'12

2.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Will he state, pertaining to the Sri Jayewardenepura General Hospital—
  - (i) the profit or loss for year the 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 hospital;
  - (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?

3.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(1)

- (a) Will he state separately the names, addresses, educational and other qualifications, salaries and other privileges of the members of the Board of Directors including the Chairman of the Sri Lanka Insurance Corporation who were in office on 19.03.2013?
- (b) Is he aware that—
  - (i) certain individuals who have been appointed to the Board of Directors of the Sri Lanka Insurance Corporation are accused of various allegations;
  - (ii) cases are being heard in the Office of the Commissioner of Labour against certain Directors; and
  - (iii) a group of officers who were charged with corruption have been recruited to serve in the Sri Lanka Insurance Corporation?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether he admits that the entire Insurance Corporation is falling into disrepute and downfall owing to the situation mentioned in (b) above;
  - (ii) if so, whether action will be taken to dismiss the members of the Board of Directors and the corrupt officials against whom allegations have been leveled from the Corporation in view of preventing the aforesaid situation?
- (d) If not, why?

4.

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Environment and Renewable Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether there was a gem land auction at Thammannawa area in Kataragama;
  - (ii) if so, the total amount of money earned through this auction;
  - (iii) whether that money has been obtained following the proper procedure;
  - (iv) whether there are money still to be collected with regard to that auction; and
  - (v) the amount of money spent for food and tea in that land auction?
- (b) If not, why?

4176/13

5.

Hon. (Mrs.) Rosy Senanayake,— To ask the Minister of Petroleum Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House under which officer the supervision work is done at the Main Service Station Equipment Workshop at Kolonnawa, which is governed under the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation?
- (b) Will he state for the period from the year 2005 to June 2013—
  - (i) the amounts that had been spent for purchasing pumps and spare parts and for carrying out repairs to the fuel filling stations; and
  - (ii) the amount of money that was earned from selling spare parts?
- (c) Will he also inform this House of the number of those employed at the workshop concerned by the end of June 2013?
- (d) If not, why?

4630/13

6.

Hon. P. Harrison,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) Rs. 200 million was allocated by the budget 2012 to export 200,000 metric tons of rice in year 2014; and
  - (ii) a proposal has been made to set up four Rice Export Zones in Southern, Eastern, North Central and Northern Provinces, in that regard?
- (b) Will he state—
  - (i) the number of rice mills, established by the government and the private sector in the aforesaid Rice Export Zones; and
  - (ii) out of such rice mills, the number of mills that have been constructed, under tax concessions?
- (c) Will he table—
  - (i) separately, the Divisional Secretariat Divisions, and the villages chosen in that regard coming under the aforesaid Rice Export Zones;
  - (ii) the amount of rice that is received from each of the aforesaid zone for exportation by now; and
  - (iii) the names and the addresses of the venues where the rice mills that were mentioned in the aforesaid (b) (i) are established?
- (d) If not, why?

(4)

4712/'14

7.

Hon. Mohamed Aslam,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

(a) Is she aware—

- (i) that while Mrs. Marimuttu Shanmugam and members of her family who resided at their house in Maluwarayar, Kattai Adampan, Madhu Road, Murukkan belonging to the Murukkan police division were living in another area after abandoning the aforesaid house due to LTTE threats, a large electricity pylon to fix high tension wires has been erected on the place where their house was located; and
- (ii) that the Chief Engineer of the Ceylon Electricity Board, Vavuniya was sent a written communication by the Deputy General Manager of Ceylon Electricity Board through the letter dated 07.07.2011 bearing Ref. No. DGM(P&HM-R1)GEN recommending payment of compensation to Mrs. Marimuttu Shanmugam for removing her house and erecting an electricity pylon at that location?

(b) Will she state—

- (i) the reasons for not paying the due compensation to Mrs. Marimuttu Shanmugam who has become destitute after losing her house; and
- (ii) whether steps will be taken to pay the aforesaid compensation without delay?

(c) If not, why?

4743/'14

8.

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

(a) Will she inform this House—

- (i) of the amount of loans that has been provided to the Ceylon Electricity Board by the Treasury by now;
- (ii) whether the Ceylon Electricity Board has obtained loans from Commercial Banks;
- (iii) if so, that amount of money; and
- (iv) whether measures will be taken to run Ceylon Electricity Board in a state in which there is neither profit nor loss?

(b) If not, why?

4811/'14

9.

Hon. (Al-Haj) A. H. M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Highways, Ports and Shipping,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) the road leading to the village named Selvapuram in Udappuwa gets crumbled from time to time and turns into a state similar to a heap of earth; and
  - (ii) school children and sick persons face numerous hardships in passing through this road?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether action will be taken to reconstruct the aforesaid road, taking into consideration the circumstances mentioned above?
- (c) If not, why?

4849/'14

10.

Hon. (Dr.) Harsha De Silva,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that the Department of Census and Statistics publishes a report called the Household Income and Expenditure Survey every three to four years?
- (b) Will he inform this House based on the aforesaid report—
  - (i) the mean (nominal) household income per month at the national level for the years 2006/07, 2009 and 2012/13; and
  - (ii) the mean (real) household income per month at the national level for the years 2006/07, 2009/10 and 2012/13 by appropriate base year?
- (c) If not, why?

4904/'14

11.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether an X-ray machine produced in Japan was purchased in the year 2013 for the hospital of Sri Lanka Navy in Welisara;
  - (ii) if so, of the date on which it was purchased;
  - (iii) of the amount spent on it;
  - (iv) of the name of the Company which imported it;
  - (v) whether that machine was subjected to a quality check and approval was obtained prior to receiving it for the Navy hospital;
  - (vi) if so, the name and designation of the persons who granted that approval;
  - (vii) whether Sri Lanka Navy and the relevant company had entered into an agreement with respect to a guarantee for the X-ray machine and its functioning; and
  - (viii) if so, of the relevant warranty period?

(6)

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether the said machine is in working condition at present;
- (ii) if not, the date on which it became inoperative; and
- (iii) if that machine has become inoperative within the warranty period, whether it is possible to get it repaired by the relevant company free of charge?

(c) Will he also state—

- (i) whether some irregularity has occurred in purchasing that machine; and
- (ii) if so, the action taken in that regard?

(d) If not, why?

4949/'14

12.

Hon. Sujeewa Senasinghe,— To ask the Minister of Petroleum Industries,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether a 2/3 of Kolonnawa Oil terminal that comes under Ceylon Petroleum Corporation (CPSTL) has been offered to the Indian Oil Company; and
- (ii) whether the discussions are held to hand over the 80 acre land, which was taken over from the surrounding of Ceylon Petroleum Corporation, situated in Kolonnawa, to the Indian Oil Company free of charge?

(b) If not, why?

2672/'12

13.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House separately of—

- (i) the number of train accidents that have occurred;
- (ii) the number of persons that died as a result of those accidents; and
- (iii) the number of persons injured;

at unguarded level crossings with no barriers in each of the years during the period from the year 2010 to 2012 ?

(7)

- (b) Will he state—
  - (i) whether a special compensation scheme will be implemented for those who are affected by the accidents that occur due to unguarded level crossings ; and
  - (ii) if so, what that compensation system is ?
- (c) If not, why ?

3251/'12

14.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he state, pertaining to the Sri Lanka Cricket—
  - (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?

3835/'13

15.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) Mr. A. Piyal Hemantha residing at Lanumodara, Habaraduwa is a police officer who has served in different areas of the island after joining the Police Service on 15.01.1991;
  - (ii) he was serving attached to the Peliyagoda Police Station in the Kelaniya Division from the year 2010;
  - (iii) he is an officer who has even received gifts of money appreciating various talents he has shown during his tenure;
  - (iv) as a result of the coma status that he underwent for several months owing to a snake bite that he experienced on 13.04.2011 after returning home after duty he has failed to report for duty or break to inform about his sickness to the working place; and
  - (v) an order for vacation of post has been issued under that circumstance considering him as a person who has vacated the post with effect from 14.05.2011?

(8)

- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether action will be taken to reinstate Mr. Hemantha in service considering the fact that he had been a talented police officer when he was serving in the police; and
  - (ii) if so, what that date is?
- (c) If not, why?

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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 5.00 p.m. Standing Order No. 7(5) shall operate.

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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

- \*1. Prescription (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
- \*2. Mines and Minerals (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
- \*3. 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.)
- \*4. 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.)



\*5.

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.

\*6.

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.)

\*7.

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.)

\*8.

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.

\*9.

The Minister of Health,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Wijaya Kumaratunga Memorial Hospital (2011),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of Wijaya Kumaratunga Memorial Hospital together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ended 31.12.2011 and presented on 04.09.2013 under the Parliamentary Act, No.38 of 1999 be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Health on 13.09.2013.)

\*10.

The Minister of Health,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Jayewardenepura General Hospital (2011),—That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Jayewardenepura General Hospital together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ended 31.12.2011 and presented on 22.11.2013 under the Parliamentary Act, No. 54 of 1983 be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Health on 07.02.2014.)

\*11.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka National Engineering Research and Development Center (2011),— That the Annual Report of Sri Lanka National Engineering Research and Development Center together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year commencing from 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2011 and ending 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2011 and presented on 10.10.2013 under Section 30(2) of the State Industrial Corporations Act, No.49 of 1957 be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Technology and Research on 21.02.2014)

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.

16.

Asoka Sellahewa Scholarship Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

17.

Seyyed Sheikh Koya Thangal Mowlana Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

18.

Sri Gunarathana International Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

19.

White Rose Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

20.

United Muslim Ummah (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

21.

Sri Balabhivurdhi Wardana Samithiya (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

22.

The Seretse Khama Foundation Trust (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

\* *Indicates Government Business*

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