



[Seventh Parliament - First Session]

No. 404.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT
FOR

Wednesday, October 29, 2014 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

3276/'12

1.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(2)

- (a) Will he state pertaining to the loans and grants given to Sri Lanka by the World Bank in the years 2011, 2012 and 2013—
 - (i) the values;
 - (ii) the period of the loans;
 - (iii) the average interest cost; and
 - (iv) the contracts or projects that the loans and grants were given for?
- (b) If not, why?

3689/'13

2.

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Employment Promotion and Welfare,—(4)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the total number of Sri Lankans who left the country for employment within the year 2012;
 - (ii) their number in each category when classified as skilled, unskilled, semi-skilled middle level, clerical, airhostess and other;
 - (iii) the number of women so migrated; and
 - (iv) the women in each of the categories referred to in (ii) above as a percentage of the total number of women who migrated during the year concerned, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

(2)

3959/'13

3.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(2)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the name and address of the institution to which the management of garbage and waste disposed at Gohagoga area has been assigned by the Municipal Council of Kandy;
- (ii) the names and the addresses of its owner and the members of the Board of Directors, separately;
- (iii) whether the owner of that institution holds a post in another institution;
- (iv) whether the institution mentioned in (i) above is registered under the Registration of Companies Act or under any other institution; and
- (v) if so, the name of the aforesaid institution or the names of the aforesaid institutions along with the registration number?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether a copy of the lease agreement made between the aforesaid institution and the Municipal Council of Kandy will be tabled;
- (ii) the conditions incorporated in that lease agreement;
- (iii) the conditions which have been fulfilled and the conditions which have been contravened as per the agreement; and
- (iv) if conditions have been contravened, the action taken against it?

(c) If not, why?

4179/'13

4.

Hon. (Mrs.) Rosy Senanayake,— To ask the Minister of Wildlife Resources Conservation,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether herds of cattle have been released to Lunugamvehera, Maduruoya and Udawalawa forest reserves;
- (ii) of the method that has been used to release cattle to those forest reserves; and
- (iii) whether wildlife officers are aware of the release of cattle to the forest reserves?

(3)

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether he is aware of the fact that the electric fence has been destroyed enabling the cattle to enter into the forest reserve as mentioned above; and
- (ii) whether any complaints have been received with regard to such actions?

(c) If not, why?

4635/'13

5.

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the amount of money spent in the years 2011,2012. and 2013 to import agricultural seeds, separately;
- (ii) the varieties of hybrid seeds which are imported from foreign countries;
- (iii) whether such varieties of seeds can be produced locally; and
- (iv) if so, the steps that have been taken to produce such varieties of seeds?

(b) Will he also inform this House—

- (i) the varieties of hybrid seeds that are produced in the country at present;
- (ii) the quantity of the local need that can be fulfilled by the production of each such variety of seeds at present; and
- (iii) the period of time that will be taken to fulfill the total local demand for varieties of hybrid seeds?

(c) If not , why?

4736/'14

6.

Hon.(Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of students studying in the Lahugala Maha Vidyalaya in Lahugala in the Ampara District;
- (ii) the number of classes held in it; and
- (iii) the number of staff including the principal?

(4)

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the primary school which is available to provide education for the small children of the Lahugala village;
- (ii) of the issue that emerged in relation to the said school recently;
- (iii) whether a primary school has been started for this village with the approval of the Eastern Provincial Council; and
- (iv) of the current situation of that school?

(c) Will he also state—

- (i) whether he admits that it is the responsibility of the central government to provide the students of that school with the facility to study without any hindrance, even though the above school are administered by the Provincial Councils; and
- (ii) if so, the measures that will be taken to resolve the issues prevailing in those schools?

(d) If not, why?

4744/'14

7.

Hon. Ashok Abeyasinghe,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(3)

(a) Will she inform this House—

- (i) of the number of houses that do not have electricity in the Kurunegala District;
- (ii) whether action will be taken to supply electricity to the venues where supply should be given by extensions;
- (iii) whether actions will be taken to boost the voltage of the towns where there is a drop; and
- (iv) if so, of the date, it would be done?

(b) If not, why?

(5)

5032/’14

8.

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam,— To ask the Minister of Livestock and Rural Community Development,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the population of buffalos available in Sri Lanka at present;
- (ii) of the five districts with the highest buffalo population in the descending order;
- (iii) the number of buffalos reared by the government farms;
- (iv) of the names of breeds of buffalos that are reared in Sri Lanka;
- (v) of the annual production of buffalo milk in liters; and
- (vi) whether milk extracted from buffalos and cattle differ from each other in their nutritional value?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether a methodology is available to utilize the buffalos towards the local dairy production efficiently;
- (ii) if so, of the programmes that have been implemented under that; and
- (iii) of the funds that have been spent in the year 2013 for projects related to buffalos?

(c) If not, why?

3313/’12

9.

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

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) the number of hotel rooms in Sri Lanka in star class basis as at today;
- (ii) the number of room nights per year;
- (iii) the number of transit arrivals for the last 3 years on per year basis; and
- (iv) the average amount spent in Sri Lanka by a foreigner?

(6)

(b) Will he state —

- (i) all the taxes imposed on tourist arrivals; and
- (ii) the amount earned by each tax separately for last 3 years on per year basis?

(c) If not, why ?

3940/'13

10.

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(3)

(a) Will he inform this House of —

- (i) the number of liquor outlets maintained in 500m proximity to the Temple of the Tooth Relic in Kandy;
- (ii) the individuals who have granted permission for those liquor outlets;
- (iii) the minimum distance required from schools and sacred places including temples to the liquor outlet, in granting a licence for a liquor outlet;
- (iv) other restrictions considered in granting such a licence;
- (v) whether the said liquor outlets located in close proximity to the Temple of the Tooth Relic are illegal in the light of the restrictions mentioned in (iii) and (iv) above; and
- (vi) accordingly, the measures that will be taken with respect to those liquor outlets?

(b) If not, why?

3963/'13

11.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Environment and Renewable Energy,—(2)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) whether he is aware that the substances oozing from the place at Gohagoda which is used by the Municipal Council of Kandy for dispose of its garbage are added to the Mahaweli river;
- (ii) the measurements in regard to physical and chemical factors such as P.H. value, electric conductivity, transparency, temperature, oil and grease, bio oxygen demand and chemical oxygen demand of the substances leaching from the aforesaid place, separately; and
- (iii) the composition of the heavy metals of Chromium, Cadmium, Lead, and Mercury and the components of Phosphate and Nitrate contained in the substances leaching from the aforesaid place?

(7)

(b) Will he inform this House—

(i) whether he admits that it is a harmful situation that the heavy metals continuously leaching from the heap of garbage at Gohagoda to the Mahaweli river are added to the under ground water system; and

(ii) if so, the measures taken to prevent the aforesaid situation?

(c) If not, why?

4418/13

12.

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

(a) Will he state—

(i) whether the competitive examination to recruit Grade I Nursing Lecturers has been conducted in the year 2013;

(ii) if so, the date on which it was held;

(iii) the minimum qualifications required to apply for the said examination;

(iv) the number of applicants who applied for the said examination; and

(v) of them, the number of candidates permitted to sit the examination?

(b) If not, why?

4766/14

13.

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe,— To ask the Minister of Co-operatives and Internal Trade,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House in respect of the Kurunegala District—

(i) the number of centres established to purchase paddy;

(ii) the number of storage facilities available for storing paddy;

(iii) of the paddy harvest, the percentage of the amount of paddy purchased by the government; and

(iv) whether a system will be drawn up for converting paddy into rice and distributing in the District itself?

(b) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

Appropriation Bill (2015) — (Fourth Allotted Day)—Adjourned debate on question (24th October 2014) [1].

*2.

Prescription (Special Provisions) Bill— Adjourned debate on question (07th August, 2014) [1].

*3.

Assistance to and Protection of Victims of Crime and Witnesses Bill— Second Reading.

*4.

Mines and Minerals (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*5.

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 05th 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.)

*6.

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 22nd 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.)

(9)

*7.

The Minister of External Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka (No.3),— 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 Czech Republic for the Reciprocal Promotion and Protection of Investments, signed on 28th March 2011, 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 05.08.2014 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 31st 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 13th 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 24th 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 06th December 2011, which was presented on 13.12.2011, be approved.

(10)

*12.

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.)

*13.

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.)

*14.

The Minister of Health,— Annual Report and Accounts of the State Pharmaceutical Corporation - (2011),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the State Pharmaceutical Corporation together with the Auditor General’s observations prepared for the year ended 31st of December 2011 and presented on 21.01.2014 under Section 30 (2) of the State Industrial Corporation Act. No.49 of 1957 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Health on 24.04.2014.)

*15.

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 1st of January 2011 and ending 31st 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)

*16.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the National Science Foundation - (2011),— That the Annual Report of the National Science Foundation together with the Auditor General’s observations prepared for the year ended 31st of December 2011 and presented on 10.10.2013 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 Consultative Committee on Technology and Research on 21.02.2014)

*17.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the National Science and Technology Commission - (2011),— That the Annual Report of the National Science and Technology Commission together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ending 31st of December 2011 and presented on 23.10.2013 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 Consultative Committee on Technology and Research on 21.02.2014)

*18.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution - (2011),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ended 31st of December 2011 and presented on 10.10.2013 under Section 37(3) of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution Act, No. 6 of 1984 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

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

*19.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the National Research Council - (2011),— That the Annual Report of the National Research Council together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ending 31st of December 2011 and presented on 22.10.2013 under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

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

*20.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the Institute of Fundamental Studies - (2011),— That the Annual Report of the Institute of Fundamental Studies together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ending 31st of December 2011 and presented on 22.10.2013 under Section 36(4) of the Sri Lanka Institute of Fundamental Studies Act, No. 55 of 1981 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

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

*21.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Accreditation Board for Conformity Assessment - 2011,— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Accreditation Board for Conformity Assessment together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ending 31st of December 2011 and presented on 10.10.2013 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 Consultative Committee on Technology and Research on 21.02.2014)

*22.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the Atomic Energy Authority - (2011),— That the Annual Report of the Atomic Energy Authority together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ending 31st of December 2011 and presented on 10.10.2013 under Section 34(2) of the Atomic Energy Authority Act, No. 19 of 1969, be approved.

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

*23.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the Industrial Technology Institute - (2011),— That the Annual Report of the Industrial Technology Institute together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ended 31st of December 2011 and presented on 23.10.2013 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 Consultative Committee on Technology and Research on 21.02.2014.)

*24.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Inventors' Commission - (2011),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Inventors' Commission together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ending 31st of December 2011 and presented on 10.10.2013 under Section 27 of the Sri Lanka Inventors' Commission Act, No. 53 of 1979 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

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

*25.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the Arthur C. Clarke Institute for Modern Technologies - (2011),— That the Annual Report of the Arthur C. Clarke Institute for Modern Technologies together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ending 31st of December 2011 and presented on 10.10.2013 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 Consultative Committee on Technology and Research on 21.02.2014.)

26.

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

27.

Institute of Martial Arts (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

28.

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

(13)

29.

The Institute of Medicina Alternativa (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

30.

Kalpawruksha Development Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

31.

Sivmuni Se Vehera Buddhist Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

32.

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

* *Indicates Government Business*

[1].

Motion made and question proposed “That the Bill be now read a second time.”
