



[Seventh Parliament - First Session]

No. 421.]

**ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Wednesday, November 19, 2014 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

3558/'13

1.

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the purpose of enacting the Strategic Development Projects Bill;
 - (ii) the number, names, countries of origin, values of investment, the product or service to be provided, capacity of employment of the projects implemented under the Strategic Development Projects Act from February 2012 to date separately;
 - (iii) the annual turnover and the duty to be paid by each investor separately for the above period; and
 - (iv) the total value of tax exemptions granted owing to the Strategic Development Projects Act for the same period?
- (b) Will he also state separately for the aforesaid period, the tax exemptions granted through the above Act as per Inland Revenue Act No. 10 of 2006, Value Added Tax Act, No. 14 of 2002, Finance Act, No. 11 of 2002, Finance Act, No. 5 of 2005, Excise (Special Provisions) Act, No. 13 of 1989, Economic Service Charge Act, No. 13 of 2006, Debit-Tax Act, No. 16 of 2002, Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) and any other Law or Act in existence?
- (c) If not, why?

(2)

4402/'13

2.

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the approved number of members of academic staff for the Colleges of Education situated throughout the island;
- (ii) whether there is a shortage or else an excess of the aforesaid staff at present; and

(b) Will he table the salaries and allowances which each post of that academic staff is entitled to, separately?

(c) If not, why?

5228/'14

3.

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Investment Promotion,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of foreign investments received by Sri Lanka during the first quarter of the year 2014;
- (ii) separately the amounts of money that were invested on such investments;
- (iii) separately the fields in which those investments were made; and
- (iv) the names of the projects which are implemented under those investments?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the number of employment opportunities that are expected to be generated in the country through the aforesaid foreign investments; and
- (ii) of the concessions that have been provided at present in view of encouraging foreign investors?

(c) If not, why?

5348/'14

4.

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Traditional Industries and Small Enterprise Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the names of the villages of which the people make their living by pottery industry; and
 - (ii) of the number of families that depend on the aforesaid industry for their living?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the clay that is required for the pottery industry is obtained from the same villages where those who are engaged in that industry live;
 - (ii) if not, whether the clay that is required for that industry is bought from outside; and
 - (iii) of the nature of problems existing in relation to the pottery market?
- (c) Will he state —
 - (i) the nature of the assistance provided by the government for the pottery industry, obtaining machinery required for the production of clay products and for obtaining the clay required for the industry;
 - (ii) whether the government has developed plans to encourage the use of clay products by the people; and
 - (iii) if so, the nature of those plans?
- (d) If not, why?

5415/'14

5.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(1)

- (a) Will he table, on local authority basis—
 - (i) the number of public toilets operated by persons or private firms, or by the government within Colombo District; and
 - (ii) the places where they are situated?

(4)

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the methodology in which public toilets are given to persons or private firms;
- (ii) the income generated through leasing out these from 2011 to 2013;
- (iii) the fee charged for the use of public toilets per person per visit;
- (iv) the criteria used for determining that amount; and
- (v) the methodology for setting such criteria?

(c) Will he inform this House—

- (i) what institution maintains public toilets and the Expenditure Head pertaining to such institution;
- (ii) whether there is a methodology for recovering the damage caused to these toilets from the parties who have obtained them; and
- (iii) if not, what the reasons are?

(d) Will he also state—

- (i) the purpose of giving public toilets to private companies;
- (ii) the reasons why the government does not undertake the responsibility for operating public toilets; and
- (iii) whether the government has a plan to operate and maintain public toilets by itself in future?

(e) If not, why?

5471/'14

6.

Hon. Hunais Farook,— To ask the Minister of Mass Media and Information,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the names and educational qualifications of the officers who hold the posts of the Director and the Controller;
- (ii) of the names and the educational qualifications of the officers who are serving on acting basis covering the duties of the aforesaid positions;
- (iii) of the number of permanent announcers serving; and
- (iv) separately of the name and educational qualifications of each of such announcers;

in the 'Thendral' Service of the Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation?

(5)

- (b) Will he also inform this House whether appointments to the positions mentioned in (a) (i) and (a) (ii) above have been given in accordance with the due procedure?
- (c) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*a1.

Appropriation Bill (2015) — (Twenty First Allotted Day) — Committee (Progress 18th November).

*2.

The Minister of Postal Services,— Rules under the Post Office Ordinance,—That the Rules made by the Minister of Postal Services with the concurrence of the Minister of Finance and Planning under Sections 6, 10, 12, 19, 21, 25, 27, 43, 44, 59 and 68 of the Post Office Ordinance (Chapter 190) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1872/32 of 25th July 2014, which were presented on 30.10.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*3.

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)

*4.

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)

*5.

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)

*6.

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)

*7.

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.)

*8.

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)

*9.

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)

*10.

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.)

*11.

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.)

*12.

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.)

*13.

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.)

*14.

The Minister of Justice,— Order under the Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Act,—That the Order made by the Minister of Justice under subsection (3) of Section 2 of the Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Act, No. 25 of 2002 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1875/28 of 13th August 2014, which was presented on 07.11.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*15.

Appropriation (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*16.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.1),—That the Regulations made by the President under Section 20 read with Section 14 and sub-section (3) of Section 4 and Section 6 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 as amended by Act, No. 48 of 1985 and Act, No. 28 of 1987 and paragraph (2) of Article 44 of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1882/5 of 30th September 2014, which were presented on 05.11.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*17.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.2),—That the Regulations made by the President under Section 20 read with Section 14 and sub-section (3) of Section 4 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 as amended by Act, No. 48 of 1985 and Act, No. 28 of 1987 and paragraph (2) of Article 44 of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1882/40 of 02nd October 2014, which were presented on 05.11.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*18.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.3),—That the Regulations made by the President under Section 20 read with sub-section (3) of Section 4 and Section 14 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 as amended by Act, No. 48 of 1985 and Act, No. 28 of 1987 and paragraph (2) of Article 44 of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1883/16 of 10th October 2014, which were presented on 05.11.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*19.

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

*20.

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

*21.

Mines and Minerals (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*22.

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.)

*23.

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.)

*24.

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.)

*25.

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.

*26.

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.)

*27.

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.)

*28.

The Minister of Wildlife Resources Conservation,— 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.

29.

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

30.

Institute of Martial Arts (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

31.

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

32.

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

33.

Kalpawruksha Development Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

34.

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

35.

P. Harrison Community Development Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

36.

Welfare Society of the School for the Mentally Subnormal Child (Incorporation) (Amendment) Bill — Consideration.

37.

Sri Lanka Association of Professional Social Workers (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

38.

Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Bill — Consideration.

39.

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

40.

Madahapola Sri Ratnapalaramaya Religious and Buddhist Educational Development Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

** Indicates Government Business*

NOTICES OF AMENDMENTS RELATING TO ORDERS OF THE DAY

a1.

For amendments in Committee on the Appropriation Bill (2015) — See separate Paper “Supplement to the Orders of the Day”.

[1].

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