

[ Seventh Parliament - First Session]

No. 454.]

### ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

### **FOR**

### Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at 1.00 p.m.

### QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

4824/'14

1.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Defence,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) air-conditioned luxury vehicles hired by the Sri Lanka Army are utilized for the personal use of the senior officials of the Army; and
  - (ii) fuel is obtained for those vehicles from the government?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether the approval of the Sri Lanka Army and the Ministry of Defence has been granted for the hired luxury vehicles to be used for the personal use of senior officials;
  - (ii) if not, whether an inquiry has been conducted in relation to the use of such vehicles; and
  - (iii) of the outcome of that inquiry?
- (c) If not, why?

5580/'14

2.

Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Health and Indigenous Medicine,—(2)

- (a) Will he state—
  - (i) the year in which the service minutes currently in operation pertaining to Ayurveda doctors was prepared;
  - (ii) the year in which the said service minutes was last amended; and
  - (iii) if it was not amended, the reason for the same?
- (b) If not, why?

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Hon. Susantha Punchinilame,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration, Local Government and Democratic Governance,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the Secretaries to the President, Prime Minister, Speaker, Cabinet Minister, Leader of the Opposition, Deputy Minister, Deputy Speaker, Deputy Chairman of Committees, Project Minister, District and State Minister, Secretary to the Cabinet, Chief Secretary of a Provincial Council and Deputy Secretary of the Treasury are entitled to a pension as per Circular No. 06/2011 of the Director General of Pensions?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether actions will be taken to provide a file containing details of the Cabinet Memorandum to grant the said pension entitlement and all the valid circulars and letters of advice related to the said pension by now; and
  - (ii) of the number of persons who receive the said pension benefit by now?
- (c) If not, why?

6034/'15

4.

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Health and Indigenous Medicine,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that
  - the Homeopathic Medical Council which was appointed for the period from 2006-2011 as per the Homeopathy Act has been dissolved on 29.10.2009 contravening the Articles 12 and 14 of the Constitution;
  - (ii) the fundamental rights of the members of the said Medical Council who were appointed in the year 2006 have been violated owing to this reason; and
  - (iii) an illegal interim committee was appointed by the then subject Minister in place of the Medical Council which has been dissolved?
- (b) Will he inform this House
  - (i) whether the appointment mentioned in (a) (iii) above is approved;
  - (ii) whether the Homeopathy Act has been violated through the Registrations of Medical Practitioners from registration number 184 to 275 carried out by the said interim committee;
  - (iii) if so, whether the aforesaid appointments will be cancelled; and
  - (iv) of the date on which the appointments will be cancelled?

- (c) Will he state
  - (i) whether the appointment made by the Secretary of the then Ministry of Indigenous Medicine by appointing Mr. M.A. Perera as the Registrar, exceeding the authority vested only with a Medical Council to appoint a Registrar as per Section 20 of the Homeopathy Act, is legitimate; and
  - (ii) if not so, the measures that will be taken to rectify the aforesaid appointment?
- (d) If not, why?

6039/'15

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,— To ask the Minister of Housing and Samurdhi,—(1)

- (a) Will he state whether—
  - (i) over 1000 applications had been received from applicants in Kiriella, Kuruwita and Eheliyagoda Divisional Secretariat Divisions in the Eheliyagoda Electorate for the housing aid programme for the Ratnapura District organized by the previous government under the 2015 Deyata Kirula Programme; and
  - (ii) the task of calling for quotations or tenders to supply relevant materials on the estimates prepared in accordance with those applications had been assigned to the District Secretary, Ratnapura?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether—
  - (i) the relevant authorities are aware that the low income earners who are expecting those housing aid at present inquire whether that programme has been cancelled by the present government; and
  - (ii) inquiries have been made and information obtained from the relevant officials in that regard?
- (c) If not, why?

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6041/'15

Hon. Eric Prasanna Weerawardhana,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether he is aware of the fact that the price of nutmeg at present has dropped by about 30% 40% in comparison to the price in January, 2015;
  - (ii) if so, of the reasons that caused a drop in the price of nutmeg in the aforesaid manner;
  - (iii) whether any step has been taken to prevent frequent drops in the price of nutmeg; and
  - (iv) if so, whether he will explain the aforesaid step?

- (b) Will he state
  - (i) whether he is aware of the fact that provisions allocated to the Department of Export Agriculture has been cut down by about 50% this year in comparison to the budget of the last year; and
  - (ii) the course of action followed to overcome the downturn that will occur in export agriculture as a result of the cut down of provisions?
- (c) If not, why?

6043/'15

7.

Hon. Douglas Devananda,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration, Local Government and Democratic Governance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) of the amount of money that has been allocated for the new building to be constructed for Jaffna Municipal Council;
  - (ii) whether the work of the first phase of it has been commenced; and
  - (iii) of the amount of money allocated for the first phase of the construction?
- (b) If not, why?

6048/'15

8.

- Hon. C. A. Suriyaarachchi,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Policy Planning, Economic Affairs, Child, Youth and Cultural Affairs,—(1)
  - (a) Is he aware that the Thambalagamuwa Pradeshiya Sabha is carrying out a programme of utilizing archeological sites for various common purposes?
  - (b) Will he state—
    - (i) how a children's park was made by demolishing the ruins of two dagabas with archeological value in Unit 17 Colony, Thambalagamuwa;
    - (ii) as to why legal action was not taken against it;
    - (iii) as to who is behind the effort of fencing off the cemetery located close to the archaeological site at lot No. 576, folio no 16, supplement No. 16, Plan No. three 51 at Tissapura, Thambalagamuwa in the pre text of expanding it and the basis on which it is done; and
    - (iv) from whom revenge is to be taken by erecting a fence by obstructing the road to the paddy fields through that archeological site after the residents of the area led by Buddhist monks protested against it?

- (c) Will he also state—
  - the reason for allowing the local government institutions in the Eastern Province to demolish the Buddhist archeological ruins; and
  - (ii) whether action will be taken against persons responsible for that or abetted that after conducting a comprehensive inquiry into such incidents?
- (d) If not, why?

4828/'14

9. Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Health and Indigenous Medicine,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) Mrs. Malkanthi De Silva, who got her first appointment to the General Hospital, Matara has been continuously serving in that hospital for 21 years as the nursing officer-in-charge of the said hospital without any transfer; and
  - (ii) the aforesaid nursing officer has applied for transfers on several occasions?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) of the policy adopted by the government when granting transfers to the employees of the government nursing service;
  - (ii) of the reasons for not applying the policy adopted for transferring nursing officers on Mrs. Malkanthai De Silva, in spite of the fact that she has applied for an transfer as (a)(ii) above;
  - (iii) whether action will be taken to transfer her as per the policy adopted in granting transfers; and
  - (iv) if so, of the date on which she will be transferred to the hospital that she has applied for?
- (c) If not, why?

5581/'14

10.

Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Health and Indigenous Medicine,—(2)

- (a) Will he state—
  - (i) the educational qualifications of the incumbent Commissioner of Ayurveda;
  - (ii) the qualifications of the said officer pertaining to Ayurveda medicine; and
  - (iii) the highest professional position that can be reached by an Ayurveda graduate within the Ministry of Health and Indigenous Medicine?
- (b) If not, why?

11.

Hon. Susantha Punchinilame,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the officers' quarters which belongs to the National Aquatic Resources Research and Development Agency (NARA) situated at Cod Bay, Trincomalee has been provided to the use of Sri Lanka Navy?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether there is a requirement of keeping the aforesaid quarters, which was to be used by the researchers of NARA when carrying out duties in Trincomalee and its suburbs, under the custody of Sri Lanka Navy when the civil administration has been restored;
  - (ii) whether the aforesaid quarters will not be taken over for the use of NARA again;
  - (iii) if it would be taken over, the date on which it will be done; and
  - (iv) whether the researchers and officers of NARA will be provided with accommodation when carrying out duties in the aforesaid areas, until the aforesaid quarters are taken over for the use of NARA again?
- (c) If not, why?

6042/'15

12.

Hon. Eric Prasanna Weerawardhana,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Policy Planning, Economic Affairs, Child, Youth and Cultural Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that
  - allocations have been made by the then Ministry of Economic Development under the heading of Harispaththuwa Divisional Secretariat office in last year, in order to construct a centre for youth corps and career guidance;
  - (ii) half of the construction work of the project has been completed; and
  - (iii) the project has been stopped by the present government?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether the aforesaid project will be recommenced for the betterment of the young generation of Harispaththuwa area;
  - (ii) if not, the reason for not doing so?
- (c) If not, why?

13.

Hon. Douglas Devananda,— To ask the Minister of Highways and Investment Promotion,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - of the number of roads in the Jaffna District under the Road Development Authority;
  - (ii) of these roads, the number of roads due to be renovated;
  - (iii) whether the projects in respect of the renovation of such roads have been identified;
  - (iv) if so, the amount of money allocated for the said projects; and
  - (v) whether Cabinet Memoranda have been submitted in respect of the said projects?
- (b) If not, why?

4829/'14

14

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that residents of several Grama Niladhari Divisions including Karagoda, Uyangoda I and II in the Kamburupitiya Divisional Secretariat Division of the Matara District have been severely inconvenienced owing to the inability of the families engaged in agriculture to prevent the losses of harvest caused by the monkeys and the peacocks?
- (b) Will he inform this House of—
  - (i) the steps that have been so far taken to prevent the damages caused to the aforesaid cultivations;
  - (ii) the methodologies to be adopted in that regard in the future; and
  - (iii) the date on which arrangements for protecting these cultivations will be initiated?
- (c) If not, why?

5945/'15

15.

Hon. Susantha Punchinilame,— To ask the Minister of Housing and Samurdhi,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that
  - (i) Mr. U. Anura S. Weerarathne (Sri Lanka Planning Service I) has been appointed to the post of Director of Divineguma of the district of Trincomalee by letter number DODD/HO/2/Admin/ Appointments dated 05.02.2015 issued by the Director General of Divineguma Development Department; and
  - (ii) the said person has been subsequently reappointed to the post of Director (Community based originations) of the head office of the said department by letter number DODD/HO/2/Admin/Appointments dated 19.02.2015 issued by the Director (Administration) of the Divineguma Development Department, making an amendment to the initial appointment?

- (b) Will he state
  - (i) whether any political intervention has been made by the District Secretary of Trincomalee and by a Minister not relevant to the scope of Samurdhi pertaining to not giving the post mentioned in (a) (i) to Mr. Weerarathne;
  - (ii) whether political intervention is accepted if such has really occurred; and
  - (iii) whether Samurdhi related activities have been assigned to the Minister of Lands in the district of Trincomalee?
- (c) Will he inform this House whether action will be taken to appoint Mr. U. Anura S. Weerarathne to the post of Director of Divineguma of district of Trincomalee?
- (d) If not, why?

### NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

\*1.

The Minister of Justice,— Order under the Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Justice and Labour Relations 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. 1906/17 of 17<sup>th</sup> March 2015, which was presented on 09.04.2015, be approved.

\*2.
Immigrants and Emigrants (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

National Authority on Teacher Education (Repeal) Bill — Second Reading.

Inland Revenue (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

Value Added Tax (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

Nation Building Tax (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

\*7. Finance Bill— Second Reading.

Economic Service Charge (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

\*9.Telecommunication Levy (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.\*10.

Betting and Gaming Levy (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

\*11.

The Minister of Finance,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 1),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 36 of 2013 and specified in the Order No. 32 hereto, be approved.

### Appropriation Act, No. 36 of 2013 Order No. 32 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.36 of 2013, I, Ravi Karunanayake, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 30602 "Railway Stores Advance Account – Department of Sri Lanka Railways" of the Third Schedule to that Act.

(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From To	Rs. Rs.	1,700,000,000 2,200,000,000
(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.			Not Revised
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From To	Rs. Rs.	6,102,000,000 6,602,000,000
(iv)	Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From To	Rs. Rs.	850,000,000 1,000,000,000

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2014 only)

*Sgd.*/RAVI KARUNANAYAKE, Minister of Finance.

10.04.2015 Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

\*12.

The Minister of Finance,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No.2),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 36 of 2013 and specified in the Order No. 33 hereto, be approved.

### Appropriation Act, No. 36 of 2013 Order No. 33 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.36 of 2013, I, Ravi Karunanayake, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 24702 "Expenses in connection with the seized and Forfeited Goods Advance Account – Department of Sri Lanka Customs" of the Third Schedule to that Act.

(i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.

Not Revised

(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.

Not Revised

Maximum limit of debit balance From (iii) specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.

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Maximum limit of liabilities (iv) specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act.

Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2014 only)

Sgd./RAVI KARUNANAYAKE, Minister of Finance.

10.04.2015 Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

\*13.

The Minister of Finance,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 3),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 36 of 2013 and specified in the Order No. 34 hereto, be approved.

### Appropriation Act, No. 36 of 2013 Order No. 34 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.36 of 2013, I, Ravi Karunanayake, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 21302 "Printing Publicity and Sales of Books (public Notification of Publication rights, Acquiring Translation fees and staff wages inclusive of allowances) Advance Account -Department of Education Publications" of the Third Schedule to that Act.

Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.

Not Revised

Minimum limit of receipts specified 2,900,000,000 (ii) From Rs. in Column III of the Third To 2,500,000,000 Rs. Schedule to that Act.

Maximum limit of debit balance (iii) specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.

Not Revised

(iv) Maximum limit of liabilities From Rs. 1,500,000,000 specified in Column V of the Third To Rs. 2,250,000,000 Schedule to that Act.

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2014 only)

Sgd./RAVI KARUNANAYAKE, Minister of Finance.

10.04.2015 Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Minister of Finance,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 4),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 36 of 2013 and specified in the Order No. 35 hereto, be approved.

### Appropriation Act, No. 36 of 2013 Order No. 35 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.36 of 2013, I, Ravi Karunanayake, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 31002 "Stores Advance Account – Government Factory" of the Third Schedule to that Act.

(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure	From	Rs.	120,000,000
	specified in Column II of the Third	To	Rs.	170,000,000
	Schedule to that Act.			

(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.

Not Revised

(iii) Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.

Not Revised

(iv) Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act.

Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2014 only)

Sgd./RAVI KARUNANAYAKE, Minister of Finance.

10.04.2015 Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

\*15.

The Minister of Finance,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 5),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 36 of 2013 and specified in the Order No. 36 hereto, be approved.

### Appropriation Act, No. 36 of 2013 Order No. 36 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.36 of 2013, I, Ravi Karunanayake, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 31003 "Work Done Advance Account– Government Factory" of the Third Schedule to that Act.

(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure	From	Rs.	260,000,000
	specified in Column II of the Third	To	Rs.	450,000,000
	Schedule to that Act.			

(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.

Not Revised

(iii) Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.

Not Revised

(iv) Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act.

Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2014 only)

*Sgd.*/RAVI KARUNANAYAKE, Minister of Finance.

10.04.2015 Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

\*16.

The Minister of Finance,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 6),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 36 of 2013 and specified in the schedule hereto, be approved.

(These orders are valid only up to 31.12.2014)

### SCHEDULE

# Appropriation Act No. 36 of 2013 Order under Section 8

Schedule of variation of limits of Advance Accounts pertaining to Advances to public officers authorized by the Minister of Finance under Section 8 of the Appropriation Act No. 36 of 2013 in respect of Finance year 2014.

## Group Order No.01

By virtue of powers vested in me under section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 36 of 2013, I, Ravi Karunanayake, Minister of Finance with and the minimum limits specified in column III of that schedule being the limits corresponding to item Nos. 14001,18201,10501,22801, 20801,27701,30301,26901,27201,24201,28601,10201,25601,28301,28201,28501,11601,28801,30601,27901,27801,27401,27501, 21901, the approval of the Government do by this order alter/vary the maximum limits specified in column II and IV of the Third schedule to that Act, 17801,12601,11101,18801,21101 and 19001 relating to Advances to Public Officers in the manner set out in the schedule hereto.

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Sgd./Ravi Karunanayake Minister of Finance

(Cabinet approval signified)

10 April 2015 Colombo 01. \*17.

The Minister of Finance,— 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 07.04.2015, be approved.

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 1899/33 of 29<sup>th</sup> January 2015) (Cabinet approval signified.)

\*18.

The Minister of Finance,—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 07.04.2015, be approved.

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 1903/40 of 26<sup>th</sup> February 2015) (Cabinet approval signified.)

\*19.

The Minister of Finance,—Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.1),—That the Order made by the President under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, read with Article 44(2) of the Constitution, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1891/8 of 02<sup>nd</sup> December 2014, which was presented on 07.04.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*20.

The Minister of Finance,—Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.2),—That the Order made by the President under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, read with Article 44(2) of the Constitution, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1892/39 of 12<sup>th</sup> December 2014, which was presented on 07.04.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*21.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.3),— That the Order made by the President under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, read with Article 44(2) of the Constitution, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1895/11 of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2014, which was presented on 07.04.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*22.

The Minister of Finance,—Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.4),—That the Order made by the Minister of Finance 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. 1898/43 of 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2015, which was presented on 07.04.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*23.

The Minister of Finance,—Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.5),—That the Order made by the Minister of Finance 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. 1899/32 of 29<sup>th</sup> January 2015, which was presented on 07.04.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*24.

The Minister of Finance,—Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.6),—That the Order made by the Minister of Finance 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. 1901/28 of 14<sup>th</sup> February 2015, which was presented on 07.04.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*25.

The Minister of Finance,—Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.7),—That the Order made by the Minister of Finance 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. 1903/4 of 24<sup>th</sup> February 2015, which was presented on 07.04.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*26.

The Minister of Finance,—Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.8),—That the Order made by the Minister of Finance 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. 1906/7 of 17<sup>th</sup> March 2015, which was presented on 07.04.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*27.

The Minister of Finance,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance under Section 20 read with Sub-section (3) of Section 14 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 01 of 1969 as amended by Act No. 48 of 1985 and Act, No. 28 of 1987 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1903/41 of 26<sup>th</sup> February 2015, which were presented on 07.04.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*28.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Excise (Special Provisions) Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 3 of the Excise (Special Provisions) Act, No. 13 of 1989, in relation to Excise Duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1903/39 of 26<sup>th</sup> February 2015, which was presented on 27.04.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*29.

The Minister of Finance,— Resolution under the Inland Revenue Act,— That this Parliament resolves, under Section 97(1) (a) of the Inland Revenue Act, No.10 of 2006, that the Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the Republic of Singapore for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with respect to Taxes on Income entered on 03<sup>rd</sup> April, 2014, which was presented on 27.04.2015 be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*30.

The Minister of Foreign 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.)

\*31.

The Minister of Foreign 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.)

\*32.

The Minister of Foreign 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 28<sup>th</sup> 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.)

\*33.

The Minister of Finance,—Order under the Stamp Duty (Special Provisions) Act,—That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 3 of the Stamp Duty (Special Provisions) Act, No. 12 of 2006 read with Article 44(2) of the Constitution, relating to Stamp Duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1882/17 of 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014, which was presented on 12.12.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*34.

The Minister of Power and Energy,— Regulations under the Sri Lanka Electricity Act,— That the Regulations (Electrical Inspectors' Functions, Duties and Procedures) made by the Minister of Power and Energy under Section 54 of the Sri Lanka Electricity Act, No. 20 of 2009 on the recommendation of the Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1883/12 of 10<sup>th</sup> October 2014, which were presented on 24.11.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*35.

The Minister of Tourism and Sports,— 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.

\*36

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

\*37

Mines and Minerals (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

38

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

39.

Institute of Martial Arts (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

40.

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

41.

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

42.

Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Bill — Consideration.

### \* Indicates Government Business

[1].

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