



[Eighth Parliament - First Session]

No. 20.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Tuesday, November 24, 2015 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

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1.

Hon. Chandima Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Defence,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the methodology of issuing firearms to the farmers for protecting their cultivations from wild animals;
 - (ii) of the number of firearms that have been issued in this manner in the Anuradhapura district;
 - (iii) whether all the persons who have received firearms accordingly have fulfilled the necessary requirements; and
 - (iv) if not, of the basis on which firearms were issued to them?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether any person who has fulfilled the necessary requirements can meet the relevant authorities and obtain a firearm without any difficulty; and
 - (ii) if not, the action that will be taken in that regard?
- (c) If not, why?

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2.

Hon. Lucky Jayawardana,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) a building that bears the name 'Mahinda Rajapaksha Theatre' has been constructed at the premises of the National Institute of Co-operative Development in Polgolla;
 - (ii) the aforesaid building is not effectively utilized despite that a long time has passed since the opening of that building;
 - (iii) performers and artists do not get the opportunity of staging performances at this theatre due to the high charges made; and
 - (iv) this has caused a great injustice to performers and artists?

(2)

- (b) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the amount of money that was spent by the government for the construction of this building;
 - (ii) of the date on which the aforesaid building was opened;
 - (iii) of the number of performances that have been staged at this theater as at present;
 - (iv) of the nature of those performances;
 - (v) of the amount that is charged per day for staging a performance at this theatre;
 - (vi) of the time limit given for using the theatre per day;
 - (vii) of the total income that has been earned so far from the performances that have been staged at this theatre;
 - (viii) whether action will be taken to provide the opportunity for performers and artists to stage performances at this theatre paying a reasonable charge; and
 - (ix) if so, the date from which such action would be taken?
- (c) If not, why?

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3.

Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Megapolis and Western Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) many development programmes that were initiated in the Matara District under the Deyata Kiruala development programme have been stopped from January 2015; and
 - (ii) the officers and the politicians in the government emphasized at the very single district development committee meeting held for this year that those programmes would be recommenced?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether the new town plan for Matara will be implemented in the proposed place;
 - (ii) if so, the date on which it will be implemented;
 - (iii) if not, why;
 - (iv) whether the construction of Matara new Town Hall complex will be commenced;
 - (v) if so, the date on which it will be started; and
 - (vi) if not, why?
- (c) If not, why?

4.

Hon. M. H. M. Salman,— To ask the Minister of Disaster Management,—(1)

(a) Will he state —

(i) the action that has been taken in response to letter No.SD/8/2 of the Presidential Secretariat dated 30.09.2010, letter No.MNBD/06/AD/CO/16 of the Ministry of Economic Development dated 02.11.2010, and letter No. MDM/AS/DM/46 of the Ministry of Disaster Management dated 23.09.2010 that were sent to the Government Agent/District Secretary of the Ampara District enlightening him on the issue of the Tsunami victims who had been rendered homeless; and

(ii) the progress that has been achieved in that regard as at present?

(b) Will he table —

(i) the number of families who were rendered homeless due to Tsunami in Saindamarudu Divisional Secretary's Division in the Ampara District;

(ii) the names and addresses of the aforesaid persons; and

(iii) out of those who were rendered homeless, the names and addresses of the persons who have been provided with permanent houses as at present?

(c) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament,— That this Parliament at its rising this day do adjourn until 9.30 a.m. on Thursday, November 26th, 2015.

2.

Hon. Dilum Amunugama,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.1),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to Incorporate Kandy Sri Pushpadana Society Ltd.”

3.

Hon. Harshana Rajakaruna,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.2),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to Incorporate Dhammadeepa Foundation.”

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

Appropriation Bill (2016)— (Third Allotted Day)—Adjourned debate on question (20th November 2015) [1].

*2.

Appropriation (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

*3.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Finance Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 26 read with Section 22 of the Finance Act, No. 11 of 2004 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1915/2 of 18th May 2015, which was presented on 03.11.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*4.

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 03rd April, 2014, which was presented on 23.09.2015 be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*5.

The Minister of Finance,— Notification under the Excise Ordinance,— That the Notification made by the Minister of Finance, under Section 28(a) read with Section 16(c) of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52), as amended from time to time regarding Excise License Fee and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1901/19 of 13th February 2015, which was presented on 23.09.2015, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 973)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*6.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— 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. 1 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 26th February 2015, which were presented on 23.09.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*7.

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 30th September 2014, which was presented on 23.09.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

• *Indicates Government Business*

[1].

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