

[Eighth Parliament - First Session]

No. 21.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Thursday, November 26, 2015 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

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1.

Hon. Lucky Jayawardana,— To ask the Minister of Housing and Construction,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that a housing scheme was commenced in 1977 in Hantana, Kandy, for the middle class citizens on a concept of the then Minister of Housing, the Late Hon.Ranasinghe Premadasa?
- (b) Will he inform this house—
 - (i) of the total area of that scheme which belongs to the Housing Development Authority;
 - (ii) of the number of houses built there;
 - (iii) whether all the houses have been provided to occupants by now; and
 - (iv) if so, in what manner?
- (c) Will he also inform this house—
 - (i) whether there are vacant plots of land belonging to the Authority within that land by now;
 - (ii) if so, of the extent of such plots of land separately;
 - (iii) whether plots of land have been sold by the Minister of Housing of the previous government for construction of luxury houses within this scheme;
 - (iv) if so, to whom and the extent of land sold in that manner;
 - (v) of the income received by the Authority through the sale of those plots of land;
 - (vi) whether luxury houses have been constructed on those plots of land by now;
 - (vii) if so, of their selling price;
 - (viii) of the benefits received by the Authority;
 - (ix) if houses have not been constructed, whether those plots of land will be taken over by the Authority again; and
 - (x) if so, of the date on which it will be done?
- (d) If not, why?

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Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) according to the decision of the Committee on Public Petitions dated 29.03.2011 the Department of Education of the Southern Province had conducted formal interviews to recruit unemployed trained teachers to government schools and submitted 06 lists of names to the line Ministry on 03.05.2011; and
 - (ii) the line Ministry has given the approval for the recruitment of persons only on 04 lists out of the 06 lists of names submitted?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the date on which the persons on the other 02 lists of names will be recruited as teachers in government schools?
- (c) If not, why?

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3.

Hon. (Dr.) A. R. A. Hafeez,— To ask the Minister of Disaster Management,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that a number of families that lost their houses and property in various areas of the island as a result of the *tsunami* disaster remain in a destitute state even at present?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether
 - steps will be taken to implement a scheme that would provide permanent housing to people who have lost their houses, after selecting them at Divisional Secretariat Division level; and
 - (ii) attention will be focused on implementing the aforesaid programme in collaboration with the Ministry of Disaster Management and the Ministry of Housing and Construction?
- (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 notwithstanding the motion agreed to by Parliament on 06.11.2015, the hours of sitting this day shall be 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. At 7.00 p.m. Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the Parliament without question put.

2.

Hon. (Dr.) Ramesh Pathirana,— Leave to introduce Bill,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

"Bill to incorporate the Pharmaceutical Society of Sri Lanka."

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

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

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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

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