

[Eighth Parliament - First Session]

No. 76.]

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ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Thursday, June 09, 2016 at 9.30 a.m.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Hon. Dinesh Gunawardena Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara Hon. Chamal Rajapaksa Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage Hon. Gamini Lokuge Hon. Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila Hon. Vijitha Berugoda Hon. Wimalaweera Dissanayaka Hon. Janaka Wakkumbura Hon. S. C. Mutukumarana Hon. Tharaka Balasuriya Hon. Shehan Semasinghe Hon. Keheliya Rambukwella Hon. Kanaka Herath Hon. Sisira Jayakody Hon. Piyal Nishantha De Silva Hon. Kanchana Wijesekera Hon. Indika Anuruddha Herath Hon. (Mrs.) Sriyani Wijewickrama Hon. C. B. Rathnayake Hon. S. Premarathna Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera Hon. Lohan Ratwatte

Hon. T. Ranjith De Zoysa

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera

Hon. Salinda Dissanayake

Hon. (Dr.) Ramesh Pathirana

Hon. Johnston Fernando

Hon. Weerakumara Dissanayake

Hon. Mohan Priyadarshana De Silva

Hon. Kumara Welgama

Hon. Chandrasiri Gajadeera

Hon. Bandula Gunawardana,— Vote of No Confidence on the Hon. Ravi Karunanayake, Minister of Finance,—

Whereas Parliament shall have full control over public finance in terms of Article 148 of the Constitution, and whereas in passing the 2016 budget, the Minister of Finance misled the Parliament and the general public through misrepresentation and made the budget a mere fabrication even though it is the primary duty and responsibility of the Minister of Finance to present the annual budget, the key instrument in the management of public finance, in a highly detailed manner with transparency, maximum credibility and accuracy when it is presented to this august Assembly;

And whereas an arbitrary, inflexible and capricious public finance management policy is followed causing seriously damaging impact on the macro economic variables of the country such as the total output, income, employment, price levels, balance of payment, savings and investments, leading the entire economy towards total destruction;

And whereas an import inflationary pressure is building as the Sri Lankan rupee continues to depreciate and a vulnerable situation has been created with the overheating of the economy as a result of severe depletion of the official foreign reserves held by the country;

And whereas Sri Lanka has been dragged into a vulnerable situation in relation to the debt repayment capacity of the country with the B+ negative outlook (minus) rating of Sri Lanka in the sovereign credit rating (Fitch Rating);

And whereas the financial and banking market states that no massive influx of foreign exchange to the banks took place even though a statement made by the Minister of Finance published in the national newspaper "Dinamina" of 30th January 2016 on the front page with the headline "Pleased with the financial policy of the government – Foreign investors have deposited 1.2 billion dollars in local banks" has been given worldwide publicity;

And whereas the Minister of Finance has intentionally or unintentionally violated the provisions of the Fiscal Management (Responsibility) Act through the serious statement "Over another hundred thousand crores taken by the Mahinda's government has not been accounted", made by holding a special press briefing;

That this Parliament resolves that it has lost confidence in the competence of the Minister of Finance to function further in that office as the Minister of Finance, Hon. Ravi Karunanayake has totally lost credibility in this august Assembly.

*2.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No. 1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade 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 the Act No.48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1953/27 of 11th February 2016, which were presented on 10.03.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*3.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No. 2),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade 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 the Act, No.48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1953/28 of 11th February 2016, which were presented on 10.03.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*4.

Registration of Persons (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*5.

National Research Council of Sri Lanka Bill — Second Reading.

*6.

The Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution,— That the Media guidelines to be followed/ Policies to be observed by the Electronic and Print Media during Referenda and Elections published by the Election Commission in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1955/19 of 25th February 2016 in terms of the provisions of Article 104B (5)(a) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, which were presented on 06.05.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

The Minister of Industry and Commerce,— Regulations under the Measurement Units, Standards and Services Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Food Security under Section 60 of the Measurement Units, Standards and Services Act, No. 35 of 1995 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1921/54 of 2nd July 2015, which were presented on 05.04.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

The Minister of Justice and Minister of Buddhasasana,— 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.1926/46 of 6thAugust 2015,which was presented on 21.11.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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*8.

The Minister of Justice and Minister of Buddhasasana,— Regulations under the Judicature Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Justice under Section 61 of the Judicature Act, No. 2 of 1978 read with Section 45 of the Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1954/34 of 18th February 2016, which were presented on 08.03.2016, be approved.

*10.

Minister of Sports,— Regulations under the Sports Law,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Sports under Section 41 of the Sports Law No. 25 of 1973 read with Section 31 of that Law, amending the Sections 13 and 17 contained in the National Sports Association Regulations No. 01 of 2013 published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1793/3 of 15th January 2013, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1940/7 of 9th November 2015, which were presented on 26.01.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*11.

The Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation,— Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation under Section 237 of the Motor Traffic Act (Chapter 203) read with Section 213D of the Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1946/10 of 22nd December 2015, which were presented on 09.03.2016, be approved.

*12.

Buddhist Temporalities (Amendment) Bill - Second Reading.

*13.

Right to Information Bill — Second Reading.

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*14.

The Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,— Rules under the Sri Lanka Atomic Energy Act,— That the Atomic Energy (Licence) Rules No. 1 of 2015 and the Atomic Energy (Notification of Intention to Conduct a Practice) Rules No. 1 made by the Sri Lanka Atomic Energy Regulatory Council (SLAERC) under the Sri Lanka Atomic Energy Act, No. 40 of 2014 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1924/27 of 21st July 2015, which were presented on 23.03.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*15.

Theravadi Bhikku Kathikawath (Registration) Bill — Second Reading.

*16.

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.)

* Indicates Government Business