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Thursday, June 23, 2016 at 10.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

104/'15

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of Sri Lankan citizens who died in Australia and Japan during the period from 01.01.2010 to 31.12.2014 in relation to each country, separately;
 - (ii) their names, age, residential address in Sri Lanka and the jobs done in the above countries;
 - (iii) the immediate reason for the deaths of those people; and
 - (iv) the reliefs provided by the government for them?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of Sri Lankan citizens who became partially and totally disabled in Australia and Japan during the period from 01.01.2010 to 31.12.2014 in relation to each country, separately;
 - (ii) their names, age, residential address in Sri Lanka and the jobs done in the above countries;
 - (iii) the reasons for these people to become disabled; and
 - (iv) the reliefs provided by the government for them?
- (c) If not, why?

2.

Hon. S. M. Marikkar,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - whether the Sri Lankans who have applied for citizenship in foreign countries as refugees are accepted as Sri Lankans;
 - (ii) if so, whether a circular is available to the effect that the services of embassies should not be provided to such persons;
 - (iii) whether it is expected to repeal the aforesaid circular; and
 - (iv) if so, the date on which it is expected to repeal the aforesaid circular?
- (b) If not, why?

375/'15

3

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House, in relation to the Sri Lankan delegations that attended the United Nations General Assembly in the years from 2005-2015,—
 - (i) as to who headed the delegations;
 - (ii) the number of delegates;
 - (iii) the names of the Members of Parliament among the delegates, if any;
 - (iv) the number of officers from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs;
 - (v) the total amount of money spent; and
 - (vi) the breakdown of that expenditure under Heads such as Air fares, Hotels and accomodation, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

428/'16

4.

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately of the value of the Treasury Bills purchased by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka in years 2013, 2014 and 2015; and
 - (ii) whether he admits that inflation increases as new currency notes are added to financial circulation when the Central Bank of Sri Lanka purchases Treasury Bills?
- (b) If not, why?

5.

Hon. Kanaka Herath,— To ask the Minister of Primary Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately of the quantities of clove, cinnamon, pepper, nutmeg and cardamom exported in the year 2015;
 - (ii) separately of the income received for each of the items mentioned in (i) above;
 - (iii) whether there is any increase or decrease in the income received in the year 2015, in comparison with that of the year 2014; and
 - (iv) if so, of the measures taken by the government to increase these productions?
- (b) If not, why?

508/'16

6.

Hon. M. H. M. Salman,— To ask the Minister of Post, Postal Services and Muslim Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) of the number of immovable properties (lands, houses and shops) belonging to the Mohideen Jumma Mosque situated at No. 154, N.C. Street, Trincomalee, which has been registered with the Sri Lanka Wakf Board of the Department of Muslim Religious and Cultural Affairs under Registration No. R/0682/T/036;
 - (ii) of the addresses of each of those properties;
 - (iii) separately of the monthly income that is received from each of those properties; and
 - (iv) separately of the names stated in the deeds of each of the aforesaid Wakf properties?
- (b) Will he also inform this House
 - (i) whether the approval of the Department has been obtained for using the aforesaid Wakf properties;
 - (ii) whether some of those properties have been transferred to names of certain individuals through freehold deeds; and
 - (iii) if so, of the nature of action that will be taken in this regard by Sri Lanka Wakf Board;
- (c) If not, why?

561/'16

7.

Hon. S. Shritharan,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that there is a Teachers' Training College in Palali area;
 - (ii) whether the functioning of the aforesaid Teachers' Training College has been prevented as a result of a plot;
 - (iii) who has acquired the land in which this Teachers' Training College is located; and
 - (iv) the time period that will be taken to free this land and handover it to the Teachers Training College?

- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) the date on which this Teachers' Training College was established;
 - (ii) the number of teachers who have left the college after the completion of the training;
 - (iii) the courses that had been conducted in the aforesaid Teachers' Training College in the past;
 - (iv) the number of courses conducted by the training college by now;
 - (v) the time frame that will be taken to re-operate the aforesaid Teachers' Training College?
- (c) If not, why?

567/'16

- Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Housing and Construction,—(1)
 - (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) whether a procurement notice was published in year 2007 regarding 174 plots of state owned vacant land in Amalgama, Akmeemana;
 - (ii) whether the National Housing Development Authority had followed procurement procedures when selling the aforesaid plots of land;
 - (iii) whether plot number 21 of Amalgama, Akmeemana has been given to the selected persons; and
 - (iv) if not, why?
 - (b) Will he also inform this House
 - (i) of the number of persons selected for the distribution of the plots of land mentioned in (a) (iii) above; and their names;
 - (ii) of the total extent of land coming under plot no.21 mentioned in (a)(iii) above;
 - (iii) of the reasons for not distributing the aforesaid land among selected persons so far;
 - (iv) of the date on which land will be distributed among the selected persons?
 - (c) If not, why?

573/'16

- 9. Hon. Seyed Ali Zahir Moulana,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education and Highways,—(1)
 - (a) Is he aware that

 - (ii) that no compensation has been paid for that land to date?

- (b) Will he inform this House whether action will be taken to consider the current valuation of that land and pay some reasonable compensation to Mr. Mimsiad who has suffered injustice due to the under-valuation of the aforesaid plot of land which is situated in a commercially important area by the Colombo-Kandy main road?
- (c) If not, why?

592/'16

10.

Hon. Lucky Jayawardana,— To ask the Minister of Lands,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the extent of land in Kandy District which belonged to the Land Reforms Commission and was given to various individuals and institutions from 31.12.1994 up to date;
 - (ii) of the individuals and institutions to which those lands have been granted and their locations, extent and value separately; and
 - (iii) the total revenue received by the Land Reforms Commission through the provision of those lands?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - of those lands, the extent of lands that have been developed and not developed separately;
 - (ii) whether arrangements will be made to reclaim those lands which can be of contribution to the national economy but have not been properly developed, by the Land Reforms Commission; and
 - (iii) if so, the date it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

607/'16

11.

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,— To ask the Minister of Defence,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House whether the allowance of One-hundred-thousand-rupees, which was granted by the previous government to every married member of the security forces when a third child is borne to him or her, is still paid?
- (b) If not, why?

12.

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) a shopping complex had been proposed to be constructed at the Civille Road by the Bandarawela Municipal Council; and
 - (ii) later, due to a landslide that occurred in the land allotted for this purpose, a sum of 4 million rupees had to be spent to erect its wall alone?
- (b) Will he inform the House of the names of the political authorities and the officers who granted permission to erect the wall referred to in (a) (ii) above?
- (c) If not, why?

632/'16

13

Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera,— To ask the Minister of Justice,—(1)

- (a) Will he table—
 - (i) the number of Buddhist monks who were remanded on suspicion and who were imprisoned as offenders after having confirmed the allegations leveled against them during the period from the year 1948 to 08th January 2015 separately as per each year;
 - (ii) separately the allegation or the offence that led to remanding or the imprisonment of each monk who was either remanded or imprisoned; and
 - (iii) separately the time period during which each remanded or imprisoned monk was either remanded or imprisoned?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of Buddhist monks who were remanded during the period from 08.01.2015 to 31.03.2016;
 - (ii) separately of the allegations which were leveled against each monk who was remanded; and
 - (iii) separately of the time period during which each of the aforesaid monks were remanded?
- (c) If not, why?

656/'16

14.

Hon. (Mrs.) Hirunika Premachandra,— To ask the Minister of Law and Order and Southern Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - separately of the number of complaints received by the Special Investigations Unit (SIU) against the current and former Members of Parliament, Provincial Council Members, Members of Pradeshiya Sabhas, Urban Councils and Municipal Councils from 08.01.2015 to date;

- (ii) whether the names of the current and former Members of Parliament, Provincial Council Members and Members of Pradeshiya Sabhas, Urban Councils and Municipal Councils who have been subjected to allegations as mentioned in (i) above will be tabled separately;
- (iii) separately of the number of the current and former Members of Parliament, Provincial Council Members and Members of Pradeshiya Sabhas, Urban Councils and Municipal Councils against whom investigations have been started by the Special Investigations Unit; and
- (iv) separately of the progress of these investigations?
- (b) If not, why?

108/'15

15.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Parliamentary Reforms and Mass Media,—(2)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of cinemas being operated in Sri Lanka at present;
 - (ii) the number of exibitors' boards being operated in Sri Lanka at present and their names;
 - (iii) separately, the number of cinemas belonging to each of the said exibitors' boards; and
 - (iv) the method of deciding the exibitors' board to which a film should be assigned?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether there is a specified number of cinemas a film should be screened:
 - (ii) if so, the number of copies to be so screened;
 - (iii) whether there are instances where this specified number is exceeded; and
 - (iv) if so, the method in which a film can be screened exceeding this specified number of copies?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether he admits that an injustice is caused to one producer as a result of giving more opportunities to another producer; and
 - (ii) if so, the measures that will be taken to grant permission to all producers to screen a reasonable number of copies?

(d)	If not, why?	

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1.

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.1),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

"Bill to incorporate the Sisira Jayakody Siyapatha Foundation."

2.

Hon. Mohan Priyadarshana De Silva,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.2),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

" Bill to incorporate the Ganegama Sri Indasara Dharmayathana Sanrakshana Sabhawa."

3.

Hon. Mohan Priyadarshana De Silva,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.3),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

"Bill to incorporate the Dr. Saman Weerasinghe Foundation."

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

Right to Information Bill — Second Reading.

*2.

National Research Council of Sri Lanka Bill — Second Reading.

*3.

Homoeopathy Bill — Second Reading.

*4

Mediation Board (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*****5.

Fiscal Management (Responsibility) (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*6.

Resolution under the Constitution,— Adjourned Debate on Question (22nd June, 2016) Motion made and question proposed,— "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."

*7.

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.)

*8.

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.)

*****9.

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.)

*10.

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.)

*11.

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.

*12.

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.)

*13.

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.

*14

Buddhist Temporalities (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*15.

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.)

*16.

Theravadi Bhikku Kathikawath (Registration) Bill — Second Reading.

*17.

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.)