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ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Wednesday, October 05, 2016 at 1.00 p.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

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1.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,—(4)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) as to what are the types of food seasonings which were banned from importation, from 01.07.2014; and
 - (ii) separately, of the reasons led to ban each aforesaid food seasoning?
- (b) Is he aware that —
 - (i) same as aforementioned banned seasonings, “Ajinomoto” or Monosodium Glutamate (MSG) is also harmful for human body;
 - (ii) it is a factor for cancer, neurological disorders and serious diseases; and
 - (iii) over 2200 metric tons of aforesaid seasoning are imported every year to our country?
- (c) Will he state —
 - (i) whether measures will be taken to ban the use of Monosodium Glutamate; and
 - (ii) if so, that date?
- (d) If not, why?

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2.

Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(4)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) 7000 pine trees are being felled and removed in Samanalagama in Nawalapitiya range under the Department of Forest Conservation in Kandy district;
 - (ii) arrangements have been made to fell and remove through private traders the pine trees in 200 acres in Mapakanda, Nawalapitiya and in 50 acres in Malgolla, Dolosbage; and
 - (iii) eventhough permission had been obtained to remove only 2500 trees in Paragala section of Dolosbage, nearly 12000 trees have been felled and removed by now without authorization?

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- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the procedures followed in granting approval for the removal of all the trees mentioned above and the names of the officers involved;
 - (ii) whether he admits that a huge amount of money due to the government has been lost as a result; and
 - (iii) of the legal action that would be taken against the officers involved in those fraudulent actions?
- (c) If not, why?

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3.

Hon. Lucky Jayawardana,— To ask the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether an Act has been passed by the Parliament to regulate Private Medical Institutions;
 - (ii) if so, the date on which it was done;
 - (iii) whether the methodology to regulate Private Medical Institutions is implemented according to the aforesaid Act; and
 - (iv) if so, the way in which it is done?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether he admits that the registration of Private Medical Institutions and Private Hospitals, regulation of medicine and medical laboratories, and displaying of qualifications of the doctors do not carry out properly according to the Act mentioned in (a)(i);
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to implement the regulations in that Act in a proper manner; and
 - (iii) If so, the date on which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

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4.

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(3)

- (a) Will he state separately in relation to each year from 2010 to date —
 - (i) the quantity of karunka (dried arecanut) that has been exported from Sri Lanka to India;
 - (ii) the value of the aforesaid quantity of karunka;
 - (iii) the names and addresses of the exporters of the aforesaid quantity;
 - (iv) the quantity and the value of the karunka that has been exported by each exporter; and

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- (v) the value of the tax that has been paid to the government by each exporter?
- (b) Will he also state separately in relation to each year from 2010 to date —
 - (i) the quantity of karunka that has been imported to Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the value of the aforesaid quantity;
 - (iii) the names and addresses of the importers of the aforesaid quantity;
 - (iv) the quantity and the value of the karunka that has been imported by each importer; and
 - (v) the countries from which the aforesaid amount of karunka has been imported; and
 - (vi) the value of the tax that has been paid to the government by each importer?
- (c) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) separately in relation to each year from 2010 to date, of the quantity of karunka that has been produced in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) whether he admits that an illegal process of re-exporting karunka via Sri Lanka is taking place and that the local karunka producers and exporters have been greatly inconvenienced due to this illegal process; and
 - (iii) of the measures that will be taken by the government to stop such illegal re-exporting of karunka?
- (d) If not, why?

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5.

Hon. I. Charles Nirmalanathan,— To ask the Minister of Buddhasasana,—(3)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Thirukkedishwara Kovil situated in Mannar District is a religious site of the Hindu people; and
 - (ii) a Buddhist temple is being constructed in an unauthorized manner on a land belonging to Mr. Kanpathipillei Wijayakumar which is situated in the close proximity of the Thirukkedishwara Kovil?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether action will be taken to suspend the unauthorized construction of this temple?
- (c) If not, why?

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6.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of the names of the members of the Presidential Task Force on recovery of illegally acquired state assets?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) of the name of the Chief of aforesaid Task Force;
 - (ii) of the intention of establishing it;
 - (iii) of the foreign countries that the Members or the Assisting Officers, have toured;

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- (iv) of the total amount of money spent on the tours of the Members or the Assisting Officers, as at 31st of March 2016; and
 - (v) of the value of illegally acquired assets, acquired on the decisions of the Task Force as at 31st March 2016?
- (c) If not, why?

660/'16

7.

Hon. (Mrs.) Hirunika Premachandra,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that students are subjected to various discriminations and physical and mental harassments by some principals and teachers of Provincial Council Schools?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately as per each province of the number of male and female students who were thus subjected to mental and physical harassments; and
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to steer clear of mental and physical harassments and to take a certain step regarding their disciplined behavior having informed and consulted the Chief Minister of Provincial Councils?
- (c) If not, why?

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8.

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether any agreement or Memorandum of Understanding has been signed between the Government of India and the Government of Sri Lanka for the construction of the Sampur Power Plant;
 - (ii) if so, whether that document will be tabled;
 - (iii) whether the Cabinet approval granted in that regard or the documents with the observations of the Department of the Attorney General will be submitted;
 - (iv) whether a joint Indo-Lanka Company has been set up for the maintenance of the Sampur Power Plant;
 - (v) if so, of the agreements and conditions applicable to the assets and management of that company;
 - (vi) of the extent of land allocated for the Sampur Power Plant; and
 - (vii) whether a plan of that land will be tabled?
- (b) If not, why?

9.

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Lands,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) a shop was maintained by the person called Somadasa Sellahewa on the land bearing Map No. 280007, Lot No.686 and Permit No. අම/ව/බ 1369, situated at 4th Avenue, D. S. Senanayake Mawatha in Senanayakepura Grama Niladhari Division of Ampara Divisional Secretariat Division;
 - (ii) the said land was acquired by the government in 1991 for some public purpose; and
 - (iii) Mr. Somadasa Sellahewa has been granted permission by the Assistant Commissioner of Lands of Ampara to enjoy the said land again after charging Rs.171,050/-, the valuation for 30 years and Rs.1,450/- as surveyor's fee, as it was not used for any public purpose?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the land mentioned in (a)(i) above is a land belonging to Mr.Somadasa Sellahewa;
 - (ii) of the extent of that land;
 - (iii) of the first and last dates of the period within which a shop was maintained there;
 - (iv) whether acquisition of the said land by the government has been done; and
 - (v) of the public purpose for which the said land was acquired?
- (c) If not, why?

10.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Primary Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the extent of land in which coffee has been grown in Sri Lanka by the year 2015;
 - (ii) the quantity of coffee produced in each year during the five years from the year 2010 up to 2015 separately in kilograms;
 - (iii) whether the government directly purchases coffee from farmers; and
 - (iv) if so, the quantity of coffee purchased by the Government in each year during the last five years separately?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to enhance coffee production; and
 - (ii) if so, the aforesaid steps;
- (c) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether coffee is imported to Sri Lanka at present;

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- (ii) if so, the quantity of coffee imported to Sri Lanka in each year during the last five years separately;
 - (iii) whether Sri Lanka exports coffee; and
 - (iv) if so, the quantity of coffee exported by Sri Lanka in each year during the last five years separately?
- (d) If not, why?

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11.

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the objectives of holding the “Yovun Puraya-2016” festival;
 - (ii) of the amount spent on advertising with respect to that festival;
 - (iii) of the amount paid to each advertising agency, separately;
 - (iv) of the total amount spent on “Yovun Puraya-2016”, separately under each expenditure head; and
 - (v) whether he is satisfied that the government has achieved the expected objectives by holding this festival?
- (b) If not, why?

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12.

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015 —
- (i) of the number of registered Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts; and
 - (ii) of the number of Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew;
- in the District of Kilinochchi?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew and by —
- (i) state owned companies;
 - (ii) semi government institutions;
 - (iii) the private sector;
 - (iv) the industrial sector;
 - (v) the agricultural sector;
 - (vi) the service sector?
- (c) If not, why?
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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Order under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act (No. 1),— That the Order made by the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade under Section 14 of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979 relating to Cess and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1971/5 of 13th June 2016, which was presented on 26.08.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*2.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Order under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act (No. 2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade under Section 14 of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979 relating to Cess and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1971/6 of 13th June 2016, which was presented on 26.08.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*3.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Order under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act (No. 3),— That the Order made by the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade under Section 14 of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979 relating to Cess and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1973/21 of 28th June 2016, which was presented on 26.08.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*4.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Order under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act (No. 4),— That the Order made by the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade under Section 14 of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979 relating to Cess and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1975/40 of 12th July 2016, which was presented on 26.08.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*5.

The Minister of Tourism Development and Christian Religious Affairs and Minister of Lands,— Regulations under the Land Acquisition Act,— That the Regulations under Paragraph (f) of Sub Section (2) of Section 63 of the Land Acquisition Act (Chapter 460) relating to the amendment of Land Acquisition (Payment of Compensation) Regulations 2013 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1977/8 of 26th July 2016, which were presented on 26.08.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*6.

Engineering Council, Sri Lanka Bill,— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*7.

Ports and Airports Development Levy (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*8.
Medical (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*9.
Nation Building Tax (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*10.
Appropriation (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*11.
Buddhist Temporalities (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*12.
Theravadi Bhikku Kathikawath (Registration) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*13.
The Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,— Regulations under the Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Power and Renewable Energy under Section 67 of the Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority Act, No. 35 of 2007, read with paragraphs (d) and (e) of Sub-section (2) of Section 36 of the said Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1971/13 of June 15th, 2016, which were presented on 20.09.2016, be approved.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*14.
The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,— Regulations under the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act (No.1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development under paragraph (l)(m) and (s) of sub section 61(1) of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act No. 2 of 1996 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1878/11 of 01st September 2014, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

*15.
The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,— Regulations under the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act (No.2),— Regulations made by the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development under Section 61(1)(t) read with Section 14A, 14B, 14C, 14D, 14E, 14F, 14G, 14H, 14I, 14J, 14K, 14L, 14M and 14N of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act No. 2 of 1996 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1878/12 of 01st September 2014, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

*16.
The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,— Regulations under the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act (No.3),— Regulations made by the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development under Section 61(1)(t) read with Section 14A, 14B, 14C, 14D, 14E, 14F, 14G, 14H, 14I, 14J, 14K, 14L, 14M and 14N of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act No. 2 of 1996 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1892/41 of 12th December 2014, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

*17.

The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,— Regulations under the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act (No.4),— Regulations made by the Minister of Home Affairs and Fisheries under Section 61(1)(h) of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act No. 2 of 1996 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1904/10 of 03rd March 2015, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

*18.

The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,— Regulations under the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act (No.5),— Regulations made by the Minister of Fisheries under Section 61(1)(sg), (sh) and (t) of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act No. 2 of 1996 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1907/47 of 26th March 2015, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

*19.

The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,— Regulations under the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act (No.6),— Regulations made by the Minister of Fisheries under Section 61(1)(l) and (t) of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act No. 2 of 1996 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1907/47 of 26th March 2015, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

*20.

The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,— Regulations under the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act (No.7),— Regulations made by the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development under Section 61 read with Section 30 of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act No. 2 of 1996 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1924/6 of 20th July 2015, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

*21.

The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,— Regulations under the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act (No.8),— Regulations made by the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development under Section 61 read with Section 29 of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act No. 2 of 1996 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1938/2 of 26th October 2015, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

*22.

The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,— Regulations under the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act (No.9),— Regulations made by the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development under Section 61(1)(t) of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act No. 2 of 1996 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1938/2 of 26th October 2015, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

*23.

The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,— Regulations under the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act (No.10),— Regulations made by the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development under Section 61(1)(t) read with Section 14A, 14B, 14C, 14D, 14E, 14F, 14G, 14H, 14I, 14J, 14K, 14L, 14M and 14N of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act No. 2 of 1996 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1945/6 of 14th December 2015, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

*24.

The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,— Regulations under the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act (No.11),— Regulations made by the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development under Section 61(1)(t) of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act No. 2 of 1996 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1945/7 of 14th December 2015, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

*25.

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.”

*26.

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.)

27.

Institute of Personnel Management, Sri Lanka (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

28.

Child Rehabilitation Centre (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

* *Indicates Government Business.*
