



*[Eighth Parliament - First Session]*

No. 110.]

## ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at 10.30 a.m.

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### QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

465/'16

1.

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) of the foreign tours that His Excellency the President engaged in, within the year 2015; and
  - (ii) of the names and the designations of the individuals who participated in each of the aforesaid foreign tours and, separately, of the expenditure borne by the government and semi government institutions on aforesaid individuals?
- (b) If not, why?

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2.

Hon. Kanaka Herath,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House in respect of the year 2015—
  - (i) the total quantity of sugar that was consumed by the Sri Lankans in metric tons;
  - (ii) the quantity of sugar that was imported out of the total quantity consumed;
  - (iii) the value of the quantity of sugar that was imported; and
  - (iv) the quantity of sugar that was manufactured at local sugar factories?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
  - (i) separately, the quantity of sugar manufactured by local factories in years 2014 and 2015; and
  - (ii) whether there was an increase in the production of sugar in the year 2015 when compared with the year 2014?
- (c) If not, why?

3.

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

- (a) Will he state whether—
  - (i) there is a tendency in Sri Lanka by now to get sexual reassignments done;
  - (ii) problematic situations arise through that; and
  - (iii) the government has paid sufficient attention towards this?
- (b) Will he also state—
  - (i) the number of individuals who subjected themselves to sexual reassignment within the last five years;
  - (ii) whether surgeries relevant to this are done in government hospitals;
  - (iii) if so, the number of surgeries relevant to sexual reassignment done in government hospitals within the last five years; and
  - (iv) the expenditure borne by the government in that regard?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether changing the National Identity Card and the Birth Certificate relevant to the identity of the persons who had themselves subjected to sexual reassignment is done; and
  - (ii) if so, how that process is carried out?
- (d) Will he also inform this House—
  - (i) whether HIV affected persons have been reported among those who had themselves subjected to sexual reassignment;
  - (ii) if so, of the number of such persons; and
  - (iii) of the steps taken to control the spread of venereal diseases including HIV among these persons?
- (e) If not, why?

4.

Hon. Lucky Jayawardana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the number of private schools operating in Sri Lanka and providing education from grade one to upper grades?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately —
  - (i) of the names of the aforesaid schools;
  - (ii) of the locations of the aforesaid schools;

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- (iii) of the names of the persons running the aforesaid schools; and
- (iv) of the number of students studying in the aforesaid schools?
- (c) Will he admit that —
  - (i) majority of those studying in government schools as well as private schools are Sri Lankan children and that exorbitant fees are charged by private schools; and
  - (ii) a methodology to monitor and regulate the provision of quality education to pupils studying in private schools and the charging of reasonable fees is urgently required?
- (d) Will he further inform this House —
  - (i) whether steps will be taken to formulate the methodology mentioned in (c) (ii) above; and
  - (ii) if so, of the date on which it will be done?
- (e) If not, why?

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5.

Hon. I. Charles Nirmalanathan,— To ask the Minister of Social Empowerment and Welfare,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether he is aware that persons who have not completed the basic qualifications have been recruited as Samurdhi Officers in Wanni District without following a formal recruitment procedure;
  - (ii) of the details of the Samurdhi Officers who have been recruited without qualifications in this manner; and
  - (iii) whether early steps will be taken to remove the persons recruited in an irregular manner and recruit new officers in a proper manner?
- (b) If not, why?

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6.

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) people who are engaged in agricultural livelihoods reside in the district of Anuradhapura mostly;
  - (ii) many large and small tanks of this area have been abandoned without renovations; and
  - (iii) especially 16 large tanks and 48 small tanks require expeditious renovations?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the date on which the renovation of the tanks mentioned in (a) (iii) above will be initiated?
- (c) If not, why?

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7.

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Labour and Trade Unions Relations,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015 —
  - (i) of the number of registered Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts;
  - (ii) of the number of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts registered anew;
 in the District of Jaffna?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) 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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8.

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) of the number of government schools in the Badulla district;
  - (ii) the names of those schools separately;
  - (iii) of those schools, the number of schools headed by acting principals at present and the names of those acting principals;
  - (iv) the number of persons from the Badulla district who have passed the recently held examination to recruit persons to grade III of the Sri Lanka Principals Service;
  - (v) the names of the persons mentioned in (iv) above; and
  - (vi) the methodology adopted to post them to schools as they have completed the Principals' training?
- (b) If not, why?

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9.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Internal Affairs, Wayamba Development and Cultural Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) certain Sri Lankan leaders who shouldered the freedom struggle were named Traitors to the Crown by the British who ruled this country during the period from 1815 to 1948;

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- (ii) the names of those leaders have not been removed from that list up to now; and
- (iii) the attention of the government has not been paid to this up to now?
- (b) Will he inform this House of—
  - (i) the number of Sri Lankans named Traitors to the Crown by the British;
  - (ii) their names; and
  - (iii) the reasons cited for naming them Traitors to the Crown?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
  - (i) whether action will be taken to remove the names of those leaders from the list of Traitors to the Crown;
  - (ii) if so, the date on which it will be done;
  - (iii) whether the government will take action to name these leaders National Heroes; and
  - (iv) if so, the date on which it will be done?
- (d) If not, why?

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10.

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (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;
  - (ii) of the number of Employees' Trust Fund (ETF) accounts registered anew;in the District of Mannar?
- (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; and
  - (vi) the service sector?
- (c) If not, why?

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11.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) separately, the amount of money allocated and spent for education in the Badulla district after the present Chief Minister of the Uva Province ascended to that post;
  - (ii) whether a new school has been started in the Badulla district during that period;
  - (iii) the number of schools in the Badulla district that were closed during that period;
  - (iv) whether the line ministry conducts a proper follow up of the expenditure on education and expenditure on development of the Uva Provincial Council; and
  - (v) if not, why;
- (b) If not, why?

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12.

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

- (a) Will he state—
  - (i) the name of the institution which is maintaining the Independent Arcade Market Complex at Colombo 07;
  - (ii) whether the expected results have been achieved from it; and
  - (iii) whether corruptions, frauds and irregularities were committed when carrying out this project?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) the amount of money spent for the construction of the Independent Arcade Market Complex;
  - (ii) the funding sources of it; and
  - (iii) the amount of money spent for the opening ceremony of this market complex?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
  - (i) the amount of money spent for the construction of the fish tank kept in this market complex; and
  - (ii) the amount of money spent per month for the maintenance of this fish tank?
- (d) If not, why?

13.

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Labour and Trade Unions Relations,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015 —
  - (i) of the number of registered Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts;
  - (ii) of the number of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts registered anew;
 in the District of Mannar?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately in relation to years 2013, 2014 and 2015, the number of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) 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?

14.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
    - (i) whether he is aware of the fact that the present Chief Minister of the Uva Province has started a programme for the distribution of school bags among school children of the Uva Province;
    - (ii) if so, of the number of students of the Uva Province that have received the aforesaid benefit;
    - (iii) of the total expenditure borne for this purpose by now;
    - (iv) of the funding sources of the aforesaid project;
    - (v) whether any irregularity has occurred in the aforesaid project; and
    - (vi) if so, of the steps that will be taken in this regard?
  - (b) If not, why?
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AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

**Notice of Motions**

1.

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

“Bill to incorporate the Jayamaga Development, Social Services and Charity Foundation.”

2.

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

“Bill to incorporate the Galhinna Jamiathul Faththah Arabic College”

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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

\*1.

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

\*2.

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

\*3.

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

\*4.

Value Added Tax (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.  
(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*5.

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 01<sup>st</sup> September 2014, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

\*6.

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 01<sup>st</sup> September 2014, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.



\*7.

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 12<sup>th</sup> December 2014, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

\*8.

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 03<sup>rd</sup> March 2015, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

\*9.

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 26<sup>th</sup> March 2015, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

\*10.

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 26<sup>th</sup> March 2015, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

\*11.

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 20<sup>th</sup> July 2015, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

\*12.

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 26<sup>th</sup> October 2015, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

\*13.

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 26<sup>th</sup> October 2015, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

\*14.

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 14<sup>th</sup> December 2015, 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.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 14<sup>th</sup> December 2015, which were presented on 06.09.2016, be approved.

\*16.

Engineering Council, Sri Lanka Bill,— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*17.

Medical (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*18.

Buddhist Temporalities (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*19.

Theravadi Bhikku Kathikawath (Registration) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*20.

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 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016, which were presented on 20.09.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*21.

Resolution under the Constitution,— Adjourned Debate on Question (22<sup>nd</sup> 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 25<sup>th</sup> 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.”

\*22.

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 26<sup>th</sup> February 2015, which were presented on 23.09.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

23.

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

24.

Child Rehabilitation Centre (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

25.

United Christian Fellowship of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

\* *Indicates Government Business.*

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