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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,—(5)

- (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. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(3)

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) a large number of persons are engaged in gold and silver crafts industry in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) this industry is collapsing due to escalation of prices of gold and silver and other reasons; and
 - (iii) those engaged in the industry face the risk of losing their livelihoods?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of persons engaged in the above-mentioned industry;
 - (ii) whether the government has acted to grant concessions enabling them to develop new industries; and
 - (iii) if so, what those concessions are?

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- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the government will take measures to control gold and silver prices; and
 - (ii) if so, what those measures are?
- (d) If not, why?

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3.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that Dickwella North Maha Vidyalaya of , Matara was named for the “Nearest School is the Best School” Programme by the Director of Education of Southern Province;
 - (ii) whether this proposed school has been rejected and some other school has been selected for the project; and
 - (iii) if so, why?
- (b) If not, why?

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4.

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,—To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately the names, dates of birth, addresses in Sri Lanka, educational qualifications, service experience, appointed countries, posts of the persons who were appointed to Foreign Diplomatic Missions of Sri Lanka from 08.01.2015 to 01.08.2016 and who are not officers of the Sri Lanka Foreign Service;
 - (ii) of them, the persons holding statuses of dual citizenship/foreign citizenship; and
 - (iii) the duties entrusted to these persons who were political appointees?
- (b) If not, why?

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5.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of generators at the Norochcholai Coal Thermal Power Plant;

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- (ii) separately, the year in which each of these generators started generating electricity ;
 - (iii) the total amount of money incurred by the Government of Sri Lanka on the said generators;
 - (iv) as to how the funds were secured for this project?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) as to how the loan obtained for the construction of the Norochcholai Power Plant is repaid;
 - (ii) whether the loan is repaid by the Ceylon Electricity Board or by the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka; and
 - (iii) the aggregate of the instalments paid per year in US dollar millions?
- (c) If not, why?

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6.

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— To ask the Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
- (i) the electricity generation capacity of Sri Lanka as of 31.12.2015;
 - (ii) the electricity generated through renewable energy sources as a percentage of the total electricity generation capacity;
 - (iii) the position in which Sri Lanka stands among countries in the world that use renewable energy sources for the generation of electricity; and
 - (iv) the value of investments made within the last 10 years by the government of Sri Lanka or institutions affiliated to the government for the generation of electricity using solar power, wind power, and biomass energy sources?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the reason for the investments made by the government with relevance to the generation of electricity using wind power, solar power and biomass energy sources to remain at a minimum level?
- (c) If not, why?

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7.

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,— To ask the Minister of Telecommunication and Digital Infrastructure,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether he is aware of the drawbacks which have been disclosed by the article written to “The Island” News paper by a person named Shanthi Lal Nanayakkara on 16.08.2016 with pertinence to the Lotus Tower (Nelum Kuluna);

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- (ii) whether it is admitted that the said drawbacks are existing;
- (iii) whether steps will be taken to steer clear of the aforesaid drawbacks; and
- (iv) if so, what those steps are?

(b) If not, why?

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8.

Hon. M. H. M. Salman, — To ask the Minister of Lands,—(2)

(a) Will he state —

- (i) the number of families to which permanent title deeds have been granted by the government out of the residents of the Egoda Kalugamuwa Colony belonging to the Uda Palatha Divisional Secretariat Division of the Kandy District; and
- (ii) out of the aforementioned residents, the number of families which have not yet been granted with title deeds?

(b) Will he inform this House whether steps will be taken to provide title deeds to land recipients who have been residing in the aforesaid settlement for over fifty years?

(c) If not, why?

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9.

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,— To ask the Minister of Megapolis and Western Development,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether there is a plan to construct an underground pipe system to make the rain water that gets collected in the Colombo city drain off into the sea;
- (ii) if so, of the name of the consultancy firm which provides consultancy services for preparing that plan;
- (iii) whether tenders were called for selecting that firm;
- (iv) if so, of the date on which such tenders were called;
- (v) of the name of the entity which provides loans or aid for the aforesaid project;
- (vi) of the value of the loan or aid mentioned in (v) above; and
- (vii) of the proposed time for the commencement of the aforesaid project?

(b) If not, why?

10.

Hon. T. Ranjith De Zoysa,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware of the fact that the Ministry of Economic Development implemented a programme called “Gamin Gamata Dorin Dorata”, in the year 2014;
 - (ii) of the total amount of money allocated for the projects in Weligepola and Godakawela Pradeshiya Sabha areas; and
 - (iii) of the projects completed under aforesaid (ii)?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether he accepts the fact that money has not been released up to now for the following projects that have been completed; namely, road development project of Ilukkumbura Galinna, development of Ramakoralaya road laying tar from the house of Mr. S.H. Ariyawansa to water tank, development of the road laying tar from the road leading to the house of Ms. T.M. Nanda of Kudugaldeniya towards Masimbula road, and development of the road from Ramakoralaya culvert repairing dilapidated places and laying tar;
 - (ii) if so, whether measures will be taken to disburse outstanding payments for the respective organizations; and
 - (iii) of the time, spent on that?
- (c) If not, why?

11.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of buildings and other constructions belonging to government institutions and statutory institutions which have been declared open by the President during the period from January 2015 to date; and
 - (ii) of the number of constructions which have been commenced after January 2015, out of the aforesaid constructions?
- (b) If not, why?

12.

Hon. (Mrs.) Shanthi Sriskandarasa,—To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Management,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) a security clearance report is obtained by the relevant appointing authority before new recruits to the Public Service are confirmed in service;
 - (ii) approval by the security forces is rejected, if any person harbouring a grudge against the appointee informed them that the relevant person had supported the L.T.T.E .combatants; and
 - (iii) the appointments are terminated as a result?
- (b) Will he inform this house—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to re-grant the appointments terminated in this manner; and
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to make the requirement for a security clearance report invalid under the good governance?
- (c) If not, why?

13.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,—To ask the Minister of Home Affairs,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the names of Grama Niladhari Divisions in the Wahakotte area in the Matale District where the people with Portuguese ancestry live;
 - (ii) the number of people living in those areas at present; and
 - (iii) whether it has been reported that such people live in other areas in Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the government has guaranteed the right for basic needs such as education, higher education and health of these people;
 - (ii) if so, the measures taken in that regard;
 - (iii) whether the government has extended patronage for them to preserve their cultural identities and traditional heritage; and
 - (iv) if so, what such patronages are?
- (c) If not, why?

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14.

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,—To ask the Minister of Higher Education and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the number of faculties functioning in the University of Peradeniya at present;
 - (ii) the number of departments functioning in it;
 - (iii) the permanent academic staff that should be there in each department and faculty, separately;
 - (iv) whether there are vacancies in permanent academic staff; and
 - (v) if so, the number of vacancies prevalent in each faculty and department, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

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15.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House-
- (i) the amount of electricity generated in Sri Lanka using solar power;
 - (ii) the amount of electricity produced and added to the national grid per day by citizens who have installed solar cells in their homes or commercial buildings;
 - (iii) the reason for the lack of interest towards producing electricity using solar power; and
 - (iv) the reliefs granted by the Ceylon Electricity Board to its consumers who generate electricity using solar power and add it to the national grid?
- (b) If not, why?

Votes of Condolence

1.

The late Hon. M.H. Mohamed, the former Speaker of Parliament and ex- Member of Parliament.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

- *1.
Divineguma (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *2.
Land (Restrictions on Alienation) (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *3.
Engineering Council, Sri Lanka Bill— Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *4.
Sri Lanka Sustainable Development Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *5.
The Minister of Foreign Affairs,— Order under the Diplomatic Privileges Act,—
That the Order made by the Minister of Foreign Affairs under Section 4 of the
Diplomatic Privileges Act, No. 9 of 1996 and Published in the Gazette Extraordinary
No.1987/23 of 05th October 2016, which was presented on 19.11.2016, be approved.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *6.
The Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation,—Regulations under the Motor Traffic
Act,—Regulations made by the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation under Section
237 of the Motor Traffic Act (Chapter 203) read with Section 164 of the aforesaid Act
relating to Motor Traffic (Signs, Signals, Symbols and Road Markings) and published
in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1940/21 of 12th November 2015, which were presented
on 09.01.2017, be approved.
- *7.
The Minister of Justice and Minister of Buddhasasana,—Order under the Mutual
Assistance in Criminal Matters Act,—Order made by the Minister of Justice under
Section 2 of the Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Act, No. 25 of 2002 in respect
of the Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri
Lanka and the Government of Ukraine on mutual legal assistance in criminal matters
and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1992/78 of 11th November 2016, which
was presented on 09.01.2017, be approved.
- *8.
Buddhist Temporalities (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)
- *9.
Theravadi Bhikku Kathikawath (Registration) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

*10.

The Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,— Resolution under Article 108(1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka for the revision of Salary for the Chief Justice, Puisne Judges and President and Judges of the Court of Appeal,— The monthly salaries of the Chief Justice, Puisne Judges, President and Judges of the Court of Appeal have to be determined by the Parliament as per the Article 108(1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as amended by the Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution.

Accordingly, it has been proposed that salaries of the Chief Justice, Puisne Judges, President and Judges of the Court of Appeal be revised to be implemented in 05 phases during the period from 01.01.2016 to 01.01.2020.

Relevant salary scales for each posts are as follows (Schedule I)

Group of Service	Salary Code	Salary Scale (Rs.)
Chief Justice	JS 5 - 2016	145,000-5x7,250-181,250
Puisne Judges / President of the Court of Appeal	JS 4 - 2016	135,000-5x6,750-168,750
Judges of the Court of Appeal	JS 3 - 2016	131,500-5x6,575-164,375

Conversion tables relevant to the new salary scales to be implemented under each phase and guidelines for the implementation of salary scales are attached as Schedule II and schedule III respectively and it is resolved by this Parliament under Article 108(1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka that salaries for the Chief Justice, Puisne Judges, President and the Judges of the Court of Appeal as determined by this resolution shall be implemented.

(Cabinet approval signified)

Schedule I

Salary structure for the Chief Justice, Puisne Judges and President and Judges of the Court of Appeal under Article 108(1) of the Constitution – 2016

	Service Category	Salary Code	Initial Step	Years	1st Slab	Maximum
1	Judges of the Court of Appeal	JS 3-2016	131,500	5	6,575	164,375
2	Puisne Judges/President Court of Appeal	JS 4-2016	135,000	5	6,750	168,750
3	Chief Justice	JS 5-2016	145,000	5	7,250	181,250

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Salary Scales

Information mentioned in each column of salary scales are as follows:—

- Column 1 - Number of Years
 Column 2 - Service Period
 Column 3 - Grade
 Column 4 - Salary Steps on appointment and with Promotion

Service Category			Judges of the Court of Appeal	Puisne Judges/ President CA	Chief Justice
Salary Code			JS 3-2016	JS 4-2016	JS 5-2016
1	2	3	4	4	4
			6,575	6,750	7,250
			5	5	5
1			131,500	135,000	145,000
2			138,075	141,750	152,250
3			144,650	148,500	159,500
4			151,225	155,250	166,750
5			157,800	162,000	174,000
6			164,375	168,750	181,250

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Salary Conversion Tables

Salary step	As at 2015.12.31		As at 2016.01.01		As at 2017.01.01		As at 2018.01.01		As at 2019.01.01		As at 2020.01.01	
	Basic Salary (Rs.)	Gross salary (Rs.)	Basic Salary (Rs.)	Adjustment Allowance (Rs.)	Basic Salary (Rs.)	Adjustment Allowance (Rs.)	Basic Salary (Rs.)	Adjustment Allowance (Rs.)	Basic Salary (Rs.)	Adjustment Allowance (Rs.)	Basic Salary (Rs.)	Adjustment Allowance (Rs.)
1	63,500	85,525	77,100	8,425	90,700	-	104,300	-	117,900	-	131,500	-
2	66,675	89,176	80,955	8,221	95,235	-	109,515	-	123,795	-	138,075	-
3	69,850	92,828	84,810	8,018	99,770	-	114,730	-	129,690	-	144,650	-
4	73,025	96,479	88,665	7,814	104,305	-	119,945	-	135,585	-	151,225	-
5	76,200	100,130	92,520	7,610	108,840	-	125,160	-	141,480	-	157,800	-
6	79,375	103,781	96,375	7,406	113,375	-	130,375	-	147,375	-	164,375	-

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Schedule II

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Salary Step	As at 2015.12.31		As at 2016.01.01		As at 2017.01.01		As at 2018.01.01		As at 2019.01.01		As at 2020.01.01	
	Basic Salary (Rs.)	Gross Salary (Rs.)	Basic Salary (Rs.)	Adjustment Allowance (Rs.)	Basic Salary (Rs.)	Adjustment Allowance (Rs.)	Basic Salary (Rs.)	Adjustment Allowance (Rs.)	Basic Salary (Rs.)	Adjustment Allowance (Rs.)	Basic Salary (Rs.)	Adjustment Allowance (Rs.)
1	65,000	87,250	79,000	8,250	93,000	-	107,000	-	121,000	-	135,000	-
2	68,250	90,988	82,950	8,038	97,650	-	112,350	-	127,050	-	141,750	-
3	71,500	94,725	86,900	7,825	102,300	-	117,700	-	133,100	-	148,500	-
4	74,750	98,463	90,850	7,613	106,950	-	123,050	-	139,150	-	155,250	-
5	78,000	102,200	94,800	7,400	111,600	-	128,400	-	145,200	-	162,000	-
6	81,250	105,938	98,750	7,188	116,250	-	133,750	-	151,250	-	168,750	-

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Salary Step	As at 2015.12.31		As at 2016.01.01		As at 2017.01.01		As at 2018.01.01		As at 2019.01.01		As at 2020.01.01	
	Basic Salary (Rs.)	Gross Salary (Rs.)	Basic Salary (Rs.)	Adjustment Allowance (Rs.)	Basic Salary (Rs.)	Adjustment Allowance (Rs.)	Basic Salary (Rs.)	Adjustment Allowance (Rs.)	Basic Salary (Rs.)	Adjustment Allowance (Rs.)	Basic Salary (Rs.)	Adjustment Allowance (Rs.)
1	70,000	93,000	85,000	8,000	100,000	-	115,000	-	130,000	-	145,000	-
2	73,500	97,025	89,250	7,775	105,000	-	120,750	-	136,500	-	152,250	-
3	77,000	101,050	93,500	7,550	110,000	-	126,500	-	143,000	-	159,500	-
4	80,500	105,075	97,750	7,325	115,000	-	132,250	-	149,500	-	166,750	-
5	84,000	109,100	102,000	7,100	120,000	-	138,000	-	156,000	-	174,000	-
6	87,500	113,125	106,250	6,875	125,000	-	143,750	-	162,500	-	181,250	-

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National Salaries and Cadre Commission

Specimen letter of Salary Conversion

My No.

Date:

Name:

Designation:

Conversion of Salary in terms of Management Services Circular.....
as at 01.01.2016

Your salary is converted as follows in terms of the above circular as at 01.01.2016.

1. Classification in terms of Public Administration Circular 6/2006 as at 31.12.2015

- (a) Service Category :
- (b) Salary Code :
- (c) Salary Scale :
- (d) Salary Step :
- (e) Salary Point : Rs.
- (f) Date of last Salary Increment earned:

2. As at 01.01.2016 in terms of classification of Management Services Circular.....in terms of schedule I:

- (a) Service Category :
- (b) Salary Code :
- (c) Salary Scale :
- (d) Salary Step :
- (e) Salary Point : Rs.

3. Salary payable as at 01.01.2016 in terms of Schedule II:

- (a) Basic Salary : Rs.
- (b) Adjustment allowance : Rs.

4. This conversion is subject to the recovery of any over payment due to the incorrect classification or error in calculation or any other error.

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Specimen letter of Salary Conversion

My No.

Date:

Name:

Designation:

Conversion of Salary in terms of Management Services Circular.....
as at 01.01.2017

Your salary is converted as follows in terms of the above circular as at 01.01.2017.

1. Classification in terms of Management Services Circular as at 31.12.2016

- (a) Service Category :
- (b) Salary Code :
- (c) Salary Scale :
- (d) Corresponding salary
in terms of Schedule I :
- (e) Salary step in terms of Schedule II :
- (f) Salary point in terms of Schedule II : Rs.
- (g) Date of last Salary Increment earned:

2. Salary payable as at 01.01.2017 in terms of Schedule II : Rs.

3. This conversion is subject to the recovery of any over payment due to the incorrect classification or error in calculation or any other error.

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Specimen letter of Salary Conversion

My No.

Date:

Name:

Designation:

Conversion of Salary in terms of Management Services Circular.....
as at 01.01.2018

Your salary is converted as follows in terms of the above circular as at 01.01.2018.

1. Classification in terms of Management Services Circular as at 31.12.2017
 - (a) Service Category :
 - (b) Salary Code :
 - (c) Salary Scale :
 - (d) Corresponding salary
in terms of Schedule I :
 - (e) Salary step in terms of Schedule II :
 - (f) Salary point in terms of Schedule II : Rs.
 - (g) Date of last Salary Increment earned:
2. Salary payable as at 01.01.2018 in terms of Schedule II : Rs.
3. This conversion is subject to the recovery of any over payment due to the incorrect classification or error in calculation or any other error.

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Specimen letter of Salary Conversion

My No.

Date:

Name:

Designation:

Conversion of Salary in terms of Management Services Circular.....

as at 01.01.2019

Your salary is converted as follows in terms of the above circular as at 01.01.2019.

1. Classification in terms of Management Services Circular as at 31.12.2018

- (a) Service Category :
- (b) Salary Code :
- (c) Salary Scale :
- (d) Corresponding salary
in terms of Schedule I :
- (e) Salary step in terms of Schedule II :
- (f) Salary point in terms of Schedule II : Rs.
- (g) Date of last Salary Increment earned:

2. Salary payable as at 01.01.2019 in terms of Schedule II : Rs.

3. This conversion is subject to the recovery of any over payment due to the incorrect classification or error in calculation or any other error.

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Specimen letter of Salary Conversion

My No.

Date:

Name:

Designation:

Conversion of Salary in terms of Management Services Circular.....
as at 01.01.2020

Your salary is converted as follows in terms of the above circular as at 01.01.2020.

1. Classification in terms of Management Services Circular as at 31.12.2019
 - (a) Service Category :
 - (b) Salary Code :
 - (c) Salary Scale :
 - (d) Corresponding salary
in terms of Schedule I :
 - (e) Salary step in terms of Schedule II :
 - (f) Salary point in terms of Schedule II : Rs.
 - (g) Date of last Salary Increment earned:
2. Salary payable as at 01.01.2020 in terms of Schedule II : Rs.
3. This conversion is subject to the recovery of any over payment due to the incorrect classification or error in calculation or any other error.

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Schedule III

Salary Structure for the Chief Justice, Puisne Judges and President and Judges of the Court of Appeal under Article 108(1) of the Constitution - 2016

The Government has decided to make effective in 5 stages commencing 01.01.2016 the new salary scales given in schedule - I of this Circular as indicated in schedule -II in place of the salary scales now operative in respect of the Chief Justice, Puisne Judges, the President and the Judges of the Court of Appeal under the provisions of the Public Administration Circular 06/2006 dated 25.04.2006 as amended by the PA Circulars subsequently issued.

02. The below-mentioned allowances are incorporated in the new salary structure.

- (i) The special non-pensionable allowance paid in terms of the PA Circular Nos.31/2011 dated 12.12.2011 and 18/2012 dated 31.12.2012.
- (ii) The interim allowance of Rs.10,000/- paid monthly in terms of the PA Circular Nos. 24/2014 dated 12.11.2014, 24/2014(1) dated 31.12.2014 and 05/2015 dated 11.02.2015.

03. Conversion of Salary

- 03.1 The conversion of salary from the existing salary scales to the new salary scales should be effected on step by step basis. However, the conversion of salaries shall be made in accordance with the conversion tables given in schedule – II since this revision of salaries is to be made in 5 stages.
- 03.2 Conversion tables are given in schedule II separately for each salary scale mentioned in schedule - I in order to facilitate the conversion of salary.
- 03.3 In the conversion of salaries, the salary code under the salary structure operative as at 31.12.2015 shall firstly be identified. Accordingly, the corresponding salary code indicated in schedule - I of this Circular and the conversion table

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applicable as mentioned in schedule -II should be selected. The new salary codes applicable under this Circular corresponding to the salary codes mentioned in the PA Circular 06/2006 are as follows:

Salary Code as per PA Circular 06/2006	New Salary Code
SF 4-2006	JS 5- 2016
SF 2-2006	JS 4-2016
SF 1-2006	JS 3-2016

- 03.4 Placement on the salary point applicable should be made in accordance with the prescribed conversion table based on the due salary step as at 01.01.2016 corresponding to the salary step applicable as at 31.12.2015. For this purpose the salary conversion format marked Annex 1 of the Circular should be utilized.
- 03.5 The salary conversion falling due on 01.01.2017, 01.01.2018, 01.01.2019 and 01.01.2020 shall also be affected by adoption of the same methodology that was followed at 03.4 above. For this purpose the salary points indicated under each year in the schedule - II should be made applicable. In the conversion of salaries, salary conversion formats marked Annex II,III, IV and V for each year shall be utilized.

04. Calculation of the increment of salary

- 04.1 Calculation of the number of increments falling due within the salary scale.

When an increment is earned during the period 01.01.2016 to 31.12.2016 placement should be made on the salary point immediately above the salary point on which placement was made at 03.4 above. Accordingly, the difference between the two salary points should be treated as the value of the increment falling due for the year 2016.

- 04.2 Granting increments beyond the maximum of the salary scale.

- (a) In order to determine the salary point applicable from 01.01.2016 when the maximum of a salary scale is reached, the salary steps should be calculated treating as the increment of salary, the difference between the two applicable salary points given at the end of the salary scale as indicated in the appropriate column of the relevant salary conversion table in the schedule- II.
- (b) Even when increments are earned beyond the maximum of a salary scale after 01.01.2016, the salary step should be calculated as indicated at (a) above.

05. Adjustment allowance of the gross salary

- 05.1 In addition to the basic salary, the difference between the gross salaries together with allowances mentioned in paragraph 02 above received as in 31.12.2015 and the basic salary applicable to each year as mentioned in schedule- II of this Circular were computed as an adjustment allowance and incorporated in the salary. Accordingly, in addition to the basic salary prescribed for each year, the corresponding adjustment allowance should also be paid. This adjustment allowance shall not be considered part and parcel of the salary for any purpose other than those specified at 16 below.
- 05.2 Whenever salary step is calculated beyond the maximum of the salary scale as at 04.2 above, the adjustment allowance of the gross salary applicable to the said salary step shall also be paid. For this purpose the gross salary which is comprised only of the salary point received as at 31.12.2015 under the PA Circular No.06/2006 as amended by Circulars subsequently issued and the allowances entitled under the Circulars mentioned in paragraph 02 of this circular should be firstly calculated. In the event there is a monetary loss between the said salary and the salary point calculated under 04.2 above, the said monetary value should be paid together with the salary point as an adjustment allowance of the gross salary.

06. Conversion of Salary on promotion to a higher post

On promotion to a higher post during the period from 01.01.2016 to 01.01.2020 when salary conversion is made on this phase basis scheme, the salary points indicated in the Column relevant to the year of promotion as given in schedule - II should be made applicable in the salary conversion related to such promotions.

07. Any other allowances

- 07.1 As the new salary structure has been formulated incorporating allowances granted by the PA Circulars referred to in paragraph 02 of this Circular, the payment of such allowances shall be discontinued effective from 01.01.2016.
- 07.2 The payment of the cost of living allowance of the Rs.7,800/- per month being paid in terms of the PA Circular No.37/2013 dated 31.12.2013 should be further continued.

08. Pensions

- 08.1 In the calculation of pensions in respect of those officers who have retired after 01.01.2016 on the salary structure given in this Circular, the salary step last received as indicated in schedule- II should be made applicable.

08.2 With the total implementation of salary scales given in schedule – I effective from 01.01.2020, the pensions of those public officers who were in service on 01.01.2016 and have subsequently retired will also be revised accordingly and instructions in this regard will be issued in due course. No revisions of pensions shall be effected during the period from 01.01.2016 to 31.12.2019.

08.3 The interim allowance of Rs. 3,500/- per month being provided in terms of the PA Circular No.05/2015 dated 11.02.2015 shall not be paid to those who have retired from service after 01.01.2016 under the provisions of this Circular. The cost of living allowances of Rs. 3,525/- per-month being provided to pensioners in terms of the PA Circular No.37/2013 dated 31.12. 2013 should, however, be paid.

09. Allowances paid as a percentage of the salary

Allowances paid as a percentage of the salary shall be limited to the monetary value that prevailed as at 31.12.2015. Whenever appointment is made to a post that comes within the ambit of this Circular after 01.01.2016, the computation of this allowance should be based on the salary attached to the said post as at 31.12.2015.

10. Indication of the salary scale in the letters of appointment issued

The salary scale mentioned in schedule- I, shall be made applicable in indicating the salary scale in the letters of appointment issued on recruitment/promotions made during the period up to 01.01.2020 when the salary structure specified in this Circular will be fully implemented. As payments will have to be made as stated in schedule -II, this fact should also be indicated in the letters of appointment issued.

11. Categorization of posts/services.

The Judicial officers are on par with the senior level and treated as staff officers in terms of the categorization of posts in schedule - III of the PA Circular No. 03/2016 dated 25.02.2016.

12. Contributions to W.&O.P.

The percentage of deduction of contributions to the W & O P shall continue to be operative 7% unaltered and the initial salary given under each year in schedule II should be made applicable in this regard.

13. Date of increment

There will be no change in the date of increment following this salary revision.

14. Payment of increments beyond the maximum of the salary scale

The officers who have reached the maximum of a salary scale may be granted further increments of salary until the date of their retirement or until they are appointed/promoted to another post to which another salary scale is applicable.

15. Combined Allowance

The combined allowance will be Rs. 500/-.

16. Limit of the aggregate of monthly deductions in granting loans / advances

The relevant basic salary as at the date as indicated in schedule –II and the adjustment allowance should also be made applicable in the computation of the 40% limit which is to be taken into consideration in granting loans/advances.

17. General Instructions

In determining the salary an officer is entitled to as at 01.01.2016 in terms of this Circular, the relevant authorities should confirm that the salary adjustments and the relevant salary conversions have been correctly effected, as per salary revisions made on 01.01.2006 or thereafter.

18. Overpayments

If an overpayment has been made to any officer due to a misinterpretation of these instructions or through a clerical error or errors in computation or any other errors, the officer concerned is liable to refund the amount so overpaid.

19. Clarifications and further Instructions

If clarifications with regard to the provisions of this Circular and further instructions are sought, such requests shall be addressed to the Secretary to the Treasury, General Treasury, Ministry of Finance, Colombo 01.

*11.

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.”

*12.

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.)

13.

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

14.

Child Rehabilitation Centre (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

15.

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

16.

Sri Lanka Women's Conference (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

17.

Moneragala District Kantha Maha Sangamaya (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

* *Indicates Government Business.*
