

Business of the House for March 24, 2016

Date : 24-03-2016

The Hon. Karu Jayasuriya, the Speaker took the Chair.

Presentation of Papers

Annual Reports of the;

- (i) [Sri Lanka Inventors Commission for the year 2013](#)
- (ii) [Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission for the year 2012](#)

(iii) Supplementary Estimate No. 1 of 2016

Presentation of Petitions

Public Petitions were presented by the following Hon. MPP:-

- (i) The Hon. Susantha Punchinilame
- (ii) The Hon. Gamini Lokuge
- (iii) The Hon. Nihal Galappaththi
- (iv) The Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare - 5 Petitions
- (v) The Hon. Buddhika Pathirana - 10 Petitions

(Petitions stand referred to the Committee on Public Petitions)

Questions under Standing Order 23(2)

The Hon. Anura Dissanayaka

Problems arisen due to Procurement Procedure followed in regard to office new building and Housing Project by the Ministry of Prisons Reforms, Rehabilitation, Resettlement and Hindu Religious Affairs

Presentation of Bills

The Hon. Minister of Parliamentary Reforms and Mass Media moved the Bill entitled

“Right to Information”

to provide for the Right of Access to Information; to specify grounds on which access may be denied; to establish the Right to information commission; to appoint Information Officers; to set out the procedure and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

Private Members' Bills

(i) The Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare granted leave to introduce the following Bill, entitled

“M.S. Thowfeek Foundation (incorporation)”

The above Bill was referred to the Minister of Social Empowerment and Welfare for report to Parliament under Standing Order 47 (5).

(ii) The Hon. (Dr.) Ramesh Pathirana was granted leave to introduce the following Bill, entitled

“Poddala-Meepawala Sri Sudarshanarama Viharaya Educational Relief Foundation (incorporation)”

The above Bill was referred to the Minister of Justice and Minister of Buddhasasana for report to Parliament under Standing Order 47 (5).

Adjournment Motion

Continuation of the Adjournment Motion on “Prime Minister's Statement made on 08.03.2016 regarding the current situation of the Economy in the Country” moved by the Hon. Anura Dissanayaka on 23.03.2016.

The Parliament was, thereafter adjourned at 1915 Hrs. until 1300 Hrs. on Tuesday 5th April 2016.

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