

Business of the House for January 24, 2019

Date : 24-01-2019

The Hon. J. M. Ananda Kumarasiri, the Deputy Speaker and the Chair of Committees took the Chair.

Presentation of Reports from the Committees

[First Report of the Committee on Public Enterprises \(From 01.07.2017 to 30.09.2017\)](#) for the Third Session of the Eighth Parliament was presented by its Chairman, the Hon. Sunil Handunnetti.

Presentation of Petitions

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| (i) | Hon. Ravindra Samaraweera | | |
| (ii) | Hon. Sunil Handunnetti | - | Three Petitions |
| (iii) | Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa | - | Seven Petitions |
| (iv) | Hon. Bandula Lal Bandarigoda | - | Seven Petitions |

(Petitions stand referred to the Committee on Public Petitions)

Questions under Standing Order 27(2) of the Parliament

The Hon. Anura Dissanayaka

Transport allowance to Police officers

Hon. Lakshman Kiriella, Leader of the House of Parliament replied to the above Question.

Questions of Privilege

Hon. (Dr.) Jayampathy Wickramaratne

Personal discussion telecasted by "Sirasa TV"

House agreed to the following Motions moved by the Hon. Leader of the House of Parliament,

(i) Ministerial Consultative Committees

Thirty one (31) Ministerial Consultative Committees be appointed to be designated as follows -

1. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Defence
2. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Mahaweli Development and Environment
3. Ministerial Consultative Committee on National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development, Vocational Training & Skills Development and Youth

Affairs

4. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Tourism Development, Wildlife and Christian Religious Affairs
5. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Buddhasasana & Wayamba Development
6. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Finance & Mass Media
7. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Public Enterprise, Kandyan Heritage and Kandy Development
8. Ministerial Consultative Committee on City Planning, Water Supply and Higher Education
9. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Foreign Affairs
10. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Health, Nutrition & Indigenous Medicine
11. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Power, Energy and Business Development
12. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Internal & Home Affairs and Provincial Councils & Local Government
13. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Industry & Commerce, Resettlement of Protracted Displaced Persons and Co-operative Development
14. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Megapolis & Western Development
15. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Plantation Industries
16. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Agriculture, Rural Economic Affairs, Livestock Development, Irrigation and Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development
17. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Highways & Road Development and Petroleum Resources Development
18. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Public Administration & Disaster Management
19. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Lands and Parliamentary Reforms
20. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Housing, Construction and Cultural Affairs
21. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Transport & Civil Aviation
22. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Hill Country New Villages, Infrastructure & Community Development
23. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Women & Child Affairs and Dry Zone Development
24. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Justice & Prison Reforms
25. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Education
26. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Postal Services & Muslim Religious Affairs
27. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Ports & Shipping and Southern Development
28. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Telecommunication, Foreign Employment and Sports
29. Ministerial Consultative Committee on National Integration, Official Languages, Social Progress and Hindu Religious Affairs
30. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Primary Industries and Social Empowerment
31. Ministerial Consultative Committee on Development Strategies and International Trade

Each Ministerial Consultative Committee shall consist of the Cabinet Minister in charge of the relevant subject as the Chair, State Minister, Deputy Minister and five (05) other Members of Parliament to be nominated by the Committee of Selection to discuss and report upon such matters as are referred to it in terms of Standing Order 112 of the Parliament;

The quorum of each Ministerial Consultative Committee shall be three (03) Members.

(ii) Committee on Public Finance

That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 121.(1) of the Parliament, the Chair of the Committee on Public Finance shall be elected by the Committee itself, among the Members of the Opposition, as per the decision taken on 22nd January, 2019 by the Committee of Selection

Adjournment Motion

Adjournment Motion on “Daily basic wage of Rs. 1000/- for estate workers” was proposed by the Hon. Anura Dissanayaka.

The Parliament was, thereafter adjourned at 1646 Hrs. until 1030 Hrs. on Friday 25th January 2019.

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