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FOR

Friday, February 28, 2025 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

258/2024

Hon. (Dr.) Nishantha Samaraweera,—To ask the Minister of Transport, Highways, Ports and Civil Aviation,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House —

(i) of the benefits expected from the 'Port City' project proposed to be implemented in the area associated with the Galle port;

(ii) whether a feasibility study has been conducted in relation to the impacts caused to the environment by that project;

(iii) of the changes that have been made relating to the project as a result of the public outcry raised previously; and

(iv) whether the impact of this proposed project on the life of the community has been taken into consideration?

(b) If not, why?

2.

273/2024

Hon. S.M. Marikkar,—To ask the Minister of Urban Development, Construction and Housing,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House —

(i) whether the extents of lands belonging to the Urban Development Authority from within the city of Colombo has been identified, separately in respect of each land;

(ii) of the lands expected to be used for investment projects out of the lands concerned ; and

(iii) of the investment projects expected to be conducted in each of the lands, separately?

(b) If not, why?

3.

303/2024

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Trade, Commerce, Food Security and Cooperative Development,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House —

(i) of the name of the present Registrar of Companies;

(ii) of the names of individuals who have held the post of Registrar of Companies from 2015 to 2024;

(iii) of the total number of companies incorporated by the Department of Registrar of Companies to date;

(iv) of the number of companies incorporated in each of the following years, 2010, 2015, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025 up to date, separately;

(v) of the average time taken to incorporate a company;

(vi) of the total revenue earned by the department from incorporation of companies as per (iii) above;

(vii) of the number of active companies currently operating as per (iii) above; and

(viii) whether the Department of Registrar of Companies has been fully automated?

(b) If not, why?

4.

426/2025

Hon. Imran Maharoof,—To ask the Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House —

(i) of the number of National Youth Corps training centers established in each of the Divisional Secretariat Divisions of the Trincomalee District, separately;

(ii) whether he is aware that the training center that was established in Kinniya area has been closed down and relocated to another area;

(iii) of the reasons for closing down the training center concerned;

(iv) of the reasons for relocating it in another area;

(v) whether there is any obstacle to reopening the training center concerned;

(vi) if not, whether steps will be taken to reopen the training center concerned; and

(vii) if so, of the steps that have been taken in that regard?

(b) If not, why?

5.

432/2025

Hon. Ajith Gihan,—To ask the Minister of Environment,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House —

(i) whether he is aware that a massive environmental destruction is taking place in Puttalam district because of excavating of sand, gravel, soil and tanks under legal licences carried out without keeping a proper standard;

(ii) whether a methodology will be formulated to regulate such excavating;

(iii) whether a new methodology has been introduced for the excavating of sand, gravel, soil and tanks and for issuing transport licences for same; and

(iv) if so, of that methodology?

(b) Will he also inform this House —

(i) of the intervention of the Provincial Environmental Authority of the North Western Province, in a situation where a massive environmental destruction is being caused in the North Western Province;

(ii) of the responsibility of that authority; and

(iii) whether there is a need to further keep the Provincial Environmental Authority of the North Western Province in operation?

(c) If not , why ?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*a1.

Appropriation Bill— (Ninth Allotted Day) — Committee (Progress, 27th February).

*2.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Regulation under the Finance Act,— That the Regulation made by the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development under Section 12 of the Finance Act, No. 12 of 2013 read together with the provisions of the Finance Act, No. 12 of 2012 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2411/56 of 22nd November 2024, which was presented on 14.02.2025, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

* ***Indicates Government Business.***

NOTICES OF AMENDMENTS RELATING TO ORDERS OF THE DAY

a1.

For amendments in Committee on the "Appropriation" Bill — See separate Paper "Supplement to the Orders of the Day".
