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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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The Minister of Justice and National Integration,— Regulations under the Anti - Corruption Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Justice and National Integration in consultation with the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption under Section 156 read with Sections 82 and 92 of the Anti - Corruption Act, No. 9 of 2023 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2428/43 of 20th March 2025, which were presented on 20.05.2025, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

* *Indicates Government Business.*

Friday, June 06, 2025

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Sri Lanka Electricity (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

P. 51/2025

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Establishment of a Faculty of National Languages, — That this Parliament resolves that a Faculty of National Languages should be established in order to teach Sinhala, Tamil and English to teachers.

P. 52/2025

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Formulating a program to exercise justice to the individuals who have become the victims of microfinance loans,— That this Parliament resolves that a program should be formulated to ensure justice to the individuals who have obtained microfinance loans due to the fact that the majority of them have now become victims of the loans concerned.

P. 53/2025

Hon. Heshu Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— Formulation of a program to develop and regulate the Teledrama industry, — That this Parliament resolves that a regulatory body be established to develop and regulate the teledrama industry, which is a major industry that provides entertainment to the people of the country.

P. 54/2025

Hon. Lal Premanath,— Taking action against those who committed large-scale misappropriation of public funds in local government institutions,— That this Parliament resolves that investigations should be conducted expeditiously into the large-scale misappropriations of public funds that have taken place in all the local government institutions situated throughout Sri Lanka and action should be taken to have punishments meted out to all authorities who were involved in such acts in accordance with the existing laws.

** Indicates Government Business.*

Tuesday, June 17, 2025

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

279/2024

Hon. S.M. Marikkar,—To ask the Minister of Energy,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the time elapsed since the commencement of sending the electricity bills through the SMS facility?
 - (ii) whether all electricity consumers have got registered for the SMS service by now;
 - (iii) if not, of the number of electricity consumers who have not registered yet; and
 - (iv) of the measures that have been taken to provide electricity bills to electricity consumers who are unable to register for that service and do not have mobile phones?
- (b) If not, why?

307/2024

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— (1)

- (a) Will she inform this House of the —
 - (i) number of national and provincial schools each district separately;
 - (ii) total number of teachers and principals serving in these schools;
 - (iii) total monthly and annual expenditure on salaries and emoluments for these teachers and principals separately; and
 - (iv) average monthly salary of a government teacher?

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- (b) Will she also inform this House—
 - (i) whether there is a shortage of teachers in government schools;
 - (ii) if so, of the timeline for filling these vacancies;
 - (iii) of the number of schools with less than 100 students; and
 - (iv) of the names of such schools, categorized by district?
- (c) Will she further inform this House, separately of the —
 - (i) number of students admitted to Grade 1 in government schools over the past five years; and
 - (ii) projected number of Grade 1 admissions for the next five years?
- (d) If not, why?

452/2025

Hon. T.K. Jayasundara,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— (3)

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) whether he accepts that the overflow of the Gin River causes a major impact on the lives and properties of the people of the Galle District;
 - (ii) whether reports have been prepared regarding the projects that have been proposed to be implemented after year 2000 to control the overflow of the Gin River or for any other purpose;
 - (iii) if so, what those reports are;
 - (iv) of the names of the institutions that have prepared those reports;
 - (v) of the amount spent on the preparation of those project reports/ feasibility study reports; and
 - (vi) of the sources from which funds were obtained for that purpose?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) whether projects have been implemented to control the overflow of the Gin River; and
 - (ii) if so, of the year in which each of those projects was initiated, the year in which it was completed, the amount allocated, the amount spent, the institution by which it was implemented and the solutions that have been given, separately?
- (c) If not, why?

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456/2025

Hon. Rohitha Abeygunawardhana,—To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Employment and Tourism,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the target number of foreign tourists expected to visit Sri Lanka in the year 2025;
 - (ii) of the countries from which foreign tourists are expected to come from;
 - (iii) whether adequate accommodation/ room facilities are available to such tourists;
 - (iv) of the steps that will be taken towards the advancement of the Sri Lanka's tourist hotel sector, which collapsed for reasons such as Covid-19 Pandemic, Easter Day Attack in Sri Lanka and mass protests (Aragalaya);
 - (v) of the measures that will be taken to uplift Sri Lanka's tourism industry; and
 - (vi) of the number of tourist zones existing in each of the provinces in Sri Lanka, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

569/2025

Hon. Ravindra Bandara,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— (2)

- (a) Will she inform this House —
 - (i) whether she is aware that money has been provided to various individuals by the President's Fund for completing a PhD or other higher education programmes at foreign universities under the strict condition that they must return to Sri Lanka and serve this country;
 - (ii) whether money has been provided accordingly by the President's Fund to the children, relatives and friends of the former Presidents, Ministers and Members of Parliament after 2005;
 - (iii) if so, of the number of individuals to whom money has been provided in this manner, their names and the names of the respective politicians to whom they are related, separately;
 - (iv) out of the above-named individuals, of the number of those who have returned to Sri Lanka after completing their PhDs and the number of those who have not returned to Sri Lanka, separately;
 - (v) of the action that has been taken regarding the individuals who have not returned to Sri Lanka;
 - (vi) whether legal action has been taken against them; and

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(vii) whether the money spent by the government on their behalf has been recovered from them?

(b) If not, why?

586/2025

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

(a) Will he inform this House of the —

(i) date and venue of the last Mahapola Educational and Trade Fair, which had been initiated to raise funds for the Mahapola Higher Education Scholarship Trust Fund was held, and the amount of money that was spent on conducting it; and

(ii) value of the capital assets of the Mahapola Higher Education Scholarship Trust Fund existing at present?

(b) If not, why?

802/2025

Hon. Dharmapriya Dissanayake,—To ask the Minister of Transport, Highways, Ports and Civil Aviation,— (1)

(a) Is he aware that the —

(i) various problems have cropped up in the acquisition of lands for the construction of the Central Expressway; and

(ii) compensation has not been paid to a large number of landowners for the lands acquired up until now?

(b) Will he inform this House—

(i) whether a methodology has been prepared for the payment of the compensation payable to them;

(ii) if not, of the reasons for that;

(iii) whether he is aware that the payment of the said compensation has been delayed for a long time; and

(iv) if so, of the time it will take to pay the said compensation?

(c) If not, why?

837/2025

Hon. Susantha Kumara Nawarathna,—To ask the Minister of Transport, Highways, Ports and Civil Aviation,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

(i) of the number of regional workshops owned by the Sri Lanka Transport Board;

(ii) of the areas where the workshops concerned have been established;

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- (iii) whether he is aware that a proposal had been made to start a tyre manufacturing factory within the Medawachchiya Regional Workshop of Sri Lanka Transport Board;
 - (iv) if so, of the amount that had been allocated for that; and
 - (v) of its progress as at 28th February 2025?
- (b) If not, why?

847/2025

Hon. Nishantha Perera,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether he is aware that the Land Reform Commission has alienated lands to employees of the Commission under special privileges;
 - (ii) if so, of the number of employees that have been granted with lands in such manner;
 - (iii) whether he will present a full report pertaining to it;
 - (iv) of the legal basis of alienating lands to employees of the Land Reform Commission under special privileges;
 - (v) whether there is a possibility to sell or transfer the lands so alienated to other parties;
 - (vi) of the number of lands sold or transferred to other parties out of those lands received under special privileges; and
 - (vii) of the measures to be taken concerning the sale or transfer of such lands to other parties?
- (b) If not, why?

875/2025

Hon. (Dr.) M.L.A.M. Hizbullah,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether he is aware that requests have been submitted to the Manmunai North Divisional Secretariat by landless persons during the period from 01.01.2017 to 31.03.2025 with the aim of acquiring lands;
 - (ii) if so, of the number of such persons and their names and the relevant details;
 - (iii) whether such persons have been issued with Deeds of Grant or Land Permits; and
 - (iv) if so, of the number of such persons along with their names and relevant details?

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- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether he is aware that the majority of the persons who have settled down in government lands in the Manmunai North Divisional Secretariat Division have not been issued with Deeds of Grant or Land Permits so far;
 - (ii) if so, of the number of such persons and their names and other relevant details; and
 - (iii) of the reasons for not issuing Deeds of Grant or Land Permits to the aforementioned persons so far?
 - (c) If not, why?
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Wednesday, June 18, 2025

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

515/2025

Hon. (Dr.) Najith Indika,—To ask the Minister of Health and Mass Media,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that propaganda of a nature which defame the government has been published on social media regarding the commemoration of the dead persons of the Northern Province of Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) of the legal provisions currently in force against the making of organized racist, religious and hateful statements on social media;
 - (iii) of the Acts most frequently used in the past out of those referred to above;
 - (iv) whether a course of action has been developed to prevent the defame caused to the government by the failure to promptly give the correct factual explanation of the government after misinformation has been disseminated by the media; and
 - (v) of the measures that will be taken to rectify this situation and to avoid any recurrences of such in the future?
- (b) If not, why?

613/2025

Hon. (Mrs.) Chamindranee Kiriella, Attorney at Law,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— (1)

- (a) Will she inform this House of the —
 - (i) number of projects that were launched in government schools in the Central Province under the project named ‘Nearest School - Best School’;

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- (ii) number of those out of the aforesaid projects that have been completed and the number of those that have not been completed, separately; and
 - (iii) measures that will be taken to expeditiously complete the projects that have not been completed yet?
- (b) If not, why?

633/2025

Hon. Mujibur Rahman,—To ask the Minister of Justice and National Integration,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the number of cases that have been filed by the Attorney General's Department against politicians and public officials during the period from 2020 to 2024 in relation to fraud, corruption and homicides committed during the period from 2015 to 2019;
 - (ii) of the number of cases that have been concluded with proceedings by now from among the cases referred to above;
 - (iii) of those cases;
 - (iv) out of the cases referred to in (i) above, of the cases that have been withdrawn by the Attorney General; and
 - (v) of those cases?
- (b) If not, why?

636/2025

Hon. Hector Appuhamy,—To ask the Minister of Transport, Highways, Ports and Civil Aviation,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether locomotives, coaches and other equipment belonging to Sri Lanka Railways have been leased out for transporting limestone from Palaviya in Puttalam to the Aruwakkaru Limestone Quarry;
 - (ii) if so, of the name of the company to which abovementioned equipment have been leased out;
 - (iii) of the income that has been earned by Sri Lanka Railways by leasing out the said equipment from year 2015 up to now separately in respect of each year; and
 - (iv) whether action will be taken to review the abovementioned lease agreement in relation to the current requirements?
- (b) If not, why?

650/2025

Hon. (Dr.) Kavinda Heshan Jayawardhana,—To ask the Minister of Health and Mass Media,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the date on which the National Medicines Quality Assurance Laboratory (NMQAL) was established;
 - (ii) of the objectives of establishing the laboratory concerned;
 - (iii) whether he is aware that most of the imported drugs are not subjected to proper quality testing because the Medicines Quality Assurance Laboratory (NMQAL) is not functioning properly at present; and
 - (iv) if so, of the courses of action that will be taken to properly bring the above-mentioned Quality Assurance Laboratory up-to-date?
- (b) If not, why?

715/2025

Hon. Danushka Ranganath,—To ask the Minister of Energy,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
 - (i) time period of acquiring lands for the Kukuleganga Power Station Construction Project was commenced; and
 - (ii) extent of land that was acquired for the project concerned?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether he is aware of the access road to the power station concerned;
 - (ii) of the points at which the access road concerned starts and ends;
 - (iii) whether he is aware that the bus bearing route number 437 plies along the access road and the road itself has transformed to a public transport road;
 - (iv) of the length of the part of that road belonging to the Kukuleganga Power Station;
 - (v) whether he is aware that due to lack of proper maintenance, nearly half of the part concerned of that road is in an unsafe condition;
 - (vi) whether steps will be taken to maintain that part of the road properly; and
 - (vii) if not, whether the road concerned of that road will be vested in the Road Development Authority?
- (c) If not, why?

724/2025

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,—To ask the Minister of Health and Mass Media,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether he accepts that an excellent service is provided by the ‘Suwa Seriya’ ambulance service; and
 - (ii) if so, of the measures that will be taken to further strengthen and expand the said ambulance service?
- (b) If not, why?

792/2025

Hon. Sujeewa Dissanayake,—To ask the Minister of Transport, Highways, Ports and Civil Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Will he accept that —
 - (i) the bus owners holding route permits issued by the National Transport Commission who sold their unroadworthy buses during the period when import of vehicles into Sri Lanka had been suspended, had to wait until the import of buses recommenced in order to purchase a new bus;
 - (ii) during the abovementioned period, the bus owners concerned had surrendered their route permits to the said Commission;
 - (iii) when new buses are put into operation after the import of buses has recommenced, the Provincial Road Passenger Transport Authority charges an outstanding fee for issuing ‘chart sheets’ even for the period during which the buses were not in operation;
 - (iv) it was not possible for the bus owners to put new buses into operation, as they were unable to purchase buses during the period when import of buses were suspended; and
 - (v) it is therefore unfair to charge an outstanding fee for the period during which buses were not operated when issuing ‘chart sheets’ for the new buses?
- (b) If so, will he inform this House of the solution that will be given in this regard?
- (c) If not, why?

848/2025

Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody,—To ask the Minister of Public Administration, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether he is aware that there is a shopping complex known as the ‘New Shopping Complex’ belonging to the Minuwangoda Urban Council situated in Minuwangoda town;
 - (ii) of the number of trade stalls (shops) available in the said Shopping Complex; and
 - (iii) separately, of the name and address of each person who has obtained the said stalls on lease basis and of the monthly or annual rent charged on each of the stalls concerned?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether the persons who have obtained the stalls in the abovementioned Shopping Complex on lease basis have the legal right to sell, sub-lease, or transfer the ownership of the said stalls to another person;
 - (ii) whether the original lessees, who have obtained the said stalls by entering into lease agreements with the Minuwangoda Urban Council, are the ones currently conducting business in the stalls;
 - (iii) if not, whether he will submit a list of names of the persons who are currently conducting business activities in the said stalls; and
 - (iv) whether legal action has been taken against those persons?
- (c) If not, why?

864/2025

Hon. Lal Premanath,—To ask the Minister of Plantation and Community Infrastructure,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the tea smallholders' contribution to the total tea production in Sri Lanka as a percentage;
 - (ii) whether he accepts that the tea factories perform an important role during the production process from raw tea leaves to the finished good;
 - (iii) of the number of registered tea factories in Sri Lanka located in each District, separately;
 - (iv) whether he accepts that the abovementioned factories are actually located physically on the respective lands;
 - (v) if so, whether the aforesaid fact has been ascertained through an on-site inspection;

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- (vi) if not, of the reasons for it; and
 - (vii) whether any of the abovementioned tea factories have/ any factory has departed from producing finished tea for any reason?
- (b) If not, why?

Thursday, June 19, 2025

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

13/2024

Hon. Heshu Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— (1)

- (a) Will she inform this House —
- (i) whether she acknowledges the importance of increasing the facilities in national colleges of education, which play a crucial role in the development of education in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) of the number of national colleges of education existing in Sri Lanka;
 - (iii) of the number of approved cadre of non-academic staffs of those colleges of education;
 - (iv) separately, of the salaries and allowances appertaining to each post on the non-academic staff and the number of existing vacancies;
 - (v) whether a plan has been formulated for filling those vacancies; and
 - (vi) if so, of those plans?
- (b) If not, why?

76/2024

Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam,— To ask the Minister of Urban Development, Construction and Housing,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether he is aware that there are drainage systems that need to be renovated and that need to be established newly within the areas belonging to the Batticaloa Municipal Council and in areas adjacent to it;
 - (ii) if so, whether steps will be taken to renovate the existing drainage systems and to establish new drainage systems; and
 - (iii) if so, of the steps that will be taken in that regard?
- (b) If not, why?

113/2024

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Transport, Highways, Ports and Civil Aviation,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
 - (i) income earned through transport of passengers and carriage of goods by the Sri Lanka Railways in each year from 2015 up to now, separately; and
 - (ii) steps to be taken to enhance carriage of goods by train?
- (b) If not, why?

215/2024

Hon. Rohana Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Employment and Tourism,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of Sri Lankans who departed for seasonal employment in South Korea under the E.S. visa scheme, separately in each year from 2015 up to now;
 - (ii) whether he is aware that an external party has intervened in this regard at present; and
 - (iii) whether he accepts that the Sri Lankans seeking employment in South Korea have been inconvenienced as a result of the above situation?
- (b) If not, why?

720/2025

Hon. W. H. M. Dharmasena,— To ask the Minister of Urban Development, Construction and Housing,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
 - (i) number of villages in the Moneragala District that are faced with drinking water problems;
 - (ii) names of those villages;
 - (iii) number of community-based water projects that have been implemented in the Moneragala District so far;
 - (iv) number of community-based water projects, that are currently functioning successfully, out of the said projects; and
 - (v) steps that will be taken to further implement community-based water projects in order to resolve the drinking water problem in the Moneragala District?

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(b) Will he also inform this House —

- (i) whether he is aware that although an office of the Urban Development Authority had been established in Moneragala, that office has now been removed;
- (ii) whether he is aware that, as a result, the people of the Moneragala area are suffering great inconveniences as they have to travel to Badulla or Kataragama to obtain the services from an office of that Authority; and
- (iii) whether steps will be taken to re-establish an office of the Urban Development Authority in Moneragala?

(c) If not, why?

855/2025

Hon. (Mrs.) A.M.M.M. Rathwaththe,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— (1)

(a) Is he aware that —

- (i) a land measuring about 1000 acres in the Mahaweli C zone has been disposed to Informatics Private Limited for an investment project; and
- (ii) when the first period of lease of that land ended, and when the approval was granted for the second period of lease, a tax concession has been granted on account of the excessive figure of the valuation, and as a result the government loses a substantial loss in tax revenue?

(b) Will he inform this House —

- (i) whether a tax concession can be granted as mentioned above;
- (ii) of the basis of granting such tax concession; and
- (iii) of the measures that can be taken to revise it?

(c) If not, why?

916/2025

Hon. Chandana Thennakoon,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— (1)

(a) Will he state —

- (i) whether he is aware that a 76-acre land belonging to the Land Reform Commission in No. 472 Pothuwila Grama Sewa Division of Ganewatta Divisional Secretariat Division in Kurunegala, was acquired in 1999 for a pilot project of the Ministry of Agriculture;

- (ii) of the compensation, interest and the total amount paid to the Commission for aforesaid purpose, separately;
 - (iii) of the name of the person who made the request to acquire the land;
 - (iv) of the name of the person to whom the possession was handed over after the acquisition of the land;
 - (v) of the name of the said agricultural production pilot project concerned; and
 - (vi) whether he is aware that the Board of Investment of Sri Lanka has borne a large amount of capital expenditure to develop the infrastructure facilities of the project?
- (b) Will he also state —
- (i) whether he is aware that the acquired land has been given to the 'Hiriyala Farmers Company Ltd' on a part-time lease basis for 30 years by the Department of the Commissioner General of Lands;
 - (ii) of the annual lease amount payable by aforesaid company;
 - (iii) of the name of the chairman of aforesaid company;
 - (iv) whether he accepts that public money/property has been misused there; and
 - (v) of the steps that will be taken in this regard?
- (c) If not, why?

918/2025

Hon. M. Nizam Kariapper, PC,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— (1)

- (a) Will she inform this house —
- (i) of the details of all approved projects to be implemented in Eastern Province of Sri Lanka under the assistance of the Government of India, pursuant to the Memoranda of Understanding signed between the President of Sri Lanka and the Prime Minister of India during Indian Prime Minister's visit to Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) of the process followed in identifying and approving the each of the above projects separately;
 - (iii) whether relevant stakeholders were consulted during the process of identifying the aforesaid projects; and
 - (iv) if so, of the names and other relevant details of individuals/entities consulted?
- (b) If not, why?

922/2025

Hon. Sunil Rathnasiri,— To ask the Minister of Environment,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
 - (i) current wild elephant population in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) year in which the Red Data Book was last issued;
 - (iii) level of threat to wild elephants in Sri Lanka according to;
 - (iv) number of wild elephants and people who died due to the elephant-human conflict in 2024, separately; and
 - (v) amount of money paid in compensation in 2024 in respect of those who lost their lives and to those who suffered property damage due to elephant-human clashes?
- (b) If not, why?

925/2025

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether he is aware that a portion of the land on which the Welisara Warehouse Complex belonging to the Cooperative Wholesale Establishment is situated has been allotted for the construction of an office complex for the lawyers of the Wattala Court Complex;
 - (ii) of the procedure that has been followed in allotting the said portion of land;
 - (iii) whether he is aware that the Wattala Bar Association has leased out the said portion of land to another person to be used as a vehicle park at present;
 - (iv) if so, of the action that will be taken in this regard; and
 - (v) of the measures that will be taken regarding the said portion of land?
 - (b) If not, why?
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Friday, June 20, 2025

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

159/2024

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney at Law,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— (1)

- (a) Will she inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of students who passed the Grade Five Scholarship Examination in each year from 2022 up to now separately;
 - (ii) of the number of students from low-income families out of the aforesaid number of students;
 - (iii) whether steps will be taken to conduct the Scholarship Examination without causing prejudice to children and parents; and
 - (iv) if so, of the relevant course of action for that?
- (b) Will she also inform this House —
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to put a stop to the Grade Five Scholarship Examination in future;
 - (ii) if so, of the date on which it will be done; and
 - (iii) of the reasons for putting an end to the said Examination?
- (c) If not, why?

192/2024

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— To ask the Minister of Health and Mass Media,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the amount of financial and non-financial assistance received by the Ministry of Health and the institutes under it from the year 2015 until now, separately for each year;
 - (ii) whether he is aware that the above assistance has not been accounted correctly according to the report of the National Audit Office; and
 - (iii) if so, of the actions that will be taken regarding the matter?
- (b) If not, why?

224/2024

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Justice and National Integration,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether the policy statement ‘A Thriving Nation, A Beautiful Life’ includes a commitment to establish smart courts;

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- (ii) as such, of the courts that have been converted into smart courts by now;
 - (iii) of the steps that have been taken towards transforming the judicial system of Sri Lanka into a smart judicial system; and
 - (iv) of the amount of money that has been allocated from the Appropriation Act, 2025 for this purpose?
- (b) If not, why?

280/2024

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the number of homeless families in the Kolonnawa Divisional Secretariat Division;
 - (ii) whether a course of action has been proposed to provide housing to the abovementioned families;
 - (iii) if so, of the course of action concerned; and
 - (iv) of the timeframe within which the course of action is expected to be implemented?
- (b) If not, why?

310/2024

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
- (i) date on which the Paddy Marketing Board was established;
 - (ii) quantity and the value of paddy purchased by the Board over past 3 years per district, separately;
 - (iii) number of centers established for purchasing paddy per District, separately;
 - (iv) number of paddy storage facilities per district, separately; and
 - (v) percentage of paddy purchased by the government annually out of the total paddy harvest per district, separately?
- (b) Will he also inform this House, separately —
- (i) of the amount of money provided by state banks to small and large scale paddy mill owners over past 3 years;

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- (ii) of the quantity of paddy purchased by those mill owners during that period;
 - (iii) of the names of the mill owners, along with the quantity and value of paddy they purchased during the above period; and
 - (iv) whether a system will be established to convert paddy into rice and distribute it at district level?
- (c) If not, why?

442/2025

Hon. Chamara Sampath Dasanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— (1)

- (a) Will she inform this House —
- (i) of the number of acting principals currently serving in government schools in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) of the measures that have been taken regarding the acting principals concerned;
 - (iii) whether the present government implements the measures initiated by the previous government to promote acting principals; and
 - (iv) whether permanent appointments will be granted to acting principals?
- (b) If not, why?

457/2025

Hon. Rohitha Abeygunawardhana,— To ask the Minister of Transport, Highways, Ports and Civil Aviation,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the number of interchanges established on the Southern Expressway;
 - (ii) of the distance between the Gelanigama interchange and the Dodangoda interchange on that Expressway;
 - (iii) whether lands have been acquired by now to construct the Palpola interchange;
 - (iv) if so, of the amount that should be paid as compensation for those lands;
 - (v) whether there is a move to construct the interchange of Pelpola in another location;
 - (vi) if so, of the reasons for it; and
 - (vii) of the government's position regarding this matter?
- (b) If not, why?

587/2025

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether he is aware that X-Press Pearl shipwreck caused a huge damage not only to the western marine zone of Sri Lanka, but also to the entire marine environment, marine organisms and fishing communities;
 - (ii) of the current status relating to the shipwreck concerned;
 - (iii) whether the damage caused to the fishing industry and the damage caused to the environment due to that shipwreck have been estimated;
 - (iv) if so, of the estimated value is, in respect of each damage, separately;
 - (v) whether compensation has been paid for those damages; and
 - (vi) if so, of the amount that has been given as compensation?
- (b) If not, why?

620/2025

Hon. Kins Nelson,— To ask the Minister of Energy,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
 - (i) date on which the Cabinet of Ministers issued instructions to the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation to explore the feasibility of establishing a new oil refinery in the Trincomalee area by engaging a suitable investor, instead of developing the infrastructure facilities of the Sapugaskanda oil refinery; and
 - (ii) measures that have been taken so far and the measures that are to be taken in the future, separately, towards the construction of a new oil refinery in the Trincomalee area?
- (b) If not, why?

924/2025

Hon. Chithral Fernando, Attorney at Law,— To ask the Minister of Public Security and Parliamentary Affairs,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether there is a possibility of obtaining police officers, vehicles and other resources of the Sri Lanka Police for the security of private and commercial activities on paid basis;

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- (ii) if so, of the legal provisions that are applicable to it;
 - (iii) of the relevant procedure to be followed;
 - (iv) whether there is a maximum limit imposed on the provision of police officers and vehicles;
 - (v) of the methodology for charging money for providing the services mentioned in (i) above; and
 - (vi) of the revenue earned by the Sri Lanka Police from providing such services in the year 2024 and in the year 2025 up to date, separately?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) of the criteria that are taken into consideration in relation to the party requesting to obtain the services mentioned in (a) (i) above; and
 - (ii) whether security analysis reports are called in order to determine whether there is any threat to that party?
- (c) If not, why?
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