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## ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

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Tuesday, June 03, 2025 at 9.30 a.m.

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### QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

305/2024

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

(a) Will she inform this House of the—

- (i) number of government owned universities in Sri Lanka;
- (ii) number of faculties in each university and the number of students in each faculty separately;
- (iii) annual average cost for a government university student and the total cost to complete a degree categorized by discipline separately;
- (iv) number of private universities in Sri Lanka;
- (v) number of students registered in each private university separately; and
- (vi) total cost for a private university student and the total cost to complete a degree categorized by discipline separately?

(b) Will she also inform this House separately of the —

- (i) number of professors in each government university and total number of professors;
- (ii) total cost of running each government university;
- (iii) total cost for a student in each of the above universities;
- (iv) total value of the assets of each government university; and
- (v) world ranking of each of the above universities?

(c) If not, why?

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381/2025

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

- (a) Will she inform this House of the —
  - (i) number of national schools in Sri Lanka in each province, separately;
  - (ii) number of students, the number of teachers and the number of members in the non-academic staff in each of those schools, separately;
  - (iii) number of provincial-council schools under each of the province in Sri Lanka, separately;
  - (iv) number of students, the number of teachers and the number of members in the non-academic staff in each of those schools, separately;
  - (v) number of provincial-council schools that have been transformed as national schools by the previous government; and
  - (vi) measures that will be taken to develop those schools?
- (b) If not, why?

3.

513/2025

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) of the number of tanks that are currently in need of renovation out of the tanks in Sri Lanka;
  - (ii) whether it has been planned to renovate the tanks referred to above; and
  - (iii) if so, of the date on which the renovation work will be commenced?
- (b) If not, why?

4.

585/2025

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

- (a) Is he aware that —
  - (i) Kalpitiya can be identified as a region where vegetables and fruits are produced even under adverse environmental conditions; and

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- (ii) the farmers in the said area are greatly inconvenienced due to the inundation of farmlands and the destruction of crops during the rainy season?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) If so, whether steps have been taken to pay compensation to the aforesaid farmers for their crops destroyed due to rain;
  - (ii) whether there is any arrangement in place to provide the fertilizer subsidy to vegetable and fruit farmers in Kalpitiya; and
  - (iii) if so, of the said arrangement?
- (c) If not, why?

5.

791/2025

Hon. Sujeewa Dissanayake,—To ask the Minister of Industry and Entrepreneurship Development,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) of the present status of the government land known as Welangolla Estate (“Hamuge Waththa”) located in Maho Divisional Secretariat Division;
  - (ii) of the extent of the said land in acres;
  - (iii) whether the land has been allocated for any industries;
  - (iv) if so, of those industries;
  - (v) of the extent of land that has been allocated for such industries in acres; and
  - (vi) of the number of employees of those industries?
- (b) If not, why?

6.

801/2025

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

- (a) Will she inform this House —
  - (i) whether she is aware that the construction of the large function hall at Kuliyaipitiya Central College, commenced under the “Deyata Kirula” programme, has been completed only partially and stopped halfway;
  - (ii) of the amount that has been spent so far on the construction of the said building;
  - (iii) of the steps that will be taken to complete the construction of the function hall concerned, which will benefit the people of the Kuliyaipitiya area;

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- (iv) whether the cost for the abovementioned construction has been estimated; and
- (v) if so, of the estimated cost of the said construction?

(b) If not, why?

7.

836/2025

Hon. Susantha Kumara Nawarathna,—To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House of the —

- (i) year in which the North Central Great Canal Project was initiated;
- (ii) number of phases that comprise the said project;
- (iii) districts that will be covered by the said project; and
- (iv) expected benefits of the said project?

(b) Will he also inform this House —

- (i) whether he admits that the project concerned could not be completed within the scheduled time;
- (ii) of the year in which the project was scheduled to be completed;
- (iii) of the reasons for not been able to complete the project within the scheduled time; and
- (iv) of the present physical progress and financial progress of the said project, separately?

(c) If not, why?

8.

869/2025

Hon. T.K. Jayasundara,—To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House of the —

- (i) extent of land of the Southern Province that was transferred to the Land Reform Commission at the time the Commission was established, separately in relation to each Divisional Secretariat Division;
- (ii) number of lands which are less than 50 acres in extent of which the ownership has been transferred to private individuals, the extent of each of the lands concerned and the name of the person to whom each of the lands has been transferred, and whether those lands have been transferred for business purposes or agricultural purposes, separately in relation to each of the Divisional Secretariat Divisions;

(5)

- (iii) names and the extents of the lands that have neither been transferred nor disposed of so far, separately in relation to each of the said Divisional Secretariat Divisions;
- (iv) lands that are currently subjected to legal proceedings, out of the said lands; and
- (v) lands that have been requested for new projects?

(b) If not, why?

9.

871/2025

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

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the extent of immovable properties possessed by each of the local authority institution in the Galle District, separately;
- (ii) of the extent of such immovable properties possessed legally and the extent possessed in a manner, which is not legal by each of the local authority institutions concerned, separately; and
- (iii) whether action will be taken to legalize the properties which are possessed in an illegitimate manner by the local authority institutions referred to above if there are any such properties possessed in such manner?

(b) If not, why?

10.

874/2025

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 people have settled in the state lands for which 'grant documents' or 'land permits' were given during the period from 01.01.2017 to 31.03.2025 out of the state lands situated in the Divisional Secretariat Division of Manmunai North in the Batticaloa District; and
- (ii) if so, of total number of such people and their names and other relevant information?

(b) If not, why?

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(6)

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

**Notice of Presentation of Bills**

1.

The Minister of Labour,— National Minimum Wage of Workers (Amendment),— Bill to amend the National Minimum Wage of Workers Act, No. 3 of 2016.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

2.

The Minister of Labour,— Budgetary Relief Allowance of Workers (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Budgetary Relief Allowance of Workers Act, No. 4 of 2016.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

3.

The Minister of Labour,— Budgetary Relief Allowance of Workers (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Budgetary Relief Allowance of Workers Act, No. 36 of 2005.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

\*1.

Personal Data Protection (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*2.

Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill — Committee.

\*3.

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 20<sup>th</sup> March 2025, which were presented on 20.05.2025, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*4.

National Transport Commission (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*5.

Report of the Commission of Inquiry into the establishment and maintenance of places of unlawful detention and torture chambers at the Batalanda Housing Scheme,—  
Adjourned debate on question (10<sup>th</sup> April 2025) Motion made and question proposed,—  
“Report of the Commission of Inquiry into the establishment and maintenance of places of unlawful detention and torture chambers at the Batalanda Housing Scheme, which was tabled in Parliament on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2025, be considered by Parliament.”

\* *Indicates Government Business.*

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