



*(Tenth Parliament - First Session)*

No. 107.]

## ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Friday, November 21, 2025 at 9.00 a.m.

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### QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

1086/2025

Hon. (Dr.) Pathmanathan Sathiyalingam,— To ask the Minister of Trade, Commerce, Food Security and Cooperative Development,— (1)

(a) Is he aware that —

- (i) the former Ministry of Rural Economy submitted a proposal in 2015 to establish an Economic Centre in the Vavuniya District;
- (ii) accordingly, an Economic Centre with 52 stalls was constructed in 2018 at Madaguwaiththakulam, along the Vavuniya-Kandy main road, at a cost of Rs. 263 million; and
- (iii) although 7 years have passed since its construction, it has not been opened to date?

(b) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the measures that will be taken in this regard;
- (ii) of the timeline for the opening of the aforesaid Economic Centre;
- (iii) of the basis on which the 52 stalls available there, will be distributed; and
- (iv) whether the aforesaid stalls will be provided to the traders who are currently engaged in wholesale vegetable trading?

(c) If not, why ?

2.

1102/2025

Hon. Suranga Rathnayaka,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— (3)

(a) Will she inform this House of the —

- (i) number of unemployed graduates in Sri Lanka as at 01.01.2025;
- (ii) number of jobs that have been granted to graduates by the present Government;

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- (iii) number of the jobs referred to above, separately according to each field or sector; and
- (iv) future plan to be adopted in granting employment to unemployed graduates?
- (b) Will she also inform this House —
  - (i) of the number of government teacher vacancies existing at present;
  - (ii) whether an expedited course of action has been made to fill the vacancies; and
  - (iii) if so, of the course of action concerned above?
- (c) If not, why?

3.

1305/2025

Hon. (Prof.) L.M. Abeywickrama,—To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House, separately for each year from 2020 to 2025 of the —
  - (i) number of bulls used to obtain bovine semen at the Central Artificial Insemination Centre in Kundasale which operates under the Department of Animal Production and Health;
  - (ii) quantity of bovine semen produced at the said Centre and the quantity of bovine semen imported;
  - (iii) number of calves born through artificial insemination at the said Centre; and
  - (iv) number of bulls imported to Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the advantages of importing bovine semen for breeding purposes instead of importing bulls to obtain semen?
- (c) If not, why?

4.

1362/2025

Hon. Thurairasa Ravikaran,—To ask the Minister of Health and Mass Media,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) of the names of the medical centres that provide services of Siddha medicine in each of the districts of Mullaitivu, Mannar and Vavuniya separately;
  - (ii) of the number of vacancies currently existing for indigenous doctors in each of the said districts as per the approved carder of those medical centres, separately;

(3)

- (iii) whether he is aware that there is a shortage of indigenous doctors in the said three districts while there is a surplus of such doctors in the other parts of the Northern Province;
- (iv) if so, of the immediate measures that will be taken to fill the vacancies existing in the Vanni District for indigenous doctors so that the people of the said district can properly access indigenous medical service; and
- (v) whether steps will be taken for the expansion of the medical profession by transferring surplus doctors from other areas to the above-mentioned districts expeditiously, where there are many vacancies, until new appointments are made?

(b) If not, why?

5.

1468/2025

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

(a) Will she inform this House of the —

- (i) reasons for not selecting the Southern Province for the Special Project for the Development of Sports Schools under the Budget for the year 2025;
- (ii) amount that was allocated for the said project under the Budget for the year 2025;
- (iii) amount that has been spent out of the said amount as of August 2025; and
- (iv) basis on which only five provinces were selected for the said Special Project for the Development of Sports Schools?

(b) If not, why?

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#### NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

\*a1.

Appropriation Bill— (Twelfth Allotted Day) — Committee. (Progress, 20<sup>th</sup> November).

(4)

\*2.

The Minister of Health and Mass Media,— Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Rupavahini Corporation (2021),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Rupavahini Corporation 2021 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2021 and presented on 01.12.2023 under Section 14 of the Finance Act No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health, Media and Women's Empowerment on 09.07.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 09.09.2025)

\*3.

The Minister of Health and Mass Media,— Annual Report of the Independent Television Network Ltd (2022),— That the Annual Report of the Independent Television Network Ltd 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 05.03.2024 under Section 14 of the Finance Act No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health, Media and Women's Empowerment on 09.07.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 09.09.2025)

\*4.

The Minister of Ports and Civil Aviation,— Regulations under the Civil Aviation Act,— That the Regulations made by the then Minister of Transport, Highways, Ports and Civil Aviation under paragraphs (r) and (s) of the Section 117(2) read with Sections 6, 8 and 31 of the Civil Aviation Act, No. 14 of 2010 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2422/38 of 06<sup>th</sup> February 2025, which were presented on 13.11.2025, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*5.

The Minister of Ports and Civil Aviation,— Regulations under the Civil Aviation Authority Act,— That the Regulations made by the then Minister of Transport, Highways, Ports and Civil Aviation under Section 39 read with paragraphs (p) and (s) of Section 7 and Section 9 of Civil Aviation Authority Act, No. 34 of 2002 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2422/39 of 06<sup>th</sup> February 2025, which were presented on 13.11.2025, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*6.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Annual Report of the University of Ruhuna (2022),— That the Annual Report of the University of Ruhuna 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 17.12.2024 under Section 110 of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education on 07.03.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 17.03.2025)

\*7.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Annual Report of the Eastern University of Sri Lanka (2022),— That the Annual Report of the Eastern University of Sri Lanka 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 07.01.2025 under Section 12 of the National Audit Act, No. 19 of 2018, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education on 07.03.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 17.03.2025)

\*8.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Annual Report of the Rajarata University of Sri Lanka (2022),— That the Annual Report of the Rajarata University of Sri Lanka 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 18.02.2025 under Section 110 of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education on 06.08.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 09.09.2025)

\*9.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Annual Report of the Postgraduate Institute of Agriculture of the University of Peradeniya (2023),— That the Annual Report of the Postgraduate Institute of Agriculture of the University of Peradeniya 2023 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2023 and presented on 07.01.2025 under Section 110 of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education on 07.03.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 17.03.2025)

\*10.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Annual Report of the University of Peradeniya (2023),— That the Annual Report of the University of Peradeniya 2023 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2023 and presented on 22.02.2025 under Section 110 of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978 and Section II of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education on 06.08.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 09.09.2025)

\*11.

The Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— Annual Report of the Paddy Marketing Board (2017),— That the Annual Report of the Paddy Marketing Board 2017 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2017 and presented on 20.01.2022 under Section 14 of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Agriculture on 22.02.2022 and presented its report to Parliament on 24.02.2022)

\*12.

The Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— Annual Report of the Paddy Marketing Board (2018),— That the Annual Report of the Paddy Marketing Board 2018 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2018 and presented on 20.01.2023 under Section 14 of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Agriculture on 20.06.2023 and presented its report to Parliament on 05.07.2023)

\*13.

The Minister of Plantation and Community Infrastructure,— Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Cashew Corporation (2019),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Cashew Corporation 2019 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2019 and presented on 07.01.2025 under Section 23 of the State Agricultural Corporations Act, No. 11 of 1972, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Plantation and Community Infrastructure on 05.03.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 10.03.2025)

\*14.

The Minister of Plantation and Community Infrastructure,— Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Cashew Corporation (2020),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Cashew Corporation 2020 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2020 and presented on 07.01.2025 under Section 23 of the State Agricultural Corporations Act, No. 11 of 1972, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Plantation and Community Infrastructure on 05.03.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 10.03.2025)

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\*15.

The Minister of Plantation and Community Infrastructure,— Annual Report of the Kalubowitiyana Tea Factory Ltd (2022/2023),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Kalubowitiyana Tea Factory Ltd 2022/2023 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.03.2023 and presented on 20.02.2025 under Section 14 of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Plantation and Community Infrastructure on 05.03.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 10.03.2025)

\*16.

The Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports,— Annual Report of the National Youth Services Council (2022),— That the Annual Report of the National Youth Services Council 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 18.12.2024 under Section 31 of the National Youth Services Act, No. 69 of 1979, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Youth Affairs and Sports on 13.06.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 17.06.2025)

\*17.

The Minister of Women and Child Affairs,— Annual Report of the National Child Protection Authority (2022),— That the Annual Report of the National Child Protection Authority 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 23.07.2024 under Section 32 of the National Child Protection Authority Act, No. 50 of 1998, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health, Media and Women's Empowerment on 18.06.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 08.07.2025)

\*18.

The Minister of Women and Child Affairs,— Annual Report of the National Child Protection Authority (2023),— That the Annual Report of the National Child Protection Authority 2023 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2023 and presented on 09.04.2025 under Section 32 of the National Child Protection Authority Act, No. 50 of 1998, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health, Media and Women's Empowerment on 18.06.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 08.07.2025)

\*19.

The Minister of Trade, Commerce, Food Security and Cooperative Development,— Annual Report of the National Institute of Cooperative Development (2023),— That the Annual Report of the National Institute of Cooperative Development 2023 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2023 and presented on 09.05.2025 under Section 29 of Part VI of the National Institute of Cooperative Development (Incorporation) Act, No. 1 of 2001, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Environment, Agriculture and Resource Sustainability on 11.07.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 06.08.2025)

\*20.

Social Security Contribution Levy (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*21.

Betting and Gaming Levy (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*22.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Regulations under the Colombo Port City Economic Commission Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development regarding the Guidelines on the Grant of Exemptions or Incentives to Businesses of Strategic Importance under Section 71 read with Section 52 of the Colombo Port City Economic Commission Act, No. 11 of 2021 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2454/62 of 20<sup>th</sup> September 2025, which were presented on 22.10.2025, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*23.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Rules under the Excise Ordinance,— That the Rules made by the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development on 04<sup>th</sup> October 2025 under Section 32 read with Section 25 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) regarding Excise License Fees, which were presented on 08.11.2025, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)



\*24.

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 22 read with Section 26 of the Finance Act, No. 11 of 2004 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2430/14 of 01<sup>st</sup> April 2025, which was presented on 08.11.2025, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*25.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development under Section 20 read with Sections 4(1) and 14 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 as amended by Acts, No. 48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2458/43 of 15<sup>th</sup> October 2025, which were presented on 13.11.2025, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*26.

Mediation (Civil and Commercial Disputes) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*27.

Penal Code (Amendment) Bill — Adjourned debate on question (24<sup>th</sup> September 2025) [1].

\*28.

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.”

29.

Provincial Councils Elections (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

\* *Indicates Government Business.*

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#### 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”.

[1].

Motion made and question proposed “That the Bill be now read a second time.”

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