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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Aswesuma Welfare Benefit Payment Scheme under the Welfare Benefits Act,— That the Aswesuma Welfare Benefit Payment Scheme made by the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development under Section 9 of the Welfare Benefits Act, No. 24 of 2002, relating to Welfare Benefits and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2467/03 of 15th December 2025, which was presented on 06.01.2026, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

** Indicates Government Business.*

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Parliamentary Pensions (Repeal) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

** Indicates Government Business.*

Tuesday, February 03, 2026

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

21/2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Employment and Tourism,— (2)

(a) Will he inform this House of the —

(i) number of Sri Lankan workers who went abroad for employment from the year 2018 up to now, separately in each year;

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- (ii) names of the countries to which they went;
- (iii) total amount of foreign exchange received from migrant workers during that period in respect of each year, separately; and
- (iv) courses of action that have already been taken and will be taken in the future for their welfare, separately?

(b) If not, why?

119/2024

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
 - (i) date on which the then government decided to reduce the tax imposed on sugar;
 - (ii) factors that influenced for such decision;
 - (iii) companies that have imported sugar into Sri Lanka after the tax that had been imposed on sugar was reduced;
 - (iv) tax revenue that was lost due to the decision mentioned in (i) above; and
 - (v) action that has been taken so far regarding the concerned fraud on the tax imposed on sugar?

(b) If not, why?

207/2024

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

- (a) Will she inform this House of the —
 - (i) objectives behind the establishment of the Department of Educational Publications;
 - (ii) number of the undistributed copies of school textbooks remaining in schools and centers and the number of copies of school textbooks that could have been reused, separately, in each of the years from 2020 to 2025;
 - (iii) financial value of those school textbooks;
 - (iv) amount spent on printing school textbooks in the year 2021, when the use of school textbooks was at a minimum level; and
 - (v) measures that will be taken to distribute school textbooks in time?

(b) If not, why?

(3)

345/2024

Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam,— To ask the Minister of Housing, Construction and Water Supply,— (2)

(a) Is he aware that the —

- (i) drinking water facilities have not yet been provided to areas such as Panai Aruppan, Pan Senai, Vadakkal Madu, Pawatkodi Senai, Unnichchai and Nediyamadhu, in Vavunathivu Divisional Secretariat Division within the Manmunai West of the Batticaloa District; and
- (ii) residents of the Unnichchai area have not been provided with drinking water, although drinking water has been taken from Unnichchai to various areas?

(b) Will he inform this House —

- (i) if so, whether the steps will be taken to provide drinking water facilities to the areas mentioned in (i) above; and
- (ii) of the dates when the drinking water facilities will be made available to the aforesaid areas?

(c) If not, why?

563/2025

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

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) whether he is aware that an anicut named ‘Senakapura Yaya’ has been constructed at Meewellawa, Thirappane in the Anuradhapura District;
- (ii) of the amount spent on the construction of the aforementioned anicut;
- (iii) of the number of farming families benefiting from the said anicut;
- (iv) of the extent of paddy land irrigated by the said anicut;
- (v) whether he is aware that farmers are facing difficulties as paddy fields are getting filled with sand due to the anicut; and
- (vi) if so, of the measures that will be taken to resolve the said problem?

(b) If not, why?

(4)

627/2025

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

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) whether he accepts that the local government institution that earns the highest revenue in Sri Lanka is the Colombo Municipal Council;
- (ii) of the number of Income Tax Inspectors required to collect income tax within the area of the Colombo Municipal Council, the number of Income Tax Inspectors currently in service and the number of vacancies that exist in the post of Income Tax Inspector separately;
- (iii) of the measures that will be taken to fill those vacancies?

(b) If not, why?

662/2025

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney at Law,—To ask the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development,— (2)

(a) Will he inform this House of the —

- (i) year in which the scheme was introduced for granting motor vehicle permits to high-ranking government officials on a concessional basis upon their retirement;
- (ii) number of vehicle permits issued in each year since then, separately; and
- (iii) designations eligible for obtaining the said permits?

(b) Will he also inform this House —

- (i) whether the permits mentioned above are still being issued;
- (ii) if not, of the year in which the issuance of permits was suspended;
- (iii) of the reasons for suspending the issuance of the said permits;
- (iv) of the date on which the process of issuing the said permits will be resumed;
- (v) whether permits will be issued to pensioners who did not receive permits due to the suspension in the issuance of them; and
- (vi) if so, of the measures that will be taken in that regard?

(c) If not, why?

(5)

1263/2025

Hon. Chamara Sampath Dasanayake, — To ask the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, — (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the types of allowances that are currently paid to the staff of Sri Lankan Airlines;
 - (ii) of the amounts that are paid for each type of allowance separately;
 - (iii) whether accommodation allowance is paid to the crew members on overseas trips;
 - (iv) of the types of the said accommodation allowances;
 - (v) of the amount of money regarding that;
 - (vi) whether meals are provided to the crew members during the flight;
 - (vii) if not, whether an allowance is paid for the same; and
 - (viii) if so, of the amount of the said allowance?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) of the manner in which the administrative affairs of the said company are being carried out without a Chief Executive Officer; and
 - (ii) of the name of the person who is responsible for the same?
- (c) If not, why?

1716/2025

Hon. R.G.Wijerathna,— To ask the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that an officer who served in the National Accounts Division of the Department of Census and Statistics during the years 2012 and 2013 was interdicted;
 - (ii) if so, of the name of the said officer; and
 - (iii) whether justice and fairness be served to the said officer?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the procedure to prevent the distortion of highly sensitive data on the economy of the current government?
- (c) If not, why?

(6)

1795/2025

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

(a) Will she inform this House whether —

- (i) she is aware that the classroom and space facilities of the Deltota Muslim Central College in the Kandy District, Central Province are not sufficient to sustain the educational activities of the students;
- (ii) she accepts that there is a requirement for eight new classrooms and of the solutions that will be provided to address the said issue; and
- (iii) the 2026 budget will provide sufficient provisions to meet the building requirements of the said school?

(b) If not, why?

Thursday, February 05, 2026

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

313/2024

Hon. Ravi Karunananayake,— To ask the Minister of Energy,— (2)

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the number of private electricity generating companies operating in Sri Lanka from the year 2015 to date for each year separately;
- (ii) of the names and addresses of these companies along with the generating capacity of each company separately;
- (iii) of the number of electricity units that each of the above company provided to Ceylon Electricity Board and amount paid to each of the company from year 2015 to date separately;
- (iv) of the measures to be taken by the Ceylon Electricity Board to increase the electricity generation capacity; and
- (v) whether the electricity generation methods are renewable or thermal?

(b) If not, why?

(7)

882/2025

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 ‘deeds of grant’ 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 Koralaipattu, Valaichenai in the Batticaloa District;
- (ii) if so, of total number of such people and their names and other relevant information?

(b) If not, why?

912/2025

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijeratne,— 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 an examination was conducted in 2020/2021 (2022) for recruitment to Grade III of the Sri Lanka Educational Administrative Service on the basis of experience and merit;
- (ii) of the number of candidates who sat for the examination;
- (iii) whether information of the candidates was called based on the results of the examination;
- (iv) whether an interview was held for those who passed the examination for making appointments;
- (v) if so, of such date;
- (vi) of the number of candidates called for the interview;
- (vii) of the criteria relevant to the interview; and
- (viii) of the score obtained by each candidate who appeared at the interview, separately?

(b) Will she also inform this House —

- (i) whether appointments were made to a group selected on the basis of the results of the examination, calling of information and the results of the interview;
- (ii) if so, of the date in which appointments were made;
- (iii) of the number of appointments made;

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- (iv) whether retired persons are also among those who were appointed;
- (v) if so, of their names; and
- (vi) of the reasons for appointing retired persons?

(c) if not, why?

1064/2025

Hon. Rohitha Abeygunawardhana, — To ask the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
 - (i) number of liquor licences that have been legally issued for the sale of liquor so far;
 - (ii) types of such licences; and
 - (iii) names of the holders of the licences concerned?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the —
 - (i) number of distilleries that produce liquor in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) names of them; and
 - (iii) names of the licence holders of the said distilleries?
- (c) Will he further inform this House—
 - (i) amount of tax levied on a bottle of locally produced liquor;
 - (ii) total tax revenue that was earned by the Excise Department from them in the year 2024; and
 - (iii) number of bottles of liquor sold during the year 2024?
- (d) If not, why?

1243/2025

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the total extent of paddy lands in the Anuradhapura District for which approval has been granted by the Department of Agrarian Development for filling during the year 2024- 2025, of the name of each paddy land owner, the size of the respective paddy land for which the approval has been granted and the reasons for granting such approval, separately; and
 - (ii) whether copies of the letters issued in this regard bearing the signature of the Commissioner General of Agrarian Development will be submitted?
- (b) If not, why?

(9)

1297/2025

Hon. S.M. Marikkar,— To ask the Minister of Health and Mass Media,—(1)

(a) Will he state —

- (i) the number of clinics that are conducted under the Sri Lanka National STD/AIDS Control Programme;
- (ii) the number of patients who receive services from those clinics;
- (iii) whether a permanent director has been appointed to administer the above-mentioned Programme; and
- (iv) if not, the manner in which the administrative affairs are carried out?

(b) Will he also state —

- (i) the volume of the current stock of the pre-exposure prophylaxis drug that is given to prevent AIDS;
- (ii) whether the said drug is received as a donation to Sri Lanka;
- (iii) if so, the name of the institution that donates the said drug; and
- (iv) if not, the manner in which the said drug is procured?

(c) Will he further state —

- (i) the volumes of the current stocks of each of the antiviral drugs given to AIDS patients, namely Tenofovir, Lamivudine and Dolutegravir, separately;
- (ii) whether he is aware that there is a shortage of essential antiviral drugs given to AIDS patients;
- (iii) if so, the name of the person who is responsible in that regard; and
- (iv) the steps that will be taken regarding the above-mentioned shortage?

(d) If not, why?

1327/2025

Hon. Sujeewa Dissanayake,— To ask the Minister of Transport, Highways and Urban Development,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House of the —

- (i) distance of the roads belonging to Grades A, B, C and D in Sri Lanka separately for each grade in kilometers; and
- (ii) names of the institutions that maintain the roads belonging to each of the grades mentioned above separately?

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(b) Will he also inform this House —

- (i) of the projects that were initiated during the period from year 2015 to 2024 for the development of roads;
- (ii) of the distance of the roads that have been developed under those projects in kilometers;
- (iii) whether roads have been constructed in the Kurunegala District under those projects;
- (iv) if so, of the distance of the said roads in kilometers; and
- (v) of the total amount spent for that?

(c) If not, why?

1430/2025

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

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) whether he is aware that a state land of approximately five acres in extent in the Harakgamakanda village, in the Alankalagala Grama Niladhari Division, in the Welimada Divisional Secretariat Division, was allocated to the Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation (SLBC);
- (ii) whether the said land was properly disposed to the SLBC;
- (iii) whether he is aware that the said land has been subleased to a third party by the SLBC;
- (iv) whether that is legal;
- (v) of the name of the said third party; and
- (vi) of the amount of outstanding lease rental due from the said third party?

(b) Will he also inform this House —

- (i) whether approval has been given to mortgage the said land to a private bank to obtain a loan while there is outstanding lease rental;
- (ii) if so, whether the said act is not illegal;
- (iii) whether the Land Commissioner General's Department has violated the law in transferring the said land and in granting approval to obtain a loan while there is outstanding lease rental; and
- (iv) whether steps will be taken to repossess the said land by the government?

(c) If not, why?

(11)

1491/2025

Hon. Ajith Gihan,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries, Aquatic and Ocean Resources,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) whether he is aware that the Sri Lankan fishing community has been adversely affected by the X-Press Pearl disaster;
- (ii) whether compensation has been paid to affected fishermen in that regard;
- (iii) if so, of the amount of compensation paid so far;
- (iv) of the plan currently in place to provide compensation to the fishermen in the Puttalam district?

(b) If not, why?

1762/2025

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

(a) Will he inform this House of the —

- (i) number of cases that have been withdrawn out of the cases filed by the Attorney General relating to financial corruption in the High Court and the Magistrate's Court from 2019 to 2024; and
- (ii) number of cases that have been re-filed by the Attorney General after review?

(b) If not, why?

Friday, February 06, 2026

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

679/2025

Hon. Hector Appuhamy,— To ask the Minister of Energy,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House of the —

- (i) income generated from selling the ash collecting after combustion of coal at the Norochcholai Coal Power Plant in each of the years from 2015 to the present, separately;
- (ii) method that was followed in the sale of the ash; and
- (iii) amount allocated from the revenue so generated for the welfare of the local residents who are settled in the vicinity of the power plant and affected by environmental problems?

(b) If not, why?

(12)

743/2025

Hon. (Dr.) Kavinda Heshan Jayawardhana,— To ask the Minister of Rural Development, Social Security and Community Empowerment,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the number of individuals currently serving as Samurdhi Managers on acting basis;
- (ii) whether he is aware that they have submitted requests to have their service confirmed; and
- (iii) if so, of the actions that will be taken with regard that?

(b) If not, why?

811/2025

Hon. Mujibur Rahman,— 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 schools in the Colombo Municipal Council area, separately as schools which are governed under the Central Government and those governed under the Provincial Councils;
- (ii) names of the aforesaid schools;
- (iii) number of vacancies existing for teachers and non-academic staff in the said schools at present as per each educational zone, separately; and
- (iv) measures taken to develop the schools in the Colombo Municipal Council area?

(b) If not, why?

1012/2025

Hon. Rajeevan Jeyachandramoorthy,— To ask the Minister of Public Security and Parliamentary Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this house —

- (i) the number of financial cybercrime complaints, categorized as credit card fraud, online banking fraud, phishing, SIM swapping, investment scams, digital wallet fraud, and other related offenses, separately;
- (ii) whether any particular type of financial cybercrime has shown a significant increase during the past three years;
- (iii) of the trends or patterns of financial cybercrime that have been identified in the Northern Province as well as nationally;

(13)

- (iv) whether a centralized mechanism exists to monitor, track, and classify financial cybercrime across districts and provinces; and
- (v) whether such data is publicly accessible or shared with financial institutions?

(b) If not, why?

1301/2025

Hon. M.S. Uthumalebbe,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— (1)

(a) Is he aware that—(1)

- (i) a request has been made by the Director General of Irrigation, by letter No. DI/AM/WG/002/2021 dated 05.05.2021, to the Director of Irrigation for the Ampara District, to provide an assessment report regarding the construction of a sluice gate on the RB35 main canal in the Kurundankulam Division of the Akkaraipattu Irrigation Engineering Zone;
- (ii) although more than two years have elapsed since the above-mentioned letter was sent, the relevant assessment report has still not been submitted; and
- (iii) therefore, the Director General of Irrigation has sent a reminder bearing No. DI/AM/WG/AP/002/2023 dated 20.09.2023 with regard to this matter?

(b) If so, will he inform this House of the measures that have been taken for the construction of the said sluice gate up until now?

(c) If not, why?

1369/2025

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 reported cases of abuse and violence in government schools and private schools in Sri Lanka from 2015 up to now, separately for each year;
- (ii) separate number of school dropouts and suicides that have been reported as a direct result of incidents of such abuse and violence separately, if any;
- (iii) measures that have been taken regarding such cases of school dropouts and suicides; and

(14)

(iv) measures that will be taken to prevent the incidents of abuse and violence within the school system of Sri Lanka?

(b) If not, why?

1563/2025

Hon. (Prof.) L.M. Abeywickrama, — 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 vacancies currently existing in the academic staff of the universities of Sri Lanka;
- (ii) measures that have been taken to fill those vacancies;
- (iii) reasons for not commencing the Allied Health Science Courses for the students who were enrolled to the University of Ruhuna in year 2023 so far; and
- (iv) date on which the said courses will be commenced?

(b) If not, why?

1571/2025

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

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the total number of Divisional Secretariats in Sri Lanka;
- (ii) of the total number of vehicles that are allocated to the said Secretariats;
- (iii) whether there are adequate numbers of roadworthy vehicles for the duties of the Divisional Secretaries at present;
- (iv) if not, of the number of Secretariats that do not have roadworthy vehicles;
- (v) whether the government has in place a systematic and expeditious programme that intends to provide new vehicles or maintain the existing vehicles for the purpose of efficiently carrying out the field services of the Divisional Secretaries;
- (vi) whether the vehicle requirements of the Divisional Secretaries for administrative purposes have been identified by now; and
- (vii) if so, whether an expected time frame has been set for providing those vehicles and budgetary allocations have been made for that?

(b) If not, why?

1651/2025

Hon. Sunil Rathnasiri, — To ask the Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs, — (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether the Central Cultural Fund has used its funds for the renovation of religious places during the period from 2017 to 2019;
 - (ii) if so, of the name of the division of the Central Cultural Fund that carried out the said renovations;
 - (iii) of the amount spent on the same; and
 - (iv) whether the above-mentioned renovations have been carried out in accordance with proper procurement procedures?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) separately, of the names of the officers who were in charge of the Religious and Artistic Development Division, which was established in year 2017; and
 - (ii) whether the approval of the Department of Management Services has been obtained for the appointment of the Director of the said Division?
- (c) Will he further inform this House of the —
 - (i) amount that was allocated for the ‘Sisu Daham Sevana’ island-wide programme;
 - (ii) amount that was allocated for one Dhamma school building under the said programme; and
 - (iii) number of Dhamma schools / religious buildings that have been constructed under the said programme?
- (d) If not, why?

1655/2025

Hon. Chanaka Madugoda,— To ask the Minister of Transport, Highways and Urban Development,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
 - (i) date on which the Inclusive Connectivity and Development Project was commenced;
 - (ii) total distance of the roads that have been carpeted and developed under the said project so far;
 - (iii) names and total spending for each road, separately for each district; and
 - (iv) number of roads on which work has started but not yet been completed?

(16)

(b) Will he also inform this House of the —

- (i) date on which the said project was commenced in the Galle District;
- (ii) distance of the roads that have been carpeted and developed in the Galle District so far under the said project and the amount spent on it, separately;
- (iii) current progress of the project in the Galle District;
- (iv) reasons for the prolonged delay in commencing the concerned project in the Galle District; and
- (v) date on which the said project is scheduled to be completed?

(c) If not, why?

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P. 3/2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— Providing opportunities for sportsmen and sportswomen who represent a national sports team or claim a national level record to read for any degree course related to the field of sports,— That this Parliament resolves that the government should prepare the necessary legal and higher educational structure for sportsmen and sportswomen who represent any national sports team in Sri Lanka or claim a national level record to pursue any degree course related to the field of sports, not based on their basic educational qualification or the Z-score.

P. 4/2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— Converting all Colleges of Education in Sri Lanka into University Faculties,— That this Parliament resolves that necessary action be taken by the Government to enforce the Cabinet decision regarding which the proposal was presented and approval obtained by the then Minister on 13th February 2020 as the then Minister of Education to convert the currently functioning nineteen Colleges of Education into University Faculties to be suitable for awarding a four-year degree course with a three-year theoretical course and one-year school-based training, whereas it is necessary to make all the teachers in the school system into trained graduate teachers in order to upgrade the education in Sri Lanka to the advanced international level, and whereas the majority of teachers are currently awarded a higher diploma at the end of a three-year theoretical and practical course.

P. 5/2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— Developing the bee honey industry,— That this Parliament resolves that an expedited programme should be implemented by the government to develop the local bee honey industry as bee honey is of very high medicinal value and in great demand in the local and international market.

P. 6/2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— Extending the Kelani Valley railway line up to Ratnapura,— That this Parliament resolves that the government should take measures to extend the Kelani Valley railway line up to Ratnapura since it is considered as one of the railway lines that generate a higher income for the Sri Lanka Railways Department, whereas people living in a number of districts, including Ratnapura, Badulla and Hambanthota will be benefitted from extending the Kelani Valley railway line up to Ratnapura.

P. 8/2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— Combining the knowledge on Sri Lankan food culture with the teaching process,— That this Parliament resolves that an appropriate programme be implemented by the government to make the food culture of Sri Lanka known among local and foreign people and elevate the Sri Lankan identity by endowing the future generations with the Sri Lanka food culture pedagogy through pedagogical methodologies as food art of Sri Lanka is comprised of a number aspects including the art of flavors and mixation, art of cooking food, art of coloring and the art of food carving.

P. 9 /2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— Making the society aware of the value of school children,— That this Parliament resolves that a national level programme be formulated and implemented by the government in regard to the manner in which children should be protected in the face of social challenges for the future betterment of the society and the country, having explained the value of children in a simple manner through sociological and psychological methodologies to the persons such as parents, teachers, sports coaches, school van drivers that always associate with school children.

P.10/2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— Developing sports in estate sector,— That this Parliament resolves that a Sports development program should be launched in order to get the youth contribution of the estate sector for the sports development of the country, as they have displayed their skills locally and internationally, and they do not have any sports facilities in their estate schools as well as the estate areas where they live.

P.16/2024

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Formulating a programme to streamline the appointments made to the Sri Lanka Foreign Service,— That this Parliament resolves that the government prepare a programme to make all appointments to the foreign service, which is tasked with uplifting Sri Lanka's image before the international community, based on the results of competitive examinations and on merit in order to prevent political appointments made to the foreign service, which have led to the deterioration in the quality of the service leading to failure to achieve its desired objectives.

(18)

P.17/2024

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Formulating a proper procurement methodology for purchasing goods and services to depots of the Sri Lanka Transport Board,—This Parliament resolves that the government do formulate a proper procurement methodology for purchasing goods and services to depots of Sri Lanka Transport Board with a view to preventing corruption as the absence of such a methodology is the main cause of the corruption rampant in the Sri Lanka Transport Board.

P.18/2024

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,—Formulating a program to make school students aware of the University of Vocational Technology,— That this Parliament resolves that a program be developed by the government to make schoolchildren aware of the courses of the University of Vocational Technology, which targets at the job market and vocational technology, deviating from the traditional university framework in Sri Lanka.

P.20/2024

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Preparing the subjects falling under the provincial councils in a scientific methodology,— That this Parliament resolves that the government should prepare an appropriate programme to allocate the subjects coming under the purview of the provincial councils according to a proper methodology based on a scientific basis to avoid the situation that has arisen since the subjects coming under the purview of the provincial councils have been currently allocated in a way that has no scientific basis, and that various problems have arisen because of this.

P.21/2024

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri, — Developing a proper methodology to strengthen the Sri Lanka Transport Board, — That this Parliament resolves that the Government should develop a proper methodology to prevent fraud and corruption that occur during the procurement of goods and services by the Sri Lanka Transport Board, since strengthening the public transport service in Sri Lanka is an essential matter.

P.22/2024

Hon Chaminda Wijesiri,— Formulation of a programme to increase milk production,— That this Parliament resolves that a program to increase the milk production in Sri Lanka should be implemented by the government to avoid the substantial amount of foreign exchange outflow on the annual importation of milk.

P. 26/2024

Hon. Ravi Karunananayake,— Making Sports Bodies in Sri Lanka free from politicization,— That this Parliament resolves that the elected politicians should be prohibited from contesting and holding leading positions in sports bodies, as it is evident that these organizations have become heavily politicised in Sri Lanka.

P. 30/2025

Hon. Ravi Karunananayake,— Banning the naming of political parties according to ethnicities or religions,— That this Parliament resolves that naming of political parties based on ethnicities or religions be banned and such a change be effected in the names of presently functioning political parties bearing names denoting ethnicities or religions, taking into consideration the situation that has arisen in Sri Lanka at present.

P. 31/2025

Hon. Ravi Karunananayake,— Payment of 1% return for employees in relation to inflation,— That this Parliament resolves that the Employees' Provident Fund and Employees' Trust Fund which are administered by government institutions shall ensure that the employees receive returns at least 1% higher than the annual inflation rate.

P. 32/2025

Hon. Ravi Karunananayake,— Provision of free travelling facilities to senior citizens,— That this Parliament resolves that all senior citizens be provided with free transport facilities in public transport services.

P. 33/2025

Hon. Ravi Karunananayake,— Setting up of a unit with legal powers to solve the problems faced by the migrant employees,— That this Parliament resolves that a unit with legal powers be set up to look into problems faced by migrant employees including assault, abduction, rape, sexual abuse, homicide, financial fraud and facilitate the safe return of affected workers to Sri Lanka and look into their safety.

P. 34/2025

Hon. Ravi Karunananayake,— Formulation of a National Programme to introduce New Inventors to the World,— That this Parliament resolves that a national programme be formulated to introduce new inventors and citizens who are endowed with various skills to the world and to improve their skills and creations.

P. 35/2025

Hon. Ravi Karunananayake,— Tax concession to industrialists who utilize indigenous raw materials,— That this Parliament resolves that a two year tax concession be granted to local industrialists who utilize more than 75% indigenous raw materials in the production of goods for the international market.

P. 36/2025

Hon. Ravi Karunananayake,— Enabling the Right to Vote,— That this Parliament resolves that every individual above the age of eighteen shall be allowed to vote as there is a greater number of registered voters that have been deprived of voting and if an individual does not vote after the name appears on the register they should be fined which help to create a more participatory democratic process.

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Hon. Lal Premanath,— Taking actions to prevent public dissatisfaction with all local government institutions at the grassroots level,— That this Parliament resolves that the government should take necessary steps to give more attention to all local government institutions at the grassroots level, which are the public representative bodies closest to the people, as there is often a very dissatisfied feeling among people towards these institutions.

P. 41/2025

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— Preparation of a program to amend the constitution including the composition of Sri Lanka Cricket,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take measures to amend the constitution including the composition of Sri Lanka Cricket as there has been a great deal of discussion in society regarding the Sri Lanka Cricket at present, and the Sri Lanka Cricket has become an institution where irregularities are common due to the power of a certain group of societies in its elections and such situation needs to be prevented.

P. 43/2025

Hon. Rohana Bandara,— Formulating a course of action to prevent the misuse of the positions of professors and doctors,— That this Parliament resolves that the government do take necessary action to formulate a course of action through the University Grants Commission for preventing the situation, where many persons in our society misuse the titles such as Professor and Doctor.

P. 44/2025

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Implementing the recommendations given in the Audit Report 2023 pertaining to the Sri Lanka Ports Authority,— That this Parliament resolves that a proper course of action be formulated by the government to implement the recommendations given in the National Audit Report pertaining to the Sri Lanka Ports Authority, which is like the heart of the Sri Lankan economy, as important recommendations have been given in the Report concerned.

P. 45/2025

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,—Using the money of local government institutions for public services in a proper manner,— That this Parliament resolves that a proper course of action be formulated by the government to prevent the state of affairs, whereas facts have been unveiled to the effect that many local government institutions deposit their money in fixed deposits with the objective of earning a profit instead of using such money for purposes such as providing public and health services as well as common amenities and improving public thoroughfares.

P. 48/2025

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,—Bringing Industries related to Petroleum, Fuel and Water under the regulation of the Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that, whereas industries related to electricity, petroleum, fuel and

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water should be regulated, industries related to petroleum and water have not been subjected to regulation for more than 21 years because the Acts relevant to the supervision of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation and the National Water Supply and Drainage Board have not been amended and therefore, necessary legal procedures be implemented to change this state of affairs.

P. 49/2025

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— Formulation of a programme to regulate the process of issuing licenses for filling stations,— That this Parliament resolves that, as the process of issuing filling station licenses in Sri Lanka is highly irregular, a regulatory programme be formulated to streamline the process of issuing filling station licenses.

P. 50/2025

Hon. Ravindra Bandara,—Formulating a methodology to prevent the damage caused by the pinus plantations to sources of water and the environment,— That this Parliament resolves that a methodology be formulated to remove pinus plantations and to substitute useful indigenous plants considering the damage caused to sources of water and the environment by pinus plantations, which have been grown especially in mountainous areas including the Uva Province.

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. Hesha 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.

P. 55/2025

Hon. Upul Kithsiri,—Preservation of places of historical value in Sri Lanka, including Maduwanwela Walawwa, which belongs to the Kolonna Divisional Secretariat Division of the Ratnapura District,— That this Parliament resolves that whereas there are many places of historical value in Sri Lanka including the Maduwanwela Walawwa, a historical place belonging to the Kolonna Divisional Secretariat Division of the Ratnapura district, whereas such places have attracted tourists and such places have become extremely unsafe at present, the government should formulate a course of action to save them for posterity for utilizing them for the tourism industry while preserving such places without damaging their original antiquity and promptly surveying and settling the lands belonging to such places.

P. 56/2025

Hon. Upul Kithsiri,— Designation of the Udawalawe Area as a Tourist Zone,—That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take necessary measures to declare the Udawalawe area, encompassing the Udawalawe region in the Ratnapura District and the Sevanagala region in the Monaragala District, as a designated tourist zone, in view of the inability to experience the versatility of the area in the case of both local and foreign tourists due to the absence of a proper mechanism in place, despite the presence of significant tourist attractions such as the Udawalawe National Park, Udawalawe Elephant Transit Home, Sankapala Rajamaha Viharaya, Udawalawe Reservoir, Sevanagala Sugar Factory, Sevanagala Sugarcane Research Institute, Udawalawe Freshwater Fisheries Center, and Waulpana Limestone Cave.

P. 57/2025

Hon. (Dr.) M. L. A. M. Hizbullah,— Establishment of a fund called “Sri Lanka Baithulmal Fund”,— That this parliament resolves that Government should take the necessary steps to establish a fund to be called the “Sri Lanka Baithulmal Fund” under the Ministry of Muslim Religious and Cultural Affairs, whereas the Department of Muslim Religious and Cultural Affairs does not currently have a fund that is required in matters relating to education, culture, occupation and inter-ethnic cooperation and in matters related to livelihood of the Muslim community living in Sri Lanka, whereas a fund called “Baithulmal” has been established many years ago for these needs in Muslim countries of the world and countries where Muslim minorities live, and whereas the necessary financial provisions can be obtained from those living in this country and those living in foreign countries, if this fund is established in Sri Lanka.

P. 58/2025

Hon. (Mrs.) Hiruni Wijesinghe, Attorney at Law,— Appointment of a trained student counsellor to every school for the educational development, vocational development and personal social development of school children,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take necessary steps to appoint a trained student counsellor to every school for the sake of educational development, vocational development, and personal social development of school children, whereas various psychological disturbances are currently observed among many school children and these conditions indirectly affect their physical and social well-being, and whereas teachers are appointed as student counsellors and the

service expected from them has not been effectively delivered in some instances despite their being appointed as such due to their role of school teachers impinging, and whereas the necessity for a student counsellor has emerged in every school.

P. 59/2025

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,— Formulation of a pension scheme for the Sri Lankans working abroad, who are styled as “*Rata Viruwo*” (Migrant Heroes),— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should formulate a pension scheme by establishing a pension fund using a certain percentage of the money received from the Sri Lankan labour force working overseas as foreign exchange, whereas the contribution of them is very significant in revitalizing the national economy of Sri Lanka, and whereas the said employees have to undergo various difficulties by being unable to engage in a job after returning to Sri Lanka while living with their children after working abroad for many years due the economic crisis.

P. 60/2025

Hon. Lal Premanath,— Preventing suicide among young children,— That this Parliament resolves that, given the failure of existing measures to prevent young children from committing suicide, including training teachers for counselling in every school, establishing a counselling division in every divisional secretariat and a counselling unit at every district secretariat, offering diploma courses, degree courses and postgraduate courses in counselling in state and private universities, and establishing psychiatric units in every major hospital to address depression lately, it is imperative for political authorities, government officials, the electronic and print media, and the public to deeply intervene in all these measures.

P. 61/2025

Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody,—Formulation of a system to prevent the sale of unhealthy food to children in school canteens within the school system of Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that the government should introduce and implement restrictions on the types of food and beverages permitted for sale in school canteens, in order to control the diabetes condition among school children in Sri Lanka, whereas specialist doctors have pointed out that diabetes is now widely diagnosed among school children in Sri Lanka, and whereas the types of food consumed, as well as dietary habits and eating patterns, are major causes of diabetes, and whereas food items containing high amounts of sugar and flour, which contribute to diabetes, along with foods such as fried rice, *kottu*, and instant noodles, are being sold in large quantities to schoolchildren through school canteens within the Sri Lankan school system.

P. 62/2025

Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody,— Making Rail freight transport more efficient,— That this Parliament resolves that a proper methodology be formulated by the government for the transport of goods and fuel by train whenever possible whereas the main purpose of starting the railway service in Sri Lanka had been the transport of goods, and whereas the railway service has now deviated from that objective, and whereas rail freight is a less expensive method, and whereas its benefits are directly accrued to the people of the country.

P. 63/2025

Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody,— Minimizing the injustice caused to farmers in selling their agricultural produce,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take immediate measures to change the processes in which both the farmer and the consumer suffer injustices at the same time and to serve justice to the farmer and to the consumer whereas the farmers of this country experience grave injustices in selling their agricultural produce as the wholesale dealers as well as the retail sellers set a very low price for their produce and whereas the consumers have to pay very high prices in buying the said agricultural products.

P. 64/2025

Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody,— Designing a regulatory framework for pre-school education,— That this Parliament resolves that a unified system for regulating pre-school education in Sri Lanka, should be established through a single institution, recognizing that the pre-school education is of vital importance and a crucial factor among all the educational opportunities, currently available in the country.

P. 65/2025

Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody,— Facilitating the producers of export goods,— That this Parliament resolves that the necessary steps be taken to facilitate the young entrepreneurs involved in the export sector, who play a key role in generating foreign exchange, whereas producers of agricultural and other goods targeting exports lack adequate facilities, expertise, and access pathways for export market.

P. 66/2025

Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody,— Introduction of Literature as a subject in the Advanced Level Science, Commerce and Technology streams,— That this Parliament resolves that Literature should be introduced as an additional subject in the Advanced Level Science, Commerce and Technology streams in schools in Sri Lanka in order to enhance the skill of literary appreciation of the students pursuing such streams for Advanced Level.

P. 67/2025

Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody,— Provision of care to inpatients at hospitals,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should formulate a system whereby patients receiving inpatient treatment at hospitals are provided care by caregivers employed by the hospital, whereas nursing officers in charge of the ward inform that a custodian should accompany a patient receiving inpatient treatment at a hospital day and night, and whereas, in the absence of such a custodian, private caregivers have to be hired on a fee-paying basis, and whereas such caregivers charge approximately Rs. 3,500 per day, which is unaffordable if the patient is required to stay in the hospital for several days.

P. 68/2025

Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody,— Granting permanent title deeds to permit holders of lands,— That this Parliament resolves that a proper system of granting permanent title deeds to the people of this country be developed whereas a significant number of the people only have permits or deeds such as Swarnaboomi for their lands.

Hon. Rajeevan Jeyachandramoorthy,— Promoting tourism services and economic development in Jaffna,— That this Parliament resolves that Jaffna and Northern Sri Lanka be recognized as key tourism hubs and steps should be taken to support the creation of a centralized tourism platform in Jaffna to connect travelers from across the country and abroad with local hotels, restaurants, and service providers, promoting authentic travel experiences, by encouraging and facilitating the establishment of tourism service businesses that empower local operators and promote cultural heritage, supporting policies and investments that enhance infrastructure, digital connectivity, and marketing to boost tourist arrivals and satisfaction in Northern Sri Lanka, promoting public-private partnerships to foster sustainable tourism development and economic growth in the Jaffna region, and by monitoring the impact of such initiatives on local employment and business opportunities, aiming for sustainable economic benefits within 12 to 18 months, whereas promoting tourism services and economic development could strengthen the local tourism economy, create jobs, and showcase Jaffna as a vibrant cultural destination.

Hon. Rajeevan Jeyachandramoorthy,— Establishment of a permanent Special Economic Zone in Jaffna and the Northern Province to create sustainable youth employment,— That this Parliament resolves that a permanent Special Economic Zone (SEZ) be established in Jaffna and the Northern Province, alongside other strategic locations nationwide, whereas the establishment of a permanent Special Economic Zone could stimulate economic growth, attract both local and foreign investment, and generate sustainable employment opportunities for the youth, and whereas by developing such zones, the government can promote industrial expansion, enhance skills development, and encourage entrepreneurship, thereby addressing unemployment and fostering the long-term socio-economic advancement of Jaffna and the Northern Province, and the country as a whole.

Hon. Kanthasamy Prabu,— Promoting self-sufficiency in milk production,— That this Parliament resolves that a National Dairy Development Policy be implemented by the Government to achieve self-sufficiency in milk production, by improving breed access and veterinary services, expanding fodder cultivation, strengthening farmer training and infrastructure, providing incentives to dairy farmers, promoting public-private partnerships, and encouraging research in dairy development, and a mechanism be devised for the relevant Ministries to coordinate with provincial councils and farmer groups, and the relevant Committee of Parliament to monitor implementation and recommend further action, whereas country currently relies on dairy imports, leading to significant foreign exchange loss, and farmers face issues such as limited access to good breeds, veterinary care, fodder, and infrastructure, and whereas addressing these challenges would enhance food security, create rural jobs, and reduce dependency on imports.

P. 73/2025

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Sri Lankans be afforded better opportunities for health,— That this Parliament resolves that all Sri Lankans be afforded better health opportunities means of which employees of the private sector must be provided with free facilities through Employees' Provident Fund and Employees' Trust Fund and in the case of Public Servants or non-employees, by the Government through the President Fund with full cost, whereas majority of the population are subject to open heart surgeries.

P. 74/2025

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,—Establishment of Bus Priority Lanes Expeditiously in the Morning and Late Afternoon Hours on Working Days of the Week in Main Towns,—This Parliament resolves that a bus priority lane system be implemented in the morning and late afternoon hours as a remedy for the severe road congestion that prevails in the morning and afternoon hours in major towns.

P. 75/2025

Hon. Hector Appuhamy,— Renewal of the Bilateral Agreement of Driving Licenses between Italy and Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that steps should be taken to renew the bilateral agreement of driving licenses between Italy and Sri Lanka, as it provides great benefits to Sri Lankans.

P. 76/2025

Hon. Ravindra Bandara,— Introduction of a Smart Grid and Smart Meters,— That this Parliament resolves that measures be taken to convert the national electricity grid into a Smart Grid and to introduce Smart Meters, in view of the fact that the electricity generated, particularly through rooftop solar panels, cannot currently be distinguished at the system control center, despite the importance of promoting solar energy as a renewable energy source.

P. 77/2025

Hon. Ravindra Bandara,— Banning harmful artificial flavoring agents used to flavor food,— That this Parliament resolves that the use of harmful flavoring agents be banned after conducting a proper study through a recognized institution, since it is reported that artificial flavoring agents used in local restaurants and hotels to flavor food items such as rice, kottu and noodles contribute to various non-communicable diseases.

P. 78/2025

Hon. M.S. Uthumalebbe,— Expanding the railway line from Batticaloa to Pottuvil or the railway line from Matara to Kalmunai,— That this Parliament resolves that steps should be taken to expand the railway line from Batticaloa to Pottuvil or the railway line from Matara to Kalmunai since a large number of people in the Batticaloa, Ampara and Moneragala Districts will benefit from the expansion of the railway line from Batticaloa to Pottuvil and the expansion of the railway line from Matara to Kalmunai.

P. 79/2025

Hon. (Mrs.) Hiruni Wijesinghe, Attorney at Law,— Favourable control and suppression of the proliferation of common water hyacinth,— That this Parliament resolves that it is opportune that the government formulate relevant project proposals for a sustainable solution through the favorable control and suppression of the common water hyacinth plant, whereas it is an invasive plant known by its scientific name *Eichhornia crassipes* (Mart.) Solms, has encroached upon farmlands and wetlands exhibiting an accelerated propagation rate that displaces indigenous flora and destabilizes the ecological balance, whereas consequent sediment accumulation has impeded water transport courses and flow of water, exacerbated flood risks, degraded the quality of water needed for daily use and disrupted hydropower generation, whereas its suppression through the use of chemical herbicides poses a health risk to people using that water, and whereas the breeding of maggots and the spread of diseases such as fylaria and dengue occur in these areas.

P. 80/2025

Hon. Imran Maharoof,— Establishment of a Commission to Investigate the Unilateral and Forced Cremation of the Remains of Deceased Muslims During the COVID-19 Pandemic,— That this Parliament resolves that a Commission be established to investigate the number of bodies of Muslims that were unilaterally and forcibly cremated contrary to the guidelines of the World Health Organization during the COVID-19 Pandemic, to investigate the names and addresses of the victims who were so cremated, to inquire into the background that led to the forced cremation of the said dead bodies, to assess the mental state of the relatives of the victims who were so cremated, and to investigate steps to be taken against politicians and government officials who acted contrary to the said guidelines in support of such cremations.

P. 81/2025

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney at Law,— Formulation of a system to stop the ripening of fruits using chemicals,— That this Parliament resolves that a formal system be developed to stop the practice of ripening fruits using chemicals, which is being carried out by unscrupulous businessmen with the aim of making profits while destroying the future of the country, whereas unripe fruits are artificially caused to ripen using chemicals and are sold in the Sri Lankan fruit market instead of naturally ripened fruits, whereas imported fruits are also sold after being artificially ripened using chemicals, and whereas these fruits are mostly consumed by children.

P.82/2025

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney at Law,— Formulation of a methodology to consider the Key Performance Indicator as a criterion for the appointment of heads of institutions,— That this Parliament resolves that a methodology be integrated to the public service to consider the Key Performance Indicator (KPI) of public sector officials as a criterion alongside their seniority when appointing heads of government ministries and departments, and that recommendations be obtained for the appointment of heads of institutions accordingly.

P. 83/2025

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney at Law,— Taking the Key Performance Indicator into consideration in assigning positions to the Members of Parliament and the Ministers,— That this Parliament resolves that the Key Performance Indicator (KPI) of the Members of Parliament and the Ministers be reviewed annually and a system for assigning positions to them be developed taking the said indicator into consideration.

P. 84/2025

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney at Law,— Safeguarding the independence of persons who have held positions commencing from the Chief Justice down to lower ranks in the judiciary when they are appointed to other positions, — That this Parliament resolves that persons who have held positions commencing from the Chief Justice down to the lower ranks in the judiciary, should not be appointed to positions in the public service, corporate boards, commissions, tribunals or the foreign service (such as ambassadors) for a period of at least three years from the date on which they ceased to hold those positions in order to protect their independence.

P. 86/2025

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney at Law,— Prohibition of political parties from crediting the salaries, allowances and vehicle permits, etc. of public representatives to their party funds,— That this Parliament resolves that the political parties shall not be permitted to credit the salaries, allowances and vehicle permits, etc. of public representatives to their party funds whereas the practice of political parties crediting the monthly salaries, allowances and vehicle permits, etc. of elected public representatives of their party, to party funds is detrimental to the independence of such representatives, and whereas such action poses a serious challenge to democracy.

P. 87/2025

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney at Law,— Establishment of a Rehabilitation Centre in each District for Drug Addicts,— That this Parliament resolves that at least one rehabilitation centre be established in each district with all facilities, whereas a rapid increase in the number of users of drugs such as heroin is observed at present, whereas the fact that addicts are not limited to one area, but are spread throughout the country and are promoting the drug use has led to this increase, and whereas the fact that rehabilitation centers for drug addicts are found only in a few locations across the country poses a serious problem in controlling the growth of the number of drug users.

P. 88/2025

Hon. Susantha Kumara Nawarathna,— Formulation of a National Policy and Methodology for the Wildlife Management in Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that a practical and modern policy and methodology be formulated and implemented, whereas Sri Lanka is internationally recognized as a country with high biodiversity, whereas due to deforestation, human encroachment, illegal wildlife trade, and escalating human-wildlife conflicts, both these wildlife as well as human lives are lost in large numbers annually, whereas the formulation of a National Wildlife Management Policy through new

policies and plans is a sustainable development objective, and whereas this would result in protection of animal habitats, reduction of human-wildlife conflicts, and improvement of the economic status and social life of the farming communities.

P. 89/2025

Hon. Susantha Kumara Nawarathna,— More productive use of agricultural lands in Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that lands be used in a more productive manner to increase agricultural production by 30% over the next few years, thereby increasing farmers' incomes, expanding commercial agriculture, and establishing a baseline database containing information on land type, crop suitability, water and cultivation by exploring all agricultural lands, with the goal of ensuring national food security and improving the living standards of farmers, whereas the agricultural sector is a prominent entity in Sri Lanka's economy, whereas only about 40% of agricultural lands are used in the production process annually, and the remaining lands are not used due to improper planning, lack of water resources, lack of technical knowledge and lack of innovation, and whereas a large amount of money is spent annually on importing food due to the low level of production.

P. 90/2025

Hon. Rajeevan Jeyachandramoorthy,— Improving the sea transport facilities for residents of the offshore islands in the Jaffna District,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take immediate action to provide modern, safe, fast and reliable sea transportation for the residents of the offshore islands, particularly Neduntheevu, Nainatheevu, Eluvaithivu and Analaitivu in the Jaffna District, whereas the residents of these islands have been deprived of adequate sea transport facilities for several decades, whereas, as a result, they are compelled to spend several hours travelling by sea, whereas patients, pregnant women, the elderly, school staff and employees of non-governmental organisations face severe difficulties and risks while undertaking these journeys, and whereas it is acknowledged that “The development of villages is the development of the Nation”.

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Hon. Rajeevan Jeyachandramoorthy,— Commencing the Talaimannar - Rameswaram ferry service,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take immediate actions to commence the Talaimannar-Rameswaram ferry service, whereas it would increase tourist arrivals particularly from India, and whereas it enable the public to travel to Tamil Nadu at a lower cost and purchase essential goods at affordable prices subject to the prevailing laws and regulations, thereby improving their livelihoods.

P. 93/2025

Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam,— Establishment of a special Development Fund dedicated to reduce regional disparities in development,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government of Sri Lanka should take steps to; establish a National Development Fund for lagging regions such as Northern Province, Eastern Province, Monaragala District, and Nuwara Eliya District, to mobilize contributions from government, bilateral and multilateral partners, private investors, and philanthropic donors, with a target size of USD 250 million over a 10+2 year program tenure; deploy the Fund

strategically to revive rural livelihoods through agriculture, fisheries, and cottage industries, to develop infrastructure for promoting employment and women's socio-economic empowerment, to activate idle assets and support SMEs and cooperatives, to invest in renewable energy and other commercially viable ventures, to initiate capacity building and educating women and youth; facilitate the establishment of a Technical Assistance Facility (TAF) to build local capacity, close viability gaps in investments, and ensure effective and transparent utilization of funds; ensure gender inclusivity across all investment areas, with measurable targets to promote women's participation in economic activities and decision-making; mandate relevant Ministries, Provincial Councils, and local authorities to coordinate with the Fund to ensure equitable regional coverage, accountability, and sustainability in project implementation, by considering the establishment of the Fund an urgent national measure towards inclusive growth, reconciliation, and sustainable development of Sri Lanka, whereas these lagging regions are continuing to face severe economic deprivation due to the effects of the protracted civil conflict and historical neglect over the past decades; whereas the present economic crisis has further aggravated these disparities, placing disproportionate burdens on the livelihoods of the people in these lagging regions; and whereas it is necessary to establish a dedicated national initiative to address these concerns, with the objective of promoting equitable growth, sustainable development, and gender empowerment in economically deprived areas.

P. 94/2025

Hon. Hector Appuhamy,— Developing a programme to protect the mangrove ecosystem,— That this Parliament resolves that a programme should be developed to protect the mangrove ecosystem which is extremely important for environmental balance and the fishing industry.

P. 95/2025

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha, — Regularization of the procedure for issuing permits for private buses,— That this Parliament resolves that an appropriate programme be developed to prevent corruption in the process of issuing permits for private buses carried out by the Provincial Road Passenger Transport Authority whereas the said procedure has become extremely corrupt.P. 97/2025

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Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— Providing an incentive to family units to increase the number of births in Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that the government should take necessary measures to introduce an attractive incentive for family units with a view of increasing the number of births in Sri Lanka whereas it has been observed that the annual number of births in Sri Lanka has been continuously declining since 2018, whereas the youth population of Sri Lanka will definitely decline in the future as a result, and whereas such a decline in the youth population will have a severely detrimental impact on the economic development process of the country.

P. 98/2025

Hon. Ajith P. Perera, — Promoting the 'Sooryabala Sangramaya' Project, — That this Parliament resolves that the 'Sooryabala Sangramaya' (Battle for Solar Energy) Project should be further promoted and protected as a method of reducing the price of a unit of

electricity and a strategy of protecting the environment, whereas solar energy has been identified as a profitable and environmentally friendly energy source out of the energy sources in Sri Lanka, and whereas over 2000 MW of electricity generated from solar energy has been already added to the national grid under the 'Sooryabala Sangramaya' Project which was launched on 06.09.2016.

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Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— Promotion of the 'Kalutara Coastal Zone' as a Special Economic Zone,— That this Parliament resolves that the 'Kalutara Coastal Zone,' which includes the new land created due to the shifting of the Kalu River estuary and the Calido beach, should be promoted and developed as a Special Economic Zone, both for the purpose of developing a tourist zone based around the Kalutara town and as a strategy for the protection of the Kalu River estuary and the coast.

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Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— Expediting the Construction of the 'Millaniya Export Processing Zone',— That this Parliament resolves that the government should consider the construction of the 'Millaniya Export Processing Zone' a priority project and take the necessary steps accordingly, whereas a total of 240 acres of land have already been acquired for the construction of the said Export Processing Zone in the Kalutara district, whereas the government has already spent nearly one billion rupees to provide expressway access, piped water, and electricity for the project, and whereas the land selected for the Export Processing Zone has already been identified by the Board of Investment of Sri Lanka as suitable for the proposed project.

P. 101/2025

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— Promotion of Providing Secondary Education in English,— That this Parliament resolves that English medium education should be implemented in all secondary schools in Sri Lanka and that the government should prioritize adequate investment for the initiative, whereas 'English' has been recognized as the Link Language of Sri Lanka in terms of Article 18(3) of the Constitution, whereas 'English', as an international language, is a crucial means of acquiring knowledge for citizens, whereas it is essential for all Sri Lankans to achieve proficiency in English as the link language to live together in one country, regardless of linguistic or ethnic differences, whereas the system of providing secondary education in English within the Central College system of Sri Lanka which emerged under the concept of free education and in a number of other schools has been successful, and whereas education in English is extremely important for Sri Lankan citizen to access international employment opportunities.

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Hon. Ravindra Bandara,— Establishment of a Faculty of Engineering for Uva Wellassa University,— That this Parliament resolves that an Engineering Faculty be established for Uva Wellassa University, taking into account the growing needs of the construction, mechanical, industrial, and information technology sectors in Sri Lanka, as well as global requirements, whereas considering that Uva Wellassa University is an institution that supplies graduates with modern technical skills who fulfill the requirements of both the domestic and foreign job markets.

Hon. Rohana Bandara,— Designing a programme to improve swimming skills,— That this Parliament resolves that a programme be established to promote the exceptional swimming skills possessed by our ancestors, who developed a highly advanced irrigation civilization, among the current generation whereas the number of individuals drowning in water has been observed to be steadily increasing in recent times.

Hon. (Dr.) M.L.A.M. Hizbullah,— Establishment of a Faculty of Medicine for South Eastern University of Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that a Medical Faculty be established for the South Eastern University of Sri Lanka, taking into account the growing needs of the medical sectors in Sri Lanka, as well as global requirements, whereas considering that South Eastern University of Sri Lanka is an institution that supplies graduates with modern technical skills who fulfil requirements of both the domestic and foreign job markets.

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS

(Friday, February 06, 2026)

Hon. Sujeewa Dissanayake,— 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 official vehicles allocated by the then government to the Minister of City Planning and Water Supply appointed from September 2015 in the Eighth Parliament;
 - (ii) registration number, type and model of the said official vehicles separately; and
 - (iii) duration for which those official vehicles were allocated?
- (b) Will she also inform this House of the —
 - (i) monthly fuel entitlement for each of the said official vehicle separately; and
 - (ii) amount of fuel spent monthly in litres and expenditure incurred on that for each of those official vehicles separately during the period when the said Minister held the office of the Minister of City Planning and Water Supply ?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Sujeewa Dissanayake,— 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 official vehicles allocated by the then government to the Minister of Industry and Commerce appointed from September 2015 in the Eighth Parliament;
 - (ii) registration number, type and model of the said official vehicles separately; and
 - (iii) duration for which those official vehicles were allocated?
- (b) Will she also inform this House of the —
 - (i) monthly fuel entitlement for each of the said official vehicle separately; and
 - (ii) amount of fuel spent monthly in litres and expenditure incurred on that for each of those official vehicles separately during the period when the said Minister held the office of the Minister of Industry and Commerce?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Sujeewa Dissanayake,— 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 official vehicles allocated by the then government to the Minister of City Planning and Water Supply appointed from 09 November 2018 in the Eighth Parliament;
 - (ii) registration number, type and model of the said official vehicles separately; and
 - (iii) duration for which those official vehicles were allocated?
- (b) Will she also inform this House of the —
 - (i) monthly fuel entitlement for each of the said official vehicle separately; and
 - (ii) amount of fuel spent monthly in litres and expenditure incurred on that for each of those official vehicles separately during the period when the said Minister held the office of the Minister of City Planning and Water Supply?
- (c) If not, why?

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

(b) Will she inform this House of the —

- (i) number of official vehicles allocated by the then government to the Minister of National Dialogue appointed from September 2015 in the Eighth Parliament;
- (ii) registration number, type and model of the said official vehicles separately; and
- (iii) duration for which those official vehicles were allocated?

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

- (i) monthly fuel entitlement for each of the said official vehicle separately; and
- (ii) amount of fuel spent monthly in litres and expenditure incurred on that for each of those official vehicles separately during the period when the said Minister held the office of the Minister of National Dialogue?

(c) If not, why?

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Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Justice and National Integration,— (2)

(a) Will he state the —

- (i) number of prisoners sentenced to death, whose appeals against the sentence have been exhausted and who have not been granted Presidential Pardon in terms of Article 34 of the Constitution; and
- (ii) name and age of each of those prisoners separately?

(b) Will he admit that —

- (i) the President has not ordered any execution since 1976;
- (ii) in certain cases, the President commutes the death penalty to life imprisonment in terms of Article 34(1) of the Constitution; and
- (iii) the said process is carried out in an informal and ‘objective’ manner without being ‘subjective’?

(c) Will he also state —

- (i) the steps that will be taken to carry out the said process in a ‘subjective’ manner; and
- (ii) whether steps be taken to formulate ‘regulations’ in accordance with the provisions of the Prisons Ordinance to formalize the provisions regarding the date of commencement of imprisonment and the subsequent serving of the sentence of imprisonment after the death penalty is converted into a life sentence?

(d) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR WHICH NO DATES HAVE BEEN FIXED

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Hon. Imran Maharoof

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Hon. Namal Rajapaksa, Attorney at Law

Hon. Harshana Rajakaruna

Hon. Gayantha Karunathilleka,— Select Committee of Parliament to conduct a comprehensive study on the lack of preparedness to face Cyclone Ditwah and report to Parliament and submit its proposals and recommendations in that regard,— Whereas the loss of lives, damage to property and damage to the people caused by Cyclone Ditwah, which is considered to be the worst tragedy in the history of Sri Lanka, has not yet been assessed;

And whereas action was taken to appoint Select Committees of Parliament in the recent times with regard to two such disasters, namely the Easter Sunday attack and the economic crisis as well;

And whereas it is believed that this disaster is unique as far as the disasters that have occurred so far are concerned;

And whereas it has already been revealed in Parliament that the Department of Meteorology and foreign media had from time to time warned about and forecasted this extremely tragic situation; and

Whereas the damage caused by Cyclone Ditwah could have been prevented to a significant extent if the relevant parties had been prepared in advance to face the situation;

That this Parliament resolves that a Select Committee of Parliament be appointed to conduct a comprehensive study on the lack of preparedness to face Cyclone Ditwah and report to Parliament and submit its proposals and recommendations in that regard.

2. (a) that the Chair and Members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Speaker; and
(b) that notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 101 of Parliament, the Committee shall consist of twelve (12) Members.
3. That the Committee shall have the power to—
 - (a) fix its quorum;
 - (b) summon any person to appear before it, to require any person to procure any document or record, to procure and receive all such evidence, written or oral, as the Committee may think it necessary for the fullest consideration of the matters referred to above;
 - (c) obtain the services of specialists and experts in the relevant fields to assist the Committee; and
 - (d) make interim reports from time to time and to sit notwithstanding any adjournment or prorogation of Parliament.
4. The Committee shall present its report to Parliament within a period of three months (03) from the first meeting of the Committee or within such further period as Parliament may grant.
