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**ADDENDUM TO THE ORDER BOOK No. 3  
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**Tuesday, March 17, 2026**

**NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY**

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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 in consultation with the Colombo Port City Economic Commission and relevant Regulatory Authorities under Section 71 of the Colombo Port City Economic Commission Act, No. 11 of 2021 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2469/02 of 29<sup>th</sup> December 2025, which were presented on 03.03.2026, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Determination of the Remuneration and Conditions of Service of the Officers and Employees of the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption under the Anti-Corruption Act,— Whereas, the Anti-Corruption Act, No. 9 of 2023, has been enacted repealing three previous enactments, namely: the Bribery Act (Chapter 26) the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption Act, No. 19 of 1994 and the Declaration of Assets and Liabilities Law, No. 1 of 1975, and has conferred upon the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption all powers and responsibilities relating to all the offences provided for in those enactments;

And whereas, the Anti-Corruption Act, No. 9 of 2023, has conferred upon the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption a substantially broader range of powers and responsibilities than those vested in the Commission established under the Act, No. 19 of 1994;

And whereas, the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption has determined that the staff specified in 'Annexure - I' are necessary for the discharge of such powers and responsibilities and, having regard to the specialized nature of the functions assigned to the Commission, has identified the need for a remuneration structure capable of attracting and recruiting competent and experienced officers;

(2)

And whereas, section 26(2) of the Anti-Corruption Act, No. 9 of 2023, stipulates that the remuneration and conditions of service of the officers and employees considered necessary by the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption in terms of the Act shall be approved by Parliament;

And whereas, the Director-General of Management Services, by letters dated 11.08.2025 and 19.12.2025, has communicated the concurrence of the Minister in charge of subject of Finance in respect of the remuneration proposal 'Annexure - II' relating to the officers and employees specified in 'Annexure - I', as determined by the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption under section 26(1) of the Anti-Corruption Act, and the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption has, in terms of Section 26(2) of the said Act, determined that the said proposal is appropriate;

And whereas, for the purpose of the payment of allowances under the said remuneration proposal, the Commission shall, in applying the relevant circular provisions governing allowances payable to staff of State corporations, statutory boards and fully State-owned enterprises, determine the corresponding categories of officers or posts entitled to such allowances;

And whereas, in accordance with section 32(1) of the Anti-Corruption Act, the determination of the conditions of service referred to in Section 26(2) of the Act shall be done by the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption, and the power to make such Rules, in terms of sections 32(2) and 157(1) of the Act, is vested in the Commission; and

Whereas, in accordance with section 163 (2) (h) of the Anti-Corruption Act, the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption shall, in the manner stated there, place the officers and employees holding office of the Commission established under Act, No. 19 of 1994 and are to be appointed to the new Commission established under the Anti-Corruption Act, No. 9 of 2023 (not exceeding 63 officers), in appropriate pensionable posts approved under section 26(1) of the Anti-Corruption Act and at suitable salary steps;

Accordingly, in terms of section 26(2) of the Anti-Corruption Act, No. 9 of 2023, Determination of the Remuneration and Conditions of Service of the Officers and Employees of the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption be approved by Parliament.

(Approval of the Cabinet of Ministers has been granted.)

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Annexure - I

The staff determined by the Commission in terms of Section 26(1) of the Anti-Corruption Act, No. 9 of 2023, for the efficient discharge of its functions.

Title of the Post		No. of positions
1	Additional Director General	01
2	Senior Deputy Director General	01
3	Senior Director	02
4	Deputy Director General	06
5	Director	09
6	Chief Internal Auditor	01
7	Senior Assistant Director General	16
8	Assistant Director General	58
9	Assistant Director/ Deputy Director	45
10	Internal Auditor	01
11	Research Officer	03
12	Administrative Officer	04
13	Transport Officer	01
14	Technical Officer	01
15	Information and Communication Technology Officer	04
16	Senior Investigation Officer	47
17	Senior Corruption Prevention Officer	12
18	Investigation Officer	337
19	Corruption Prevention Officer	50
20	Librarian	01
21	Translator & Interpreter	06
22	Legal Assistant	07
23	Information and Communication Technology Assistant	06
24	Assistant Librarian	01
25	Anti-Corruption Management Service Officer**	113
26	Typist & Stenographer	45
27	Communication Assistant	07
28	Driver	69
29	Office Employee Assistant	117
<b>Total</b>		<b>971</b>

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\*\*The title of the post, which the Commission determined to recruit in terms of Section 26(1) of the Anti-Corruption Act, is “Anti- Corruption Management Services Officer”. The Management Services Commission has informed that the concurrence of the Minister in charge of subject of Finance has been granted to the title, “Management Assistant”. However, the Commission, after considering several other facts and since the duties assigned are similar, has decided to take “Anti- Corruption Management Service Officer” as the title of this post.

Annexure - II

The remuneration proposal, which the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption determined with the concurrence of the Minister in charge of subject of Finance, and approved by the Cabinet of Ministers, in terms of Section 26(2) of the Anti-Corruption Act.

01. Proposed salary structure

	Designation	Salary Code	Initial Step	Years	1st slab	Years	2nd slab	Years	3rd slab	Years	4th slab	Maximum
1	Additional Director General	AC-E 4 - 2025	212,000	10	4,950							261,500
2	Senior Deputy Director General/ Senior Director	AC-E 3 - 2025	194,000	10	4,500							239,000
3	Deputy Director General/ Director / Chief Internal Auditor	AC-E 2 - 2025	176,000	10	4,250							218,500
4	Senior Assistant Director General	AC-E 1-2 - 2025	151,900	10	3,900							190,900
5	Assistant Director General	AC-E 1-1 - 2025	131,300	10	2,940							160,700
6	Deputy Director/ Assistant Director/ Internal Auditor/ Research Of-	AC-E 1 - 2025	131,300	10	2,940	10	3,595					196,650
7	Administrative Officer	AC-JM 1-2 - 2025	74,010	10	1,360	18	2,040					124,330
8	Transport Officer	AC-JM 1-2 - 2025	74,010	10	1,360	18	2,040					124,330
9	Technical Officer	AC-JM 1-2 - 2025	74,010	10	1,360	18	2,040					124,330
10	Information and Communication Technology Officer	AC-JM 1-2 - 2025	74,010	10	1,360	18	2,040					124,330
11	Senior Investigation Officer	AC-MA 5 -3 - 2025	79,440	10	2,040	20	2,230					144,440
12	Senior Corruption Prevention Officer	AC-MA 5 -3 - 2025	79,440	10	2,040	20	2,230					144,440
13	Investigation Officer	AC-MA 5 -1 - 2025	58,740	10	1,190	15	1,360	11	1,670			109,410

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14	Corruption Prevention	AC-MA 5	58,740	10	1,190	15	1,360	11	1,670			109,410
15	Librarian	AC-MA 4 - 2025	64,320	10	1,360	15	1,670	5	2,040			113,170
16	Translator & Interpreter	AC-MA 4 - 2025	64,320	10	1,360	15	1,670	5	2,040			113,170
17	Legal Assistant	AC-MA 3 - 2025	53,940	10	800	11	1,190	10	1,320	5	1,350	94,980
18	Information and Communication Technology Assistant	AC-MA 2 -1 - 2025	50,540	10	540	7	630	4	890	20	1,190	87,710
19	Assistant Librarian	AC-MA 1 -1 - 2025	46,220	10	540	7	630	4	890	20	1,190	83,390
20	Management Assistant	AC-MA 1 -1 - 2025	46,220	10	540	7	630	4	890	20	1,190	83,390
21	Typist & Stenographer	AC-MA 1 -1 - 2025	46,220	10	540	7	630	4	890	20	1,190	83,390
22	Communication Assistant	AC-MA 1 -1 - 2025	46,220	10	540	7	630	4	890	20	1,190	83,390
23	Driver	AC-PL 3 - 2025	43,280	10	490	10	540	10	590	12	630	67,040
24	Office Assistant	AC-PL 1 - 2025	40,500	10	450	10	490	7	540	15	590	62,530

## 02. Proposed Anti-Corruption Risk Allowance

Designation		Salary Code	Anti-Corruption Risk Allowance
1	Additional Director General	AC-E 4 - 2025	140,000
2	Senior Deputy Director General	AC-E 3 - 2025	128,750
3	Senior Director	AC-E 3 - 2025	48,000
4	Deputy Director-General	AC-E 2 - 2025	117,500
5	Director / Chief Internal Auditor	AC-E 2 - 2025	44,000
6	Director (Investigations)	AC-E 2 - 2025	70,000
7	Senior Assistant Director General	AC-E 1-2 - 2025	105,250
8	Assistant Director General	AC-E 1-1 - 2025	94,000

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9	Assistant Director/ Deputy Director/ Internal Auditor / Research Officer	AC-E 1 - 2025	33,000
10	Deputy/ Assistant Director (Investigations)	AC-E 1 - 2025	52,000
11	Administrative Officer	AC-JM 1-2 - 2025	19,000
12	Transport Officer	AC-JM 1-2 - 2025	19,000
13	Technology Officer	AC-JM 1-2 - 2025	19,000
14	Information and Communication Technology Officer	AC-JM 1-2 - 2025	19,000
15	Senior Investigation Officer	AC-MA 5-3 - 2025	31,000
16	Senior Corruption Prevention Officer	AC-MA 5-3 - 2025	20,000
17	Investigation Officer	AC-MA 5-1 - 2025	23,000
18	Corruption Prevention Officer	AC-MA 5-1 - 2025	15,000
19	Librarian	AC-MA 4 - 2025	16,000
20	Translator & Interpreter	AC-MA 4 - 2025	16,000
21	Legal Assistant	AC-MA 3 - 2025	14,000
22	Information and Communication Technology Assistant	AC-MA 2-1 - 2025	13,000
23	Assistant Librarian	AC-MA 1-1 - 2025	12,000
24	Management Assistant	AC-MA 1-1 - 2025	12,000
25	Typist & Stenographer	AC-MA 1-1 - 2025	12,000
26	Communication Assistant	AC-MA 1-1 - 2025	12,000
27	Driver	AC-PL 3 - 2025	11,000
28	Office Assistant	AC-PL 1 - 2025	10,000

### 03. Proposed Performance Allowance

The payment of a Performance Allowance of up to Rs. 10,000/- as may be determined by the Commission, in respect of the posts of Senior Investigation Officer and Investigation Officer.

### 04. Proposed Other Allowances, excluding 02 and 03 above

In addition to the aforesaid Anti-Corruption Risk Allowance and Performance Allowance, the payment of other allowances to the officers and employees of the Commission (including overtime allowance/ extra duty allowance and holiday pay, combined allowance, cost of living allowance, professional allowance, travelling allowance, fuel allowance, communication allowance, and any other allowance) shall be made in accordance with the relevant circular provisions applicable to State Corporations, statutory bodies and fully State-owned enterprises.

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The Leader of the House of Parliament, — Amendments to the Standing Orders of the Parliament, — That the following recommendations of the Committee on Standing Orders relating to the amendments to the Standing Orders of the Parliament made in the report which was presented to Parliament on 20 February 2026, be agreed to: —

**Following new paragraph be inserted immediately after the first paragraph of the existing Standing Order 119(4) of the Parliament: —**

If the Committee on Public Accounts, in examining the reports presented to the Committee by the Auditor - General, comes to the conclusion that serious financial frauds, acts of bribery or corruption have occurred, the Committee may refer such matters directly to the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption or to the Inspector-General of Police, at a time determined by Parliament after the report thereon has been tabled in Parliament, for taking necessary action regarding such matters.

**Following new paragraph be inserted immediately after the first paragraph of the existing Standing Order 120(4) of the Parliament: —**

If the Committee on Public Enterprises, in examining the reports presented to the Committee by the Auditor - General, comes to the conclusion that serious financial frauds, acts of bribery or corruption have occurred, the Committee may refer such matters directly to the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption or to the Inspector-General of Police, at a time determined by Parliament after the report thereon has been tabled in Parliament, for taking necessary action regarding such matters.

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The Minister of Fisheries, Aquatic and Ocean Resources,— Annual Report of the Ceylon Fisheries Corporation (2018),— That the Annual Report of the Ceylon Fisheries Corporation 2018, together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2018 and presented on 14.02.2025 under Section 30(1) of the State Industrial Corporations Act, No. 49 of 1957, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Fisheries, Aquatic and Ocean Resources on 09.09.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 11.09.2025)

\* *Indicates Government Business.*

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QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS  
(Wednesday, March 18, 2026)

1865/2026

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
  - (i) Divisional Secretariat Divisions in which the issuance of the Title Certificates under the Registration of Title Act, No. 21 of 1998, has been implemented;
  - (ii) total number of Title Certificates issued under the aforesaid Act to date; and
  - (iii) number of employees currently serving in the Department of Land Title Settlement?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
  - (i) whether there is an intention to update the legal status of the Registration of Title Act, No. 21 of 1998;
  - (ii) if so, of the proposed legal reforms; and
  - (iii) of the measures that will be taken to expedite aforesaid legal reforms?
- (c) If not, why?

1866/2026

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— (2)

- (a) Will she inform this House —
  - (i) of the names of the current members of the ‘Clean Sri Lanka’ Presidential Task Force;
  - (ii) of the names of the projects that have been implemented and completed by now under the said project;
  - (iii) of the amount of money that has been spent on the projects that have been completed by now; and
  - (iv) separately, of the amount of money that has been spent on each of the said projects?
- (b) Will she also inform this House separately of the progress that has been achieved so far in implementing the tasks described under I to IX in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2415/59 dated 19.12.2024 and the amount of money that has been spent on each of the said tasks?
- (c) If not, why?

1930/2026

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

- (a) Will he admit that —
  - (i) it is inappropriate to provide for the filing of a case in District Court based on the residence of the plaintiff by amending Section 9(a) of the Civil Procedure Code through the Civil Procedure Code (Amendment) Act, No. 43 of 2024;
  - (ii) the Bar Association of Sri Lanka has requested that Section 9(a) be amended and the law be restored to its previous status; and
  - (iii) it has been stated in Parliament on several occasions that the said amendment will be introduced expeditiously?
- (b) If so, will he inform this House of the current progress in that regard?
- (c) If not, why?

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QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS

**(Thursday, March 19, 2026)**

1851/2026

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Defence,— (3)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
    - (i) whether the Government has taken steps to provide state protection to the wife and children of Mr. Rohana Wijeweera, founder of the Janatha Vimukthi Peramuna, subsequent to his assassination on 13.11.1989;
    - (ii) if so, of the names of the persons who were provided with such state protection and their respective family relationships to Mr. Rohana Wijeweera, separately;
    - (iii) of the places where the persons referred to above were detained;
    - (iv) of the family members of Mr. Rohana Wijeweera who are currently receiving state protection and maintenance;
    - (v) of the estimated total expenditure borne by the Government so far for the maintenance of the family members of Mr. Rohana Wijeweera; and
    - (vi) of the monthly expenditure incurred by the Government for the security and maintenance of the said family members who are still receiving state protection?
  - (b) If not, why?
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**Friday, April 10, 2026**

**NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY**

P. 3/2024

Hon. Heshu 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. Heshu 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 13<sup>th</sup> 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. Heshu 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. Heshu 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. Heshu 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. Heshu 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. Heshu 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.

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 Karunanayake,— 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 Karunanayake,— 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 Karunanayake,— 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 Karunanayake,— 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 Karunanayake,— 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 Karunanayake,— 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 Karunanayake,— 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 Karunanayake,— 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.

P. 39/2025

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

P. 54/2025

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

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 to 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 Swarnabhoomi for their lands.

P. 70/2025

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.

P. 71/2025

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.

P. 72/2025

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 filaria and dengue occur in these areas.

P. 80/2025

Hon. Imran Maharroof,— 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".

P. 91/2025

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 enables 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

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.

P. 99/2025

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.

P. 100/2025

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.

P. 102/2025

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.

P. 103/2025

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.

P. 106/2026

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.

P. 108/2026

Hon. (Dr.) Harsha de Silva,— Protection of the Diyagama Forest,— That this Parliament resolves that, urgent action should be taken to immediately halt all clearance and development activities within the Diyagama Forest, to gazette it as a protected area under the Fauna and Flora Protection Act (FFPA), to place it under the jurisdiction of the Department of Wildlife Conservation, and to ensure the strongest possible legal protection against future

encroachment and unsustainable development; whereas the Diyagama Forest is one of the last remaining urban lowland rainforest near Colombo and the closest rainforest fragment to the city; whereas it plays a vital role as a natural flood buffer by regulating water flow through its wetlands and streams that feed the Bolgoda River, thereby protecting surrounding communities from flooding; whereas this forest is home to over 220 species of flora and fauna, including endangered species such as the Red Slender Loris, Purple-faced Langur, and Fishing Cat; whereas it constitutes a critical biodiversity hotspot serving as a last refuge for approximately 12.6% endemic flora and 11.58% endemic fauna, many of which are increasingly threatened by urban expansion; whereas the Diayagama forest is internationally recognized for its Loris population, attracting foreign visitors and presenting strong potential for sustainable eco-tourism; whereas the protection of this forest is essential for safeguarding biodiversity, climate resilience, and community safety; and whereas the loss of the Diyagama Forest would be irreversible, making its immediate conservation imperative for future generations and in fulfillment of Sri Lanka's national and international conservation commitments.

P. 109 / 2026

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney-at-Law,— Establishment of a Truth Commission,— That this Parliament resolves that a Truth Commission be established to strengthen the process of investigating the loss of life, disappearances, and other destruction caused by the war in the North and East which spanned over 26 years, and to identify the future steps that can be taken toward establishing national unity.

P. 110 / 2026

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney-at-Law,— Introducing a legal mechanism to restrict the use of social media for children under the age of 15 years,— That this Parliament resolves that steps be taken to introduce a legal mechanism to restrict the use of social media for children under the age of 15 years; whereas issues such as increased mental pressure and stress, decline in educational performance, cyberbullying, and exposure to indecent and unsafe content among children are rising due to excessive social media use; and whereas developed countries such as Australia, France, and Denmark have already introduced laws to restrict social media use for children; and whereas it is necessary to protect the mental health, safety, and educational development of children by implementing measures such as setting the minimum age for opening social media accounts at 15 years, making age verification methods mandatory for social media companies, imposing fines and taking legal action against entities that violate the law, and taking appropriate measures regarding children who access social media using the accounts of adults.

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**Tuesday, April 21, 2026**

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

209/2024

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
  - (i) date on which the five-year project to breed 250 Boer goats and distribute them in the field was initiated at the Imbuldanda Goat Breeding Centre in Matale;
  - (ii) amount of money that has been spent so far on the said project;
  - (iii) number of goats that was expected to be bred annually under the said project and of the number of goats that have actually been bred in each year, separately;
  - (iv) amount spent per goat in terms of the income and the expenditure of the said project; and
  - (v) future action that will be taken regarding the project concerned?
- (b) If not, why?

232/2024

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) whether the policy statement ‘A Thriving Nation – A Beautiful Life’ pledged to appoint a ‘Special Parliamentary Ombudsman’ to enable the aggrieved parties to present their grievances regarding the activities of the Attorney General’s Department;
  - (ii) if so, of the name and the office address of the Ombudsman, appointed in keeping with aforesaid promise; and
  - (iii) of the reasons, if the aforesaid appointment has not been made yet?
- (b) If not, why?

466/2025

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
  - (i) revenue and profit of the Sri Lanka Insurance Corporation in each year from 2020 to date separately;
  - (ii) percentage of market share and the total balance sheet value of the Corporation as at to date;

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- (iii) names of the competitors of the above Corporation and the percentage of their market share in life and general insurance and in total separately;
  - (iv) amount of direct and indirect taxes paid by the Corporation in each year from 2020 to date separately; and
  - (v) names of the subsidiaries of the above Corporation and amount of the shares owned by them separately?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the above Corporation in each year from 2020 to date separately of the —
- (i) number of employees and the total amount spent for their salaries and emoluments; and
  - (ii) return on investment?
- (c) If not, why?

883/2025

Hon. (Dr.) M.L.A.M. Hizbullah,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether he is aware that the landless persons have applied to the Koralai Pattu, Valaichchenai Divisional Secretariat with the aim of acquiring land, during the period from 01.01.2017 to 31.03.2025;
  - (ii) if so, of the number of such persons and their names and the other relevant details;
  - (iii) whether such persons have been issued with Deeds of Grant or Land Permits; and
  - (iv) if so, of the number of such persons along with their names and relevant details?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
- (i) whether he is aware that the majority of the persons who have settled down in government lands in the Koralai Pattu, Valaichchenai Divisional Secretariat Division have not been issued with Deeds of Grant or Land Permits so far;
  - (ii) if so, of the number of such persons and their names and other relevant details; and
  - (iii) of the reasons for not issuing Deeds of Grant or Land Permits to the aforementioned persons so far?
- (c) If not, why?

1032/2025

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,—To ask the Minister of Transport, Highways and Urban Development,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) of the date on which the foundation stone was laid for the construction of the Laggala Depot of the Sri Lanka Transport Board;
  - (ii) of the amount that has been spent so far on the construction of the said depot;
  - (iii) of the number of buses that are owned by the said depot at present;
  - (iv) whether he is aware that the land of the said depot is currently becoming overgrown with wild vegetation; and
  - (v) of the measures that will be taken to restore the said depot?
- (b) If not, why?

1106/2025

Hon. S.M. Marikkar,—To ask the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
  - (i) total value of the foreign direct investments that have been received by Sri Lanka from 01.10.2024 up to now in US dollars;
  - (ii) names of the investment projects related thereto;
  - (iii) nature of each of those investment projects and the amount invested in each project in US dollars, separately; and
  - (iv) date on which each of the said investment projects was initiated/will be initiated, the date of completion and the number of employment opportunities generated by each project separately?
- (b) If not, why?

1124/2025

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney at Law,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Civil Aviation,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) whether the Colombo Dockyard PLC is fully owned by the government;
  - (ii) if there are other shareholders of the company, of the names of those shareholders;
  - (iii) of the percentage of shares held separately by the government and those of other shareholders;

- (iv) of the value of assets owned by other shareholders in dollars;
- (v) of the years in which shareholdings were granted to current shareholders;
- (vi) whether tenders have been called when selling shares to them;
- (vii) if so, of the name, address and the bid value of each shareholder who submitted tenders, separately; and
- (viii) of the separate amount invested by each of those shareholders according to the shares they purchased?

(b) If not, why?

1244/2025

Hon. Susantha Kumara Nawarathna,—To ask the Minister of Environment,— (3)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) of the wildlife zones existing in each district of Sri Lanka at present, separately;
  - (ii) of the extent of land belonging to each such zone, separately;
  - (iii) whether the tanks, reservoirs and lakes available for wildlife within the wildlife zones have been identified;
  - (iv) if so, of the number of them as per each wildlife zone, separately; and
  - (v) of the number of tanks, reservoirs and lakes that have been renovated or constructed within the said wildlife zones, separately?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
  - (i) of the elephant corridors that have been scientifically identified by the Department of Wildlife Conservation;
  - (ii) whether steps have been taken to gazette them;
  - (iii) if so, of the number of elephant corridors that have been gazetted so far; and
  - (iv) if the identified elephant corridors have not yet been gazetted, of the reasons for it?

(b) If not, why?

1472/2025

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

- (a) Will she inform this House —
  - (i) whether she is aware that an inquiry was conducted against the Principal of St. John's College, Nugegoda from 04.06.2025 to 04.07.2025 pursuant to a complaint received by the Governor of the Western Province;

(31)

- (ii) whether the committee that conducted the inquiry has carried out the said inquiry impartially and properly;
  - (iii) if so, of the recommendations that were made by the said committee of inquiry regarding the Principal concerned; and
  - (iv) whether the said recommendations have been implemented by now?
- (b) If not, why?

1934/2026

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the number of fishery harbours operating under the Ceylon Fishery Harbours Corporation;
  - (ii) whether the facilities required for the fishing industry have been established in the said fishery harbours;
  - (iii) whether there is an arrangement in place for the management of the waste that is generated when boats are repaired in those harbours;
  - (iv) if so, of the said arrangement;
  - (v) of the measures that are taken to remove the sand that is accumulated around the harbours;
  - (vi) whether the Ceylon Fishery Harbours Corporation has been able to achieve its aims and objectives during the regime of the previous government;
  - (vii) if so, of the reasons for that;
  - (viii) whether there is a programme to develop fishery harbours and to provide facilities to the fishing community; and
  - (ix) if so, of the details of that programme?
- (b) If not, why?

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**Wednesday, April 22, 2026**

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

748/2025

Hon. (Dr.) Kavinda Heshan Jayawardhana,—To ask the Minister of Transport, Highways and Urban Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the date on which the integrated timetable system was first proposed;

(32)

- (ii) of the number of routes on which the integrated timetable system is currently in operation, as a percentage;
- (iii) whether he is aware that a disadvantageous situation has arisen for the buses of the Sri Lanka Transport Board (SLTB) on the routes where the aforesaid integrated timetable system is in operation; and
- (iv) if so, of the measures that will be taken to review the aforesaid system to ensure equitable opportunities for the SLTB buses operating on those routes?

(b) If not, why?

814/2025

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

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the number of court complexes, the construction of which has been commenced so far since the year 2015;
- (ii) of the locations where the said buildings have been/will be constructed;
- (iii) out of the above-mentioned court complexes, of the number of constructions duly completed and the number of constructions halted mid-way, separately; and
- (iv) of the measures that will be taken to expedite the completion of the construction of the court complexes of which the construction work has been halted?

(b) If not, why?

843/2025

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

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) whether he is aware that a land belonging to the Maharagama Urban Council was recently granted for a bird sanctuary project;
- (ii) of the extent of the said land;
- (iii) of the name/s of the company/companies that obtained that land;
- (iv) whether he is aware that the said project has currently being paused; and
- (v) the measures being taken to prevent the massive environmental damage and unauthorized activities such as land reclamation resulting from this situation?

(b) If not, why?

1015/2025

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

- (a) Will he state —
- (i) the breakdown of cybercrime complaints relating to women classified under specific categories such as cyberstalking, online harassment, cyber blackmailing, identity theft, non-consensual intimate content, and the misuse of deepfake technologies;
  - (ii) whether there has been an increase in any specific category of such offences during the past three (03) years;
  - (iii) if so, of the emerging trends that have been identified; and
  - (iv) whether a dedicated data collection and monitoring mechanism is in place to classify and track such offences by category and region?
- (b) If not, why?

1363/2025

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

- (a) Will she inform this House —
- (i) of the number of principals who have been serving in a school for more than eight years, separately for each province;
  - (ii) of the problems that have been arisen because of a principal has served in the same school continuously for more than eight years;
  - (iii) whether she is aware that while promotions have been given to those who have been absorbed as principals on supernumerary basis in 2012, they have not received the administrative allowances related to their service;
  - (iv) of the obstacles for that;
  - (v) of the obstacles preventing principals on supernumerary basis from applying for the vacant posts of principals in schools; and
  - (vi) of the possibility of granting transfers to principals who have been serving in the same school on supernumerary basis for more than eight years?
- (b) If not, why?

1373/2025

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 —
- (i) of the number of government universities, private universities and other higher education institutions that offer the Bachelor of Education degree along with their respective names, separately;

(34)

- (ii) of the number of graduates who have completed the Bachelor of Education degree from each of those universities or higher education institutions and have been recruited to the government teaching service since 01.01.2025;
- (iii) whether she is aware of the significant public discourse regarding the quality of the Bachelor of Education degree offered by private universities; and
- (iv) of the measures taken to evaluate the quality of the Bachelor of Education degree and other degree courses offered by the private universities?

(b) If not, why?

1470/2025

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

(a) Will he admit that the —

- (i) rural level sportsmen are faced with severe difficulties due to the rapid increase in the prices of sports items in the market; and
- (ii) prices of sports items affect the development of sports in rural areas?

(b) Will he inform this House of the —

- (i) measures that have been taken to provide sportsmen with sports items at subsidized rates; and
- (ii) measures that have been taken to manufacture sports items in Sri Lanka instead of importing them?

(c) If not, why?

1736/2025

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

(a) Will she inform this House —

- (i) whether the specific reports have been received regarding the impact of floods and landslides on Telijjawila Central College and Deniyaya Central College in Matara District;
- (ii) of the obstacles that have arisen in the educational activities as a result of the said floods and landslides;
- (iii) whether special provisions have been allocated to resolve such situations; and
- (iv) if so, of the provisions allocated for the each school, separately?

- (b) Will she also inform this House —
- (i) whether it has been identified that funds have been allocated under this scheme to projects for which funds had already been allocated but the work has not yet been completed;
  - (ii) if so, of the institutions that are responsible for implementing those projects, separately for each project; and
  - (iii) whether a specific time frame has been set for the prompt commencement and completion of projects that have not yet been completed?
- (c) If not, why?

1855/2026

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the year in which the Department of Sri Lanka Railways was established;
  - (ii) of the number of trains owned by the Department at its inception and at present, separately;
  - (iii) of the total route mileage of the railway system at its inception and at present, separately;
  - (iv) whether the current expansion of the fleet and the rail network is deemed sufficient to meet the present demand; and
  - (v) if not, whether attention has been paid to increase the number of trains and extend the railway network?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the —
- (i) estimated provision allocated in the 2026 budget to reduce road accidents; and
  - (ii) regulations currently in place to minimize accidents and prevent any form of abuse that may occur to children during the transportation of schoolchildren?
- (c) Will he further inform this House —
- (i) whether there is a programme to regularize illegal constructions in urban areas; and
  - (ii) if so, of the amount allocated for the purpose referred to above?
- (d) If not, why?

1907/2026

Hon. M.S. Uthumalebbe,— To ask the Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) the celebration of the National Milad-un-Nabi Festival at district level commenced during the tenure of the late Minister M. H. Mohamed;
  - (ii) the National Milad-un-Nabi Festival was celebrated in a grand manner during the tenure of the late Minister A. H. M. Azwar;
  - (iii) thereafter, the said festival continued to be celebrated at district level; and
  - (iv) through such celebrations, mosques in need of renovation were restored, and development initiatives were implemented in Muslim villages?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
- (i) the district and the area selected for the celebration of the National Milad-un-Nabi Festival in 2026; and
  - (ii) whether the Ministry of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs has informed the Department of Muslim Religious and Cultural Affairs to hold the said festival at Temple Trees?
- (c) If not, why?

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**Thursday, April 23, 2026**

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1184/2025

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

- (a) Will she inform this House—
- (i) whether she is aware that there was a school called Tamilcholai Vidyalaya in the Kilinochchi District;
  - (ii) if so, of the date on which the said school was established;
  - (iii) of the years in which the students of the said school had last sat for the G.C.E. (Ordinary Level) examination and the Grade 05 Scholarship examination, separately;
  - (iv) of the name of the said school at present;
  - (v) of the name of the individuals who took steps to change the name of the said school;

(37)

- (vi) of the reasons for changing the name of the said school;
- (vii) of the date on which the above-mentioned change was made; and
- (viii) whether it is possible to name the said school after the founder of the said school or a person who pioneered in the establishment of the school?

(b) If not, why?

1409/2025

Hon. (Dr.) Pathmanathan Sathiyalingam,— To ask the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development,— (2)

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) separately, of the number of investment projects in the public sector and private sector that have been initiated to provide employment opportunities in the Vanni electoral district since 2009 up to date;
- (ii) of the concessions provided by the government to attract investors;
- (iii) whether a simple procedure has been introduced for investors to obtain state lands without difficulty;
- (iv) whether plans have been made to establish special units by the Board of Investment within District Secretariats to provide all services in one place; and
- (v) if so, of the date on which such units will be put into operation?

(b) If not, why?

1475/2025

Hon. Roshan Akmeemana,— To ask the Minister of Environment,— (3)

(a) Will he inform this House of the —

- (i) extent of forest reserves gazetted or identified under the Forest Conservation Department in the Trincomalee District and the extent of forests proposed to be converted into forest reserves in hectares;
- (ii) extent of lands that have been settled or used for cultivation for a long time but have subsequently been taken under the Department of Forest Conservation separately for each Divisional Secretariat Division in the said district;
- (iii) extent of lands recommended to return from the said lands separately for each Divisional Secretariat Division; and
- (iv) programme that has been prepared to control the human-elephant conflict in the Trincomalee District?

(b) If not, why?

1546/2025

Hon. (Dr.) Nandana Millagala,— To ask the Minister of Plantation and Community Infrastructure,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) of the number of estate line houses in Sri Lanka;
  - (ii) whether a proper inspection has been carried out to ensure that the said line houses have a conducive environment for the people to live there;
  - (iii) whether the relevant estate companies have taken the necessary measures to maintain the said line houses properly; and
  - (iv) of the measures taken regarding the line houses that have not been properly maintained?
- (b) If not, why?

1576/2025

Hon. Kitnan Selvaraj,— To ask the Minister of Plantation and Community Infrastructure,— (3)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) whether he is aware that the Government of India provided ‘City Rider’ buses to the Malayaga people in the year 2016;
  - (ii) if so, of the number of buses referred to above;
  - (iii) of the purpose of providing those buses;
  - (iv) of the names of the organizations that provided those buses and the Ministers who received them;
  - (v) separately, of the number of buses provided to the Badulla and Nuwara Eliya districts, out of the said busses;
  - (vi) of the current condition of those buses; and
  - (vii) of the parties who are currently using those buses and the purposes they are being used?
- (b) If not, why?

1637/2025

Hon. Ruwan Wijeweera,— To ask the Minister of Housing, Construction and Water Supply,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) separately, of the number of houses that had been planned for construction and the number of houses that have been fully completed in the Monaragala District under the ‘Semata Sevana’ project;

(39)

- (ii) of the source of funds by which the project had been financed;
  - (iii) of the criteria used in selecting the beneficiaries for this housing project;
  - (iv) of the number of houses that have been constructed in the Buttala Divisional Secretariat Division of the Monaragala District under this project; and
  - (v) separately, of the amount allocated for the constructions and the actual amount spent?
- (b) If not, why?

1641/2025

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the number of depots belonging to the Sri Lanka Transport Board operating in the Trincomalee District;
  - (ii) of the names of the said depots;
  - (iii) separately, of the number of buses available in those depots that are in operational condition at present;
  - (iv) separately, of the number of vacancies in the staff of each of those depots; and
  - (v) of the steps that have been taken or will be taken in the future to improve the bus fleets and the human resources in the depots of the Sri Lanka Transport Board in the Trincomalee District?
- (b) If not, why?

1740/2025

Hon. M.S. Abthul Wazeeth,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— (1)

- (a) Is she aware that the —
- (i) people affected by the Tsunami disaster that occurred on 26.12.2004 in the Pottuvil Divisional Secretariat Division lost their homes;
  - (ii) Government and non-governmental organizations have constructed and provided alternative houses on private lands and government lands for those people; and
  - (iii) aforesaid alternative houses have been constructed on government lands in the Grama Niladhari Divisions of Sarvodayapuram, Senkamam, Hijra Nagar, Kanahar Village, Komari 1 and Komari 2?

- (b) Will she inform this House of the —
- (i) reasons for the relevant land deeds not yet having been granted to the aforesaid people, even though a period of more than 18 years has elapsed; and
  - (ii) steps that have been taken or will be taken in the future to grant land deeds to those people expeditiously?
- (c) If not, why?

1789/2025

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
- (i) number of estate villages in the Ratnapura District;
  - (ii) names of those estate villages;
  - (iii) number of families living in those estate villages separately in respect of each village; and
  - (iv) measures that will be taken to improve the infrastructure facilities in those estate villages?
- (b) If not, why?

1939/2026

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the total extent of railway reserve land belonging to the Sri Lanka Railways;
  - (ii) of the manner in which the aforesaid land is utilized along with the methodology adopted for that purpose;
  - (iii) of the extent of reserve land set aside on both sides of the railway line;
  - (iv) of the measures that have been taken to protect, clean and maintain those reserve areas;
  - (v) whether he is aware of the problematic situations that arise in the development of the roads maintained by local government institutions, which pass through reserves; and
  - (vi) of the methodology adopted for the repair of those roads?
- (b) If not, why?
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(41)

**Friday, April 24, 2026**

**QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS**

26/2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— 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 school dropouts in each year from 2010 up to now, separately;
  - (ii) age groups to which the said school dropouts belong;
  - (iii) number of such school dropouts in each district separately;
  - (iv) common reasons that have forced children to drop out of school; and
  - (v) solutions that will be provided by the government to address this issue?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
- (i) whether the government is conducting a formal study on the issue of school dropouts; and
  - (ii) if not, whether she accepts that such a study should be conducted urgently?
- (c) If not, why?

135/2024

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— 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 bungalows and official residences currently allocated to Ministers of the Cabinet, Deputy Ministers and Members of Parliament;
  - (ii) name and the portfolio of the Minister/Deputy Minister/ Member of Parliament/ people's representative who uses each of the said bungalow/ official residence; and
  - (iii) Government's position on granting privileges/ facilities to people's representatives at a time when there is a great opposition from the society against granting them to people's representatives?
- (b) If not, why?

1717/2025

Hon. R.G. Wijerathna,— To ask the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether he admits that the economic development rate and inflation rate had been altered by distorting the national economic data (Data Massage) in the years 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014;
  - (ii) if not, why;
  - (iii) whether it has been acted strategically to obtain domestic and foreign debts at high interest rates by altering the basic data of the Sri Lankan economy during the period from 2004 to 2014, indicating an accelerated annual growth rate of national income and artificially presenting a low income economy; and
  - (iv) whether there is a connection between the economic hitmen who committed these corruption, fraud and irregularities during the period from 2004 to 2015 and the country's bankruptcy in the year 2022?
- (b) If not, why?

1883/2026

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

- (a) Will she inform this House —
- (i) of the state educational institutions in Sri Lanka that offer Bachelor of Education degree programmes;
  - (ii) of the non-state educational institutions that offer the said degree;
  - (iii) whether the Bachelor of Education degrees offered by state and non-state institutions are recognized as equivalent qualifications in the recruitment of teachers;
  - (iv) if not, why;
  - (v) whether the duration and content of the Bachelor of Education courses offered by state and non-state institutions are the same;
  - (vi) if not, why;
  - (vii) whether completion of a practical teacher training is a mandatory requirement for the Bachelor of Education degree programmes offered by the relevant institutions; and
  - (viii) if so, of the duration of the said training?
- (b) If not, why?

1885/2026

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

- (a) Is he aware that —
  - (i) the reservoirs in the localities of Karaitivu, Sainthamaruthu and Kalmunai in the coastal areas of the Ampara District have been contaminated due to excession nutrients, having been invaded by various types of aquatic weeds, and rendered non-operational;
  - (ii) the depth of those reservoirs has been reduced due to extensive siltation; and
  - (iii) due to the aforementioned conditions, their water retention capacity has diminished, thereby exacerbating flooding during the rainy season?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) whether a comprehensive assessment has been conducted regarding environmental degradation and siltation in the reservoirs in the above-mentioned areas;
  - (ii) whether there is a plan to implement a coordinated restoration programme to remove silt and invasive aquatic vegetation and to sustainably restore the said aquatic ecosystems; and
  - (iii) if so, of the expected date of commencement of such programmes in the said areas?
- (c) If not, why?

1919/2026

Hon. (Dr.) Harsha de Silva,— To ask the Minister of Housing, Construction and Water Supply,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) whether he is aware that arrangements have been made to remove the unauthorized settlers residing on the Edirisinghe Road in the Gangodawila area, Sri Jayewardenepura Kotte and to resettle them in another area;
  - (ii) if so, of the number of such families;
  - (iii) how many out of those families will receive houses;
  - (iv) whether he is aware that arrangements are being made to provide houses in the Maligawatta area instead of providing houses in the Colombage Mawatha or Kalinga Mawatha areas for the said families; and
  - (v) if so, of the reasons for the above arrangement?
- (b) If not, why?

1924/2026

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

- (a) Will he also inform this House —
  - (i) of the number of school children belonging to families of migrant workers in the Colombo District;
  - (ii) whether a programme to provide school equipment for the children referred to above is being implemented;
  - (iii) if so, whether the said programme is being implemented by the Sri Lanka Foreign Employment Bureau;
  - (iv) of the number of Foreign Service Officers serving attached to the Divisional Secretariats;
  - (v) of the number of school children in the age groups of 2-5, 6-10 and 11-18 years, separately, as reported by the said officers; and
  - (vi) of the quantity of school equipment provided for the year 2025?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
  - (i) whether the officers referred to in (a) (iv) above have the ability to obtain a report containing the above information based on the data provided by the Sri Lanka Foreign Employment Bureau;
  - (ii) whether there are any instances where the grant of school equipment is refused; and
  - (iii) if so, of the criteria in that regard?
- (c) If not, why?

1926/2026

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) whether he accepts that the “Apthop watta” land in the Nagoda Divisional Secretariat Division of the Galle District is a state land;
  - (ii) of the manner in which the said land has been transferred from the past to the present;
  - (iii) of the extent of the said land;
  - (iv) of the number of residents that reside on the said land at present;
  - (v) of the extent of the land that is occupied by the said residents;
  - (vi) of the number of persons who are not settled, but only carry out cultivation activities on the said land;
  - (vii) of the extent of the land that is in their possession at present; and
  - (viii) whether the rough plan of the said land will be presented?

- (b) Will he also inform this House whether disaster-prone areas identified by the National Building Research Organization (NBRO) are located within the said land?
- (c) If not, why?

1931/2026

Hon. M. Nizam Kariapper, PC,— To ask the Minister of Plantation and Community Infrastructure,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
  - (i) total number of plantation estates owned by the Government or coming under Sri Lanka State Plantation Corporation that have been leased to private companies for management;
  - (ii) names of the companies concerned and the names of the plantation estates so leased;
  - (iii) period of lease of each such estate, separately; and
  - (iv) total number of employees in each estate, by category?
- (b) Will he state —
  - (i) that the total land extent of each said estate, including roads, factories and line rooms, and its percentage of the total plantation area of Sri Lanka;
  - (ii) that the profit or loss incurred by each said private company for the last five (05) financial years, separately;
  - (iii) whether audited financial statements relating thereto are available; and
  - (iv) if so, whether those financial statements will be tabled in Parliament?
- (c) If not, why?

1938/2026

Hon. (Ms.) Krishnan Kalaichelvi,— To ask the Minister of Plantation and Community Infrastructure,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) of the manner in which salary increases have been made for estate workers from time to time since 1998;
  - (ii) of the number of estate workers currently employed in permanent and temporary basis, separately;
  - (iii) of the number of estate workers who are entitled to the salary increase made by the budget for the year 2026;
  - (iv) of the amount that has been paid to that group so far after the salary increase;

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(v) whether action has been taken to provide the salary increase made for estate workers even to the estate workers employed on a temporary basis; and

(vi) if not, the action that will be taken in this regard?

(b) If not, why?

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