



(Tenth Parliament - First Session)

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ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Tuesday, July 21, 2026 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

180/2024

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Energy,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
- (i) total electricity generation by the Ceylon Electricity Board during the last 05 years, separately;
 - (ii) projected electricity generation for the next 15 years, separately;
 - (iii) modes of generation and the quantities generated under renewable and thermal sources, separately the generation by the Board and purchases from the private sector;
 - (iv) total firm and non-firm generation capacity for last 05 years, separately, as referred to in (i) above;
 - (v) cost per unit in respect of (iii) above, indicating the cost of generation by the Board, including financial costs and depreciation components per unit separately;
 - (vi) total electricity consumption for last 05 years and the projected consumption for the next 05 years, separately;
 - (vii) profit/loss per unit charged to consumers and the taxes included in the selling price;
 - (viii) total profit expected for the next 03 years, separately; and
 - (ix) average maximum and minimum electricity demand for last 05 years, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

(2)

2.

194/2024

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— To ask the Minister of Trade, Commerce, Food Security and Cooperative Development,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) whether chicken has been imported into this country since year 2015 up to now;
- (ii) if so, separately, of the quantity of chicken thus imported and the amount of money spent on that in each year during the said period; and
- (iii) of the measures that will be taken to maintain a stable price for chicken in the market?

(b) If not, why?

3.

234/2024

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

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) whether it has been pledged in the policy document ‘A Thriving Nation – A Beautiful Life’ that the Prevention of Terrorism Act will be repealed;
- (ii) if so, whether the said Act will be repealed; and
- (iii) of the date on which it will be repealed?

(b) If not, why?

4.

325/2024

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

(a) Will he inform this House of the —

- (i) present stock position of the 15 critical items required for the continuation of daily hospital operations and the 354 items identified as essential items;
- (ii) items, out of the mentioned above, that are completely out of stock and those with stocks sufficient only for 02 months, separately;
- (iii) outstanding payments due to suppliers that have remained unpaid for over 60, 90, 120 and 150 days; and
- (iv) reasons for such payments remaining unsettled for more than 60 days?

(3)

- (b) Will he also inform this House of the —
 - (i) present payment position in respect of electricity, water, food, and laundry services, separately; and
 - (ii) measures that will be taken to settle outstanding arrears due to local suppliers, which have been delayed for more than 60 days?
- (c) If not, why?

5.

553/2025

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney at Law,— To ask the Minister of Defence,— (3)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the names of the wife and children of Mr. Rohana Wijeweera, the founding leader of the Janatha Vimukthi Peramuna;
 - (ii) of the places where they have lived since the assassination of Mr. Rohana Wijeweera and the duration of residence in each of the said places;
 - (iii) if their maintenance expenses have been borne by the Government of Sri Lanka, of the amount of the expenditure incurred on their maintenance, separately for each year;
 - (iv) if their maintenance has been borne by any other individual or a group of people, of the amount of the expenditure incurred on their maintenance along with the duration of maintenance period, separately;
 - (v) whether any assistance has been received from foreign countries for their maintenance; and
 - (vi) if so, of the countries, persons and the period for which such assistance has been provided, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

6.

830/2025

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of filling stations established across the country;
 - (ii) of the locations of each of the said filling stations;
 - (iii) of the amount of commission currently paid by the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation to the petroleum distributors;

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(iv) whether the government has decided to revise the said amount; and

(v) if so, of the details of such revision?

(b) If not, why?

7.

1633/2025

Hon. Chamara Sampath Dasanayake,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— (2)

(a) Will he inform this House of the —

(i) number of dairy farmers currently registered and engaged in cattle farming in Sri Lanka;

(ii) approximate number of cattles owned by the said farmers; and

(iii) extent of grazing land provided to farmers for cattle grazing?

(b) If not, why?

8.

1962/2026

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

(a) Will he inform this House —

(i) of annual coconut production for each year from 2020 to 2025, separately;

(ii) whether the coconut production of Chilaw Plantations Limited has increased relatively during the above period;

(iii) if so, of the details in that regard;

(iv) of the programme formulated by the Ministry to promote coconut-based industries that contribute to the national economy; and

(v) whether there is a new programme in place to prevent damage caused by insects to coconut cultivation?

(b) If not, why?

9.

2060/2026

Hon. Kanchana Welipitiya,— To ask the Minister of Housing, Construction and Water Supply,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House —

(i) whether he is aware that more than two thousand residents in the Kotiyakumbura area of the Kegalle District are facing a severe shortage of drinking water;

(ii) of the 02 project proposals submitted to the Department of National Community Water Supply to address the concerned problem since 2023;

(5)

- (iii) of the measures that have been adopted to secure the approval of the proposed projects and the allocation of funds for them; and
- (iv) of the manner in which the implementation of the aforesaid projects will address the drinking water problem affecting the Kotiyakumbura area?

(b) If not, why?

10.

2085/2026

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

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the current balance of the Hajj Fund belonging to the Department of Muslim Religious and Cultural Affairs;
- (ii) of the method in which funds are credited to the said Fund;
- (iii) of the number of projects that have been implemented using the moneys of the said Fund and of the amount that has been spent on such projects;
- (iv) whether a detailed report on the progress and the outcomes of those projects will be presented;
- (v) whether the Fund is subjected to an annual audit; and
- (vi) if not, of the reasons therefor?

(b) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Presentation of Bills

1.

The Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— Animals (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Animals Act, No. 29 of 1958.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

2.

The Minister of Housing, Construction and Water Supply,— National Water Supply and Drainage Board (Amendment),— Bill to amend the National Water Supply and Drainage Board Law, No. 2 of 1974.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

(6)

Notice of Motions

3.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament,— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 8 of the Parliament, the hours of sitting of Parliament on this day shall be 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.00 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.. At 2.30 p.m. Standing Order 8(5) of the Parliament shall operate. At 5.30 p.m. Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the Parliament.

4.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Business of the Parliament,— That the proceedings on Questions for Oral Answers appearing on the Order Paper be exempted at the Sitting of Parliament on Wednesday, July 22nd, 2026 from the provisions of the Standing Order 35 of the Parliament.

5.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Select Committee of Parliament to look into and Report to Parliament on the release of 323 Containers from the Port of Colombo without undergoing mandatory physical inspection and submit its proposals and recommendations in that regard,— That the time period granted to the Select Committee of Parliament to look into and Report to Parliament on the release of 323 Containers from the Port of Colombo without undergoing mandatory physical inspection and submit its proposals and recommendations in that regard, as specified in the Resolution passed by Parliament on 19 November 2025, be extended up to 21 October 2026 in terms of Standing Order 102 of the Parliament, as the Committee needs further time to report its observations to Parliament.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Decision under the Standing Orders of Parliament (No. 1),— That this Parliament determines under the provisions of Standing Order 119(4) of the Parliament, that the Report of the Committee on Public Accounts published as Parliamentary Series No. 318, and tabled in Parliament on 24th October 2025 which contains facts regarding the examination conducted by the Committee on Public Accounts on 02.04.2025 concerning “the scheme implemented during the period from 01st May 2022 to 15th September 2023 to provide fully-electric Vehicle Permits for Sri Lankans employed abroad based on their foreign remittances” shall be referred to the Attorney-General for observations and necessary action.

*2.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Decision under the Standing Orders of Parliament (No. 2),— That this Parliament determines under the provisions of Standing Order 120 (4) of the Parliament, that the incidents specified in the following Annexure, which have been identified from the reports contained in the Parliamentary Series presented to Parliament in relation to the examinations conducted by the Committee on Public Enterprises into the relevant institutions during the meetings of the said Committee shall be referred to the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption for necessary action:-

Annexure:

Serial No.	Institution	Date on which the Committee Meeting was held	The date on which the report was tabled in Parliament and the Parliamentary Series No.	Specific Incident/ Incidents
1.	National Gem and Jewellery Authority	05.03.2025 and 27.03.2025	04.06.2025 PS 212	1. Rough Sapphire Cluster weighing 510 Kilogramme
				2. Project to extricate the gem-bearing gravel (Illama) in Heraniyawaka.
				3. Renting a building for the National Gem and Jewellery Authority.
2.	Sri Jayewardenepura General Hospital Board	15.05.2025	24.07.2025 PS 242	1. Connecting the equipment brought for the safety of the electrical system to the main system.
				2. Irregularities in paying allowances and recruitment schemes.
				3. Recruitment to Posts without Approval from the Department of Management Services.

3.	Land Reform Commission	08.05.2025 and 17.07.2025	18.12.2025 PS 391	1. Expenditure of funds from the Land Reform Commission's Fund for the Organic Fertilizer Project.
				2. Grant of land to Mr. S. R. Renganathan (Matale Baygroup Estate).
				3. Grant of land to Mrs. Malani Nanayakkara (Imbulgaswadiya, Katana).
				4. Granting of lands to employees of the Land Reform Commission.
4.	Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka	04.06.2025	18.12.2025 PS 392	1. Construction of the university's new library building.
				2. Irregularities occurred during the construction of the housing complex for the university staff.
				3. Purchasing library books for the Faculty of Technology during the year 2021.
				4. Unauthorized excavation of soil from the university premises.
				5. Providing a house owned by the Vice-Chancellor for a student dormitory on a lease basis.

5.	Civil Aviation Authority of Sri Lanka	20.08.2025	18.12.2025 PS 394	1. Renovation of the Weerawila Circuit Bungalow.
6.	Lanka Sathosa Limited	10.10.2025	18.12.2025 PS 397	1. Payment of employee incentive allowances.
				2. Leasing out a 15,000 sq. ft. building owned by the company located in Kilinochchi town.
				3. Performance allowances and professional allowances.
				4. Transport allowances.
7.	Sri Lanka Foreign Employment Bureau	27.02.2025 and 23.05.2025	08.01.2026 PS 435	1. The Bureau incurred losses due to the practice of sending housemaids abroad without providing them with residential training.
				2. Appointment of officers to Foreign Missions.
				3. "Glocal Fair" (Jayagamu Sri Lanka) program.
				4. Obtaining trade stalls for the "Glocal Fair" (Jayagamu Sri Lanka) program.
				5. Conducting the "Vigamanika Harasara" (Migrant Tribute) program.

8.	National Savings Bank	19.11.2025 and 26.11.2025	19.02.2026 PS 476	1. Loan granted to Bimpuh Finance PLC.
				2. Joint Property Loan of Rs. 164.73 million granted to two individuals on 23, December, 2020.
				3. Granting a loan of Rs. 12.6 million to a borrower without considering the irregular repayment of the 10 credit facilities indicated in the report of the Credit Information Bureau.
				4. Syndicate Loan of 9 million US dollars provided by the Bank to a Maldivian company named RPI Private Limited.

*3.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No. 1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development under Section 20 read with Sections 4(1), 6 and 14 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 as amended by Acts, No. 48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2493/03 of 15th June 2026, which were presented on 10.07.2026, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*4.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No. 2),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development under Section 20 read with Sections 4(1) and 14 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 as amended by Acts, No. 48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2493/39 of 18th June 2026, which were presented on 10.07.2026, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*5.

Protection of Occupants Bill,— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*6.

Rent (Repeal) Bill,— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*7.

Penal Code (Amendment) Bill,— Adjourned debate on question (24th September 2025) [1].

*8.

Telecommunication Levy (Amendment) Bill,— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*9.

Finance (Amendment) Bill,— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*10.

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

11.

Provincial Councils Elections (Amendment) Bill,— Second Reading.

12.

Institute of Facilities Management Sri Lanka (Incorporation) Bill,— Second Reading.

13.

Land Development (Amendment) Bill,— Second Reading.

14.

Kodhagoda Gunarathana Nahimi Foundation (Incorporation) Bill,— Second Reading.

* *Indicates Government Business.*

[1].

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

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

887/2025

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 Eravurpattu, Chenkalady 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, their names and 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 Eravurpattu, Chenkalady 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, their names and 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?

2.

888/2025

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

- (a) Will he inform the House —
 - (i) of the number of people who applied for 'Urumaya' freehold deeds in the Eravurpattu, Chenkalady Divisional Secretariat Division, Batticaloa from 01.01.2019 to 31.03.2025 and their names;
 - (ii) whether 'Urumaya' freehold deeds have been granted to the persons referred to above under a special programme of the then government;
 - (iii) if so, of the number of such persons and their names;

(13)

- (iv) whether he is aware that some of the persons who applied for 'Urumaya' freehold deeds have not been granted the deeds concerned;
- (v) if so, of the number of such persons and their names; and
- (vi) of the reasons for not granting 'Urumaya' freehold deeds to them, so far?

(b) If not, why?

3.

889/2025

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 persons are residing on state lands in the Eravurpattu, Chenkalady Divisional Secretariat Division of the Batticaloa district without a 'Deed of Grant' or a 'Land Permit' awarded by the government;
- (ii) if so, of the number of such individuals, their names and relevant details;
- (iii) whether the respective Divisional Secretary has filed action at the court of law against them during the period from 01.01.2017 to 31.03.2025 to legally evict those individuals from the state lands referred to above;
- (iv) if so, of the number of such individuals, their names and relevant details;
- (v) of the number of evicted individuals from the state lands on court orders during the said period along with their names and relevant details, out of the total number of individuals prosecuted by the relevant Divisional Secretary;
- (vi) whether there are persons against whom the Divisional Secretary has not filed action although he should have;
- (vii) if so, of the number of such persons, their names and relevant details; and
- (viii) of the reasons for filing action against only a few of them while not filing action against most?

(b) If not, why?
