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**ADDENDUM TO THE ORDER BOOK No. 4
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Issued on Friday, September 11, 2026

Tuesday, September 22, 2026

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Poisons, Opium and Dangerous Drugs (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Regulations under the Foreign Exchange Act (No. 1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development under Section 29 read with Section 7 of the Foreign Exchange Act, No. 12 of 2017 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2493/36 of 18th June 2026, which were presented on 11.09.2026, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Regulations under the Foreign Exchange Act (No. 2),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development under Section 29 read with Section 7 of the Foreign Exchange Act, No. 12 of 2017 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2493/37 of 18th June 2026, which were presented on 11.09.2026, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Order under the Foreign Exchange Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development under Section 22 of the Foreign Exchange Act, No. 12 of 2017 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2493/38 of 18th June 2026, which was presented on 11.09.2026, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Ports and Civil Aviation and Minister of Energy,— Regulations under the Petroleum Resources Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Energy and approved by the Cabinet of Ministers under Section 48 read with Section 17 of the Petroleum Resources Act, No. 21 of 2021 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2497/37 of 16th July 2026, which were presented on 08.09.2026, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

** Indicates Government Business.*

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS
(Wednesday, September 23, 2026)

2329/2026

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether a committee has been appointed to obtain recommendations for making an amendment to Section 9 of the Civil Procedure Code;
 - (ii) if so, of the names of the members of the said committee; and
 - (iii) of the date on which the said committee was appointed and of the recommendations of the committee?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether actions will be taken to submit the proposed amendments to the aforesaid Section for approval expeditiously;
 - (ii) if so, of the time frame within which the said amendments will be presented to Parliament; and
 - (iii) if it has been decided not to amend the aforesaid Section, of the reasons for the same?
- (c) If not, why?

2330/2026

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Health and Mass Media,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) separately, of the number of traditional medical practitioners and the registered Ayurvedic graduate medical practitioners in Sri Lanka at present;
 - (ii) separately, of the expenditure borne by the Government to train an Ayurvedic graduate medical practitioner and a traditional medical practitioner; and
 - (iii) of the contribution made by the said two categories of medical practitioners to the medical field of Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) of the reasons for the lower representation afforded to traditional medical practitioners in the decision-making process of the Ayurvedic medical sector; and
 - (ii) whether steps will be taken to change the existing methodology of representation?
- (c) If not, why?

2331/2026

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Health and Mass Media,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the countries of origin of the Ayurveda, Siddha, and Unani systems of medicine;
 - (ii) of the basis on which the aforesaid systems of medicine are considered as ‘indigenous systems of medicine’; and
 - (iii) whether he accepts that there is an indigenous traditional medical science unique to Sri Lanka?
 - (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether adequate opportunity has been given to traditional doctors in the process of drafting the law for the registration of indigenous traditional doctors;
 - (ii) if not, why;
 - (iii) whether there is a possibility of imparting knowledge related to indigenous traditional medical systems through an institutional mechanism;
 - (iv) if so, whether it is possible to fully acquire the aforesaid traditional knowledge through university education; and
 - (v) if not, of the alternative available for the aforesaid purpose?
 - (c) If not, why?
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QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS

(Thursday, September 24, 2026)

2357/2026

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
 - (i) total amount that has been disbursed as double payments due to a technical error that occurred in the 'Aswesuma' data system in April 2026, and of the number of beneficiaries to whom such payments were made;
 - (ii) amount that has been recovered out of the said double payments to date; and
 - (iii) measures that will be taken to recover the balance amount?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether an investigation has been conducted to identify the parties responsible for the said technical error;
 - (ii) if so, of the conclusions thereof;
 - (iii) whether an independent information technology audit has been conducted in respect of the Aswesuma data system and its payment system;
 - (iv) if so, of the date on which such audit was conducted, and of the institution by which such audit was conducted; and
 - (v) of the amount of money that has been expended thereon?
- (c) If not, why?

2358/2026

Hon. W. H. M. Dharmasena,— To ask the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
 - (i) number of 'Aswesuma' welfare beneficiaries as at 31st July 2026;
 - (ii) number of families that have completed the updating of the information of their applicants and the number of families that have lost benefits due to non-completion of the same, separately by district;
 - (iii) number of appeals and objections received regarding the list of eligible beneficiaries in the second phase, the number of such appeals and objections that have been fully inquired into, and the number of instances where the initial decision was amended, separately;

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- (iv) number of instances identified where ineligible families received benefits and eligible families were deprived of benefits due to erroneous data;
- (v) public financial loss incurred by the State due to the provision of benefits to ineligible families; and
- (vi) progress made in implementing the directives issued by the Committee on Public Finance regarding the selection of beneficiaries under new criteria following amendments to the existing criteria?

(b) If not, why?

2359/2026

Hon. W. H. M. Dharmasena,— To ask the Minister of Rural Development, Social Security and Community Empowerment,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the number of families expected to be empowered under the Low-Income Family Empowerment Programme during the period from 2025 to 2029;
- (ii) among the said families, of the number of Aswesuma beneficiary families and Samurdhi beneficiary families not receiving Aswesuma benefits, separately; and
- (iii) among the families in the transitional and vulnerable categories of the Aswesuma Scheme, of the number of families whose payments have been suspended, separately for the years 2025 and 2026?

(b) Will he also inform this House —

- (i) of the number of families registered under the said programme as at August 01, 2026, separately by district;
- (ii) among the said families, of the number of families that have been provided with livelihood grants, business capital, vocational training, or employment;
- (iii) of the number of families whose empowerment process has been completed against the target set for the year 2025; and
- (iv) of the current progress towards the target of directing Aswesuma beneficiary families into productive economic activities during the year 2026?

(c) If not, why?

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QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS

(Friday, September 25, 2026)

2378/2026

Hon. (Mrs.) Chamindranee Kiriella, Attorney at Law,— To ask the Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
 - (i) number of athletes who have been contracted thus far under the 'Mission Olympics 2028 - Journey to the Rings' programme;
 - (ii) number of such athletes who have been contracted for each sport; and
 - (iii) criteria followed in selecting the said athletes and of the composition of the selection committee?
- (b) Will he also inform this House in relation to the years 2025 and 2026, separately of the —
 - (i) allocation for and the actual expenditure on the said programme;
 - (ii) average annual cost incurred per athlete; and
 - (iii) expenditure incurred on overseas training and on coaches?
- (c) Will he further inform this House of the total estimated amount required up to the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics?
- (d) If not, why?

2379/2026

Hon. K. Sujith Sanjaya Perera,— To ask the Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) separately, of the estimated total cost of the 03 projects namely, 'Creating a Sports Culture', 'Sports Infrastructure Facilities for Rural Schools and Youth Clubs', and 'Development of Recognized Sports Schools';
 - (ii) of the number of locations, broken down by district, where activities were initiated under each project during the years 2025 and 2026, separately; and
 - (iii) of the criteria adopted for selecting rural schools and youth societies for the said projects?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) of the financial allocations and the actual expenditure for each project in the years 2025 and 2026;

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- (ii) whether the total allocation for the said years has been fully utilized;
 - (iii) if not, of the reasons therefor; and
 - (iv) of the total value of the outstanding bills that are due to contractors?
- (c) If not, why?

2380/2026

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
- (i) procedure that is followed in selecting office-bearers of youth clubs; and
 - (ii) number of youth clubs, broken down by district, that were dissolved or reorganized during the years 2025 and 2026?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the —
- (i) members of the Ministerial Committee that were appointed for the Integrated Youth Programme, which is implemented with the participation of 04 ministries to execute an integrated plan for the future advancement of the youth of Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) number of occasions that the said Committee has convened; and
 - (iii) outcomes that have been achieved by the said Committee thus far, and the number of young men and women who have benefited therefrom?
- (c) If not, why?
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Tuesday, October 06, 2026

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

371/2025

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
- (i) progress of the measures that have been taken by the Government for the registration of land titles;
 - (ii) total number of employees that are currently employed in the Department of Land Title Settlement;
 - (iii) areas in which arrangements have been made for the registration of land titles;
 - (iv) obstacles that impede the implementation of land title registration throughout Sri Lanka; and

(8)

- (v) measures that have been taken by the Ministry to update and amend the Registration of Title Act, No. 21 of 1998?

(b) If not, why?

705/2025

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— To ask the Minister of Energy,— (2)

(a) Will he inform this House of the —

- (i) date on which United Petroleum Lanka commenced its operations in Sri Lanka;
- (ii) value of the total investment made by the said company in Sri Lanka;
- (iii) conditions of the agreements entered into with the said company;
- (iv) number of fuel stations allocated to the said company for its operations; and
- (v) reasons that led the said company to cease its operations in Sri Lanka?

(b) If not, why?

769/2025

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney at Law,— To ask the Minister of Defence,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the number of paramilitary groups that were active in the North and East during the period in which the armed conflicts prevailed in those areas;
- (ii) separately, of the names of those groups, the types of weapons they used and the number of weapons that belonged to each of them;
- (iii) separately, of the number of weapons that were taken into custody by security forces from the possession of each of those groups and the number of weapons that were properly handed over by each of those groups;
- (iv) whether such paramilitary groups are active at present; and
- (v) of the steps that have been taken by the Government so far regarding such groups?

(b) If not, why?

985/2025

Hon. Kins Nelson,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Employment and Tourism,— (2)

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the income earned by the Sri Lanka Foreign Employment Bureau through training from 2010 to date;

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- (ii) of the means by which the said income is earned;
 - (iii) separately of the number of workers who have gone abroad after receiving training at the Bureau and those who have gone abroad without such training during that time period; and
 - (iv) of the measures that will be taken to make it mandatory for every worker going abroad for the first time to receive training from the Bureau, as it is important to provide such training?
- (b) If not, why?

1668/2025

Hon. Chamara Sampath Dasanayake,— To ask the Minister of Public Security and Parliamentary Affairs,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the name, residential address and period of service of the Headquarters Inspector of Police in Kilinochchi;
 - (ii) whether the said officer has previously served as a Headquarters Inspector or an Officer in Charge (OIC) of a police station;
 - (iii) if so, of the police station where he served; and
 - (iv) of the procedure followed in appointing Headquarters Inspectors of Police?
- (b) If not, why?

2193/2026

Hon. Ruwan Wijeweera,— To ask Minister of Industry and Entrepreneurship Development,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) separately, of the number of industrial parks and industrial estates currently in operation in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) of the objectives of establishing industrial parks and industrial estates;
 - (iii) whether the government intends to establish industrial parks and industrial estates in the future for the development of the industrial sector;
 - (iv) if so, of the names of them; and
 - (v) of the steps that have been taken by the Ministry for the development of the industrial sector?
- (b) If not, why?

2265/2026

Hon. Manjula Suraweera Arachchi,— To ask Minister of Public Administration, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether all information regarding children born in the Nuwara Eliya District is reported to the Registrar General's Department;
 - (ii) of the number of children born among the plantation community in the said district whose births have not been registered within 03 months of birth, stated separately according to each Divisional Secretariat Division;
 - (iii) whether the reasons for not obtaining birth certificates for the said children and the future issues that those children may face as a result, have been identified;
 - (iv) whether a special programme has been planned to address the issues faced by this community and to issue birth certificates expeditiously; and
 - (v) if so, of the procedure by which the said programme will be implemented for each division, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

2276/2026

Hon. Danushka Ranganath,— To ask Minister of Rural Development, Social Security and Community Empowerment,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
- (i) age limit at which a citizen of Sri Lanka is considered a senior citizen;
 - (ii) number of senior citizens in this country at present;
 - (iii) date on which the National Council for Elders and the National Secretariat for Elders were established;
 - (iv) objective of establishing the said institution;
 - (v) services provided by the institution; and
 - (vi) number of senior citizens benefiting from the said services, separately in respect of each service?
- (b) If not, why?

2289/2026

Hon. U.P. Abeywickrama, Attorney at Law,— To ask Minister of Public Administration, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether he is aware that applications should be called for promotion to Class I from officers who have fulfilled the required qualifications and completed a service period of 12 years in terms of the Service Minute of the Sri Lanka Planning Service;
 - (ii) whether applications have been called for promotion to Class I from the officers recruited to the said service in the year 2013;
 - (iii) if not, of the reasons for the above;
 - (iv) whether he accepts that an injustice has been caused to the said officers due to applications not being called at the scheduled time to promote them to Class I; and
 - (v) of the steps that will be taken to expedite the calling of applications for the promotion of the said officers to Class I?
- (b) If not, why?

2292/2026

Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody,— To ask Minister of Transport, Highways and Urban Development,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of private buses deployed for passenger transport in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) of the institution that regulates the said private buses;
 - (iii) of the taxes, permit fees, and other payments to be paid to the Government annually, monthly, or daily when deploying a private bus for passenger transport;
 - (iv) whether receipts are issued to bus owners acknowledging the receipt of funds upon making the said payments; and
 - (v) if so, of that institution?
 - (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether he is aware that there are individuals collecting money from buses parked at famous bus stands located in many provinces of the island;
 - (ii) whether such individuals possess any legal authority or permission to collect money from buses in that manner; and
 - (iii) if not, of the measures that will be taken to prevent such action?
 - (c) If not, why?
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QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS

(Tuesday, October 06, 2026)

2389/2026

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
 - (i) targeted number of persons to be directed for foreign employment for the year 2026;
 - (ii) number of persons directed for foreign employment from 01.01.2026 to 30.06.2026; and
 - (iii) measures that will be taken to achieve the targeted number?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) of Sri Lankan Diplomatic Missions that currently do not have an appointed Ambassador and the duration for which each such position remained vacant; and
 - (ii) out of the number of Heads of Missions, the number of officers belonging to the Sri Lanka Foreign Service and the number of persons appointed externally?
- (c) Will he also state the —
 - (i) amount expended by the Ministry on foreign visits from 01.01.2025 to date;
 - (ii) countries visited, dates of visit, number of participants, and the objectives of the said visits;
 - (iii) total expenditure incurred for each such visit including airfare, accommodation, and allowances, separately; and
 - (iv) agreements and Memoranda of Understanding signed, and the benefits accrued, separately?
- (d) If not, why?

2404/2026

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,— To ask the Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) an Annual Provincial Sports Tournament is conducted by the Ministry of Sports of the Central Provincial Council;
 - (ii) a Sports Colours Awarding Ceremony is held for the winners of the said tournament for the relevant year; and

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- (iii) the said Sports Colours Awarding Ceremony is held and colours are awarded prior to the final day of the Provincial Sports Tournament of the ensuing year?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether provisions have been allocated for the Central Province Sports Colours Awarding Ceremony for the year 2025;
 - (ii) if so, of the amount of provisions allocated;
 - (iii) whether the date scheduled for holding the Colours Awarding Ceremony has been postponed after the allocation of provisions;
 - (iv) if so, of the number of times it has been postponed;
 - (v) whether the Colours Awarding Ceremony has already been held;
 - (vi) if not, of the date on which it is scheduled to be held;
 - (vii) if the said ceremony will not be held, of the present status of the provisions allocated for that purpose;
 - (viii) whether a date has been fixed for the final competition of the Central Province Sports Tournament for the year 2026; and
 - (ix) if so, of the said date?
- (c) If not, why?

2406/2026

Hon. Mujibur Rahman,— To ask the Minister of Defence,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House, in relation to the 'TH-57 Sea Ranger' helicopters recently provided to Sri Lanka by the United States of the —
 - (i) date on which the Government of Sri Lanka submitted the request to acquire the said helicopters, and the date on which the approval of the United States Government was received;
 - (ii) date on which the acquisition agreement was signed, the parties to the said agreement, and the mode of acquisition (whether as a donation, a loan, or a sale);
 - (iii) estimated market value in US Dollars;
 - (iv) original purchase value and the current value as indicated in the Excess Defense Articles (EDA) documents;
 - (v) primary tasks for which they are expected to be deployed;
 - (vi) total expenditure incurred by the Government of Sri Lanka up to the point of acquisition of them;

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- (vii) amount spent, after receiving the said helicopters, on repairing, restoring them to an airworthy condition, and certification; and
 - (viii) total number of flying hours completed so far and the number of remaining flying hours, separately according to the registration number of each aircraft?
- (c) If not, why?

Wednesday, October 07, 2026

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

475/2025

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Trade, Commerce, Food Security and Cooperative Development,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
- (i) profit or loss recorded by Lanka Sathosa Ltd. from 2020 to 2025, separately;
 - (ii) number of outlets of the said institution in operation as at present;
 - (iii) number of employees as at today;
 - (iv) total expenditure incurred on salaries and emoluments;
 - (v) amount of direct and indirect taxes paid during each year referred to in (i), separately;
 - (vi) capital base of the said institution;
 - (vii) loan capital obtained for the operation of said institution from 2020 to 2025, separately; and
 - (viii) annual turnover and the cost of sales of the institution during each year from 2020-2025, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

904/2025

Hon. (Dr.) M.L.A.M. Hizbullah,— To ask the Minister of Health and Mass Media,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that —
- (i) the Valachchenai Government Hospital has not been developed for a long time; and
 - (ii) patients visiting the said hospital are facing great inconvenience as a result?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether there is a programme in place to develop the said hospital with all facilities; and
 - (ii) if so, of that programme?
- (c) If not, why?

1833/2026

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether he is aware that a precarious condition has been created due to the erosion of the banks of the Kelani River along both sides of First Lane, Halmulla Road, in the Halmulla Grama Niladhari Division of the Kolonnawa Divisional Secretariat Division;
 - (ii) if so, of the number of houses at risk of damage as a result;
 - (iii) of the steps that have been taken by the Department of Irrigation to prevent that situation;
 - (iv) whether actions will be taken to evacuate the residents from the said locations;
 - (v) if so, whether measures will be taken to pay compensation or provide housing to those persons; and
 - (vi) if not, of the safety measure that will be followed to retain the residents in the same place?
- (b) If not, why?

1917/2026

Hon. Susantha Kumara Nawarathna,— To ask the Minister of Housing, Construction and Water Supply,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of housing projects implemented in the Rambewa, Medawachchiya, Kebitigollewa and Padaviya Divisional Secretariat Divisions of the Anuradhapura District during the period from 2015 to 2019, separately;
 - (ii) of the locations where the above projects were implemented;
 - (iii) of the number of houses constructed under each of the above projects, separately;
 - (iv) whether the housing projects have been implemented on the basis of grants or loans;
 - (v) whether the lands on which those houses were constructed have been clearly identified;
 - (vi) if not, of the reasons therefor; and
 - (vii) of the number of houses occupied by individuals at present for each project, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

2297/2026

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether the 'Upper Gin-Nilwala Water Diversion Project', which was proposed a long time ago with a number of objectives including flood control, development of irrigated agriculture and fulfilling the need of water for drinking and for industrial purposes in the Southern Province, is still among the development plans of the Government;
 - (ii) of the current status of the said project;
 - (iii) whether feasibility studies, environmental impact assessments, engineering designs and other preliminary studies regarding the said project have been completed; and
 - (iv) if so, of the key recommendations of such studies?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether necessary approvals have been obtained for the implementation of the said project;
 - (ii) if not, of the approvals that are required further;
 - (iii) of the total amount that has been spent by the Government so far on planning, carrying out studies and on other preliminary activities in relation to the said project;
 - (iv) whether the Government intends to revive and implement the said project; and
 - (v) if not, of the reasons therefor?
- (c) If not, why?

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS

(Wednesday, October 07, 2026)

2407/2026

Hon. Mujibur Rahman,— To ask the Minister of Defence,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
 - (i) current procedure in place between the Navy and the Air Force for search and rescue operations conducted at sea;
 - (ii) number of search and rescue operations conducted at sea in the years 2025 and 2026;

- (iii) number of those operations that were provided with air support; and
- (iv) average response time for the said operations?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) of the shortcomings identified when deploying aircraft for sea and river-based rescues during the 'Ditwah' cyclone, and the steps taken to rectify them;
 - (ii) whether the Coast Guard vessel received by the Navy from the United States in June 2026 has the capacity to conduct helicopter operations; and
 - (iii) if so, whether the said capacity has been utilized so far?
- (c) If not, why?

2408/2026

Hon. Mujibur Rahman,— To ask the Minister of Defence,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether the Sri Lanka Navy possesses any deep-sea vessels with helicopter landing facility;
 - (ii) if so, whether the said vessels are equipped with the deck-lock/harpoon systems for ensuring the protection of the landed helicopters;
 - (iii) whether the Sri Lanka Navy possesses a 'Naval Aviation Unit';
 - (iv) if not, whether a proposal, concept paper or Cabinet paper has been prepared for the establishment of such a unit; and
 - (v) if so, of the date on which it was submitted and the present status of the same?
 - (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether aircraft pilots have been recruited for the Sri Lanka Navy;
 - (ii) if so, of the number of pilots that have been recruited and the year of recruitment, the approved designation of the said pilots, the institution where the training was provided or is to be provided to the said pilots, and the name of authority that granted approval for the same; and
 - (iii) of the duties that are currently performed by the pilots who have thus been recruited?
 - (c) If not, why?
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Thursday, October 08, 2026

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

787/2025

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
 - (i) number of roadworthy buses currently owned by the Negombo Depot;
 - (ii) number of buses that are operated daily by the said depot at present;
 - (iii) vacancies existing in the cadre of the said depot;
 - (iv) annual profits/losses recorded by the said depot from year 2015 up to now; and
 - (v) measures that will be taken to commence long-distance bus services from Negombo City?
- (b) If not, why?

911/2025

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the facts presented by the Auditor General regarding the illegal registration of vehicles prior to the Department of Motor Traffic connecting with the Customs computer system;
 - (ii) accordingly, of the names and designations of the officers who have been involved in those irregularities;
 - (iii) of the amount of money that the Government has lost due to this incident; and
 - (iv) of the legal action taken at the Ministry level regarding this incident?
- (b) If not, why?

1040/2025

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,— To ask the Minister of Labour,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
 - (i) number of private institutions that have arrears of contributions to the Employees' Provident Fund;
 - (ii) names of such institutions;
 - (iii) amount of arrears of contributions payable by each of those institutions, separately; and

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- (iv) measures that will be taken to recover the said arrears of contributions?

(b) If not, why?

1078/2025

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

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the steps being taken to identify and promote ecological, historical and cultural attractions in Jaffna and the other districts of Northern Province; and
- (ii) whether region-specific plans exist to integrate this area into the tourism strategy while safeguarding local culture, communities and ecosystems?

(b) Will he also inform this House —

- (i) of the measures being taken to improve access to local eco-tourism sites;
- (ii) whether the Ministry has partnered with stakeholders to upgrade accommodations and amenities;
- (iii) of the measures being taken to train and employ local communities, particularly youth and women;
- (iv) whether a comprehensive ecotourism policy with environmental safeguards is being considered for post-conflict districts of the Northern Province; and
- (v) of the mechanisms for marketing Jaffna globally and domestically, and for monitoring tourism's long-term impacts on the environment and local livelihoods?

(c) If not, why?

1338/2025

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

(a) Will he inform this House of the —

- (i) number of mangrove forests located in the Puttalam District;
- (ii) names of the said mangrove forests;
- (iii) number of such mangrove forests that have been declared as forest reserves;
- (iv) names of the said forest reserves;
- (v) number of mangrove forests that are endangered due to various activities;
- (vi) names of such endangered mangrove forests; and

- (vii) measures that will be taken to protect the mangrove ecosystem for future generations?

(b) If not, why?

1380/2025

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

(a) Will she inform this House of the —

- (i) number of state universities currently in operation;
- (ii) names of those universities;
- (iii) number of students currently studying in the universities, separately;
- (iv) number of students provided with hostel facilities by each university, expressed separately as a percentage of the total student population;
- (v) universities that face a severe shortage of hostel facilities; and
- (vi) measures that will be taken to resolve the issue regarding hostel facilities?

(b) If not, why?

1530/2025

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

(a) Will she inform this House —

- (i) of the objectives and of the expected benefits of establishing Information Technology Distance Learning Hubs (ITDLH) at the education-division level in Sri Lanka;
- (ii) whether she is aware that such Learning Hubs have not been established in certain education divisions in the Northern and Eastern Provinces so far;
- (iii) if so, of the Divisions in which such Learning Hubs have not been established so far;
- (iv) of the reasons for not establishing such Learning Hubs in the said Divisions;
- (v) if a time-bound plan has been prepared for the establishment of such Learning Hubs in all education divisions in which such Learning Hubs have not been established so far, of the date on which the said plan will be implemented; and
- (vi) of the steps that will be taken to ensure equality among the Divisions where Technology-based Distance Learning Hubs have not been established?

(b) If not, why?

1835/2026

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

- (a) Will she inform this House —
 - (i) whether there is a plan to establish an ‘Education Council’ in accordance with the policy of the present Government;
 - (ii) if so, of the organizational structure of that institution;
 - (iii) as to how the establishment of a new institution becomes necessary in implementing the ‘Subodhini Report’, which aims to resolve salary anomalies prevailing in the teacher-principal services;
 - (iv) whether a specific timeframe has been set to complete the process of establishing the said institution; and
 - (v) of the measures that will be taken by the said institution to enhance the professional standards of teachers?
- (b) If not, why?

1951/2026

Hon. Lal Premanath,— To ask the Minister of Trade, Commerce, Food Security and Cooperative Development,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether the Ministry has accepted the investigation report regarding the alleged financial fraud that has taken place in the Matara District Tea Producers’ Co-operative Society;
 - (ii) of the measures that have been taken or are to be taken to recover the said public funds from the personal assets of the persons responsible for it;
 - (iii) whether a complaint has been lodged with the Criminal Investigation Department in respect of the said incident; and
 - (iv) of the measures that have been taken or are to be taken to prevent the persons implicated in the said incident from holding positions in other co-operative societies?
- (b) If not, why?

2280/2026

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the current volume of water impounded in the Senanayake Samudraya under the Gal Oya Scheme in Ampara District, in acre-feet;

(22)

- (ii) whether he is aware that since 1992, technical issues including cracking have been identified in the main dam, sluice tower, sluice barrel, water release system, and spillway system of the Senanayake Samudraya, and that as this situation has now intensified, a risk has arisen regarding the sustainability and long-term safety of the reservoir; and
 - (iii) whether actions will be taken to conduct a comprehensive study and carry out renovation work to ensure the safety of this reservoir system, which serves as a major source of the district's agricultural economy by providing irrigation facilities to approximately 170,000 farming families?
- (b) If not, why?

Friday, October 09, 2026

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1194/2025

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether he is aware that sea route is the main mode of transportation to Delft Island in the Jaffna District;
 - (ii) of the number of employees engaged in service on the 'passenger boat Neduntharakai, deployed in its passenger transport service;
 - (iii) of the designations of the said employees;
 - (iv) of the basis on which the said employees have been appointed and the dates of their appointment separately as per the designation;
 - (v) of the name of the authority by whom the said employees have been appointed on contract basis;
 - (vi) whether Mr. William Yesudasan Anthonyraj, Mr. Sindakulam Melkiyasmlan, Mr. Albert Mariyadasan, Mr. Anthony Amaladas and Mr. Anroos Rakeemlayon would be given permanent appointments taking into consideration their education, professional qualifications, and service tenure;
 - (vii) if so, of the date on which permanent appointments will be given; and
 - (viii) if not, of the reasons therefor?
- (b) If not, why?

1683/2025

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

(a) Will she inform this House —

- (i) separately, of the dates on which the Abdul Majeed Hall at Kinniya Central College and the M.E.H. Maharoof Auditorium at Al-Aqsa College were constructed;
- (ii) whether she is aware that the M.E.H. Maharoof Auditorium at Al-Aqsa College, which was constructed after the Abdul Majeed Hall at Kinniya Central College, has been demolished;
- (iii) if so, of the date on which the aforesaid building was demolished;
- (iv) whether the aforesaid building was demolished with proper approval;
- (v) if so, of the individuals who approved it;
- (vi) whether she is aware that neither the Engineer in Charge of the buildings of the relevant education zone nor the Zonal Education Director was informed regarding the demolition of the aforesaid building;
- (vii) whether steps will be taken against the officers who approved the demolition of a building that was fit for use; and
- (viii) whether she is aware that the students of the aforesaid college are currently facing difficulties due to the lack of an auditorium following its demolition?

(b) If not, why?

1787/2025

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

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the purpose of establishing the Land Reform Commission;
- (ii) separately, of the extent of land belonging to the Commission in each Divisional Secretariat Division in the Ampara District;
- (iii) of the extent of land belonging to the Commission in the Pottuvil Divisional Secretariat Division;
- (iv) of the Grama Niladhari Divisions in which the aforesaid lands are located;
- (v) of the extent of land distributed by the Commission in the Pottuvil Divisional Secretariat Division;

(24)

- (vi) of the names of the persons to whom those lands have been provided along with the Grama Niladhari Divisions to which they belong;
 - (vii) separately, of the extent of land currently remaining in each Grama Niladhari Division in the said Divisional Secretariat Division out of the lands belonging to the Commission;
 - (viii) whether it is possible to construct a public stadium in the said Divisional Secretariat Division using the remaining lands; and
 - (ix) if so, of the steps that should be taken for that purpose?
- (b) If not, why?

1913/2026

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the volume of annual coconut oil production in Sri Lanka in each year from 2015 up to now, separately;
 - (ii) if coconut oil has been exported during the said period, of the export volume of coconut oil and the income earned therefrom in each year separately;
 - (iii) if coconut oil has been imported during the said period, of the import volume of coconut oil and the amount spent thereon in each year separately; and
 - (iv) of the measures that will be taken to assure the quality of coconut oil?
- (b) If not, why?

1943/2026

Hon. (Dr.) Pathmanathan Sathiyalingam,— To ask the Minister of Environment,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether he is aware that a significant extent of land in the Northern and Eastern Provinces has been declared as forests by way of a Gazette Notification based on satellite images during the period from 2012 to 2014;
 - (ii) if so, of the extent of forests in the Northern Province separately by each district;
 - (iii) whether any other areas have been declared as forests by new Gazette Notifications subsequent to the aforesaid Gazette Notification; and

(25)

- (iv) of the extent of land that has been released from the areas declared as forests in the Northern Province after 2009, the purposes for which such lands were released, and the parties who received such lands?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether he is aware that the areas declared as forests by the Forest Conservation Department include wetlands, highlands and residential lands of the people;
 - (ii) if so, of the extent of land referred to above;
 - (iii) whether there is a programme in place to resolve ownership issues and reassign such lands to the people; and
 - (iv) if so, of the date on which the said lands will be returned?
- (c) If not, why?

2116/2026

Hon. Sugath Wasantha de Silva,— To ask the Minister of Rural Development, Social Security and Community Empowerment,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
 - (i) total number and the percentages of persons with disabilities in Sri Lanka, separately on the basis of each type of disability, according to the 2024 report of the Department of Census and Statistics;
 - (ii) number of persons belonging to the labour force out of the said population; and
 - (iii) such number disaggregated by gender and by type of disability, separately?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the —
 - (i) number of people with disabilities currently employed in the public and private sectors, separately;
 - (ii) measures that have been taken to ensure the effective implementation of the 3% quota in the public service, as proposed in the Budget 2026;
 - (iii) total number and percentage of unemployed persons with disabilities, separately; and
 - (iv) measures that have been taken to secure employment opportunities for unemployed persons with disabilities in both the public and private sectors?
- (c) If not, why?

2235/2026

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of branches of the Regional Development Bank established under the Pradeshiya Sanwardana Bank Act, No. 41 of 2008, currently operating, and the number of employees employed at those branches, separately;
 - (ii) of the number of clients benefiting from the various projects implemented by the Bank; and
 - (iii) whether the Chairman and the Board of Directors of the said Bank have fully implemented the corporate governance guidelines of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether action is being taken to close the regional offices of the Bank operating at the provincial level;
 - (ii) whether consideration has been given to the fact that there are approximately 400 vacancies in the Bank and that promotions of employees have been withheld for approximately two years during the tenure of the current Chairman;
 - (iii) whether the disbursement of loans has been restricted at 72 branches of the Bank at present; and
 - (iv) if so, of the reasons for imposing such restrictions?
- (c) If not, why?

2290/2026

Hon. Aboobucker Athambawa,— To ask the Minister of Trade, Commerce, Food Security and Cooperative Development,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) the public trust in the Sainthamaruthu Multi-Purpose Co-operative Society has eroded due to alleged large-scale corruption and irregularities that occurred in the past; and
 - (ii) irregularities such as leasing buildings at low rates, sub-leasing of those buildings by certain lessees, and the failure to collect lease arrears over a long period of time have taken place?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of branches of the above society, the date on which the last election was held, and of its current operations;
 - (ii) of the period during which it was administered by an interim committee prior to the last election;

(27)

- (iii) whether he accepts that issues exist regarding irregularities in the voters' register, the majority of members being elderly, the recruitment of new members being restricted to a specific group, and the lack of awareness among the youth regarding the social contribution of the society; and
 - (iv) of the measures taken to recover the losses caused by corruption and irregularities, and to rectify the administrative irregularities of the society?
- (c) If not, why?

2291/2026

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether the people residing in estate housing belonging to private plantation companies and state plantation companies have the opportunity to engage in self-employment or business activities in addition to their employment as labourers;
 - (ii) if so, whether they are able to register businesses under their names;
 - (iii) of the provisions applicable to verify the ownership of the business premises at the time of business registration; and
 - (iv) whether there is a programme to provide unutilized estate land to the people residing in estate housing who are selected for Praja Shakthi or Samurdhi empowerment programmes, to be used for agricultural or animal husbandry activities?
- (b) If not, why?

2360/2026

Hon. Major General (Rtd.) G.D. Sooriyabandara,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Employment and Tourism,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) separately, of the number of Sri Lankan Embassies, High Commissions, Consulates General and Consulates that have been established in foreign countries at present, and the respective functions and responsibilities of the said offices;
 - (ii) whether there are any officers engaged in honorary service in the said offices without receiving any salary or other benefit; and
 - (iii) if so, of the names of such officers?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
- (i) of the amount expended annually on the maintenance of those offices and the staff;

- (ii) whether an assessment is carried out biannually/annually of the benefits derived by Sri Lanka from those offices against the said expenditure incurred;
 - (iii) if so, of the manner in which it is carried out;
 - (iv) whether the offices with the poorest performance have been identified;
 - (v) if so, of the names of such offices; and
 - (vi) of the measures that have been taken to improve the performance of them?
- (c) Will he further inform this House —
- (i) whether the countries in which new Sri Lankan diplomatic missions should be established, have been identified; and
 - (ii) if so, of the names of such countries and the reasons therefor?
- (d) If not, why?
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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

P. 4/2024

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

P. 5/2024

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

P. 6/2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi, Attorney at Law,— 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 Hambantota will be benefitted from extending the Kelani Valley railway line up to Ratnapura.

P. 8/2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi, Attorney at Law,— 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 Lankan food culture pedagogy through pedagogical methodologies as food art of Sri Lanka is comprised of a number of aspects including the art of flavors and mixing art of cooking food, art of coloring and the art of food carving.

P. 9 /2024

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

P.10/2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi, Attorney at Law,— Developing sports in estate sector,— That this Parliament resolves that a Sports development programme 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 formulate a proper procurement methodology for purchasing goods and services to depots of the 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.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 programme 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. 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. 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 helps to create a more participatory democratic process.

P. 41/2025

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi, Attorney at Law,— Preparation of a programme to amend the composition including the constitution of Sri Lanka Cricket,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take measures to amend the composition including the constitution 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. 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. 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. 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 programme to exercise justice to the individuals who have become the victims of microfinance loans,— That this Parliament resolves that a programme 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, Attorney at Law,— Formulation of a programme 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. 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. 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. 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. 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's 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. 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 filariasis and dengue occur in these areas.

P.82/2025

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney at Law,— Formulation of a methodology to consider the Key Performance Indicators as criteria 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. 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. 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. 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 citizens 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. 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 Diyagama 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 twenty-six 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,— 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, 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.

P. 112/2026

Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam,— Repeal of the Prevention of Terrorism Act,— That this Parliament resolves that, the Government of Sri Lanka should take immediate steps to repeal the Prevention of Terrorism Act, No. 48 of 1979 (PTA) in its

entirety, without introducing any replacement legislation containing similar provisions, whereas the PTA has been used for over 40 years to enable prolonged arbitrary detention, to extract false confessions through torture, and to target minority communities and civil society groups and whereas a state of emergency may be declared when absolutely necessary, and terrorism-related offences are already prosecutable under the Penal Code, and whereas there is no justification for a permanent counter-terrorism law with sweeping powers.

P. 114/2026

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Protection of the World Environment,— That this Parliament resolves that, Sri Lanka must pay more attention to the protection of the world environment and specially take action to prevent global warming.

P. 115/2026

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Repayment of funds of the depositors who are duped,— That this Parliament resolves that, the government must take steps to pay the depositors who have been duped with the funds that have been deposited in registered finance companies, and the Central Bank of Sri Lanka who is the custodian of these companies should be diligent, whereas there are many depositors who have been duped with the funds that have been deposited in these companies.

P. 116/2026

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Formulation of a programme to reduce the congestion in the Out-patient Departments of the government hospital system,— That this Parliament resolves that, irrespective of our country's position on the World Health Index, a programme should be formulated to control the severe congestion prevailing in the Out-patient Departments of government hospitals.

P. 117/2026

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— Formulating a programme to promote apiculture (beekeeping) in areas where human-elephant conflict is prevalent,— That this Parliament resolves that a pilot project, modelled on successful initiatives implemented in countries such as Kenya, be established for the promotion of apiculture (beekeeping) as a measure to mitigate human-elephant conflict in affected areas, whereas statistical reports indicate that Sri Lanka is among the countries most severely affected by human-elephant conflict, whereas such conflict results in the substantial loss of both human and elephant lives annually, and whereas it causes significant destruction to physical resources, including property.

P.119/2026

Hon. Rajeevan Jeyachandramoorthy,— Establishment of proper accommodation facilities or housing schemes for the benefit of teachers and public officers belonging to the Jaffna District who are serving in other districts of the Northern Province,— That this Parliament resolves that, in order to provide a permanent solution to the transport and accommodation difficulties faced by public officers and teachers, who belong to the Jaffna District and serve under challenging conditions in the districts of Kilinochchi, Mullaitivu, Mannar and Vavuniya, and to ensure the efficient delivery of their services, the Government should implement proper accommodation facilities or housing schemes equipped with all necessary amenities at central or otherwise suitable locations in the respective districts.

P.120/2026

Hon. Rajeevan Jeyachandramoorthy,— Establishment of an Ocean University in the Mullaitivu District for the efficient utilization of marine resources and the enhancement of marine-related industries in Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that a fully-fledged Ocean University with all necessary facilities be established in the Mullaitivu District in order to modernize the livelihoods of the fishing community in the Mullaitivu District, which possesses high marine potential in the Northern Province, and to provide higher education opportunities for youth in the fields of marine engineering, oceanography, and aquatic resource management, whereas the economy of the country can be strengthened through the development of the human resources required for the scientific and technical management of the deep-sea and coastal marine resources surrounding Sri Lanka.

P.121/2026

Hon. Rajeevan Jeyachandramoorthy,— Expansion of seawater desalination plants as a permanent solution to the severe scarcity of drinking water in island areas and coastal villages in the Jaffna District,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should give priority to the expansion of seawater desalination plants by increasing the capacity of existing desalination facilities in areas such as Nagadeepaya and by expediting the water supply project for distribution of water through pipelines across Kurikadduvan, in order to ensure the provision of safe drinking water, which is a basic human necessity, to the people residing in these areas, whereas groundwater sources in many parts of the Jaffna District are becoming brackish, and whereas the residents of islands such as Velanai and Nagadeepaya continue to face severe difficulties in accessing drinking water.

P. 122/2026

Hon. Rajeevan Jeyachandramoorthy, — Establishment of a special task force for the control of the rapidly spreading drug menace among the youth in the Northern Province and establishment of fully fledged rehabilitation centres,— That this Parliament resolves that, the government should take steps to establish a Special Task Force to increase special raids in coordination with the security forces to suppress the drug distribution network, and to establish fully fledged government rehabilitation and counselling centres within the Northern Province to rehabilitate the youth who have fallen victim to drugs, whereas the recently escalating drug trafficking and drug menace in the Northern Province is causing the breakdown of the social fabric and adversely affecting the future of schoolchildren.

P.123/2026

Hon. Rajeevan Jeyachandramoorthy,— Creating employment opportunities for unemployed graduates by establishing export-oriented industries based on palmyrah and coconut in the Northern Province,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should formulate plans to establish export-oriented industries at district level with the participation of Government and private sector to manufacture value-added products utilizing modern technology from palmyrah and coconut which are abundant in the Northern Province rather than using them merely as raw materials; thereby securing the livelihoods of unemployed youth and graduates in those areas.

P. 124/2026

Hon. Rajeevan Jeyachandramoorthy,— Release of public lands held by the security forces in the Northern Province and granting permission to use those lands for agricultural and fishing activities,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take steps to expeditiously release the remaining unreleased public lands in a manner that does not pose a threat to national security, and to grant permission to utilize those lands for agricultural and fishing activities in order to restore the livelihoods of the public, whereas the lands of the people have not been completely released thus far during the post-war resettlement process, and whereas they have lost the opportunities to engage in their traditional agricultural activities and the fishing industry.

P. 128/2026

Hon. Rajeevan Jeyachandramoorthy,— Providing solutions to the shortage of teachers and to the issues relating to digital education in schools in the Vanni and island areas of Jaffna in the Northern Province,— That this Parliament resolves that steps be taken to fill the teacher vacancies existing for the subjects of Mathematics, Science and English in schools in the Vanni and island areas of Jaffna by making recruitments at district level, to provide modern computer laboratories and proper internet facilities to develop the information technology literacy of the students in those areas, and to implement special scholarship schemes to provide additional educational opportunities to students from families below the poverty line.

P. 129/2026

Hon. T.K. Jayasundara,— Promotion of Traditional Industries in Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that, in view of the significant contribution that traditional industries utilizing the stems, pseudo-stems and leaves of plants such as bamboo, cane, reed and palm can make to the industrial and tourism sectors of Sri Lanka, and in line with the current revival of those sectors, the government should take steps to establish an appropriate institutional mechanism to provide the necessary technical assistance for the promotion of such traditional industries, expand markets for their products, grant official recognition to such industries, promote the cultivation of the raw materials required for the development of large-scale industries, encourage entrepreneurs to engage in such industries, ensure greater value for the labour and skills of the artisans engaged therein, and formulate a programme to safeguard their lives on retirement.

P. 130/2026

Hon. Chithral Fernando, Attorney at Law,— Formulation of a programme to increase train services on the Puttalam Railway Line,— That this Parliament resolves that, in view of the increase in fuel prices consequent to the prevailing situation in the Middle East region, and the growing reliance on public transportation among the large number of commuters traveling daily on the Puttalam railway line for employment and business purposes, a programme be formulated to increase train services between Puttalam and Colombo to provide an adequate service to the passenger community.

P. 131/2026

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney-at-Law,— Implementation of a programme to install Solar Charging Points in public places and state institutions,— That this Parliament resolves that a programme be implemented to install Solar Charging Points in public places and

within the premises of state institutions, in order to provide relief to users of electric motorcycles and vehicles, and to facilitate the charging of batteries for those traveling long distances by electric motorcycles and vehicles, whereas the use of fully electric motorcycles and vehicles has now become popular among the public, and whereas it represents a crucial step towards minimizing environmental pollution, and whereas it serves as a solution to current high fuel consumption as well as a reasonable remedy for the high fuel costs, and whereas electricity consumption is likely to increase due to the usage of electric motorcycles and vehicles, and whereas citizens using these vehicles face a high likelihood of experiencing severe hardship in the event of power outages.

P. 132/2026

Hon. Amirthanathan Adaikkalanathan,— Appointment of a Presidential Commission of Inquiry to seek the truth about the ethnic violence that occurred during the 'Black July' of 1983, to assess the damages and to make recommendations to prevent the recurrence of such ethnic violence,— That this Parliament resolves that a Presidential Commission of Inquiry should be appointed to seek the truth about the said violent acts, to assess the damages caused and to make recommendations to prevent the recurrence of such ethnic violence whereas the 'Black July' of 1983 and the massacres at the Welikada Prison, ethnic conflicts, and violent acts have left a severe scar on the national integration, social structure, and economy of the country; and whereas thousands of people were killed, tens of thousands were displaced and made refugees, and valuable property including homes and business places were set on fire and completely destroyed during the said conflicts and violent acts; and whereas the perpetrators of these conflicts and violent acts have not been identified despite the lapse of over forty years since this event took place; and whereas a comprehensive and independent investigation into the human rights violations and damages to property has not been conducted to date; and whereas it is essential to ensure that such ethnic conflicts and violent acts do not recur in this country and to build sustainable harmony and reconciliation among all communities of the country.

P. 133/2026

Hon. Lasith Bhashana Gamage,— Formulation of a systematic methodology for the planting, scientific management, and maintenance of trees within road reserves,— That this Parliament resolves that, a systematic methodology be formulated to precisely determine the boundaries of road reserves in a manner that preserves environmental aesthetics, to maintain the tree canopy through the institutional training of relevant personnel, and to mitigate hazards and disasters through the proper management of trees within road reserves, whereas trees within the road reserves perform a vital function by providing shade to pedestrians, enhancing environmental aesthetics and green canopy cover, absorbing pollutant gases emitted by vehicles, and serving as bio corridors in urban areas, and whereas trees within the road reserves of Sri Lanka are not managed in a professional manner by arborists, and whereas an unsystematic practice is currently followed by employees of entities such as electricity service providers, the Road Development Authority (RDA), Provincial Road Development Authorities (PRDA), local authorities, and Sri Lanka Telecom, whereby branches of trees obstructing power lines and road signage are merely lopped and cleared.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney-at-Law,— Establishment of a Commission to study the civil insurrection that occurred during the period 1988/90 and the measures to be taken to prevent the recurrence of such a situation,—That this Parliament resolves that a Commission should be established to undertake a comprehensive study of the economic value of the destruction caused during the civil insurrection centred around the Janatha Vimukthi Peramuna that occurred in Sri Lanka during the period 1988/90, the youth uprising underlying the events that gave rise to such a situation, the political ideologies associated therewith, and the measures to be taken to prevent the recurrence of such a situation.
