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FOR

Monday, November 16, 2026 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

1685/2025

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

(a) Will he inform this House —

(i) of the number of courts of law located in the Trincomalee District;

(ii) of the names of the said courts;

(iii) of the circuit courts functioning in the said district;

(iv) of the dates from which the said courts have been functioning;

(v) whether a proposal has been submitted to operate the courts currently functioning in the district as Magistrate's Courts on all 05 days of the week; and

(vi) if so, of the nature of the said proposal?

(b) Will he also inform this House —

(i) of the issues that prevent the establishment of the Kinniya Circuit Court as a permanent court;

(ii) of the steps that have been taken to resolve the said issues; and

(iii) whether steps will be taken to establish a permanent court in the said area?

(c) If not, why?

2.

2199/2026

Hon. J.C. Alawathuwala,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House —

(i) of the number of retired school principals in the country currently receiving pensions;

(ii) whether anomalies exist in respect of the pensions of the said principals; and

(iii) if so, of the measures that will be taken to resolve the said anomalies?

(b) If not, why?

3.

2278/2026

Hon. Dewananda Suraweera,— To ask the Minister of Rural Development, Social Security and Community Empowerment,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House —

(i) of the year in which the Department of Samurdhi Development was established;

(ii) of the current number of employees in the said Department;

(iii) whether the Department implements programmes that provide assistance to the poor;

(iv) of the current function of the Department; and

(v) of the measures taken by the Government to discharge the said function?

(b) If not, why?

4.

2296/2026

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

(a) Will he inform this House of the —

(i) total number of tanks that have been registered to date according to government records; and

(ii) number of commercial establishments and residential houses that have been unauthorizedly constructed within the catchment reserves, downstream reserves, or buffer zones of the said tanks?

(b) Will he also inform this House —

(i) separately, of the number of unauthorized constructions that have already been removed and those that are scheduled to be removed in the future;

(ii) of the expected timeframe for the completion of the said removal operations; and

(iii) of the measures that have been taken by the Government or the relevant institutions to remove the unauthorized constructions and to legally conserve the respective reserves?

(c) If not, why?

5.

2485/2026

Hon. Major General (Rtd.) G.D. Sooriyabandara,— To ask the Minister of Defence,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House of the number of 'Ranaviru Gammana', the districts in which they are located, and the extent of land allocated to each?

(b) Will he also inform this House —

(i) of the procedure and criteria for selecting beneficiaries for the 'Ranaviru Gammana';

(ii) of the respective State institutions involved in establishing these villages and granting the land, and of their respective roles; and

(iii) whether restrictions have been imposed on the sale, transfer or lease of such land or houses to another party?

(c) Will he further inform this House —

(i) of the procedure for confirming the legal ownership of the lands granted to war heroes;

(ii) whether adequate sanitation and infrastructure facilities have been provided in those villages;

(iii) if not, of the steps that will be taken in this regard;

(iv) of the date on which the last official assessment was conducted regarding the condition, size and infrastructure facilities of the houses in the villages, identified deficiencies, and the steps have been taken to rectify them; and

(v) of the role of the Ministry regarding the development and maintenance of infrastructure facilities in these villages and the welfare of the beneficiaries?

(d) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

Appropriation Bill — (Third Allotted Day) — Adjourned debate on question (12th November 2026) [1].

*2.

Elimination of Rabies and Registration of Dogs Bill — Adjourned debate on question (23rd October 2026) [1].

*3.

Sri Lanka Cricket Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*4.

Protection of the State from Terrorism Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*5.

Prevention of Organised Crimes Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*6.

Prevention of Foreign Terrorist Fighters Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*7.

Immigration Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*8.

Chartered Institute of Media Professionals of Sri Lanka Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*9.

The Minister of Justice and National Integration,— Annual Report of the Superior Courts Complex Board of Management (2022),— That the Annual Report of the Superior Courts Complex Board of Management 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 22.11.2023 under the Section 11(2) of the Superior Courts Complex Board of Management Act, No. 50 of 1987, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Governance, Justice and Civil Protection on 18.11.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 03.02.2026.)

*10.

The Minister of Justice and National Integration,— Annual Report of the National Authority for the Protection of Victims of Crime and Witnesses (2022),— That the Annual Report of the National Authority for the Protection of Victims of Crime and Witnesses 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 20.02.2024 under the Section 93(2) of the Assistance to and Protection of Victims of Crime and Witnesses Act, No. 10 of 2023, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Governance, Justice and Civil Protection on 18.11.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 03.02.2026.)

*11.

The Minister of Justice and National Integration,— Annual Report of the National Authority for the Protection of Victims of Crime and Witnesses (2023),— That the Annual Report of the National Authority for the Protection of Victims of Crime and Witnesses 2023 together with the observations of the Auditor General for the year ended 31.12.2023 and presented on 07.08.2025 under the Section 93(2) of the Assistance to and Protection of Victims of Crime and Witnesses Act, No. 10 of 2023, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Governance, Justice and Civil Protection on 18.11.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 03.02.2026.)

*12.

The Minister of Justice and National Integration,— Annual Report of the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka (2022),— That the Annual Report of the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 19.06.2024 under the Section 24(2) of the Legal Aid Law, No. 27 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Governance, Justice and Civil Protection on 18.11.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 03.02.2026.)

*13.

The Minister of Justice and National Integration,— Annual Report of the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka (2023),— That the Annual Report of the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka 2023 together with the observations of the Auditor General for the year ended 31.12.2023 and presented on 19.08.2025 under the Section 24(2) of the Legal Aid Law, No. 27 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Governance, Justice and Civil Protection on 18.11.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 03.02.2026.)

*14.

The Minister of Justice and National Integration,— Annual Report of the Official Languages Commission (2020),— That the Annual Report of the Official Languages Commission 2020 together with the observations of the Auditor General for the year ended 31.12.2020 and presented on 05.07.2023 under the Section 32 of the Official Languages Commission Act, No. 18 of 1991, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Governance, Justice and Civil Protection on 26.04.2024 and 18.11.2025, and presented its report to Parliament on 03.02.2026.)

*15.

The Minister of Justice and National Integration,— Annual Report of the Official Languages Commission (2021),— That the Annual Report of the Official Languages Commission 2021 together with the observations of the Auditor General for the year ended 31.12.2021 and presented on 09.01.2024 under the Section 32 of the Official Languages Commission Act, No. 18 of 1991, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Governance, Justice and Civil Protection on 26.04.2024 and 18.11.2025, and presented its report to Parliament on 03.02.2026.)

*16.

The Minister of Justice and National Integration,— Annual Report of the Official Languages Commission (2022),— That the Annual Report of the Official Languages Commission 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 04.06.2024 under the Section 32 of the Official Languages Commission Act, No. 18 of 1991, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Governance, Justice and Civil Protection on 18.11.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 03.02.2026.)

*17.

The Minister of Justice and National Integration,— Annual Report of the Official Languages Commission (2023),— That the Annual Report of the Official Languages Commission 2023 together with the observations of the Auditor General for the year ended 31.12.2023 and presented on 20.06.2025 under the Section 32 of the Official Languages Commission Act, No. 18 of 1991, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Governance, Justice and Civil Protection on 18.11.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 03.02.2026.)

*18.

The Minister of Justice and National Integration,— Annual Report of the National Institute of Language Education and Training (2022),— That the Annual Report of the National Institute of Language Education and Training 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 24.07.2024 under the Section 23 of the National Institute of Language Education and Training Act, No. 26 of 2007, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Governance, Justice and Civil Protection on 18.11.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 03.02.2026.)

*19.

The Minister of Justice and National Integration,— Annual Report of the National Institute of Language Education and Training (2023),— That the Annual Report of the National Institute of Language Education and Training 2023 together with the observations of the Auditor General for the year ended 31.12.2023 and presented on 10.10.2025 under the Section 23 of the National Institute of Language Education and Training Act, No. 26 of 2007, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Governance, Justice and Civil Protection on 18.11.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 03.02.2026.)

*20.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Resolution under the Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka Act,— Whereas the Chairman and the Members of the Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka (PUCSL) shall be paid such remuneration as may be determined by a resolution of Parliament and such remuneration shall be charged to the Fund of the PUCSL under Section 6(6) of the Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka Act, No. 35 of 2002;

And Whereas, by considering the provisions set out in Section 6(6) of the Act relating to the appointment of five Commissioners by the Minister with the concurrence of the Constitutional Council, of whom are qualified, and have experience, either in the fields of engineering, law or business management and recognizing the extent of the responsibilities to be discharged by the Commissioners, approval has been granted by the decision of the Cabinet of Ministers No.26/1892/804/220 dated 14.09.2026 for the payment of remuneration and other allowances to the Commissioners of the Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka, as follows:

Remuneration/Allowances	**Chairman**	**Member**
Monthly allowance	Rs. 200,000.00	Rs. 100,000.00
Monthly transport allowance/ Vehicle	Vehicle	Transportation and any other incidental expense incurred for the participation in official commitments.
Monthly Fuel limit/ Liters	150 Liters	-
Monthly Communication allowance	Reimbursement of mobile telephone bills	Reimbursement of mobile telephone bills

That this Parliament resolves that the Chairman and Members of the PUCSL be paid remuneration and allowances mentioned above to be charged to the Fund of the PUCSL in terms of Section 6(6) of the Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka Act, No. 35 of 2002.

*21.

Protection of Occupants Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*22.

Rent (Repeal) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*23.

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

*24.

Telecommunication Levy (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*25.

Finance (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*26.

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

27.

Provincial Councils Elections (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

28.

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

29.

Land Development (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

30.

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

31.

UNV Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

* ***Indicates Government Business.***

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[1].

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

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS

2499/2026

Hon. K. Sujith Sanjaya Perera,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House —

(i) whether the proposals mentioned on page 64 of the National People's Power government's policy statement 'A Thriving Nation - A Beautiful Life' to 'provide agricultural inputs including fertilizer at fair prices' and to 'promote the use of chemical and organic fertilizer and other agricultural inputs based on Good Agricultural Practices' have been accomplished as of 01.09.2026; and

(ii) if so, of its financial/physical progress?

(b) If not, why?
