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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act,— That the Regulations made by the President under Section 20 read with sub-section (3) of Section 4 and Section 14 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 as amended by Act, No. 48 of 1985 and Act, No. 28 of 1987 and Article 44(2) of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1846/16 of 21st January 2014, which were presented on 19.02.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Transport,— Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Transport under Section 237 read with Sections 21, 22, 23, 24 and 24 A of the Motor Traffic Act (Chapter 203) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1833/27 of 24th October 2013, which were presented on 19.02.2014, be approved.

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The Minister of Investment Promotion,— Order under the Strategic Development Projects Act (No.1),— That the Order made by the Minister of Investment Promotion under sub-section (4) of Section 3 of the Strategic Development Projects Act, No. 14 of 2008 as amended, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1847/35 of 30th January 2014, which was presented on 18.02.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Investment Promotion,— Order under the Strategic Development Projects Act (No.2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Investment Promotion under sub-section (4) of Section 3 of the Strategic Development Projects Act, No. 14 of 2008 as amended, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1847/36 of 30th January 2014, which was presented on 18.02.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Investment Promotion,— Order under the Strategic Development Projects Act (No.3),— That the Order made by the Minister of Investment Promotion under sub-section (4) of Section 3 of the Strategic Development Projects Act, No. 14 of 2008 as amended, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1847/37 of 30th January 2014, which was presented on 18.02.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

* *Indicates Government Business*

Friday, March 07, 2014

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

P.199/'13

Hon. (Al-Haj) A. H. M. Azwer,— Cultivating Durian for the Export Market,— That this Parliament resolves that steps must be taken to cultivate on a commercial basis, the popular fruit Durian, which is expensive but has a good demand in the export market, so that the country could earn substantial foreign exchange.

P.200/'13

Hon. (Al-Haj) A. H. M. Azwer,— A Decade for Tri Lingual Sri Lanka Plan,— That this Parliament resolves that whilst appreciating the Cabinet approval for the ten year plan “A Decade for Tri Lingual Sri Lanka Plan 2012-2021”, that this project be implemented quickly and extensively with the support of the multi lingual, multi ethnic communities in order to make it beneficial to the entire nation with the support of Government and Private Institutions.

Thursday, March 20, 2014

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

2904/'12

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(3)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the names of the companies to which the licences have been issued to operate mobile and CDMA telephone lines to date;
 - (ii) the names of the directors of the above companies, separately;
 - (iii) the new frequencies and lines issued to mobile and CDMA companies after the year 2006;
 - (iv) the names of the directors of the above companies;
 - (v) the referrals obtained for the allocation of frequencies and telephone lines; and
 - (vi) the amounts paid by the aforesaid companies to the government separately, for the years 2011 and 2012 on per company basis?
- (b) Will he also state whether the licences have been issued to mobile operators at prices well below the market price?
- (c) If not, why?

(3)

3212/'12

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana;— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that —

- (i) the national identity cards that had been issued up to the year 2004 to the Bhikkunis who hold the membership of Rangiri Dambulla Sangha Sabha indicated that the bearer is a Bhikkuni; and
- (ii) the Commissioner of Buddhist Affairs has instructed not to issue such identity cards after the year 2004?

(b) Will he inform this House —

- (i) whether he accepts that the aforesaid Bhikkunis, too, are citizens of this country;
- (ii) if so, of the reasons for not issuing an identity card to those Bhikkunis indicating that they are 'Bhikkunis';
- (iii) whether action will be taken to issue a national identity card to those Bhikkunis indicating that the bearer is a 'Bhikkuni' so that the dignity of the Bhikkunis is protected; and
- (iv) if so, of the date on which those national identity cards will be issued?

(c) If not, why?

3384/'12

Hon. P. Harrison,— To ask the Minister of Wildlife Resources Conservation,—(2)

(a) Will he state the number of counting of elephants that have been done in Sri Lanka since the year 1950, the years in which each of those counting were done and other information about each of those counting?

(b) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the total amount of money spent on the counting of elephants that was done in the year 2011;
- (ii) whether the report of the aforesaid counting will be presented;
- (iii) if not, of the reasons for not presenting that report; and
- (iv) of the steps that have been taken to look after the elephants with respect to the increase of the number of elephants as per the aforesaid report?

(4)

(c) Will he also inform this House —

- (i) whether places of observation have been arranged for foreign tourists to watch wild elephants and wild animals;
- (ii) of the names of such places;
- (iii) of the amount of money that is charged from a tourist at those places; and
- (iv) Separately, on per year basis of the amount of money that has been earned by the government through such places during the last five years?

(d) Will he also state—

- (i) whether a report will be presented pertaining to the contribution of the Department of Wildlife Conservation towards the promotion of conservation of wildlife; and
- (ii) the measures that have been taken to ensure the safety of the wild animals of which the existence has been threatened due to the limitation of forests?

(e) If not, why?

4051/'13

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Highways, Ports and Shipping,—(1)

(a) Will he state —

- (i) whether he is aware that the temporary bridge that has been built across the Kalu Ganga on the way to Dumbara Manana and Ketepola areas from Ellagawa on Panadura Road, Ratnapura is in dilapidated condition;
- (ii) the reasons for letting the buses belonging to SLTB and other heavy vehicles cross the aforesaid bridge that is in dilapidated condition;
- (iii) the name of the person who will take responsibility for any accident that could occur while crossing that dilapidated bridge;
- (iv) whether he is aware that merely the displaying of notice boards informing the public of the dilapidated condition of the aforesaid bridge and the danger in crossing the bridge would not be sufficient;
- (v) whether a permanent bridge will be constructed in place of the aforesaid temporary bridge; and
- (vi) if so, the date on which a permanent bridge will be constructed?

(b) If not, why?

4097/'13

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Trincomalee Urban Council has signed an agreement with the United States of America;
 - (ii) if so, the objectives of the aforesaid agreement;
 - (iii) whether permission has been obtained from the Ministry of External Affairs to sign such an agreement; and
 - (iv) whether an Urban Council has the power to sign agreements with foreign countries?
- (b) If not, why?

4138/'13

Hon. (Alhaj) A.H.M.Azwer, - To ask the Minister of Transport,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the bus service between Akkaraipattu and Colombo has been suspended by now; and
 - (ii) passengers traveling to Colombo from Akkaraipattu via Irakkamam and Hingurana have to face severe difficulties within that context?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether early action will be taken to start a direct bus service between Akkaraipattu and Colombo, in the light of the said situation?
- (c) If not, why?

4158/'13

Hon. R. M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,— (2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) National Water Supply and Drainage Board had charged Rs. 500 and Rs. 1500 from a domestic water consumer and a business venture respectively at the time of the disconnected water supplies are reconnected;
 - (ii) the reconnection fee has been increased up to Rs. 2300 and Rs. 6900 for a domestic water consumer and a business venture respectively; and
 - (iii) all the water consumers are under a severe pressure, as the new reconnection fee has gone up by five times than the previous fee?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether steps will be taken to provide a relief for all water consumers by revising the present fee, that is charged for the reconnection of disconnected water supplies?
- (c) If not, why?

4180/'13

Hon. (Mrs.) Rosy Senanayake,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(2)

- (a) Will she inform this House of—
 - (i) the tender procedure that has been followed to obtain the project office at Fife Road, Colombo for the 'Transmission Distribution Objectives' project of the Ceylon Electricity Board; and
 - (ii) the procedure that is followed by the Ceylon Electricity Board to obtain vehicles on rent basis?
- (b) Will she state—
 - (i) the procedure followed when the officers go abroad to check the condition of various types of equipment that are purchased; and
 - (ii) information about the officers who went abroad for the above purpose from the year 2011 to June 2013?
- (c) Will she also inform this House of—
 - (i) the names of the institutions from which the Ceylon Electricity Board purchases transformers with various capacities; and
 - (ii) the tender procedure followed to purchase each of those transformers during the period from the year 2011 to June 2013?
- (d) If not, why?

4221/'13

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Consumer Welfare—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the steps taken for the welfare of consumers in the years 2011, 2012 and 2013 separately?
- (b) If not, why?

4227/'13

Hon. Ranjan Ramanayake,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of members who got elected throughout the period from the year 2004 up to now for the Pradeshiya Sabhas, Urban Councils and Provincial Councils and by now have allegations leveled against them with regard to corruption, crimes and other illegal activities;
 - (ii) separately, the names of them, the political parties to which they belong, and the positions held or being held by them in the Provincial Council, Urban Council and Pradeshiya Sabha;
 - (iii) of the number of elected members out of the aforesaid number that the legal actions have been taken; and
 - (iv) of the number of members who were brought before the law and were convicted and punished by the court of law?

(7)

(b) Will he also inform this House—

- (i) whether he accepts that there is a possibility for the organized corruption, crimes and various types of illegal activities to take place as a result of the representation of those corrupt groups in Provincial Councils and Local Authorities; and
- (ii) of the steps that will be taken in future to prevent the corrupt persons who are engaged in illegal activities and criminals entering into provincial and local level politics?

(c) If not why?

4280/'13

Hon. Dunes Gankanda,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the number of complaints lodged with the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption against Ministers (Cabinet and Non Cabinet), Deputy Ministers and Members of Parliament, within the period from 19th November 2005 to 30th June 2013;
- (ii) the names of the Ministers, Deputy Ministers and Members of Parliament against whom such allegations have been leveled; and
- (iii) the allegations leveled against each Minister, Deputy Minister and Member of Parliament separately?

(b) Will he also inform this House—

- (i) of the number of complaints with regard to which investigations have been concluded by the said Commission;
- (ii) of further action taken in relation to complaints with regard to which investigations have been concluded separately;
- (iii) whether speedy and proper investigations will be carried out regarding the complaints with regard to which investigations have not been concluded up to now; and
- (iv) the time frame envisaged for that?

(c) If not, why?

4285/'13

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Livestock and Rural Community Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of litres of liquid milk produced in Sri Lanka presently;
 - (ii) of the local milk production expected to be made by the year 2016 under the Mahinda Chinthana Programme, in litres;
 - (iii) whether the amount of milk that will be required for consumption by the year 2016 has been calculated;
 - (iv) if so, the aforesaid amount of milk; and
 - (v) of the programme that the government has already implemented and the programme it expects to implement in the future in order to achieve these targets?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the amounts of liquid milk, milk powder, milk products such as butter and cheese that have been imported from January 2013 up to now along with their value and the countries from which they were imported, separately;
 - (ii) the steps taken by the government to minimize this import expenditure; and
 - (iii) the proportion of the contribution made by the private sector/multi national companies in regard to milk production, local milk powder production and other milk products, separately?
- (c) If not, why?

4313/'13

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Wildlife Resources Conservation,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the people living in areas like Udawalawa, Yala, Wilpattu, Wasgamuwa, Galgamuwa and Anuradhapura still become victims of attacks by wild elephants; and
 - (ii) as a remedial measure to protect the people of those areas from the wild elephant menace, persons were recruited as casual labourers from the year 2002 to serve in the Department of Wildlife Conservation for activities such as maintenance of electric fences, chasing away wild elephants, bringing to book hunters and sellers of game etc?

(9)

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the number of employees recruited as mentioned in (a)(ii) above;
- (ii) whether he admits that the danger caused by wild elephants has increased again in those areas as the service of the said employees has been suspended with effect from 01.01.2013 and that those people who lost their jobs have been subjected to severe inconvenience; and
- (iii) if so, whether action will be taken to re-instate those employees, confirm them in service and solve the wild elephant issue that prevails in those areas?

(c) If not, why?

3221/'12

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the percentages in Sri Lankan population on the basis of each religion separately in the year 2012;
- (ii) whether the above details are conformed through the National Survey done in the year 2012;
- (iii) the number of cases reported pertaining to the forceful conversion of the religions of the people separately on per district basis; and
- (iv) the action taken against the people found to be forcefully converting religions of people?

(b) If not, why ?

3590/'13

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana;— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning;—(1)

(a) Will he state —

- (i) the number of motor vehicles that have been imported to Sri Lanka from the year 2005 to date;
- (ii) separately, on per year basis the number of the aforesaid motor vehicles imported in terms of the engine capacity; and
- (iii) separately, on per year basis the amount of foreign exchange spent on the importation of motor vehicles?

- (b) Will he inform this House —
- (i) separately, of the deficit or the surplus of the balance of payment statement on per year basis from the year 2005 to the year 2012;
 - (ii) whether he admits that spending of foreign exchange on the importation of motor vehicles has exerted an impact on the increase of the deficit of the balance of payment; and
 - (iii) if so, of the action that has been taken to minimize the pressure that has been exerted on the balance of payment in that manner?
- (c) If not, why?
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Friday, March 21, 2014

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

3154/'12

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

- (a) Will he state separately for the years 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013—
- (i) the total tourist arrivals in Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) the earnings in tourism?
- (b) Will he also state separately of —
- (i) the projected tourist arrivals to Sri Lanka for the years 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017;
 - (ii) the number of tourists visited Thailand, Malaysia, Maldives, India, Dubai, Indonesia and Vietnam for the years 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013; and
 - (iii) the average tourist spending per day in the countries referred to above?
- (c) If not, why ?

3213/'12

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana;— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) the garbage and the solid waste that are collected by the Kandy Municipal Council are dumped at a place called Gohagoda in Harispaththuwa Pradeshiya Sabha area; and
 - (ii) the residents of that area contract various diseases consequent to the pollution of the sources of drinking water and the odour emitted as a result of the addition of the waste into the Mahaweli river?

(11)

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether action will be taken to get the Kandy Municipal Council to manage the waste properly and turn the waste into a resource; and
- (ii) if so, of the date on which it is done?

(c) If not, why?

3327/'12

Hon. (Mrs.) Rosy Senanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the methodology adopted in granting promotions to the police officers in grades below the grade of Chief Inspector; and
- (ii) the methodology adopted for the retirement;
in Sri Lanka Police Service?

(b) Will he also state separately the amount of the—

- (i) monthly lamp allowance;
- (ii) annual first-aid allowance;
- (iii) monthly difficult service allowance; and
- (iv) monthly good conduct allowance;

that is paid to officers of lower grades in Sri Lanka Police Service?

(c) Is he aware of the inadequacies prevalent in the basic amenities which should be made available in police barracks at police stations located in out-station areas?

(d) Will he state whether complaints have been received regarding the deployment of woman police officers on night duty?

(e) If not why?

Hon. P. Harrison,— To ask the Minister of Disaster Management,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) separately on Divisional Secretariat Division basis, of the number of houses that were partly damaged and fully damaged owing to the inundations that happened in December 2012;
- (ii) separately, of the amount of compensation paid to a fully damaged house and a partially damaged house;
- (iii) of the amount of compensation paid for fully damaged houses and partially damaged houses by now;
- (iv) of the Divisional Secretariat Divisions in which the aforesaid compensation has been provided; and
- (v) whether the aforesaid payment of compensation is made by the Ministry of Disaster Management or any other Ministry or an institution?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the number of lives lost as a result of the disaster situations which occurred owing to the landslides and floods in the year 2012;
- (ii) the Divisional Secretariat Divisions in which the aforesaid losses of lives occurred;
- (iii) the amount of compensation paid on behalf of a person who lost their life in that manner;
- (iv) whether the aforesaid compensation will also be provided on behalf of the persons who disappeared as a result of floods and landslides; and
- (v) the amount of compensation paid by now on behalf of the persons who died as a result of landslides and floods during the period mentioned above?

(c) If not, why ?

3701/'13

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the public and private fuel companies that pay taxes to the government;
- (ii) separately per each tax category, the amount of taxes paid annually by each of the aforesaid companies during the last 10 years;
- (iii) whether any kind of tax relief in paying taxes has been granted to any company;
- (iv) if so, the names of those companies;
- (v) the reasons for granting such a tax concession; and
- (vi) separately in each year, the amount of tax revenue as per each tax category lost by the government of Sri Lanka during the last ten years due to granting the aforesaid tax concession?

(b) If not, why?

4222/'13

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

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the number of employees in the approved cadre of the Ministry of National Resources;
- (ii) the sums of money that were annually allocated for the affairs of the Ministry in the years 2011, 2012 and 2013 separately;
- (iii) the steps that have been taken by the Ministry for the security of the national resources; and
- (iv) the steps that have been taken by the Ministry for the promotion of national resources?

(b) If not, why?

4283/'13

Hon. Dunesh Gankanda,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House of the—

- (i) criteria considered in selecting suitable persons to grant the allowance of 750 rupees , which was proposed to be given to the parents of war heroes by the Budget of 2012;
- (ii) number of parents of war heroes who have been entitled to the aforesaid allowance by now; and
- (iii) division of the number of war heroes in terms of the Army, Navy and the Air Force, whose parents were entitled to the aforesaid allowance, separately?

(14)

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether he admits that even though one year has lapsed since the parents of the police officers who are qualified to receive the aforesaid allowance opened bank accounts on a notice given by the Department of Police, the aforesaid allowance has not been credited into the accounts up to now;
- (ii) if so, whether steps will be taken to grant the aforesaid allowance even to the parents of police officers; and
- (iii) the period of time that will be taken for it?

(c) If not, why?

4314/'13

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) the competitive examination for recruitment to Class III of Public Accountants' Service was held and the results were released on 3rd of May 2013;
- (ii) interviews were held on the results of the said examination;
- (iii) there is a group of candidates who have passed the examination but not summoned for the interview;
- (iv) the marks scored by them have not indicated in the result sheets sent to them?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the number of vacancies that exist in the Class III of Public Accountants' Service;
- (ii) the number selected through the interview held based on the results of the said examination;
- (iii) whether there are more vacancies to be filled;
- (iv) if so, the number of such vacancies;
- (v) whether he admits that persons who qualified at that examination could be recruited to fill those vacancies; and
- (vi) if so, the possible measures to be taken in that respect?

(c) If not, why?

4329/'13

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the date on which surgical gloves were last purchased by the Ministry of Health;
 - (ii) the number of surgical gloves purchased on that day;
 - (iii) whether open tenders were called for the said purchase; and
 - (iv) if so, the companies which submitted tenders?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the institution which provides surgical gloves used in hospitals presently has been registered with the Cosmetics Devices and Drugs Regulatory Authority; and
 - (ii) the amount of money spent by the government annually, for the provision of surgical gloves to hospital?
- (c) If not, why?

3155/'12

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

- (a) Will he state in relation to the Colombo Stock Exchange—
 - (i) as to when it was brought into existence;
 - (ii) the number of branches operating at present; and
 - (iii) the number of individuals, institutions, and brokers operating for last 3 years separately on per year basis?
- (b) Will he also state the capitalisation of the share market by the different entities such as traders and investors in terms of the categories of percentage i.e. 1%-2% , 3%-5%, 6%-15%, 16%-40% and 41%-100% along with the number of shares accountable for each category ?
- (c) If not, why?

3214/'12

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana;— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he admit that—

- (i) promotions were given from the post of Police Sergeant to the post of Sub Inspector of Police, based on their service and merits in the year 2007;
- (ii) although the cut off mark for the promotion was 62, four officers who have scored less than 47 marks have been given promotions;
- (iii) although the officers who have scored more than 47 marks have submitted appeals they have been ignored;
- (iv) a group of officers whose human rights were violated due to these promotions sought redress at the Supreme Court and the Appeal Court ;
- (v) only that group have been grant promotions; and
- (vi) it is a grave injustice not to give promotions to the group that did not go to the court as disciplined officers ?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) if so, whether action will be taken to grant promotions to the officers who were subjected to injustice in that manner;
- (ii) if so, the date on which it will be done;

(c) If not, why?

3702/'13

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Highways, Ports and Shipping,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the length of the proposed Colombo-Kandy Expressway;
- (ii) the measures taken so far with relevance to its construction;
- (iii) the total cost that will be incurred on the construction of the aforesaid Expressway;
- (iv) the institutions from which loans are obtained, if loans are obtained to recover the aforesaid cost; and
- (v) the rate of interest to be paid for the aforesaid loans and the other conditions relevant to it?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the name of the company to which the construction of the Colombo-Kandy Expressway has been entrusted; and
- (ii) whether a proper tender procedure has been followed when selecting that company?

(c) If not, why?

3822/'13

Hon. P. Harrison,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources Management,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) whether he admits that Thambuththegama is a planned town which is included in the Mahaweli Town Plan;
- (ii) the number of recipients of land according to the Master Plan of the aforesaid town; and
- (iii) out of the original recipients of lands, the number of recipients who are residing in that town at present?

(b) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the number of unauthorized settlers residing in Thambuththegama town;
- (ii) of the years in which they settled in the relevant lands without authorization;
- (iii) whether the Mahaweli Authority has granted permission for the unauthorized settlers to construct buildings and to get the facilities of electricity and water supply;
- (iv) whether he admits that the unauthorized settlers constructed buildings in the early part of the year 2013; and
- (v) of the action that will be taken against the officials who turn a blind eye to constructing of buildings by the unauthorized settlers?

(c) Will he also state—

- (i) whether action will be taken to legitimize the ownership of the lands which are occupied by these unauthorized settlers; and
- (ii) if not, whether action will be taken in terms of the town plan to evict these unauthorized settlers from the lands they are occupying?

(d) If not, why?

3218/'12

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana;— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) the garbage and solid waste disposed of from the area of Galagedara Thumpane Pradeshiya Sabha are dumped at the land called Dikoyawatta of Pujapitiya Pradeshiya Sabha in the Kandy District;
- (ii) the people of surrounding area have been exposed to illnesses as the water of the aforesaid area has been contaminated with the waste materials that are disposed of;
- (iii) the people of the area make allegations to the effect that a solution has not been materialized up to now, even if the officials concerned were made aware as to stop the dumping of waste materials in the aforesaid place;
- (iv) some nearby roads also have been damaged by now due to the transportation of garbage?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether action will be taken to develop the roads that were damaged due to the transportation of garbage; and
- (ii) whether arrangements will be made to put an end to the dumping of the garbage at the aforesaid place?

(c) If not, why?

3222/'12

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of jobs that have been created in the Public Service for the years 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012 separately on per district basis;
- (ii) the sectors in which the aforesaid jobs have been created;
- (iii) whether the creation of the aforesaid jobs has been done having called applications and carried out the interviews; and
- (iv) whether the selections of the persons were done on merit basis ?

(b) If not, why ?
