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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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The Minister of Justice and Labour Relations,— Order under the Code of Criminal Procedure (Special Provisions) Act,—That the Order made by the Minister of Justice and Labour Relations under Section 7(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedure (Special Provisions) Act, No. 2 of 2013 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1900/3 of 02nd February 2015, which was presented on 20.02.2015, be approved.

* *Indicates Government Business*

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

4530/'13

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Defence,—(2)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) whether he is aware that a special loan scheme by the name of 'Ranawiru Divi Neguma' was started to direct the disabled war heroes to engage in self-employments;
- (ii) if so, the self employments for which loans will be granted under that loan scheme; and
- (iii) the minimum and maximum amount granted as a loan to start a self-employment?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the procedure that should be followed to obtain a loan under the 'Ranawiru Divi Neguma' loan scheme; and
- (ii) of the security and conditions for the loan along with the interest rates charged for the loan?

(c) If not, why?

(2)

4579/'13

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of licences that have been issued for casino gambling in Sri Lanka from the year 2012 to date;
 - (ii) of the names and addresses of the aforesaid licence holders;
 - (iii) of the areas in which those casino resorts are operated;
 - (iv) whether it has been reported that casino resorts are being operated without licence; and
 - (v) if so, the action that has been taken against such casino resorts?
- (b) If not, why?

4785/'14

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe,— To ask the Minister of Tourism and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of Divisional Secretariat Divisions that are prone to threats of wild elephants;
 - (ii) of the number of Divisional Secretariat divisions in Kurunegala District that undergoes the threats of wild elephants;
 - (iii) of the measures that have been taken to minimize the threats of wild elephants that exist in the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Divisions; and
 - (iv) whether adequate funds have been allocated through the budget to minimize the threats of wild elephants that exist in the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Divisions?
- (b) If not, why?

5020/'14

Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Highways, Higher Education and Investment Promotion,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately, of the years in which lands were taken over for the last time, to broaden the “Main Street”, “Siri Kurusa Road” and “Mangala Road” of Gampaha town; and
 - (ii) separately, pertaining to each road, of the years in which the compensation was paid for the aforesaid lands so taken over, if compensation has been paid by now?

(3)

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether all lands which were taken over, intending the development of the aforesaid roads, have been physically utilized, for the benefit of the public;
- (ii) whether there are lands that have not been utilized at present for the benefit of public despite the fact that they were taken over intending the road development; and
- (iii) if so, the roads on which such lands are located?

(c) If not, why?

5443/'14

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Employment,—(2)

- (a) Will she state whether this House has been informed of the number of Sri Lankans who died while being employed in domestic service, factories and various other jobs, out of those who had gone overseas for employment from the year 2009 to 2013?
- (b) Will she also state the measures taken by the Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment regarding those who died under suspicious circumstances while being employed overseas?
- (c) If not, why?

5771/'14

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— To ask the Minister of Highways, Higher Education and Investment Promotion,—(1)

(a) Will he state —

- (i) the length and the width of the road that is relevant to the Narammala-Madampe road development project of the Kurunegala District;
- (ii) the period of time that will be spent for the renovation work of the aforesaid road;
- (iii) whether the constructor of the aforesaid road was selected through a tender procedure;
- (iv) if so, the name of the bidder/ institution that was selected;
- (v) the sources from which funds will be obtained for the aforesaid project; and
- (vi) the cost that will be incurred for constructing one kilometer of the aforesaid road?

(4)

- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether a traffic control plan has been identified for the duration of construction work on the aforesaid road; and
 - (ii) if so, the amount of money allocated for the above purpose through the entire project?
- (c) Will he also state —
 - (i) the number of persons who will be affected through the implementation of the aforesaid project;
 - (ii) whether compensation has been paid to those affected parties; and
 - (iii) if so, the details of those who have been paid compensation?
- d) If not, why?

5856/'15

Hon. Shantha Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Employment,—(1)

- (a) Will she state—
 - (i) the number of Sri Lankans who have migrated for employment;
 - (ii) separately, the percentage of men and women among them; and
 - (iii) the prompt steps taken to minimize the problems encountered by the migrant employees in future?
- (b) If not, why?

4532/'13

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Defence,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the programme for granting an allowance of one hundred thousand rupees for the birth of the third child of the families of security force personnel, implemented as per a proposal of the 2011 budget, is still in operation; and
 - (ii) of the procedure to be adopted by a member of security forces to receive the above allowance in respect of the birth of the third child?
- (b) If not, why?

(5)

4787/'14

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe,— To ask the Minister of Public Order, Disaster Management and Christian Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether he accepts the fact that the Police officials and the Special Task Force of the Police too, made their contributions in concluding the war; and
 - (ii) if so, whether they have been recognized as War Heroes?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the reasons led not to permit the Police officials to take part in the competition “Ranaviru Real Star” which is organized with the intention of encouraging War Heroes?
- (c) If not, why?

5141/'14

Hon Ajith Mannapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of staff deployed by the Ceylon Electricity Board through manpower supply agencies; and
 - (ii) the period of time for which the aforesaid workers have been deployed?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of employees recruited directly to serve in the Ceylon Electricity Board within the year 2014;
 - (ii) whether special attention was paid to members of staff mentioned in (a)(i) above, who have acquired experience when recruiting the aforesaid staff;
 - (iii) if not, of the reasons for that; and
 - (iv) of the number of employees who were selected from those mentioned in (a)(i) above out of the workers who were recruited in the year 2014?
- (c) If not, why?

(6)

5566/'14

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the authority to import tar to Sri Lanka was held exclusively by Ceylon Petroleum Corporation;
 - (ii) whether that corporation still holds that authority;
 - (iii) whether other companies have been granted permission to import tar, in addition to the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation;
 - (iv) if so, the names of those companies; and
 - (v) why that authority held by the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation was revoked?
- (b) If not, why?

5860/'15

Hon. Shantha Bandara,— To ask the Prime Minister and the Minister of Policy Planning, Economic Affairs, Child, Youth and Cultural Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Ministry of Economic Development of the previous government had taken action to develop infrastructure facilities; and
 - (ii) a large amount of money had been allocated for the above purpose at Divisional Secretariat Division level for the year 2014?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether action has been taken to release the allocations for the completed work which functioned under the above (a) (ii); and
 - (ii) the courses of action that will be taken with regard to some of the work that have been stopped halfway due to heavy rains?
- (c) If not, why?

4788/'14

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of seed paddy that is required to cultivate both Yala and Maha seasons of a particular year;
 - (ii) of the amount of seed paddy that is produced within the country by now;
 - (iii) of the measures that have been taken to produce the required amount of seed paddy; and
 - (iv) whether a National Seed Policy will be put into practice for the enhancement of the seed production?
- (b) If not, why?

(7)

4820/'14

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether a policy decision has been taken recently to avoid providing the opportunity to Pirivena teachers to engage in election duty;
 - (ii) of the reasons for not providing the opportunity to Pirivena teachers to engage in election duty at the National Elections held in 2010 and 2011; and
 - (iii) whether action will be taken to provide the opportunity to Pirivena teachers to engage in election duty at the Local Government Provincial Council and National Elections in future?
- (b) If not, why?

5272/'14

Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Public Order, Disaster Management and Christian Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether there are categories of Police officers or officers who are not subjected to “Increase of allowances to Police officers 2013” under IGP Circular 2416/2013 and Establishments Circular 01/2013;
 - (ii) if so, such categories of Police officers or officers;
 - (iii) the reason for not increasing the allowances of that category of officers as per the above circulars?
- (b) Will he state whether those engaged in Sri Lanka Police Engineering Service do not come under the category of Police officers?
- (c) If not, why?

Wednesday, March 18, 2015

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

4087/'13

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Muslim Religious Affairs and Posts,—(2)

- (a) Will he state whether an office has been established for the project of networking Post Offices?

(b) Will he table—

- (i) if so, the names, addresses, designations and educational and other qualifications of the members of the staff working in that office; and
- (ii) separately, the allowances that have been paid to the staff working at that office since its inception?

(c) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the name of the institution that has been assigned with consultancy duties of the project of networking Post Offices;
- (ii) of the sum of money spent for purchasing computer hardware required for the aforesaid project up to now;
- (iii) of the name of the institution that has been assigned with the duty of developing software of the aforesaid project; and
- (iv) of total amount of money that has been paid to the aforesaid institution for developing software up to now?

(d) If not, why?

4573/'13

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Social Services, Welfare and Livestock Development,—(3)

(a) Will he state the quantity of liquid milk that is required to meet the annual requirement of milk and milk products in Sri Lanka?

(b) Will he also state—

- (i) the amount of money that is charged per kilogram of imported milk powder; and
- (ii) the aforesaid amount as percentage of the price at which the imported milk powder is sold in the local market?

(c) If not, why?

4755/'14

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe,— To ask the Minister of Plantation Industries,—(3)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the total number of coconut estates found in the Kurunegala District;
- (ii) of the coconut production of the Kurunegala District from the year 2005 to 2013 separately in each year; and
- (iii) whether measures will be implemented with a view to increasing the coconut production?

(b) If not, why?

5023/'14

Hon Ajith Mannapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Internal Transport,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the name of the company that carries out the construction works of Gampaha Railway Station; and
 - (ii) the basis on which that company was selected?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the proposed plan for the development of the aforesaid railway station which is being carried out by that company, will be submitted; and
 - (ii) of the expenditure for the aforesaid development tasks?
- (c) If not, why?

5198/'14

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Mass Media and Parliamentary Affairs,—(3)

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) whether the website named Sri Lanka Mirror had been registered at the Ministry of Mass Media and Information;
 - (ii) if so, the date on which it was done;
 - (iii) the amount of the fee charged for the aforesaid registration;
 - (iv) whether the premises used to maintain the aforesaid website which was duly registered, was inspected by the officers of the Department of Criminal Investigation and the computers in the aforesaid premises were taken into their custody; and
 - (v) if so, the date on which it was done?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether the computers that were taken into custody of the Department of Criminal Investigation have been returned to Sri Lanka Mirror following a determination given pertaining to the two fundamental rights cases that were filed at the Supreme Court against the aforesaid conduct of the officers of the Department of Criminal Investigation; and
 - (ii) of the action that can be taken by the Ministry if there are constant break-downs in the provision of internet facilities by service providers to a news website that is registered at the Ministry?
- (c) If not, why?

5416/14

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration, Provincial Councils, Local Government and Democratic Governance and Minister of Buddha Sasana,—(3)

- (a) Will he table in Local Authority level —
 - (i) the number of vehicle parks run by the private sector and the government in the District of Colombo; and
 - (ii) the places in which those vehicle parks are situated?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the methodology for providing the government owned lands to the private sector to run vehicle parks;
 - (ii) the income earned during the period from 2011-2013 by leasing out in that manner;
 - (iii) the fees charged in those vehicle parks for each category of vehicle;
 - (iv) the criteria adopted in deciding the fee; and
 - (v) the methodology adhered to in deciding upon such criteria?
- (c) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the institution responsible for the maintenance of them and the relevant Expenditure Head;
 - (ii) whether there is a methodology for recovering the damages caused to the vehicle parks from the parties who have obtained them; and
 - (iii) if not, what the reasons are?
- (d) Will he also state —
 - (i) the intention of transferring government owned lands to the private sector;
 - (ii) as to why the government does not take the responsibility of running the vehicle parks; and
 - (iii) whether there is a future plan to run public vehicle parks by the government?
- (e) If not, why?

5657/'14

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration, Provincial Councils, Local Government and Democratic Governance and Minister of Buddha Sasana,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of Heads of Department posts out of the posts of Special Grade of the SLAS as indicated in Appendix 'A' to the First Schedule in the Service Minute of Sri Lanka Administrative Service;
 - (ii) the appointing authority of those posts of Special Grade of the SLAS as indicated in the said list;
 - (iii) the procedure adopted in appointing to the posts of Special Grade of the SLAS;
 - (iv) the number of non-SLAS Officers who have already been appointed to the posts of Special Grade of the SLAS; and
 - (v) the number of posts of Special Grade of the SLAS, which fell vacant during the period from 02.07.2012 to 01.01.2014 their designations and the relevant institutions, separately?
- (b) Will he table the names of the officers who have fulfilled all qualifications and called for the interview for the promotion to the Special Grade from Grade I of the SLAS which was held in August, 2014, their dates of appointment to the Grade I SLAS, the effective dates of their Degree, the awarding university and the post graduate discipline of the Degree, separately?

- (c) If not, why?

5857/'15

Hon. Shantha Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Mass Media and Parliamentary Affairs,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) media freedom should prevail in a democratic country; and
 - (ii) journalists in this country are rendering an enormous service to the public?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether there are journalists who have gone missing or gone abroad in the recent past due to pressure being exerted on them;
 - (ii) if so, the names of such journalists; and
 - (iii) whether measures have been taken to trace such journalists or bring them back to the country?
- (c) If not, why?

4088/'13

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Muslim Religious Affairs and Posts,—(4)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether he is aware that a project for networking all the Post Offices located around the island has been launched;
 - (ii) the name of the institution with which an agreement has been signed;
 - (iii) whether a feasibility study was carried out before signing that agreement;
 - (iv) whether action will be taken to submit a copy of the said agreement to this House; and
 - (v) the date on which that agreement was signed?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the sum of money expected to be spent for the project of networking of the Post Offices;
 - (ii) of the duration of the aforesaid project; and
 - (iii) separately, of the number of Post Offices networked in each phase?
- (c) If not, why?

4769/'14

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe,— To ask the Minister of Muslim Religious Affairs and Posts,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of Sub Post Masters employed on permanent basis in the Kurunegala District;
 - (ii) whether the privileges enjoyed by the public servants will be granted to the Sub Post Masters too; and
 - (iii) whether action will be taken to grant an extra allowance to the Sub Post Masters for the duty they carry out on Saturdays?
- (b) If not, why?

5143/'14

Hon Ajith Mannapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration, Provincial Councils, Local Government and Democratic Governance and Minister of Buddha Sasana,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that public servants are unable to obtain their gratuity until a period of one year lapses from their retirement?
- (b) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the reasons for making arrangements to pay the gratuity that was paid through the Department of Pensions through the banks;
 - (ii) the percentage of the gratuity recovered when the pensioner obtains his gratuity through a bank; and
 - (iii) the period within which such recovery is done?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether banks have recovered installments erroneously from pensioners who had not been paid the gratuity; and
 - (ii) if so, the reasons for such action?
- (d) Will he also inform this House of the number who retired under the Public Administration Circular No. 44/90?
- (e) If not, why?

5420/'14

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Agriculture,—(3)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) arrangements have been made to construct a reservoir in extent of 800 acres by erecting an embankment across the river Kumbukkan Oya in Monaragala District;
 - (ii) as a result of constructing this reservoir, the pepper cultivation and the rubber cultivation of the Monaragala District will be severely affected;
 - (iii) as a result, the economic activities of the people in the area will be hampered; and
 - (iv) a massive damage will be caused to the forest and the environment due to the construction of the reservoir?

(14)

- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the intended objectives and targets of this water scheme;
 - (ii) what development is expected to be achieved by constructing the reservoir; and
 - (iii) what amount of money will have to be spent for the scheme?
- (c) If not, why?

4397/'13

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the monthly allowance paid to a trainee receiving training at Colleges of Education;
 - (ii) the date on which the payment of that allowance was commenced; and
 - (iii) the amount paid prior to the introduction of the payment of the said allowance?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the amount of money paid to a trainee of a College of Education during the period of internship;
 - (ii) of the amount paid prior to the introduction of the payment of the said amount;
 - (iii) whether he admits the fact that the amount paid at present is not sufficient in comparison with the current cost of living;
 - (iv) if so, whether arrangements will be made to increase the salary or allowances paid to them at present; and
 - (v) if so, when?
- (c) If not, why?

4772/'14

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe,— To ask the Minister of Internal Transport,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a combined Time Table is to be implemented for the buses of the Sri Lanka Transport Board (SLTB) and private buses;
 - (ii) whether SLTB will be faced with a huge loss due to the aforesaid combined Time Table as the number of buses owned by the SLTB is lesser than the number of private buses; and
 - (iii) if so, whether any action will be taken to prevent the aforesaid loss that will be caused to the SLTB?
- (b) If not, why?

Hon Ajith Mannapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Internal Transport,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of bus depots in which the whole salary was not paid to the employees of Sri Lanka Transport Board (SLTB) for a period of more than two months in this year 2014; and
 - (ii) the names of the aforesaid depot?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of—
 - (i) the time in which the employees of S.L.T.B. who had applied for the gratuity payment were paid it for the last time;
 - (ii) the number of retired S.L.T.B employees who had applied for the gratuity payment by 31st July 2014, but have not been able to obtain it until now;
 - (iii) the amount required to make gratuity payments to them; and
 - (iv) the courses of action adopted to find the aforesaid amount of money?
- (c) If not, why?

Thursday, March 19, 2015

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Tourism and Sports,—(3)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) mass scale gravel digging is done in the Boraluwala area belonging to zone 4 of the Wilpattu National Park in order to obtain gravel required to construct the Mollikulama-Silawatura road; and
 - (ii) the residents of the area allege that this act receives the assistance of the Beat Security Officer of the Tantirimale Beat Forest Office?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether he admits that these acts mentioned in (a) (i) above violates Sections 3, 5 and 6 of the Fauna and Flora Protection Ordinance No. 2 of 1937;
 - (ii) if so, as to who granted recommendations to Maga Engineering (Pvt.) Ltd. to dig gravel in the above area; and
 - (iii) whether steps will be taken forthwith to stop this act which causes grave damage to the environment of the Wilpattu National Park?
- (c) If not, why?

4789/'14

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Policy Planning, Economic Affairs, Child, Youth and Cultural Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of Cultural Centers that have been set up in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) of the number of Cultural Centers that have been set up in the Kurunegala District;
 - (iii) of the methodology adopted in setting up Cultural Centers;
 - (iv) of the amount of the allowance that is paid for the officers in charge of Cultural Centers; and
 - (v) whether there is a move towards the increase of that allowance?
- (b) If not, why?

5337/'14

Hon Ajith Mannapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Internal Transport,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the total number of busses which were fit for running that Sri Lanka Transport Board (S.L.T.B.) possessed in the year 2013; and
 - (ii) the total number of S.L.T.B. buses which were removed from running that they were not fit for running during the aforesaid year?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of private buses which have been deployed for running under the name of S.L.T.B. at present;
 - (ii) the destinations to which the aforesaid buses have been deployed;
 - (iii) the approved methodology which has been adopted to get the aforesaid buses added to the S.L.T.B.; and
 - (iv) the manner in which S.L.T.B. derives income through the aforesaid buses?
- (c) If not, why?

5862/'15

Hon. Shantha Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Highways, Higher Education and Investment Promotion,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the improvement of the road system is a main factor for the development of our country; and
 - (ii) various road development activities took place during the past few years in this country?

- (b) Will he inform this House of the action that will be taken with regard to the road development projects that have been stopped halfway?
- (c) If not, why?

4473/'13

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration, Provincial Councils, Local Government and Democratic Governance and Minister of Buddha Sasana,—(3)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Matara Uyanwatta Stadium is a public stadium that is used to hold district and all-island level sporting events;
 - (ii) a large number of residents of the Matara town use the aforesaid stadium daily for physical fitness activities; and
 - (iii) action is being taken by the Matara Municipal Council to sell the aforesaid stadium to the Sri Lanka Cricket?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he admits that the people of the aforesaid area would face a number of difficulties if the abovementioned stadium is sold to the Sri Lanka Cricket; and
 - (ii) if so, whether action will be taken to stop the process of selling the aforesaid stadium?
- (c) If not, why?

4790/'14

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe,— To ask the Minister of Social Services, Welfare and Livestock Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a methodology is put in place for establishing Village Elders Committees;
 - (ii) the number of Village Elders Committees that have been established so far;
 - (iii) the number of Village Elders Committees established in the Kurunegala District; and
 - (iv) whether allocations and physical resources are provided by the government for those Elders Committees?
- (b) If not, why?

5434/'14

Hon Ajith Mannapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a contract was awarded to Triad Lanka (Pvt) Ltd by the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation, in the year 2014, in order to carry out the publicity campaign pertaining to their products;
 - (ii) if so, the value of the aforesaid contract;
 - (iii) whether the accepted tender procedure was followed in awarding the aforesaid contract to the institution concerned;
 - (iv) if tenders were called, of the institutions that forwarded the bids and the value of the bids concerned;
 - (v) of the officer who called the aforesaid bids and the section of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation where he is employed; and
 - (vi) whether they have got a legal right to perform in Ceylon Petroleum Corporation in the aforesaid manner?
- (b) Will he state of the basis on which the aforesaid company was selected if the contract mentioned in the (a)(i) has been awarded without calling a tender?
- (c) If not, why?

4791/'14

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Policy Planning, Economic Affairs, Child, Youth and Cultural Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he table the number of Early Childhood Development Centers that have been registered in each Divisional Secretariat Division in Kurunegala District, separately?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of wardens in charge of Early Childhood Development Centers in Kurunegala District; and
 - (ii) whether any program is in place to provide allowances to the aforesaid wardens?
- (c) If not, why?

4821/'14

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Tourism and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) separately, of the new constructions and rehabilitation work carried out in relation to Junior Asian Games proposed to be held in Hambantota in the year 2017; and
 - (ii) of the total estimated cost of those constructions and rehabilitation work?

- (b) Will he table separately, the names addresses and telephone numbers of the institutions that submitted bids for the contract for constructions mentioned in (a) (i) above?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the institution that was selected out of the institutions mentioned in (a)(i) above, to carry out the constructions; and
 - (ii) the reasons for selecting that institution?
- (d) If not, why?

5435/'14

Hon Ajith Mannapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of bitumen barrels that has been purchased by the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation from local suppliers for the period from January to June 2014;
 - (ii) the amount of money, spent in purchasing the aforesaid quantity of bitumen;
 - (iii) whether all the barrels of bitumen were in a saleable condition;
 - (iv) if not, the number of bitumen barrels that were in a saleable condition; and
 - (v) the profits earned or the losses incurred by the Ceylon petroleum Corporation by selling the aforesaid bitumen barrels?
 - (b) Will he inform this House of the accepted procedure that was followed in selecting the aforesaid company which supplied bitumen?
 - (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the amount of money due to the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation for the sale of bitumen barrels for the period from January to December 2013; and
 - (ii) separately, the aforesaid amount of money that has to be recovered as per each institution?
 - (d) If not, why?
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Friday, March 20, 2015

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

4792/'14

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe,— To ask the Minister of Highways, Higher Education and Investment Promotion,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this house—
 - (i) of the number of garment factories that existed in the country by the years 1994, 2005 and 2013, separately;
 - (ii) of the number of garment factories that had been set up in Kurunegala District during the period from the year 2005 up to 2013; and
 - (iii) whether the government implements any programme for the welfare of the employees of the garment factories located in the investment promotion zones?
- (b) If not, why?

4822/'14

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Housing and Samurdhi,—(1)

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) whether tenders were called for when the shop spaces and the car-park located at Maligawatte Housing Scheme in Colombo District were provided to be purchased; and
 - (ii) the methodology adopted to provide them, if tenders were not called for?
- (b) Will he table a document containing the names and addresses of those who submitted tender applications and the amounts mentioned in each application, if tenders were called as mentioned above?
- (c) Will he also table—
 - (i) the names and addresses of the current owners of the shop spaces and the car park at Maligawatte Housing Scheme; and
 - (ii) separately, the amount paid by each of the said persons to obtain those shop spaces and the car park?
- (d) If not, why?

5436/'14

Hon Ajith Mannapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the percentage of Sulphur that contains in the diesel that was imported for the storage tanks complex of the Muthurajawela Ceylon Petroleum Storage Terminals Ltd?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) separately, of the sulphur percentage that contains in Lanka Auto diesel and super diesel, that is available for sale in the filling stations of Gampaha District; and
- (ii) of the fuel storage terminal by which Auto diesel and Super diesel is provided for the filling stations of Gampaha District?

(c) If not, why?

5863/'15

Hon. Shantha Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Housing and Samurdhi,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the number of low income families receiving Samurdhi benefits at present;
- (ii) of the value of the benefits given to each such family;
- (iii) whether steps will be taken to increase the amount given as the Samurdhi benefit in 2015; and
- (iv) if so, the amount to be so increased?

(b) If not, why?

4793/'14

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe,— To ask the Minister of Highways, Higher Education and Investment Promotion,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of external graduates and internal graduates out of the total number of graduates registered in the island, separately;
- (ii) the number of students that are enrolled by the government universities in a year;
- (iii) the period of time taken for admission of students to universities from the day since the results of the GCE (A/L) exam were issued;
- (iv) whether he is aware of the fact that the aforesaid period of time has increased up to a period of more than one year by now; and
- (v) the reasons which have caused such a situation?

(b) Will he inform this House whether a programme is implemented for the admission of students to the universities soon after the results of the GCE (A/L) are issued?

(c) If not, why?

4823/'14

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Defence,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) air-conditioned luxury vehicles hired by the Sri Lanka Navy are used for the personal use of the senior officials of the Navy; and
 - (ii) fuel is obtained for those vehicles from the government?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the approval of the Sri Lanka Navy and the Ministry of Defence has been granted for the hired luxury vehicles to be used for the personal use of senior officials;
 - (ii) if not, whether an inquiry has been conducted in relation to the use of such vehicles; and
 - (iii) the outcome of that inquiry?
- (c) If not, why?

5864/'15

Hon. Shantha Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Public Order, Disaster Management and Christian Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the number of Police Stations in the country at present?
 - (b) Is he aware that—
 - (i) there are so many shortcomings in those Police Stations at present; and
 - (ii) the Alawwa Police station too needs to be modernized?
 - (c) Will he state whether a programme will be initiated to modernize those police stations with shortcomings or build them anew?
 - (d) If not, why?
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