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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

409/'18

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House in relation to years 2015 and 2016 separately—
 - (i) of the value of the profits in US dollars that were generated from foreign investments in Sri Lanka and were withdrawn from the country during the aforesaid years;
 - (ii) of the extent of the impact that were caused to the value of the rupee as a result of the withdrawal of the profits in that manner; and
 - (iii) of the benefit that Sri Lanka received through employment opportunities and the other benefits received from each investment?
- (b) If not, why?

470/'19

Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Rural Economic Affairs, Livestock Development, Irrigation and Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the production of liquid milk (cow's milk) in Sri Lanka from 2000 to 2018 in relation to each year separately;
 - (ii) the main districts that contributed to the production of milk during the period above; and
 - (iii) the number of dairy farmers in Sri Lanka at present?
- (b) Will he also inform this House in relation to each year separately—
 - (i) the value of the milk powder imported to Sri Lanka, in U.S. Dollars; and
 - (ii) the taxes levied by the government for milk powder, their reforms and the income earned;from 2000 to 2018?
- (c) If not, why?

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478/'19

Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera,— To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise, Kandyan Heritage and Kandy Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the name of the institution to which the 14500 square feet building situated at No. 320, Darly Road, Colombo 10 belonging to Janatha Estate Development Board has been given on lease;
 - (ii) the period of lease and the lease amount of the aforesaid building ;
 - (iii) whether the lease of the building will be continued yearly upon the new valuation, which is updated every 05 years; and
 - (iv) whether the amounts due from the lessee to Janatha Estate Development Board have been collected as per the agreement?
- (b) If not, why?

481/'19

Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Telecommunication, Foreign Employment and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of all the institutions that sponsored Sri Lanka Cricket during the period from 2012 to 2015;
 - (ii) of the amount of money received for that;
 - (iii) of all the institutions that sponsored Sri Lanka Cricket during the period from 2016 to 2018; and
 - (iv) of the amount of money received for that?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the amount of money contributed by the Sri Lanka Tea Board and the Dialog Company in the form of financial sponsorship for Sri Lanka Cricket during the period from 2013 to 2016;
 - (ii) the financial value of the sponsorship granted by the Dialog Company during the period from 2016 to 2018 and as to whom the rights of the Sri Lanka Tea Board have been sold during the particular period;
 - (iii) the procedure adopted for the said purpose; and
 - (iv) the income generated out of the said transaction?
- (c) If not, why?

(3)

518/'19

Hon. Indika Anuruddha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the total amount of mortgage loans obtained from state banks by Sri Lankan citizens from 01.01.2014 to 01.01.2015;
 - (ii) out of the above, of the amount of loans obtained by pawning Jewellery;
 - (iii) separately of the number of men and women who have obtained loans with a value less than Rs. 200,000 by pawning Jewellery; and
 - (iv) of the amount of loans mentioned in (i) above, as a percentage of the total loans issued during the said time period?
- (b) If not, why?

622/'18

Hon. Shehan Semasinghe,— To ask the Minister of Transport & Civil Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of Depots coming under the Sri Lanka Transport Service located in the District of Anuradhapura ;
 - (ii) of the number of buses belonging to the Anuradhapura Depot ;
 - (iii) out of that, of the number of buses which are in a plying condition?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the buses of the Anuradhapura Depot have run on 21.09.2018;
 - (ii) whether the running charts of the buses which ran on the said date will be submitted;
 - (iii) the income generated on the particular day;
 - (iv) whether buses had been deployed for any other purpose on the same day;
 - (v) if so, what that purpose is and of the number of buses deployed thus; and
 - (vi) of the amount of money that has been paid by the relevant Ministry with pertinence to the said duty, if such payment has been made?
- (c) If not, why?

(4)

627/'18

Hon. T. Ranjith De Zoysa,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of Sri Lankans serving in Cyprus by now;
 - (ii) whether the government has decided to establish a consulate or an embassy representing the government of Sri Lanka accordingly;
 - (iii) if so, the total expenditure government will have to bear in that regard, after establishing such office;
 - (iv) whether the government of Sri Lanka will receive special benefits as a result of such action; and
 - (v) if so, what those benefits are?
- (b) If not, why?

681/'18

Hon. Kanaka Herath,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of aeroplanes of Sri Lanka Airlines; and
 - (ii) separately, of the period for which aforesaid each aeroplane has been used?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) separately, of the period for which the aeroplanes that were returned to the respective Airlines at the completion of lease agreements had been used;
 - (ii) whether the aeroplanes older than the ones which were returned are still being used by Sri Lankan Airlines under lease agreements;
 - (iii) if so, of the reasons for retaining older aeroplanes this long; and
 - (iv) of the criteria adopted in such retention?
- (c) If not, why?

Tuesday, April 02, 2019

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

5/'18

Hon. Heshan Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Housing, Construction and Cultural Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the total number of Udagam Housing Projects that were commenced during the period from 2010 to 2015;
 - (ii) of the methodology that was adopted in selecting the recipients of houses of those housing projects;

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- (iii) of the total number of persons to whom relief has been received through those projects as beneficiaries; and
- (iv) whether he will admit that taking necessary action through National Housing Development Authority to provide adequate assistance to the homeless people of the country has been neglected?

(b) If not, why?

117/'18

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Buddhasasana & Wayamba Development,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the number of institutions and individuals authorized to organize pilgrimages to Dambadiwa;
- (ii) of the names, addresses and telephone numbers of the aforesaid institutions and individuals;
- (iii) of the number of persons who passed away during the pilgrimages to Dambadiwa from the year 2010 to date;
- (iv) of the names and addresses of persons who passed away;
- (v) of the institutions that took them to Dambadiwa; and
- (vi) of the steps that have been taken by the Ministry for the welfare of the families of the persons thus passed away?

(b) If not, why?

410/'18

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,— To ask the Minister of Power, Energy and Business Development,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House,—

- (i) whether the Standing Cabinet Appointed Procurement (SCAP) Committee overruled the decision of Technical Evaluation Committee (TEC) and requested the TEC to re-evaluate two bidders who were rejected in the first instance for the installation of 50 containerized generators;
- (ii) whether the TEC for the second time in their report dated 12.07.2017 recommended the Senok Trade Combine Pvt. Ltd., being the most suited and responsive lowest bidder;
- (iii) whether the SCAPC overruled the TEC and awarded the tender to Sterling & Wilson of India on 31.07.2017 through a cabinet approval;

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- (iv) whether the Senok Trade Combine (Pvt) Ltd. made an appeal to the Procurement Appeal Board (PAB), at the Presidential Secretariat; and
 - (v) of the reason the Ministry and PAB requested the TEC to reconsider bidding of Sterling Wilson and the Korean firm considering zero cost of installation while Senok Ltd has already included installation within their tender?
- (b) If not, why?

479 /'19

Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera,— To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise, Kandyan Heritage and Kandy Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the production of tea leaves in Hanthana Estate, which belongs to Janatha Estate Development Board, in each year during the period from the year 2015 up to 2018, separately;
 - (ii) the amount of money received annually by selling the aforesaid products, separately;
 - (iii) whether the total amount of money which should have been received by Janatha Estate Development Board as at 30.06.2018 has been collected; and
 - (iv) if not, the outstanding amount?
- (b) If not, why?

675/'19

Hon. Anura Sidney Jayarathne,— To ask the Minister of Tourism Development, Wildlife and Christian Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) there is a national target in relation to tourism industry for drawing 2.5 million tourists per year; and
 - (ii) most of the tourists that arrive in Sri Lanka prefer to visit the coastal areas?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) if so, of the steps that have been taken by the Ministry with regard to tourism industry;
 - (ii) of the names of the tourist beach zones that have been identified along the coastal areas of Sri Lanka;
 - (iii) of the manner in which those tourist beach zones will be established expeditiously; and
 - (iv) of the measures that should be taken in that regard?

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- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the amount of money that will be spent on developing a tourist beach zone in this manner; and
 - (ii) of the time that is needed for a beach area to obtain a certificate of recommendation as a tourist beach zone?
- (d) If not, why?

755/'19

Hon. Anura Priyadharshana Yapa,— To ask the Minister of Primary Industries and Social Empowerment,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the amount of pepper exported to India from Sri Lanka during the period from the year 2010 up to the year 2018, separately;
 - (ii) the official who has been vested with authority to issue licences for exporting pepper to India;
 - (iii) whether pepper is imported to Sri Lanka; and
 - (iv) if so, the name of the official who granted licences to import pepper along with the names of importers?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the annual pepper production in Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) the maximum price of pepper in the world market in each year during the period from the year 2010 up to the year 2018, separately?
- (c) If not, why?

757/'19

Hon. Roshan Ranasinghe,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development, Vocational Training & Skills Development and Youth Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the volume of sand issued from the Manampitiya boat landing stage via the GSMB Technical Services (pvt) Ltd. during the period from 01.01.2019 to 31.01.2019; and
 - (ii) the manner in which priority (issuing of tokens) is given when issuing sand via the GSMB on a daily basis?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) the revenue received by the government on daily and monthly basis for the Manampitiya boat landing stage from the GSMB;
 - (ii) separately, the total revenue received by the government according to each year via the GSMB from year 2013 to 2018; and
 - (iii) the account to which the revenue is credited to?
- (c) If not, why ?

770/'19

Hon. Shantha Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Internal & Home Affairs and Provincial Councils & Local Government,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of Provincial Councils in Sri Lanka dissolved at the end of their tenure;
 - (ii) separately, of the period of time lapsed since the dissolution of relevant Provincial Councils by now;
 - (iii) separately, of the tenure remaining for the rest of the Provincial Councils apart from the dissolved provincial Councils by now; and
 - (iv) whether measures will be taken to activate the dissolved Provincial Councils by holding elections?
- (b) If not, why?

Wednesday, April 03, 2019

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

663/'18

Hon. Douglas Devananda,— To ask the Minister of Power, Energy and Enterprise Development,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) around 43,818 families live in Kilinochchi District at present;
 - (ii) 4,039 of such families have not been provided with electricity connections so far after resettlement?
- (b) Will he inform the House—
 - (i) whether measures will be taken expeditiously to give electricity connections to these families;
 - (ii) if so, on which date it will be done; and
 - (iii) if not, for what reasons?
- (c) If not, why?

247/'18

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,— To ask the Minister of Housing, Construction and Cultural Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of archaeological sites that have been identified in Mahiyanganaya Divisional Secretariat Division in Badulla district, along with their names;
 - (ii) whether there are any archaeological sites in the aforesaid division, which have been identified but excavations have not been done in them;

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- (iii) if so, the aforesaid archaeological sites;
 - (iv) the number of Rajamaha Viharas in the aforesaid division, which have an archaeological value; whether a report of them will be submitted; and
 - (v) whether a detailed report of the allocations made for the conservation activities of the aforesaid archaeological sites will be submitted?
- (b) If not, why?

452/'19

Hon. Chandima Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) the Padaviya district hospital, villages, temples and community hall are situated in the area from Padaviya town to Kahatagollewa (Area to the left of the main road) although it had been gazetted as a sanctuary;
 - (ii) the people have been living in that area from year 1957;
 - (iii) several residents even possess land permits;
 - (iv) declaration of the area as a wildlife zone has become an obstacle when others attempt to obtain land permits;
 - (v) the persons who have been residing in the Padaviya town for so many years are facing immense difficulties owing to this situation?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether measures will be taken to provide land permits to the persons who are living in those lands without land permits;
 - (ii) if so, the date?
- (c) If not, why?

482/'19

Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Telecommunication, Foreign Employment and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether it is admitted that the telecasting rights/sponsorship payments related to the Nidahas Trophy Cricket Tournament of 2018 were arranged via a third party outside the Sri Lanka Cricket;
 - (ii) if so, of the commission received by them;
 - (iii) of the persons who authorized the said activity which enabled a third party to receive the relevant funds which could have otherwise been deserved by the Sri Lanka Cricket ;
 - (iv) of the steps that will be taken against the persons who implemented the aforesaid erroneous decision?
- (b) If not, why?

540/'19

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development, Vocational Training & Skills Development and Youth Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Air Vice Marshall K. T. B. G. Jayampathi of Sri Lanka Air force, having obtained a permit on 08.01.2008 for the import of a car on concessionary basis had got his vehicle released from the Customs;
 - (ii) though the said officer can obtain another car on concessionary basis only after five years, having submitted an application again for the import of a car on concessionary basis on 14.01.2011 with the recommendation of the then commander of the Air force and the Secretary to the Ministry of Defence, he had obtained the relevant permit on 07.06.2011 and imported a motor car; and
 - (iii) he has thus violated the provisions of circulars?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the legal action constituted against this officer; and
 - (ii) the legal action constituted against the then Secretary to the Ministry of Defence and the commander of the Air force for issuing recommendations for the import of a motor car under the concessionary basis in breach of the regulations of the relevant circulars?
- (c) If not, why?

593/'19

Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardane,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the nature of crises that Share Market brokers were faced with as stated in budget proposal No. 288 of the 2016 budget;
 - (ii) of the manner in which the government made its interventions in order to resolve the aforesaid crises;
 - (iii) whether data will be presented to this House in the form of a table pertaining to the number of brokers operating in the Sri Lankan Share Market during the period from year 2014 to 2016, their regional distribution and the amount of broker transactions that had taken place during that period; and
 - (iv) of the names of the share market brokers who joined together during year 2016?
- (b) If not, why?

623/'18

Hon. Shehan Semasinghe,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development, Vocational Training & Skills Development and Youth Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of vehicles in running condition in the Sri Lanka Police;
 - (ii) separately, the brand and the police station to which such vehicles belong; and
 - (iii) the number of vehicles suitable for running at present?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) the number of vehicles purchased by the Sri Lanka Police from the year 2000 up to September 2018;
 - (ii) the institutions from which the said vehicles were purchased;
 - (iii) the vehicles purchased from the said institutions;
 - (iv) whether loan facilities have been granted for that purpose; and
 - (v) if so, the institutions which have extended loan facilities?
- (c) If not, why?

682/ '18

Hon. Kanaka Herath,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether an aeroplane leased out by Sri Lankan Airlines had been sublet to another Airline by the Sri Lankan Airlines itself;
 - (ii) of the monthly lease rental paid by Sri Lankan Airlines to the Leasing Company from which the aeroplane was leased out;
 - (iii) of the monthly lease rental paid to the Sri Lankan Airlines by the Airline for which the aeroplane was sublet;
 - (iv) whether the aforesaid aeroplane has been included in the Aero Operation License and Civil Aviation Registry;
 - (v) of the registration number of aforesaid aeroplane if there is any such registration number?
 - (b) If not, why?
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Thursday, April 04, 2019

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

8/'18

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development, Vocational Training & Skills Development and Youth Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of families that obtain water from the Chandrikawewa of Embilipitiya for drinking and agricultural purposes;
 - (ii) whether he is aware that the environment is polluted extensively when refuse from the Embilipitiya weekly fair is mixed in the Chandrikawewa; and
 - (iii) if so, of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to minimize this situation?
- (b) If not, why?

120/'18

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Internal & Home Affairs and Provincial Councils & Local Government,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the year in which the public conference hall in Mahiyangana was constructed;
 - (ii) whether he knows that a number of shortcomings are prevalent in the aforesaid public conference hall at present;
 - (iii) if so, the aforesaid shortcomings; and
 - (iv) the steps taken by the Ministry to minimize the aforesaid shortcomings?
- (b) If not, why?

221/'18

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayatissa,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development, Vocational Training & Skills Development and Youth Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately of the number of medical officers serving in Sri Lanka Army, Sri Lanka Navy and Sri Lanka Air Force; and
 - (ii) separately in terms of each force the names of those medical officers and their numbers of registration with Sri Lanka Medical Council?
- (b) If not, why?

326/'18

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development, Vocational Training & Skills Development and Youth Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that the Medawachchiya Police Station, which serves a vast precinct, is housed in a building old beyond its years;
 - (ii) whether he has taken any step towards renovating or replacing the building concerned; and
 - (iii) if so, the date on which it will be put into practice?
- (b) If not, why?

397/'18

Hon. S. C. Mutukumarana,— To ask the Minister of Internal & Home Affairs and Provincial Councils & Local Government,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of kilometers of rural roads carpeted from year 2010 to year 2017 in the North Central Province separately in respect of each year;
 - (ii) whether those roads are maintained by the central government or the provincial council;
 - (iii) whether he admits that due to the edge of the road being damaged, such roads become dilapidated soon;
 - (iv) whether money is allocated annually for the relevant institutions for maintenance purposes; and
 - (v) whether it is monitored that money so allocated is used for the maintenance of the said roads?
- (b) If not, why?

550/'19

Hon. S. Shriritharan,— To ask the Minister of Telecommunication, Foreign Employment and Sports,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether there are twenty five Cricket Associations in the twenty five districts in the island ;
 - (ii) the reasons for approval has not been granted for the establishment of the cricket association in Kilinochchi district yet;
 - (iii) the reason for the Kilinochchi district cricket association has not been registered in the Sri Lanka Cricket yet though applications have been submitted for it several times; and
 - (iv) the assistance granted by your Ministry to the Kilinochchi district cricket association after the year 2010?
- (b) If not, why?

835/'19

Hon. K. Kader Masthan,— To ask the Minister of Highways & Road Development and Petroleum Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the internal road from Veppamkulam to Silawathura belonging to the Musali Pradeshiya Sabha of Mannar District was constructed by the Ministry of Resettlement and Disaster Relief in the year 2010?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the dates on which the construction activities of the said road were commenced and concluded;
 - (ii) the length of the road;
 - (iii) the villages that lie across this road;
 - (iv) the institution to which the contract was awarded;
 - (v) the owners (shareholders) of that institution at the time;
 - (vi) the amount allocated for that purpose; and
 - (vii) whether the said road is being used now?
- (c) If not, why?

859/'19

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration & Disaster Management,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) the rent allowance has not been received from December 2017 for any family including the families whose houses were destroyed in the landslide occurred in Karandana area, Ehaliyagoda, the families whose houses were destroyed in landslides occurred in other divisions of the Ehaliyagoda Division and the families residing in the high risk zone; and
 - (ii) on being inquired, the Ehaliyagoda Divisional Secretariat Division has stated that it had not received provisions required for the payment of the housing rent allowance?
 - (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the provisions required for the payment of arrears of the housing rent allowance will be provided to the Ehaliyagoda Divisional Secretary; and
 - (ii) if so, the date on which it will be done?
 - (c) If not, why?
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Friday, April 05, 2019

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

11/'18

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Power, Energy and Business Development,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether action was taken to distribute 10 million LED bulbs among power consumers;
 - (ii) if so, the cost of that project;
 - (iii) whether he admits that taking action to recover the cost of the said project from consumers is unfair;
 - (iv) of the institution that monitored the said project; and
 - (v) whether he admits that the said project was a failure?
- (b) If not, why?

121/'18

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Internal & Home Affairs and Provincial Councils & Local Government,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Agricultural farms managed by the Agricultural Department of Uva Province;
 - (ii) the names and the addresses of the aforesaid farms;
 - (iii) the names and the addresses of the labourers that work in each of the aforesaid farms;
 - (iv) the number of labourers that have been confirmed in their service by now out of the group of labourers mentioned above; and
 - (v) whether the Ministry will take steps to confirm the other labourers in their service as well?
- (b) If not, why?

546/'19

Hon. S. Shritharan,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of schools located in the islet of Eluvaithiv in the peninsula zone of the Jaffna district;
 - (ii) the last grade in which the students preparing for the G.C.E. (Ordinary Level) examination of Sarawanabawa School located in the said islet sit the term test;

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- (iii) the school in which these students sit the G.C.E. (Ordinary Level) examination now; and
- (iv) the obstacles in conducting the G.C.E. (Ordinary Level) examination at Eluvaithiv?

(b) If not, why?

541/'19

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration & Disaster Management,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) motorcycles were provided to police officers at a concessionary price of Rs 150,000/- a few years ago;
- (ii) no conditions were imposed in providing those motorcycles;
- (iii) nonetheless, almost all retired police officers who obtained motorcycles have been pressured to pay a sum between Rs 150,000-200,000;
- (iv) they have been informed by their places of work that the payment of pensions would not commence until the settlement of the said amount; and
- (v) a large number of police officers are in a state of despair over a long period of time due to the non-receipt of their pensions?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether a programme will be drawn up without delay to pay pensions to these officers; and
- (ii) if so, the date on which it will be done?

(c) If not, why?

690/'19

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development, Vocational Training & Skills Development and Youth Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House in regard to the explosion of the armory of the Army in Salawa, Kosgama in the year 2016—

- (i) the number of persons who lost their lives;
- (ii) the number of persons who became disabled;
- (iii) the total amount of compensation paid by the government to the persons who were affected by the explosion;
- (iv) the amount of compensation paid by the government on behalf of a person who lost his life;

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- (v) the maximum and minimum amount of compensation paid for the houses that were affected by the explosion;
 - (vi) whether permanent houses will be provided to all those who were displaced; and
 - (vii) the nearest date on which a permanent house was provided to a family that was displaced?
- (b) If not, why?

758/19

Hon Susantha Punchinilame,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Rural Economic Affairs, Livestock Development, Irrigation and Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House –
- (i) whether a copy of the rental / lease agreement for the D.P.J. Towers at No. 288, Rajagiriya, where the Ministry of Agriculture is operating at will be presented to this House;
 - (ii) of the date of commencement and the date of completion of the monthly rental/lease of that building in terms of the aforesaid agreement;
 - (iii) of the extent of the period during which the building had not been utilized after it had been obtained on rent/lease basis; and
 - (iv) whether payments had been made for that period as well?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
- (i) of the bid prices that had been submitted for the aforesaid building if a proper tender procedure had been followed in obtaining that building;
 - (ii) if a Cabinet approval had been granted for renting that building, whether a copy of the Cabinet approval will be presented; and
 - (iii) of the nature of the response that was received for the request that had been made to Parliament for obtaining back to the Ministry Govijana Mandiraya at which the Ministry used to operate?
- (c) If not, why?

826/'19

Hon. S. Viyalenderan,— To ask the Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the steps taken by the Commission against the illegal acquisition of a land belonging to the Land Reform Commission (LRC) in the Punnakuda area of the Batticaloa District;
 - (ii) of the steps taken by the Commission regarding the land which should come under the Land Reform Commission (LRC) in Batticaloa District as per the Land (Restriction on Alienation) Act.;
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the steps taken by the Land Reform Commission against the illegal activities related to LRC lands, as per the inquiry made by the District Secretary through the letter No. ADMGC (MN) 3/7 dated 16.05.2016?
- (c) Will he further inform this House —
 - (i) of the steps taken with regard to the Commission report which was appointed under No. mada/75/76/77 dated 26.09.2016
 - (ii) of the steps taken by the Chairman of the LRC regarding the Investigation Committee Report No. CH/LRC/01 dated 10.08.2017 which was appointed as per the instructions of the Prime Minister?
- (d) Will he take steps to submit the reports referred to in (c) above to this House?
- (e) If not, why?

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Hon Douglas Devananda,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement and Rehabilitation, Northern Province Development, Vocational Training and Skills Development and Youth Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) 330 houses had been allocated by the then Ministry of Resettlements, Rehabilitation and Northern Development for the Settikulam Divisional Secretariat Division in the Vavuniya District;
 - (ii) 40 beneficiaries from the five villages, namely Neriyaikulam, Illuppeikulam, Veppankulam, Alagapuri and Adampankulam belonging to Neriyaikulam Grama Niladhari Division in Vavuniya had been selected accordingly; and
 - (iii) according to the present situation, only 150 houses have been allocated for the Settikulam Divisional Secretariat Division instead of the 330 houses that had been allocated earlier, and therefore, the 40 beneficiaries that had been selected from the Neriyaikulam Grama Niladhari Division had lost houses?

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- (b) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the factors that hinder the provision of 330 houses for Settikulam Divisional Secretariat Division as it had been allocated earlier;
 - (ii) of the steps that can be taken to fulfill the housing requirement of the 40 persons that had been selected earlier from Neriyaikulam Grama Niladhari Division; and
 - (iii) of the date on which houses will be allocated to them?
- (c) If not, why?
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