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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

114/2020

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House, of the number of villages in Kurunegala district and their names, separately—
 - (i) which experience drinking water problem; and
 - (ii) which suffer from the lack of water for cultivation?
- (b) Will he also inform this House, of the number of families live in each such village?
- (c) Will he further inform this House as to what measures will be taken to address the drinking water problem in Kurunegala district?
- (d) If not, why?

118/2020

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House in respect of obtaining water for the first phase of the Bingiriya Export Processing Zone—
 - (i) of the estimated amount of money;
 - (ii) whether the contract has already been awarded;
 - (iii) if so, the date on which the contract was awarded;
 - (iv) of the time, will take; and
 - (v) whether the construction has begun?
- (b) If not, why?

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124/2020

Hon. Charles Nirmalanathan,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) fishing is one of the occupations of the people living in the districts of Mannar, Killinochchi, Mullativu, Jaffna in Northern Province;
 - (ii) thousands of families depend on it;
 - (iii) a situation has occurred in which these fishermen have not been able to sail for fishing for a long period of time due to Indian Trawlers; and
 - (iv) Indian vessels cause destruction to the Sri Lankan fishing vessels that sail from the aforesaid areas?
- (b) If so, will he inform this House whether necessary action will be taken to stop the poaching by Indian trawlers and enable our fishermen to engage in fishing activities as usual?
- (c) Is he aware that—
 - (i) many fishermen of Southern areas come to Mullaitivu district and engage in fishing activities having stayed there; and
 - (ii) obstacles are caused to the fishermen in Mullaitivu district in engaging in their fishing activities as a result of it?
- (d) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to stop the fishermen of the Southern areas from engaging in fishing activities in the aforesaid areas; and
 - (ii) If so, of the aforesaid steps?
- (e) If not, why?

156/2020

Hon. S. M. Marikkar,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a project has been proposed surrounding the Kelani river valley to minimize the risk of floods experienced by Kaduwela area;
 - (ii) if so, the project is; and
 - (iii) if such a project has not been proposed yet, the future measures that will be taken to minimize the risk of floods experienced by Kaduwela area are?
- (b) If not, why?

180/2020

Hon. Sivagnanam Sritharan,— To ask the Minister of Trade,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the commercial building of Lanka Sathosa Ltd. situated at the centre of the Killinochchi town has been constructed without obtaining proper approval?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the institution which owns the land in which the aforesaid building is situated;
 - (ii) whether the land in which the aforesaid building is situated has been leased out; and
 - (iii) the current owner of the aforesaid building?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the approval for the construction has been obtained from Karachchi Pradeshhiya Saba following the proper methodology;
 - (ii) the details in regard to calling quotations if the construction was done with public spending; and
 - (iii) the cost incurred for the construction?
- (d) If not, why?

204/2020

Hon. Mujibur Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Is she aware that—
 - (i) there are thousands of patients on the waiting list of the government hospitals for heart surgeries, for years; and
 - (ii) millions of rupees are being spent to private hospitals in Sri Lanka and abroad for the surgeries?
- (b) If so, will she inform this House—
 - (i) how many heart related diseases reported in Sri Lanka in last five years;
 - (ii) how many patients have registered for heart surgeries in government hospitals for last five years; and
 - (iii) from those registered patients, how many surgeries were carried out annually in last five years?
- (c) Will she also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the government is satisfied with the present practice; and
 - (ii) what are the key observations and recommendations made for further improvement of this situation?
- (d) If not, why?

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208/2020

Hon. Mohomad Muzammil,— To ask the Minister of Trade, — (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House, pertaining to each of the years during the period from 2015 to 2019, of
 - (i) the quantity of fish imported into Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the amount of money it cost;
 - (iii) the countries from which the fish was imported; and
 - (iv) the names of the companies which imported the fish?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the total expenditure of importing fish into Sri Lanka during the period concerned?
- (c) If not, why?

247/ 2020

Hon. Velu Kumar,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the National Housing Development Authority had Launched “Village Reawakening Housing program” at “Hanthana Waththa” of Kandy that falls under the purview of Janatha Estate Development Board?
 - (b) Will he inform this House, separately—
 - (i) the number of each Village Reawakening Housing programme, commenced on the above Estate under the said programme; and
 - (ii) the number of houses each Village Reawakening Housing programme consists of?
 - (c) Will he also inform this House, separately—
 - (i) the amount of money promised to each recipient of houses for constructing a house;
 - (ii) the loan portion out of the total amount of money that has been made available;
 - (iii) the donation portion out of the total amount of money that has been made available; and
 - (iv) the amount of money that has been made available up to now?
 - (d) Will he also inform this House whether steps will be taken to complete this project by making the balance amount of money available to each recipient of houses?
 - (e) If not, why?
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Wednesday, September 23, 2020
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

115/2020

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— To ask the Minister of Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of industrial estates in Kurunegala district;
 - (ii) of their names;
 - (iii) separately, the number of factories in each such industrial estate;
 - (iv) separately, the total number of employees employed in each such industrial estate; and
 - (v) of the measures to be taken by the Ministry to further strengthen industrial estates in Kurunegala district?
- (b) If not, why?

119/2020

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether compensation is paid for the properties that are damaged at, or acquired for, the construction of the access route of the Bingiriya Export Processing Zone;
 - (ii) if so, the number of recipients of such compensation;
 - (iii) the amount of compensation estimated for that purpose;
 - (iv) whether the Board of Investment of Sri Lanka has disbursed allocations to the Udubaddawa Divisional Secretary to make payments in this regard, by now;
 - (v) if so, the amount of money so disbursed; and
 - (vi) the date on which such allocations were disbursed?
- (b) If not, why?

125/2020

Hon. Charles Nirmalanathan— To ask the Minister of Youth & Sports,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) a location has been selected and plans have been made to construct the Mullaitivu District Stadium; and
 - (ii) the construction work has not hitherto been commenced?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the date on which the construction work of the aforesaid stadium will be commenced?
- (c) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the work of the Mannar District Stadium had been suspended since a period of 2 years after having completed more than 50% of its construction; and
 - (ii) in spite of the completion of the phase 1 construction work of the Public Stadium which is under construction in the Emil Nagar area of the Mannar city limit, the phase 2 work has not hitherto been commenced?
- (d) if so, will he inform this House of the date on which the second phase construction work of the above stadium will be commenced?
- (e) If not, why?

157/2020

Hon. S. M. Marikkar,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) certain areas in Kolonnawa divisional secretariat are flooded even when showers are experienced for few hours;
 - (ii) day to day activities of the people are disrupted when roads are submerged;
 - (iii) not having a proper mechanism for rain water to recede is the main reason for this situation; and
 - (iv) the previous government had given its approval to develop 25 culverts as a solution for this matter and work on five culverts had been completed under the previous administration?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the government has any programme to develop the remaining culverts out of the 25 culverts above; and
 - (ii) if so, the said programme is?
- (c) If not, why?

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342/2020

Hon. Chandima Weerakkody,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) an open competitive examination was held for recruitment of Audit Examiners to Grade II of the Audit Examiners' Service – 2018 as per a notice published in the Government Gazette dated 11.05.2018;
 - (ii) the said competitive examination was held at several examination centres on 14th, 20th and 21st of October 2018;
 - (iii) the results of that competitive examination have not been released up to now; and
 - (iv) over 2 years have lapsed since the holding of the said competitive examination?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to release the results of the said examination speedily; and
 - (ii) whether appointments will be granted speedily to the candidates who qualified, subsequent to the release of the results in the said manner?
- (c) If not, why?

205/2020

Hon. Mujibur Rahuman,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that Mr. Ramzy Razik of Katugastota, Kandy who had made a complaint on life threat faced by him to Inspector General of Police through e-mail in the morning of 09.04.2020, has been arrested by Criminal Investigation Department on the same day evening, without an arrest order?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) why Mr. Ramzy Razik has been arrested and remanded since 09th of April, 2020 up to now;
 - (ii) how he has been arrested;
 - (iii) were there any complaint against him;
 - (iv) if so, who has made the complaint;
 - (v) has he committed any offense; and
 - (vi) if so, what are those offenses?

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- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether any other person have been arrested on similar type of offences since 2010 in Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) whether the government is satisfied with applying law for all in equal manner?
- (d) If not, why?

209/2020

Hon. Mohomad Muzammil,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing, — (1)

- (a) Will he inform the House, pertaining to each of the years during the period from 2015 to 2019, of
 - (i) the quantity of paper imported into Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the amount of money it cost;
 - (iii) the countries from which the paper was imported; and
 - (iv) the names of the companies which imported the paper?
- (b) Will he also inform the House of the total expenditure of importing paper into Sri Lanka during the period concerned?
- (c) If not, why?

248/2020

Hon. Velu Kumar,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the National Housing Development Authority has commenced the 'Village reawakening Housing Programme' in the Levaland Estate that belong to the Janatha Estate Development Board in the Doluwa Divisional Secretary's Division in Kandy district?
- (b) Will he inform this House, separately,
 - (i) the number of each Village Reawakening Housing programme, commenced on the above Estate under the said programme; and
 - (ii) the number of houses each Village Reawakening Housing programme consists of?
- (c) Will he also inform this house, separately—
 - (i) the amount of money promised to each recipient of houses for constructing a house;
 - (ii) the loan portion out of the total amount of money that has been made available;

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- (iii) the donation portion out of the total amount of money that has been made available; and
- (iv) the amount of money that has been made available up to now?
- (d) Will he also inform this House whether steps will be taken to complete this project by making the balance amount of money available to each recipient of houses?
- (e) If not, why?

54/2020

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Highways,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately, the length of the roads in kilo meters in Badulla district that belong to the Ministry of Highways, Uva Provincial Council and the relevant Local Authorities;
 - (ii) the names of the dilapidated roads out of those roads;
 - (iii) the length of the dilapidated roads in kilo meters; and
 - (iv) the courses of action that will be taken to repair the dilapidated roads forthwith?
- (b) If not, why?

97/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a plan to connect Sri Lanka to the network of highways of India has been developed by the government;
 - (ii) if so, the date on which it will be implemented;
 - (iii) of the amount expected to be spent in that regard by the government of Sri Lanka; and
 - (iv) of the benefits expected to be gained by Sri Lanka through that project?
 - (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether an expert study on undesirable cultural and social transitions that could happen as a result of this project has been conducted; and
 - (ii) if so, what the recommendations of that study are; and
 - (iii) if not, whether such a study would be conducted?
 - (c) If not, why?
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Thursday, September 24, 2020
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

116/2020

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of depots of the Sri Lanka Transport Board located in Kurunegala district;
 - (ii) of the names of those depots;
 - (iii) separately, the number of buses in running condition in each of the said depots;
 - (iv) separately, the number of vacancies in each of the said depots; and
 - (v) of the measures to be taken by the Ministry to improve the bus fleets and the human resource of the depots of the Sri Lanka Transport Board located in the Kurunegala district?
- (b) If not, why?

120/2020

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the institution to which, the contract of the project of developing the access route of the Bingiriya Export Processing Zone, has been awarded;
 - (ii) of the methodology through which that contract has been awarded to the above institution;
 - (iii) of the amount of the contract for that; and
 - (iv) of the period of time granted to complete the contract?
- (b) If not, why?

126/2020

Hon. Charles Nirmalanathan,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the reconstruction work of the Nanjundankulam tank, which is one among the major tanks belonging to the Pudukuduirippu Divisional Secretariat Division of Mullaitivu District, was not carried out as a result of the heavy and continuous rains, in spite of the financial allocation of Rs. 40 million made by the former government after granting approval to the above reconstruction;

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- (ii) a large number of paddy fields and lands get water from this tank and the rural people are dependent on this tank for their livelihoods; and
 - (iii) although the required approval has been granted to the State Timber Corporation to remove the unnecessary trees that grow along the dam of the Nanjundankulam tank, it has not materialized owing to the dilapidated state of the road used for transportation?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) if so, of the date on which financial allocations will be made for the reconstruction of the Nanjundankulam tank; and
 - (ii) of the date on which the work related to the reconstruction of the above tank will be commenced after having repaired the access road?
- (c) If not, why?

158/ 2020

Hon. S. M. Marikkar,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the construction of five pumping stations was initiated some time ago, in order to minimize the flood threat that poses on Kolonnawa Divisional Secretariat area?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the amount of money allocated for construction of aforesaid five pumping stations;
 - (ii) separately, of the extent of the construction work completed in relation to each pumping station with the money so allocated;
 - (iii) of the number of pumping stations that have been fully completed out of the proposed five pumping stations of this project; and
 - (iv) separately, of the due dates of completion with regard to each pumping station that has not been completed?
- (c) If not, why?

343/2020

Hon. Mayantha Dissanayake,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the total extent of land under paddy cultivation in Sri Lanka by now;
 - (ii) the extent of paddy lands out of that total extent?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) the extent of barren paddy fields in Sri Lanka at present;
 - (ii) whether there is a plan to cultivate those barren lands; and
 - (iii) whether there is a proper supply of seeds and fertilizer required for that purpose?
- (c) Will he further inform this House—
 - (i) whether it has been planned to provide necessary machinery needed for cultivation at subsidized prices; and
 - (ii) whether an attractive plan is being implemented to fill the lacuna in the labour force that has been created due to the lack of interest shown by the young people towards agriculture?
- (d) If not why?

210/2020

Hon. Mohomad Muzammil,— To ask the Minister of Trade,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House, pertaining to each of the years during the period from 2015 to 2019, of—
 - (i) the volume of sugar imported into Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the amount of money it cost;
 - (iii) the countries from which the sugar was imported; and
 - (iv) the names of the companies which imported the sugar?
- (b) Will he also inform the House of the total expenditure of importing sugar into Sri Lanka during the period concerned?
- (c) If not, why?

249/2020

Hon. Velu Kumar,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that “Uda Gammana Housing Programme” has been commenced by the National Housing Development Authority in the Kelebokka Estate, which belongs to the State Plantation Corporation and is located in the Panwila Divisional Secretary’s Division in the Kandy District?

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- (b) Will he inform this House, separately—
 - (i) the number of each Village Reawakening Housing programme, commenced on the above Estate under the said programme; and
 - (ii) the number of houses each Village Reawakening Housing programme consists of?
- (c) Will he also inform this House, separately—
 - (i) the amount of money promised to each recipient of houses for constructing a house;
 - (ii) the loan portion out of the total amount of money that has been made available;
 - (iii) the donation portion out of the total amount of money that has been made available; and
 - (iv) the amount of money that has been made available up to now?
- (d) Will he also inform this House whether steps will be taken to complete this project by making the balance amount of money available to each recipient of houses?
- (e) If not, why?

55/2020

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of villages in Badulla district that potable water difficulties prevail;
 - (ii) the names of those villages; and
 - (iii) the courses of action that will be taken to solve the potable water problems in those villages?
- (b) If not, why?

98/2020

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

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the climate of Sri Lanka is affected as a result of global climate change; and
 - (ii) it directly impacts economic, social, cultural and other aspects of Sri Lanka?

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- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether the government has taken steps to conduct a study by experts regarding the manner in which trends in global climate change affect Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) if so, what the recommendations of that study are;
 - (iii) if not, whether a committee of experts will be appointed to conduct such a study; and
 - (iv) if so, the date on which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

122/2020

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the number of coconut trees that were removed when developing the infrastructure facilities of the Bingiriya Export Processing Zone;
 - (ii) the parties to whom the aforesaid coconut trees were given when they were removed;
 - (iii) the methodology followed for it;
 - (iv) the price given for one coconut tree; and
 - (v) the institution whose custody the money earned through it is kept?
- (b) If not, why?

Friday, September 25, 2020

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

117/2020

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— To ask the Minister of Youth & Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the address of each officer and salary, allowances and other privileges paid monthly to each officer served/ serving in Sri Lanka Cricket from the year 2015 up to now?
- (b) Will he admit that they have failed to uplift the game of cricket in Sri Lanka during their period in relation to the salaries and other benefits received by them during the said period?
- (c) Will he also inform this House as to what measures will be taken by the Ministry to further develop cricket in Sri Lanka?
- (d) If not, why?

121/2020

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of investments, for which agreements have been entered into, of the Bingiriya Export Processing Zone, up to now;
 - (ii) of the value of those investments;
 - (iii) of the number of investments, out of the number mentioned above, that has begun work at present?
- (b) If not, why?

127/2020

Hon. Charles Nirmalanathan,— To ask the Minister of Highways,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the transportation is hampered owing to the dilapidated state of the Wattuwakal Bridge which is 402 meters in length and considered as the major bridge in the Kilinochchi- Mulative A 50 main road belonging to the Road development authority, which has not hitherto undergone any repair but being used as a single track road with the possibility of passing one vehicle at a time, in spite of the fact that ten years have lapsed after the conclusion of terrorism which prevailed in the Northern Province;
 - (ii) no action has been hitherto taken with regard to this situation, although this has been reiterated by me in this House on many occasions during the last regime?
- (b) If so, will he inform this House of the date on which the above Wattuwakal bridge would be reconstructed as a double track road and opened for public?
- (c) If not, why?

159/2020

Hon. S. M. Marikkar,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) deaths and destruction caused to the lives, Houses and Vehicles due to the Meethotamulla garbage dump collapse in 2017;
 - (ii) compensation payments were awarded in connection with losses of lives and damages caused to houses in that case?

- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether compensation payments will be granted for the vehicles affected by Meethotamulla garbage dump collapse;
 - (ii) of the methodology of granting compensation;
 - (iii) of the number of applications received for compensations;
 - (iv) whether a government valuation was conducted to grant compensation; and
 - (v) if so of the number of vehicles for which compensation was granted as per aforesaid valuations?
- (c) Will he also inform this House of the date on which the compensation will be granted for the vehicles for which the compensation was not granted?
- (d) If not, why?

344/2020

Hon. Mayantha Dissanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the amount of money that has been collected in the Tea Shakthi Fund from the date of its establishment to date;
 - (ii) of the benefits provided by this Fund to tea small holders;
 - (iii) of the number of those who have obtained membership of the Tea Shakthi Fund from the date of its establishment to date; and
 - (iv) of the amount of money that has been invested in this Fund by tea small holders?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether tea factories have been set up using the moneys of the Tea Shakthi Fund;
 - (ii) if so, of the number of factories that have been set up in that manner;
 - (iii) of the names of the areas where such factories have been set up;
 - (iv) of the total amount of money that has been spent on setting up such factories;
 - (v) whether any profit is earned from the money that has been invested in such factories; and
 - (vi) if so, of the amount of the profit that has been earned through such investment?
- (c) If not, why?

211/2020

Hon. Mohomad Muzammil,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform the House, pertaining to each of the years during the period from 2015 to 2019, of—
 - (i) the volume of aluminium imported into Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the amount of money it cost;
 - (iii) the countries from which the aluminium was imported; and
 - (iv) the names of the companies which imported the aluminium?
- (b) Will he also inform the House of the total expenditure of importing aluminium into Sri Lanka during the period concerned?
- (c) If not, why?

250/2020

Hon. Velu Kumar,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the National Housing Development Authority has commenced the “Reawakening Village Programme” in the Waithalawa estate owned by the State Plantations Corporation situated in Theldeniya divisional secretariat of Kandy district?
- (b) Will he inform this House, separately—
 - (i) the number of each Village Reawakening Housing programmes, commenced on the above Estate under the said programme; and
 - (ii) the number of houses, each Village Reawakening Housing programme consist of?
- (c) Will he also inform this House, separate—
 - (i) the amount of money agreed to each recipient of houses for constructing a house;
 - (ii) the loan portion out of the total amount of money that has been made available;
 - (iii) the donation portion out of the total amount of money that has been made available; and
 - (iv) the amount of money that has been made available up to now?
- (d) Will he also inform this House whether steps will be taken to complete this project by making the balance amount of money available to each recipient of houses?
- (e) If not, why?

57/2020

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Justice,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that there were allegations against a doctor named Safi of the Kurunegala Teaching Hospital for performing sterilization surgeries on Sinhalese women;
- (b) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the names and the addresses of the lawyers who appeared in courts on behalf of him in the case filed against that doctor;
 - (ii) the courses of action taken against that doctor so far;
 - (iii) the courses of action that will be taken to expedite the inquiries against that doctor and mete out justice to the aggrieved mothers;
- (c) If not, why?

99/2020

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

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the forest cover of Sri Lanka including the Wilpattu National Park is being destroyed due to human activity;
 - (ii) the North Central Province has already been reduced to semi-arid condition;
 - (iii) this situation has affected the entire climate of Sri Lanka;
 - (iv) some region of Sri Lanka is affected by natural disasters such as floods, drought, landslides etc. all the time due to this ?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to develop national policies for environment conservation in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) if so, the date on which it will be done?
- (c) Will he admit that it is appropriate to conduct a study on climate change in Sri Lanka through a committee of experts?
- (d) If so, will he inform this House whether arrangements will be made to conduct that study?
- (e) If not, why?

123/2020

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the extent of lands acquired by the Board of Investment of Sri Lanka for the Bingiriya Export Processing Zone;
 - (ii) the institutions from which the aforesaid lands were acquired;
 - (iii) the date on which the aforesaid lands were acquired;
 - (iv) the value paid for the aforesaid lands;
 - (v) the methodology followed in assessing the value of the aforesaid lands; and
 - (vi) the institution which carries out the maintenance of the coconut cultivations in the aforesaid lands and obtains the yield from them?
- (b) If not, why?

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Hon. (Mrs.) Harini Amarasuriya,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House against a backdrop where a separate state ministry has been established for education reforms, open universities and distant learning promotion—
 - (i) whether the government intends to establish multiple open universities in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) out of the groups that intend to receive higher education, of the groups of those that are targeted by the government in expanding distant learning opportunities; and
 - (iii) whether the government will take steps to provide concessions for distant learning opportunities in future as well?
 - (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Open University of Sri Lanka will continue to be operated under the University Grants Commission and its funds; and
 - (ii) if not, of the name of the authority under which the Open University will be brought?
 - (c) Will he further inform this House—
 - (i) of the amount of funds that have been allocated for the affairs of the Open University of Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) out of the expenditure of the Open University, of the amount that is incurred by the government?
 - (d) If not, why?
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