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Shop and Office Employees (Regulation of Employment and Remuneration)
(Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.
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Factories (Amendment) Bill —Second Reading.
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Friday, November 06, 2020

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

P. 50/2020

Hon. H. Nandasena, — Granting the Ownership (whether with Licence or without) to the Occupants of the Lands in Permanent Houses for over 40 Years,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take necessary action to release the lands to settlers who possess houses along Padaviya–Kebithigollewa Road, houses in the town or at the Base Hospital premises, or houses and paddy lands with freehold or survey plan in Pothana Thulana No. 564 in Mihinthale due to suspension of all development activities while they had been living there for over 40 years, having constructed permanent houses, when those areas were later declared wild life conservation areas or the public were so informed, despite their having Jayabhoomi deeds or other forms of grants to them whereas a grave injustice has been caused.

P. 51/2020

Hon. H. Nandasena,—Installing Reverse Osmosis Water Filters for all the Villages in the North-Central Province,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should adopt a course of action to expedite the process of installing reverse osmosis water filters in all Villages in the North-Central Province at present which has been identified as an area where there are many persons suffering from the Chronic Kidney Disease of Unknown Aetiology, and as its outcome, a decrease can be observed in the number of new cases whereas water filters are being installed.

P. 52/2020

Hon. H. Nandasena,— Developing Main Access Roads leading to all Villages as Permanent Roads,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should implement a special project to develop all such access roads expeditiously whereas many villages in difficult areas have only one access road for each village, and whereas they have not been developed in many years.

Wednesday, November 18, 2020

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

5/2020

Hon. Heshu Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately, of the number of parallel classes of Grade 5 and Grade 6 of the national schools situated in the Colombo, Ratnapura, Galle, Matara, Kandy, Kurunegala, Jaffna and Gampaha districts from the years 2010 to 2018?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately of—
 - (i) the cut-off marks of the Grade 5 scholarship examination;
 - (ii) the number of students admitted to Grade 6 on the results of the said scholarship examination; and

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- (iii) the percentage of students admitted to Grade 6 on the results of the scholarship examination as a percentage of the total number of students admitted to Grade 6;

of the above schools from the year 2010 to the year 2018?

- (c) Will he further inform this House separately of the number of students admitted to Grade 6 of the above schools from the year 2010 to the year 2018 from the primary sections not on the basis of the results of the scholarship examination?
- (d) If not, why?

51/ 2020

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(2)

- (a) Will she inform this House—
 - (i) of the date on which the first Covid-19 patient was reported in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) separately, of the number of Covid-19 patients reported daily, since aforesaid date up to now;
 - (iii) of the number of PCR (Polymerase Chain Reaction) tests performed daily, since aforesaid date; and
 - (iv) of the measures that have been taken to combat Covid-19?
- (b) If not, why?

94/2020

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) bio-weapons are still used clandestinely for various political and trade strategies even though use of bio-weapons is prohibited internationally; and
 - (ii) there is a possibility of under developed countries including Sri Lanka becoming targets for trying out these bio-weapons?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the government has taken measures to prevent attacks with bio-weapons; and
 - (ii) if so, what those measures are?
- (c) If not, why?

116/2020

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of depots of the Sri Lanka Transport Board located in Kurunegala district;

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- (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 Kurunegala district?
- (b) 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,—(2)

- (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; and
 - (iii) of the number of investments, out of the number mentioned above, that has begun work at present?
- (b) If not, why?

126/2020

Hon. Charles Nirmalanathan,— To ask the Minister of Public Services, Provincial Councils & Local Government,—(2)

- (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;
 - (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?

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(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?

151/ 2020

Hon. S. M. Marikkar,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

(a) Is he aware—

- (i) that the roof of the three story building of Sri Sanghabodhi Maha Vidyalaya, Colombo 14 is in a dilapidated State and a part of the roof has collapsed; and
- (ii) that the safety of the students has been threatened owing to the said situation?

(b) Will he inform this House of the steps that have been taken by the Ministry of Education in this regard?

(c) If not, why?

221/2020

Hon. Mohomad Muzammil,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House separately, pertaining to each of the year during the period from 2015 to 2019, of—

- (i) the quantity of electronic items imported into Sri Lanka;
- (ii) the countries from which those electronic items were imported; and
- (iii) the companies which imported those electronic items?

(b) Will he also inform this House of the total expenditure of importing electronic items into Sri Lanka during the period concerned?

(c) If not, why?

306/2020

Hon. Velu Kumar,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that Kasawatte Vidyalaya, a type 3 school, is situated in Katugastota Education Zone in Kandy district?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the number of students, studying;
- (ii) the number of class rooms, in use; and

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- (iii) the total extent of land, in use;
in that school at present?
- (c) Is he also aware that—
 - (i) a building which was used by the school was recommended inappropriate for use, by the National Building Research Organization; and
 - (ii) it has been informed to discontinue using that building?
- (d) If so, will he inform this House whether steps will be taken to construct a new building to replace that aforesaid building?
- (e) If not, why?

432/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that Mahapola Scholarships are awarded to the students who are selected to government universities from low income families?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the total number of scholarship recipients that were awarded Mahapola Scholarships in the year 2020;
 - (ii) the minimum qualification required to get the aforesaid scholarship?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether he admits the fact that there is a group of students that do not receive the Mahapola Scholarship though they are qualified to set the said scholarship; and
 - (ii) whether steps will be taken to mete out justice on the part of the aforesaid students?
- (d) If not, why?

454/2020

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Land,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the current state affairs related to the fisheries village which was established by the present Prime Minister, during his tenure as the Minister of fisheries, in the Vijithapura Grama Niladari Division bearing division number 493, in the Ipalogama divisional secretariat division of Anuradhapura district?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the preliminary steps have been taken with pertinence to the provision of deeds for the lands located in the said village;
 - (ii) if so, of the steps so taken; and
 - (iii) of the date on which deeds will be provided to the lands located in the aforesaid village?
- (c) If not, why?

516/2020

Hon. R. M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Mrs. P. V. Wasantha Rani, who is a resident of 1st mile post, Madamewatta, Moneragala Road, Bibile, had served in the post of labourer at the Provincial Agricultural Institute of the Government Farm at Bibile owned by Uva Provincial Ministry of Agriculture from November 2017 to December 2019;
 - (ii) she had served continuously for 180 days during the aforesaid period;
 - (iii) she is entitled for permanent service as per the Public Administration Circular No. 29/2019; and
 - (iv) however, her service has been suspended with effect from January 2020?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether measures will be taken to reinstate Mrs. Wasantha Rani in service as she is in a desperate situation after losing her job?
- (c) If not, why?

519/2020

Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the local fishermen face number of difficulties not being able to operate large fishing trawlers except for usual trawlers, as the entrance to the Valachchenai Fisheries Harbour is not sufficiently wide and deep; and
 - (ii) it is required to widen the Harbour?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the measures taken to widen aforesaid Harbour?
- (c) If not, why?

726/2020

Hon. Premitha Bandara Tennakoon,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Will she inform this House—
 - (i) the total amount of money spent by the government for the construction anew of the Laggala Divisional Hospital located in the Pallegama Divisional Secretary Division in Laggala in the Matale District;
 - (ii) the number of patients who can receive residential treatment in that hospital;

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- (iii) the number of doctors approved for the hospital;
 - (iv) the number of doctors serving in the hospital as of now;
 - (v) the nursing staff approved for the hospital;
 - (vi) the nursing staff serving in the hospital as of now; and
 - (vii) the types of clinics being conducted in the hospital at present;
- (c) If not, why?

759/2020

Hon. (Dr.) Suren Raghavan,— To ask the Minister of Wildlife & Forest Conservation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform the House —
- (i) of the extent of officially demarcated forest land in Northern Province at present;
 - (ii) of the extent of forest land demarcated by year 1982; and
 - (iii) if there is a difference between the aforesaid extents of lands, the reasons for the difference are?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) of the method followed to gazette a selected area as a forest reserve; and
 - (ii) of the number of gazettes issued from year 2009 to date with regard to forest protection with relevance for Northern Province?
- (c) If not, why?

Thursday, November 19, 2020

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

7/2020

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the number archeological sites that has been destroyed from the year 2015 up to now;
 - (ii) of the names of those sites;
 - (iii) of the reasons for destroying the said archeological sites;
 - (iv) whether the persons who destroyed the relevant archeological sites have been identified;

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- (v) of the punishment meted out to them;
 - (vi) of the number of archeological sites which have been destroyed, but perpetrators responsible have not been identified; and
 - (vii) of the measures expected to be taken in future against the destruction of archeological sites that preserve the past glory of a country?
- (b) If not, why?

52/ 2020

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Labour,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the number of Sri Lankan employees in abroad, by now;
 - (ii) of the names of the countries in which aforesaid employees are employed at; and
 - (iii) separately, of the number of employees employed at each country?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) of the measures that have been taken by the Ministry for the welfare of the Sri Lankan foreign employees, distressed due to Covid-19 pandemic; and
 - (ii) of the measures that have been taken by the Ministry to bring them back to the country?
- (c) If not, why?

99/2020

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

- (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; and
 - (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; and
 - (ii) if so, the date on which it will be done?
- (c) Will he also 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 also inform this House whether arrangements will be made to conduct that study?
- (e) If not, why?

117/2020

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— To ask the Minister of Youth & Sports,—(2)

- (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?

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,—(2)

- (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?

152/2020

Hon. S. M. Marikkar,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the sewerage system of Bluemandhal Vidyalaya situated in the Srimavo Bandaranayake Mawatha, Colombo 14 with approximately 400 students, has not been repaired and consequently the gully covers have been replaced with wooden covers; and
 - (ii) the students of the said school do not have access to proper toilet facilities?

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- (b) Will he inform this House of the steps that have been taken by the Ministry of Education, in this regard?
- (c) If not, why?

222/2020

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

- (a) Will she inform this House separately, pertaining to each of the year during the period from 2015 to 2019, of—
 - (i) the quantity of medicine imported into Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the countries from which those medicine was imported; and
 - (iii) the companies which those medicine was imported?
- (b) Will she also inform this House of the total expenditure of importing medicine into Sri Lanka during the period concerned?
- (c) If not, why?

307/2020

Hon. Velu Kumar,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of officers that belongs to Sri Lanka Principals' Service in Tamil medium schools in Kandy district; and
 - (ii) their names along with the names of the schools in which they serve at present?
- (b) Will he inform this House in regard to Kandy district—
 - (i) the number of officers, who have obtained a grade in Principals' Service, but have not received an appointment of Principal relevant to the grade; and
 - (ii) the number of officers that have received appointments as Principals in Tamil medium schools without qualifications in the Principals' Service?
- (c) Will he also state this House of the details of the teachers that have received the appointments mentioned in (b) (ii) above, along with the names of the schools in which they are serving at present?
- (d) If not, why?

434/2020

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

- (a) Whether she admits that the dengue disease has shown an increase on various occasions in Sri Lanka?

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- (b) Will she inform this House—
- (i) of the number of lives lost in year 2019 due to dengue disease;
 - (ii) whether a programme will be carried out at national and divisional level to eradicate dengue disease;
 - (iii) whether she admits that a group of labourers had been recruited for the divisional dengue eradication programme; and
 - (iv) if so, whether there is a plan to obtain their service continuously?
- (c) If not, why?

455/2020

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Wildlife & Forest Conservation,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) the residents of Grama Niladari Divisions bearing numbers 225, 226 and 227 respective of the Medawachchiya Divisional Secretariat Division in the Anuradhapura district have been faced with a situation where they are induced to migrate to other places, leaving their lands behind, owing to the threat created by the elephants;
 - (ii) a solution has not hitherto been given to this situation by the authorities, in spite of the requests made by the residents of the said divisions regarding the need for constructing an electric fence for elephants?
- (b) If so, will he inform this House of the steps to be taken by the Ministry in this regard?
- (c) If not, why?

527/2020

Hon. Rohana Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) of number of vacancies existing in the non-academic staffs at each of the national schools situated within the Anuradhapura District, according to designations separately; and
 - (ii) what steps the Ministry will take to fill those vacancies?
- (b) If not, why?

546/2020

Hon. Chandima Weerakkody,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that people living in the electorates of Baddegama, Ambalanthota, Benthara-Elpitiya, Karandeniya and Balapitiya are facing a severe shortage of drinking water?

- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether allocations will be made from the upcoming budget for the second phase of Baddegama Water supply scheme as a solution for the aforesaid matter;
 - (ii) if so, the amount is; and
 - (iii) the date of which, a solution will be provided for the shortage of drinking water experienced by aforesaid areas?
- (c) If not, why?

591/2020

Hon. S. M. M. Muszhaaraff,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the Pothuvil sub education zone is the only sub education zone in Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the reasons for not assigning administrative responsibilities to the two officers of the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service who serve in that zonal office;
 - (ii) whether disregarding officers in this manner can be accepted though the powers have been delegated to the said sub education zone formally; and
 - (iii) since teachers of the Pothuvil Division have to visit the Akkaraipattu zonal office even for a minor issue due to this situation, the measures to be taken to address this problem?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to establish a separate education zone for the Pothuvil area by integrating all schools in Pothuvil; and
 - (ii) if so, the date on which it will be established?
- (d) Is he aware that the Muslim schools have been separately integrated with the Akkaraipattu zone, Tamil Schools with Thirukkivil zone and Sinhala schools with the Ampara zone, though the objective of the government is to unite different ethnic groups?
- (e) If not, why?

711/2020

Hon. B. Y. G. Rathnasekara,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of Pre-schools functioning in Sri Lanka at present;
 - (ii) of the number of Pre-schools that have been closed to date; and
 - (iii) of the measures the government expect to take to develop facilities of pre-schools?

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- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether there is a proper method in place to pay salaries or allowance to Pre-school teachers;
 - (ii) whether a programme is in place to absorb Pre-school teachers to Sri Lanka Teacher Service or to any other combined service at equal level;
 - (iii) whether a certain regulatory method is in place with regard to determining the recruitment and qualifications of Pre-school teachers; and
 - (iv) whether there is a mechanism in place to regulate fees charged from children studying in Pre-schools?
- (c) Will he further inform this House the new proposals expected to be implemented to streamline Pre-school education?
- (d) If not, why?

727/2020

Hon. Premitha Bandara Tennakoon,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddha Sasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development and Housing,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the appointment of Mr. Mohan Peiris, who was appointed by the President of the time as the Chief Justice on the date of 15th January 2013, was cancelled and nullified?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the person who cancelled and nullified Mr. Mohan Peiris's appointment as the Chief Justice?
- (c) If not, why?

Friday, November 20, 2020

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

19/2020

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— 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 admit that—
 - (i) Sri Lanka Air Force had sent a Radar Receiver and an Antenna Scanner to China for repair in 2014 April; and
 - (ii) aforesaid items have been misplaced?

- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the company that undertook this transporting of the aforesaid items;
 - (ii) of the members of the Director Board of aforesaid company;
 - (iii) whether aforesaid company still provides services to any state institution in Sri Lanka; and
 - (iv) of the loss incurred by the misplacement of aforesaid items?
- (c) If not, why

65/ 2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of national schools in Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) of the names of those schools?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the qualifications required to hold the post of principal in a national school;
 - (ii) of the numbers and names of the schools with such qualified principals; and
 - (iii) of the number and names of schools in which such principals serve without such qualifications ?
- (c) Will he further inform this House of the steps taken by the Ministry to appoint duly qualified principals for each national school?
- (d) If not, why?

109/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform the House separately—
 - (i) of the number of railway carriages, locomotives and multiple-unit trains (power sets) that were imported during the period from 01.01.2015 to 31.12.2019; and
 - (ii) what amounts of money were spent for this purpose?
- (b) Is he aware that some of the railway carriages, locomotives and multiple-unit trains (power sets) so imported are unsuitable for running in Sri Lanka?
- (c) If so, will he state separately—
 - (i) of the names and designations of the members of the tender committees and technical evaluation committees appointed pertaining to the process of importing the aforesaid railway carriages, locomotives and multiple-unit trains (power sets); and
 - (ii) what action was taken against them?

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- (d) Will he also inform the House —
 - (i) on which date the fabrication of railway carriages will be commenced in Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) how much money the Government will be able to save from it?
- (e) If not, why?

164/2020

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,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the amounts of money which the Government has to pay back for Local and foreign debts in the years from 2020 to 2024, separately in respect of each year in repayment?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the date and project in respect of each loan that has been obtained?
- (c) Will he further inform this House of the course of action formulated by the Government to pay these loans?
- (d) If not, why?

223/2020

Hon. Mohomad Muzammil,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately, pertaining to each of the year during the period from 2015 to 2019, of—
 - (i) the quantity of cement imported into Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the countries from which those cement was imported; and
 - (iii) the names of the companies which imported those cement?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the total expenditure of importing cement into Sri Lanka during the period concerned?
- (c) If not, why?

435/2020

Hon Shantha Bandara,— 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 admit that a large number of road accidents take place every day?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the average number of persons who die in road accidents per day;
 - (ii) separately of the number of persons who died in road accidents in years 2018 and 2019; and
 - (iii) of the arrangement that is in place with Sri Lanka Police at present to minimize the number of road accidents?

- (c) Will he further inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that a Parliament Select Committee on Minimizing of Road Accidents had been appointed; and
 - (ii) whether the decisions and recommendations of that Select Committee have been taken into consideration?
- (d) If not, why?

448/2020

Hon. (Dr.) Kavinda Heshan Jayawardhana,— To ask Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Madrasa schools in operation at present in Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) the addresses of locations where these schools are situated?
- (b) Is he aware that there is an intense social dialogue in society about these Madrasa schools subsequent to the Easter Sunday attacks in the year 2019?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) the steps to be taken by Ministry to regulate those Madrasa schools; and
 - (ii) the stand of the incumbent government with regard to these schools?
- (d) If not, why?

456/2020

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the ancient Yodha Ela (Giant Canal) which carries water from the Kalawewa reservoir to the Thisawewa reservoir, located in the district of Anuradhapura has gone into wilderness?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether any programme is available to clean and restore this canal;
 - (ii) if so, what the said programme is; and
 - (iii) of the date on which the said programme would be initiated?
- (c) If not, why?

478/2020

Hon. Dilip Wedaarachchi,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the number of fisheries harbours commenced in Sri Lanka from 2015 to 2020;
 - (ii) the number of fisheries harbours that has been completed out of that; and
 - (iii) the number of fisheries harbours expected to be newly constructed?

- (b) Will he also inform this House of the current situation of Mawella anchorage, Rekawa anchorage, Hambanthota fisheries harbour and Gandara fisheries harbour situated in Hambanthota district?
- (c) If not, why?

520/2020

Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that more local fishermen will be benefited, if they are facilitated to harbor boats, constructing Bay Mouth Gates in Punnaikuda, Kotteikallaru areas?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the steps to be taken to construct Bay Mount Gates in aforesaid areas?
- (c) If not, why?

529/2020

Hon. Rohana Bandara,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of the Buddha Sasana, Religious Affairs and Cultural Affairs, and Minister of Urban Development and Housing,—

- (a) Will he inform the House—
 - (i) of the number of Grama Niladhari Divisions of the Anuradhapura District;
 - (ii) what their names are;
 - (iii) of the number of divisions out of those in which permanent grama niladharis serve; and
 - (iv) of the number of Grama Niladhari Divisions that do not have permanent grama niladharis?
- (b) Will he also inform the House of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to fill the vacancies of those Grama Niladhari Divisions?
- (c) If not, why?

542/2020

Hon. Samanpriya Herath,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Central Colleges founded by Hon. C.W.W. Kannangara; and
 - (ii) of the method followed to enroll students for Grade 6 classes of Central Colleges?
- (b) Is he aware that a Central College founded by Hon. C.W.W. Kannangara is situated in Kuliyaipitiya electorate?

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- (c) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) of the number of students enrolled for Grade 6 classes of the College mentioned in (b) from year 2015 to 2018;
 - (ii) separately, the marks gained by each aforesaid student at the Grade 5 scholarship examination are; and
 - (iii) the number of students who have been enrolled to aforesaid school even after gaining marks below the cut-off marks of the scholarship examination?
- (d) If not, why?

557/2020

Hon. Chandima Weerakkody,— To ask the Minister of Youth & Sports,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) a large number of foreign tourists visit Sri Lanka to engage in the sport of spear fishing; and
 - (ii) laws are in place that make it impossible for this sport, which is an Olympic Sport to be practiced in Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether arrangements would be made to amend the above mentioned laws to enable the foreign tourists who visit Sri Lanka to Engage in that sport, again?
- (c) If not, why?

653/2020

Hon. (Dr.) Harsha de Silva,— To ask the Minister of Wildlife & Forest Conservation,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that deforestation has been caused in a number of forest Reserves including the Ellala Forest Reserve in Hambantota, Ratmale Forest Reserve in Horowpathana and Adiyahinna Forest Reserve in Mahadivulwewa?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) if so, the reasons for not taking steps against the persons who caused such deforestation;
 - (ii) the extent of land that has been destroyed in those forest reserves in hectares; and
 - (iii) the reasons for spreading deforestation as a wave in Sri Lanka?
- (c) If not, why?

728/2020

Hon. Premitha Bandara Tennakoon,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the date on which the construction work of the Heenganga drinking water scheme in the Wilgamuwa Divisional Secretariat Division in the Matale District was commenced;
 - (ii) the name of the contractual contractor of that scheme;
 - (iii) the amount of money allocated for that scheme;
 - (iv) the date on which the construction work of that scheme is scheduled to be completed as per the agreement; and
 - (v) whether the work of this scheme has been completed on the due date?
 - (c) If not, why?
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