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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

9/2020

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Industries,— (3)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately of the number of—
 - (i) industrial estates;
 - (ii) land units;
 - (iii) factories functioning in the industrial estates; and
 - (iv) employees employed in the industrial estates; belonging to the Sri Lanka Industrial Development Board?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately of the—
 - (i) programmes conducted with a view to promoting self-employment;
 - (ii) locations where the said programmes were conducted;
 - (iii) equipment provided;
 - (iv) basis on which the beneficiaries were selected; and
 - (v) the technological training programmes conducted; by the Sri Lanka Industrial Development Board for the Central Province in the year 2017?
- (c) Will he further inform this House—
 - (i) will he admit that the people residing in the rural areas have not been provided with the required and sufficient knowledge, in spite of the possibility available for them to access business opportunities through internet facilities at present; and
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to provide the required knowledge in a methodical manner?
- (d) If not, why?

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53/2020

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of Statutory Institutions such as Corporations, Boards and Authorities, under the purview of the Government of Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) of their names;
 - (iii) of the names of the present Chairmen and the Directors of aforesaid institutions;
 - (iv) of the steps that have been taken in appointing aforesaid Chairmen and the Members of the board of Directors; and
 - (v) of the measures to be taken by the Ministry to strengthen aforesaid institutions financially?
- (b) If not, why?

100/2020

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Justice,— (3)

- (a) Will he admit that the people who seek the service of Sri Lanka Police will be immensely benefitted through the appointment of at least one legal professional as a police prosecutor for one magistrate court division for obtaining legal advice and for solving the legal disputes of people expeditiously?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether there is possibility of taking necessary steps to establish the aforesaid new position; and
 - (ii) if so, what the aforesaid relevant actions are?
- (c) If not, why?

155/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware—
 - (i) that the walls of the three-storey building of the Samudradevi Girls' school, Ambatale, located in the Kolonnawa Divisional Secretariat division, which is adjacent to the main road, have been cracked;
 - (ii) that the lives of the students studying in the said school have been threatened as a result of the above situation?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the steps that have been taken by the Ministry with a view to addressing this issue?
- (c) If not, why?

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227/2020

Hon. Mohomad Muzammil,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,— (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 maize imported into Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the money that has been incurred on that;
 - (iii) the countries from which those maize were imported; and
 - (iv) the companies which imported those maize?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the total expenditure of importing maize into Sri Lanka during the period concerned?
- (c) If not, why?

255/2020

Hon. Velu Kumar,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that he Bopitiya Estate is an estate belonging to the Janatha Estate Development Board situated within the Deltota Divisional Secretariat Division in the Kandy District?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) how many divisions belonged to this Estate at the time of reformation of the state-owned estates in the year 1992;
 - (ii) what the names of such divisions were;
 - (iii) what the total extent of fully-cultivated land of the Estate is;
 - (iv) whether there have been abandoned divisions of the Estate; and
 - (v) if so, of the extent of such divisions?
- (c) Will he also inform the House separately—
 - (i) whether lands and buildings belonging to this Estate had been given to the external party / private sector during the period 1992–2015;
 - (ii) what those details are; and
 - (iii) of the extent of cultivated and non-cultivated lands according to the land survey taken last?
- (d) If not, why?

348/2020

Hon. (Dr.) Harsha de Silva,— To ask the Minister of Environment,—(2)

- (a) Will he admit that an environment impact assessment should be conducted when a road is constructed across a sensitive eco system notwithstanding the legal position, as it is the view of the majority of people including environmentalists?

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- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) if so, whether such a study has been conducted when a road is constructed to the village known as Lankagama across the Sinharaja Forest which is a sensitive eco-system as well as a world heritage; and
 - (ii) if not, whether it is expected to conduct such a study?
- (c) Will he also inform this House of the reason, if the above view is not accepted?
- (d) If not, why?

434/2020

Hon. Shantha Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(2)

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

545/2020

Hon. Chandima Weerakkody,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Urban Development and Housing,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that Rumassala hill area located in Unawatuna in Galle has been declared an Eco-Sensitive Zone?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) when the Urban Development Authority has taken that decision, state owned lands in the aforesaid area, in which constructions should not be done, have been named, and as such, whether lands can be named in that manner; and
 - (ii) whether some relief can be provided to private land owners who have been inconvenienced at present due to the aforesaid decision?
- (c) If not, why?

556/2020

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the number of major water supply schemes that were implemented in the Kurunegala District from year 2015 to 2019;
 - (ii) the number of Divisional Secretariat Divisions that are covered under the aforesaid water supply schemes;
 - (iii) separately, the number of Grama Niladhari divisions that are covered under those schemes in each of the Divisional Secretariat Divisions;
 - (iv) separately, the names of the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Divisions and Grama Niladhari Divisions;
 - (v) separately, the amount of provisions that have been allocated for each of the aforesaid water supply schemes; and
 - (vi) separately, the time frames within which each of the aforesaid water supply schemes will be completed;
- (b) If not, why?

577/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of the extent of land acquired by the Sri Lanka Mahaweli Authority for the Mahaweli “L” zone from Mullaitive and Vavuniya districts in hectares and as a percentage?
- (b) Is he aware that—
 - (i) when the Tamil people went back to their villages after the war, Sinhala people had been settled in the lands belonged to the Tamil people who were forcibly evicted in 1984 from Kokilai, Kokkuththuduwai and Karnattukkeni villages in Mullaitive district;
 - (ii) sinhala names had been given to the Tamil villages and tanks which had Tamil names earlier;
 - (iii) tamil people’s lands with licenses had been given to the relatives of politicians and rich people on long term lease by the Sri Lanka Mahaweli Authority; and
 - (iv) Sri Lanka Mahaweli Authority disrupts the farming activities of those people when they cultivate in their lands?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the rest of the lands that have not been occupied by the Sinhala people in the Mahaweli “L” zone in Mullaitive district will be transferred to the Muhudubadapattuwa Divisional Secretariat Division; and
 - (ii) if not, the reason for that?
- (d) If not why?

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607/2020

Hon. Gayantha Karunatileka,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(2)

- (a) Will she inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of persons who receive the Senior Citizens' allowance;
 - (ii) of the number of persons who had applied for the allowance and in the waiting list;
 - (iii) whether measures have been taken to increase the Senior Citizens' allowance from Rs. 2000/- to Rs. 2500/- according to the National Policy framework "Vistas of Prosperity";
 - (iv) if so, the date on which the increased allowance will be provided;
 - (v) whether a programme is in place to provide loans at concessionary rates for Senior Citizens who engage in foreign pilgrimage; and
 - (vi) if so, the institutions that co-ordinate the process?
- (b) If not, why?

726/2020

Hon. Premitha Bandara Tennakoon,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(2)

- (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 Secretariat Division in Laggala in the Matale District;
 - (ii) the number of patients who can receive residential treatment in that hospital;
 - (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;
- (b) If not, why?

770/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that the semi government schools in Colombo are deviating from its objectives by not enrolling the underprivileged children?

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- (b) If so, will he state in respect of the semi government schools in Colombo —
- (i) the names;
 - (ii) schools categorized as religious and non-religious;
 - (iii) the number of students admitted by ethnicity and religion;
 - (iv) the number of classes approved to conduct English prioritized bilingual language from grade one; and
 - (v) the quotation allocated for the underprivileged students in each school?
- (c) Will he inform with regard to aforesaid schools—
- (i) whether the permission to conduct English medium classes from grade one to five was given;
 - (ii) the reason why the general guidelines for admission to grade one cannot be adopted;
 - (iii) whether the government is satisfied with the current admission process, transparency and performance; and
 - (iv) whether the government will take actions to streamline the teaching and management practices?
- (d) If not, why?

838/2020

Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala,— To ask the Minister of Public Services, Provincial Councils & Local Government,—(1)

- (a) Will he admit that—
- (i) the pension payments of all the public sector pensioners have not been reasonably increased as per the public Administration Circular 14/2019;
 - (ii) the pensioners are in despair owing to the above reason;
 - (iii) all the public sector pensioners including the officers of the three armed forces and the police who retired prior to 01.01.2016 have been seriously discriminated as their pensions have been formulated based on the salary under two stages as at 01.01.2017 as per the public Administration Circular 14/2019 , in spite of the fact that the pensions were to be formulated based on the last salary , which increases over five stages as the Public Administration Circular 03/2019;and
 - (iv) justice could have been meted out to the public sector pensioners who retired prior to 01.01.2020, had their pension anomaly been rectified by computing the pension payment based on the last salary which was to be increased over five stages as per the Public Administration Circular 03/2016?

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- (b) Will he inform this House whether steps will be taken to mete out justice to the pensioners of the Public sector by implementing the Public Administration Circular 03/2016 expeditiously?
 - (c) If not, why?
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Wednesday, January 20, 2021

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

22/2020

Hon. Heshu Withanage,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of financial institutions registered under Central Bank of Sri Lanka by 31.08.2020; and
 - (ii) of the names of aforesaid financial institutions and the names of the members of the director boards?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of financial institutions led to financial crisis since the previous Good governance government came into power until 31.08.2020;
 - (ii) separately, of the number of depositors who maintained deposits in each financial institution; and
 - (iii) of the measures that have been taken and will be taken to do the justice to the depositors of aforesaid financial institutions?
- (c) If not, why?

66/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House the number of train compartments added to the railway transportation system from 2015 up to now?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of train compartments that have been produced locally and the number of train compartments imported; and
 - (ii) the amount of money spent for that?
- (c) Will he also inform this House of the steps taken by the Ministry to produce train compartments in Sri Lanka?
- (d) If not, why?

108/2020

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

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the Thriposha supplement given for the children in Sri Lanka is not sufficient and it is not distributed properly;
 - (ii) owing to the aforesaid reason malnutrition among children is at a significant level; and
 - (iii) low income families face various difficulties due to that?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the annual Thriposha production capacity in kilograms;
 - (ii) whether the amount of Thriposha needed for annual consumption has been calculated; and
 - (iii) if so, what that amount is?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to provide Thriposha to meet the demand of the country; and
 - (ii) if so, how?
- (d) If not, why?

168/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of houses without land deeds, located in the Dehiwala-Mount Lavinia Divisional Secretariat Division;
 - (ii) whether there is any arrangement to grant deeds for the aforesaid houses;
 - (iii) if so, whether he will explain the manner in which the said programme will be implemented?
- (b) If not, why?

190/2020

Hon. Sivagnanam Shritharan,— To ask the Minister of Youth & Sports,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the number of Cricket Associations in Sri Lanka?
- (b) Is he aware that—
 - (i) there are 25 Cricket Associations for the 25 administrative districts in Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) the approval required for the establishment of the Cricket Association for Kilinochchi district has not hitherto been granted?

- (c) Will he also inform this House of the reasons—
 - (i) for not granting the approval required to establish the Cricket Association for Kilinochchi district up to now; and
 - (ii) for not registering the Cricket Association of Kilinochchi district up to now, in spite of the applications made for registration on several occasions?
- (d) Will he further inform this House of the assistance extended by the Ministry of Sports for the Cricket Association of Kilinochchi district after 2010?
- (e) If not, why?

228/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately, pertaining to each of the years during the period from 2015 to 2019, of—
 - (i) the quantity of fruits imported into Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the money that has been incurred on that;
 - (iii) the countries from which those fruits were imported; and
 - (iv) the companies which imported those fruits?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the total expenditure of importing fruits into Sri Lanka during the period concerned?
- (c) If not, why?

438/2020

Hon. Shantha Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Youth & Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he admit that National Youth Corps Training Centers have been established for the development of skills of the youth in Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the number of National Youth Corps Training Centers established in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) whether either the district basis or the Divisional Secretariat Division basis has been taken into consideration when establishing those centers;
 - (iii) the approximate number of youths who leave the aforesaid centers annually after completing their training;
 - (iv) whether there is a programme to employ the youths who successfully complete the training; and
 - (v) if not, whether a formal programme will be formulated to help them make their future successful?
- (c) If not, why?

481/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that an illegal sand mining smuggle has been underway in the old Eluwankulama area in Wanathawilluwa in Puttalam district for quite some time without sand mining permits?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the measures taken by the Ministry to curb this illegal sand mining smuggle, so far; and
 - (ii) the measures to be taken in future?
- (c) If not, why?

547/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that there is a severe drinking water shortage problem in Habaraduwa, Akmeemana, Galle and Rathgama areas?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether funds will be allocated from the forthcoming budget for the next phase of the Magalla Water Supply Scheme, which is the solution to the aforesaid problem;
 - (ii) if so, the amount that will be allocated for that; and
 - (iii) the date on which a solution will be provided to the drinking water problem in the aforesaid areas;
- (c) If not, why?

558/2020

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,— To ask the Minister of Wildlife & Forest Conservation,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the land abutting the Bulanwewa quarry along the Galewela - Kalawewa Road and the main road in the village called Galbokkayaya located in the Dewahuwa Grama Niladhari Division of the Galewela Divisional Secretariat Division belonging to the Forest Conservation Department since it is a reserve; and
 - (ii) an organized group has constructed a permanent building and several temporary constructions in the morning of 22.09.2020 on the aforesaid land?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the approval of the relevant Divisional Secretary has been received for these constructions; and
 - (ii) if not, whether the approval of any other responsible public officer or an institution has been received?

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- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) if not, whether expeditious measures will be taken to remove these constructions and protect the reserve; and
 - (ii) if so, the measures to be taken in that regard?
- (d) If not why?

581/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that the Maberitenna Government Farm in Teldeniya Divisional Secretariat Division is under the administration of National Livestock Development Board?
- (b) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the number of office workers and the labourers serving in this farm;
 - (ii) the number of families live in this farm;
 - (iii) the number of labourer's dwellings and "lines" in that farm; and
 - (iv) the number of line rooms?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that lands were given during the past to construct single houses for the people living in lines in the above farm;
 - (ii) if so, the number of plots of lands given in that manner;
 - (iii) whether action will be taken to provide land for the families who are not residing in lines but live in the farm; and
 - (iv) if not, the reason for that?
- (d) If not, why?

603/2020

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Public Services, Provincial Councils & Local Government,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that nearly 2 kilometer stretch of the Asirigama road from kagollewa junction to katukeliyawa junction in the 308 Grama Niladhari Division in the Madyama Nuwara Gampalatha Divisional Secretariat Division in the Anuradhapura district, is in a very dilapidated condition?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to repair this stretch of the road; and
 - (ii) if so, what those steps are?
- (c) If not, why?

635/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that people living in the villages of Palukaamam, Veerachchanai, Mayapuram and Wannai Nagar in Batticaloa district are faced with a severe shortage of drinking water?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the number of families living in the aforesaid villages who are faced with the problem of shortage of drinking water;
 - (ii) the total distance along which pipelines have to be laid in order to provide drinking water to the people living in those villages; and
 - (iii) whether immediate steps will be taken to solve the problem of shortage of drinking water in those villages?
- (c) If not, why?

727/2020

Hon. Premitha Bandara Tennakoon,— 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 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?

771/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that hundreds of individuals have been arrested and detained in respect of the Easter Sunday attack, since 21.04.2019?
- (b) If so, will he inform this House separately in respect of the period from 21.04.2019 to 16.11.2019 and the period from 17.11.2019 to date of the number of individuals —
 - (i) taken into custody for inquiry;
 - (ii) detained by extending the detention order; and
 - (iii) produced in the court with charge sheet?

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- (c) Will he state —
- (i) the names of the individuals who have been released and granted bail or acquitted;
 - (ii) whether the government is satisfied with the current investigation process; and
 - (iii) whether the government take necessary action to release the individuals detained for minor charges and produce the suspects in the court who are under extended detention orders?
- (d) If not, why?
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Thursday, January 21, 2021

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

26/2020

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 inform this House—
- (i) the number of graduates who forwarded applications as per the newspaper notice published in the year 2020 for the recruitment of unemployed graduates for training as trainees of government institutions through an interview;
 - (ii) the number of graduates who faced the said interview separately in respect of each district; and
 - (iii) the number of graduates recruited for training after the interview?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether a classification has been made as external and internal graduates when these graduates were recruited for the relevant training;
 - (ii) if so, the number of external graduates and internal graduates recruited in respect of each district, separately; and
 - (iii) the reason for the emergence of a problematic situation in granting appointment letters to external graduates?
- (c) If not, why?

130/2020

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Public Services, Provincial Councils & Local Government,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of Municipal Councils functioning at present in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) of the names of those Municipal Councils; and
 - (iii) out of the aforesaid Municipal Councils, of the names of those that have given the task of removing garbage to the private sector?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately—
 - (i) of the names of the private companies that have undertaken the removal of garbage in Municipal Councils; and
 - (ii) of the amounts of money that have been paid to the aforesaid companies from the year 2015 up to date?
- (c) Will he further inform this House of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to get the garbage collected by the workers of the aforesaid Local Authorities?
- (d) If not, why?

169/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of houses without land deeds, located in the Kolonnawa Divisional Secretariat Division;
 - (ii) whether there is any arrangement to grant deeds for the aforesaid houses; and
 - (iii) if so, what the aforesaid programme is?
- (b) If not, why?

229/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately, pertaining to each of the years during the period from 2015 to 2019, of—
 - (i) the quantity of milk powder imported into Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the money that has been incurred on that;
 - (iii) the countries from which those milk powder were imported; and
 - (iv) the companies which imported those milk powder?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the total expenditure of importing milk powder into Sri Lanka during the period concerned?
- (c) If not, why?

267/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) 71 trainees of the second batch of Engineering Assistants, trained at International Training Institute of Irrigation and Water Management of Kotmale, had not been recruited for the service so far;
 - (ii) more than one year has been lapsed since the completion of their training by now;
 - (iii) they are not paid with a proper salary, though they are attached to the Regional Offices?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether aforesaid trainees are recruited to the permanent service;
 - (ii) if so, of aforesaid date?
- (c) If not, why ?

419/2020

Hon. Waruna Liyanage,— To ask the Minister of Plantation,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of families who live in estates in Ratnapura district;
 - (ii) whether lands have been granted to them for the construction of houses;
 - (iii) if so, the number of families to whom lands have been granted;
 - (iv) the extent of land given to the said families; and
 - (v) the names of the plantation companies to which the families belong and such lands have been given?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether measures will be taken by the government to grant lands to landless estate families; and
 - (ii) if so, what such measures are?
- (c) If not, why?

451/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that water has been supplied to the Polonnaruwa District by now as a step to supply water to the North Central Province by commencing the Moragahakanda – Kalu Ganga Development Project?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether action has been taken to supply water to the Anuradhapura District under the aforesaid project?

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- (c) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether there is a proposal to supply water to Hurulu Wewa and to Kanadara Wewa under these schemes; and
 - (ii) if so, of the date on which the aforesaid proposal will be implemented?
- (d) If not, why?

483/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) a research has been conducted by the National Agriculture Information and Communication Centre regarding the use of pesticides, herbicides and fertilizer in the farming lands of Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) Sri Lanka is one of the countries at the forefront among countries that use pesticides, herbicides and fertilizer for cultivation?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the measures that will be taken by the Ministry to minimize the use of pesticides, herbicides and fertilizer in cultivation?
- (c) If not, why?

544/2020

Hon. Samanpriya Herath,— 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 institutions from which permission should be obtained when constructing buildings in landslide prone districts;
 - (ii) the methodology adopted by those institutions to grant permission to construct buildings;
 - (iii) whether the granting of permission to construct buildings done according to that methodology; and
 - (iv) if not, the measures to be taken in that regards?
- (b) Will he also inform this House whether—
 - (i) he is aware that permission is granted only by the local Government institutions in constructing buildings in districts whether there is no risk of landslides;
 - (ii) the National Building Research Organization and the Geological Survey and Mines Bureau Conduct monitoring when buildings are constructed in those district;

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- (iii) the permission is granted following a categorization of buildings, if they are monitored; and
 - (iv) such a programme be devised in future if it is not available at present?
- (c) If not, why?

636/2020

Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam,— To ask the Minister of Public Services, Provincial Councils & Local Government,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the steps that will be taken to upgrade the Pradeshiya Sabhas in the Baticaloa District of which the majority of the representatives are Tamil nationals to the level of urban councils?
- (b) If not, why?

639/2020

Hon. Rauff Hakeem,— To ask the Minister of Wildlife & Forest Conservation,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the basic requirements to be met in order to declare a certain area as a forest Reserve through a Gazette Notification as per the Forest Conservation Ordinance; and
 - (ii) the number of forests hitherto declared as Forest Reserves under the Forest Conservation Ordinance?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately, on district and divisional secretariat division basis, all the details about the dates on which each of the aforesaid forest been declared as a forest reserve, about the land extent of each such forest and about the relevant maps?
- (c) If not, why?

729/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that it has been planned to construct a railway line from Kurunegala to Dambulla via Galewela Divisional Secretariat Division?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the amount of provisions allocated for that project;
 - (ii) the date on which the said project will be commenced; and
 - (iii) the date on which the work of the project expected to be completed?
- (b) If not, why?

777/2020

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe,— To ask the Minister of Lands,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of families with no land titles residing within the Divisional Secretariat Divisions of the Kurunegala District;
 - (ii) whether methodologies have been formulated to grant deeds to those families; and
 - (iii) if so, what those methodologies are?
- (b) If not, why?

839/2020

Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala,— To ask the Minister of Labor,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House Separately, as per the countries where they are employed —
 - (i) the number Sri Lankan migrant employees, infected with Covid 19;
 - (ii) the number of Sri Lankan migrant employees, got cured after the infection;
 - (iii) the number of Sri Lankan migrant employees, died due to the infection; and
 - (iv) the number of Sri Lankan migrant employees, returned to Sri Lanka by reason of Covid 19?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) separately, as per the country they are employed, the number of Sri Lankan migrant employees who lost their jobs due to Covid - 19, by now;
 - (ii) the measures that have been taken to provide them with relief ;
 - (iii) the measures that have been taken to provide relief to the families that financially inconvenienced since the foreign employees, affected by Covid - 19 were unable to support their families financially; and
 - (iv) separately, the amount of allocations made to the embassies of the respective countries for the welfare of the Sri Lankan employees who got affected with Covid - 19 pandemic?
- (c) If not, why?

877/2020

Hon. Eran Wickramaratne,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Attorney General's advice was sought prior to issuing debt in excess of constitutional and legal limits in the year 2020;
 - (ii) if so, the actions taken on the basis of the Attorney General's advice; and
 - (iii) whether the debt issued in excess of the constitutionally and legally stipulated borrowing limit in 2020 will be treated equally with all other debt issued by the Government of Sri Lanka in the event of default?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Attorney General's advice was sought on National Budget Circular No.01/2020; and
 - (ii) if so, whether action was taken on the basis of Attorney General's advice?
- (c) If not, why?

Friday, January 22, 2021

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

27/2020

Hon. Heshu Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Tourism,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the amount of money spent on the construction of Mattala International Airport; and
 - (ii) the sources from which such money was produced?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately since the opening of the Mattala International Airport to date —
 - (i) the income received; and
 - (ii) the expenditure incurred on maintenance activities?
- (c) Will he further inform this House—
 - (i) the number of flights arrived at this airport from the date of its opening up to now;
 - (ii) the names of airlines to which those flights belong;
 - (iii) separately, the number of passengers who travelled across this airport during the said period; and

(21)

(iv) the measures to be taken for further developing this airport?

(d) If not, why?

135/2020

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of Foreign Diplomatic Missions established in abroad;
- (ii) separately the countries and the cities where each aforesaid Diplomatic Missions are established;
- (iii) the number of employees work at each Diplomatic Mission and the designations, separately;
- (iv) the number of officers passed Foreign Service Examination out of aforesaid officers and their names;
- (v) the percentage of Foreign Service officers, out of total number of officers who work at Foreign Diplomatic Missions; and
- (vi) the measures that the Ministry take in future to recruit more foreign service officers to serve in Foreign Diplomatic Missions?

(b) If not why?

191/2020

Hon. Sivagnanam Shritharan,— To ask the Minister of Youth & Sports,—(2)

(a) Is he aware that though 10 years have elapsed by now since the construction work was commenced in the year 2010 to develop public stadium situated at the centre of Killinochchi town to develop it into an International level stadium, the aforesaid stadium has not yet been delivered to the use of the sportsperson in the district?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether this stadium is an international level stadium; if not, whether it is a district level stadium;
- (ii) the amount allocated for the construction work of the stadium;
- (iii) the amount spent during the last 10 years out of the aforesaid amount;
- (iv) the number of contractors that have signed contracts for the construction work of the stadium; and
- (v) the name of the current contractor who has undertaken contract activities?

(c) Will he also inform this House—

- (i) the extent to which the delay of the reconstruction work of this stadium has affected the sports activities of the sportspersons in the district; and

(22)

(ii) the steps taken by the Ministry to develop the sports field in the district?

(d) If not, why?

230/2020

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 years during the period from 2015 to 2019, of—

(i) the quantity of timber imported into Sri Lanka;

(ii) the money that has been incurred on that;

(iii) the countries from which those timber were imported; and

(iv) the companies which imported those timber?

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

(c) If not, why?

317/2020

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Youth & Sports,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

(i) the amount of money allocated for the year 2019 to develop Sri Lankan Athletics;

(ii) the amount allocated for the Government Schools out of aforesaid sum; and

(iii) the amount of money, allocated for the improvement of Athletic skills of the school leavers, out of the amount stated in aforesaid (i);

(b) Will he also inform this House—

(i) whether steps have been taken to draw up plans to direct the School Sportsmen towards achieving international victories in Athletics; and

(ii) if so, of aforesaid steps?

(c) Will he further inform this House—

(i) whether Sri Lankan government is involved in the administration and development affairs of Sri Lanka Athletics Association and the other affiliated Associations; and

(ii) if so, of the manner how the government is involved?

(d) If not, why?

453/2020

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Wildlife & Forest Conservation,— (2)

- (a) Is he aware that the wild life officers have demarcated the boundaries of the forest reserves and boundary posts have been fixed in the lands for which freehold land ownership deeds are held by the cultivators who have engaged in Chena cultivations since the year 1973 in the Bambaraela village, of Diwulwewa Grama Niladhari Division bearing division number 215, in the Kahatagasdigiliya Divisional Secretariat Division of Anuradhapura district?
- (b) If so, will he inform this House of the steps that would be taken with pertinence to the said matter?
- (c) If not, why?

485/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the date of establishment of the Paddy Marketing Board;
 - (ii) the objectives of establishing that institute;
 - (iii) the quantity of paddy that has been purchased by the Paddy Marketing Board in each season from year 2015 to date; and
 - (iv) the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to strengthen the Paddy Marketing Board in order to prevent the traders in the private sector from purchasing paddy from farmers at lower prices?
- (b) If not, why?

528/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of schools belonging to the North-Central Province situated within the Anuradhapura District;
 - (ii) the names of such schools;
 - (iii) the number of teacher vacancies existing in those schools at present; and
 - (iv) the numbers of vacancies according to each subject?
- (b) Will he also inform the House what course of action will be taken by the Ministry to fill those vacancies?
- (c) If not, why?

560/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of paddy storage centres maintained by the government as of now;
 - (ii) the areas in which such centres are located;
 - (iii) the number of paddy storage centres maintained by the private sector;
 - (iv) separately, the quantity of paddy stored in each such centre as of now; and
 - (v) whether it has been planned to start new paddy storage centres in addition to the said centres?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether fertilizer is provided free of charge to farmers as of now;
 - (ii) if so, the quantity of fertilizer given to one farmer;
 - (iii) the types of fertilizer so provided free of charge; and
 - (iv) the amount of money spent by the government for that purpose?
- (c) If not why?

590/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that Arugum Bay beach, a popular tourist destination, is among the top ten surf spots in the world; and
 - (ii) if so, the reason why Arugum Bay had not been declared as a tourist zone up to now?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether he is aware that there are not enough infrastructure facilities in Arugam Bay to which a large number of tourists arrive; and
 - (ii) if so, the steps that will be taken to provide sufficient infrastructure facilities for tourists?
- (c) If not, why?

610/2020

Hon. Samanpriya Herath,— To ask the Minister of Health,— (2)

- (a) Is she aware that the Kuliypitiya Base Hospital has been converted into a Teaching Hospital?

(25)

- (b) Will she inform this House —
- (i) whether action will be taken to use the aforesaid hospital for the clinical training of the students of the Medical Faculty of the Wayamba University of Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) whether she is aware that a three-member committee has been appointed to study this matter?
- (c) Will she also inform this House —
- (i) whether a professorial unit has been established in connection with the Medical Faculty of the Wayamba University of Sri Lanka and the Kuliypitiya Teaching Hospital; and
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to establish the aforesaid professorial unit at the Kuliypitiya Teaching Hospital?
- (d) If not, why?

642/2020

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the foundation stone has been laid by the former Prime Minister to construct the Pahala (Lower) Malwathuoya Reservoir in the North Central Province?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the current status of this project;
 - (ii) the estimated cost of the project;
 - (iii) the entity, out of the Irrigation Department and the Chinese Company, that engages in the construction work of this project; and
 - (iv) the estimated cost of construction, if it is undertaken by the Chinese Company?
- (c) If not, why?

722/2020

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

- (a) Is she aware that—
- (i) the building in which the OPD functions in the Mannar District Hospital which provides health services to the people of the district, is very old; and
 - (ii) the construction activities pertaining to the OPD and the ICU of the aforesaid hospital have not hitherto been commenced in spite of the pledges made to that effect in the recent past?
- (b) Will she inform this House of the date on which the said construction activities would be commenced?

- (c) Is she also aware that—
 - (i) most of the medical tests are not done in the said hospital; and
 - (ii) as per the prevailing situation, the CT scans, and the tests related to the fields of Neurology, ENT, Orthopedics, Oncology, Urology, Neprology and OMF cannot be conducted in this hospital?
- (d) Will she also inform this House whether the tests related to the above fields can be re-commenced in the Mannar District Hospital?
- (e) If not, why?

732/2020

Hon. K. P. S. Kumarasiri,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) nearly 305 million people around the world use PayPal Gateway as the E - Commerce websites are the easiest channels to sell goods to a foreign country;
 - (ii) aforesaid option can be used to sell Sri Lankan goods to foreign countries;
 - (iii) foreign exchange income channels related to sale of goods and services to foreign countries are rendered useless as the Central Bank of Sri Lanka has not made aforesaid option available in Sri Lanka;
 - (iv) Sri Lankan Companies that use the online systems to provide services, create PayPal accounts with foreign addresses; and
 - (v) a huge amount of income that should reach Sri Lanka has been diverted to foreign countries as commissions due to aforesaid reason?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to remove existing barriers with regard to sale of goods and services to foreign countries by way of Online systems; and
 - (ii) if so, of aforesaid measures?
- (c) If not why ?

773/2020

Hon. K. Sujith Sanjaya Perera,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of international schools functioning in Sri Lanka at present; and
 - (ii) the courses of action taken by the Ministry to regulate those schools in terms of establishing, recruiting teachers, for charging fees and other affairs of international schools?
 - (b) If not, why?
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Tuesday, February 09, 2021

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

28/2020

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Will she inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Dengue patients detected from the Ratnapura District in the year 2019;
 - (ii) that number by each Divisional Secretariat Division, separately;
 - (iii) the measures taken as of now to combat the Dengue disease within the Ratnapura District?
- (b) If not, why

136/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of power breakdowns, occurred in Sri Lanka, since 2010 to date;
 - (ii) the dates of aforesaid power breakdowns;
 - (iii) the number of committees appointed followed by aforesaid breakdowns;
 - (iv) the recommendations made by aforesaid committees; and
 - (v) the arrangement that the Ministry possesses to ensure 24 hour uninterrupted power supply to Sri Lanka?
- (b) If not, why?

231/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately, pertaining to each of the years during the period from 2015 to 2019, of—
 - (i) the quantity of animal fat/vegetable oil imported into Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the money that has been incurred on that;
 - (iii) the countries from which those animal fat/vegetable oil were imported; and
 - (iv) the companies which imported those animal fat/vegetable oil?
- (b) Will he also inform this House the total expenditure of importing animal fat/vegetable oil into Sri Lanka during the period concerned?
- (c) If not, why?

318/2020

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Youth & Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the amount of money allocated in 2019, for the development of Football in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the amount of money allocated for the Government schools out of aforesaid amount; and
 - (iii) the amount of money, allocated for the development of Football skills of the school leavers, out of the amount stated in aforesaid (i)?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether steps have been taken to draw up plans to direct the School Sportsmen towards achieving international victories in Football; and
 - (ii) if so, of aforesaid steps?
- (c) Will he further inform this House —
 - (i) whether Sri Lankan government is involved in the administration and development affairs of Sri Lanka Football Federation and the other affiliated Associations; and
 - (ii) if so, of the manner how the government is involved?
- (d) If not, why?

530/2020

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

- (a) Will she inform this House of —
 - (i) the number of hospitals and medical centres situated in Anuradhapura district and governed by the North Central Provincial Council;
 - (ii) the names of those centres;
 - (iii) the number of medical officers approved for each of the said hospitals separately; and
 - (iv) the number of medical officers serving at each of the said hospitals by now, separately?
- (b) Will she inform this House the steps taken by the Ministry to eliminate the shortage of Medical Officers that exists at the hospitals in Anuradhapura district?
- (c) If not, why?

563/2020

Hon. Shantha Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Wild Life and Forest Conservation,— (1)

- (a) Will he admit that human lives are lost and properties are destroyed due to the human - elephant conflict that exists in Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the number of human deaths that occurred in 2019 as a result of wild elephant attacks, separately with relevance to each province;
 - (ii) the amount paid as compensation for the loss of a human life at present;
 - (iii) the total amount paid in 2019 as compensation for damages to property; and
 - (iv) the measures taken to protect the people from the threat of wild elephants?
- (c) If not, why?

582/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) there was a reform of state-owned estates in the year 1992;
 - (ii) state owned lands were leased out to 22 regional plantation companies under those reforms; and
 - (iii) most of the aforesaid companies have transferred their lease rights to other parties at present?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the names of the plantation companies that obtained the state-owned estates on lease basis in the year 1992; and
 - (ii) the names of the companies that are managing those estates at present having obtained the lease rights of those estates from the aforesaid plantation companies?
- (c) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether there are legal provisions for the primary lessees to lease out to another party the state-owned estates acquired by them; and
 - (ii) if so, the legal provisions that provide for such lease out?
- (d) If not, why?

596/2020

Hon. Sivagnanam Shritharan,— To ask the Minister of Health,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the details of the approved cadre of the Analaithivu Hospital, which is the only hospital situated on the Analaithivu Island within the Kayts Divisional Secretariat Division in the Jaffna District;
 - (ii) the reasons for not appointing a permanent doctor to that hospital up to now;
 - (iii) what difficulties are faced by the people who live in the Analaithivu Island as a result of not appointing a doctor; and
 - (iv) the date on which the staff vacancies existing in the Analaithivu Hospital will be filled for the purpose of providing the people living on the Analaithivu Island with an optimum healthcare service?
- (b) If not, why?

604/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House in acres —
 - (i) the total extent of land that belong to the Field Crop Research and Development Institute located at Mahailuppallama in the Anuradhapura district;
 - (ii) out of that extent of land, the extent that has been reserved for the production of seeds;
 - (iii) the extent of land that has been reserved for the Field Research Centre;
 - (iv) the extent of land that has been reserved for the Farm Mechanical Centre; and
 - (v) the extent of land that is not used for cultivation purpose?
- (b) Will he also inform this House the measures to be taken to utilize the extent of land which is not used for cultivations at present, for cultivation purposes?
- (c) If not, why?

637/2020

Hon Shanakiyan Rajapuththiran Rasamanickam,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that plans of projects and rehabilitation works relating to the tanks situated in the Baticaloa District were submitted recently?

- (b) If so, will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the timeframes for rehabilitation of the aforesaid tanks; and
 - (ii) of the number of tanks that have been selected for rehabilitation during 2020?
- (c) If not, why?

654/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House whether the government has taken a decision on granting permission for chena cultivation in the lands owned by the Department of Wildlife Conservation and the Department of Forest Conservation under the approval of the relevant District Secretary?
- (b) Will he also inform this House in hectares—
 - (i) if so, the extent of land, covered from the decision, that are owned by the Department of Wildlife Conservation and the Department of Forest Conservation;
 - (ii) the extent of land that has been granted permission for chena cultivation out of the aforesaid extent of land; and
 - (iii) the extent of residual lands that will be cleared due to this decision?
- (c) If not, why?

758/2020

Hon. Amara Keerthi Athukorala,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the number of Tanks and Anicuts, coming under the Minor irrigations in Polonnaruwa district;
 - (ii) the areas where aforesaid Tanks and Anicuts are located;
 - (iii) the area where the most number of Tanks and Anicuts are located out of them; and
 - (iv) separately, the capacity of aforesaid Tanks and Anicuts?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of —
 - (i) the number of such Tanks and Anicuts in the district, renovated since 2015 to date;
 - (ii) the number of Tanks and Anicut identified to be renovated;
 - (iii) the number of Tanks and Anicuts that will be renovated in 2020; and
 - (iv) the names of aforesaid Tanks and Anicuts?
- (c) If not, why?

847/2020

Hon. Waruna Liyanage,— 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 families affected due to natural disasters that occurred in Sri Lanka after the year 2016;
 - (ii) of them, the number of families that has been granted disaster compensation provided by the government;
 - (iii) the number of families which has not been paid compensation thus; and
 - (iv) the further period of time to be taken to pay disaster compensation for families who have not been granted disaster compensation?
- (b) If not, why?

853/2020

Hon. Ajith Rajapakse,— 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 persons in Sri Lanka who hold the Field Marshal position at present; and
 - (ii) separately, the names of the persons and their dates of retirement?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately, the salaries and allowances paid, number of staff members assigned, number of official vehicles provided, official quarters and other grants given to each Field Marshal?
- (c) If not, why?

939/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) there exist volunteer welfare societies that are registered with the Department of Muslim Religious and Cultural Affairs; and
 - (ii) the aforesaid Department has sent letters to those registered welfare societies stating that the registration of those societies has been cancelled?
 - (b) Will he inform this House of the basis of cancelling the registration of those welfare societies that had been officially registered with the aforesaid Department?
 - (c) If not, why?
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Wednesday, February 10, 2021

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

29/2020

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Is she aware that—
 - (i) the monthly allowance paid to the senior citizens who have completed 70 years of age, is Rs. 2000/=;
 - (ii) a sum of Rs. 100/- is withheld out of the allowance so paid, from January 2016;
 - (iii) the senior citizens object to money being withheld in this manner; and
 - (iv) the amount so withheld is deposited in an account known as Social Security Fund?
- (b) Will she state—
 - (i) the total amount that has been withheld up to now;
 - (ii) the measures taken for the benefit of the senior citizens by utilizing the funds so withheld; and
 - (iii) whether arrangements will be made to suspend the withholding of Rs. 100/= each?
- (c) If not, why?

138/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of officers of Foreign Employment Bureau of Sri Lanka who are in abroad for official duties by now; and
 - (ii) separately, the name, designation and the workplace of each aforesaid officer?
- (b) Will he also inform this House the salaries and the other allowances paid to aforesaid officers and their families?
- (c) Will he further inform this House the measures that the Ministry has taken so far and the measures that the Ministry will take in future to bring the aforesaid officers to Sri Lanka back in the face of present Covid-19 Pandemic situation?
- (d) If not why?

170/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) it had been proposed to implement a electric mono-rail project form Malambe to Colombo-Fort; and
 - (ii) the soil inspection and surveying activities related to land acquisition have been carried out with pertinence to the said project?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether this project will be further implemented; and
 - (ii) if so, the steps that are expected to be taken in relation to this project in future?
- (c) If not, why?

232/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately, pertaining to each of the years during the period from 2015 to 2019, of—
 - (i) the quantity of animal foods imported into Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the money that has been incurred on that;
 - (iii) the countries from which those animal foods were imported; and
 - (iv) the companies which imported those animal foods?
- (b) Will he also inform this House the total expenditure of importing animal foods into Sri Lanka during the period concerned?
- (c) If not, why?

319/2020

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Youth & Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the amount of money allocated in 2019, for the development of Rugby in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the amount of money allocated for the Government schools out of aforesaid amount; and
 - (iii) the amount of money, allocated for the improvement of Rugby skills of the school leavers out of the amount stated in aforesaid (i) ?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps have been taken to draw up plans to direct the School Sportsmen towards achieving international victories in Rugby; and
 - (ii) if so, of aforesaid steps?

- (c) Will he further inform this House—
 - (i) whether Sri Lankan government is involved in the administration and development affairs of Sri Lanka Rugby and the other affiliated Associations; and
 - (ii) if so, the manner how the government is involved?
- (d) If not, why?

549/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) payment of salaries, allowances, bonus and compensation to employees who are serving in Ginthota Plywood Factory situated at Ginthota, Galle are not been carried out properly;
 - (ii) a case regarding this matter has been filed before the courts; and
 - (iii) warrants have been issued by the courts against the relevant directors?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the reasons for not taking action against the relevant directors according to the warrants;
 - (ii) the dates on which the salaries, allowances, bonus and compensation entitled by the aforesaid employees will be provided; and
 - (iii) if not, whether legal action would be taken against the relevant officers?
- (c) If not, why?

848/2020

Hon. Waruna Liyanage,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House whether the programme for granting compensation in situations of natural disasters by the National Insurance Trust Fund established in terms of National Budget Circular 03/2016 is in operation as of now?
- (b) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the said Insurance Trust Fund had even paid compensation in disaster situations to people residing in reserve areas and unauthorized lands;
 - (ii) however, it has been recommended under paragraph 04(iii) of the Disaster Management Guidelines No. 01/2020 that the copies of deeds or other documents are required to confirm the ownership of property; and

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- (iii) this has caused injustice to people residing illegally in the reserve areas belonging to the government, road reservation lands, railway reservation lands and lands belonging to the Lands Reforms Commission and the government?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the government has paid attention for the provision of relief to the people referred to in (b)(iii) above; and
 - (ii) if so, as to how such relief will be provided?
- (d) If not, why?

854/2020

Hon. Ajith Rajapakse,— To ask the Minister of Lands,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the land located at the Kirimandala Mawatha, Colombo 05 in which the Asiri Surgical Hospital Limited functions, has been a land belonging to the government, prior to the construction of the said hospital?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the basis on which the said land had been granted for the construction of the above hospital; and
 - (ii) whether a certified copy of the agreement entered into, with relevance to the transfer of the said land for the construction of the above mentioned hospital, will be presented to this House?
- (c) If not, why?

Thursday, February 11, 2021

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

31/2020

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 inform this House—
 - (i) the number of industries with foreign investments that were started anew from 2005 to 2020; and
 - (ii) their names?
- (b) Will he admit that—
 - (i) there aren't sufficient infrastructure facilities to start industries; and
 - (ii) investors get discouraged owing to certain laws in place?

(37)

(c) Will he also inform this House of the measures that would be taken to provide a speedy service to investors?

(d) If not, why?

139/2020

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that a programme to give jobs to unemployed graduates is in operation under the manifesto “Vision Towards Prosperity”?

(b) Will he inform this House—

(i) the methodology followed in respect of giving jobs to unemployed graduates;

(ii) the names of the graduates who have been given jobs under the programme concerned;

(iii) their places of work; and

(iv) the nature of their duties?

(c) If not, why?

172/2020

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

(a) Is he aware that although a large number of patients come every day to the Out Patient Department of the Colombo-Central Hospital and wards complexes necessary for resident treatment that are available at this Hospital, those who receive resident treatment is a very limited number and even the residents of the neighbourhood gain admission to the Colombo National Hospital for resident treatment?

(b) Will he inform this House—

(i) whether there are identified reasons for patients to have recourse to other hospitals even though facilities are available at the Colombo-Central Hospital; and

(ii) if so, what steps have been taken as remedies for it?

(c) Will he also inform this House—

(i) whether provisions have been allocated in the year 2020 to develop the Colombo Central Hospital; and

(ii) if so, what development activities have been performed using such provisions and what progress has each such activity achieved, separately?

(d) If not, why?

233/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately, pertaining to each of the years during the period from 2015 to 2019—
 - (i) the number of aircraft imported into Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the money that has been incurred on that;
 - (iii) the countries from which those aircraft were imported; and
 - (iv) the companies which imported those aircraft ?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the total expenditure of importing aircraft into Sri Lanka during the period concerned?
- (c) If not, why?

320/2020

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Youth & Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the amount of money allocated in 2019, for the development of Hokey in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the amount of money allocated for the Government schools out of aforesaid amount; and
 - (iii) the amount of money, allocated for the development of Hokey skills of the school leavers, out of the amount stated in aforesaid (i) ?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps have been taken to draw up plans to direct the School Sportsmen towards achieving international victories in Hokey; and
 - (ii) if so, the aforesaid steps?
- (c) Will he further inform this House—
 - (i) whether Sri Lankan government is involved in the administration and development affairs of Sri Lanka Hokey Federation and the other affiliated Associations; and
 - (ii) if so, of the manner how the government is involved?
- (d) If not, why?

486/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the date on which the Paddy Marketing Board Act was passed;
 - (ii) the objective of passing such an act; and
 - (iii) the legal provisions provided in the aforesaid Act with regard to purchasing of paddy?
- (b) Will he further inform this House of the mechanism that is in effect throughout the country to purchase paddy in terms of the provisions of the aforesaid Act?
- (c) If not, why?

531/2020

Hon. Rohana Bandara,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of places of archaeological value situated in Anuradhapura district; and
 - (ii) the names of those places?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the steps taken by the Ministry to protect the historical value of those places for the future generation?
- (c) If not, why?

564/2020

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

- (a) Will he admit that All Island School Games are held annually?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether provincial schools' sports meets have been held for 2020; and
 - (ii) if not, the measures taken in that regard?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether All Island School Games have been held for 2020; and
 - (ii) if not, whether steps will be taken to hold those competitions?
- (d) If not, why?

592/2020

Hon. S.M.M. Muszhaaraff,— To ask the Minister of Youth & Sports,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the youth in the Pottuvil area have been inconvenienced for a long time due to the lack of a public stadium in that area despite that there are many sportspersons in that area who have contributed a lot to the field of sports in Sri Lanka at the national and international levels?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) if so, the date on which a public stadium will be constructed in Pottuvil area; and
 - (ii) the measures that have been taken by the Ministry in this regard during the past period?
- (c) If not, why?

597/2020

Hon. Sivagnanam Shritharan,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Is she aware that the Nagadeepa Hospital is the only government hospital belonging to the Nagadeepa Division of the Welane Divisional Secretariat Division of the Jaffna District?
- (b) Will she admit that people of the area immensely suffer due to not appointing a doctor to the aforesaid hospital on permanent basis?
- (c) Will she inform this House—
 - (i) the reasons for not hitherto appointing a permanent doctor to the aforesaid hospital;
 - (ii) the information related to the approved cadre of the said hospital; and
 - (iii) the date on which the current cadre vacancies of the Nagadeepa Hospital will be filled with a view to providing a satisfactory service to the people?
- (d) If not, why?

643/2020

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the Uva Province—
 - (i) the reasons that contribute towards the delay in the construction activities of the Thalpitigala Reservoir Project;
 - (ii) the current progress of the Kumbukkan Oya Reservoir project, for which the foundation stone has been laid in the year 2015; and
 - (iii) the current progress of the Heda Oya Reservoir Project?
- (b) If not, why?

648/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of tourists who visited Sri Lanka in 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018;
 - (ii) that number in relation to each country, separately; and
 - (iii) the amount of foreign exchange earned by Sri Lanka from those tourists in each of the above years?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Tourist Resorts run by the Tourist Promotion Bureau of Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) their locations; and
 - (iii) the number of employees attached to those Tourist Resorts?
- (c) Will he further inform this House—
 - (i) whether new Tourist Resorts have been started by the Tourist Promotion Bureau of Sri Lanka in the country; and
 - (ii) if so, what their names are?
- (d) If not, why?

656/2020

Hon Chandima Weerakkody,— To ask the Minister of Trade,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that there is some problematic situation as the rural bank that is operated by Habaraduwa Multi Purposes Cooperative Society Ltd., has not paid back the money deposited at the bank to the depositors?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the amount of money that has been defrauded from this bank;
 - (ii) the amount of money that has been paid back to its depositors;
 - (iii) the amount of money that remains further to be paid to the depositors; and
 - (iv) the date on which the remaining amounts will be paid back to the depositors?
- (c) Will he further inform this House—
 - (i) the names of the chairmen and members of the boards of directors of the aforesaid bank during the periods when the scam was committed; and
 - (ii) the legal action that has been taken against those chairmen and board members?
- (d) If not, why?

780/2020

Hon. K. Kader Masthan,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,— (2)

- (a) Is he aware that houses were provided to homeless people under the housing project that was operative in Vavuniya district under the then Ministry of Rehabilitation, Resettlement and Hindu Religious Affairs?
- (b) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of beneficiaries that were identified in the year 2019 to be provided with houses from among the 42 Grama Niladhari Divisions in the Divisional Secretariat Division of Vavuniya;
 - (ii) the number of houses provided to each of the aforesaid Grama Niladhari Division up to now, separately; and
 - (iii) the names of the aforesaid beneficiaries of houses?
- (c) Will he also inform this House of—
 - (i) the basis on which houses are allocated to each Grama Niladhari Division;
 - (ii) the factors that were used as a basis when allocating houses to the original inhabitants of Kallikulum Grama Niladhari Division and to those that were settled there later;
 - (iii) the steps that will be taken to solve the problems that have arisen when allocating the aforesaid houses; and
 - (iv) the date on which houses will be provided to the persons who have not received houses yet?
- (d) If not, why?

861/2020

Hon. Charles Nirmalanathan,— To ask the Minister of Wildlife and Forest Conservation,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) acquiring of lands in the villages of Pallimunei and Parappankandal situated in the Mannar Divisional Secretariat Division and in Wankalei situated in the Nanattan Divisional Secretariat Division by the Department of Wildlife Conservation has caused people in the said areas immense difficulties;
 - (ii) the Director General of Wildlife had visited the said villages in year 2019 and had pledged to solve the issue; and
 - (iii) however, the land issue of the people in the aforesaid villages is yet to be addressed ?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether measures will be taken to solve the issue;
 - (ii) if so, the time that will take; and

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(iii) the date on which, the programme to address the issue will commence?

(c) If not, why?

Friday, February 12, 2021

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

33/2020

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the measures that have been taken by the government to conserve the Kooragala archeological site by now?
- (b) If not, why?

140/2020

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri, — 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 a programme to give jobs to members of low-income families is in operation under the manifesto “Vision Towards Prosperity”?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of jobs that have been given under this programme;
 - (ii) the names of the recipients of the jobs concerned; and
 - (iii) what measures will be taken by the Ministry to expand this programme further?
- (c) If not, why?

234/2020

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 number of vehicles imported into Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the money that has been incurred on that;
 - (iii) the countries from which those vehicles were imported; and
 - (iv) the companies which imported those vehicles?

(44)

- (b) Will he also inform this House of the total expenditure of importing vehicles into Sri Lanka during the period concerned?
- (c) If not, why?

321/2020

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Youth & Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the amount of money allocated to develop table tennis in Sri Lanka in 2019;
 - (ii) the amount, out of that amount, that has been allocated for government schools; and
 - (iii) the amount, out of the amount allocated in above (i), to develop table tennis skills among school dropouts?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps have been taken to prepare plans to train school children to get international victories in table tennis; and
 - (ii) if so, what those steps are?
- (c) Will he further inform this House—
 - (i) whether the government is involved in administration and development activities of the Sri Lanka Table Tennis Association and other affiliated organizations; and
 - (ii) if so, the nature of the government's involvement?
- (d) If not, why?

489/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House, separately—
 - (i) the number of National Schools located in each of the Divisional Secretariat Divisions in the Kurunegala District; and
 - (ii) the names of those National Schools?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to increase the number of National Schools in the Divisional Secretariat Divisions of the District that have minimum numbers of National Schools?
- (c) If not, why?

565/2020

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

- (a) Will she admit that a tremendous service is rendered by the Kurunegala teaching hospital?

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- (b) Will she inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of wards in that hospital; and
 - (ii) the number of beds in that hospital?
- (c) Will she also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Kurunegala hospital possesses necessary facilities to provide an adequate service to the patients who come to get treatments; and
 - (ii) if not, the steps that will be taken to improve those shortcomings?
- (d) If not, why?

593/2020

Hon. S.M.M. Muszhaaraff,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Shipping,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that the coast along the Oluvil area will be subjected to massive coastal erosion after the construction of the Oluvil Harbour?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the measures that have been taken with regard to the aforesaid coastal erosion;
 - (ii) the reasons for taking temporary measures such as depositing sand along the beach to prevent this situation;
 - (iii) whether permanent measures will be taken in future to prevent coastal erosion in this area; and
 - (iv) if so, of the date on which such measures will be taken?
- (c) Is he aware that the Ports Authority has not awarded alternative lands to those who have lost their lands due to the construction of the aforesaid harbour?
- (d) If so, will he also inform this House —
 - (i) the date on which alternative lands will be awarded to those who have lost their lands;
 - (ii) the date on which compensation will be paid to those persons;
 - (iii) the manner in which the mistake that was made by awarding 20 perches to each person when awarding alternative lands will be corrected; and
 - (iv) of the manner in which the promise that was given to set aside lands for public purposes in the Oluvil Qatar Housing Scheme constructed by the Ports Authority will be fulfilled?
- (e) If not, why?

598/2020

Hon. Sivagnanam Shritharan,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Is she aware that the Welane Regional Hospital is located in the Welane Divisional Secretariat Division of Jaffna District?
- (b) Will she admit that people residing in the said area immensely suffer due to not permanently appointing a doctor to the aforesaid hospital?
- (c) Will she inform this House—
 - (i) the approved cadre of the said hospital;
 - (ii) the reasons for not hitherto appointing a permanent doctor to the aforesaid hospital; and
 - (iii) the date on which the current cadre vacancies of the Welane Regional Hospital will be filled with a view to providing an optimum service to the people?
- (d) If not, why?

611/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) there was a fertile coconut land with an extent of around 85 acres known as “Mahanugalanda Watta” in Kuliyaipitiya area in the Kurunegala District;
 - (ii) it belonged to the Department of Trustee;
 - (iii) it was governed by a trust; and
 - (iv) this land has been given to a company known as Western Auto Mobile to start a factory to manufacture to Volks Wagon cars?
- (b) Will he inform this House the basis on which this land has been given to the above mentioned company and the period for which it has been given?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) the number of coconut trees that were cut down and removed from this land; and
 - (ii) the basis on which those coconut trees have been sold?
- (d) If not why?

638/2020

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

- (a) Is she aware that –
 - (i) the number of doctors who are serving at the hospitals in the Batticaloa District at present is about ten percent lower than the required number; and
 - (ii) there also exists a shortage of specialist doctors at the hospitals in the Batticaloa District?
- (b) Will she inform this House of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to fill the vacancies for doctors existing at the aforesaid hospitals?
- (c) If not, why?

772/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that admission to the grade one of the national schools in Colombo Municipal region has become a competition for underprivileged urban children?
- (b) If so, will he state in respect of the national schools within the Colombo Municipality of the—
 - (i) names;
 - (ii) names of schools categorized as religious and non-religious;
 - (iii) number of schools by language of study and number of classes allotted for Sinhala and Tamil medium;
 - (iv) number of students in Tamil medium classes from grade 1 to 5 in the tri-lingual national schools; and
 - (v) number of students admitted to each school by language of study, ethnicity and religion?
- (c) Will he also state whether the government—
 - (i) is satisfied with the current process of admission for grade one; and
 - (ii) accommodates more students from various ethnic, religious and social backgrounds by allocating special quota for the students of the parents living in the proximity to the schools for generations?
- (d) If not, why?

774/2020

Hon. Kins Nelson,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform the House—
 - (i) the number of schools experiencing shortage of teachers and those lacking drinking water facilities, laboratories, libraries and sports facilities out of the schools belonging to both the Central Government and the Provincial Council situated within the Polonnaruwa District, separately in respect of each Divisional Secretariat Division; and
 - (ii) the names and addresses of such schools?
- (b) Will he also inform the House —
 - (i) whether the Government will take steps to develop schools within this District which have the above-mentioned deficiencies; and
 - (ii) if so, how long it will take to adopt such steps?
- (c) If not, why?

781/2020

Hon. K. Kader Masthan,— 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 types of vehicles received and purchased from different countries and institutions to the then Ministry of National Policies, Economic Affairs, Resettlement, Rehabilitation and Northern Province Development and Youth Affairs for rehabilitation and resettlement activities during the period from 2005 up to 2015 along with registered numbers of the aforesaid vehicles and the names of the government and non-governmental institutions for whose use they had been handed over, separately;
 - (ii) the present condition of those vehicles;
 - (iii) the institutions that use those vehicles at present; and
 - (iv) the Ministry and the relevant section of that Ministry that used the tractor bearing the registered number WP RB-2639, which is kept at Thaleimannar Police station presently?
- (b) Will he inform this House, separately—
 - (i) The types of vehicles that were used in the Manik Farm Transition Camp during the period from 2009 up to 2012 along with their registered numbers; and
 - (ii) the name of the institution that use the aforesaid vehicles at present along with the place in which the vehicles are used?
- (c) If not, why?

862/2020

Hon. Charles Nirmalanathan,— To ask the Minister of Wildlife and Forest Conservation,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Department of Wildlife Conservation is obstructing the renovation of tanks and clearing of lands owned by farmers in the districts of Vavuniya, Mullaitivu and Mannar Districts; and
 - (ii) whereas two years have passed after a request was made in writing from the Director General of Forest Conservation to allocate the 20 acre land situated near Kayakkuli village of Musali Divisional Secretariat Division, to resettle the people who had come to Sri Lanka from India, as per the decision of the Mannar District Development Committee and the request is yet to be fulfilled?
- (b) If so, will he inform this House whether measures will be taken to allocate the said land for the aforesaid purpose?
- (c) If not, why?

882/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately the total amount of money spent on state universities and non - state universities;
 - (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) the total value of the world bank loan taken for higher education under the Accelerating Higher Education Expansion and Development Operation (AHEAD) Project;
 - (ii) the percentage of the government expenditure spent on higher education through world bank loans;
 - (iii) the percentage of the loans allocated to the Private Higher Education Institutes accredited by the University Grants Commission; and
 - (iv) the number of the employees of the state higher education sector attached to the Ministry of Education to work under the said project on secondment basis?
 - (c) If not, why?
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