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No. 4(4).]

ADDENDUM TO THE ORDER BOOK No. 4
OF
PARLIAMENT

Issued on Thursday, July 22, 2021

Tuesday, August 03, 2021

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Finance Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Policies & Plan Implementation, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,— Order under the Strategic Development Projects Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 3(4) of the Strategic Development Projects Act, No. 14 of 2008 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2224/2 of 19th April 2021 and amended under Section 3(4) of the Strategic Development Projects Act, No. 14 of 2008 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2235/15 of 06th July 2021, which was presented on 19.07.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Strategic Development Projects Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance under Section 75 of the Value Added Tax Act, No. 14 of 2002 regarding Value Added Tax and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2228/33 of 20th May 2021, which were presented on 20.07.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Health,— Supplementary Sum,— Head 441— Programme 01 & 02— † That this Parliament resolves that a supplementary sum not exceeding Rupees eleven thousand eight hundred and forty-three and decimal seven million (Rs. 11,843,700,000) should be paid from the Consolidated Fund of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka or any other government owned fund or currency or any loan obtained by the Government at the discretion of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka for the benefit of the financial year beginning 1st January, 2021 and ending 31st December, 2021 and that the amount should be spent as per the schedule given here:—

SCHEDULE

Head 441 — State Minister of Primary Health Care, Epidemics and COVID Disease Control.

Programme 01—

Operational programme

Recurrent Expenditure	Rs.	115,700,000
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Capital Expenditure	Rs.	19,000,000
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Programme 02—

Development programme

Recurrent Expenditure	Rs.	11,455,000,000
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Capital Expenditure	Rs.	254,000,000
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Recurrent Expenditure	Rs.	11,570,700,000
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Capital Expenditure	Rs.	273,000,000
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Total	Rs.	11,843,700,000
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(Eleven thousand eight hundred and forty-three and decimal seven million rupees)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

†Vide Supplementary Estimate No. 2 of 2021 presented on 19th July, 2021. Supplementary Estimate No.1 Total Rs. 200,000,000,000.

* *Indicates Government Business.*

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS

(Thursday, August 05, 2021)

1900/2021

Hon. Anura Kumara Disanayaka,— To ask the Prime Minister and Urban Development and Housing,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform the House—
 - (i) of the names of reserves or management areas existing under the Coast Conservation and Coastal Resources Management Department;
 - (ii) of the gazette notification number and the date of each gazette notification by which each of the reserves and the management areas referred to above were so declared, separately;
 - (iii) whether he will table those gazette notifications;
 - (iv) whether there are any gazette notifications that have been issued revoking a gazette notification which had declared some area as a reserve or a management area;
 - (v) if so, what the gazette notification number and date of each such gazette notification are, separately;
 - (vi) whether he will table such gazette notifications; and
 - (vii) of the names of the areas planned to be declared as reserves or management areas under the aforesaid Department in future?
- (c) If not, why?

1901/2021

Hon. Anura Disanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Environment,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the names of the reserves and management areas coming under the Central Environment Authority;
 - (ii) of the number and the date of each gazette notification in which the names of the aforesaid reserves or management areas were declared;
 - (iii) whether that gazette notifications will be tabled;
 - (iv) whether there are gazette notifications that have been issued abolishing the gazette notification issued earlier declaring an area as a reserve or management area;
 - (v) if so, what the gazette notification number and date of each such gazette notification are, separately;

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- (vi) whether this gazette notifications will be tabled; and
- (vii) of the names of the areas that have been planned to be declared as reserves or management areas in the future under aforesaid Authority?

(b) If not, why?

1902 /2021

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the names of the forest reserves come under the Forest Conservation Department;
- (ii) of the number and the date of the gazette notification that declared each of the reserve as a reserve;
- (iii) whether that gazette notifications will be tabled;
- (iv) whether there are gazette notifications that have been issued to abolish the gazette notifications issued to declare forest reserves;
- (v) if so, what the gazette notification number and date of each such gazette notification are, separately;
- (vi) whether that gazette notifications will be tabled;
- (vii) of the names of the areas that have been planned to declare as reserves or management areas under the aforesaid department?

(c) If not, why?

1903/2021

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the names of the forest reserves come under the Department of Wildlife;
- (ii) of the number and the date of the gazette notification that declared each of the reserve as a reserve;
- (iii) whether that gazette notifications will be tabled;
- (iv) whether there are gazette notifications that have been issued to abolish the gazette notifications issued to declare forest reserves;
- (v) if so, what the gazette notification number and date of each such gazette notification are, separately;
- (vi) whether that gazette notifications will be tabled; and
- (vii) of the names of the areas that have been planned to declare as reserves or management areas under the aforesaid department?

(b) If not, why?

1904/2021

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Environment,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the steps taken by the Ministry regarding the large scale destruction of forest carried out in the Galwalayaya forest reserve in Pollebedda, Mahaoya, Ampara?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether it has been advised to act in accordance with the Environment Act in clearing the said forest reserve;
 - (ii) if so, whether a copy of that letter would be provided;
 - (iii) whether the cleared areas of the said forest have been inspected;
 - (iv) whether damage has been caused to the environment in such clearing;
 - (v) if so, what the nature of the damage caused to the environment is; and
 - (vi) of the steps taken regarding such damage caused to the environment?
- (c) If not, why?

1905/2021

Hon. Anura Dissanayake,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the extent of lands under the Mahaoya Mahaweli Residential Project Management Office;
 - (ii) the extent of lands that has not hitherto been distributed among the people, out of the said lands; and
 - (iii) whether the relevant official document will be tabled?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) the amount of lands that have been provided to the Pollebedda Agricultural Development Project, Mahaoya;
 - (ii) of the names of the companies to which the aforesaid lands have been provided;
 - (iii) separately of the extent of lands that have been provided to each of the aforesaid company;
 - (iv) the price at which an acre of the aforesaid land had been sold or leased out;
 - (v) the total income generated through that; and
 - (vi) what the relevant agreements are, if the said lands have been granted as per agreements?

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(c) Will he further state—

- (i) the agricultural projects implemented by the companies mentioned in (b)(ii) above;
- (ii) whether the project reports relevant to the above will be tabled;
- (iii) whether the conditions of the relevant agreements have been followed with pertinence to the implementation of the aforesaid projects; and
- (iv) if not, whether action has been taken against such violations?

(d) If not, why?

1907/2021

Hon. Anura Kumara Disanayake,— To ask the Minister of Wildlife and Forest Conservation,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the extent of lands, in hectares, coming under the Forest Conservation Department in Ampara district;
- (ii) separately, the extent of lands, coming under Mahaoya and Padiyathalawa Divisional Secretariats, from aforesaid lands;
- (iii) the period in which Mahaoya, Galwalayaya forest came under the management of the Department; and
- (iv) the date from which aforesaid Department withdrew from management of aforesaid forest?

(b) Will he also state—

- (i) separately, the year in which each forest replanting project, carried out by the Department, was launched and the cost incurred;
- (ii) whether the boundaries have been marked with boundary stones after surveying reforested area; and
- (iii) if so, separately, the years in which aforesaid boundaries were marked with boundary stones and the cost incurred, in that regard?

(c) Will he further state—

- (i) the extent of lands, in hectares, to be gazetted as state forest reserves, from forest lands in Galwalayaya area;
- (ii) the date on which aforesaid lands will be gazette; and
- (iii) reasons for the delay in issuing the aforesaid gazette notification?

(d) If not, why?

2110/2021

Hon. Rauff Hakeem,— To ask the Minister of Lands,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether he is aware that the Circular titled “Accelerated programme on solving post-conflict state land issues in the Northern and Eastern Provinces” bearing No.2013/01 and dated 31.01.2013 was issued by the Commissioner General of Lands as an implementation of the Cabinet policy decision titled “Implementing the recommendations of the Report of the Lessons Learnt and Reconciliation Commission and Regularizing the Land Management Affairs in the Northern and Eastern Provinces” bearing No.11/0737/533/015 dated 04.05.2011;
- (ii) of the programmes implemented in each Divisional Secretariat Division in Ampara district as per Sections 2.2.2.1, 2.2.3.4, 2.2.3.5 and 3.5 of the said Circular;
- (iii) of the solutions provided at those programmes; and
- (iv) of the name and address of each person who was provided solutions for issues according to each Grama Niladhari Division?

(b) If not, why?

2111/2021

Hon. Rauff Hakeem,— To ask the Minister of Lands,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether he is aware that the Circular titled “Accelerated programme on solving post-conflict state land issues in the Northern and Eastern Provinces” bearing No.2013/01 and dated 31.01.2013 was issued by the Commissioner General of Lands as an implementation of the Cabinet policy decision titled “Implementing the recommendations of the Report of the Lessons Learnt and Reconciliation Commission and Regularizing the Land Management Affairs in the Northern and Eastern Provinces” bearing No.11/0737/533/015 dated 04.05.2011;
- (ii) of the programmes implemented in each Divisional Secretariat Division in Mannar district as per Sections 2.2.2.1, 2.2.3.4, 2.2.3.5 and 3.5 of the said Circular;
- (iii) of the solutions provided at those programmes; and
- (iv) of the name and address of each person who was provided solutions for issues according to each Grama Niladhari Division?

(b) If not, why?

2112/2021

Hon. Rauff Hakeem,— To ask the Minister of Lands,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that the Circular titled “Accelerated programme on solving post-conflict state land issues in the Northern and Eastern Provinces” bearing No.2013/01 and dated 31.01.2013 was issued by the Commissioner General of Lands as an implementation of the Cabinet policy decision titled “Implementing the recommendations of the Report of the Lessons Learnt and Reconciliation Commission and Regularizing the Land Management Affairs in the Northern and Eastern Provinces” bearing No.11/0737/533/015 dated 04.05.2011;
 - (ii) of the programmes implemented in each Divisional Secretariat Division in Trincomalee district as per Sections 2.2.2.1, 2.2.3.4, 2.2.3.5 and 3.5 of the said Circular;
 - (iii) of the solutions provided at those programmes;
 - (iv) of the name and address of each person who was provided solutions for issues according to each Grama Niladhari Division?
- (b) If not, why?

2113/2021

Hon. Rauff Hakeem,— To ask the Minister of Lands,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that the Circular titled “Accelerated programme on solving post-conflict state land issues in the Northern and Eastern Provinces” bearing No.2013/01 and dated 31.01.2013 was issued by the Commissioner General of Lands as an implementation of the Cabinet policy decision titled “Implementing the recommendations of the Report of the Lessons Learnt and Reconciliation Commission and Regularizing the Land Management Affairs in the Northern and Eastern Provinces” bearing No.11/0737/533/015 dated 04.05.2011;
 - (ii) of the programmes implemented in each Divisional Secretariat Division in Batticaloa district as per Sections 2.2.2.1, 2.2.3.4, 2.2.3.5 and 3.5 of the said Circular;
 - (iii) of the solutions provided at those programmes;
 - (iv) of the name and address of each person who was provided solutions for issues according to each Grama Niladhari Division?
- (b) If not, why?

2114/2021

Hon. Rauff Hakeem,— To ask the Minister of Lands,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether he is aware that the Circular titled “Accelerated programme on solving post-conflict state land issues in the Northern and Eastern Provinces” bearing No.2013/01 and dated 31.01.2013 was issued by the Commissioner General of Lands as an implementation of the Cabinet policy decision titled “Implementing the recommendations of the Report of the Lessons Learnt and Reconciliation Commission and Regularizing the Land Management Affairs in the Northern and Eastern Provinces” bearing No.11/0737/533/015 dated 04.05.2011;
- (ii) of the programmes implemented in each Divisional Secretariat Division in Vavuniya district as per Sections 2.2.2.1, 2.2.3.4, 2.2.3.5 and 3.5 of the said Circular;
- (iii) of the solutions provided at those programmes;
- (iv) of the name and address of each person who was provided solutions for issues according to each Grama Niladhari Division?

(b) If not, why?

2115/2021

Hon. Rauff Hakeem,— To ask the Minister of Lands,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether he is aware that the Circular titled “Accelerated programme on solving post-conflict state land issues in the Northern and Eastern Provinces” bearing No.2013/01 and dated 31.01.2013 was issued by the Commissioner General of Lands as an implementation of the Cabinet policy decision titled “Implementing the recommendations of the Report of the Lessons Learnt and Reconciliation Commission and Regularizing the Land Management Affairs in the Northern and Eastern Provinces” bearing No.11/0737/533/015 dated 04.05.2011;
- (ii) of the programmes implemented in each Divisional Secretariat Division in Mullaitivu district as per Sections 2.2.2.1, 2.2.3.4, 2.2.3.5 and 3.5 of the said Circular;
- (iii) of the solutions provided at those programmes;
- (iv) of the name and address of each person who was provided solutions for issues according to each Grama Niladhari Division?

(b) If not, why?

2116/2021

Hon. Rauff Hakeem,— To ask the Minister of Lands,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—(1)
 - (i) whether he is aware that the Circular titled “Accelerated programme on solving post-conflict state land issues in the Northern and Eastern Provinces” bearing No.2013/01 and dated 31.01.2013 was issued by the Commissioner General of Lands as an implementation of the Cabinet policy decision titled “Implementing the recommendations of the Report of the Lessons Learnt and Reconciliation Commission and Regularizing the Land Management Affairs in the Northern and Eastern Provinces” bearing No.11/0737/533/015 dated 04.05.2011;
 - (ii) of the programmes implemented in each Divisional Secretariat Division in Jaffna district as per Sections 2.2.2.1, 2.2.3.4, 2.2.3.5 and 3.5 of the said Circular;
 - (iii) of the solutions provided at those programmes; and
 - (iv) of the name and address of each person who was provided solutions for issues according to each Grama Niladhari Division?
 - (b) If not, why?
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Thursday, September 23, 2021

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

67/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that the subject of garbage management comes under the purview of Provincial Councils as per the 13th amendment to the constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) if so, of the names of the Provincial Councils which have established separate institutions for solid waste management from the commencement of the Provincial Council System up to date;
 - (ii) the names of the Provincial Councils which have not established a specific institution for the above purpose; and
 - (iii) the steps that will be taken by the Ministry with pertinence to the establishment of a specific institution in the Provincial Councils where such specific entities have not yet been established?
- (c) If not why?

199/2020

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Policies & Plan Implementation, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately—
 - (i) the number of Cabinet Ministries and State Ministries existing at present; and
 - (ii) the names of the aforesaid Ministries?
- (b) Will he also inform this House separately—
 - (i) out of the aforesaid Cabinet Ministries and State Ministries, of number of those that are housed in private buildings;
 - (ii) the names of those ministries; and
 - (iii) the amount of the monthly rental paid to those buildings?
- (c) Will he state the nature of the steps that will be taken to shift the ministries that are housed in private buildings to state-owned buildings?
- (d) If not, why?

242/2020

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

355/2020

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

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the quality of the water of the tanks situated in Anuradhapura district that provide drinking water has deteriorated; and
 - (ii) aforesaid water is unsuitable for human consumption as it contains toxic substances including E-coli ?

(12)

- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the names of the tanks situated in Anuradhapura district that are used to obtain drinking water;
 - (ii) whether measures have been taken to improve the quality of the water of the aforesaid tanks; and
 - (iii) if so, those measures are?
- (c) If not, why?

519/2020

Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries,—(2)

- (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, the measures taken to widen aforesaid Harbour?
- (c) If not, why?

543/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that employees were recruited to the non-academic staff of the national schools in Sri Lanka during the period from the year 2015 to 2018?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately, the job titles for which employees were recruited in each of the aforesaid national schools; and
 - (ii) separately, the number of employees recruited to each of the aforesaid national schools?
- (c) If not, why?

671/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) as to how the money to be spent on the proposed remaining work of the Bingiriya, Kinyama Irrigation Project of which the construction was recently commenced will be sourced;

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- (ii) the amount of money to be spent on the proposed remaining work components;
 - (iii) the time to be taken for the proposed remaining work components; and
 - (iv) the number of tanks to be revived by the said project?
- (b) If not, why?

757/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House, in respect of Polonnaruwa district—
- (i) whether a study has been conducted with regard to the movements of Wild Elephants;
 - (ii) separately, of the National Parks and the Forest Reservations where the Wild Elephants frequently move;
 - (iii) the locations of the Elephant Corridors, if there is any; and
 - (iv) the villages or human dwellings that blocks the Elephant Corridors?
- (b) Will he also inform this House, separately—
- (i) as per the Divisional Secretariat Divisions, the number of people and the Elephants died;
 - (ii) as per each year, the number of Houses damaged; and
 - (iii) as per individuals, the compensation granted for the deaths and for the people who lost properties by reason of Human-Elephant conflicts, from 2015 to September 2020?
- (c) Will he further inform this House, the new measures that have been taken to control the Human-Elephant conflict of the district?
- (d) If not why?

803/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) there is a school by the name of Kili/ Wattakkachchi Central College in Karachchci Divisional Secretariat Division of the district of Kilinochchi;
 - (ii) the foundation stone has been laid to construct a new auditorium for the above school in 2017; and
 - (iii) the construction activities of the auditorium have been suspended due to not releasing the funds allocated for this purpose?

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- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the ministry which has allocated funds for the construction of the above mentioned auditorium; and
 - (ii) the reasons for not releasing the funds allocated for the same?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) the amount of money needed to complete the construction of the above mentioned auditorium;
 - (ii) the date on which allocations will be made for this purpose; and
 - (iii) the time needed to complete the construction of the said auditorium and to provide it for the use of the students?
- (d) If not, why?

871/2020

Hon. Imran Maharoof,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Sri Lanka Transport Board depots located in Trincomalee district;
 - (ii) the names of those depots;
 - (iii) the number of currently available buses that are suitable for operation in each of the aforesaid depots; and
 - (iv) the number of vacancies that are currently existing in each of the aforesaid depots?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to develop the human resources of the aforesaid depots in Trincomalee district and to improve existing fleets of buses in those depots?
- (c) If not, why?

Friday, September 24, 2021

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

85/2020

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Irrigations,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the methodology adopted in granting Title Certificates to the people who resided in Mahaweli zones for a long period of time ;

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- (ii) whether he accepts that the valuation amounts on certain lands in Walawa zone are unreasonable when Title Certificates are granted to the people who resided in aforesaid zone for a long period of time;
 - (iii) the measures that have been taken in that regard so far ;
 - (iv) the time taken to grant Title Certificates to the people who resided in Mahaweli zones for a long period of time, on a reasonable lease amount; and
 - (v) whether the performance of the institutions that are working on aforesaid matter is satisfactory?
- (b) If not, why?

282/2020

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

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) whether he is aware of the fact that some artists have been recruited into Sri Lanka Army on special basis during the period from 2005-2014; and
 - (ii) if so their names, date of recruitment and designation, separately?
- (b) Will he also state—
- (i) to which force out of the volunteer and regular forces those artists have been enlisted;
 - (ii) the training period and the name of the training camp, if they have been given army training; and
 - (iii) the duties assigned to each of those artists, the regiment each one was attached to and the salaries, allowances and benefits paid subsequent to training?
- (c) Will he further state—
- (i) whether the said recruitment is legal;
 - (ii) if not, the measures taken and expected to be taken against the parties involved in it?
- (d) If not, why?

308/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) separately, of the profit earned / loss incurred by the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation from year 2015 to 2020 on per year basis;
 - (ii) of the number of government institutions, boards, corporations and departments that are in debt to the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation and their names;
 - (iii) separately, of the amounts payable by the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation to each state bank; and
 - (iv) of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to financially strengthen the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation?
- (b) If not, why?

465/2020

Hon. Mohomad Muzammil,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the amount of money spent to print school text books in the years 2018 and 2019, in relation to each year, separately;
 - (ii) the number of text books printed in each of the above years, separately;
 - (iii) whether a colour photograph of the then Minister of Education had been printed in those text books; and
 - (iv) if so, the amount of money that was spent to print that photograph in those text books?
- (b) If not, why?

755/2020

Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanikam,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Urban Development and Housing,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of people with housing needs in the Batticaloa district;
 - (ii) the number of partly constructed houses on private lands in the district;
 - (iii) the number of housing projects constructed as model villages?
- (b) If not, why?

832/2020

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Policies & Plan Implementation, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the first year in which Sri Lanka received direct foreign investments;
 - (ii) the value of total direct foreign investments received by Sri Lanka from that year to date;
 - (iii) the value of total foreign investments received by Sri Lanka as at 31.12.2014;
 - (iv) the value of direct foreign investments received from the year 2015 to year 2020; and
 - (v) the investment value referred to in above (iv) separately in respect of each project?
- (b) If not, why?

971/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Depots and Sub-depots belonging to the Sri Lanka Transport Board in the Ampara district;
 - (ii) the name of each Depot and Sub-depot mentioned above;
 - (iii) the number of buses that are in running condition at present in each Depot and Sub-depot mentioned above, separately; and
 - (iv) the number of vacancies exist in each Depot and Sub-depot mentioned above, separately?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that the regional Sub-depot belonging to the Sri Lanka Transport Board located at Pottuvil in the Ampara district was made a Sub-depot in 2011 and it still remains a Sub-depot;
 - (ii) whether arrangements would be to upgrade that depot to a main Depot; and
 - (iii) if so, when?
- (c) If not, why?

1365/2020

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the operations of the Eyon Lanka Investment and Film Production International Company Private Limited financial institution located at “Saman Kekula”, Embalawa, Dematamaluwa, Kurunegala have been prohibited by the Central bank of Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he state –
 - (i) the reason that led to the ban imposed on the aforesaid institution;
 - (ii) the names of the chief and the staff members of the institution;
 - (iii) the names of its branches, if any; and
 - (iv) separately the assets owned by the said institution and each of its branches?
- (c) Is he aware that the depositors of the aforesaid institution are facing immense inconvenience due to the loss of their money and the interests?
- (d) Will he also state—
 - (i) separately the names of the depositors and the amounts deposited;
 - (ii) the steps that have been taken to settle the money deposited along with the relevant interests and the period of time that will be taken for this purpose;
 - (iii) the measures that will be taken against the perpetrators?
- (e) If not, why?

1829/2021

Hon. Chamara Sampath Dasanayake,— To ask the Minister of Justice,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether it is accepted that the people are inconvenienced due to the court backlog resulted by the delay in judicial proceedings in Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) the reasons that lead to the delay in providing legal instructions for the cases which are directed to the Attorney General’s Department?
- (b) If not, why?

2264/2021

Hon. Wasantha Yapabandara,— To ask the Minister of Environment,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware of the fact that a hotel is being constructed without permission by making inroads into the Mahaweli river near the chain bridge that has been constructed across the Mahaweli river in the Gananoruwa area in Peradeniya, opposite the Botanical Gardens of Peradeniya; and
 - (ii) if so, the action that has been taken by now to stop the aforesaid unauthorized construction?

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- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether he is aware of the fact that a large number of unauthorized constructions have been made in the forest reserve of the Mahaweli river situated at the left side of the Dodanwala new bridge in the Aniwatta area in Kandy (at the entrance of the of the road from Aniwattta to Haloluwa);
 - (ii) if so, the action taken by now against the aforesaid unauthorized constructions; and
 - (iii) the action that will be taken in the future to avoid unauthorized constructions?
- (c) If not, why?
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Tuesday, October 05, 2021

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

257/2020

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Youth and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the names and the number of the Sports Clubs, registered under the Ministry of Youth and Sports which had submitted Audit reports accurately, during previous 3 years; and
 - (ii) the steps, taken by the ministry to regularize the financial control of such sports clubs?
- (b) If not, why?

283/2020

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

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) the number of types of yams in Sri Lanka that are suitable for human consumption;
 - (ii) whether a proper study has been conducted regarding the nutrition condition of those yams;
 - (iii) if so, the name of that institution;
 - (iv) the number of types of endemic yams among those types of yams; and
 - (v) the names of those types?

- (b) Will he admit that—
 - (i) local types of yams are rich in nutritious and medicinal properties;
 - (ii) those types of yams have become rare due to deforestation and use of chemical fertilizer; and
 - (iii) some types of yams out of them have become extinct by now?
- (c) Will he also state—
 - (i) whether measures have been taken to popularize local types of yams;
 - (ii) if so, what those measures are; and
 - (iii) whether plans will be developed to export local types of yams and to develop yam related products?
- (d) If not, why?

512/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether there is a plan prepared by the Ministry to increase the number of national schools in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) if so, the methodology adopted to select schools for that; and
 - (iii) the courses of action that have been taken to regulate the national school system in Sri Lanka?
- (b) If not, why?

616/2020

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Policies & Plan Implementation, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of dates that the Security Council meetings were conducted from January 2015 to November 2019;
 - (ii) the names of the participants in those meetings; and
 - (iii) the officers and politicians who are ex officio members of the security council?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that during the aforementioned time period, various people have participated in the security council meetings, breaking the tradition; and
 - (ii) if so, the steps taken in this regard?
- (c) If not, why?

764/2020

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

- (a) Will he admit that the education system can be strengthened by improving the school infrastructure?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the number of national schools that exist in Sri Lanka at present;
 - (ii) the number of Divisional Secretariat Divisions that do not have a single national school situated within that division;
 - (iii) whether action will be taken to establish new national schools; and
 - (iv) the basis on which new national schools will be established?
- (c) If not, why?

792/2020

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of farmer families residing in Matale district;
 - (ii) whether he is aware of the fact that invasive plants are spreading in the cultivation fields of Matale district by now;
 - (iii) whether he is aware of the fact that this situation is a threat to the farmers of Matale district and their cultivation fields; and
 - (iv) the steps that will be taken to prevent the spread of invasive plants in the cultivation fields of Matale district and protect the farmers?
- (b) If not, why?

977 / 2020

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

- (a) Will he inform the House—
 - (i) of the height, in feet above sea level, at which the boundaries of the Knuckles Forest Reserve of the Knuckles Mountain Range situated within the Udumabara Divisional Secretariat Division has been demarcated;
 - (ii) how many Grama Niladhari divisions are situated within the area so demarcated; and
 - (iii) what their names are?
- (b) Will he also inform the House—
 - (i) whether human settlements are found inside the Knuckles Reserve;
 - (ii) how many families live in each of the settlements separately; and
 - (iii) whether these families have been provided with alternative lands?

- (c) Will he inform the House further
 - (i) whether private lands are situated within the Knuckles Forest Reserve;
 - (ii) if so, what the total extent of such lands is; and
 - (iii) whether alternative lands or compensation have been given for such lands?
- (d) If not, why?

989/2020

Hon. Rohana Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Public Service, Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(1)

- (a) Will He inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Public Libraries in North Central Province; and
 - (ii) separately, of the approved cadre for each Library as per the designation?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that inappropriate individuals have been recruited for aforesaid posts; and
 - (ii) if so, of the measures taken to remedy aforesaid situation?
- (c) If not, why?

1202/2020

Hon. K.P.S. Kumarasiri,— To ask the Minister of Mass Media,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that-
 - (i) the sub postmasters who served in the Department of Posts on contract basis were absorbed into the public service from the year 1996; and
 - (ii) they were recruited into Grade II of the Management Assistant Service in terms of Public Administration Circular 06/2006 and in terms of the new recruitment procedure implemented since the year 2012?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the reasons for not granting privileges such as maternity leave, annual leave, overtime allowances and office facilities accorded to other officers who serve in the Grade II posts of the Management Assistant Service and other officers who serve in the Department of Posts, to the officers referred to in (a) (ii) above; and
 - (ii) the measures taken in that regard as of now?
- (c) If not, why?

1863/2021

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the nature of the role played by the Plantation Human Development Trust for the welfare of estate workers;
 - (ii) the number of regional offices operating under the aforesaid institute;
 - (iii) the names of the areas in which the aforesaid offices have been established; and
 - (iv) separately, the number of estate workers to whom services are provided by each of the aforesaid regional offices;
 - (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) separately, the amounts of funds requested from the Ministry for each project implemented by each of the aforesaid regional offices from year 2015 to 2020;
 - (ii) separately, the amount of funds allocated to each regional office for each of the aforesaid projects; and
 - (iii) whether an assurance can be given that the amount of provisions that have been allocated by the Ministry has been fairly distributed among the aforesaid regional offices in proportion to the number of plantation workers to whom services are provided by each regional office?
 - (c) If not, why?
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Wednesday, October 06, 2021

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

285/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) 12 acres of land that belongs to Homagama-Munsinghe Company has been acquired by the North Western University of Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) 8,000,000/- rupees has been paid per acre when acquiring the aforesaid land; and
 - (iii) Only 2,000,000/- rupees has been paid for the land adjoining the Kurunegala-Madampe road taken over for the construction of the medical faculty of the aforesaid university in the year 2016?

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- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether he admits the fact that an irregularity has occurred when taking over the land mentioned in (i) above;
 - (ii) if so, whether an investigation will be carried out against those who are connected to it; and
 - (iii) if so, the date on which it will be done?
- (c) Will he also state—
 - (i) whether he knows the fact that the bursar and the registrar of the university had made a foreign tour of two weeks during the time imminent to the taking over of the land;
 - (ii) if so, whether approval had been granted for it;
 - (iii) the party that had granted approval for it;
 - (iv) the matters pointed out in regard to the importance of the aforesaid tour;
 - (v) whether public funds were allocated for the aforesaid tour; and
 - (vi) if so, the amount allocated?
- (d) If not, why?

309/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the name of the present Chairman of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation;
 - (ii) the previous positions held by the aforesaid Chairman; and
 - (iii) his educational and professional qualifications?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether he is aware that the government has given a pledge that suitable persons will be selected by a committee of experts in making appointments to the positions in public corporations and boards; and
 - (ii) as to how the appointment of the present Chairman of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation complies with the aforesaid pledge?
- (c) If not, why?

513/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Buddhist universities in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the names of those universities;
 - (iii) whether a decision has been taken to take those universities under the control of the ministry of education;
 - (iv) if so, the reasons for that;
 - (v) of the steps taken by the ministry to uplift the standards of Buddhist Universities in Sri Lanka?
- (b) If not, why?

617/2020

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

- (a) Will she inform this House—
 - (i) whether she is aware that Dengue Larvae Combat Assistants were recruited in order to combat the Dengue mosquito menace;
 - (ii) if so, the number of Dengue Larvae Combat Assistants so recruited;
 - (iii) whether they have vacated the service, by now; and
 - (iv) if so, the measures to be taken in that regard?
- (b) If not, why?

765/2020

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

- (a) Will he admit that the national economy of Sri Lanka can be strengthened by developing the local textile industry?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) out of the handloom textile factories that operate under the Department of Textile Industries, the number of those that are not operational at present; and
 - (ii) whether a programme has been prepared to reopen those factories?
- (c) If not, why?

1416/2021

Hon. Thavaraja Kalai Arasan,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Is she aware that—
 - (i) the Thirukkovil Hospital, which is under the Kalmunai Regional Health Services Office in the Ampara District, and which was upgraded to a Base Hospital in year 2017, has not been provided with the required resources;
 - (ii) pregnant mothers face various inconveniences due to the lack of necessary facilities at the obstetrics and gynecology unit of the aforesaid hospital; and
 - (iii) there are vacancies in the staff of the aforesaid hospital?
- (b) If so, will she inform this House of the dates on which the required resources and facilities will be provided to the aforesaid hospital?
- (c) If not, why?

1431/2020

Hon. Uddika Premarathne,— To ask the Minister of Tourism,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that a tourists zone has been established in Habarana town of Anuradhapura district;
 - (ii) whether a feasibility study has been conducted for the physical development of aforesaid tourists zone saving the forests and the roaming wild elephants;
 - (iii) whether programs are implemented to develop Habarana town as a tourists zone in a systematic and scientific manner, with the help of such a study; and
 - (iv) whether applicable plans have been made to implement aforesaid programmes?
- (b) If not, why?

1438/2021

Hon. Amarakeerthi Athukorala,— To ask the Minister of Public Security,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that a proposal had been made by the previous government to increase the number of police stations in Sri Lanka up to 600?

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- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the number of new police stations that have been constructed under the aforesaid proposal;
 - (ii) out of the aforesaid police stations, of the number those that have been opened by now;
 - (iii) the grades into which the police stations that have been opened by now have been classified;
 - (iv) the number of police stations that remain to be opened; and
 - (v) out of the aforesaid police stations, the number of those that belong to the Polonnaruwa district?
- (c) If not, why?
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Thursday, October 07, 2021

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

289/2020

Hon. BuddhikaPathirana,— To ask the Minister of Plantation,—(1)

- (a) Will he admit that—
- (i) there is a big demand for betel from the countries such as Pakiatan;
 - (ii) there is a suitable environment in Sri Lanka to spread betel as an export crop?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether action has been taken by now to spread betel in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) If so, the aforesaid action?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) the revenue obtained by exporting betel in the years 2015 and 2016 separately on a per year basis;
 - (ii) whether action has been taken to increase the revenue obtained by exporting betel; and
 - (iii) if so, the aforesaid action?
- (c) If not, why?

311/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of occasions when the prices of petroleum fluctuated in the world market during the period from the year 2015 up to 2020, separately;
 - (ii) the steps taken to revise the prices of petroleum in Sri Lanka against the aforesaid changes of prices; and
 - (iii) the steps taken to provide the consumers living in Sri Lanka the advantage of the decrease in the prices of petroleum in the world market?
- (b) If not, why?

466/2020

Hon. Mohomad Muzammil,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of new employment opportunities that got generated in Sri Lanka in each of the years from 2015 to 2019, separately;
 - (ii) the unemployment rate in Sri Lanka in each of the above years, separately;
 - (iii) the difference of the unemployment rate in Sri Lanka in comparison to 2014; and
 - (iv) the difference of the long-term production capacity of Sri Lanka from 2015 to 2020?
- (b) If not, why?

514/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a new circular has been issued regarding the appointment of Vice Chancellors of the universities of Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) whether some controversy has emerged among the university academics regarding that circular; and
 - (iii) of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry in relation to that circular?
- (b) If not, why?

644/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the plans that have been made to protect Colombo, Kalutara and Gampaha districts from floods, by now; and
 - (ii) other proposals to protect those areas from floods, if any?
- (b) If not, why?

649/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) 80% of the people living in Watareka, Heenpendala, Kalegana and Mampitiya in Akmeemana electorate in Galle district engage in carving as a means of livelihood; and
 - (ii) the collapse of tourism owing to the COVID-19 pandemic has affected those people?
- (b) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of people within Galle district engaged in carving industry as a means of livelihood, separately as per registered and unregistered artisans; and
 - (ii) the steps taken to bring the living standard of those carving artisans back to normal?
- (c) If not, why?

948/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that sea transportation is the main mode of transport on the island of Neduntivu, which is a Pradeshiya Sabha area in Jaffna district?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of crew members serving on the passenger vessel “Neduntharakai” operating on the aforesaid island; and
 - (ii) separately of the designation, date of appointment and the basis of employment of each of the aforesaid crew members?

- (c) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) the name of the authority that has given appointments to the aforesaid crew members on contract basis;
 - (ii) whether the crew members William Yesudasan Anthony Raj, Sindakulam Melkiyas Milan, Alfred Mariadayalan, Anthony Amaladasan, and Andrews Rakeemlione will be given permanent appointments based on their educational and professional qualifications;
 - (iii) if so, the date on which permanent appointments will be given to the aforesaid persons; and
 - (iv) if not, the reasons for not giving such permanent appointments?
- (d) If not, why?

988/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) power connection is provided to certain areas in the city of Colombo using cables;
 - (ii) Ceylon Electricity Board charges a very high price to provide that electricity connection; and
 - (iii) low income families and middle class families find it difficult to afford such a high price?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether a programme will be implemented to provide electricity connection at concessionary prices to the houses of low income earners and middle class families;
 - (ii) if so, of the nature of that programme; and
 - (iii) if not, of the alternative measures that can be taken to provide them with electricity connection at a concessionary price?
- (c) If not, why?

1403/2021

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the length of the Central Expressway that has been planned to be completed during the period from 2015 to 2019; and
 - (ii) of the amount of money spent to complete that length?

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- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether he admits that the construction of the Central Expressway has not been started as planned by the previous government; and
 - (ii) if so, whether he can give a clarification in this regard?
- (c) Will he further inform this House—
 - (i) whether this road will be constructed as an elevated road over the places where it gets flooded , the way it has been planned previously; and
 - (ii) whether the construction work of this road has now been started according to the plan?
- (d) If not, why?

1830/2021

Hon. Chamara Sampath Dasanayake,— To ask the Minister of Public Services, Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether any allowance has been paid for the Members of Parliament who represented the government during the former regime during the years 2017 and 2018 , in addition to the monthly salary paid for them;
 - (ii) if so, what the aforesaid allowance is;
 - (iii) whether there is any legal basis for the aforesaid allowance; and
 - (iv) the name of the ministry/ office by which the aforesaid allowance has been paid?
 - (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether there is any possibility to pay the aforesaid allowance to the present Members of Parliament;
 - (ii) if so, whether any measure has been taken by now with pertinence to the said matter; and
 - (iii) if not, of the measures that will be taken in future in relation to the previously mentioned matter?
 - (c) If not, why?
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Friday, October 08, 2021

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

292/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Sri Lankan Lacquer manufacturers are abandoning the industry by now;
 - (ii) aforesaid manufacturers encounter issues regarding supplies of raw material and the sale of products; and
 - (iii) a huge amount of foreign exchange can be earned by aforesaid industry?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether Sri Lankan Lacquer products are exported;
 - (ii) if so, the foreign income earned by aforesaid exports in 2019;
 - (iii) whether measures will be taken to export Sri Lankan Lacquer products, if the same is not done by now; and
 - (iv) if so, of the dates on which such measures will be taken?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether measures have been taken to expand the market for Sri Lankan Lacquer products; and
 - (ii) if so, of aforesaid measures?
- (d) If not, why?

312/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of projects received by the Ministry in regard to renewable energy during the period from the year 2015 up to 2020;
 - (ii) the number of projects that were approved out of the aforesaid projects;
 - (iii) the names of the aforesaid projects;
 - (iv) the projects of which work has been commenced and work has not been commenced by now out of the projects that have been approved, separately; and
 - (v) the courses of action taken by the Ministry to start expeditiously the projects of which work has not yet been commenced?
- (c) If not, why?

672/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of faculties at Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the names of those faculties;
 - (iii) the names of the courses conducted at each of those faculties, separately;
 - (iv) the number of undergraduates following each of the said courses, separately;
 - (v) the number of undergraduates provided hostel facilities by that university by now; and
 - (vi) the measures taken to further develop that university?
- (b) If not, why?

743/2020

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Highways,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that the road from Rathmalgahawewa Junction to Kivulekada Junction in the Kebithigollewa Divisional Secretariat Division in Anuradhapura, which is about 10 km in extent, is in a very dilapidated condition?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to repair the aforesaid extent of road;
 - (ii) if so, whether provisions have been allocated for that by now; and
 - (iii) the date on which the renovation work of the aforesaid extent of road is expected to be completed?
- (c) If not, why?

756/2020

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the plans that have been made to develop the buildings of the schools coming under the administration of the Provincial Council in the Baticaloa district;
 - (ii) the plans that have been made to develop the play grounds of those schools?
- (b) If not, why?

934/2020

Hon. Charles Nirmalanathan,— To ask the Minister of Mass Media,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Post Office which covers 22 Grama Niladhari Divisions belonging to the Mulliyawalai Divisional Secretariat Division in the Mullativu District is run in a temporary building;
 - (ii) a monthly rental of Rs. 20,000/- is paid for that building; and
 - (iii) people in the area and public organizations have submitted requests for constructing a permanent building for the aforesaid post office?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a permanent building will be constructed to house the aforesaid post office in order to provide a quality postal service for the people living in the Mulliyawalai area; and
 - (ii) if so, of the time frame within which the aforesaid building will be constructed?
- (c) If not, why?

1064/2020

Hon. Ashoka Priyantha,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware of the fact that pomegranate is cultivated in the Kalpitiya peninsula, which belongs to Puttalam district;
 - (ii) if so, the extent of land in which pomegranate has been cultivated by now; and
 - (iii) the number of farmers that engage in the cultivation of pomegranate there?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware of the fact that the aforesaid farmers encounter the problems such as the lack of proper technological knowledge and the difficulty in marketing their produce; and
 - (ii) if so, the action that will be taken to solve the aforesaid problems?
- (c) If not, why?

1109/2020

Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Iyon Lanka Financial Institution which is operated in Pallandeniya in Kurunegala has been brought under the purview of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) whether he is aware the fact that most of the depositors of the aforesaid financial institution are retired war heroes;
 - (iii) the number of persons who have deposited money in the aforesaid financial institution; and
 - (iv) whether action will be taken to payback the deposits of the aforesaid depositors?
- (b) If not, why?

1281/2020

Hon. Kumarasiri Rathnayaka,— To ask the Minister of Lands,—(2)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of families residing in permanent and temporary houses in the Sevanagala divisional secretariat division, Monaragala;
 - (ii) the number of persons who have been provided with the deeds or permits, out of the said occupants; and
 - (iii) out of the lands in (ii) above, the amount of lands in the possession of the Ministry of Lands?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) whether he is aware that certain families reside in permanent or temporary houses constructed in lands for which deeds or permits have not been granted;
 - (ii) if so, out of the lands in which the aforesaid families reside, the amount of lands in the possession of the Ministry of lands;
 - (iii) whether any arrangement has been made to provide permits for the lands without permits; and
 - (iv) if so, the date on which the aforesaid permits will be provided?
- (c) If not, why?

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the approved number of Samurdhi Development Officers for Anuradhapura district;
 - (ii) the number of Samurdhi Development Officers serving in that district by now;
 - (iii) the number of vacancies that exists accordingly;
 - (iv) the total number of Samurdhi beneficiaries in that district; and
 - (v) the number of new Samurdhi beneficiaries in that district who were provided Samurdhi assistance by the former government?
 - (b) Will he also inform this House of the criteria used in selecting Samurdhi beneficiaries?
 - (c) If not, why?
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