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**Tuesday, May 17, 2022**

**NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY**

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The Minister of Finance, Minister of Justice and State Minister of Prison Management and Prisoners' Rehabilitation,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance under Section 20 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 amended by Acts, No. 48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 read with Sections 4(1), 6 and 14 of the aforesaid Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2274/42 of 09<sup>th</sup> April 2022, which were presented on 06.05.2022, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*\* Indicates Government Business.*

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**Tuesday, June 07, 2022**

**QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS**

2002/2022

Hon. W. H. M. Dharmasena,— 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—

- (i) the existing legal state with regard to the ownership of the lands with deeds such as Swarnabhoomi, Jayabhoomi, Isurubhoomi and Ranbhoomi after the death of their owners;
- (ii) whether he is aware that many problems have arisen owing to the fact that the post ownership of those lands lies only with the eldest child of the family;

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- (iii) the legal protection the other brothers/sisters are entitled to, if the eldest brother refuses to share it with them;
  - (iv) whether steps would be taken to amend the laws relating to that;
  - (v) if so, the current progress of that; and
  - (vi) the obstacle that remains to prepare those deeds in a manner that the ownership of those lands will be distributed among the children of the family in an equal manner?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) the distribution boundaries in relation to dry and mud lands of the lands mentioned in (a) (i) above;
  - (ii) whether he is aware that a number of problems have arisen owing to those distribution boundaries; and
  - (iii) if so, the solutions for them?
- (c) If not, why?

2004/2022

Hon. (Major) Pradeep Undugoda,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) whether any irregularity, irregular appointment, any act of corruption or any illegal activity has taken place in Small and Medium Enterprise Venture Capital Company during the period from year 2015 to 2019;
  - (ii) if so, separately the nature of such acts that have taken place at the aforesaid Department; and
  - (iii) separately, the value of the money, property and human resources that the government has lost due to each of the aforesaid acts?
- (b) Will he also state—
- (i) whether investigations have been carried out to identify the officers who are responsible for the acts mentioned in (a) (i) above;
  - (ii) if the responsible officers have been identified, the action that has been taken against them;
  - (iii) if no action has been taken against them, the reasons for that;
  - (iv) whether action will be taken against them in future; and
  - (v) the measures that will be taken to prevent the occurrence of such acts in the future?
- (c) If not, why?

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2012/2022

Hon. K. P. S. Kumarasiri,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he state, separately—
  - (i) the number of approved positions at present in the officer of Agriculture Research and Production Assistant and the Agrarian Development Officer in Anuradhapura district;
  - (ii) the number of officers already serving in the aforesaid positions currently; and
  - (iii) the number of vacancies existing in the aforesaid positions?
- (b) Will he also state—
  - (i) the number of Agrarian Service Centres established in Anuradhapura district;
  - (ii) whether a programme has been prepared to provide technical advice to farmers by them;
  - (iii) whether a programme has been prepared to provide varieties of seeds to farmers by them; and
  - (iv) if so, the varieties of seeds that can be obtained?
- (c) Will he further state—
  - (i) the amount of money spent annually for the importation of seeds; and
  - (ii) the programme formulated for developing and conserving local seeds?
- (d) If not, why?

2023/2022

Hon. Madhura Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
  - (i) whether any irregularity, irregular appointment, any act of corruption or any illegal activity has taken place in Employees' Trust Fund during the period from year 2015 to 2019;
  - (ii) if so, separately the nature of such acts that have taken place at the aforesaid Department; and
  - (iii) separately, the value of the money, property and human resources that the government has lost due to each of the aforesaid acts?
- (b) Will he also state—
  - (i) whether investigations have been carried out to identify the officers who are responsible for the acts mentioned in (a) (i) above;
  - (ii) if the responsible officers have been identified, the action that has been taken against them;

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- (iii) if no action has been taken against them, the reasons for that;
  - (iv) whether action will be taken against them in future; and
  - (v) the measures that will be taken to prevent the occurrence of such acts in the future?
- (c) If not, why?

2040/2022

Hon. Marjan Faleel,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—(1)

- (a) Will he state, separately—
- (i) the name and tenure of each minister who had been in charge of the subject of Transport from 2015 to 2019;
  - (ii) the number of advisers appointed by each of the said ministers during his/her tenure;
  - (iii) the name, age and educational and professional qualifications of each of the said advisers;
  - (iv) the monthly salary, allowances and other facilities that had been provided to each adviser;
  - (v) the responsibilities assigned to each of the said advisers, separately; and
  - (vi) the foreign tours each of the said advisers had engaged in, the reasons for engaging in the said foreign tours, the expenditure borne in that regard and the benefits received by the Ministry through the said tours?
- (b) If not, why?

2043/2022

Hon. Kumarasiri Rathnayaka,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the number of houses constructed in Moneragala district under the Indian Housing Project within the period of year 2015 to 2019;
  - (ii) the names of the areas in which the aforesaid houses have been constructed;
  - (iii) whether the basic facilities required for residence are available in those houses;
  - (iv) whether it had been decided to award the aforesaid houses only to the employees working under the Janatha Estate Development Board; and
  - (v) if so, the name of the party who took that decision?

(5)

(b) Will he also inform this House—

- (i) whether there is a programme to construct houses for the people living in estates and estate related areas in Moneragala district under Indian Housing Project or under some other programme;
- (ii) if so, the number of houses that will be constructed under that programme;
- (iii) the dates on which the aforesaid houses will be constructed; and
- (iv) the basis on which those houses will be awarded to the beneficiaries?

(c) If not, why?

2059/2022

Hon. M. W. D. Sahan Pradeep Withana,— To ask the Minister of Trade,—(1)

(a) Will he state, separately—

- (i) the name and tenure of each minister who had been in charge of the subject of Strategies and International Trade - from 2015 to 2019;
- (ii) the number of advisers appointed by each of the said ministers during his/her tenure;
- (iii) the name, age and educational and professional qualifications of each of the said advisers;
- (iv) the monthly salary, allowances and other facilities that had been provided to each adviser;
- (v) the responsibilities assigned to each of the said advisers; and
- (vi) the foreign tours each of the said advisers had engaged in, the reasons for engaging in the said foreign tours, the expenditure borne in that regard and the benefits received by the Ministry through the said tours?

(b) If not, why?

2071/2022

Hon. Gunathilaka Rajapaksha,— To ask the Minister of Mass Media,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately, the amount spent to promote new logos of ITN and Lakhanda radio during the period from year 2015 to 2019 ?

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- (b) Will he also inform this House, separately—
  - (i) the number of consultants appointed for ITN and Lakhanda Radio during the period from 2015 to 2019; and
  - (ii) the names of each consultant, educational and other qualifications, monthly salary and allowances paid as well as other facilities provided and the total amount paid to each consultant?
- (c) Will he further inform this House of the service rendered by the aforesaid consultants to the ITN and Lakhanda Radio?
- (d) If not, why?

2084/2022

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

- (a) Will he inform this House whether it is expected to purchase paddy through the Paddy Marketing Board in Maha season of 2022?
- (b) Will he state—
  - (i) the expected paddy harvest in Maha season of 2022;
  - (ii) the amount of paddy expected to be purchased by the Paddy Marketing Board out of the said harvest;
  - (iii) the said amount of paddy separately, according to each district;
  - (iv) the amount of paddy expected to be purchased by the Paddy Marketing Board in Maha season of 2022, as a percentage of the total harvest of that season; and
  - (v) the amount of money allocated for purchasing paddy in Maha season of 2022?
- (c) Will he also state—
  - (i) the capacity of the warehouses owned by the Paddy Marketing Board separately according to the districts where they are located; and
  - (ii) whether there is a balance of paddy stocks purchased by the Paddy Marketing Board in the previous seasons?
- (d) If not, why?

2094/2022

Hon. Ajith Rajapakse,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils & Local Government,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) the photograph of Mr. Ranjith Keerthi Thennakoon was displayed in the government institutions of the Southern Provincial Council during his term as the governor of the Southern Province; and
  - (ii) the expenditure related to the above matter was borne by the Southern Provincial Council?

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- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether certain legal authority is vested with the governor or a government officer in accordance with financial regulations or any other formal institutional law, to bear the expenditure to display the above mentioned photographs; and
  - (ii) if so, whether a certified copy of the written law which has thus legally permitted will be submitted?
- (c) If not, why?
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**Friday, June 10, 2022**

**NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY**

P.2/2022

Hon. Buddhika Pahthirana,— Conducting a systematic study about King Ravana,— That this Parliament resolves that a study should be conducted about King Ravana through a panel of experts due to the fact that a study on King Ravana enables to unveil a hidden period of time in Sri Lankan history, and use the knowledge that King Ravana possessed for the uplifting of the country and enhance the attitudes in the country about him, even though specific historical information about him are not available.

P.3/2022

Hon. Buddhika Pahthirana,— Educating the public on the nutritious value of traditional, local rice varieties,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should prepare and implement a national level programme to educate the public on the nutritious value of the traditional, local rice varieties available in the Sri Lankan market at present, of the new rice varieties consumed at present, and of the varieties of rice that should be consumed by people with various diseases, and also to provide facilities for farmers to cultivate those varieties of paddy.

P.4/2022

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Minimizing the damage caused to bio-diversity by invasive plants and animals,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should make interventions to identify and name the invasive plants and animals that can cause damage to bio-diversity in Sri Lanka and to prohibit breeding and importing of such plants and animals in order to protect the environment in Sri Lanka and that appropriate action should be taken promptly to formulate necessary laws in that regard.

P.5/2022

Hon. Gunathilaka Rajapaksha,— Preventing damages caused to cultivations by wild animals and paying compensation for damaged crops in order to enhance productivity of local agricultural production,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take necessary action to prepare a national programme to implement a National Agricultural Production Protection Policy that is implemented jointly by all relevant ministries in order to prevent the damages caused by wild animals such as monkeys, wild boars, porcupines and elephants to permanent crops such as nutmeg, cloves, pepper, coconut and various fruits and to seasonal crops such as potatoes, onions, vegetables and paddy that are cultivated by farmers engaged in the agricultural sector as small-scale farmers and as home gardening, and also to implement an agro-insurance scheme to pay full compensation to farmers for the damages caused to cultivations by wild animals.

P.6/2022

Hon. Gunathilaka Rajapaksha,— Providing the physical resources necessary for developing Dhamma school education,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should implement a programme with the contribution of the private sector and the donors as well to provide students' desks, benches, teachers' tables, teachers' chairs, black boards and white boards that have become essential for the majority of the Dhamma schools, to provide book racks necessary for small Dhamma libraries and also to provide children who attend Dhamma schools with necessary clothes for half sarees and the national costume as most children tend to avoid going to Dhamma school to receive Dhamma school education because of the difficulties they face due to the lack of physical resources in Dhamma schools despite that Dhamma school education lays the foundation for building a virtuous society.

P.7/2022

Hon. Gunathilaka Rajapaksha,— Establishing a national development bank and building an economic leadership in order to promote small and medium scale entrepreneurs,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take necessary steps to create a Local Entrepreneurship Development and Economic Revival Task Force integrating all the public institutes that contribute to the entrepreneurship sector at present in order to establish a bank that offers long-term financial loan facilities on easy conditions and low interest rates to small and medium scale entrepreneurs, agricultural producers and service providing entrepreneurs who are engaged in innovative production and value addition businesses targeting the local and the global markets thereby protecting the small and medium scale entrepreneurs from the debt traps, namely microfinance loans, financial company loans, and leases that are offered in Sri Lanka at very high interest rates and to build an Entrepreneurial Economic Leadership that assists the economic development of the country, generation of employment opportunities, and to achieve the maximum productivity of the resources of the country.

P.8/2022

Hon. Gunathilaka Rajapaksha,— Standardize early childhood development programmes,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take appropriate steps to establish an early childhood development policy by formulating necessary policies laws to regulate the registration and proper standards of early childhood development centres, pre-schools and day care centres, to make NVQ certificate a mandatory requirement for the entrepreneurs and the staff of such centres, to legalize the recommendations on the space and infrastructure facilities of those places, to establish a contributory social security system to start such centres in each Grama Niladhari division and to provide loans at a concessionary rate, as these centres are of utmost importance to create an intelligent citizen in future.

P.9/2022

Hon. Gunathilaka Rajapaksha,— Establish a Co-operative societies system to face the challenges faced in the third decade of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take appropriate action to reform the co-operative movement completely by strengthening the powers of the co-operative shareholders who are the real owners of the co-operative movement, which was established as per the

recommendations made by the co-operative restructuring commission appointed a half a century ago, to face the challenges in the third decade of the 21<sup>st</sup> century based on the principles of co-operative movement i.e self-help, mutual aid and thriftiness, with a view to win the new challenges in this century by developing the agricultural sector to complete with large scale trade networks and as successful alternative to the capital problem and market problem.

P.10/2022

Hon. Gunathilaka Rajapaksha,— Ensuring women's rights and progression of women,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take action to formulate policies and laws to impose punishment through trial for discrimination against women and to make violence against women, women abuse and rape of under aged girls or women a Non-Bailable offence, to expand the powers of the women and child section in the police, to establish a proper judicial system speedily solve maintenance and divorce cases, to allocate a set of seats in buses for women to impose laws to write off the loans obtained from micro finance companies that exploit people to ensure low cost energy for household water supply and cooking needs, to provide banking facilities to obtain low interest loans, to make loans to ensure that the widow get the husband salary, to provide a dependency allowance to unemployed widows, to pay equal salary to equal work and to develop a proper sales network to sell women's products since ensuring women's physical, mental, social security and progression is one of the most important development needs is the country.

P.11/2022

Hon. Gunathilaka Rajapaksha,— Enhance the development of Gem and Jewellery field,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take necessary steps to formulate appropriate policies and laws to develop the interrelationship required to improve the productivity of the gem and jewellery industry by formulating a national policy including national priorities since the lack of inter relationship between the parties involved in the process starting from identifying the lands with gem deposits to the sale of gems in the market has become an obstacle to the progression and the development of the gem and jewellery industry, though many structures have their involvement, to provide tax relief and facilities to encourage value added gems or gem products, to introduce an insurance coverage to cover the lives of the miners and the damages caused to the environment, to legalize mining licences as a pre-condition, to expand the opportunities for the persons in the gem industry to re-invest their money, to remove the restrictions imposed upon foreigners who come to buy gems, to diversify the use of gems in handicrafts and cottage industry, to use new technology in every field in the process up to the sale.

P.12/2022

Hon. Gunathilaka Rajapaksha,— Establishment of an innovative industrial zone related to export agricultural crops including an Economic Centre for Minor Export Crops,— That this Parliament resolves that the necessary measures be taken by the Government to set up innovative Industrial zones with a value addition to the minor export crops, including economic centres based on the districts with a substantial production of minor export crops, with a view to victoriously accessing the global market while rebuilding the glorious "Ceylon Spice" brand which was inherited by the

Sri Lanka minor export crops in the past; to formulate a tax policy related to the enhancement of the export agricultural crops industry, having revised the tax policy currently applied to these exports; to grant loans to the cultivators of minor export crops as an encouragement, enabling them to pay back after selling the harvest and to establish a methodology for providing crop insurances to cultivators.

P.13/2022

Hon. Gunathilaka Rajapaksha,— Declaring upcountry dance, traditional arts, wood carving, sculptures and architecture as world heritages and their conservation,— That this Parliament resolves that action be taken by the Government to declare traditional upcountry dance and arts, art, wood carving, sculptures and architecture which depict historical arrogance and identity of Sri Lanka, as world heritages considering the fact that they are intrinsic, unique and rare forms of culture and arts inherent to our country, to ensure the conservation and development of the aforesaid heritages, to ensure the socio-economic development of the artisans who practice and protect the said forms of arts and to establish a statutory Foundation or a Board to guarantee the protection, promotion and proper control of the upcountry heritages.

P.14/2022

Hon. Gunathilaka Rajapaksha,— Promotion of Sri Lankan Foreign Service Affairs,— That this Parliament resolves that an appropriate programme be launched by the Government to establish an institution to train labourer in line with the foreign labour demand in view of promoting the sector, to enable the migrant citizens to exercise their franchise to establish a social protection system similar to a contributory pension scheme, to set up an insurance scheme to compensate the migrant workers during unavoidable misfortunes, accidents and disasters, to grant higher interests for their savings by the banks, to provide loans with subsidized interest rates enabling them to construct their houses to prioritize the children of migrant parents when granting government employment, to establish a proper methodology to solve the issues and injustices caused by Sri Lankan embassies and local and foreign employment agencies and to set up a pre and post emigration trust, having deducted contributions from labourer registration charges and the payments settled by the agencies at the departure of workers for domestic assistance services, considering the fact that the migrant labour force make a contribution of 8% to the gross national income of Sri Lanka.

P.16/2022

Hon. Rohana Bandara,— Properly giving transfers to officers in the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service,— That this Parliament resolves that the government should implement a proper transfer policy for the officers of the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service as officers in this Service have become utterly helpless due to the unavailability of a proper transfer system in effect.

P.17/2022

Hon. Rohana Bandara,— Revision of the farmers' pension scheme based on the timely needs,— That this Parliament resolves that the farmers' pension scheme be reviewed by the government in order to provide more benefits to the farmers, as it has been difficult to attract the farmers to it, as the pension scheme for farmers in Sri Lanka remained unchanged, whereas even in developed countries various welfare programmes are implemented.

P.18/2022

Hon. Rohana Bandara,— Commencing a television channel exclusively for education,— That this Parliament resolves that a television channel exclusively for education that will be helpful for children's education be commenced speedily by the government as schools have been closed in the face of the current COVID-19 pandemic.

P.19/2022

Hon. Rohana Bandara,— Following a fair policy in providing jobs at local government institutions,— That this Parliament resolves that an appropriate programme be prepared by the government to distribute the jobs to cover every ward of the relevant local government institution as occasions of favouring the ward of the Head of the local government institution are often witnessed at present in granting appointments for minor employee, labourer etc. at the local government institutions that play a significant role for the public from birth to death.

P.20/2022

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,— Eliminating physical punishment of children from Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that necessary steps be taken by the government to end the national crisis of child protection through speedy amendment of legislation and proper implementation of existing laws whereas a determination has been given on 12.02.2021 through Supreme Court Case No. SC/FR/97/2017 condemning physical punishment and mental harassment of children and for repealing Section No.341 (i) of the Penal Code, implementation of Sections No.19, 28 (2) and 37 of the UNCRC and implementation of Circular No.12/2016 of the Ministry of Education, whereas significant steps were not taken in relation to the killing of an 08 year old girl child by caning her at home on 01.03.2020, at least based on the said Supreme Court determination even though that incident was paid attention by national and international media, whereas the crisis situation in relation to child protection, specially putting an end to physical punishment, has been emphasized in the monitoring report of the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child on Sri Lanka dated 02.02.2018 highlighting the possible long term consequences for children and whereas it has been stated by the Minister of Education that the service rendered by the National Child Protection Authority was not satisfactory in relation to extensively increasing incidents of child abuse as per Hansard No.304/2020 dated 06.10.2020.

P.22/2022

Hon. Kins Nelson,— Empowerment of small and medium scale rice mill owners,— That this parliament resolves that the government should set up an accelerated program immediately, in order to solve the host of issues that the small and medium scale rice millers who are capable of controlling the price of rice in Sri Lanka, are encountered with.

P.23/2022

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Establishing all public institutions in Government owned buildings,— That this Parliament resolves that action be taken by the Government to establish all public institutions in Government owned buildings only whereas a massive amount is unnecessarily spent as a result of establishing the public institutions maintained using tax monies of the public in private buildings whereas a huge amount can be saved by establishing such institutions in Government owned buildings.

P.24/2022

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Uplifting the collapsed financial institutions,— That this Parliament resolves that a programme be formulated by the Government with immediate effect to uplift the financial institutions of the country, whereas several such institutions have collapsed throughout the past period and whereas the depositors of the said institutions encounter a number of common issues in spite of the fact that a significant impact is made by these financial institutions towards the economic development and on the financial market of a country.

P.25/2022

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Increase of the local canned fish production,— That this Parliament resolves that action be taken by the Government to initiate a programme with immediate effect to develop the local canned fish industry, whereas a substantial amount of money is annually spent on the importation of canned fish required by the country amidst Sri Lanka being a country surrounded by the sea.

P.26/2022

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Disposal of garbage in Local Authorities,— That this Parliament resolves that the required steps be taken by the Government to deploy the workers serving in the Local Authorities in garbage disposal activities whereas a substantial amount of money belonging to the tax payers of the country is diverted to certain private companies which have been entrusted with the duty of disposing garbage in most of the Local Government Institutions of the country at present.

P.27/2022

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Repairing the disposable vehicles in Local Authorities,— That this Parliament resolves that the government should prepare an accelerated programme to repair the disposable vehicles that are piled up in Local Authorities, which is a common scene, whereas a large amount of money can be saved by repairing those vehicles without purchasing new vehicles.

P.28/2022

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Ensuring welfare for migrant workers,— That this Parliament resolves that steps be taken expeditiously to launch a programme ensuring welfare for the families of migrant workers who contribute most of the foreign exchange to Sri Lanka.

P.29/2022

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Manufacturing railway carriages locally,— That this Parliament resolves that necessary arrangements be made to manufacture railway carriages locally whereas the Department of Railways is replete with immense physical and human resources to avoid massive amount of money flow in to foreign countries when railway carriages required by the country are imported.

P.30/2022

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Cultivation of wild eggplant (Katuwel batu) locally,— That this Parliament resolves that a programme to cultivate wild eggplant (Katuwel batu) locally should be implemented by the government to avoid the outflow of a huge amount of money from Sri Lanka to foreign countries for the importation of wild eggplant (Katuwel batu), as a huge amount of money drained out of the country in the last few years as a result of importing wild eggplant (Katuwel batu) to this country.

P.31/2022

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Promoting ginger cultivation,— That this Parliament resolves that an expedited programme should be implemented by the government to promote the cultivation of ginger locally to stop the huge outflow of the country's foreign exchange as a huge amount of money drained out of the country as a result of importing ginger to this country in the past few years.

P.32/2022

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Developing the bee honey industry,— That this Parliament resolves that an expedited programme should be implemented by the government to develop the local bee honey industry as bee honey is of very high medicinal value and in great demand in the local and international market.

P.33/2022

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— Solving the problems faced by Betel Cultivators,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should prepare an accelerated programme to mitigate the problems faced by betel farmers since a considerable number of families in the North Western Province who are engaged in betel cultivation have faced a number of problems at present.

P.34/2022

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— Cultivating the barren paddy fields in the North Western Province,— That this Parliament resolves that since food security is of utmost importance to the development of a country, an appropriate accelerated programme be implemented by the government to cultivate barren paddy fields in the North Western Province.

P.35/2022

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— Solving the human - elephant conflict in Kurunegala district,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should prepare a proper programme to provide a sustainable solution since the human-elephant conflict is intensified in many villages in Kurunegala district.

P.36/2022

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— Reconstruction of small tanks in Kurunegala district,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government do take steps necessary to reconstruct all small tanks in the North-Western Province expeditiously whereas a large number of people in the North-Western Province are engaged in agriculture-based occupations, and whereas water is an essential factor for the uplifting of the farming community concerned.

P.37/2022

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— Protecting the ancient places in the North Western Province,— That this Parliament resolves that an expedited programme should be launched by the Government to protect the ancient places in the North Western Province for the future generation, as the history of a country is very important for the future generation of that country and because several incidents of damaging the historic heritage of Sri Lanka have been reported.

P.38/2022

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— Protecting the catchment areas and water springs of the North Western Province,— That this Parliament resolves that an expedited programme should be launched by the government to protect the catchment areas and water springs of the North Western Province that form an invaluable resource, to safeguard the future of the considerable number of people of the North Western Province who engage in agriculture.

P.39/2022

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— Promoting the game of Elle,— That this Parliament resolves that an expedited programme should be developed by the Government to further promote the game of Elle as it is the game played by the rural people of Sri Lanka.

P.40/2022

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— Relocating the Prisons away from cities,— That this Parliament resolves that the government should take necessary measures to get the maximum use of Prison premises by relocating them away from cities since most of the prisons are located in the cities and a huge congestion prevails in Sri Lankan Prisons.

P.41/2022

Hon. Hector Appuhamy,— Appointment of an Ombudsman to look into the difficulties faced by the Sri Lankan employees in foreign countries,— That this Parliament resolves that an Ombudsman should be appointed by the Government to look into the difficulties faced by the Sri Lankan employees in foreign countries as those employees face various difficulties in those countries and as minimal service is provided to those employees by the Sri Lankan embassies in those countries.

P.42/2022

Hon. Hector Appuhamy,— Protecting the Anawilundawa wetland,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should introduce an accelerated programme to protect the Anawilundawa wetland which has been declared as a wetland by Ramsar International Convention, for the future generation.

P.43/2022

Hon. Hector Appuhamy,— Protecting mangrove eco-system in Puttlam district,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take immediate steps to protect mangrove eco- system in Puttlam district which makes a huge contribution to maintain the ecological balance, for the future generation.

P.44/2022

Hon. Hector Appuhamy,— Home quarantine for returning Sri Lankan foreign employees at their own houses,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should introduce a suitable programme to quarantine the returning Sri Lankan foreign employees who have spent a hard time in foreign countries due to loss of their jobs owing to Covid-19 pandemic, in their own houses as the quarantine mechanism that the government has introduced poses an unbearable financial burden on them at this time.

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**NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR WHICH NO DATES HAVE BEEN FIXED**

P. 45/2022

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana  
Hon. Manusha Nanayakkara  
Hon. Vadivel Suresh  
Hon. Waruna Liyanage  
Hon. W. H. M. Dharmasena  
Hon. M. Udayakumar  
Hon. Harin Fernando  
Hon. Kumara Welgama  
Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha  
Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna  
Hon. Imthiaz Bakeer Markar  
Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala  
Hon. Hesha Withanage  
Hon. Kins Nelson  
Hon. Rauff Hakeem  
Hon. Mano Ganesan  
Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri  
Hon. Sajith Premadasa  
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Hon. K. Sujith Sanjaya Perera,— Vote of No Confidence on the Government,—  
Whereas, in spite of the Cabinet of Ministers being bound to be responsible and answer to Parliament collectively in terms of Article 43 (1) of the Constitution of Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, the Prime Minister and the Cabinet of Ministers have shirked and breached that accountability and answerability;

And whereas, in spite of Parliament wielding the absolute authority over public finance in terms of Article 148 of the Constitution, the Minister of Finance and the government have usurped such financial authority of Parliament in an anti-constitutional manner, worked to obtain the financial control of Parliament in an arbitrary manner and omitted to report the fiscal position to Parliament;

And whereas, in spite of the government's responsibility to make available foods and drinks, clothes and accessories and housing facilities as well as ensure continuous advancement in living conditions in conformity with Article 27 of the Constitution, the government has breached that responsibility in an unlawful, arbitrary and unethical manner;

And whereas, Sri Lanka has been turned to the country with the lowest economic growth rate in the South Asia and thereby brought Sri Lanka to bankruptcy as the fiscal policy was manipulated in an arbitrary, fraudulent and unethical manner giving priority to fraud and corruption so that advantages are accrued to themselves and their cronies;

And whereas, the government has worked to intentionally cause an inflation unbearable to the country by printing money amounting to over 3 trillion rupees under the signature of the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Finance and the government have omitted to inform Parliament, which is vested in powers over fiscal control, of the reason for printing such a vast amount of money;

And whereas, the government has worked to cause a scarcity of food, food insecurity in the country and destruction to livelihood of farmers and dragged agriculture into the verge of devastation by taking arbitrary decisions pertaining to agriculture such as banning of chemical fertilizers;

And whereas the government has given a pledge in public to pay compensation to farmers for the crop loss that was caused due to the banning of chemical fertilizer, it has not taken any step in that regard;

And whereas the government has caused a loss to the treasury by making arrangements to import organic fertilizer with the motive of making money in a fraudulent manner and not with the good intention of making fertilizer available to the farmers and whereas the government has put the farmers into more difficulty by neglecting to make standard fertilizer available to them, thus depriving the country of food security;

And whereas the government has acted in a manner owing to which the economy of the country has severely collapsed, the Gross National Product has plummeted and the public life has been dismantled, by not taking the policy and executive decisions by the government at the right time which are required to maintain the well-being and proper order of the country intentionally, illegally, arbitrarily and unethically;

And whereas the government has put the people of the country in such a perilous state where people die on the queues for fuel as the government created an era of queues for fuel by creating fuel shortages in the country through its policy of giving priority to fraud and corruption and through wrong economic management and whereas the government has drawn the entire economy of the country and the public life towards the brim of destruction owing to that fuel shortage;

And whereas the government has totally disrupted the public life by suppressing the people by creating an acute shortage of Gas, which is an essential requirement to the life of the people, owing to its policy of giving priority to corruption and fraud and whereas 8 persons died through its acts of making substandard Gas available to the people by giving priority to corruption as above and whereas the government has made arrangements to cause physical and property damage to yet another large number of people by doing so;

And whereas the government has failed to assure continuous electricity supply, which is a basic requirement of the citizens, due to the management of economy and power supply in an erroneous and an arbitrary manner by giving priority to fraud and corruption that has made people suffer immensely and the economy collapse;

And whereas the government has subjected the health sector to a severe collapse by neglecting to provide the essential medicines, hospital equipment and uninterrupted power supply essential for the maintenance of hospitals, thereby depriving the people of the right to life by putting the lives of people in severe danger and causing the deaths of patients;

And whereas the government paved way for the deaths of over sixteen thousand people due to the Corona pandemic as a result of relying on pagan ideology without taking action to implement the scientific guidelines provided by the health sector during the said pandemic;

And whereas the government has caused a financial loss to the Republic of Sri Lanka by purchasing vaccines at a higher price owing to its failure to order vaccines on due time and by promoting corruption and fraud in purchasing vaccines, whereas the government subjected the public of the country to severe injustice and difficulties as a result of promoting fraud and corruption in implementing the measures that were required for the control of the COVID 19 pandemic including quarantine and exploiting those measures for providing opportunity for the government and its cronies to earn money illegally;

And whereas the government has taken action to destroy the environment of the country that it is bound to protect by allowing illegal destruction of environment such as clearing of forest reserves, illegal soil excavation and sand mining on the wish of the politicians of the government and their supporters;

And whereas the government has acted fraudulently and illegally to deprive the Republic of Sri Lanka the income of over Rs.10 billion that was due to the Treasury by reducing the tax imposed on a kilogram of sugar from Rs.50 to 25 cents and by obtaining undue benefit of that measure for its and its cronies gain without providing the people the due relief;

And whereas the government has caused severe shortage of essential food items in the country and created an era of queues through promoting corruption and fraud in maintaining the economy of the country, public institutions and government activities and intentional mismanagement of the country's economy in pursuit of narrow self-interest, whereas the government has acted in such a way to cause surge of the prices of essential food items to unbearable levels, whereas the government has neglected to implement the provisions of Consumer Affairs Authority Act, No. 9 of 2003, control the increasing cost of goods and services and provide relief to the people, whereas the government has thereby disrupted public life, caused malnutrition, undermined the food security of the country and subjected the public to untold difficulties and suffering;

And whereas the government has left the country's economy in the doldrums by allowing fraud and corruption to take place at maximum level when implementing large scale projects without transparency resulting the treasury losing massive amount of money;

And whereas the government has violated the constitution of the Republic of Sri Lanka by suppressing the political, civil, media as well as trade union activists who raise their voices against the government and their activities and by abusing the law of the country intentionally and illegally and violating human rights of the citizens for its political survival;

And whereas the government has made the country a bankrupt nation through mishandling the economy by giving priority for fraud and corruption whereas it has led the people to suffer in an unprecedented manner and has disrupted the day to day activities of them by depriving of their right to live and the food security whereas the government has seriously violated and/or misused the law of the country including the constitution and the fundamental rights of the citizens and as a whole, the government has breached the trust of the public on government;

And whereas the government has violated the policy manifesto titled "Vistas of Prosperity and splendor", for which the government led by the President, the Prime Minister and the Cabinet of Ministers had received a mandate from the people;

And whereas it is affirmative that majority of the country is of the view that the government led by the Prime Minister should be dismissed from power;

That this Parliament resolves that it has no confidence on the Government including the Prime Minister and the Cabinet of Ministers.

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