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ADDENDUM TO THE ORDER BOOK No. 1

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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Order under the Value Added Tax Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 2A of Value Added Tax Act, No. 14 of 2002 as amended by Act, No. 6 of 2005, relating to the Value Added Tax and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2295/08 of 31st August 2022, which was presented on 08.11.2022, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Order under the Casino Business (Regulation) Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 2 of the Casino Business (Regulation) Act, No. 17 of 2010 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2295/09 of 31st August 2022, which was presented on 08.11.2022, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Regulations under the Casino Business (Regulation) Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 4 read with Section 3 of the Casino Business (Regulation) Act, No. 17 of 2010 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2295/10 of 31st August 2022, which were presented on 08.11.2022, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Regulation under the Finance Act,— That the Regulation made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 12 of the Finance Act, No. 12 of 2013 read with the Finance Act, No. 12 of 2012 relating to Hub Regulations and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2292/36 of 10th August 2022, which was presented on 08.11.2022, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies 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) and 14 of the aforesaid Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2300/12 of 05th October 2022, which were presented on 08.11.2022, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.2),— 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) and 14 of the aforesaid Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2278/21 of 06th May 2022, which were presented on 09.11.2022, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.3),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies 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) and 14 of the aforesaid Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2285/19 of 24th June 2022, which were presented on 09.11.2022, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

** Indicates Government Business.*

Friday, December 09, 2022

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

P.1/2022

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.2/2022

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— 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.3/2022

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.4/2022

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Formulating the research theses of the students of universities and other tertiary education institutions with a focus on the development work undertaken by the relevant ministries,— That this Parliament resolves that a formal procedure be formulated by the government to make use of the research theses written by the students of the universities and the other tertiary education institutions to achieve the long-term, medium-term and short-term objectives of the relevant ministries when the future development processes are undertaken as it is of utmost importance to draft the research theses of the students of universities and other tertiary education institutions functioning in Sri Lanka at present related to their courses of study, with a focus on the economic, social and cultural developments in Sri Lanka, and whereas an officer responsible for each ministry at ministry level is required to be appointed to coordinate between the thesis supervisor and the ministry concerned.

P.5/2022

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Taking the initiative to protect the Buddhist places of worship worldwide,— That this Parliament resolves that an appropriate programme be formulated by the government enabling Sri Lanka to initiate advocating the Buddhist leaders and organizations around the world with a view to establishing a strong organization to tighten the security of the Buddhist temples worshipped by the Buddhists living around the world to lobby on behalf of Buddhists at the international level.

P.6/2022

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Expanding the Maintenance Boards for Elders island wide,— That this Parliament resolves that the necessary steps be taken by the government enabling the expansion of Maintenance Boards for Elders functioning under the National Council and Secretariat for Elders of the Ministry of Health to the provincial, district and divisional secretariat levels with the objective of facilitating the elders, who spend the last stage of life, to lodge complaints regarding various injustices faced by them due to the discrimination caused by their family members and certain organizations.

P.7/2022

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Combining the knowledge on Sri Lankan food culture with the teaching process,— That this Parliament resolves that an appropriate programme be implemented by the government to make the food culture of Sri Lanka known among local and foreign people and elevate the Sri Lankan identity by endowing the future generations with the Sri Lanka food culture pedagogy through pedagogical methodologies as food art of Sri Lanka is comprised of a number aspects including the art of flavors and mixation, art of cooking food, art of coloring and the art of food carving.

P.8/2022

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Suppressing the drug rackets carried out through online marketing,— That this Parliament resolves that a proper programme be formulated and implemented by the government whereas substandard pharmaceuticals, medical equipment and beauty culture products are hugely sold online at present and this makes a huge threat to the safety of the lives of the people of our country.

P.9/2022

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Making the society aware of the value of school children,— That this Parliament resolves that a national level programme be formulated and implemented by the government in regard to the manner in which children should be protected in the face of social challenges for the future betterment of the society and the country, having explained the value of children in a simple manner through sociological and psychological methodologies to the persons such as parents, teachers, sports coaches, school van drivers that always associate with school children.

P.10/2022

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Strengthening the economy of elderly communities through a loan scheme,— That this Parliament resolves that the government should make a suitable arrangement to implement a loan scheme through the banking system for those who are above 60 years of age, whereas the contribution of the elderly community over 60 years can be obtained to enhance the development in the entire Sri Lankan economy by strengthening their livelihood, and whereas they are discriminated against in the society as that elderly community is not granted loan facilities through the banking system.

P.11/2022

Hon. Gayantha Karunatileka,— Conferring Posts of Justice of the Peace for retired Grama Niladharies,— That this Parliament resolves that necessary steps be taken by the government to confer the posts of Justice of the Peace based on the qualifications, for retired Grama Niladharies and after the retirement for those who would go on retirement in due course, in order to secure their respected service further as a government officer who renders a closer service to the public.

P.12/2022

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.13/2022

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.14/2022

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,— Establishing the Sri Lanka Grama Niladhari Service,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take appropriate steps to formulate a Service Minute and establish a service known as “Sri Lanka Grama Niladhari Service” for the Grama Niladharis who render an enormous service by representing the government and working closely with the rural people.

P.15/2022

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,— Making the Samurdhi subsidy available to the people who deserve it,— That this Parliament resolves that the government should take appropriate steps to conduct a formal survey about the recipients of Samurdhi subsidy as well as low income earners who do not receive Samurdhi subsidy, in order to select the people who really deserve it and make the subsidy available to them.

P.16/2022

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,— Filling the teacher vacancies in schools,— That this Parliament resolves that the government should take the necessary steps to fill the teacher vacancies existing in schools by giving priority to those who complete the formal teacher training at Colleges of Education.

P.17/2022

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,— Giving a milch cow instead of the Samurdhi subsidy,— That this Parliament resolves that government should make the necessary arrangements to provide a milch cow each, to the low income families selected in the rural areas instead of the Samurdhi subsidy, with a view to uplifting their economy.

P.18/2022

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,— Strengthening the country’s economy through exports,— That this Parliament resolves that required measures be taken by the government to strengthen the economy through exports instead of imports by providing all the infrastructure facilities and services with the intervention of the government to the farmers, helping them to increase the local food production since our nation is an agricultural country.

P.19/2022

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,— Preparing a National Transfer Policy for the officers attached to Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service,— That this Parliament resolves that expedited measures be taken by the government to make the National Transfer Policy for Teachers and Principals effective as soon as possible and to prepare a National Transfer Policy for the officers attached to the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service as they have faced immense hardships due to the unavailability of a National Policy regarding transfers although the Ministry of Education has prepared a specific transfer policy for the positions in the education sector including Sri Lanka Teachers service and Sri Lanka Principals service.

P.20/2022

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.21/2022

Hon. Rohana Bandara,— Establishment of 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.22/2022

Hon. Rohana Bandara,— Formulating a fair policy in providing jobs at local government institutions,— That this Parliament resolves that an appropriate programme be formulated by the government to give 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.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.36/2022

Hon. Nalaka Bandara Kottegoda,— Controlling the Toque Macaque population that damages crops,— That this Parliament resolves that a suitable programme that can scientifically control the Toque Macaque population be implemented by the government whereas massive damage is caused to the agricultural crops of Sri Lanka by wild animals, and whereas according to the reports of the Hector Kobbekaduwa Agrarian Research and Training Institute, the annual damage caused to crops by wild animals is nearly 40% which amounts to over 1800 Crores, and whereas the farmer community and the national economy of the country are directly affected owing to the fact that crop damage by Toque Macaque is gradually increasing, and whereas killing Toque Macaques as a solution to this problem cannot be approved as Sri Lanka is a country that upholds a Buddhist and non-violent culture.
