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Tuesday, March 05, 2022

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Sri Lanka National Commission for UNESCO Bill — Second Reading.

(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 Colombo Port City Economic Commission Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Investment Promotion in consultation with the Colombo Port City Economic Commission and relevant Regulatory Authorities under Section 71 of the Colombo Port City Economic Commission Act, No. 11 of 2021 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2358/70 of 17th November 2023, which were presented on 20.02.2024, 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 Ports and Airports Development Levy Act,— That the Order made by the Acting Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 3(3) of the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act, No. 18 of 2011 relating to Ports and Airports Development Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2350/45 of 21st September 2023, which was presented on 22.02.2024, 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 Value Added Tax Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 2A of the Value Added Tax Act, No. 14 of 2002 as amended by Act, No. 6 of 2005 relating to Value Added Tax and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2363/22 of 19th December 2023, which was presented on 22.02.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Tourism and Lands and Minister of Sports and Youth Affairs,— Order under the Tourism Act (No.1),— That the Order made by the Minister of Tourism and Lands under Section 26(1) of the Tourism Act, No. 38 of 2005 on the recommendations of the Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority with regard to the declaration of a tourist development area and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2352/47 of 06th October 2023, which was presented on 20.02.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Tourism and Lands and Minister of Sports and Youth Affairs,— Order under the Tourism Act (No.2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Tourism and Lands under Section 26(1) of the Tourism Act, No. 38 of 2005 on the recommendations of the Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority with regard to the declaration of a tourist development area and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2352/48 of 06th October 2023, which was presented on 20.02.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Foreign Affairs,— Order under the Diplomatic Privileges Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Foreign Affairs under Sections 4 and 5 of the Diplomatic Privileges Act, No. 9 of 1996 regarding the Host Country Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the International Centre for Research in Agroforestry (ICRAF) to give effect to the terms of Articles IV, V, VI, IX, X, XI, XII, XIII, XIV, XV and XVI and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2348/48 of 08th September 2023, which was presented on 20.02.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

** Indicates Government Business.*

Wednesday, March 06, 2024

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Banking (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

** Indicates Government Business.*

(3)

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

2/2024

Hon. Wasantha Yapabandara, Attorney at Law,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the lands possessed by Kandy National Hospital have been acquired by unauthorized residents; and
 - (ii) more than half of the lands belong to the said hospital have been dispossessed due to the said matter?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the total number of acres of lands that have been acquired as such;
 - (ii) of the number of unauthorized families residing in the said lands;
 - (iii) whether legal actions have been taken against the aforesaid families;
 - (iv) whether any arrangement has been made to settle the concerned unauthorized residents in another area;
 - (v) if so, what that plan is; and
 - (vi) whether necessary actions have been taken by the relevant institutions and authorities in that regard?
- (c) If not, why?

42/2024

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

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) whether he is aware that the Gunathilaka Memorial Hall, which was donated to Rahula Vidyalaya, Matara by Ms. Sarah Lorencina Wijesinghe who resided at Miriswatta Walawwa in Kamburupitiya, in memory of her parents, had been demolished;
 - (ii) if so, of the reasons to demolish the aforesaid hall; and
 - (iii) of the date it was demolished is?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the estimated cost for the new memorial hall that will be constructed in place of Gunathilaka memorial hall;
 - (ii) of the expected sources that will cover the cost;
 - (iii) of the amount that will be borne by the Ministry of Education to construct the new memorial hall;

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- (iv) whether the Urban Development Authority has provided the necessary funds for the purpose; and
- (v) if so, the aforesaid amount is?
- (c) Will he further inform this House —
 - (i) up to what extent the construction of the new memorial hall has been completed;
 - (ii) the date expected to complete the rest of the construction; and
 - (iii) of the reasons for the delay in completing the construction ?
- (d) If not, why?

310/2024

Hon. Heshan Withanage, — To ask the Minister of Women, Child Affairs and Social Empowerment,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of early childhood development centers currently functioning in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) out of them, the number of centers registered with the government;
 - (iii) whether is it allowed to function a pre-school without being registered with the government;
 - (iv) whether there is a mechanism to oversee the pre-schools; and
 - (v) of the basic requirements that need to be fulfilled in order to manage a pre-school ?
- (b) If not, why?

355/2024

Hon. Gevindu Kumaratunga,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the date on which the present Minister of Power and Energy was appointed; and
 - (ii) the tariff charged per unit of electricity in each consumption category as at the aforesaid date and as at 31.01.2024 and the increase in that tariff separately as a percentage?
- (b) Will he also state the number of electricity consumers separately —
 - (i) as at the date mentioned in (a)(i) and as at 31.01.2024; and
 - (ii) who were issued with red notices and whose power connections were disconnected from the date mentioned in (a)(i) up to 31.01.2024?
- (c) Will he further state—
 - (i) number of consumers who got new electricity connections and whose power connections were disconnected from 01.01.2011 to 31.12.2020 separately;

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- (ii) the difference between the said two numbers;
 - (iii) the number of consumers who got electricity connections and whose power connections were disconnected from the date mentioned in (a)(i) to 31.01.2024 separately;
 - (iv) the difference between the said two numbers; and
 - (v) the number of electricity consumers who got electricity connections and whose power connections were disconnected during the term of the current Minister as an annual average?
- (d) If not, why?

356/2024

Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House, in relation to each Divisional Secretary's division,
- (i) of the number of government schools in Sri Lanka as Sinhala Medium, Tamil Medium and Sinhala and Tamil Medium schools;
 - (ii) the number of students studying in those schools on the classification of below 10, between 10 to 20, between 20 to 50, between 50 to 100 and between 100 to 200;
 - (iii) the number of schools which offer subject streams of Mathematics, Science and Technology for the G.C.E. (Advanced Level) from among the government schools; and
 - (iv) the number of government schools which offer G.C.E. (Ordinary Level) and G.C.E (Advanced Level) streams in the medium of English, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

366/2024

Hon. Gayantha Karunatileka,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
- (i) the number of patients diagnosed with the kidney disease 'of unknown etiology', separately for each year from 2015 up to now;
 - (ii) the districts where kidney patients are reported in large numbers and the number of such patients reported from each of those districts, separately; and
 - (iii) the other districts where kidney patients are reported and the number reported from each of those districts, separately?

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- (b) Will he also inform this House of—
 - (i) the monthly allowance provided to a kidney patient by the government; and
 - (ii) the number of kidney patients who receive that allowance by now?
- (c) If not, why?

371/2024

Hon. Niroshan Perera,— To ask the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Government of Sri Lanka has entered into an agreement to obtain financial consultancy services from M/S Lazards-France company;
 - (ii) if so, of the primary obligations of the above company as per the said agreement; and
 - (iii) of the amount of money to be paid by the Government of Sri Lanka in terms of the above agreement and the amount paid so far separately in Sri Lankan Rupees and US Dollars?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Government has entered into an agreement to procure legal consultancy services from M/S Clifford Chance LLP Company;
 - (ii) of the primary obligations of the above company as per the said agreement;
 - (iii) of the amount of money to be paid by the Government of Sri Lanka in terms of the above agreement and the amount paid so far separately in Sri Lanka Rupees and US Dollars?
- (c) If not, why?

1242/2024

Hon. Kumarasiri Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Public Security,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of Police Stations established in Sri Lanka at present;
 - (ii) the number of Police officers deployed at the above mentioned Police stations and for other duties, separately; and
 - (iii) if vacancies exist in the Sri Lanka Police service at present, the number of such vacancies in relation to each post, separately?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of Police officers deployed for the personal security of the Members of Parliament;

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- (ii) whether Police officers have been deployed for the security of other individuals or institutions other than Members of Parliament; and
- (iii) If so, the number of such Police officers in relation to each individual/ institution?

(c) If not, why?

1282/2024

Hon. Asanka Navaratne,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture and Plantation Industries,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether an assessment has been conducted regarding the annual crop damage due to wildlife activity;
- (ii) if so, of the steps thereon; and
- (iii) of the measures adopted as of now to minimize the damage?

(b) If not, why?

1285/2024

Hon. Kins Nelson,— To ask the Minister of Tourism and Lands and Minister of Sports and Youth Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House of the—

- (i) number of physiotherapists employed at the Sri Lanka Cricket;
- (ii) name and address of each such physiotherapist separately;
- (iii) nature of the duties of the physiotherapists mentioned above;
- (iv) salaries and other allowances paid to them; and
- (v) measures taken to overcome the current set back of the Sri Lankan cricket team?

(b) If not, why?

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

378/2024

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, — To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House –

- (i) of the value of net assets of Ceylon Petroleum Corporation;
- (ii) separately, the profit / loss recorded from year 2018 to 2022 according to each year by the institution;
- (iii) if the Corporation is incurring losses, the reasons are; and
- (iv) of the measures that will be taken to prevent the losses?

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- (b) Will he also inform this House —
- (i) of the institutions that payments are due to the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation;
 - (ii) separately, the payment due from each institution; and
 - (iii) of the measures taken to collect the due payments?
- (c) If not, why?

465/2024

Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma,—To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform the House of—
- (i) the number of large-scale power generation projects have been proposed to be implemented in Sri Lanka in the year 2024;
 - (ii) the names of the above projects;
 - (iii) the number of units of electricity these projects are expected to add to the national power grid ; and
 - (iv) the impact made on the tariff of a unit of electricity by renewable energy projects?
- (b) If not, why?

510/2024

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the number of schools that have been closed down so far in Anuradhapura District since 2010;
 - (ii) the names of the said schools;
 - (iii) the reasons affected for aforementioned schools to be closed down; and
 - (iv) the measures that have been taken either to open them again or to take maximum use of the resources available in the said schools?
- (b) If not, why?

540/2024

Hon. (Mrs.) Kokila Gunawardene,— To ask the Minister of Mass Media,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the number of cinema halls in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) of that number, the number of cinema halls that screen films at present;
 - (iii) the number of films that has been screened by the National Film Corporation from 2019 up to date, in relation to each year, separately; and

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- (iv) the amount of money given out as loans for producing films from 2019 up to date, in relation to each year, separately?

(b) If not, why?

563/2024

Hon. Sanjeeva Edirimanna,—To ask the Non Cabinet Minister of State Plantation Enterprises Reforms,—(1)

(a) Will he inform the House—

- (i) of the number of hectares of land belonging to the State Plantation Corporation;
- (ii) what crops have been planted on such lands;
- (iii) what extent of lands belonging to the Corporation has been leased out for short-term cultivation;
- (iv) where such lands are situated; and
- (v) what income has been earned through the leasing out of these lands?

(b) If not, why?

588/2024

Hon. Jagath Kumara Sumithraarachchi,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the number of Municipal Councils, Urban Councils and Pradeshiya sabhas in Sri Lanka, separately;
- (ii) the total number of employees serving in those institutions at present; and
- (iii) the total amount of money spent by the government to maintain those employees, annually?

(b) Will he also inform this House—

- (i) of the number of posts of Mayor, Chairman and Councilor in all of the above mentioned Local Government bodies at present, separately;
- (ii) of the total monthly allowance paid to a councilor in a Municipal Council, Urban Council and Pradeshiya Sabha, separately;
- (iii) of the total expenditure incurred by the government on all councilors of the Local Government bodies monthly and annually, separately; and
- (iv) whether speedy action would be taken to repeal the amendment that deprived the field officers in the public sector including the Samurdhi Development Officers and Agriculture Research and Production Assistants of the opportunity they enjoyed of contesting the Local Government Elections representing the division they served in?

(c) If not, why?

610/2024

Hon. Upul Mahendra Rajapaksa,— To ask the Minister of Justice, Prison Affairs and Constitutional Reforms,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware—
 - (i) that the maximum penalty that can be imposed under the Penal Code of Sri Lanka is the death penalty; and
 - (ii) that the death penalty is not currently implemented?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the gallows has been repaired by providing the ropes and other materials necessary for execution;
 - (ii) if so, of the amount of money spent thereon;
 - (iii) whether steps have been taken to recruit persons for the post of executioner;
 - (iv) whether impediments are there against the implementation of execution; and
 - (v) if so, of the aforesaid constraints;
- (c) If not, why?

611/2024

Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera,— To ask the Prime Minister and the Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the official foreign visits attended by the incumbent President of Sri Lanka since his assumption of office;
 - (ii) separately of the Heads of States met during each of those visits;
 - (iii) whether diplomatic agreements have been entered into with those heads of states;
 - (iv) if so, what those agreements separately are;
 - (v) of the number of other delegates who have accompanied the President on each of the aforesaid foreign visits separately; and
 - (vi) of the amount spent on each such foreign tour separately?
- (c) If not, why?

636/2024

Hon. B.Y.G. Rathnasekara,— To ask the Minister of Labour and Foreign Employment,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the countries to which Sri Lankan workers have been sent for employment in 2023 with the intervention of the government;

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- (ii) the number of workers sent to each such country, separately;
- (iii) the number of Sri Lankan workers that has gone for foreign employment without an intervention of the government in 2023;
- (iv) the total foreign exchange remitted to Sri Lanka by the workers engaged in foreign employment during that year; and
- (v) the programme that has been devised to send skilled Sri Lankan workers for foreign employment in future?

(b) If not, why?

1090/2024

Hon. Samanpriya Herath,—To ask the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the number of registered leasing companies in Sri Lanka;
- (ii) whether legal actions have been taken against the leasing companies that have not been registered properly;
- (iii) whether he is aware that different interest rates charged by those leasing companies have caused severe inconvenience on the parties who have signed agreements with them;
- (iv) whether a proper mechanism has been executed to regulate the interest rates charged by the said companies; and
- (v) of the methodology adopted to safeguard the customers who have obtained leasing facilities ?

(b) If not, why?

Thursday, March 21, 2024

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

3/2024

Hon. Wasantha Yapabandara, Attorney at Law,— To ask the Minister of Wildlife and Forest Resources Conservation,—(1)

(a) Is she aware that —

- (i) every year in periods of dry weather in Kandy, reserved forests, forests associated with water catchments and small shrub jungles in many areas in the central hills including the Divisional Secretariat Divisions of Kandy, Panwila and Ududumbara are set on fire; and
- (ii) it causes damages such as drying of water springs, rolling down of stones from hilltops during rains and occurring of landslides?

(b) If so, will she inform the House—

- (i) whether steps have been taken to prevent such acts of setting fire referred to above;

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- (ii) of the steps will be taken to control the rapid spread of fires in hot weather;
 - (iii) whether she will provide a permanent solution towards protecting sensitive ecosystems; and
 - (iv) if so, what such solution is?
- (c) If not, why?

43/2024

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana, — To ask the Minister of Wildlife and Forest Resources Conservation,—(1)

- (a) Is she aware that—
- (i) the former president Hon. Maithripala Sirisena signed the gazette notification in 2019 for the inclusion of 13 forest reserves located around the Sinharaja Forest Reserve, which is a World Heritage, into the Sinharaja Forest and for increasing the area of the Sinharaja Forest Reserve up to 30,000 hectares; and
 - (ii) however, the said gazette notification has not been published so far?
- (b) Will she inform this House —
- (i) separately of the acreage of each of the aforesaid forest reserves that had been proposed to be included into the Sinharaja World Heritage Forest Reserve as per the above gazette Notification;
 - (ii) of the reasons behind the delay in publishing the aforesaid gazette Notification;
 - (iii) whether steps will be taken to publish the aforesaid gazette Notification; and
 - (iv) if so, the date on which the said gazette notification will be published?
- (c) If not, why?

1126/2024

Hon. D. Weerasingha,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether he is aware of the fact that the pension entitled to employees recruited to the public service of Sri Lanka after 2015 is a contributory pension;
 - (ii) whether it is mentioned in the appointment letter that the entitled pension will be decided upon the policy decisions made by the government; and
 - (iii) if so, whether steps will be taken to grant pension entitlement to these public servants in future?
- (b) If not, why?

1146/2024

Hon. Muditha Prishanthi,— To ask the Minister of Transport and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
 - (i) length of the roads that have been completed carpeting in Ratnapura district under the 100,000 km road carpeting project;
 - (ii) names of those roads;
 - (iii) length of roads which have not been completed so far; and
 - (iv) names of those roads?
- (b) Is he aware that of—
 - (i) the section of the Ratnapura-Embilipitiya road from Palmadulla to Palledbedda is dilapidated; and
 - (ii) the work of re-carpeting and developing the above section of road commenced in the year 2023, however, the work has been suspended by now?
- (c) Will he also inform this House whether the work of carpeting that section of the road will be recommenced?
- (d) If not, why?

1152/2024

Hon. Madhura Withanage, Attorney at Law,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation,—(1)

- (a) Will she inform this House—
 - (i) whether the construction work of the Uma Oya project has been completed;
 - (ii) of the amount of money spent on the said project;
 - (iii) of the date on which the aforesaid project will be opened;
 - (iv) of the areas covered by the said project; and
 - (v) of the total area of paddy fields harvested under the project mentioned above?
- (b) If not, why?

1248/2024

Hon. Eran Wickramaratne,— To ask the Minister of Labour and Foreign Employment,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the steps taken to increase the wages of private sector employees in line with the increasing cost of living; and
 - (ii) the reasons if such steps have not been taken yet?

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- (b) Will he also inform this House of—
- (i) the special measures taken to protect the rights of female workers during the prevailing economic crises;
 - (ii) the measures taken to provide childcare, nutrition and similar support to the children of female workers, as there is a tendency for women to join the workforce in order to cope with the current economic crisis;
 - (iii) the steps taken to protect the rights of overseas domestic female workers; and
 - (iv) the reasons if such steps have not been taken yet?
- (c) If not, why?

1252/2024

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether he is aware of the fact that many countries in the world are promoting private medical education as of now;
 - (ii) of the number of private medical educational institutions in Sri Lanka that provide western medical education;
 - (iii) of the names of such institutions;
 - (iv) of the number of government teaching hospitals available for the clinical training required by the students studying in the above mentioned private medical educational institutions;
 - (v) of the names of such hospitals; and
 - (vi) of steps that would be taken to improve and promote private Western medical education in Sri Lanka?
- (b) If not, why?

1281/2024

Hon. W.H.M. Dharmasena,— To ask the Minister of Urban Development and Housing,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
- (i) the number of projects, implemented by the Urban Development Authority in Monaragala district from 2015 to date;
 - (ii) the name of each project and the amount spent on them, separately;
 - (iii) the number of completed projects and their names, out of aforesaid projects;
 - (iv) the number of projects that have not yet been completed and their names;

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- (v) the reasons for non-completion of aforesaid projects; and
- (vi) the steps that will be taken to complete aforesaid projects, immediately ?

(b) If not, why?

1283/2024

Hon. Asanka Navaratne,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether a comprehensive report be submitted regarding the current shortages of human resources and physical resources in the government hospitals of Kurunegala district;
- (ii) whether steps will be taken to meet the above deficiencies; and
- (iii) if so, of the steps taken so far in that regard?

(b) If not, why?

1286/2024

Hon. Kins Nelson,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the number of local government institutions in Polonnaruwa district;
- (ii) the names of those institutions;
- (iii) the annual income and expenditure of each of the said institutions from 2018 up to now, separately; and
- (iv) the steps taken to uplift the local government institutions with financial and physical resource shortages out of the local government institutions in Polonnaruwa district?

(b) If not, why?

Friday, March 22, 2024

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

311/2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage — To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government, —(1)

(a) Will he inform the House—

- (i) whether entrance fees are levied on local and foreign tourists who visit *Bopath Ella* in Kuruvita, Ratnapura;
- (ii) if so, what organization collects such fees;
- (iii) of the annual income earned by the organization concerned through collecting fees;

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- (iv) whether measures have been taken to use money from this income in order to develop facilities which the visitors to the waterfall need; and
 - (v) of the different fees levied on local child tourists and foreign child tourists who visit the waterfall, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

357/2024

Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Women and Child Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he state, separately of—
- (i) the number of child abuse cases pending in the Magistrates Courts and High Courts of Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the aforesaid number, as per each district based on the time classification of 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10 years from the commencement of the trial;
 - (iii) the number of child abuse complaints made to the Sri Lanka Police or the National Child Protection Authority from the year 2020 to date but not proceeded with legal actions, as per each district; and
 - (iv) the number of children who have been sexually abused as a result of child abuse incidents, from 2018 to 2022, on a gender based analysis ?
- (b) Will he also state —
- (i) whether data is available relating to child abuse which is not reported to the police or the authority;
 - (ii) if so, the number of aforesaid child abuse cases, annually;
 - (iii) whether it is accepted that the number of child abuse cases have gradually increased over the past two years;
 - (iv) if so, the reasons thereof; and
 - (v) the measures that are being taken to avoid delays in justice pertaining to child abuse cases ?
- (c) If not, why?

367/2024

Hon. Gayantha Karunatileka,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
- (i) the number of hospitals in Sri Lanka that belong to the central government, provincial councils and private sector, separately;
 - (ii) the number of beds in those hospitals; and
 - (iii) the number of beds in the emergency treatment units established in the hospitals under the central government and those under the provincial councils?

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- (b) Will he also inform this House of—
- (i) the number of registered doctors in Sri Lanka ;
 - (ii) the number of male nursing officers and female nursing officers serving at present, separately;
 - (iii) the number of other employees other than doctors and nurses serving at government hospitals, separately according to each post; and
 - (iv) the doctor-patient ratio and patient-bed ratio that exist in Sri Lanka by now, separately?
- (c) If not, why?

372/2024

Hon. Niroschan Perera,— To ask the Minister of Public Security,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether explosives have been seized in Sri Lanka since the Easter bomb attack on 21 April 2019;
 - (ii) if so, the location where the explosives were seized, the type and quantity of the explosives, the names and residences of the persons arrested there and the progress of the respective investigations, separately;
 - (iii) whether the National Security Council has been informed of the said arrests; and
 - (iv) the dates on which such notice was given?
- (b) If not, why?

379/2024

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
- (i) the reasons for the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation to be involved in Future Security Transactions (Hedging Agreement);
 - (ii) the financial institutions with which the Corporation conducted Future Security Transactions from 2010 to date, in relation to each year, separately;
 - (iii) the profit made/loss incurred out of the Future Security Transactions conducted during the afore mentioned period, in relation to each year, separately; and
 - (iv) the officers/ persons who represented the Corporation at those Transactions?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether the losses incurred by the Future Security Transactions have had an impact on the current fuel price hikes;

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- (ii) if so, the steps that have been taken to cushion that impact; and
 - (iii) whether arrangements would be made to enter in to Future Security Transactions in future too which would potentially incur such losses?
- (c) If not, why?

466/2024

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

- (a) Will he inform the House —
- (i) of the places where garbage is disposed of by each of the local authorities in the Western Province, separately;
 - (ii) how many places there are in the Western Province where garbage has accumulated on a massive scale and what their locations are, separately;
 - (iii) whether he is aware that the people living in the vicinity of these places have had to face many problems involving the environment; and
 - (iv) what measures will be adopted for solving such problems?
- (b) If not, why?

511/2024

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
- (i) the date of completion of the construction work of the Medawachchiya Trade Complex in Anuradhapura;
 - (ii) the cost incurred on the construction of that Trade Complex; and
 - (iii) the measures to be taken to open that Trade Complex soon?
- (b) If not, why?

541/2024

Hon. (Mrs.) Kokila Gunawardene,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture and Plantation Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the number of sales outlets set up by the Spices and related products Marketing Board;
 - (ii) of the areas where such sales outlets have been set up;
 - (iii) whether steps would be taken to set up new sales outlets in future;

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- (iv) if so, the areas where such new stalls are expected to be set up; and
- (v) of the annual income of the Board at present?

(b) If not, why?

564/2024

Hon. Sanjeeva Edirimanna,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture and Plantation Industries,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the number of coconut saplings given by the government for plantation each year separately from 2015 to now;
- (ii) of the areas and the number of saplings provided separately;
- (iii) whether a follow-up is carried out on the growth of those coconut saplings;
- (iv) of the number of coconut saplings that record proper growth out of those coconut saplings; and
- (v) of the number of coconut saplings expected to be distributed next year?

(b) If not, why?

1243/2024

Hon. Kumarasiri Ratnayake,— To ask the Minister of Tourism and Lands,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the extent of lands owned by the Land Reform Commission in Monaragala District ;
- (ii) the extent of lands which has been distributed among the people out of aforesaid lands; and
- (iii) the extent of lands mentioned in (ii) above, separately according to each Divisional Secretariat Division ?

(b) Will he also inform this House —

- (i) whether deeds have been granted for the lands, distributed among the people so far;
- (ii) if so, of the number of deeds that have been granted to the residents and cultivators from the year 2021 to date and the respective extent of lands, separately as per each year; and
- (iii) whether arrangements will be made to grant deeds in the future for the lands for which deeds haven't been granted?

(c) If not, why?
