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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

International Institute of Theravadha (Incorporation) Bill— Second Reading.

Tuesday, April 02, 2024

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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The Minister of Ports, Shipping and Aviation,— Regulations under the Civil Aviation Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Ports, Shipping and Aviation under Section 117(2)(r) of the Civil Aviation Act, No. 14 of 2010 relating to the charges to be paid by aircraft flying over the Colombo Flight Information Region for the use of air navigation facilities and services provided by Sri Lanka and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2362/23 of 12th December 2023, which were presented on 22.03.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Health,— Regulations under the Ayurveda Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Health under Section 82 read with Sections 7(g), 10 and 77 and Part VI of the Ayurveda Act, No. 31 of 1961 regarding the Ayurveda Code on 24th January 2024, which were presented on 19.03.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

**** Indicates Government Business.***

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Wednesday, April 24, 2024

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

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;

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- (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 foreign visits attended by the incumbent President 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?
- (b) 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;
 - (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?

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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?

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?

1147/2024

Hon. (Mrs.) Muditha Prishanthi,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation,— (1)

- (a) Is she aware that—
 - (i) Ratnapura, Udawalawa reservoir has dried up due to recent drought;
 - (ii) the farmers and wild animals in the area suffered greatly due to lack of water as a result; and
 - (iii) the said reservoir has been heavily overfilled due to siltation?
- (b) Will she inform this assembly—
 - (i) whether steps are taken to remove the silt in the Udawalawa reservoir;

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- (ii) the amount expected to be allocated therefore; and
- (iii) the date on which the desilting operations will commence?
- (c) If not, why?

1152/2024

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

- (a) Will he 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) 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?
- (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;

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- (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?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Recovery of Loans by Banks (Special Provisions) (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

* *Indicates Government Business.*

Thursday, April 25, 2024

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

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 ;
 - (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;

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- (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—
- (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?

1700/2024

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the thirty two (32) types of drugs approved under the tender number 2022/MSD/V/R/P/0066 under emergency purchases ;
 - (ii) out of the aforesaid drugs, the types of drugs that were provided;
 - (iii) whether the above drugs have been registered;
 - (iv) whether the standard tender procedure has been followed when the above tender was granted; and
 - (v) if not, why?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether any harmful effects have been reported by using the said drugs ;
 - (ii) of the person who has issued the Work Order Request for the said drugs; and
 - (iii) of the reasons for the Medical Supplies Division (MSD) to grant its approval to purchase the drug concerned above, while the above order includes several drugs which should be given between a temperature of 2-8 degrees Celsius ?
- (c) If not, why?

1702/2024

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of officers serving by now in the posts of Inspector of Police, Sergeant and Police Constable of Sri Lanka Police, separately;
 - (ii) the number of vacancies that exist for each of the said posts by now, separately;
 - (iii) the methodology followed in granting promotions to the officers serving in the said posts;
 - (iv) the time taken to be promoted to the post of Inspector of Police from the post of Police Sergeant; and
 - (v) the methodology followed by now in recruiting Police Constables to Sri Lanka police?
- (b) If not, why?

1727/2024

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

- (a) Will she inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of people and wild elephants, died due to the human-elephant conflict in Puttalam district, separately according to each wildlife zone, from 2010 to date; and
 - (ii) of the measures that will be taken to provide a permanent solution to the human- elephant conflict in Puttalam district ?
- (b) If not, why?

1737/2024

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of paddy warehouses of the Government located in Trincomalee district;
 - (ii) the places where they have been established;
 - (iii) the quantity of paddy that can be stored in each of the above warehouses separately; and
 - (iv) the amount of paddy stored in the above warehouses from 2015 to date separately according to each year?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether there are any paddy warehouses among the paddy warehouses mentioned in (a)(i) above, which are not taken for any use currently;

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- (ii) if so, of the number of such paddy warehouses;
- (iii) of the places where they are located;
- (iv) of the measures that have been taken to re-use the paddy warehouses which are not in use; and
- (v) of the programs to be implemented to take the maximum use of the warehouses in Trincomalee district?

(c) If not, why?

1749/2024

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Urban Development and Housing,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether the National Housing Development Authority provides financial assistance to repair the houses of the families of the kidney patients;
- (ii) if so, of the amount of aforesaid financial assistance;
- (iii) of the qualifications required, to receive the aforesaid financial assistance; and
- (iv) of the documents required to be submitted to receive the aforesaid financial assistance?

(b) Will he also inform this House—

- (i) separately, as per each district, of the number of people who have applied for aforesaid financial assistance and the number of people who received the assistance so far ;
- (ii) whether the assistance is provided to all eligible applicants;
- (iii) if so, of the date; and
- (iv) whether measures will be taken to start a program to build houses for the families of the permanent houseless kidney patients?

(c) If not, why?

1873/2024

Hon. M. A. Sumanthiran,— To ask the Minister of Justice, Prisons Affairs and Constitutional Reforms,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) separately, the names of the judges appointed to and transferred from the High Court Sitting in Batticaloa from 1st July 2020 and 31st December 2020;
- (ii) whether the above transfers were done in the ordinary course of regular transfer of judges; and
- (iii) if not, the reasons for the above mentioned transfers;

(b) If not, why?

1876/2024

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of female students who are schooling in Sri Lanka at present;
 - (ii) whether a program has been implemented by the Ministry to provide sanitary napkins to them in a bid to improve their personal hygiene;
 - (iii) if so, of the amount allocated for the aforesaid program; and
 - (iv) of the measures that will be taken to implement the aforementioned program covering all female students ?
- (b) If not, why?

Friday, April 26, 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;

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- (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;
 - (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?

1908/2024

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Women, Children Affairs and Social Empowerment,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the cabinet approval has been received for the program to empower 12 hundred thousand families living in poverty and extreme poverty conditions during the period from 2024 to 2026 under the Aswesuma welfare benefit scheme drafted by the Samurdhi Development Department;
 - (ii) if not, of the reasons thereof;
 - (iii) of the periods during which the said programme is expected to be commenced?
- (b) If not, why?

1911/2024

Hon. Premnath C. Dolawatte, Attorney at Law,— To ask the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the amount of coconut oil imported into Sri Lanka in each year from 2015 to 2022;
 - (ii) the amount spent thereon; and
 - (iii) the countries and companies from which the coconut oil was imported separately?
- (b) If not, why?

1916/2024

Hon. (Mrs.) Rajika Wickramasinghe,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the endemic herbal plants in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) whether Sri Lanka exports herbal plants;
 - (iii) if so, what those herbal plant varieties are; and
 - (iv) of the annual revenue earned through the export of them?
- (b) If not, why?

1939/2024

Hon. Milan Jayathilake,— To ask the Minister of Ports, Shipping and Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the extent of land owned by Sri Lanka Ports Authority;
 - (ii) of the extent of land out of the aforesaid extent that is being used for constructions and development activities by now;
 - (iii) whether those lands have been leased to the private sector;
 - (iv) if so, what those companies/institutions are; and
 - (v) of the annual revenue earned by the Authority through the leasing of lands?
- (b) If not, why?

1967/2024

Hon. U. K. Sumith Udukumbura,—To ask the Minister of Trade, Commerce and Food Security,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of raids carried out by the Consumer Affairs Authority since 2019 to date;
 - (ii) of the number of raids to which legal actions have been taken;
 - (iii) of the number of settlements made in respect of the above number of raids; and
 - (iv) whether the operations of the Authority are being continued to ensure the security of consumers?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the measures taken regarding the sale of same product at different rates?
- (c) If not, why?

1993/2024

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

- (a) Will he admit that —
 - (i) the administration of Sevanagala Sugar Factory, that came with police officers on 01.07.2023, has taken steps to disconnect the water and electricity supply of the houses of the Onduma housing complex;
 - (ii) the administration had promised to recruit dependents of workers at their retirement or to provide land for residence, during the period 1983-1986 when the employees were made to settle down in the houses of the said housing complex; and
 - (iii) those employees have worked for the betterment of the institution by residing in those houses for 30-40 years?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that the resident employees are being treated unfairly and that plots of land in the establishment are being allotted to other outsiders for settlement; and
 - (ii) whether the workers residing in the above houses will be allowed to stay in them further?
- (c) If not, why?

2006/2024

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of semi-government and private sector employees separately contributing to the Employees' Provident Fund;
 - (ii) of the amount of money in the fund at the moment;
 - (iii) of the money is used for other programs; and
 - (iv) if yes, what those programs are?
- (b) If not, why?

2021/2024

Hon. Shanikiyan Rajputhiran Rasamanickam— To ask the Minister of Public Security,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) a financial institution called Privelth Global (Pvt.) Ltd has been running since 05.02.2014 in the areas of Samanthurai, Kalmunai, Pothuvil, Eravur and Maruthamunai in the Eastern Province;

- (ii) Ahmed Shereem Mohamed Sihaf (Sihaf Shereem) who was the director of the aforesaid institution and Fatima Farzana Markar have defrauded 1400 people of more than 1700 million rupees;
- (iii) the aforementioned director and his family are currently absconding in India; and
- (iv) complaints have been made to Kalmunai and Samanthurai police stations in this regard?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the steps that will be taken to arrest the above persons and bring them to Sri Lanka?
- (c) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR WHICH NO DATES HAVE BEEN FIXED

P. 28/2024

Hon. Dr. Wijeyadasa Rajapakshe, PC,— Select Committee of Parliament to inquire into matters related to rapidly increasing road accidents and to make recommendations to introduce legal reforms and other practical measures required to minimize road accidents,— Whereas human lives are lost prematurely and persons becoming fully or partially disabled can be seen often due to the road traffic accidents occurring at present;

And whereas untimely deaths and disability have instigated economic and other issues within families and special attention needs to be drawn on children's academic and other activities being hampered as a result of the aforementioned situation;

And whereas in the current economic situation this has become a heavy burden to the health sector and considerable cost has to be borne for the reparation of damages caused to property, vehicles and to the roads from road traffic accidents;

And whereas according to Police reports, 2310 human lives have been lost due to 2200 fatal traffic accidents that occurred during the period from 01.01.2023 to 31.12.2023 and 2293 persons who used the road, mainly pedestrians and motorcyclists including pillion riders, drivers and passengers as well as 17 persons who did not use the road have died;

And whereas a total of 24,634 road traffic accidents have been reported within the year which included 6195 major accidents, 9725 minor-injury accidents and 6514 damages-only accidents;

And whereas taking expeditious measures to prevent the abnormal increase of road accidents in Sri Lanka should be considered a national responsibility; and

And whereas the negligence of the drivers, reckless driving and loopholes in the legal structure have resulted in this situation;

- (a) that in order to find out the causes of the road accidents;
- (b) that in order to identify the weaknesses in the existing legal structure and the required reforms to update it; and
- (c) that in order to identify the affiliated causes that have led to the increase in road accidents

This Parliament resolves that a Select Committee of Parliament be appointed to inquire into matters related to rapidly increasing road accidents and to make recommendations to introduce legal reforms and other practical measures required to minimize road accidents.

- 2. (a) that the Chair and Members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Speaker; and
- (b) that in terms of the provisions of Standing Order 101 of Parliament, the Committee shall consist of eleven (11) Members.
- 3. That the Committee shall have the power to—
 - (a) fix its quorum;
 - (b) summon any person to appear before it, to require any person to procure any document or record, to procure and receive all such evidence, written or oral, as the Committee may think it necessary for the fullest consideration of the matters referred to above;
 - (c) obtain the services of specialists and experts in the relevant fields to assist the Committee; and
 - (d) make interim reports from time to time and to sit notwithstanding any adjournment or prorogation of Parliament.
- 4. The Committee shall present its report to Parliament within a period of four months (04) from the first meeting of the Committee or within such further period as Parliament may grant.

P. 29/2024

Hon. (Mrs.) Pavithradevi Wanniarachchi, Attorney at Law,— Select Committee of Parliament to look into the damage caused by wild animals on the agricultural crops and to submit appropriate proposals and recommendations to Parliament in view of preventing such damage,— Whereas the farmers are faced with a serious inconvenience due to the damage caused by wild animals on the cultivations of agricultural crops which support the rural economy of Sri Lanka as well as its national economy;

And whereas most significantly, this damage caused by wild animals inflicts a serious impact on the decrease in the yield of coconut across the island by more than half;

And whereas, the farmers have even been tempted to abandon their cultivations due to the loss of their income as a result of the damage caused by wild animals to many other crops;

And whereas the government agencies that are supposed to find solutions for this situation do not seem to have paid adequate attention to this state of affairs;

And whereas appropriate measures need to be taken to protect the cultivations more effectively, while ensuring the existence of wild animals as well as the existence of the farmers by either studying the measures taken in foreign countries regarding similar situations or by adopting those methods for Sri Lanka with adjustments in a suitable manner;

This Parliament resolves that a select committee of Parliament be appointed to look into the damage caused by wild animals on the agricultural crops and to submit appropriate proposals and recommendations to Parliament in view of preventing such damage

2. (a) that the Chair and Members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Speaker; and
(b) that in terms of the provisions of Standing Order 101 of Parliament, the Committee shall consist of twelve (12) Members.
 3. That the Committee shall have the power to—
 - (a) fix its quorum;
 - (b) summon any person to appear before it, to require any person to procure any document or record, to procure and receive all such evidence, written or oral, as the Committee may think it necessary for the fullest consideration of the matters referred to above;
 - (c) obtain the services of specialists and experts in the relevant fields to assist the Committee; and
 - (d) make interim reports from time to time and to sit notwithstanding any adjournment or prorogation of Parliament.
 4. The Committee shall present its report to Parliament within a period of four months (04) from the first meeting of the Committee or within such further period as Parliament may grant.
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