



(Ninth Parliament - Fifth Session)

No. 1(7).]

ADDENDUM TO THE ORDER BOOK No. 1

OF

PARLIAMENT

Issued on Friday, April 26, 2024

Tuesday, May 07, 2024

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 1),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2022 and specified in the Order No. 27 hereto, be approved :—

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2022

Order No. 27 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2022, I, Ranil Wickremesinghe, Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 21302 “Printing & Publicity and Sales of Publications Advance Account - Department of Educational Publications” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Revision</u>
(i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	Not Revised
(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From Rs. 30,000,000,000 To Rs. 14,100,000,000
(iii) Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.	Not Revised

(2)

(iv) Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	1,600,000,000
	To	Rs.	10,000,000,000

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2023)

Ranil Wickremesinghe,
Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization
and National Policies

05.04.2024
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 2),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2022 and specified in the Order No. 28 hereto, be approved :—

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2022

Order No. 28 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2022, I, Ranil Wickremesinghe, Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 22302 “Stores Advance Account (Explosive items) - Sri Lanka Navy” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

	<u>Item</u>			<u>Revision</u>
(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	6,400,000,000
		To	Rs.	2,370,000,000
(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	8,320,000,000
		To	Rs.	2,485,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	2,120,000,000
		To	Rs.	115,000,000

(3)

- (iv) Maximum limit of liabilities
specified in Column V of the Third
Schedule to that Act. Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2023)

Ranil Wickremesinghe,
Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization
and National Policies

05.04.2024
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 3),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2022 and specified in the Order No. 29 hereto, be approved :—

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2022

Order No. 29 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2022, I, Ranil Wickremesinghe, Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 23202 “Prisons Industrial and Agricultural Undertakings Advance Account - Department of Prisons” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

	<u>Item</u>			<u>Revision</u>
(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	110,000,000
		To	Rs.	140,000,000
(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	120,000,000
		To	Rs.	150,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.			Not Revised

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- (iv) Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act. Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2023)

Ranil Wickremesinghe,
Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization
and National Policies

05.04.2024
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 4),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2022 and specified in the Order No. 30 hereto, be approved :—

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2022

Order No. 30 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2022, I, Ranil Wickremesinghe, Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 28502 “Maintenance of Agricultural Farms and Seed Sales Advance Account - Department of Agriculture” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

	<u>Item</u>			<u>Revision</u>
(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	700,000,000
		To	Rs.	950,000,000
(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	700,000,000
		To	Rs.	950,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.			Not Revised

(5)

- (iv) Maximum limit of liabilities
specified in Column V of the Third
Schedule to that Act. Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2023)

Ranil Wickremesinghe,
Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization
and National Policies

05.04.2024
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 5),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2022 and specified in the Order No. 31 hereto, be approved :—

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2022

Order No. 31 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2022, I, Ranil Wickremesinghe, Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 31002 “Stores Advance Account - Government Factory” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

<u>Item</u>		<u>Revision</u>	
(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 120,000,000
		To	Rs. 160,000,000
(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.		Not Revised
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 40,000,000
		To	Rs. 70,000,000

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| (iv) | Maximum limit of liabilities
specified in Column V of the Third
Schedule to that Act. | Not Revised |
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(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2023)

Ranil Wickremesinghe,
Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization
and National Policies

05.04.2024
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 6),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act. No. 43 of 2022 and specified in the Schedule hereto be approved:—

(These Orders are valid up to 31.12.2023)

Schedule

(As per the schedule attached)

SCHEDULE

Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2022 Order under Section 8

Schedule of variation of limits of Advance Accounts pertaining to Advances to public officers authorized by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2022 in respect of Finance year 2023.

Group Order No. 01

By virtue of the powers vested in me under Section 8 of the Appropriation Act No.43 of 2022, I Ranil Wickremesinghe, Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government do by this order alter/vary the maximum limits specified in Column II and IV of the Third Schedule to the Appropriation Act No.43 of 2022, and the minimum limits specified in Column III of that Schedule being the limits corresponding to item nos. 00201, 02101, 11101, 11201, 11901, 12301, 16601, 17601, 18701, 20201, 20801, 22401, 22501, 23201, 23701, 24401, 25601, 28401, 29701, 30201, 30401, 30601, 31001, 32401, 32901 and 33701 relating to Advances to public officers in the manner set out in the schedule hereto.

Sri No.	Ministry/Department	Item No.	II Maximum Limits of Expenditure of Activities of the Government (Rs)		III Minimum Limits of Receipts to be credited to the Accounts of Activities of the Government (Rs)		IV Maximum Limits of Debit Balance of Activities of the Government (Rs)		Order No.
			From	To	From	To	From	To	
1	Office of the Prime Minister	00201	-	-	12,000,000	9,000,000	-	-	1
2	National Audit Office	02101	-	-	70,000,000	63,000,000	-	-	2
3	Minister of Health	11101	-	-	1,330,000,000	1,100,000,000	-	-	3
4	Minister of Foreign Affairs	11201	-	-	40,000,000	35,000,000	-	-	4

5	Minister of Power & Energy	11901	-	-	7,200,000	6,800,000	-	-	5
6	Minister of Urban Development and Housing	12301	-	-	27,500,000	20,740,000	-	-	6
7	Minister of Water Supply and Estate Infrastructure Development	16601	-	-	-	-	40,000,000	50,000,000	7
8	Minister of Ports, Shipping and Aviation	17601	-	-	4,800,000	4,200,000	-	-	8
9	Minister of Investment Promotion	18701	-	-	-	-	12,000,000	13,500,000	9
10	Department of Muslim Religious and Cultural	20201	-	-	2,800,000	2,000,000	-	-	10
11	Department of National Museums	20801	-	-	10,000,000	9,700,000	-	-	11
12	Sri Lanka Air Force	22401	-	-	310,000,000	245,000,000	-	-	12
13	Department of Police	22501	2,400,000,000	1,200,000,000	2,400,000,000	800,000,000	-	-	13
14	Department of Prisons	23201	-	-	130,000,000	105,000,000	-	-	14
15	Department of National Planning	23701	-	-	4,500,000	4,000,000	-	-	15
16	Department of Trade and Investment Policies	24401	-	-	3,000,000	2,300,000	-	-	16
17	District Secretariat, Gampaha	25601	-	-	-	-	260,000,000	330,000,000	17
18	Department of Wildlife Conservation	28401	50,000,000	50,193,000	-	-	-	-	18

19	Department of The Registrar of Companies	29701	-	-	6,000,000	4,500,000	-	-	19
20	Co-operative Employees Commission	30201	-	-	800,000	600,000	-	-	20
21	Department of Meteorology	30401	-	-	8,600,000	7,500,000	-	-	21
22	Department of Sri Lanka Railways	30601	-	-	450,000,000	420,000,000	-	-	22
23	Department of Government Factories	31001	-	-	17,000,000	14,000,000	-	-	23
24	Department of Management Auditing	32401	-	-	2,500,000	1,900,000	-	-	24
25	Department of Information Technology Management	32901	-	-	1,900,000	1,700,000	-	-	25
26	Department of Cinnamon Industry Development	33701	-	-	-	-	-	-	26

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Ranil Wickremesinghe,
Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization
and National Policies

05.04.2024

Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

* *Indicates Government Business*

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Regulations under the Foreign Exchange Act (No. 1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 29 read with Section 7 of the Foreign Exchange Act, No. 12 of 2017 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2371/48 of 16th February 2024, which were presented on 24.04.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Regulations under the Foreign Exchange Act (No. 2),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 29 read with Section 7 of the Foreign Exchange Act, No. 12 of 2017 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2371/49 of 16th February 2024, which were presented on 24.04.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*

The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Regulations under the Foreign Exchange Act (No. 3),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 29 read with Section 7 of the Foreign Exchange Act, No. 12 of 2017 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2371/50 of 16th February 2024, which were presented on 24.04.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Resolution under the Inland Revenue Act,— That this Parliament resolves under Section 75(1) of the Inland Revenue Act, No. 24 of 2017 that the Convention between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for the avoidance of Double Taxation and the prevention of Tax Evasion with respect to Taxes on Income, entered in to on 26th January 2023, which was presented on 24.04.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*

The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act,— 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. 2376/14 of 19th March 2024, which were presented on 24.04.2024, 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 Special Commodity Levy Act (No. 1),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2360/52 of 30th November 2023, which was presented on 25.04.2024, 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 Special Commodity Levy Act (No. 2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 5 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2365/04 of 02nd January 2024, which was presented on 25.04.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*

The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No. 3),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2365/84 of 07th January 2024, which was presented on 25.04.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*

The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No. 4),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2372/06 of 19th February 2024, which was presented on 25.04.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*

The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No. 5),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 5 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2373/42 of 01st March 2024, which was presented on 25.04.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*

The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Order under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Investment Promotion under Section 14 of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979, relating to CESS Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2365/50 of 04th January 2024, which was presented on 25.04.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*

The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Resolution under the Customs Ordinance,— That the Resolution under Section 10 of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to Import Duties, which was presented on 25.04.2024, be approved.

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 2365/51 of 04th January 2024)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*

The Minister of Justice, Prisons Affairs and Constitutional Reforms,— Regulations under the Judicature Act (No. 1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Justice, Prisons Affairs and Constitutional Reforms under Section 61 read with Section 45 of the Judicature Act, No. 2 of 1978 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2360/22 of 27th November 2023, which were presented on 24.04.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*

The Minister of Justice, Prisons Affairs and Constitutional Reforms,— Regulations under the Judicature Act (No. 2),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Justice, Prisons Affairs and Constitutional Reforms under Section 61 read with Section 45 of the Judicature Act, No. 2 of 1978 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2371/13 of 13th February 2024, which were presented on 24.04.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*

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 recommendation of the Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority with regard to the declaration of a Tourist Development Area and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2360/62 of 01st December 2023, which was presented on 24.04.2024, be approved.

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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 recommendation of the Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority with regard to the declaration of a Tourist Development Area and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2360/63 of 01st December 2023, which was presented on 24.04.2024, be approved.

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The Minister of Tourism and Lands and Minister of Sports and Youth Affairs,— Regulations under the Crown Land Ordinance,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Tourism and Lands under Sections 95 and 96 read with Sections 8 and 22 of the Crown Lands Ordinance (Chapter 454) on 09th April 2024, which were presented on 24.04.2024, be approved.

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The Minister of Tourism and Lands and Minister of Sports and Youth Affairs,— Regulations under the Convention Against Doping in Sports Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Sports and Youth Affairs under Section 34 read with Section 3 of the Convention Against Doping in Sports Act, No. 33 of 2013 with regard to the Prohibited Substances Lists and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2373/14 of 27th February 2024, which were presented on 24.04.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Ports, Shipping and Aviation,— Annual Report of the Jaya Container Terminal Limited (2022),— That the Annual Report of the Jaya Container Terminal Limited –2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 07.11.2023 under Section 153 of the Companies Act, No. 07 of 2007, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Ports, Shipping and Aviation on 11.12.2023 and presented its report to Parliament on 13.12.2023)

Pavithra Wanniarachchi Sahurda Foundation (Incorporation) Bill— Consideration.

**** Indicates Government Business.***

Thursday, May 09, 2024

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Sri Lanka Electricity Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

**** Indicates Government Business.***

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS

Thursday, May 09, 2024

2039/2024

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Tourism and Lands,—(2)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) from January 2023 to date, the number of service providers in the tourism industry according to each sector separately;
 - (ii) among them, the number of registered and the identified unregistered number at Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority separately;
 - (iii) the manner in which they are registered;
 - (iv) the number of registered service providers whose registration has been canceled from January 2022 to date; and
 - (v) the name, address, business name, cancellation date of registration, reason for cancellation and the name and designation of the officer recommended for the same separately;
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) the number of complaints/appeals received by the Tourism Development Authority from January 2022 to date from tourism associations/institutions/individuals related to the tourism industry;
 - (ii) the name, address, date of receipt of the complaint/appeal and the action taken separately, of the association/institution/individual who made the complaint/appeal; and
 - (iii) of the reasons if proper actions were not taken on the above complaints/appeals?
- (c) If not, why?

2040/2024

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Minister Tourism and Lands,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the name, address, business name, date on which the request for registration was made, date on which the temporary and permanent registration certificate was issued of each service provider registered with Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority from 2022 to 2023;
 - (ii) whether the locations of the service providers were inspected before the issuance of temporary certificates and permanent certificates;
 - (iii) if not, of the reasons for that;
 - (iv) if inspected, separately, the date, names of the officers, designations, observations, type of vehicle used, registration number, name of the owner, amount paid and the mode of payment of each location inspected;

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- (v) of the number of tourism businesses that extended the temporary certificate without undergoing any inspection; and
 - (vi) of the name of each business owner, business name, date of extension of the temporary certificate, name and the designation of each officer who recommended the said extension, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

2041/2024

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Tourism and Lands,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
- (i) the number of promotional programs implemented in foreign countries by the Sri Lanka Tourism Promotion Bureau from 2022 to 2023;
 - (ii) the name of each programme, the country of implementation, the date, the cost incurred by the above bureau for the same including flight tickets, accommodation facilities and other expenses incurred, separately;
 - (iii) the names, addresses and positions of the individuals who participated in each of those programs representing the above bureau/external entities, separately; and
 - (iv) the method by which the external individuals who participated in each of the above programmes were selected, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

2094/2024

Hon. Niroshan Perera, — To ask the Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether the general assembly of Singakkakuliya devalaya, Wennappuwa was convened on 25.02.2024 for an election and later it was cancelled;
 - (ii) whether a court order has been issued for the annulment of the general assembly;
 - (iii) whether the Commissioner of Buddhist Affairs or any other officer has issued a letter informing him to cancel the aforesaid general assembly; and
 - (iv) if so, whether the letter is produced?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
- (i) whether he is aware that the members have been enrolled for Singakkuliya devalaya by charging membership fees;
 - (ii) whether objections have been raised by the members of the aforesaid dewalaya, against the cancellation of the general assembly;

- (iii) if so, whether it is accepted that the human rights and rights of the members of the aforesaid devalaya have been violated due to the cancellation of the general assembly; and
- (iv) if so, of the steps taken to rectify the situation?
- (c) If not, why?

2095/2024

Hon. Niroshan Perera,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the import of prawns into Sri Lanka for re-export purposes has been authorized;
 - (ii) separately of the companies that imported prawns for re-export, the types, size and the weight of prawns thus imported and the countries from which they have been imported in the year 2023;
 - (iii) of the measures taken to prevent the release of prawns imported for re-export, into the domestic market; and
 - (iv) of the types of taxes the government receives from the re-export of prawns?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether objections have been raised against the companies by which prawns are re-exported;
 - (ii) if so, whether such objections have been investigated; and
 - (iii) if so, whether the report of the said investigation would be produced?
- (c) If not, why?

2096/2024

Hon. Niroshan Perera,— To ask the Minister of Tourism and Lands,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the extent of the land 'Rotary Waththa' owned by the Land Reforms Commission located in the Dankotuwa divisional secretariat division; and
 - (ii) if the said land is leased, the lessee, the manner in which he was selected, the area leased from the said land, the amount of rent to be collected and the terms of the lease, separately?
 - (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) the extent of unleased area on the aforementioned land;
 - (ii) whether that land is intended to be leased or transferred; and
 - (iii) if so, which persons/entities/parties have applied for it?
 - (c) If not, why?
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Friday, May 10, 2024

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Public Debt Management Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

** Indicates Government Business.*

Tuesday, June 04, 2024

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

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?

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;
 - (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?

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?

612/2024

Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera,— To ask the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of public corporations, authorities, boards and other production and service institutions owned by the Government of Sri Lanka by the year 1978;
 - (ii) of the name of each such institution along with the product manufactured/service provided separately;
 - (iii) of the number of institutions currently functioning out of those mentioned in (i) above; and
 - (iv) separately of the percentage of government ownership of each of the aforesaid institutions;
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of institutions that have been privatized out of the production/service establishments referred to in (a)(i) above;
 - (ii) separately of the name of each such institution and the product manufactured/service provided;
 - (iii) of the institutions that have gone bankrupt out of those mentioned in (a)(i) above; and
 - (iv) of the names of such bankrupt institutions ?
- (c) If not, why?

635/2024

Hon. B.Y.G. Ratnasekara, — To ask the Minister of Public Security, —(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of murders that were committed in Sri Lanka in year 2023;
 - (ii) of the number of suspects that have been arrested in connection with the aforesaid murders; and
 - (iii) out of the said number of suspects, of the number of those who have been prosecuted?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of—
 - (i) the volume of narcotics that were seized during year 2023;
 - (ii) the action that has been taken in respect of the said narcotics; and
 - (iii) the progress of the ‘Yukthiya’ programme that has been implemented by the Sri Lanka Police?
- (c) 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?

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;

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- (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;
 - (ii) the amount expected to be allocated therefore; and
 - (iii) the date on which the desilting operations will commence?
- (c) If not, why?
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Wednesday, June 05, 2024

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

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) the total area of paddy fields harvested under the project mentioned above?
- (b) If not, why?

1246/2024

Hon. Eran Wickramaratne,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the progress of the Presidential Commission appointed to probe into the allegations levelled by ‘Channel 4’ on Easter Sunday attacks in Sri Lanka in 2019,—
 - (ii) the date when the report of the above Commission will be made available to this House and the public; and
 - (iii) the reasons if there is no progress in the investigation?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) of the reasons for the appointment of a Select Committee of Parliament to investigate into the same allegations levelled by ‘Channel 4’ regarding the aforesaid attacks;
 - (ii) of the progress of the above Committee;
 - (iii) if there is no progress, the reasons; and
 - (iv) of the parameters of the above Committee?
- (c) Will he further inform this House of the reasons the government has repeatedly ignored calls for an independent international inquiry on the said attacks?
- (d) If not, why?

1251/2024

Hon. (Dr.) Kavinda Heshan Jayawardhana,— To ask the Minister of Public Security,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the observations and recommendations made on the Senior Deputy Inspector General Mr. Nilantha Jayawardhana in the report of the Presidential Commission appointed to investigate on the Easter Sunday Attack;
 - (ii) of the date on which he was appointed to the position of the Head of Police Administration Division, the date on which he was recommended for the said position and separately of the names of the individuals and institutions that recommended him for the aforesaid position;
 - (iii) of the factors that contributed towards the appointment of the above officer to the said position in spite of being alleged in relation to the Easter Attack; and
 - (iv) whether measures will be taken to reconsider the above appointment?
- (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 ;
 - (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?

1284/2024

Hon. Asanka Navarathna, — To ask the Minister of Education,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) separately of the number of teacher vacancies currently existing in each of the education divisions in the Kurunegala and the Puttalam districts;
 - (ii) of the steps that will be taken to fill the aforesaid vacancies; and
 - (iii) if there is a delay in filling those vacancies, of the reasons for such delay?
- (b) If not, why?

Thursday, June 06, 2024

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1285/2024

Hon. Kins Nelson,— To ask the 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?

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 Maharroof,— 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;
 - (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?

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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; and
 - (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?

Friday, June 07, 2024

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

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 Udakumbura,—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 Investment Promotion,— (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;
 - (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?

2045/2024

Hon. Lalith Ellawala, — 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 number of Economic Development Officers working in Grama Niladhari divisions, attached to the Ministry of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government;
 - (ii) of the year in which aforesaid officers were recruited to the public service as the Development Officers;
 - (iii) of the list of duties assigned to aforesaid Development Officers; and
 - (iv) of the reasons for non-absorption of those Development Officers to fill the vacancies in the Government Teaching Service ?
- (b) If not, why?

2057/2024

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the name of the company engaged in the mining industry in Ambalamana Grama Niladhari Division of the Pathahewahata Divisional Secretariat Division in Kandy District;
 - (ii) the type of license issued to the said institution;
 - (iii) the type of mineral excavated by the said institution;
 - (iv) the land extent on which excavations are being carried out by the said institution; and
 - (v) the owners of the said land?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the above excavation work has been carried out as per the prescribed standards; and
 - (ii) if not, of the measures that have been taken so far in that regard?
- (c) If not, why?

2075/2024

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasekera,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) separately, of the total amount charged by the Ceylon Electricity Board as deposits when providing new electricity connections from year 2015 to date each year;

- (ii) of the total interest payment to be made to the electricity consumers by the Ceylon Electricity Board for the aforesaid deposits; and
 - (iii) of the measures that will be taken to make the aforesaid interest payments to the electricity consumers as soon as possible?
- (b) If not, why?

2084/2024

Hon. Nalin Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Tourism and Lands,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that,—
- (i) Sri Lanka is due to receive a hybrid grant of Rupees 4100 Crores from a well known Insurance Company in Great Britain with a view of developing the small and medium scale Tourism in Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) the Small and Medium Scale Tour Operators Association of Sri Lanka has pointed out that a group of large scale businessmen are trying to prevent the receipt of that grant?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the measures that would be taken to receive that grant which is meant for the advancement of the small and medium scale tour operators in Sri Lanka?
- (c) If not, why?
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