



ADDENDUM TO THE ORDER BOOK No. 2
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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0216/06

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask the Minister of Samurdhi and Poverty Alleviation,—

- (a) Will she submit to this House the names and addresses of the Samurdhi recipients in the Beliatta Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, the number of members in each family unit, their monthly income before the receipt of Samurdhi allowance, the value of the Samurdhi allowance and the date on which they received the said allowance for the first time, separately in detail?
- (b) Will she state—
 - (i) the number of families empowered in the years 2002, 2003, 2004, and 2005 under the empowerment of Samurdhi recipients;
 - (ii) the name and address, Grama Niladhari Division, the year of empowerment, the name of the Samurdhi Officer of the relevant Division and any other important information regarding each Samurdhi recipient so empowered; and
 - (iii) the subjects under which they have been empowered?
- (c) If not, why?

0217/06

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera— To ask the Minister of Samurdhi and Poverty Alleviation,—

- (a) Will she submit to this House the names and addresses of the Samurdhi recipients in the Weeraketiya Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, the number of members in each family unit, their monthly income before the receipt of Samurdhi allowance, the value of the Samurdhi

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allowance and the date on which they received the said allowance for the first time, separately in detail?

(b) Will she state—

- (i) the number of families empowered in the years 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005 under the empowerment of Samurdhi recipients;
- (ii) the name and address, Grama Niladhari Division, the year of empowerment, the name of the Samurdhi Officer of the relevant Division and any other important information regarding each Samurdhi recipient so empowered; and
- (iii) the subjects under which they have been empowered?

(c) If not, why?

0218/06

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask the Minister of Samurdhi and Poverty Alleviation—

(a) Will she submit to this House the names and addresses of the Samurdhi recipients in the Okawela Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, the number of members in each unit, their monthly income before the receipt of Samurdhi allowance, the value of the Samurdhi allowance and the date on which they received the said allowance for the first time, separately in detail?

(b) Will she state—

- (i) the number of families empowered in the years 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005 under the empowerment of Samurdhi recipients;
- (ii) the name and address, Grama Niladhari Division, the year of empowerment, the name of the Samurdhi Officer of the relevant Division and any other important information regarding each Samurdhi recipient so empowered; and
- (iii) the subjects under which they have been empowered?

(c) If not, why?

0424/06

Hon. L. G. Wasantha Piyatissa,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,—

(a) Will he inform this House,—

- (i) the number of official quarters meant for public servants, on district basis;

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- (ii) if politicians who are not public servants, are in occupation of such quarters, their number;
- (iii) who they are?
- (b) Will he take necessary action to have them ejected from such quarters immediately and to make them available to public servants who are qualified to receive them?
- (c) Is he aware that,—
 - (i) these quarters have been made available to some politicians in the Ampara District and to their friends;
 - (ii) cases have been filed against the public servants to eject them from quarters where they have been residing for 5 years, without taking steps to eject the above mentioned people?
- (d) If not, why?

0696/06

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Sports and Youth Affairs,—

- (a) Will he inform separately to this House, the names of advisors appointed to the Ministry of Sports and Youth Affairs and to the Institutions, Statutory Boards and Corporations which come under the Ministry?
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the basis on which they were appointed,
 - (ii) their qualifications;
 - (iii) the salaries and allowances paid to them and other facilities enjoyed by them as advisors; and
 - (iv) the duties that have been entrusted to them?
- (c) If not, why?

0697/06

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Textile Industry Development and Deputy Minister of Mahaweli Development,—

- (a) Will he inform separately to this House, the names of advisors appointed to the Ministry of Textile Industry Development and to the Institutions, Statutory Boards and Corporations which come under the Ministry?

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- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the basis on which they were appointed,
 - (ii) their qualifications;
 - (iii) the salaries and allowances paid to them and other facilities enjoyed by them as advisors; and
 - (iv) the duties that have been entrusted to them?
- (c) If not, why?

0548/06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,—

- (a) Is he aware that apart from the Anuradhapura Hospital in the North Central Province, the only hospital that is situated away from Anuradhapura is the Medawachchiya hospital which is on the Jaffna-Mannar main road?
- (b) Will he take action to develop the Medawachchiya Hospital in order to ease the congestion of patients at the Anuradhapura Hospital?
- (c) Will he expedite the development activities in the Madawachchiya hospital so as to enable prompt treatment to the soldiers who sustain injuries in the operational areas and to the other residents in the area since the distance from locations such as Jaffna, Mannar, Trincomalee, Horowpathana, Padavi, Sripura colony, Vavuniya, Kebithigollewa, Pulmudai etc. to Medewachchiya is shorter than the distance to the Anuradhapura Hospital?
- (d) If not, why?

0630/06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Urban Development and Water Supply,—

- (a) Is he aware that a function was held recently to lay the foundation stone for the Construction of the new building Complex of the Urban Development Authority?
- (b) Will he submit to this House with details, the total cost incurred to organize this function?
- (c) Will he state as to which institution spent such monies?
- (d) If not, why?

0559/06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minsiter of Ports and Aviation,—

- (a) Will he submit to this House —
 - (i) the details of the Sri Lankan embassies in Foreign countries;

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- (ii) as to who own the buildings which house these embassies;
 - (iii) whether these offices are maintained on rent or lease basis; and
 - (iv) if so, the amount paid as rent or lease?
- (b) Will he state —
- (i) the positions held by the persons employed in the foreign embassies; and
 - (ii) whether the said appointments are on secondment/temporary/contract or permanent basis?
- (c) Will he submit to this House separately the institutions in which they have served in Sri Lanka, the positions held by them, their educational qualifications, their dates of recruitment and the dates of recruitment to the foreign service?
- (d) If not, why?

0575/06

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether the legislation for protection of Money laundering has been made;
 - (ii) if so, when; and,
 - (iii) the progress made thereon to date;
- (b) Will he disclose to this House—
- (i) the Acts brought before Parliament after the Finance Act. No. 38 of 1971 relating to Finance and Monetary Matters;
 - (ii) the names of such legislations and when they had been brought in;
 - (iii) the efficacy of such laws in operation;
 - (iv) the role that the Financial Intelligence Unit has performed; and,
 - (v) the place where it operates from and to whom it reports?
- (c) If not, why?

0719/06

Hon. Gamini Jayawickrama Perera,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the present Government has received the funds which were approved by the President of the United States of America after naming the period 2002 - 2003 as Millennium Year, when the present Leader of the Opposition of this country was the Prime Minister; and
 - (ii) if so, what that amount was?
- (b) Will he state separately, the projects in which the said funds are being spent and the details of the expenditures?
- (c) Does he accept that, with the peace process of the previous regime, a sum of 450 billion rupees was approved at the Tokyo Aid Group Meeting for Sixty Two (62) projects?
- (d) Will he state in this House—
 - (i) whether the said sum was invested in projects by the present Government, which came to power by dissolving the Government in power in 2003; and,
 - (ii) if so, the projects in which the said monies were so allocated and the amounts invested in each project separately?
- (e) If not, why?

0658/06

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of Ports and Aviation,—

- (a) Will he inform separately to this House, the names of advisors appointed to the Ministry of Ports and Aviation and to the Institutions, Statutory Boards and Corporations which come under the Ministry?
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the basis on which they were appointed,
 - (ii) their qualifications;
 - (iii) the salaries and allowances paid to them and other facilities enjoyed by them as advisors; and
 - (iv) the duties that have been entrusted to them?
- (c) If not, why?

0517/06

Hon. T. Maheshwaran,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) there is a dearth of teachers in the Tamil schools in Ratnapura District;
 - (ii) although the Sabaragamuwa Provincial Council conducted interviews for the volunteer teachers serving in that area in order to absorb them in the Teachers service, no decision has been taken in this connection for the last two years;
 - (iii) and no remedial measures have been taken regarding lack of resources in the above said Tamil Schools.
- (b) Will he inform this House, the action that has been taken to remedy the dearth of teachers and lack of resources in these schools along with the action to be taken regarding the volunteer teachers serving in that area?
- (c) if not why?

0529/06

Hon. T. Maheshwaran,— To ask the Minister of Plantation Industries and Deputy Minister of Rural Economic Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this house—
 - (i) the names of the companies that have taken over the Plantations belonging to the State;
 - (ii) since valuable trees are cut and sold at auctions the reasons for not paying a share of the profit to the workers;
 - (iii) details of those auctions and their values;
 - (iv) the names and the details of the roads used for transporting these trees by heavy vehicles;
 - (v) the reason for not including the details pertaining to the cutting and sale of these trees in the Annual Report published by the Estate Management each year;
 - (vi) the action to be taken with respect to roads that are damaged;
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the names and other particulars of workers who are affected because of these activities;
 - (ii) the details of profit earned/loss incurred due to this;
 - (iii) the action to be taken by the Government against these companies;

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- (iv) details of trees fell during the last ten years; and,
- (v) the value of these trees?
- (c) if not why?

0778/06

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Education—

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Mr. Gammanpila Imiyage Don Gunadasa is a Grade II officer of the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service (as amended in 1983), from 18.06.1973;
 - (ii) he presented himself for interview at the Political Victimization Relief Committee under registration number 1091 on 22.05.1995, regarding political victimization that took place after 1977?
- (b) Will he admit that—
 - (i) Mr. Gunadasa has been appointed to a post of Grade III principal with effect from 21.04.1982 in accordance with Cabinet decisions of 18.12.1996 and 31.07.1997;
 - (ii) It is wrongful to appoint a Grade II officer of the Sri Lanka Education Administration Service to a post of Grade III principal, when the Political Victimization Relief Committee has recommended that it was appropriate to promote Mr. Gunadasa to Grade I of the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service?
- (c) Will he take necessary steps to place Mr. Gunadasa on the due salary scale of Grade I of the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service and to pay him arrears?
- (d) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,— Resolution under Appropriation Act,— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by section 8 of the Appropriation Act No.39 of 2005 and specified in the order No.05 hereto, be approved.

ORDER**Appropriation Act. No.39 of 2005****Order No.05 under section 8**

By virtue of the powers vested in me by section 8 of the Appropriation Act. No.39 of 2005, I Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No: 76202 “Industrial and Agricultural Advance Accounts” Department of Prison of the second schedule to that Act.

(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure specified in column II of the Second schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	—	45,000,000
		From	Rs.	—	62,000,000
(ii)	Maximum limit of receipts specified in column III of the Second schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	—	46,000,000
		From	Rs.	—	63,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in column IV of the Second schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	—	22,000,000
		From	Rs.	—	23,000,000
(iv)	Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in column V of the Second schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	—	-
		From	Rs.	—	-

(This Order is valid upto 31.12.2006 only)

Sgd. MAHINDA RAJAPAKSHA

Minister of Finance and Planning.

20.11.2006

Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,— Determination under the Commission to investigate Bribery or Corruption Act,— That this Parliament hereby determines under Section 2(7) of the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption Act. No.19 of 1994, that the salary and allowances payable to the Chairman and the Members of the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption shall be as follows with effect from 01.01.2006.

Chairman (Full time)

Salary	Rs. 66,000.00 (Monthly)
Fuel Allowance	<u>Rs. 14,400.00 (Monthly)</u>
Total	<u>Rs. 80,400.00</u>

Members

Salary	Rs. 65,000.00 (Monthly)
Fuel Allowance	<u>Rs. 12,000.00 (Monthly)</u>
Total	<u>Rs. 77,000.00</u>

The Parliament further resolves that 50% of the increased salary (excluding allowances) should be paid with effect from 01.01.2006 and the full salary inclusive of the balance 50% with effect from 01.01.2007 and that the salaries and allowances to be determined by Parliament by this resolution should be substituted for the salaries and allowances determined by resolutions previously passed in Parliament in respect of Chairman and Members of the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption.

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,— Resolution under the constitution (No.1),— It is determined by this Parliament that the remuneration and the Allowances of the Chairman and the Members of the Public Service Commission established under Article 54 (1) of the Constitution shall be as set out below with effect from 01.01.2006:

Chairman (Full time)

Remuneration	Rs. 65,000.00 (per month)
Fuel Allowance	<u>Rs. 14,400.00 (per month)</u>
Total	<u>Rs. 79,400.00</u>

Members

Remuneration	Rs. 30,000.00 (per month)
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It is further determined by this Parliament that while 50% of the increased remuneration (excluding Allowances) of the Chairman and Members of the Public Service Commission shall be payable with effect from 01.01.2006 and the balance with effect from 01.01.2007. The remuneration and the Allowances previously determined and adopted by Parliament as payable to the said Chairman and Members of the Commission shall be substituted by the remuneration and allowances determined by this resolution.

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,— Resolution under the Constitution (No.2),— It is determined by this Parliament that the allowances of the Chairman and Members of the National Police Commission established under Article 155a (1) of the Constitution shall be as set out below with effect from 01.01.2006:

Chairman (Full time)

Allowance	Rs. 65,000.00 (per month)
Fuel Allowance	<u>Rs. 14,400.00 (per month)</u>
Total	<u>Rs. 79,400.00</u>

Members

Allowance	Rs. 30,000.00 (per month)
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It is further determined by this Parliament that while 50% of the increased allowances (excluding fuel Allowances) in respect of the Chairman and Members of the National Police Commission shall be payable with effect from 01.01.2006 and the full amount from 01.01.2007. The Allowances previously determined and adopted by Parliament as payable to the Chairman and the Members of the said Commission shall be submitted by allowances determined by this resolution.

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,— Resolution under Customs Ordinance,— That the resolution under Section 10 of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to import duties which was presented on 12.01.2007, be approved.

(Gazette Extraordinary No.1471/25 of 16th November 2006)

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The Minister of Posts and Telecommunications and Minister of Rural Economic Development,— Rules under the Post Office Ordinance,— That the Rule made by the Minister of Post and Telecommunications, with the concurrence of the Minister of Finance, under the provisions of the Post Office Ordinance (Chapter 190) to revise the International Postal Rates with effect from 01st October, 2006 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1464/24 of 29th September, 2006, which was presented on 10.01.2007, be approved.

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The Minister of Agriculture, Irrigation and Mahaweli Development and Minister of Environment,—Order under the National Environmental Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Environment by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 23W of the National Environment Act No.47 of 1980, published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1466/5 of 10th October.2006 which was presented on 09.01.2007 be approved.

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The Minister of Enterprise Development and Investment Promotion,—Order under Sri Lanka Export Development Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Enterprise Development

and Investment Promotion under Section 14(1) of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act No.40 of 1979, relating to Cess levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1471/24 of 16th November.2006, which was presented on 09.01.2007 be approved.

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The Minister of Plantation Industries and Deputy Minister of Rural Economic Development,—Regulations under the Sri Lanka Tea Board Law,— That the Regulations made by the Sri Lanka Tea Board under Section 25 of the Sri Lanka Tea Board Law No.14 of 1975 and approved by the Minister of Plantation Industries and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1466/14 of 9th October 2006 which were presented on 09.01.2007 be approved.

* *Indicates Government Business*

Wednesday, February 07, 2007

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0688/06

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Policy Development and Implementation,—

- (a) Will he inform separately to this House, the names of advisors appointed to the Ministry of Policy Development and Implementation and to the Institutions, Statutory Boards and Corporations which come under the Ministry?
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the basis on which they were appointed,
 - (ii) their qualifications;
 - (iii) the salaries and allowances paid to them and other facilities enjoyed by them as advisors; and
 - (iv) the duties that have been entrusted to them?
- (c) If not, why?

0689/06

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Promotion of Botanical and Zoological Gardens,—

- (a) Will he inform separately to this House, the names of advisors appointed to the Ministry of Promotion of Botanical and Zoological Gardens and to the Institutions, Statutory Boards and Corporations which come under the Ministry?
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the basis on which they were appointed,

- (ii) their qualifications;
- (iii) the salaries and allowances paid to them and other facilities enjoyed by them as advisors; and
- (iv) the duties that have been entrusted to them?
- (c) If not, why?

0731/06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,—

- (a) Will he inform this House whether a complaint has been received from a person named D.M. Ratnapala of Aluthwala, Diyathalawa on 31.08.2006, to the effect that an official of the Haputale Divisional Secretariat office in the Badulla District is engaged in a racket of purchasing trees from the innocent people in the area at very low prices and selling them to timber racketeers in Akkarapattu, Ampara and Samanthurai areas at very exorbitant prices?
- (b) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the relevant Divisional Secretary and a few other officials assist this racket, and,
 - (ii) the other officials at the office object to it?
- (c) Will he arrangements to hold a formal inquiry into this and a course of disciplinary action against the officers who engage in illegal activities?
- (d) If not, why?

0732/06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Disaster Management and Human Rights,—

- (a) Is he aware that,—
 - (i) due to the Tsunami disaster, that struck the Island on 26.12.2004, the house bearing the Chief Occupant Number 224 belonging to Mr. Amaradasa Malaweera of Tangalle Road, Dikwella was inundated in water and all the household items were destroyed and the house damaged; and,
 - (ii) so far he has not received any assistance?
- (b) Will he take steps to look into the injustice caused to him and provide this person, who at present resides in a temporary house, with some assistance?
- (c) If not, why?

0733/06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) the Kukuleganga Hydro Electricity scheme, the Construction of which was commenced on 26.12.1998 was declared open by the then Prime Minister on 19.09.2003; and,
- (ii) the then Ministry of Power and Energy had taken a decision to pay a compensation rupees five hundred thousand each to those who lost their houses and property as a result of their lands being inundated with waters of this reservoir?

(b) Will he inform this House separately—

- (i) the areas affected as a result of being submerged in this reservoir;
- (ii) the total amount of money, that has been decided to be paid as compensation in respect of the said areas by the Ministry of Power and Energy, at Grama Niladhari Division level;
- (iii) the Grama Niladhari Divisions, in which the process of payment of compensation has been completed at present; and,
- (iv) the reason as to why compensation has not been paid in the rest of the Grama Niladhari Divisions?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether he will take necessary action to pay the balance compensation immediately; and,
- (ii) if so, when?

(d) If not, why?

0615/06

Hon. (Dr.) Jayalath Jayawardane ,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Irrigation and Mahaweli Development and Minister of Environment,—

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) there are about five medium sized tanks in the Ja-Ela electorate including Peralanda wewa, Ihalagama wewa Walpola wewa and Tewatta Kanu wewa;
- (ii) all these tanks are now filled and their banks caved in; and,
- (iii) the reservations around these tanks have been encroached upon by unauthorized settlers?

- (b) Did he give necessary instructions to the relevant officers to carry out a proper survey jointly with the Department of Irrigation and the Department of Survey in order to identify the exact extent of these tanks?
- (c) Will he submit to this House a formal plan developed for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of these tanks?
- (d) Will he take steps to allocate necessary finances for the said project?
- (e) If not, why?

0616/06

Hon. (Dr.) Jayalath Jayawardane,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) a foreign private company commenced activities to construct a garbage treatment plant on the Ekala-Gampaha road in the Ja-Ela electorate;
 - (ii) the construction activities of the said garbage treatment plant have come to a complete standstill?
- (b) Will he take necessary steps to resume the construction activities of the said garbage treatment plant on a priority basis?
- (c) If not, why?

0662/06

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Railways and Transport and Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development,—

- (a) Will he inform separately to this House, the names of advisors appointed to the Ministry of Railways and Transport to the Institutions, Statutory Boards and Corporations which come under the Ministry?
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the basis on which they were appointed,
 - (ii) their qualifications;
 - (iii) the salaries and allowances paid to them and other facilities enjoyed by them as advisors; and
 - (iv) the duties that have been entrusted to them?
- (c) If not, why?

0533/06

Hon. T. Maheshwaran,— To ask the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,—

- (a) Will he inform this house—
 - (i) the details of doctors, nurses and other workers employed in the Thalawakele estate hospital;

- (ii) the reason for the lack of facilities in this hospital;
- (iii) the full details of the Company administrating this hospital;
- (iv) the reason that the estate administration had not taken any action to appoint a permanent doctor for the last one year;
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the details of the shortcomings in the aforesaid hospital;
 - (ii) the time it will take to remedy;
 - (iii) the action to be taken with regard to this situation; and,
 - (iv) the action to be taken against the Company that is administrating the said estate hospital?
- (c) if not why?

0534/06

Hon. T. Maheshwaran,— To ask the Minster of Healthcare and Nutrition,—

- (a) Will he inform this house—
 - (i) the details of doctors, nurses and other workers attached to the Hospital in Haldumulla;
 - (ii) the reason for not repairing leakages in the drainage pipe from the toilet;
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the action going to be taken against the workers, who do not handle this problem properly;
 - (ii) the action going to be taken to prevent such health hazards in the hospitals which are responsible for maintaining health;
 - (iii) the action going to be taken to remedy the shortage of doctors in this hospital,
 - (iv) the reason that the acting doctors are not appointed for the doctors transferred or for the doctors on leave; and,
 - (v) the action going to be taken to remedy the situation?
- (c) if not why?

0631/06

Hon. Anura Dissanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Will he inform this House separately—
 - (i) the amount of petrol, diesel and Kerosene that was imported by the Indian Oil Company in each year from July 2003 to July 2006;

- (ii) its financial value;
 - (iii) the types of taxes that have to be paid to the government by the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation and the Indian Oil Company when importing Petrol, diesel and Kerosene;
 - (iv) the total amount of duties that has to be paid to the customs annually by the Indian Oil Company from July 2003 to July 2006 for importing petroleum?
- (b) Will he state separately—
- (i) whether this amount has duly been paid to the customs in respect of each relevant year;
 - (ii) if so paid, the amount that was paid each year and in the event of any arrears, the amount of arrears annually;
 - (iii) the amount of duties that is paid by the Indian Oil Company in importing oil as a percentage of the income of the Sri Lanka Customs Department?
- (c) If not, why?

0542/06

Hon. Lakshman Nipunaarachchi,— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of the total extent of lands within Colombo District which belong to the Lands Reform Commission?
- (b) Will he state separately—
- (i) the extent of the lands which have been given under 99 year lease, the dates on which they were leased out; the names of the lessees and the purpose of such leasing; and
 - (ii) the extent of the lands which have been leased out under 30-year lease, the dates on which they were leased out, the names of the lessees and the purpose of such leasing?
- (c) Will he state in this House separately—
- (i) whether lands have been offered to various persons or institutions in any other manner other than the 99 or 30 year lease during the period he functioned as the Minister in charge; and
 - (ii) if so, the dates on which such leaseholds were granted, the names of the lessees concerned, the extents of the lands concerned and the purpose of such leasing separately?
- (d) Will he inform this house—
- (i) the extent of lands situated within the Colombo District which do not belong to the Lands Reforms Commission but belong to the Ministry concerned; and

- (ii) the extent of lands leased out in any manner?
- (e) Will he state separately, the extents of lands which were given out on leaseholds or on any other terms, the names of the recipients, the dates on which they were given and the purpose of such leasing?
- (f) If not, why?

0454/'06

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Will he inform this House whether the results of the interview held in November in year 2005 for the recruitment of persons to class III of the Sri Lanka Educational Administrative Service on seniority and merit, have been issued?
- (b) If so, will he present to this House, the aforesaid results sheet with all the details?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the time frame within which the promotions are granted on the aforesaid results;
 - (ii) whether he can give an assurance that the promotions are granted only to the suitable persons;
 - (iii) if the aforesaid results sheet has not been issued, the date on which the results of the aforesaid interview will be issued?
- (d) If not, why?

0567/'06

Hon. Mahinda Ratnathilake,— To ask the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs,—

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) permits have been issued to Members of Parliament to import a tax-free vehicle;
 - (ii) the Members of Parliament have imported vehicles free of tax, making use of that permit;
 - (iii) the aforesaid Members of Parliament obtained credit facilities through State Banks for such importation of vehicles?
- (b) Will he submit to this House the amount of credit obtained by each of the MPP and the monthly instalment to be paid?
- (c) If not, why?

0568/06

Hon. Mahinda Ratnathilake,— To ask the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs,—

- (a) Will he submit to this House, the list of Members of Parliament who have obtained permits to import a vehicle not more than Thirty Five Thousand US Dollars in value on duty free basis?
- (b) Will he state the make of the vehicles that have been imported by Members of Parliament who have so obtained the permits?
- (c) If not, why?

Thursday, February 08, 2007

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0316/06

Hon. T. Maheswaran,—To ask the Minister of Science and Technology,—

- (a) Will he give details of Institutions, Departments, Corporations, Boards and Companies that come under the Ministry of Science and Technology?
- (b) Will he disclose the following information separately with details—
 - (i) the full names and addresses of the newly appointed officers including Chairmen and Directors of all these Establishments;
 - (ii) the telephone numbers of their offices and official quarters, and the mobile telephones;
 - (iii) their web-site addresses and e-mail addresses;
 - (iv) the details of their previous service and educational qualifications;
 - (v) the particulars of their personal staff;
 - (vi) the benefit that have already been given and are to be given;
 - (vii) their monthly wages;
 - (viii) the vehicles that have been assigned to them; and
 - (ix) the rent for those vehicles and their fuel and maintenance cost?
- (c) Will he submit the following information to this House separately in detail—
 - (i) whether the said newly appointed Chairmen or Directors of such Institutions, Departments, Corporations and Boards have committed any crime or misappropriated State funds; and

- (ii) whether there are cases pending in any court of Law in Sri Lanka or any complaints lodged at police stations against them?

(d) If not, why?

0514/06

Hon. T. Maheswaran,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) the date that the applications were called to fill the vacancy for the post of Principal at Karainagar Thiyagaraja Maha Vidyalaya;
- (ii) the particulars of those who applied for the above post;
- (iii) the reason why the above vacancy was not filled for the last one year;
- (iv) the actions that have been taken in this regard; and
- (v) how long it would take to give this appointment?

(b) If not, why?

0557/06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—

- (a) Will he submit to this House separately the number of employees recruited to each institution in all Provincial Councils in the country since 2004 to date on permanent / contract / casual / temporary basis?
- (b) Will he state the names, addresses, personal details, educational qualifications, terms of recruitment and the salaries drawn by those employees recruited under each institution?
- (c) If not, why?

0560/06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of Ports and Aviation,—

- (a) Will he state in this House the names of all Sri Lankan Ambassadors serving in the countries with whom Sri Lanka maintains diplomatic relationships?
- (b) Will he state separately —
 - (i) the private addresses of these Ambassadors in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the positions held by them when they were in service in Sri Lanka; and

- (iii) their educational qualifications, ages and their dates of recruitment to the Ambassador post?
- (c) If not, why?

0393/06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Cultural and National Heritage,—

- (a) Is he aware that the plot of land on Singharaja Mawatha, Kandy, where building No.72, which houses the Kandyan Arts Society founded in 1882 is situated, is a government property?
- (b) Will he take the necessary steps—
 - (i) to assign this government property to the Kandyan Arts Society;
 - (ii) to reform with modern amenities, the Kandyan Cultural Centre which was built with the labour of the relevant society's membership and has been protected for about 120 years;
 - (iii) to ammend the initial constitution of 1882 of the Kandyan Arts Society which was ammended in 1980, to suit the present day;
 - (iv) to exempt the society from income tax; and,
 - (v) not to incorporate this as an institution sponsored by the state?
- (c) If not, why?

0580/06

Hon. (Ven) Alawwe Nandaloka Thero,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Affairs and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the number of retired public service officers appointed to posts of Ministry Secretaries;
 - (ii) the reason why retired officers have been selected for appointment to posts of Secretaries of Ministries?
- (b) Does he accept the fact that, since the qualified senior officers in the Sri Lanka Administrative Service and in the paralleled services have not been appointed to posts of Ministry Secretaries which have been filled with retired officers, a grave injustice has been caused to the former?
- (c) Will he state whether a policy decision would be made by the government to appoint qualified senior officers only who are in service at present, when officials are appointed to posts of Ministry Secretaries in future?
- (d) If not, why?

0669/'06

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Trade, Commerce, Consumer Affairs and Marketing Development and Minister of Highways,—

- (a) Will he inform separately to this House, the names of advisors appointed to the Ministry of Trade, Commerce, Consumer Affairs and Marketing Development and to the Institutions, Statutory Boards and Corporations which come under the Ministry?
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the basis on which they were appointed,
 - (ii) their qualifications;
 - (iii) the salaries and allowances paid to them and other facilities enjoyed by them as advisors; and
 - (iv) the duties that have been entrusted to them?
- (c) If not, why?

0661/'06

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,—

- (a) Will he inform separately to this House, the names of advisors appointed to the Ministry of Public Administration and Home Affairs and to the Institutions, Statutory Boards and Corporations which come under the Ministry?
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the basis on which they were appointed,
 - (ii) their qualifications;
 - (iii) the salaries and allowances paid to them and other facilities enjoyed by them as advisors; and
 - (iv) the duties that have been entrusted to them?
- (c) If not, why?

0673/'06

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development,—

- (a) Will he inform separately to this House, the names of advisors appointed to the Ministry of Agricultural Development and to the Institutions, Statutory Boards and Corporations which come under the Ministry?
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the basis on which they were appointed,

- (ii) their qualifications;
- (iii) the salaries and allowances paid to them and other facilities enjoyed by them as advisors; and
- (iv) the duties that have been entrusted to them?
- (c) If not, why?

0619/06

Hon. (Dr.) Jayalath Jayawardane ,— To ask the Minister of Urban Development and Water Supply,—

- (a) Is he aware that the Urban Development Authority has taken steps to construct the Ja-Ela Rest House anew?
- (b) Will he submit to this House a report on the progress of the said construction?
- (c) Will he state as to when the construction of the Ja-Ela Rest House would be completed and vested with the people?
- (d) If not, why?

0632/06

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka ,— To ask the Minister of Railways and Transport and Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the amount of money that exceeds 100 million due to be paid to the Petroleum Corporation by each of the public or private institutions, by now;
 - (ii) the amounts of credit obtained by the Petroleum Corporation from state and private banks to continue its commercial activities as the Corporation has not received the aforesaid monies due;
 - (iii) the interest rates in respect of the said loans and the financial loss caused to the corporation by them?
- (b) Will he state in this House—
 - (i) whether the Cabinet has decided to the effect that the Treasury will make good the loss caused to the Corporation when it sells fuel at a lower rate than the Indian Oil Company?
 - (ii) if so, on what basis are the fuel prices increased?
- (c) If not, why?

0634/06

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka ,— To ask the Minister of Railways and Transport and Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this House whether 107 filling stations, registered with the Treasury and maintained by Modern Petroleum Marketers Limited, and 1/3 share of CPSTL have been assigned to the Petroleum Corporation, as said to have been decided at the Cabinet meeting held on 26.07.2006;
- (b) Will he state in this House—
 - (i) whether development work on those 107 filling stations has been started?
 - (ii) whether the employees of the said CPSTL Company have been absorbed into Petroleum Corporation on the basis of salary reimbursement?
- (c) If not, why?

0487/06

Hon. Anura Dissanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Will he inform this House whether the Supreme Court has given a ruling that there has been a massive fraud in the construction of the Hilton Hotel and who should be held responsible for such fraud?
- (b) Will he state,—
 - (i) the names of the officers who were served with charge sheet following investigations conducted by the Presidential Commission in 1995;
 - (ii) the positions held by such officers at that time;
 - (iii) whether an investigation was commenced by the Criminal Investigation Department in March 2004 as instructed by the Attorney-General after the term of the Presidential Commission was over; and
 - (iv) if so, its progress?
- (c) Will he state in this House,—
 - (i) whether a new plan with correct measurements has been drawn by the UDA having accepted that the plans of the Hilton Hotel are irregular and fraudulent; and
 - (ii) if any fraud has been committed, the steps taken by the government regarding it?
- (d) If not, why?

0219/06

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask the Minister of Samurdhi and Poverty Alleviation—

- (a) Will she submit to this House the names and addresses of the Samurdhi recipients in the Walasmulla Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, the number of members in each family unit, their monthly income before the receipt of Samurdhi allowance, the value of the Samurdhi allowance and the date on which they received the said allowance for the first time, separately in detail?
- (b) Will she state—
 - (i) the number of families empowered in the years 2002, 2003, 2004, and 2005 under the empowerment of Samurdhi recipients;
 - (ii) the name and address, Grama Niladhari Division, the year of empowerment, the name of the Samurdhi Officer of the relevant Division and any other important information regarding each Samurdhi recipient so empowered; and
 - (iii) the subjects under which they have been empowered?
- (c) If not, why?

0452/06

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of the Grama Niladhari Divisions with their respective Divisional Secretariat Divisions, which come under the jurisdiction of the Consumer Services Centre of the Ceylon Electricity Board of Angunakolapelessa?
 - (b) Will he state separately the number of transformers stationed in the area of this Consumer Services Centre as at June 01, 2006 and where they are stationed?
 - (c) Will he state in this House separately,—
 - (i) the number of consumers who have obtained connections from each such transformer for purposes such as religious, domestic, commercial etc.;
 - (ii) the number of transformers in the entire area covered with three phase electricity lines; and
 - (iii) will he state, with reference to the electrical transformer concerned, the areas identified by the Ceylon Electricity Board as those which do not get the proper voltage in the above Consumer Services centre area?
 - (d) If not, why?
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Friday, February 09, 2007

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0394/'06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Co-operatives and Co-operative Development and Deputy Minister of Provincial Councils and Local Government,—

- (a) Is he aware that Mr. G.M.T. Aponso of Ihalagalla, Menikdiwela, who has served for a period of about 23 years as a shop Manager of the Yatinuwara Kandu Palatha Multi Purpose Co-operative Society Limited, has been deprived of his service since 03-04-2006?
- (b) Does he admit that this officer has been transferred to several Multi Purpose Co-operative shops since January 2003?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the reason on which the aforesaid transfers have been given to the aforesaid officer;
 - (ii) the reason for depriving this officer of his service;
 - (iii) if Mr. Aponso is reinstated in service, when that will be?
- (d) If not, why?

0561/'06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,—

- (a) Will he inform this House the total annual allocation for the supply of drugs to the Government Hospitals since 2004 to 2006?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the total amount of money allocated for hospital under the Provincial Councils in each of the aforesaid years;
 - (ii) the total allocation for the hospital which come under the Central Government?
- (c) Will he submit separately the allocations made for hospital administered by the Provincial Councils and the Central Government?
- (d) If not, why?

0702/06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Is he aware that Mr. Y.S. Kahingala, a Grade one principal who has been performing duties as the principal of G/P. de S. Kularathna Maha Vidyalaya has been demoted to the post of Deputy Principal with effect from 8th August 2006?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the reasons for his demotion from principal to Deputy Principal;
 - (ii) if a less qualified teacher without a Principal's grade has been appointed to the post of principal after demoting Mr. Kahingala, the reasons for that?
- (c) Will he take steps to rectify the injustice caused to Mr. Kahingala by this appointment?
- (d) If not, why?

0674/06

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Coconut Development and Deputy Minister of Science and Technology,—

- (a) Will he inform separately to this House, the names of advisors appointed to the Ministry of Coconut Development and to the Institutions, Statutory Boards and Corporations which come under the Ministry?
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the basis on which they were appointed,
 - (ii) their qualifications;
 - (iii) the salaries and allowances paid to them and other facilities enjoyed by them as advisors; and
 - (iv) the duties that have been entrusted to them?
- (c) If not, why?

0679/06

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources,—

- (a) Will he inform separately to this House, the names of advisors appointed to the Ministry of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources and to the Institutions, Statutory Boards and Corporations which come under the Ministry?
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the basis on which they were appointed,

- (ii) their qualifications;
- (iii) the salaries and allowances paid to them and other facilities enjoyed by them as advisors; and
- (iv) the duties that have been entrusted to them?
- (c) If not, why?

0684/06

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation,—

- (a) Will he inform separately to this House, the names of advisors appointed to the Ministry of Irrigation and to the Institutions, Statutory Boards and Corporations which come under the Ministry?
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the basis on which they were appointed,
 - (ii) their qualifications;
 - (iii) the salaries and allowances paid to them and other facilities enjoyed by them as advisors; and
 - (iv) the duties that have been entrusted to them?
- (c) If not, why?

0220/06

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask the Minister of Samurdhi and Poverty Alleviation,—

- (a) Will she submit to this House the names and addresses of the Samurdhi recipients in the Katuwana Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, the number of members in each family unit, their monthly income before the receipt of Samurdhi allowance, the value of the Samurdhi allowance and the date on which they received the said allowance for the first time, separately in detail?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of families empowered in the years 2002, 2003, 2004, and 2005 under the empowerment of Samurdhi recipients;
 - (ii) the name and address, Grama Niladhari Division, the year of empowerment, the name of the Samurdhi Officer of the relevant Division and any other important information regarding each Samurdhi recipient so empowered; and
 - (iii) the subjects under which they have been empowered?
- (c) If not, why?

0221/06

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask the Minister of Samurdhi and Poverty Alleviation—

- (a) Will she submit to this House the names and addresses of the Samurdhi recipients in the Angunakolapelessa Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, the number of members in each family unit, their monthly income before the receipt of Samurdhi allowance, the value of the Samurdhi allowance and the date on which they received the said allowance for the first time, separately in detail?
- (b) Will she state—
 - (i) the number of families empowered in the years 2002, 2003, 2004, and 2005 under the empowerment of Samurdhi recipients;
 - (ii) the name and address, Grama Niladhari Division, the year of empowerment, the name of the Samurdhi Officer of the relevant Division and any other important information regarding each Samurdhi recipient so empowered; and
 - (iii) the subjects under which they have been empowered?
- (c) If not, why?

0728/06

Hon. H.M. Wasantha Samarasinghe,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of Ports and Aviation,—

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) whether the Ceylon Port Services Ltd. has been privatized;
 - (ii) if so, when it was done;
 - (iii) since it has been published in the Gazette Extraordinary of 08.12.2005 that it continues to remain under the Ministry of Ports and Aviation, whether it is so even now; and,
 - (iv) if Ceylon Port Services Limited has been privatised, whether it was done according to the accepted practice?
- (b) If so, will he state whether,—
 - (i) bonus share payable to employees or money equivalent to such shares have been paid to the employees of this company; and,
 - (ii) employees have been sent on voluntary retirement with due compensations paid?
- (c) Will he submit to this House clear and true information regarding the present and future position of the said institution and its employees?
- (d) If not, why?

0488/'06

Hon. Anura Dissanayake— To ask the Minister of Urban Development and Water Supply,—

- (a) Will he inform this House whether the ownership of the land, on which the Hilton Hotel was located in terms of the special Grants Allocations Register No. 673 of 26.07.1999 under the Land Ordinance, is vested with the government at present?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the amount of money paid by the Hilton Hotel to the Government in lieu of its possession;
 - (ii) if no such payment has been made, the steps taken in that regard;
 - (iii) whether the chief assessor assessed this land at Rs. 4018 million in August 2005; and
 - (iv) if not, what his assessed value is?
- (c) Will he state in this House —
 - (i) whether the Government intends conferring the ownership of this land to the Hotel Developers (Lanka) Ltd. on the 99 years lease basis;
 - (ii) on what basis it is; and
 - (iii) the assessed value that will be levied in this regard?
- (d) If not, why?

0601/'06

Hon. Hasen Ali,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Is he aware that,—
 - (i) there are several building projects in Ampara District commenced earlier by various Ministries and Government Departments over a period of time; and
 - (ii) such projects remain incomplete due to non allocation of funds?
- (b) Will he inform this House the followings details of each incomplete project existing in Sammanthurai Deivisional Secretariat area—
 - (i) the name and the date of commencement of the project;
 - (ii) the total estimated cost at the time of commencement;
 - (iii) amount spent up to-date;
 - (iv) amount required to complete; and,

- (v) the date that the last financial allocation made?
- (c) Will he instruct the relevant Ministries to allocate funds to complete these projects before commencing any new project in this area?
- (d) If not, why?

0599/06

Hon. Hasen Ali,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Is he aware that,—
 - (i) there are several building projects in Ampara District commenced earlier by various Ministries and Government Departments over a period of time; and
 - (ii) such projects remain incomplete due to non allocation of funds?
- (b) Will he inform this House the following details of each incomplete project existing in Navithanveli Deivisional Secretariat area—
 - (i) the name and the date of commencement of the project;
 - (ii) the total estimated cost at the time of commencement;
 - (iii) amount spent up to-date;
 - (iv) amount required to complete; and,
 - (v) the date that the last financial allocation made?
- (c) Will he instruct the relevant Ministries to allocate funds to complete these projects before commencing any new project in this area?
- (d) If not, why?

0600/06

Hon. Hasen Ali,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Is he aware that,—
 - (i) there are several building projects in Ampara District commenced earlier by various Ministries and Government Departments over a period of time; and
 - (ii) such projects remain incomplete due to non allocation of funds?
- (b) Will he inform this House the following details of each incomplete project existing in Nintavur Deivisional Secretariat area—

- (i) the name and the date of commencement of the project;
 - (ii) the total estimated cost at the time of commencement;
 - (iii) amount spent up to-date;
 - (iv) amount required to complete; and,
 - (v) the date that the last financial allocation made?
- (c) Will he instruct the relevant Ministries to allocate funds to complete these projects before commencing any new project in this area?
- (d) If not, why?

0745/'06

Hon. Sunil Handunetti,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Will he inform separately, in this House, the officials who have been recruited to the Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) of the Central Bank along with their ages?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
- (i) whether applications were called when they were recruited;
 - (ii) if not, what the recruitment procedure was;
 - (iii) whether they have fulfilled the required qualifications for the relevant profession;
 - (iv) whether the relevant recruitments were made properly;
 - (v) separately, what their salaries are; and,
 - (vi) as to who had approved the above recruitments?
- (c) If not, why?

0729/'06

Hon. Abdul Bais Kamardeen,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—

- (a) Will he state whether,—
- (i) lands belonging to Puttlam Urban Council have been utilized for any development activities by the said Urban Council during the past four years;

- (ii) proper procedures were followed in utilizing lands?
 - (iii) proper procedures were followed in the said development activities as well?
- (b) If not, why?
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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

P.02/'05

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Indicating the details of the projects in the Election Manifesto of Political Parties or Groups contesting elections,—That this Parliament is of the opinion that it should be made compulsory that the manifesto of Political Parties or Groups contesting an election should indicate the anticipated date line for the implementation of their projects, the total financial outlay as well as the methodology involved, once they are returned to power, for the purpose of eliminating the lack of confidence in the minds of the citizens of Sri Lanka towards democracy.

P.03/'05

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Prevention of the President and the Prime Minister from holding Cabinet Portfolios,—That this Parliament is of the opinion that the President and the Prime Minister be prevented from holding any cabinet portfolio in order to have a very effective administration and to critically review performances of their ministers.

P.04/'05

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Registration of weapons,—That this Parliament is of the opinion that all weapons in Sri Lanka should be registered and thereafter, if anyone is found with an unlicensed weapon, he should be charged with breach of criminal law and a mandatory imprisonment of 20 years be enforced.

P.05/'05

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Extension of Banking hours,—That this Parliament is of the opinion that Banking hours should be extended from 9:00 hours till 16:00 hours in order to increase the economic activities in the country.

P.07/'05

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Closing down of all taverns in the Kotte electorate,—That this Parliament is of the opinion that legislation be made to close down all taverns in Kotte electorate because sale of liquor very freely has certainly degraded the moral values in the country.

P.08/'05

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Granting permission to journalists to attend all meetings held

under Committee on Public Enterprises (COPE), Public Accounts Committee (PAC) and Consultative Committees,—That this Parliament is of the opinion that journalists must be permitted to attend all meetings held under the Committee on Public Enterprises, Public Accounts Committee and Consultative Committees as this will make the discussions more effective, meaningful and transparent.

P.09/'05

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Granting Agricultural Loans to farmers who are self employed in Agriculture,—That this Parliament is of the opinion that farmers who are self employed in agriculture be granted Agricultural loans to a maximum of Rs. 25,000 at a reduced Interest Rate of 5%.

P.10/'05

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Implementation of an Island wide programme to educate the masses in destroying waste material such as polythene, plastic etc.,— Since the usage of Polythene and Plastic material has rapidly increased in the island and large scale environmental pollution is taking place due to the indiscriminate disposal of such material, that this Parliament is of the opinion that an island wide programme to educate the masses in destroying waste material such as polythene, plastic etc, be implemented.

P.11/'05

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Establishment of a Museum in the Kegalle District,— This Parliament resolves that steps be taken to establish a museum for archeological monuments and for the purpose of obtaining information regarding places which have archaeological, cultural and social values.

P.12/'05

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Appointment of a National Policy Formulation Board to determine National Policies,— This Parliament resolves that a national policy formulation board having specific powers to function notwithstanding changes of government and consisting of politicians and professionals in this field be appointed with a view to formulating systematic national policies and plans.

P.13/'05

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Setting up of a unit with legal powers to solve the problems faced by the migrant employees,— That this Parliament is of the opinion that a unit with legal powers be set up to look into problems faced by migrant employees such as assaults, abduction, rape, sexual abuse, killings, financial frauds and to get them down to this country and to look into their safety.

P.14/'05

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Formulation of a National Programme to introduce New Inventors to the World,— That this Parliament resolves that a national programme be formulated to introduce the new inventors and citizens who are endowed with various skills to the world and to improve their skills and creations.

P.15/'05

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Tax Concession to Industrialists who utilize Indigenous Raw Materials,— That this Parliament resolves that a 02 year tax concession be granted to local industrialists who produce goods for the international market utilizing more than 75% indigenous raw materials.

P.16/'05

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Appointment of a Presidential Commission combining the Judiciary, the Police and the Prison,— That this Parliament resolves that a Presidential Commission be appointed the Judiciary, the Police and the Prison with the objective of minimizing crimes spreading in the society, to improve criminals laws be minimizing shortcomings, to dispose of backlog of cases including land matters piled up in courts and to provide a speedy service by modernizing the Judiciary, the Police and the Prison.

P.17/'05

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Granting Citizenship to Estate Community,— That this Parliament resolves that the estate sector community who do not have Sri Lankan citizenship should be granted same upon their willingness.

P.18/'05

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Providing a free glass of milk to the pupils in primary schools in the Island,— That this Parliament resolves that arrangements should be made to give a free glass of milk in the morning to all the pupils in the primary schools in the Island.

P.19/'05

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Refund of Employee's Provident Fund and Employees Trust Fund benefits to the applicants within a week,— That this Parliament resolves that there should be a procedure to refund Employees' Provident Fund and Employees' Trust Fund benefits to the applicants within a week.

P.20/'05

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Appointment of Chairmen and Board of Directors in the Statutory Institutions including State Corporations, Boards and Authorities,— That this Parliament resolves that only persons who have professional qualifications and experience should be selected to appoint as Chairmen and Board of Directors in Statutory Institutions including State Corporation, Boards and Authorities.

P.21/'05

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Re-demarcation of boundaries of Grama Niladhari Division, Divisional Secretariats, Districts and Administrative areas on a scientific basis,— That this Parliament resolves that boundaries of Grama Niladhari Divisions, Divisional Secretariats, Districts and Administrative areas should be re-demarcated on a scientific basis after conducting a survey all over the island.

P.22/'05

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Recruitment of officers for the Sri Lanka Overseas Service

only on marks of Limited Competitive Examinations,— That this Parliament resolves that recruitment of officers for the Sri Lanka Overseas Service should be decided only on marks of limited competitive examinations and that only basic qualifications should be checked at the interview.

P.23/'05

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Punishment to criminals and compensation to the victims,— That this Parliament resolves that laws should be made to enable the same court to impose punishment to criminals and give compensation to the victims.

P.24/'05

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Issuing free season tickets to students,— That this Parliament resolves that a system should be introduced to issue free season tickets to students to travel in buses of the Road Passenger Transport Authorities.

P.25/'05

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Presidential Commission on Political victimization,— That this Parliament resolves that a fully pledge Presidential Commission should be appointed to inquire into the complaints made by people who have been affected by political victimization due to their political ideas, from past until now, and to give them relief.

P.26/'05

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Establishment of Sports Schools and formulating a National Sports Policy,— That this Parliament resolves that a National Sports Policy with long term objectives should be formulated and high standard Sports Schools with pavilions, play grounds, sports Instruments and sports instructors should be established basically covering all the districts.

P.27/'05

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Establishment of a Faculty of National Languages,— That this Parliament resolves that a Faculty of National Languages should be established in order to teach Sinhala, Tamil and English to teachers.

P.28/'06

Hon.V. Puththasigamoney,— Granting Voting Rights to Migrant Workers and other Sri Lankans living abroad,— That since migrant workers of Sri Lanka constitute 12% of registered voters and 10% of the national work force and that they contribute 17% of national savings and more than 20% of foreign exchange earning and also that since UN Convention of 1990 ratified by Sri Lanka in 1996 obliges the State to implement a special system of voting for migrant workers, and the Human Rights Commission has recommended to the Labour Minister to introduce laws to grant voting rights to migrant workers, and since the denial of voting rights to them is a violation of fundamental rights, this Parliament resolves that a scheme be introduced for the migrant workers and other Sri Lankans living abroad to vote at all elections in Sri Lanka.

P.29/'06

Hon.Ravi Karunanayake,— Publishing the names of defaulters of loans taken from State

Banks,— That this Parliament resolves that legal provisions be introduced in Parliament to publish names of defaulters who have borrowed over Rs.100 million from state banks.

P.31/06

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Implementation of Private Members Motions,— That this Parliament is of the opinion that Private Members Motions moved in Parliament shall be debated within one year and, if approved by Parliament, the Cabinet of Ministers shall sanction them within six months, so that the Private Members Motions would be an effective contribution by Parliamentarians.

P.32/06

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Playing National Anthem in Parliament,—That this Parliament is of the opinion that National Anthem be played in Parliament before the commencement and the conclusion of Parliament Sitting in order to develop national spiritedness in the country.

P.33/06

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Developing a Strong Sri Lankan Identity,— That since the requirement to state one's race and religion in government documents is an impediment and an inhibition to develop a strong national identity' this Parliament is of the opinion that this requirement be dispensed with.

P.36/06

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,- Prevention of using images of Religious leaders for commercial purposes,- That this Parliament resolves that all religions must equally be respected and that images of Lord Buddha, Jesus Christ, Lord Shiva or Prophet Mohammed should not be used on any Commercial advertisement or any other form of non religious items.

P.37/06

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,- Making new laws to regulate contempt of court proceedings ,- That this Parliament is of the opinion that new laws should be brought in to regulate contempt of court proceedings as to strengthen democracy and to maintain a vibrant free media ensuring equal justice to all.

P.38/06

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,- Introducing of Laws relating to Public Interest Litigation,- That this Parliament resolves that Laws be introduced in Parliament for the Public Interest Litigation in respect of violation of basic Human Rights of the poor, content or conduct of Government policy, compel Municipal Authorities to perform a public duty, violation of religious rights or other basic fundamental rights, and corruption which Leads to Higher Public Debt and additional Liability to the Citizen.

P.39/06

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,- Presenting a Financial Audit Report to The Election Commission by Political Parties,- That this Parliament resolves that all income and expenditure earned and incurred by recognized Political Parties must be audited and presented to the Election Commission annually.

Tuesday, February 20, 2007

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0624/'06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the date on which the female employees who are employed on the basis of piece rate payment in the Auditor General's Department were recruited;
 - (ii) the total number of such employees and their names separately?
- (b) Is he aware that a qualifying test has been conducted to check their qualifications as per a letter dated 12th November 2001, in order to confirm them in service in terms of the Public Administration Circular bearing No.27/2001 and dated 29th October 2001?
- (c) Will he state the reasons for confirming only 25 persons out of them and for not confirming the remaining 14 persons on the results of the aforesaid qualifying test?
- (d) Will he admit that,—
 - (i) the non-confirmation of these persons who have gained an experience after serving for a period of nearly 10 years for a low salary is an injustice;
 - (ii) undervaluation of them before the freshes who passes higher educational qualification and a high computer literacy by conducting competitive tests is an injustice
- (e) Will he take action to confirm in service the remaining 14 female employees who have been subjected to the aforesaid injustice?
- (f) If not, why?

0625/'06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,—

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the number of applicants who have sat for the examination for the recruitment of clerks in government offices, held in 2002;
 - (ii) the number of persons who passed that examination?

- (b) Will he state in this House, the names, addresses and the respective marks of those who have passed, according to the priority list separately?
- (c) Will he state,—
 - (i) the list of names of those who have been given employment as per the said list and the institutions they were recruited to;
 - (ii) will he state whether appointments would be given to all those remaining candidates who have passed the examination in 2002?
- (d) If not, why?

0627/06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Is he aware that the person named H. Wilson Peiris residing at “Kusum Sevana”, Silogama, Belihuloya had been working in charge of the water purification plant at the Sabaragamuwa University?
- (b) Will he inform this House the reason for terminating his service without extending it from 28.04.2006?
- (c) Will he take action to extend his service?
- (d) If not, why?

0602/06

Hon. Hasen Ali,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Is he aware that,—
 - (i) there are several building projects in Ampara District commenced earlier by various Ministries and Government Departments over a period of time; and
 - (ii) such projects remain incomplete due to non allocation of funds?
- (b) Will he inform this House the followings details of each incomplete project existing in Addalaichchenai Deivisional Secretariat area—
 - (i) the name and the date of commencement of the project;
 - (ii) the total estimated cost at the time of commencement;
 - (iii) amount spent up to-date;

- (iv) amount required to complete; and,
- (v) the date that the last financial allocation made?
- (c) Will he instruct the relevant Ministries to allocate funds to complete these projects before commencing any new project in this area?
- (d) If not, why?

0603/06

Hon. Hasen Ali,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Is he aware that,—
 - (i) there are several building projects in Ampara District commenced earlier by various Ministries and Government Departments over a period of time; and
 - (ii) such projects remain incomplete due to non allocation of funds?
- (b) Will he inform this House the following details of each incomplete project existing in Akkaraipattu Divisional Secretariat area—
 - (i) the name and the date of commencement of the project;
 - (ii) the total estimated cost at the time commencement;
 - (iii) amount spent up to-date;
 - (iv) amount required to complete; and,
 - (v) the date that the last financial allocation made?
- (c) Will he instruct the relevant Ministries to allocate funds to complete these projects before commencing any new project in this area?
- (d) If not, why?

0604/06

Hon. Hasen Ali,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Is he aware that,—
 - (i) there are several building projects in Ampara District commenced earlier by various Ministries and Government Departments over a period of time; and
 - (ii) such projects remain incomplete due to non allocation of funds?

- (b) Will he inform this House the following details of each incomplete project existing in Pottuvil Divisional Secretariat area—
 - (i) the name and the date of commencement of the project;
 - (ii) the total estimated cost at the time commencement;
 - (iii) amount spent up to-date;
 - (iv) amount required to complete; and,
 - (v) the date that the last financial allocation made?
- (c) Will he instruct the relevant Ministries to allocate funds to complete these projects before commencing any new project in this area?
- (d) If not, why?

0573/06

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Regional Development and Deputy Minister of Housing and Construction,—

- (a) Is he aware that the Polonnaruwa district too has been settled like the Anuradhapura district, for the implementation of a project by the name of “Rajarata Navodaya”?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) if the aforesaid project is implemented, the amount of money allocated for that for 2005-2006;
 - (ii) separately, the amounts of money allocated for the Anuradhapura and Polonnaruwa districts when implementing this project;
 - (iii) the amount of money allocated for the Anuradhapura district as a percentage;
 - (iv) the project for which the money allocated for the Anuradhapura district for 2005 was used?
- (c) Will he present to this House separately, the amounts of money allocated for each project in the Anuradhapura district?
- (d) Does he admit that the money allocated for the development of Rajarata has not been distributed equally for the aforesaid two districts?
- (e) Will he take the necessary action to implement the aforesaid project as a balanced project?
- (f) If not, why?

0723/'06

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) whether a plot of land nearly 40 acres in extent, situated in Katupaththewa of Katupaththewa Grama Niladhari Division in Nochchiyagama Divisional Secretariat Division in Anuradhapura District, has been leased to a non-government organization or an individual;
 - (ii) if it has been leased or sold the name of the institute concerned and when it was done; and,
 - (iii) for what purpose it has been given?
- (b) Is he aware that the institute which acquired this land get water by impounding a tributary of Kala Oya?
- (c) Will he state,—
 - (i) whether legal permission has been obtained to impound the tributary of Kala Oya;
 - (ii) if so, from which institution?
- (d) Does he admit that due to obtaining water in this way, farmers engaged in cultivating around the tributary in Katupaththewa area are faced with problems in obtaining water?
- (e) Will he take steps to provide speedy relief to the farmers inconvenienced due to this project?
- (f) if not why?

0721/'06

Hon. Gamini Jayawickrama Perera,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Irrigation and Mahaweli Development and Minister of Environment,—

- (a) Is he aware that quarrying was banned near the Kotmale reservoir belonging to the Mahaweli scheme during the period I held the portfolio of Irrigation and Water Management, as it could have damaged the dam?
- (b) Will he admit that the dam could be damaged as quarrying has been resumed at present near the dam?
- (c) Will he appoint a team to investigate this matter?
- (d) if not why?

0576/06

Hon. R.M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Is he aware that,—
 - (i) Mrs. Murial Enderaarachchi the Vice Principal of Sangamitta College, Galle had been entrusted with the task of covering the duty of Principal by the former Principal of that school, Mrs. Mallika Dharmalatha, upon a log entry;
 - (ii) Mrs. G.A.D. Suneetha has been appointed to cover the duties of the Principal of that school by letter No. ED/4/58/20/7/2 dated 07.04.2005 signed by Mr. L.U.W. Soysa, Senior Assistant Secretary of the Ministry of Education with the approval of the Public Service Commission;
 - (iii) when she called at the school concerned to assume duties on 29.04.2005, assignment of duties was rejected on the ground that the said letter was a false document;
 - (iv) although, the officials of the School Development Society had made complaints to the then Minister of Education, the former President; the Secretary of Education and to the Director of National Schools, no inquiry has been conducted by the Ministry?
 - (b) Does he accept the fact that Mrs. K.H. Amara Nandani who assumed duties as the Principal on 18.01.2006 too has been subjected to harrassment without being allowed to perform her duties?
 - (c) Will he take prompt action to appoint a Principal to the Sangamitta Girl's College, Galle in order to create a proper educational background to ensure the duties of more than 6000 students?
 - (d) If not, why?
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Wednesday, February 21, 2007

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0605/06

Hon. Hasen Ali,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Is he aware that,—
 - (i) there are several building projects in Ampara District commenced earlier by various Ministries and Government Departments over a period of time; and

- (ii) such projects remain incomplete due to non allocation of funds?
- (b) Will he inform this House the following details of each incomplete project existing in Sainthamaruthu Divisional Secretariat area—
 - (i) the name and the date of commencement of the project;
 - (ii) the total estimated cost at the time of commencement;
 - (iii) amount spent up to-date;
 - (iv) amount required to complete; and,
 - (v) the date that the last financial allocation made?
- (c) Will he instruct the relevant Ministries to allocate funds to complete these projects before commencing any new project in this area?
- (d) If not, why?

0606/'06

Hon. Hasen Ali,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Is he aware that,—
 - (i) there are several building projects in Ampara District commenced earlier by various Ministries and Government Departments over a period of time; and
 - (ii) such projects remain incomplete due to non allocation of funds?
- (b) Will he inform this House the following details of each incomplete project existing in Kalmunai Divisional Secretariat area—
 - (i) the name and the date of commencement of the project;
 - (ii) the total estimated cost at the time of commencement;
 - (iii) amount spent up to-date;
 - (iv) amount required to complete; and,
 - (v) the date that the last financial allocation made?
- (c) Will he instruct the relevant Ministries to allocate funds to complete these projects before commencing any new project in this area?
- (d) If not, why?

0607/06

Hon. Hasen Ali,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Is he aware that,—
 - (i) there are several building projects in Ampara District commenced earlier by various Ministries and Government Departments over a period of time; and
 - (ii) such projects remain incomplete due to non allocation of funds?
- (b) Will he inform this House the followings details of each incomplete project existing in Irakkamam Divisional Secretariat area—
 - (i) the name and the date of commencement of the project;
 - (ii) the total estimated cost at the time of commencement;
 - (iii) amount spent up to-date;
 - (iv) amount required to complete; and,
 - (v) the date that the last financial allocation made?
- (c) Will he instruct the relevant Ministries to allocate funds to complete these projects before commencing any new project in this area?
- (d) If not, why?

Thursday, February 22, 2007

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0608/06

Hon. Hasen Ali,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) there are several building projects in Ampara District commenced earlier by various Ministries and Government Departments over a period of time; and
 - (ii) such projects remain incomplete due to non allocation of funds?

- (b) Will he inform this House the followings details of each incomplete project existing in Karaitivu Divisional Secretariat area—
- (i) the name and the date of commencement of the project;
 - (ii) the total estimated cost at the time commencement;
 - (iii) amount spent up to-date;
 - (iv) amount required to complete; and,
 - (v) the date that the last financial allocation made?
- (c) Will he instruct the relevant Ministries to allocate funds to complete these projects before commencing any new project in this area?
- (d) If not, why?
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