



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

0216/06

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—

- (a) Will he 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 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?

0217/06

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—

- (a) Will he 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 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?

0218/06

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order—

(a) Will he 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 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?

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?

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 Sacred Area Development,—

- (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,—

- (a) Will he submit this House —
 - (i) the details of the Sri Lankan embassies in Foreign countries;
 - (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 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 Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—

- (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 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, Public Security, Law and Order,—

- (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?

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;

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- (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,—

- (a) Will he inform this house—
 - (i) the names and other details 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;
 - (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 1985), from 18.06.1973;

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- (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?

0724/06

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of vehicles obtained on rent by the People's Bank;
 - (ii) the amounts paid on such rent?
- (b) Will he state separately, the divisions or names of the officers with their designations in respect of whom such vehicles have been obtained on rent?
- (c) If not, why?

0585/06

Hon. (Ven.) Ellawala Medhananda Thero,— To ask Minister of National Heritage,—

- (a) Is he aware that four positions in the Department of Archaeology, viz. Director-Exploration and Documentation, Director-Excavation and Museums, Director-Epigraphy and Numismatics, and Director-Properties and Maintenance remain vacant?
- (b) If so, will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the dates on which each of these posts have fallen vacant;

- (ii) whether the approval of the Public Service Commission has been given to fill the said vacancies; and,
- (iii) if so, when the vacancies for these posts will be filled?
- (c) If not, why?

0712/06

Hon. Thilakarathna Vithanachchi,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—

- (a) Will he inform this House, in which year the amount of 200 million rupees allocated from the Asian Development Bank for the reconstruction of the bridges and roads in the Southern Province that were destroyed by the huge floods in 2003, was given to the Southern Province Rural Economic Promotion Project?
 - (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the amount of money allocated for the reconstruction work of the demolished bridge over the GinGanga due to the flood and the date of such allocation;
 - (ii) the firm, to which the task of preparing estimates for the construction of 3 feet wide concrete bridges in the first phase was entrusted;
 - (iii) for how many bridges it was;
 - (iv) when the preparation of estimates was completed?
 - (c) Will he inform this House when the estimates were prepared mentioning the bridges as those that could accomodate a three-wheeler, instead of 3-feet wide bridge?
 - (d) Does he accept that six (06) concrete bridges have already been selected for construction in the first round rather than bridges destroyed in the above mentioned floods and auction is being taken in that respect?
 - (e) Will he take action to erect the relevant bridges only at the sites recommended by the Asian Development Bank?
 - (f) If not, why?
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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

Notice of Motions

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The Minister of Social Services and Social Welfare,— Regulations under the Protection of the Rights of Persons with disabilities Act,—That the “Disabled Persons (Accessibility) Regulations No.01 of 2006” made by the Acting Minister of Social Services and Social Welfare under Section 25 read with Section 23 of the Protection of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, No.28 of 1996 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1467/15 of 17th October 2006, which was presented on 22.02.2007, be approved.

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The Minister of Export Development and International Trade,— Order under the 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. 1477/16 of 29th December 2006, which was presented on 22.02.2007, be approved.

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The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources ,—Annual Report of the Ceylon Fishery Harbours Corporation - 2003,—That the Annual Report of the Ceylon Fishery Harbours Corporation - 2003 presented on 08.08.2006 under the Section 30(2) of the State Industrial Corporations Act, No.49 of 1957 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Infrastructure Development and Fisheries Housing)

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The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources,—Annual Report of the Ceylon Fishery Harbours Corporation - 2004,—That the Annual Report of the Ceylon Fishery Harbours Corporation - 2004 presented on 17.10.2006 under the Section 30(2) of the State Industrial Corporations Act, No.49 of 1957 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Infrastructure Development and Fisheries Housing)

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The Minister of Science and Technology,— Annual Report of the National Engineering Research and Development Centre of Sri Lanka - 2003,— That the Annual Report of the National Engineering Research and Development Center of Sri Lanka with the observations of the Auditor General for the year 1st January 2003 to 31st December 2003 presented on 25.08.2006 under the Section 40(3) of Science and Technology Act, No.11 of 1994 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved..

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Science and Technology)

* *Indicates Government Business*

Wednesday, March 07, 2007

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

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 arrange 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 was 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 some assistance to this person, who at present resides in a temporary house?
- (c) If not, why?

0733/06

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Construction of the Kukuleganga Hydro Electricity scheme, 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 of 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 Irrigation and Water Management,—

- (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?

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 administering 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 Haldummulla;
 - (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, Public Security, Law and Order,—

- (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 Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—

- (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 functioned as the previous 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 submit 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?

0760/'06

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Samurdhi Bank is incorporated;
 - (ii) whether it has been approved by the Central Bank to operate as a commercial or a registered bank; and,
 - (iii) the number of branches they have and the locations separately?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the names of the Directors and the Chairman along with their salaries separately;
 - (ii) the number of shareholders;
 - (iii) the capital and the saving deposits to-date; and,
 - (iv) the interest paid to the shareholders?
- (c) If not, why?

0761/'06

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Samurdhi Officers (Samurdhi Development Officers and Samurdhi Managers) in the service;
 - (ii) whether they were selected through a competitive examination;
 - (iii) the date that the examination was held and the number rejected, separately?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether they work on permanent or casual basis;
 - (ii) whether they are government servants and entitled to receive a pension;

- (iii) the cost of salaries per month; and,
 - (iv) the salary categories for each person separately?
- (c) If not, why?

0753/06

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—

- (a) Is he aware that two steps (platforms) which the Sri Lankan Air company had got made through the Orange Company at a cost of several lakhs of rupees for the mechanical and maintenance services of Airbus have been sold for scrap iron without being used as they were not compatible with the Airbus?
- (b) Will he present to this House a detailed report on this matter?
- (c) Will he inform this House of the details regarding the fuel draining cart which was purchased for draining oil from aircrafts being in an unservicable condition?
- (d) Will he state the course of action that he is going to follow with regard to irregular purchases of this nature done in a fraudulent manner?
- (e) If not, why?

Thursday, March 08, 2007

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0710/06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources,—

- (a) Is he aware that the Secretary of the Ministry of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources is a Pensioner who draws a pension at present?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the basis on which the Secretary concerned is working in the Ministry;
 - (ii) his birthday and the age at present;
 - (iii) the period during which his extension of service will be operative; and,
 - (iv) on what basis that will be?

- (c) Will he submit to this House separately—
 - (i) the number of foreign tours undertaken by the said Secretary since the day on which the Minister assumed duties;
 - (ii) such dates and the countries;
 - (iii) the reason for granting opportunity for those foreign tours and the benefits acquired to the Ministry out of such visits;
 - (iv) the expenses on his foreign tours in detail?
- (d) Will he inform this House;
 - (i) whether, it was out of state funds that money was spent on his New Zealand tour;
 - (ii) whether, expenses have been requested for out of Asian Development Fund for this tour?
 - (iii) whether, the Minister has approved the expenditure of funds for that;
 - (iv) if so, how much?
- (e) If not, why?

0736/06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Media and Information,—

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Mr. Janadasa Peris, Mr. Newton Gunarathne and Mr. Thirugnana Sunderam served as the former relief news editor, former relief announcer and the relief announcer of the Tamil service, respectively, in the Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation;
 - (ii) they enjoy the benefit of a government pension?
- (b) Will he inform this House the basis on which they, who had served in the Broadcasting Corporation, had become entitled to the privilege of receiving a government pension in the aforesaid manner?
- (c) Will he state separately the amounts of gratuity, arrears and other payments they have obtained at the time of retirement from the Broadcasting Corporation?
- (d) If not, why?

0830/06

Hon. R.M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—

- (a) Is he aware that Mrs. Wijayamuni Sugunawathie De Silva of No.60, Model Village, Maduruketiya, Kumbukkana, Moneragala has been residing in a land belonging to the Land Reforms Commission for 19 years?

- (b) Will he admit that she has paid the surveying fees and the stamp fees a number of years ago to purchase the said land for the assessed value from the Lands Reforms Authority?
- (c) Will he take steps to resolve this issue which has been in existence for several years and hand over the relevant deed to her promptly?
- (d) If not, why?

0764/06

Hon. R.M. Padma Udayashantha Gunasekara,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—

- (a) Will he submit to this House separately and in detail, the Development plan proposed for each Divisional Secretariat Division in the Moneragala District for the years 2005 and 2006, under the Uva Wellassa Development project?
- (b) Will he submit to this House a report of the projects for which estimates have been prepared under the said programme?
- (c) Will he state separately—
 - (i) out of the projects, those which were completed in 2005 at the relevant Divisional Secretariat Divisional level; and,
 - (ii) the projects that have been started in the year 2006 at Divisional Secretariat Division level?
- (d) Will he submit to this House a comprehensive report on the projects that have not been completed out of those earmarked for the year 2006?
- (e) Will he state separately the projects, work on which has not been started, out of those earmarked for the years 2005 and 2006?
- (f) If not, why?

0765/06

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether Mr. Amarakoon Dissanayake Wimalasena has served as a permanent teacher in the school for the deaf and blind at Kumbukkana, Moneragala;
 - (ii) the date Mr. Dissanayake was appointed as a permanent teacher and his period of service;
 - (iii) whether he has served as a voluntary teacher in the school for the deaf and blind at Kumbukkana;
 - (iv) if so, since when and for how long?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) when Mr. Dissanayake was interdicted;

- (ii) the reason for the interdiction;
- (iii) whether a preliminary disciplinary inquiry was held in this regard;
- (iv) if so, by whom;
- (v) the date and the place of the preliminary disciplinary inquiry?
- (c) Will he submit the report of the preliminary disciplinary inquiry to this House?
- (d) Will he state whether his interdiction was executed in terms of the rules and regulations of the establishments code, teachers' minutes, laws and rules of assisted schools or other rules and regulations?
- (e) Will he state—
 - (i) whether action would be taken to reinstate Mr. Dissanayake, if his interdiction was found to be a case of illegal and malicious political victimisation?
 - (ii) if so, when?
- (f) If not, why?

0755/06

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—

- (a) Will he inform this House the extent of the lands that have been distributed under the distribution of lands to the middle class people from the lands which belong to the Land Refrom Commission and the government in the Galle district?
- (b) Will he present to this House—
 - (i) the names and the addresses of the owners of the aforesaid lands and the number of acres that have been given to them at Divisional Secretariat Division level;
 - (ii) the basis on which the aforesaid lands have been given and the relevant conditions;
 - (iii) whether the government has charged any money for the lands given to the middle class people;
 - (iv) if any money has been charged, the amount of it?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the lands given to the middle class people have been transferred to other persons by them;
 - (ii) the names of transferors and transferees of the aforesaid lands and the names of the relevant lands; and,

- (iii) out of the distributed lands, the lands that have not brought under Cultivation and their extents?
- (d) Will he take action to take over the lands that have not been brought under cultivation and are covered with jungle and keep them as reserves of distribute such lands among the landless, if they are barren lands?
- (c) If not, why?

0783/06

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Plantation Industries,—

- (a) Will he state in this House the names of the private Estate Companies, had been that belonged to the government and were managed by the government were transferred?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the extents in hectares of the Estate lands that have been so transferred;
 - (ii) the lease period for which each land has been transferred and the dates on which such lease agreements lapse;
 - (iii) the basis on which taxes are levied on the cultivations in the leased out lands; and,
 - (iv) the basis on which taxes are levied on the tea factories, Estate Bungalows and workers' quarters?
- (c) Will he inform this House of the procedure followed when a portion of lands leased out to plantation companies in this manner is taken over for a purpose of the government?
- (d) If not, why?

0773/06

Hon. Anura Dissanayake,— To ask the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,—

- (a) Is he aware that the construction of a maternity ward and an operation theatre was included in the Action Plan for 2004 of the Uva Provincial Council in regard to upgrading of the Bibile District Hospital in to a Base Hospital?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the institutions that have agreed to provide funds in that respect;
 - (ii) the estimated cost;
 - (iii) the periods over which such amounts are expected to be utilized;
 - (iv) the expenditure incurred on these constructions so far?
- (c) Will he accept that there have been irregularities in the process of preparing the initial estimates relating to these constructions and also in the tender procedure followed?

- (d) If so, will he state what action has been taken by now against it?
- (e) If not, why?

0774/06

Hon. Anura Dissanayake,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,—

- (a) Is he aware that a massive irregularity has occurred in the construction of the Cultural Hall of the Sri Kadireshan Kovil in Amunuwatta by the Passara Divisional Secretariat?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the nature of the said irregularity and the names of the officers involved; and,
 - (ii) the action that will be taken concerning those officers?
- (c) Will he state the present condition of the Cultural Hall, which is in a partially constructed state for the last five years from 2001-2005?
- (d) If not, why?

0521/06

Hon. Abdul Haleem,— To ask the Minister of Highways, and Road Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the name of the institution that is in charge of the construction work of the Katugastota new bridge on Kandy-Jaffna A-9 road;
 - (ii) the name of the institution that provides assistance or money for the completion of the construction work;
 - (iii) the extent of the lands that have been taken over for the construction work and the names of the owners of those lands;
 - (iv) whether any compensation will be paid to the aforesaid owners or they will be given alternative lands or places?
- (b) If not, why?

0831/06

Hon. Abdul Haleem,— To ask the Minister of Housing and Common Amenities,—

- (a) Is she aware that roofing sheets have been given under Indian line of credit to be distributed among poor families in the Harispattuwa, Poojapitiya and Akurana Divisional Secretariat Divisions in the Kandy District?
- (b) Will she inform this House—
 - (i) the number of roofing sheets so distributed;

- (ii) the institutions which took action to distribute them among the poor; and,
- (iii) the qualifications of those who were given those roofing sheets;
- (c) Will she state separately at Grama Niladhari Divisions Level, the list of names of the heads of the households and the number of roofing sheets given to them; and,
- (d) Will she state as to how the support of Grama Niladhari's was obtained in this project;
- (f) Will she inform this House whether roofing sheets were given to those selected jointly after investigation by Technical Officers of the National Housing Development Authority and the Grama Niladharis during the previous regime?
- (g) If not, why?

0757/06

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Samurdhi family units in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the present earning capacity of these family units from 1995 to date on per year basis;
 - (iii) the number of families moved out of Samurdhi per year from 1995 to-date, as they earn more than the registered in poverty threshold; and,
 - (iv) the number of new families registered in Samurdhi network from 1995 on a per year basis?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the amount obtained by each family of each category per month;
 - (ii) the number of families fall into each category separately;
 - (iii) and, percentage to the total Samurdhi families?
- (c) If not, why?

0758/06

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the total deposits of the Samurdhi Authority;

- (ii) where these monies have been invested;
 - (iii) the return received per investment on per year basis to the date of investment; and,
 - (iv) the names of the Directors of these investment institutions appointed by the Samurdhi Authority?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) the amount invested in Treasury Bills;
 - (ii) the interest received per year along with inflation rate;
 - (iii) the interest received by the Samurdhi beneficiaries from the Authority;
 - (iv) whether the savers receive a negative return;
 - (v) whether the Authority gets money from International Lending Institutions;
 - (vi) if so the amount;
 - (vii) whether it is a grant or a loan; and,
 - (viii) if it is a loan, the interest?
- (c) If not, why?

0759/06

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

- (a) Will he inform this House the inflation rate and the exchange rate separately, for the last 10 years upto 30th September, 2006?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) the amount of money printed to replace the old notes for the last 05 years; and the total value;
 - (ii) the average and the highest bank lending rates for the last 07 years upto 1st September 2006,
 - (iii) the amount of Treasury Bills and Treasury Bonds out into the market;
 - (iv) the maximum statutory limit approved by the Parliament;
 - (v) the amount of money, printed to meet the deficit of the Government revenue without Government reserves to back up in short inflationary trend; and,

- (vi) the inflation impact to the country due to above?
- (c) If not, why?

0789/06

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—

- (a) Will he inform this House whether approval was obtained from the relevant institutions which possess the trusteeship of the Sirimawo Bandaranaike stadium in Gampaha when building were erected there?
- (b) If so, will he submit to this House the documents pertaining to the obtaining of the relevant approval?
- (c) If approval was not obtained, will he state the reasons for that?
- (d) Will he inform this House the name, designation and the institution of the chief officer who was in-charge of this project and provided the relevant instructions?
- (e) Is he aware that—
 - (i) as a result of this construction and the relevant plans, severe damage has been caused to this stadium; and,
 - (ii) the Sports Authorities do not recommend this stadium for the conduct of a National or provincial level sports festival?
- (f) Will he take steps to conduct a full-scale inquiry into this irregular construction with the monies of the President's Fund and without transparency as to the utilization of such monies?
- (g) If not, why?

Friday March 09, 2007

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0772/06

Hon. Anura Dissanayake,— To ask the Minister of Sports and Public Recreation,—

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the number of certificates and the number of medals that were needed for each of the National Sports Festivals held from 2000 to 2005 separately;

- (ii) the number of certificates and medals that had been purchased for each year from 2000 to 2005; and,
 - (iii) the names of the institutes that supplied certificates and medals in respect of each of the years above and the prices offered?
- (b) Is he aware that a massive irregularity has occurred in purchasing medals and printing certificates for the National Sports Festivals conducted by the Ministry of Sports from 2000 to 2005?
- (c) Will he state in this House—
- (i) whether the formal tender procedure has been followed in procuring certificates/medals;
 - (ii) if so, the names, the addresses and the designations of the members of the Tender Board concerned?
- (d) Will he state—
- (i) the persons, responsible for the irregularity which has occurred; and,
 - (ii) the measures that have been taken against them?
- (e) If not, why?

0777/06

Hon. Anura Dissanayake,— To ask the Minister of Labour Relations and Manpower,—

- (a) Is he aware that there is no uniformity in the contributions by the employees and the employers made to the Employees' Provident Fund in respect of state corporations, Boards, Statutory Institutions and the Private Sector?
- (b) Will he inform the House which institutes recover employer and employee contributions at the rate of 15% and 10% respectively?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) whether it is under a provision of the Employees' Provident Fund Act that contributions are collected at the rate of 12% and 8%;
 - (ii) the names of the institutions which maintain employees' provident funds of their own and the annual interest rates they pay the employees, separately;
 - (iii) the names of the institutes which receive the benefits of both employees' provident fund and the pension?
- (d) Will he inform this House of the criteria that are used in determining the interest rate of the Employees' Provident Fund?
- (e) If not, why?

0802/06

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

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the number of registered commercial banking Pawning dealers and non banking pawning dealers separately;
 - (ii) their total business values separately for the last 10 years on per year basis;
 - (iii) the total tax earned by the government from pawning activities; and, what these taxes are?
- (b) Will he state that—
 - (i) after how long, can these non banking pawning dealers confiscate the goods if the borrowers default?
 - (ii) what is the percentage of this compared to the pawning industry?
- (c) If not, why?

0771/06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Management,—

- (a) Is he aware that over 2000 families of the Kadawatha, Thalagoda, Elagamuwa, Kambarawa, Galporugolla, Medapihilla, Moragolla, Galboda, Rajawala, Kongahawela, Millagahamulatenna, and Maragamuwa Grama Niladhari Divisions of the Naula Divisional Secretariat Division will be displaced due to the construction of the proposed Moragahakanda reservoir?
- (b) Will he admit that it is an injustice to resettle these people who lived for generations with the common spirit of “We are from Laggala”, in a remote area like Medirigiriya, which is a border village of the Polonnaruwa district?
- (c) Will he take action to resettle these people in the remaining lands of the Dambulla and Laggala electorate of the Matale district?
- (d) If not, why?

0806/06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Indigenous Medicine,—

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Homeopathy Medical System is legalised in Sri Lanka in terms of Act No:07 of 1970;

- (ii) the supply of drugs to the free Homeopathy Clinics, has been stopped, at present;
 - (iii) due to this reason, a number of free clinics have been closed down; and,
 - (iv) although the Homeopathy Hospital was opened nearly three years back, its Indor Patients' unit has not yet been opened?
- (b) Will he admit the fact that a large number of patients who receive treatment at the Kandy free Homeopathy hospital, which has been in existence for nearly 16 years now, have been made to suffer due to the non-supply of drugs?
- (c) If so, will he inform this House of the steps to be taken to revive the Homeopathy Medical system?
- (d) Will he submit to this House separately, the Development projects carried out in 2006 of the money allocated for Homeopathy Development?
- (e) If not, why?

0829/06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Land and Land Development,—

- (a) Is he aware that action has been taken to acquire a 28-acre land at Pitigala North, Pitigala, in the Niyagama Divisional Secretariat Division belonging to Mrs. Rohini Mangalika Pieris residing at Wicklands Estate, Uluvitike, Galle?
- (b) Will he admit that—
- (i) this is the only source of income for Mrs. Rohini Mangalika who is a helpless widow with two daughters and that she does not have an inch of land other than this land; and,
 - (ii) this acquisition has been done by way of political victimisation?
- (c) Will he take action to cancel the acquisition of this land and allow the relevant owners to enjoy its possession further?
- (d) If not, why?

0219/06

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—

- (a) Will he 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 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?

0619/06

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

- (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?

Tuesday, March 20, 2007

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0609/06

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

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
- (i) the names of the Judges of the Superior Courts who had gone abroad during the last 05 years;
 - (ii) the costs involved;
 - (iii) the costs were born by whom;
 - (iv) the criteria for the selection for such trips in respect of all judges (Superior Courts and minor judiciary)
- (b) Will he state whether there is a disciplinary code or a code of ethics for the Judges (Superior courts and minor Judiciary)?
- (c) If not, why?

0700/'06

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

- (a) Is he aware that,—
 - (i) Mr. S.G. Muditha Ruwan Sanjeeva residing at Nagolla, Wilgamuwa in Matale was injured in one eye while he was travelling in the bus bearing Registration No.61-8131 belonging to the Udadumbara Depot of the Sri Lanka Transport Board on 16.02.2004 and;
 - (ii) as a result, Mr. Sanjeeva had to undergo treatment, having been admitted to the General Hospital in Kandy?
- (b) Does he accept that,—
 - (i) although he was subjected to three operations on the injured eye, he has not yet recovered his vision fully; and,
 - (ii) neither the Sri Lanka Central Transport Board, nor the Udadumbara Central Transport Board Depot has paid him any compensation on account of the said injury?
- (c) Will he take action to have him paid compensation by the Transport Board for the injury caused?
- (d) If not, why?

0566/'06

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

- (a) Will he inform this House, separately,—
 - (i) the extent of land distributed among the public and various institutions during the period from January 2002 to January 2006, out of the lands belonging to the Land Reform Commission and the state owned plantation companies?
 - (ii) on what basis they were distributed;
 - (iii) the beneficiaries (including the institutions) who had obtained land on various bases; and
 - (iv) their addresses and the extents of land so distributed?
- (b) If any sum of money had been charged for that purpose, will he state such prices under each of such bases?
- (c) If not, why?

0577/06

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

- (a) Is he aware that,—
 - (i) Mr. A. Yogarajah, office peon attached to National School, Paddiruppu in Batticaloe District was promoted to Class II with effect from 01.05.1994 by the letter No. Gen. 8/2/04/4/1 and dated 13.11.1996 of the Secretary, to the Ministry of Education North East Provincial Council;
 - (ii) several requests made by him to get his promotion to Class I was unduly delayed;
 - (iii) he was absorbed to the Central Government as Paddiruppu Central College was made to a National School;
 - (iv) his contemporaries are still working in the Provincial Council and were promoted after 10 years of service from their date of promotion to Class II?
- (b) Will he take suitable action to grant his promotion to Class I without further delay, as he is frustrated in his service?
- (c) If not, why?

0220/06

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—

- (a) Will he 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 Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order—

- (a) Will he 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 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?
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Wednesday, March 21, 2007

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0610/'06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Justice and Law Reforms,—

- (a) Will he table the accounts of the Judicial Reforms Fund, financed by the World Bank?
- (b) Will he state,—
 - (i) the authority who is responsible for management of the fund;
 - (ii) the names of the members of such authority; and,
 - (iii) whether the fund has been audited by the Auditor-General?
- (c) If not, why?

0701/'06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Land and Land Development,—

- (a) Is he aware that,—
 - (i) Mr. K.A. Sunny has been residing in the plot of land bearing No.1364 belonging to the “Somi Rest Watta” Housing Scheme in Udugama

South in Udugama in the Galle district since 1980 and that he is the legal owner of that land;

- (ii) a government Surveyor had surveyed the said plot of land on 05.08.2006 stating that the land had been vested in the Nagoda Pradesheeya Sabha by the Housing Authority;
 - (iii) Mr. Sunny had lodged a complaint with the Udugama police after some valuable trees had been cut after the said survey; and,
 - (iv) no officer from the Nagoda Pradesheeya Sabha or the Housing Authority has come to inquire into that complaint?
- (b) Will he take necessary action to look into the felling of trees on the land occupied by Mr. Sunny and the destruction caused and to pay him compensation?
- (c) If not, why?

0715/06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare, — To ask the Minister of Industrial Development, —

- (a) Is he aware that the casual employees recruited for service in the Lanka Mineral Sands Company, Pulmudai, during the period from 1984 to 2004, have not been confirmed so far?
- (b) Will he inform this House for what reason the 30 employees who have served in the casual service for over a year and are now in excess, have not been confirmed in this manner?
- (c) Will he state, —
 - (i) whether he will take action to confirm these employees?
 - (ii) if so, from which date?
- (d) If not, why?

Thursday, March 22, 2007

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0611/06

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare, — To ask the Minister of Justice and Law Reforms, —

- (a) Will he inform this House whether, —
 - (i) the Registrar of Colombo District Court was due to retire in 2006;
 - (ii) he was taken into custody on an allegation of bribery;

- (iii) he was facing criminal charges in the Magistrate's Court of Anuradhapura;
- (iv) he was completing 60 years in 2006; and,
- (v) he has been given an extension beyond 60 years on a contract basis?
- (b) Will he state why only he has been selected for appointment on a contract basis?
- (c) If not, why?

0629/'06

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

- (a) Is he aware that the variable Cost of Living Allowance paid to the pensioners who retired from the People's Bank has been suspended?
- (b) Will he state,—
 - (i) the reason for taking this decision, which causes a serious impact on these pensioners economically; and,
 - (ii) whose decision it was?
- (c) Will he admit that the Bank's management has shown an amount of approximately 230 million rupees which should have been paid to pensioners over a period of 10 years, as part of the profits they have earned?
- (d) As this allowance is paid to both pensioners and their widowers by the Bank of Ceylon and other state banks without any difference, will he act to pay this allowance to the People's Bank pensioners as well?
- (c) If not, why?

Tuesday, April 17, 2007

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0213/'06

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—

- (a) Will he submit this House the names and addresses of the Samurdhi recipients in the Ambalantota 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?

0214/06

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—

(a) Will he submit this House the names and addresses of the Samurdhi recipients in the Sooriyawewa 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?

0215/06

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—

(a) Will he submit this House the names and addresses of the Samurdhi recipients in the Tangalle 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?
