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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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The Minister of Irrigation and Water Management and Minister of Ports and Aviation — Resolution under the Finance Act,— That the Parliament hereby resolves under Section 19 of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971 to direct the Minister—

(a) to dissolve the Central Freight Bureau of Sri Lanka, established under Section 2 of the Central Freight Bureau of Sri Lanka Law, No.26 of 1973; and

(b) to appoint a person or persons to be a liquidator or liquidators of the Central Freight Bureau of Sri Lanka established under Section 2 of the Central Freight Bureau of Sri Lanka Law, No.26 of 1973, being a public corporation, for the purposes of winding up the said public corporation in terms of Part II of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971.

(Cabinet approval signified)

* Indicates Government Business

Monday, December 01, 2008

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0706/'08

Hon. Lakshman Nipunaarachchi,— To ask the Minister of Housing and Common Amenities,—

(a) Will she inform this House—

(i) the date on which the Mount Clifford Estate at Magammana, in Homagama was taken over by the Government;

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- (ii) the extent of that land and the value of the same at the time of taking over;
 - (iii) the number of houses that have been built in the aforesaid land after it was taken over;
 - (iv) the extent of the vacant land area of the estate after the construction of the houses; and
 - (v) the development activities that have been planned for the utilization of the above mentioned vacant land?
- (b) Is she aware that a portion of the aforesaid vacant land, which is situated adjoining the main road is being used as a place for common purposes and as a play ground?
- (c) Will she admit that—
- (i) a request has been made through a resolution passed at the Homagama Pradeshiya Sabha that the portion of vacant land in the area with an extent of nearly two acres, which is being used as a play ground be reserved for common purposes;
 - (ii) requests have been made in this regard through various representatives of people; and
 - (iii) the people of the area and the public societies and associations of the area too have made requests in this regard?
- (d) Accordingly, will she take necessary steps to grant the aforesaid portion of land for developing as a playground by considering as a requirement of the area?
- (e) If not, why?

0708/'08

Hon. Lakshman Nipunaarachchi,— To ask the Minister of Urban Development and Sacred Area Development,—

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) the words 'This foundation stone was laid on 20th August 1999 for the Cultural City of Kolonnawa' are inscribed on a foundation stone laid on a land in front of the clock tower in Kolonnawa; and
 - (ii) an inaugural ceremony for the cultural city was held on the aforesaid date?
- (b) Will he inform this House of—
- (i) the names of the Ministers, Deputy Ministers, Members of Parliament, Members of the Provincial Councils and Members of Local Government Bodies who participated in the aforesaid ceremony ;

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- (ii) the names of the persons who organized the aforesaid ceremony;
 - (iii) the amount of money that was spent on the relevant ceremony; and
 - (iv) the amount of money that was spent to construct the plaque and the foundation stone?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) the work that has been carried out up to now in connection with the construction of the cultural city;
 - (ii) the works in the relevant work plan that have not been carried out after laying the foundation stone?
- (d) If not, why?

0767/'08

Hon. Thilakarathna Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,—

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of members of the staff of the Baddegama MOH office in Galle at present;
 - (ii) the number of members of the staff that should be there in relation to the population of the aforesaid area;
 - (iii) separately, the difference between the staff that should be there and the present staff; and
 - (iv) whether payments including traveling expenses have been paid to the staff without arrears?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) the number of Gramodaya Health Centres situated in the area of the Baddegama MOH office;
 - (ii) whether the facilities such as water, electricity, weighing machines and seating facilities for the mothers who come to these centres have been provided; and
 - (iii) whether necessary toilet facilities have been provided under the aided latrine scheme?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether the aforesaid office has vehicles;
 - (ii) the amount of fuel allocated monthly for the aforesaid vehicles; and
 - (iii) whether that amount is sufficient for traveling related to official work?

(d) Will he state—

- (i) whether Public Health Inspectors and Family Health Officers have been given the motor cycles entitled to them; and
- (ii) if not, the time period within which the aforesaid motor cycles will be given?

(e) If not, why?

0768/'08

Hon. Thilakarathna Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,—

(a) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) the number of members of the staff of the Neluwa MOH office in Galle at present;
- (ii) the number of members of the staff that should be there in relation to the population of the aforesaid area;
- (iii) separately, the difference between the staff that should be there and the present staff; and
- (iv) whether payments including traveling expenses have been paid to the staff without arrears?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the number of Gramodaya Health Centres situated in the area of the Neluwa MOH office;
- (ii) whether the facilities such as water, electricity, weighing machines and seating facilities for the mothers who come to these centres have been provided; and
- (iii) whether necessary toilet facilities have been provided under the aided latrine scheme?

(c) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether the aforesaid office has vehicles;
- (ii) the amount of fuel allocated monthly for the aforesaid vehicles; and
- (iii) whether that amount is sufficient for traveling related to official work?

(d) Will he state—

- (i) whether Public Health Inspectors and Family Health Officers have been given the motor cycles entitled to them; and

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- (ii) if not, the time period within which the aforesaid motor cycles will be given?
- (e) If not, why?

0775/'08

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources,—

- (a) Is he aware that some fishermen perished as a result of the cyclonic condition that occurred in the Southern and Western costal areas, on the night of 22.07.2008?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of fishermen who died and the number of fishermen who disappeared as a result of the aforesaid cyclonic condition;
 - (ii) their names and addresses;
 - (iii) the number of fishing vessels that were destroyed;
 - (iv) the names and addresses of the owners of those vessels;
 - (v) the relief that was provided to the families of those who disappeared and those who died; and
 - (vi) the relief that has been provided to repair the damaged fishing vessels and fishing gear?
- (c) If not, why?

0776/'08

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of the name and the address of the owner of the hotel named 'Lighthouse' which has been constructed very close to the sea, at Devinuwara South Grama Niladhari Division in Devinuwara Divisional Secretariat Division?
- (b) Is he aware that the provisions of Coast Conservation Act have been violated in locating this hotel?
- (c) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the name of the department from which a permit should be obtained, if a certain construction is to be carried out on the sea beach;

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- (ii) whether a permit has been granted for the aforesaid construction accordingly; and
- (iii) the name of the person who held the relevant Ministerial Portfolio at that time?
- (d) Will he admit that the aforesaid construction is illegal?
- (e) if it is illegal, will he state the measures that will be taken in this regard?
- (f) If not, why?

0777/'08

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of reservoirs in our country where freshwater fisheries industry is carried out;
 - (ii) the number of fishermen and the number of families engaged in that fishing industry; and
 - (iii) the number of fishing vessels in use for freshwater fisheries industry?
- (b) Will he state the steps that have been taken by the Government to promote freshwater fisheries industry?
- (c) If not, why?

Tuesday, December 02, 2008

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0733/'08

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of cool rooms that were possessed by fisheries corporation of Sri Lanka by the year 1994;
 - (ii) of the number of functioning cool rooms that were possessed by the fisheries Corporation of Sri Lanka by June 2008;
 - (iii) whether cool rooms have been leased out; and

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- (iv) if so, the number of cool rooms that have been leased out as mentioned above?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the names and addresses of the persons to whom cool rooms have been leased out; and
 - (ii) the number of cool rooms maintained by the private sector?
- (c) If not, why?

0734/'08

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the amount for which the ship named 'Sayuri' which belonged to the NARA Institute and the hydrographic equipment fitted to it had been insured;
 - (ii) the amount received as indemnity after the ship 'Sayuri' and its hydrographic equipment were destroyed in the Tsunami;
 - (iii) the percentage of value of the ship as against the assets of the NARA Institution; and
 - (iv) whether an investigation has been conducted by the Ministry regarding the process that was followed from insuring the ship up to the receiving indemnity for the loss?
- (b) If not, why?

0735/'08

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask the Minister of Environment and Natural Resources,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of hectares of land on which teak has been cultivated in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) of the areas where they have been cultivated;
 - (iii) separately, of the income generated by selling teak trees from teak plantations in Moneragala and Hambantota districts during the last 10 years; and

- (iv) the names of the Ministers who were in charge of the relevant subject during the aforesaid period?

(b) If not, why?

0738/'08

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Industrial Development,—

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of industries that have been started by now in the nineteen Divisional Secretariat Divisions in the Galle district under the 'One industrial village for each Divisional Secretary Division programme of the 'Mahinda Chinthana';
- (ii) the names of those Divisional Secretariat Divisions in order;
- (iii) the relevant products of the industries that have been started;
- (iv) separately, the names and addresses of the owners of those industries; and
- (v) the amount of money allocated by the Ministry of Industrial Development under the 'Mahinda Chintana' programme for each of those industries?

(b) Will he state separately—

- (i) the amount invested on each industry by the owners of the above mentioned industries;
- (ii) whether there are foreign investors in addition to local investors; and
- (iii) if so, the industries in which foreign investors have invested money?

(c) Will he submit to this House in detail the names of medium scale industries which have been registered in the Ministry of Industrial Development by the year 2008 and are currently operative in the Galle District?

(d) If not, why?

0739/'08

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

(a) Will he admit that in response to a question for oral answers raised by me on 29.11.2007 regarding the inclusion of Ga / Udugama Maha Vidyalaya in the 'Isuru' school project, the reply was given that the said school would be admitted to the above project in year 2008?

- (b) Will he also admit that—
- (i) under proposal 2642 of the Consultative Committee on Ministry of Education, I requested that a new building with an auditorium be granted to that school under the first phase of the said 'Isuru' school project;
 - (ii) in spite of that, the relevant officials had informed this school would be removed from the 'Isuru' school project, since the principal had expressed his unwillingness to run Ga / Udugama maha Vidyalaya as a primary section; and
 - (iii) it was stated at the consultative committee held on 06.05.2008 that the aforesaid school would not be removed from the 'Isuru' school project, if it would be run separately as a primary section?
- (c) Will he state accordingly in which month of the year 2008, the granting of required physical resources under the 'Isuru' school project will commence?
- (d) If not, why?

0740/'08

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Is he aware that applications were called by the chief secretary of the Southern Province for recruiting Zonal Directors of Education through an advertisement published in the 'Dinamina' newspaper on 20th July 2007?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the reasons for not taking steps up to now to call the applicants, conduct the interviews and appoint them as Zonal Directors of Education?
- (c) Will he admit that out of the 11 who have been appointed as Zonal Directors of Education at present, 09 have been granted appointments on acting basis and 02 have been appointed on contract basis?
- (d) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the reasons for retaining these directors who were appointed on acting basis without calling those with qualifications for interviews and recruiting them; and
 - (ii) if there are persons who have been charged or found guilty of breach of discipline among these directors, who they are?
- (e) Will he state the time frame within which action will be taken to hold interviews for those who have applied as mentioned above and appoint Zonal Directors of Education for the Southern Province?
- (f) If not, why?

0860/'08

Hon. Lakshman Nipunaarachchi,— To ask the Minister of Nation Building and Estate Infrastructure Development,—

- (a) Is he aware that a fire that erupted on 30.10.2006 in the office of the Piliyandala Samurdhi Bank Association belonging to the Kesbewa Divisional Secretariat has destroyed most of the stationery, documents and equipments there?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the steps that have been taken during a period of nearly two years to restore the activities connected to banking with the help of the files that had not been destroyed;
 - (ii) the amount of money that has turned to bad debts because of the fire;
 - (iii) the functions which could not be restored;
 - (iv) the reasons for not appointing an experienced manager since the time at which the fire occurred up to now; and
 - (v) the reasons for having to keep the said Bank Association closed for business on the dates 11.07.2008 and 14.07.2008?
- (c) Will he state the steps that will be taken regarding the persons who have lost their rights relevant to the Samurdhi Bank Association?
- (d) If not, why?

0867/'08

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

- (a) Is he aware that Mr. E.J.P. Dharmasena, the Grama Niladhari of No. 247-Muruthagaspitiya Division in Dehiattakandiya Divisional Secretariat Division was on duty at the Eastern Provincial Council Election which was held on 10.05.2008?
- (b) Will he admit that the aforesaid Grama Niladhari became disabled as a result of being brutally assaulted by thugs while he was carrying lunch to the officers at the Bambarawana Polling station where he was on duty?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the course of action that has been followed with regard to the assault on a Government officer who was on duty at an election; and
 - (ii) whether justice will be caused to the aforesaid officer who has become disabled at present?
- (d) If not, why?

Wednesday, December 03, 2008

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0748/'08

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask The Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,—

- (a) Is he aware that the Grama Niladhari of Godauda in the Dickwella Divisional Secretariat Division has entered the premises of the Kottegoda Post Office unlawfully on Sunday 29th June 2008, dismantled the wall which had been constructed there and occupied a plot of land therein illegally?
- (b) Will he admit that damaging state property and occupying its land by a Grama Niladhari is a grave offence?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether complaints with regard to this illegal act have been received by the Secretary to the Ministry of Public Administration and the District Secretary of Matara; and
 - (ii) the steps taken in this connection by now?
- (d) Will he admit that damaging public property is an offence serious enough to warrant interdiction?
- (e) If so, will he state—
 - (i) the reasons for not taking the relevant steps in this regard; and
 - (ii) the action that is to be taken in this regard in future?
- (f) If not, why?

0749/'08

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask The Minister of Posts and Telecommunication,—

- (a) Is he aware that complaints in writing have been received by the Dickwella Police with regard to the acquisition of a plot of land in the premises of the Kottegoda Post Office, by the Grama Niladhsri of Godauda after dismantling the wall surrounding it on 29.06.2008?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether action has been taken by police with regard to above complaints; and
 - (ii) if so, what they are?
- (c) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the destroying of state property and forcibly occupying them is an offence serious enough to warrant the arrest of a person;

- (ii) it is a punishable offence to forcibly acquire state property disregarding court orders; and
- (iii) legal action should be instituted against the relevant Grama Niladhari?
- (d) Will he state—
 - (i) if legal action is taken against the above officer, what they are; and
 - (ii) the period of time within which it will be done?
- (e) If not, why?

0741/'08

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,—

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Ministry of Health has granted approval to develop Ga / Udugama District Hospital as a Base Hospital; and
 - (ii) a main plan is being designed at present for a Base Hospital under the approval of the Provincial Ministry of Health?
- (b) Will he admit that—
 - (i) other than the new building of the hospital, all the other buildings are old and have fallen into disrepair;
 - (ii) the old buildings should be dismantled systematically during the construction, though they could be utilized until the new buildings required for the Base Hospital are constructed;
 - (iii) this hospital should be developed promptly to ease the congestion at the Karapitiya Hospital and retain patients living in close proximity to the Udugama Hospital; and
 - (iv) this is the only hospital in the area which is not in any danger even during an emergency like Tsunami or floods?
- (c) Will he inform this House of the duration for the granting of the required financial provisions step by step in consultation with the Provincial Ministry of Health since it cannot carry out the constructions of the Base Hospital on its own?
- (d) If not, why?

0742/'08

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of buses belonging to the Udugama Depot of the Sri Lanka Transport Board (SLTB) in the Gall District;

- (ii) the number of roadworthy vehicles out of the aforesaid fleet of buses;
- (iii) the number of buses that can be used for running after some minor repairs; and
- (iv) the number of buses that can not be used for running?
- (b) Will he state the number of employees in the aforesaid bus depot from the depot superintendent down to the ordinary employee?
- (c) Will he admit the fact that the accommodation facilities needed to the drivers, conductors and the technical officers who takeover the night shifts are in a very unsatisfactory condition?
- (d) Will he inform this House whether enough pure drinking water, sufficient for the whole staff is available?
- (e) Will he admit the fact that the canteen facilities required for them are not available properly?
- (f) Will he inform this House of the timeframe within which the above mentioned shortcomings will be rectified for the benefit of the employees of this depot which has been providing an excellent service under minimum facilities for a very long period?
- (g) If not, why?

0743/08

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Is he aware that the relevant officials stated that the vacancies exist for essential teachers at G / Nagoda Royal National School would be filled as soon as possible, as a reply given to the proposal bearing Parliamentary Consultative Committee No. 2647, which was presented by me?
- (b) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the relevant principal has stated that there are vacancies to teach subjects namely Arts, Science for grade 6-11, Combined Maths and Logic for G.C.E. (A/L), Sports and English, among the vacancies mentioned above; and
 - (ii) I have been informed by Mr. J.H.M.W. Ranjith, Director of Education (teacher transfers), in his letter bearing No. ED/01/27/01/09/2008-G and dated 25-02-2008, that the above mentioned vacancies would be filled with the Diploma Holders of Colleges of Education of year 2008?
- (c) Will he state the number of teachers that has been given to the aforesaid school by July in year 2008, out of the number of teachers that was promised to be given to that school?
- (d) Will he take immediate steps to fill the above mentioned vacancies as agreed at the Consultative Committee as the educational activities of the aforesaid school have been disrupted as a result of the shortage of teachers?
- (e) If not, why?

0778/'08

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask the Minister of Posts and Telecommunication,—

- (a) Is he aware that the main post office in Dickwella was affected by the Tsunami?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether that post office is used at present;
 - (ii) whether the new building situated close to the MARA / Vijitha National School was constructed for the post office;
 - (iii) of the date on which the construction of the aforesaid building was completed;
 - (iv) of the estimated expenditure of the building concerned; and
 - (v) of the financial source that provided funds for the aforesaid construction?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the distance from the main bus stand of Dickwella to the aforesaid newly - constructed building; and
 - (ii) the distance from the aforesaid bus stand to the post office that was affected by the Tsunami?
- (d) If not, why?

0536/'08

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) of the extent of land owned by the Government in a land known both as Ambalanwatta alias Malberry watta in the Kaduwela Divisional Secretariat Division;
 - (ii) the purposes for which the aforesaid lands have been given to certain other parties;
 - (iii) if so, the extent of land given to each party;
 - (iv) the basis on which it was done;
 - (v) if a decision has been taken to sell a portion of the land to the Road Development Authority, the extent of the relevant land and the reason for selling it; and
 - (vi) of the reasons for not making arrangements to give the aforesaid land on any other basis without selling it?

- (b) Is he aware of the facts that—
- (i) there is a need for a play ground in Kaduwela area and there is no other Government land in the area which could be used for that purpose; and
 - (ii) the residents in the area have made a request for the said land to be made available for the above purpose?
- (c) if the aforesaid land cannot be made available for the above mentioned purpose, will he state the reason for it?
- (d) If not, why?

0412/08

Hon. Piyasiri Wijenayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
- (i) the name of the post for which employees were recruited by Bank of Ceylon through a competitive examination that was held by the Department of Examinations recently;
 - (ii) the number of employees who were recruited for the aforesaid post;
 - (iii) the marks obtained by the candidates who were recruited for the aforesaid position at the competitive examination;
 - (iv) the marks obtained and the position secured by each of the aforesaid candidates according to his/her district;
 - (v) the details of those who were recruited on the basis of districts; and
 - (vi) the marks obtained by the selected candidates at the interview?
- (b) Will he submit to this House a list of marks obtained by the candidates who were called for the interview at the competitive examination and the interview?
- (c) If not, why?

Thursday, December 04, 2008

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0744/08

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—

- (a) Will he inform this House in detail, the number of routes for which the route permits (time tables) of the G / Udugama Sri Lanka Transport Board (SLTB) depot had been assigned by the year 2005?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the number of routes on which buses were operated according to the aforesaid old time tables by July 2008;
 - (ii) the number of routes on which buses are not operated according to the aforesaid old time tables by now;
 - (iii) the reasons for it;
 - (iv) whether the Colombo bound trips have been reduced;
 - (v) whether the buses that have been plying to Udugama - Mandalapura, Neluwa, Varukandeniya and Kalvitigala Colony - Thavalama are plying as scheduled; and
 - (vi) whether the trips that have been scheduled by the Udugama Depot for providing transport facilities to the school children are maintained without any reduction?
- (c) Will he inform this House whether the trips done by buses of the Udugama Bus Depot, which was a very efficient depot, will be revised to facilitate the school children and the people?
- (d) If not, why?

0745/'08

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Will he inform this House, whether it has been reported that the old well that provided the drinking water to the students of the G / Nagoda Royal National School has collapsed by now?
- (b) Will he admit that this well is very old and it provided drinking water to the whole area when the aforesaid area came under floods in 2003 as it was not caught up in the floods?
- (c) Is he aware that an old abandoned well which was caught up in the floods that occurred in June 2008 has been cleaned with the help of the school Development Society and is now being used to obtain drinking water as the well mentioned in (b) above cannot be used?
- (d) Will he take necessary steps to build a new well close to the collapsed well before the end of 2008, since the old well which is now used to obtain drinking water to this school where a large number of students receive their education, is an unprotected well which goes under water when this area gets flooded?
- (e) If not, why?

0746/'08

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—

- (a) Is he aware that a stretch of road running close to the Ketagoda school located in the Ketagoda 214B Grama Niladhari Division of the Nagoda Pradeshiya Sabha in the Galle District has been renovated by now using financial provisions provided by the Government and other sources?
- (b) Will he admit that—
 - (i) despite being so renovated greater part of the road from Ketagoda Panwila to the bridge is in a dilapidated state making the vehicular movement difficult; and
 - (ii) a by-road of this road running to Panwila via Kurunduhena which had been renovated by filling with earth, too is in a state of a dilapidation as this area experiences rains during the most part of the year?
- (c) Will he take necessary action to have these two roads renovated by laying concrete in the most dilapidated places enabling the people of this village, the majority of whom depend on an economy based on tea for their livelihood, to carry out their essential activities including the transport of tea leaves?
- (d) Will he inform this House of the period of time within which action will be taken to renovate these two roads since the Ketagoda bridge too is being repaired under the grants of the Asian Development Bank?
- (e) If not, why?

0861/'08

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

- (a) Is he aware that a memorial has been erected in Pellawatta area in Battaramulla, Sri Jayawardhanapura, in memory of the soldiers of the Indian Army who were killed in action?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the amount of money that was spent for it;
 - (ii) the name and the address of the institution that undertook the construction;
 - (iii) the value of the plot of land on which the aforesaid structure has been erected;
 - (iv) whether the memorial has been declared open;
 - (v) if so, the date on which it was done; and
 - (vi) the name of the person who declared open it?
- (c) If not, why?

0862/'08

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of the distance from the shore to the boundary of the Northern territorial waters of Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) whether any decisions were made with regard to the boundary of the Northern territorial waters at the SAARC Summit; and
 - (ii) if so, what those decisions are?
- (c) Will he state the measures that have been taken with regard to fishing done by Indian fishermen in territorial waters of Sri Lanka?
- (d) If not, why?

0587/'08

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the total amount of debts of the country as at 30th May 2008;
 - (ii) the amount of foreign debts, out of the aforesaid amount; and
 - (iii) the amount of foreign debts in the previous month (that is as at 30.04.2008)?
- (b) Accordingly, will he state the purpose for which the increased amount of debts within one month, has been spent?
- (c) If not, why?

0593/'08

Hon. Y.M. Navaratne Banda,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of foreign liquor shops;
 - (ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor was available; and
 - (iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor was available which had been in the Monaragala district before the present government came to power in 2004?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of foreign liquor shops;

- (ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor is available;
and
- (iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor is available:
which are in the Monaragala district at present, after the present Government came to power in 2004?
- (c) Accordingly, will he submit to this House the number of foreign liquor shops, holiday resorts and tourist resorts for which liquor licenses were issued after the present Government came to the office, along with the names and addresses of their owners, separately?
- (d) If not, why?

0598/'08

Hon. Y.M. Navaratne Banda,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of foreign liquor shops;
 - (ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor was available;
and
 - (iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor was available
which had been in the Kandy district before the present Government came to power in 2004?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of foreign liquor shops;
 - (ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor is available;
and
 - (iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor is available:
which are in the Kandy district at present, after the present Government came to power in 2004?
- (c) Accordingly, will he submit to this House the number of foreign liquor shops, holiday resorts and tourist resorts for which liquor licenses were issued after the present Government came to the office, along with the names and addresses of their owners, separately?
- (d) If not, why?

0599/'08

Hon. Y.M. Navaratne Banda,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of foreign liquor shops;

- (ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor was available;
and
- (iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor was available
which had been in the Nuwara Eliya district before the present
Government came to power in 2004?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of foreign liquor shops;
 - (ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor is available;
and
 - (iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor is available:
which are in the Nuwara Eliya district at present, after the present
Government came to power in 2004?
- (c) Accordingly, will he submit to this House the number of foreign liquor
shops, holiday resorts and tourist resorts for which liquor licenses were
issued after the present Government came to the office, along with the
names and addresses of their owners, separately?
- (d) If not, why?

Friday, December 05, 2008

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0761/'08

Hon. Thilakarathna Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Healthcare and
Nutrition,—

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the number of members of the staff of the Galle MOH office at
present;
 - (ii) the number of members of the staff that should be there in relation
to the population of the aforesaid area;
 - (iii) separately, the difference between the staff that should be there
and the present staff; and
 - (iv) whether payments including traveling expenses have been paid to
the staff without arrears?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of Gramodaya Health Centres situated in the area of
the Galle MOH office;

- (ii) whether the facilities such as water, electricity, weighing machines and seating facilities for the mothers who come to these centres have been provided; and
- (iii) whether necessary toilet facilities have been provided under the aided latrine scheme?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the aforesaid office has vehicles;
 - (ii) the amount of fuel allocated monthly for the aforesaid vehicles; and
 - (iii) whether that amount is sufficient for traveling related to official work?
- (d) Will he state—
 - (i) whether Public Health Inspectors and Family Health Officers have been given the motor cycles entitled to them; and
 - (ii) if not, the time period within which the aforesaid motor cycles will be given?
- (e) If not, why?

0762/'08

Hon. Thilakarathna Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,—

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the number of members of the staff of the Habaraduwa MOH office in Galle at present;
 - (ii) the number of members of the staff that should be there in relation to the population of the aforesaid area;
 - (iii) separately, the difference between the staff that should be there and the present staff; and
 - (iv) whether payments including traveling expenses have been paid to the staff without arrears?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of Gramodaya Health Centres situated in the area of the Habaraduwa MOH office;
 - (ii) whether the facilities such as water, electricity, weighing machines and seating facilities for the mothers who come to these centres have been provided; and

- (iii) whether necessary toilet facilities have been provided under the aided latrine scheme?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the aforesaid office has vehicles;
 - (ii) the amount of fuel allocated monthly for the aforesaid vehicles; and
 - (iii) whether that amount is sufficient for traveling related to official work?
- (d) Will he state—
 - (i) whether Public Health Inspectors and Family Health Officers have been given the motor cycles entitled to them; and
 - (ii) if not, the time period within which the aforesaid motor cycles will be given?
- (e) If not, why?

0763/08

Hon. Thilakarathna Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,—

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the number of members of the staff of the Imaduwa MOH office in Galle at present;
 - (ii) the number of members of the staff that should be there in relation to the population of the aforesaid area;
 - (iii) separately, the difference between the staff that should be there and the present staff; and
 - (iv) whether payments including traveling expenses have been paid to the staff without arrears?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of Gramodaya Health Centres situated in the area of the Imaduwa MOH office;
 - (ii) whether the facilities such as water, electricity, weighing machines and seating facilities for the mothers who come to these centres have been provided; and
 - (iii) whether necessary toilet facilities have been provided under the aided latrine scheme?

- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the aforesaid office has vehicles;
 - (ii) the amount of fuel allocated monthly for the aforesaid vehicles; and
 - (iii) whether that amount is sufficient for traveling related to official work?
- (d) Will he state—
 - (i) whether Public Health Inspectors and Family Health Officers have been given the motor cycles entitled to them; and
 - (ii) if not, the time period within which the aforesaid motor cycles will be given?
- (e) If not, why?

0553/'08

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the quantity of Crude Oil been imported from Iran for the last 15 years to-date;
 - (ii) the price we have bought from Iran along with the world market price as of that date;
 - (iii) whether we have paid for the purchase or bought on credit; and
 - (iv) if on credit the period and the interest rates?
- (b) Will he state the total outstanding payments up to-date for Petroleum purchase from Iran?
- (c) If not, why?

0595/'08

Hon. L.G. Wasantha Piyatissa,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of foreign liquor shops;
 - (ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor was available; and

(iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor was available which had been in the Ampara district before the present Government came to power in 2004?

(b) Will he state—

(i) the number of foreign liquor shops;

(ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor is available; and

(iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor is available:

which are in the Ampara district at present after the present, government came to power in 2004?

(c) Accordingly, will he submit to this House the number of foreign liquor shops, holiday resorts and tourist resorts for which liquor licenses were issued after the present Government came to the office, along with the names and addresses of their owners, separately?

(d) If not, why?

0596/'08

Hon. L.G. Wasantha Piyatissa,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—

(a) Will he inform this House of—

(i) the number of foreign liquor shops;

(ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor was available; and

(iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor was available

which had been in the Jaffna district before the present Government came to power in 2004?

(b) Will he state—

(i) the number of foreign liquor shops;

(ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor is available; and

(iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor is available:

which are in the Jaffna district at present, after the present Government came to power in 2004?

(c) Accordingly, will he submit to this House the number of foreign liquor shops, holiday resorts and tourist resorts for which liquor licenses were issued after the present Government came to the office, along with the names and addresses of their owners, separately?

(d) If not, why?

0594/08

Hon. Y. M. Navaratne Banda,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of jobs that have been given by now (within the year 2007 and in the year 2008 up to now) according to the Programme of providing employments to graduates which was pledged by the budget of 2008;
 - (ii) the fields of work in which such jobs were provided and the number of jobs that were provided;
 - (iii) the number of graduates who have not been given jobs; and
 - (iv) the name of the programme that has been launched to provide jobs to the aforesaid unemployed graduates in a speedy manner?
- (b) If not, why?

0620/'08

Hon. M.D. Namal Karunaratne,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of foreign liquor shops;
 - (ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor was available; and
 - (iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor was available; which had been in the Kurunegala district before the present Government came to power in 2004?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of foreign liquor shops;
 - (ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor is available; and
 - (iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor is available: which are in the Kurunegala district at present after the present Government came to power in 2004?
- (c) Accordingly, will he submit to this House the number of foreign liquor shops, holiday resorts and tourist resorts for which liquor licenses were issued after the present Government came to the office, along with the names and addresses of their owners, separately?
- (d) If not, why?

0621/'08

Hon. M.D. Namal Karunaratne,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the number of foreign liquor shops;
- (ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor was available; and
- (iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor was available

which had been in the Puttalam district before the present Government came to power in 2004?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the number of foreign liquor shops;
- (ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor is available; and
- (iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor is available:

which are in the Puttalam district at present after the present Government came to power in 2004?

(c) Accordingly, will he submit to this House the number of foreign liquor shops, holiday resorts and tourist resorts for which liquor licenses were issued after the present Government came to the office, along with the names and addresses of their owners, separately?

(d) If not, why?

0774/'08

Hon. M.D. Namal Karunaratne,— To ask the Minister of Environment and Natural Resources,—

(a) Will he submit to this House, the environmental value of the forest reserves belonging to the Department of Forest Conservation in the Medakanda and Madahapola Grama Niladhari Divisions of the Polpithigama Divisional Secretary Division in the Kurunegala District?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of farmers engaged in chena cultivation in the above mentioned reserves, against whom cases have been filed in the years 2006/2007;
- (ii) the amount of money collected as fines in the said cases; and;

- (iii) the number of those who have been given other forms of punishment?
 - (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the boundaries of the reserve have been altered in the forest reserve with trees such as margosa, teak, cashew and acacia planted by farmers under 'Rural Afforestation Scheme', in order to transfer its ownership to a person named Nimal Kathriarachchi on a private deed possessed by him;
 - (ii) the reasons for the delay in demarcating the boundary of the forest reserve despite surveying activities being completed upon information provided; and
 - (iii) whether the relevant boundary will be demarcated expeditiously?
 - (d) If not, why?
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Monday, December 08, 2008

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0764/'08

Hon. Thilakarathna Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,—

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the number of members of the staff of the Karandeniya MOH office in Galle at present;
 - (ii) the number of members of the staff that should be there in relation to the population of the aforesaid area;
 - (iii) separately, the difference between the staff that should be there and the present staff; and
 - (iv) whether payments including traveling expenses have been paid to the staff without arrears?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of Gramodaya Health Centres situated in the area of the Karandeniya MOH office;
 - (ii) whether the facilities such as water, electricity, weighing machines and seating facilities for the mothers who come to these centres have been provided; and

- (iii) whether necessary toilet facilities have been provided under the aided latrine scheme?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the aforesaid office has vehicles;
 - (ii) the amount of fuel allocated monthly for the aforesaid vehicles; and
 - (iii) whether that amount is sufficient for traveling related to official work?
- (d) Will he state—
 - (i) whether Public Health Inspectors and Family Health Officers have been given the motor cycles entitled to them; and
 - (ii) if not, the time period within which the aforesaid motor cycles will be given?
- (e) If not, why?

0765/'08

Hon. Thilakarathna Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,—

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the number of members of the staff of the Ambalangoda MOH office in Galle at present;
 - (ii) the number of members of the staff that should be there in relation to the population of the aforesaid area;
 - (iii) separately, the difference between the staff that should be there and the present staff; and
 - (iv) whether payments including traveling expenses have been paid to the staff without arrears?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of Gramodaya Health Centres situated in the area of the Ambalangoda MOH office;
 - (ii) whether the facilities such as water, electricity, weighing machines and seating facilities for the mothers who come to these centres have been provided; and
 - (iii) whether necessary toilet facilities have been provided under the aided latrine scheme?

- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the aforesaid office has vehicles;
 - (ii) the amount of fuel allocated monthly for the aforesaid vehicles; and
 - (iii) whether that amount is sufficient for traveling related to official work?
- (d) Will he state—
 - (i) whether Public Health Inspectors and Family Health Officers have been given the motor cycles entitled to them; and
 - (ii) if not, the time period within which the aforesaid motor cycles will be given?
- (e) If not, why?

0766/'08

Hon. Thilakarathna Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,—

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the number of members of the staff of the Gonapinuwala MOH office in Galle at present;
 - (ii) the number of members of the staff that should be there in relation to the population of the aforesaid area;
 - (iii) separately, the difference between the staff that should be there and the present staff; and
 - (iv) whether payments including traveling expenses have been paid to the staff without arrears?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of Gramodaya Health Centres situated in the area of the Gonapinuwala MOH office;
 - (ii) whether the facilities such as water, electricity, weighing machines and seating facilities for the mothers who come to these centres have been provided; and
 - (iii) whether necessary toilet facilities have been provided under the aided latrine scheme?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the aforesaid office has vehicles;

- (ii) the amount of fuel allocated monthly for the aforesaid vehicles; and
- (iii) whether that amount is sufficient for traveling related to official work?
- (d) Will he state—
 - (i) whether Public Health Inspectors and Family Health Officers have been given the motor cycles entitled to them; and
 - (ii) if not, the time period within which the aforesaid motor cycles will be given?
- (e) If not, why?

0554/'08

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the total local and foreign debt of the country from 1948 to-date separately, on yearly basis;
 - (ii) expenses on above as a percentage of Gross Domestic Product (GDP); and
 - (iii) the total debts as a percentage of total Government revenue?
- (b) If not, why?

0555/'08

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Highways and Road Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this House the amount of money been allocated and really spent for development and maintenance of roads, for the last 05 years per year basis?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the 10 important roads that have been maintained and the amount spent, separately;
 - (ii) the names of the new Highways and Expressways that are going to be constructed;

- (iii) the estimated cost along with the date that construction starts and the date expected to be completed;
 - (iv) names of the tenderers and their bid prices; and
 - (v) the funding source and the total cost with interest rate for the loan?
- (c) If not, why?
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