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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0085/'10

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddhasasana and Religious Affairs,—

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) of the date on which the 'Sandasiri Wickremaarachchi one member committee' was appointed to look into the problems faced by the people in the area owing to the Lunawa Development Project;
 - (ii) of the date on which the report was submitted;
 - (iii) of the summary of the report submitted by the aforesaid committee;
 - (iv) whether there were occasions when requests were made to submit the relevant report to the Parliament; and
 - (v) of the reasons for not submitting this report to the Parliament up to now?
- (b) If not, why?

0088/'10

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddhasasana and Religious Affairs,—

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) whether there are persons in the Eastern Province, who keep weapons in their possession without legal permission;
 - (ii) whether persons other than those of the Civil Protection Force, the Police or the Three Armed Forces have been permitted to keep weapons in their possession;
 - (iii) if so, the reasons for it?
- (b) If not, why?

0056/'10

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Is he aware that Dahaamuna and Hunnakumbura Primary Schools which belong to Tangalle Educational Zone of Hambantota district and come under the supervision of Angunakolapelassa Divisional Education office, have been closed for 03 years?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) of the present condition of the buildings constructed to run those two schools;
 - (ii) of the current value of the amount spent on constructing those schools; and
 - (iii) of the authority that will bear the loss, if those school buildings fall in to ruin?
- (c) Will he state,—
 - (i) whether he will take measures to use these buildings for some other purpose;
 - (ii) whether he will agree to release the buildings and the premises for the use of other institutions, if those buildings are not rehabilitated and used?
- (d) If not, why?

0057/'10

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Highways,—

- (a) Is he aware that in the 200 metre stretch of Ku.Ga 03 Ellagala access road in the Parakramapura Grama Niladhari Division in the Lunugamwehera Divisional Secretariat division of the Hambantota district, which was constructed by laying concrete about a year ago, concrete has scaled off and is in a dilapidated condition by now?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) of the financial provisions allocated for the development of the said road,
 - (ii) whether recommendations of technical officers have been obtained to the effect that the work had been completed as per the standards in releasing money for construction; and
 - (iii) from what other institutions were recommendations obtained in making payments for the construction of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry into the construction of this road and to restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0051/'10

Hon. Rajiva Wijesinha,— To ask the Minister of Justice,—

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the maximum period for which Interim Orders under the Domestic Violence Act remains valid before which they must be lifted or converted into final orders;
 - (ii) whether this requirement can be ignored in law;
 - (iii) whether any instances have occurred in the last two years in which the requirement has not been observed;
 - (iv) the remedies available, if such instances have occurred; and
 - (v) whether he will take steps to ensure suitable training programmes for any judicial officers involved, to promote better adherence to the law?
- (b) If not, why?

0052/'10

Hon. Rajiva Wijesinha,— To ask the Minister of External Affairs,—

- (a) Is he aware of a country report on Sri Lanka commissioned by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and produced in April 2010 by an organization named Country of Origin Research and Information (CORI)?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the mechanisms exist to ensure that member states of the United Nations are made aware of such country reports and are able to contribute to their substance;
 - (ii) whether he can obtain from UNHCR an account of the manner in which CORI was selected for this assignment, with details as to the personnel involved and the research methodology employed; and
 - (iii) the cost of this exercise?
- (c) Will he state whether he will take steps to ensure that any inaccuracies in the report are corrected?
- (d) If not, why?

0054/'10

Hon. A. Vinayagamoorthy,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddhasasana and Religious Affairs,—

- (a) Is he aware that Valigamam North, which in extent is about 35 percent of the land area in the Northern Province was declared high security zone?

(b) If so, will he inform this House,—

- (i) when the above declaration was made; and
- (ii) whether such declaration has been approved by this Parliament?

(c) If not, why?

0108/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—

(a) Will he submit to this House,—

- (i) the names of the persons who deposited money in Pramuka Bank; and
- (ii) the amount of money deposited by them?

(b) Will he state,—

- (i) the directives of the Central Bank requesting the paying bank of the aforesaid amounts of money and the amounts of money so paid back; and
- (ii) out of the above mentioned depositors, the names and addresses of the depositors who have been paid back one hundred thousand rupees each?

(c) Will he state in this House,—

- (i) the amount of money paid back to the depositors who are above 60 years of age;
- (ii) the number of persons who have been paid back their money as mentioned above; and
- (iii) the amount of money paid back to each depositor separately?

(d) If not, why?

0111/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—

(a) Will he submit to this House the budget deficit in each year from 2004 up to 31st March 2010 separately, in rupees million;

(b) Will he submit to this House the details of the domestic and foreign loans taken within that period to bridge the budget deficits?

(c) Will he inform this House,—

- (i) of the amount of the said loans in rupees;
- (ii) of the total period of time taken to repay those loans; and
- (iii) separately of the amount to be paid within each year accordingly, in rupees?

(d) If not, why?

0083/'10

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

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money that has been spent on all the “Gamidiriya” projects up to now?
- (b) Will he submit to this House the amount of money spent on,—
 - (i) salaries and allowances of officials;
 - (ii) training courses and workshops;
 - (iii) overseas trips; and
 - (iv) purchasing/hiring vehicles out of the money mentioned above?
- (c) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) of the number of projects which are being implemented at present; and
 - (ii) of the amount of money that has been spent on those projects up to now?
- (d) If not, why?

0099/'10

Hon. M. Joseph Michael Perera,—To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) separately, of the number of Samurdhi beneficiaries who were entitled to Samurdhi benefits in each Divisional Secretary's Division in the Gampaha District as at 30th June in each year from year 2004 to year 2007.
 - (ii) of the amounts of money paid to the persons who were entitled to Samurdhi benefits as mentioned above and their names and addresses; and
 - (iii) separately, of the amount of money paid to the Samurdhi beneficiaries in the years 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 ?
- (b) Will he state,—
 - (i) the number of persons who had been Samurdhi beneficiaries during the period of years mentioned above and were deprived of their Samurdhi benefits subsequently and their names and addresses;
 - (ii) the basis on which such deprivation was done; and
 - (iii) if there are new Samurdhi beneficiaries, the amount of money paid to them and their addresses?
- (c) If not, why?

0113/10

Hon. (Mrs)Sriyani Wijewickrama,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—

- (a) Will he state in this House,—
- (i) the names of the main drinking water supply schemes that have been implemented by the National Water Supply and drainage board ;
 - (ii) the dates of commencement of each water supply scheme;
 - (iii) the Divisional Secretariat divisions, which are being Provided with drinking water by those schemes;
 - (iv) the dates from which water has been provided to each Divisional Secretariat division;
 - (v) the Divisional Secretariat divisions that have not been provided with drinking water by those supply schemes;
 - (vi) whether he will take steps to provide them with drinking water;
in the Ampara electorate of the Digamadulla district?
- (b) Will he state the temporary arrangements being made with regard to the supply of water of the Ampara town until repairs of the water tank that supplies water to the Ampara town are over?
- (c) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddhasasana and Religious Affairs,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act,—Regulations made by the President under Section 20 read with Sub-section (3) of Section 4 and Section 14 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 and paragraph (2) of Article 44 of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No 1642/15 of 24th February 2010, which were presented on 18.05.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddhasasana and Religious Affairs,— Orders under the Tobacco Tax Act,—Orders made by the Acting Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 21 of the Tobacco Tax Act No. 8 of 1999, relating to raw material used for producing finished products, storing, import and export of Cigarette, Cigar, Beedi and Pipe Tobacco and amending by substitution for the regulations, No 1 to 19 and all schedules there of the regulations published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1610/28 of 17th July 2009 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1625/1 of 26th October 2009, which were presented on 18.05.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddhasasana and Religious Affairs,— Rules under the Excise Ordinance,—Rules made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 32 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52), read with Article 44(2) of the Constitution, by rescinding the rules published in the Excise Notification No.744 of Gazette Extraordinary No. 362/6A of 14th August 1985 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1640/30 of 12th February 2010, which were presented on 18.05.2010, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 912)

(Cabinet approval signified)

*

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddhasasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Excise (Special Provisions) Act,—Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 3 of the Excise (Special Provisions) Act, No. 13 of 1989, by rescinding the order by the deletion of the item Liquefied Petroleum Gas from the schedule published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1634/22 of 30th December 2009 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1643/1 of 01st March 2010., which was presented on 18.05.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddhasasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Finance Act (No.1),—Order made by the President under Section 26 read with Section 22 of the Finance Act, No. 11 of 2004 and Article 44(2) of the Constitution relating to International Telecommunications Operators Levy by the repeal of the Schedule I, II and III of the regulations published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1595/14 of 31st of March 2009, published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1634/33 of 01st January 2010, which was presented on 18.05.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddhasasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Finance Act (No.2) ,—Order made by the President under Section 26 read with Section 22 of the Finance Act No. 11 of 2004 and Article 44(2) of the Constitution, relating to International Telecommunications Operators Levy by repeal of Regulation 09 of the regulations published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1386/24 of March 31st 2005, published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1620/5 of 22nd September 2009, which was presented on 18.05.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddhasasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.1) ,—Order made by the President under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act No. 48 of 2007, read with Article 44(2) of the Constitution, relating to Special Commodity levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1640/10 of 09th February 2010, which was presented on 18.05.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddhasasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.2),—Order made by the President under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act No. 48 of 2007, read with Article 44 (2) of the Constitution, relating to Special Commodity levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1645/38 of 19th March 2010, which was presented on 18.05.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

* Indicates Government Business

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS

(Tuesday, June 08, 2010)

0104/'10

Hon. Ajith Kumara,—To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—

- (a) Will he submit to this House,—
 - (i) separately, as per Grama Niladhari division, the total number of consumers provided with pipe-borne water under Lunugamvehera water supply project;
 - (ii) the public places provided with pipe-borne water in each Grama Niladhari division; and
 - (iii) the total number of litres of water supplied per day?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the number of consumers provided with uninterrupted water supply within a day?
- (c) Will he submit to this House, as per each division, a step by step description of the procedure undertaken to provide water according to a time-table when uninterrupted water supply is not provided?
- (d) Will he state,—
 - (i) why it is not possible to provide water using bowsers for consumers not provided with water even once in two days;
 - (ii) the number of consumers who have been given water connections but not supplied with water;
 - (iii) whether it is possible to provide uninterrupted water supply using the water released from Veheragala reservoir to Lunugamwehera; and
 - (iv) the time frame required?
- (e) If not, why?

0105/'10

Hon. Ajith Kumara,—To ask the Minister of Posts and Telecommunication,—

- (a) Will he inform this House separately,—
 - (i) of the number of post offices, sub-post offices, agency and rural post offices situated within the Hambantota Divisional Secretariat division;
 - (ii) of the mail distribution offices out of those;
 - (iii) of the extent of the area and the number of people served by each of the aforesaid offices; and
 - (iv) of the number of units earned by each of the aforesaid offices annually, within the past 5 years?
- (b) Will he state,—
 - (i) the number of zones, and the specified number of postmen and telegraph messengers for each of the aforesaid post office areas and the number of vacancies for the said posts as at 30.06.2009;
 - (ii) the date from which vacancies have existed;
 - (iii) the date on which zones were revised last;
 - (iv) the Grama Niladhari divisions and villages not provided with postal facilities, within the said Divisional Secretariat division; and
 - (v) the time frame within which postal facilities will be provided?
- (c) If not, why?

Wednesday, June 09, 2010

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0018/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing & Common Amenities,—

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the number of houses in Hambantota District that were given by the Government from 2006 to the end of 2009;
 - (ii) the names and addresses of the recipients of those houses;
 - (iii) the basis on which those houses have been given?
- (b) Will he state,—
 - (i) the names and addresses of the persons who are yet to settle the housing loans out of the persons who have been granted housing loans;

(ii) the balance of the loans to be paid by each of them separately?

(c) If not, why?

0022/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of National Heritage & Cultural Affairs,—

(a) Will she inform this House,—

- (i) the present situation on Adults only films along with the present legal situation;
- (ii) the members of the Public Performance Board;
- (iii) the number of films or tele-dramas that are being censored; and
- (iv) whether the Public Performance Board can censor the foreign films and D.T.H.. (Direct to Home) telecasting?

(b) If not, why?

0090/'10

Hon. Ajith Kumara,—To ask the Minister of Environment,—

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether an environmental protection levy has been imposed on mobile phones;
- (ii) if so, the date on which the charging of this levy was started;
- (iii) of the amount of money expected to be collected in the year 2010 from this levy;
- (iv) if such a levy has been charged, the amount of money that has been sent to the Treasury; and
- (v) of the amount of money, that has been utilized to protect the environment which is being damaged due to the use of mobile phones, out of the money collected from the aforesaid levy?

(b) Will he state the number of discarded batteries used in mobile phones that have been disposed of in year 2009 without harming the environment?

(c) If not, why?

0100/'10

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Child Development and Women's Affairs,—

(a) Will he inform this House,—

- (i) whether action has been taken as per the statement on the page 8 of the Mahinda Chinthana policy statement with regard to the provision of Rs. 200/- per month to purchase milk powder for the children from their birth up to five years of age; and

- (ii) of the number of children who have been given the aforesaid allowance at district level accordingly?
- (b) Will he take steps to provide all the children below 5 years of age in the island with the aforesaid allowance?
- (c) If not, why?

0058/'10

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Highways,—

- (a) Is he aware that in a 100 metre stretch of the Morakandagoda Temple road in the Morakandagoda Grama Niladhari Division of the Okewela Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying tar about six months ago, tar has scaled off and become unusable by now?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) of the financial provisions allocated for the development of the said road,
 - (ii) whether recommendations of technical officers have been obtained to the effect that the work had been completed as per the standards in releasing money for construction;
 - (iii) from what other institutions were recommendations obtained in making payments for the construction of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry into the construction of this road and to restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0059/'10

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Highways,—

- (a) Is he aware that in a one kilometre stretch of the road from the Laima junction to Manajjawa in the Manajjawa Grama Niladhari Division of the Hambantota Divisional Secretariat Division of Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying concrete about 02 years ago, concrete has scaled off and pot holes have made and become unusable by now?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) of the financial provisions allocated for the development of the said road,
 - (ii) whether recommendations of technical officers have been obtained to the effect that the work had been completed as per the standards in releasing money for construction;
 - (iii) from what other institutions were recommendations obtained in making payments for the construction of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry into the construction of this road and to restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0060/'10

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Is he aware of the fact that cultivations, houses and lives are destroyed by wild elephants in the Grama Niladhari Divisions of Weligatta, Rambukwewa and Keerthipura in the Lunugamwehera Divisional Secretariat division and the Grama Niladhari Divisions of Tissapura and Randunuwatta in the Tissamaharama Divisional Secretariat division of the Hambantota district?
- (b) Will he admit the fact that the farmers find it difficult to run their lives owing to the damages caused to their cultivations?
- (c) Is he aware that human lives were destroyed by wild elephants in the recent past?
- (d) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) of the steps taken so far to prevent damages caused to houses, property and lives;
 - (ii) whether immediate steps will be taken to construct an electric fence as a permanent solution to this problem and sustain it?
- (e) If not, why?

0053/'10

Hon. Rajiva Wijesinha,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the mechanisms exist to monitor the inflow of foreign funds for Non-Governmental Organizations, and institutions incorporated by Act of Parliament that engage in Social Service;
 - (ii) the mechanisms exist to monitor the inflow of foreign funds for companies registered with the Registrar of Companies that engage in social service or research or advocacy; and
 - (iii) whether such companies submit returns as required, and maintain tax files; and pay taxes on any endowments such companies might have?
- (b) Will he state,—
 - (i) the funds from external sources have been received by the International Centre for Ethnic Studies in the period between 1999 and 2010 inclusive, and of the purposes these funds have been used;
 - (ii) whether the purposes for which such funds obtained were approved by the Department of External Resources; and
 - (iii) whether the use of these funds was monitored by any Government agency?
- (c) If not, why?

0106/'10

Hon. Rajiva Wijesinha,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Will he inform this house,—
 - (i) the number of schools in the Eheliyagoda education zone which have less than 100 children on roll;
 - (ii) the results of the Ordinary Level examination and the Year 5 Scholarship examination in each of those schools for the year 2008 and 2009;
 - (iii) whether such schools have sufficient complements of teachers; and
 - (iv) the measures to ensure the students of such schools are kept gainfully occupied when teachers are absent?
- (b) Will he state in Eheliyagoda Education Zone,—
 - (i) the number of larger schools which have insufficient teachers; and
 - (ii) the number of larger schools which have insufficient teachers for Science or Mathematics or English?
- (c) Will he inform this house whether he would draw up guidelines for Provincial Ministries of Education to ensure rationalization of schools and teaching cadres so as to ensure that rural students are provided with adequate teaching staff?
- (d) If not, why?

0055/'10

Hon. A. Vinayagamoorthy,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddhasasana and Religious Affairs,—

- (a) Is he aware that,—
 - (i) nearly 100,000 persons from Waligamem North were displaced in 1990, due to the Army operations; and
 - (ii) they have not yet been allowed to go and resettle in their own houses?
- (b) Will he inform this house when they will be allowed to go and settle in their own lands?
- (c) If not, why?

0112/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddhasasana and Religious Affairs,—

- (a) Will he submit to this House,—
 - (i) the locations of refugee camps where people are detained at present after the North-East war;
 - (ii) the number of persons so detained?

- (b) Will he state,—
- (i) the number of persons arrested as LTTE suspects;
 - (ii) separately, the number of suspects in each camp;
 - (iii) the types of trainings given to them;
 - (iv) the measures taken for their future wellbeing?
- (c) If not, why?

0114/'10

Hon. (Mrs)Sriyani Wijewickrama,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply & Drainage,—

- (a) Will he state,—
- (i) the names of the community drinking water supply schemes that have been implemented by the National Water Supply Board;
 - (ii) the dates on which each of the aforesaid water supply schemes were commenced;
 - (iii) the names of the Divisional Secretariat Divisions to which drinking water is supplied by the aforesaid schemes;
 - (iv) the dates on which the supply of water to each Divisional Secretariat Division was commenced;
 - (v) the names of the Divisional Secretariat Divisions for which community water projects can be provided;
 - (vi) when action will be taken to provide those Divisional Secretariat Divisions with those projects,
- in the Ampara electorate in the
Digamadulla district?
- (b) If not, why?

0115/'10

Hon. (Mrs)Sriyani Wijewickrama,— To ask the Minister of Lands and Land Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this House separately of,—
- (i) the number of families, who are residing;
 - (ii) the number of families, who have been issued with Land Grants;
 - (iii) the number of families, who have been short listed for the issue of Land Grants;
- in each of the Grama Niladhari divisions in
Dehiattakandiya Divisional Secretary's division?

- (b) Will he state;
 - (i) the timeframe within which the aforesaid Land Grants will be issued;
 - (ii) the steps that will be taken to expedite the process?
 - (c) If not, why?
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Thursday, June 10, 2010

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0027/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House for the last 15 years,—
 - (i) the private consumption at market prices;
 - (ii) the imports of goods and services;
 - (iii) the export at market prices – (FOB);
 - (iv) the GDP at market prices and constant prices separately;
 - (v) the balance of payment deficit or surplus; and
 - (vi) the annual growth rates prior to the inflation and after?
- (b) If not, why?

0028/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the profit made by the Central Bank for the last 10 years;
 - (ii) the local and foreign reserves of the Central Bank that has been carried on behalf of the Government; and
 - (iii) the returns that the Central Bank receive for these reserves?
- (b) Will he state the amount of money that had been lent to the Government by the Central Bank owing to the lack of Government funds (Monetary Authority) as at 30th June and 31st December of each year for the last 7 years?
- (c) If not, why?

0029/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House for the last 10 years per year basis,—
 - (i) the total work force of the country;
 - (ii) the private sector and public sector work force separately;
 - (iii) the public sector work force participation as armed forces, police, auxiliary forces and the rest, separately; and
 - (iv) the cost to the country (total salaries) as per question (i) and (ii) above?
- (b) Will he state,—
 - (i) the total cost for pension as (a) (i) and (a) (ii) above along with the total pensions for the next 15 years; and
 - (ii) the number of casual or not confirmed employees as (a) (iii) above separately?
- (c) If not, why?

0101/'10

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Will he inform this House, with relevance to each year from 2004 to 2010 and the entirety of Sri Lanka,—
 - (i) the number of schools, pirivenas and assisted schools that were operative, on district basis separately;
 - (ii) the number of schools, pirivenas and assisted schools that were closed down and their names separately; and
 - (iii) the number of schools, pirivenas and assisted schools that were started and their names separately?
- (b) Will he state the reasons that caused closing down of schools in Sri Lanka from 2004 to 2010?
- (c) If not, why?

0061/'10

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Highways,—

- (a) Is he aware that in the 200 metre stretch of Ganga Welena road in the Konwelena Grama Niladhari Division of the Tissamaharama Divisional Secretariat division of the Hambantota district, which was constructed by laying concrete three years ago, and is in a dilapidated condition with cracks appeared all over by now?

- (b) Will he inform this House,—
- (i) of the financial provisions allocated for the development of the said road;
 - (ii) whether recommendations of technical officers have been obtained to the effect that the work had been completed as per the standards in releasing money for construction;
 - (iii) from what other institutions were recommendations obtained in making payments for the construction of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry into the construction of this road and to restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0062/'10

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Highways,—

- (a) Is he aware that in the 2 Kilometre stretch of the Wewegama road in Sooriyawewa town, Muwanpelessa in the Sooriyawewa Grama Niladhari Division in the Sooriyawewa Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota district, which was constructed by laying concrete about a year ago, concrete has scaled off and pot holes have being made and is in a dilapidated condition by now?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
- (i) of the financial provisions allocated for the development of the said road,
 - (ii) whether recommendations of technical officers have been obtained to the effect that the work had been completed as per the standards in releasing money for construction;
 - (iii) from what other institutions were recommendations obtained in making payments for the construction of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry into the construction of this road and to restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0063/'10

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Highways,—

- (a) Is he aware that in the 1.5 kilometer stretch of the road from Padalangala along the 250 route in the Beddewewa Grama Niladhari Division of the Suriyawewa Divisional Secretary Division of the Hambantota District which was constructed by laying concrete about a year ago, has fallen into disrepair as concrete has scaled off?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
- (i) of the financial provisions allocated for the development of the aforesaid road;

- (ii) whether recommendations were obtained from technical officers to the effect that the work had been completed as per standards in releasing funds for construction;
- (iii) from what other organizations were recommendations obtained in making payments for the aforesaid road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper investigation in this regard and restore the aforesaid road?
- (d) If not, why?

0107/'10

Hon. Rajiva Wijesinha,— To ask the Minister of Rehabilitation & Prison Reforms,—

- (a) Is he aware that a country report on Sri Lanka commissioned by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees has been produced in April 2010 by an organization named Country of Origin Research and Information?
- (b) Will he inform this house,—
 - (i) whether the statistics cited in that report with regard to Sri Lanka prisons are accurate;
 - (ii) the recommendations prepared over the last twenty years by any Ministry with responsibility for prisons to improve the situation in Sri Lankan prison;
 - (iii) whether such recommendations have been implemented;
 - (iv) if not, whether he would take steps to ensure swift implementation of any such recommendations and report to Parliament accordingly?
- (c) If not, why?

Friday, June 11, 2010

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0030/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the total number of passenger cars, vans, lorries, trishaws and bikes registered in the country; and
 - (ii) the above vehicles under the following categories from the date of registration;
 - less than 2 years old,
 - 2 to 5 years old,
 - 5 to 10 years old,
 - 10 to 20 years old and
 - over 20 years old.

- (b) Will he also state the amount of money the Government or the Provincial Councils obtain from the revenue licenses?
- (c) If not, why?

0031/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—

- (a) Will he inform this House the cost of subsidy provided for fertilizer for the last 10 years on yearly basis?
- (b) Will he also inform for the last 04 years per year basis;
 - (i) the agricultural purposes for what the fertilizer subsidy is given;
 - (ii) the benefits provided per district and the tonnage;
 - (iii) the countries from which the total fertilizer is imported;
 - (iv) whether it is done by the Government or the private sector; and
 - (v) the cost per ton for various fertilizer varieties and the total cost?
- (c) Will he state the reason for not giving subsidy to coconut, rubber, tea and vegetable growers?
- (d) If it is given by the Government will he state the subsidy per district to be given for the above varieties?
- (e) If not, why?

0032/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House the amount of money which has been allocated and really spent for development and maintenance of roads, for the last 05 years per year basis?
- (b) Will he state 10 most important roads that have been maintained and money spent on them, separately?
- (c) Will he inform this house –
 - (i) the names ;
 - (ii) the estimated cost;
 - (iii) the starting dates and dates of completion;
 - (iv) the names of the tenderers and their bid prices; and
 - (v) the funding source and the total cost with interest rate for the loans; pertaining to the new Highways and Expressways that are going to be constructed?
- (d) If not, why?

0064/'10

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Highways,—

- (a) Is he aware that in a 1 km. stretch of the road from Alioluara Nuge to Hathporuwa, Alioluara Grama Niladhari Division of the Sooriyawewa Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying tar about five months ago, tar has scaled off and become unusable by now?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) of the financial provisions allocated for the development of the said road;
 - (ii) whether recommendations of technical officers have been obtained to the effect that the work had been completed as per the standards in releasing money for construction;
 - (iii) from what other institutions were recommendations obtained in making payments for the construction of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry into the construction of this road and to restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0065/'10

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Highways,—

- (a) Is he aware that in a hundred meters stretch of the road of Welelinda in the Debokkawa south Grama Niladhari Division of the Angunukolapelessa Divisional Secretariat Division of Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying concrete about 01 year ago, concrete has scaled off and pot holes have made and become unusable by now?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) of the financial provisions allocated for the development of the said road;
 - (ii) whether recommendations of technical officers have been obtained to the effect that the work had been completed as per the standards in releasing money for construction;
 - (iii) from what other institutions were recommendations obtained in making payments for the construction of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry into the construction of this road and to restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0066/'10

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Highways,—

- (a) Is he aware that in a two hundred meters stretch of the road of Kerankokuara in the Debokkawa north Grama Niladhari Division of the Angunukolapelessa Divisional Secretariat Division of Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying concrete about 01 year ago, concrete has scaled off and pot holes have made and become unusable by now?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) of the financial provisions allocated for the development of the said road;
 - (ii) whether recommendations of technical officers have been obtained to the effect that the work had been completed as per the standards in releasing money for construction;
 - (iii) from what other institutions were recommendations obtained in making payments for the construction of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry into the construction of this road and to restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

Tuesday, June 22, 2010

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0033/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Co-operatives and Internal Trade,—

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the total consumption of wheat in the country as of today;
 - (ii) the quantity locally produced and quantity imported separately;
 - (iii) the retail price of wheat over the last 20 years;
 - (iv) whether any subsidy is given to reduce the burden of the consumer; and
 - (v) If so, the amounts that has been given as of today?
- (b) Will he state separately as at today, all the taxes imposed on wheat, if imported or locally produced, until it reaches the consumer?
- (c) If not, why?

0034/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Co-operatives and Internal Trade,—

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the number of “Lak Sathosa” stores opened to-date;
 - (ii) the capital invested for the same;
 - (iii) if no capital used, the way that the stores were rented, purchased or acquired and goods bought;
 - (iv) the total turnover of “Lak Sathosa” per month to-date;
 - (v) the total cost of sales, cost of finance and total net profit or loss to-date?
- (b) Will he state,—
 - (i) the number of staff and personnel working in all these outlets?
 - (ii) the total salary and the average salary per person?
- (c) Will he submit to this House, profit and loss per year for the last 5 years on per year basis?
- (d) If not, why?

0035/'10

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

- (a) Will he state the total amount of loans (including the Treasury Bills) that should be paid by the government as at 30th April 2010 indicating local and foreign loans separately?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the total amounts of loans (including Treasury Bills) that has been borrowed by the government in each of the years during the period from 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009?
 - (ii) separately, the amount that was paid by the government as interest and loan installments for local and foreign loans in each of the aforesaid years?
- (c) If not, why?

0067/'10

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Highways,—

- (a) Is he aware that in a one kilometer stretch of the road of Thalawa junction-Dambaralla in the Thalawa Grama Niladhari Division of the Angunukolapelessa Divisional Secretariat Division of Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying concrete about 01 year ago, and is in a dilapidated condition with cracks appeared all over by now?

- (b) Will he inform this House,—
- (i) of the financial provisions allocated for the development of the said road,
 - (ii) whether recommendations of technical officers have been obtained to the effect that the work had been completed as per the standards in releasing money for construction;
 - (iii) from what other institutions were recommendations obtained in making payments for the construction of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry into the construction of this road and to restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0068/'10

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Highways,—

- (a) Is he aware that in a five kilometer stretch of the road of Karagahawala Madaara Heenara in the Karagahawala Binkama Madaara Grama Niladhari Division of the Angunukolapelessa Divisional Secretariat Division of Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying concrete about 01 year ago, and is in a dilapidated condition with cracks appeared all over by now?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
- (i) of the financial provisions allocated for the development of the said road;
 - (ii) whether recommendations of technical officers have been obtained to the effect that the work had been completed as per the standards in releasing money for construction;
 - (iii) from what other institutions were recommendations obtained in making payments for the construction of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry into the construction of this road and to restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0069/'10

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Highways,—

- (a) Is he aware that in a three hundred meters stretch of the road of Kolongahahena in the Wathukanda Grama Niladhari Division of the Katuwana Divisional Secretariat Division of Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying concrete about 08 months ago, and is in a dilapidated condition with cracks appeared all over by now?
- (b) Will he inform this House,—
- (i) of the financial provisions allocated for the development of the said road;

- (ii) whether recommendations of technical officers have been obtained to the effect that the work had been completed as per the standards in releasing money for construction;
 - (iii) from what other institutions were recommendations obtained in making payments for the construction of the said road?
 - (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry into the construction of this road and to restore it?
 - (d) If not, why?
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NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR WHICH NO DATES HAVE BEEN FIXED

P. 36 / '10

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,—Select Committee of Parliament to inquire and report on strengthening the independent character of the Parliamentary Service,—

WHEREAS it has become necessary to submit recommendations to strengthen the independent character of the Parliamentary service in all its areas of activity,

This House resolves that a Select Committee of Parliament be appointed to inquire and report on:

- (a) Strengthening of the independent character of the Parliamentary service; and
 - (b) any other matters the Committee deem relevant.
- (2). (a) The Committee and its Chairman shall be nominated by Mr. Speaker; and
- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 95, the Committee shall consist of five (05) members.
- (3). That the Committee shall have the power to:
- (a) fix its quorum;
 - (b) summon any person to appear before it, require any person to produce any document or record, to procure and invite all such evidence, written and/or oral representations from present and former members of the Staff of the Secretary-General of Parliament and Staff organizations, as the Committee may think it necessary for the fullest consideration of the matters referred to above;
 - (c) obtain the services of Specialists and Experts in the relevant fields to assist the Committee; and
 - (d) make interim reports from time to time and to sit notwithstanding any adjournment of Parliament.
- (4). The Committee on considering all such matters shall make its Report to Parliament within a period of five (05) months of the setting up of the Committee or such latter date as Parliament may in its discretion appoint.
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