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No. 1 (2).]

ADDENDUM TO THE ORDER BOOK No. 1

OF

PARLIAMENT

Issued on Monday, June 14, 2010

Tuesday, June 29, 2010

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Appropriation Bill (2010) — Second Reading.

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The Prime Minister, Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No.1),— That this Parliament resolves the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008 and specified in the Order No. 6 hereto, be approved.

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008

Order No. 6 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.43 of 2008, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 28502 “Maintenance of Agricultural Farms and Seed Sales Advance Account-Department of Agriculture” of the third Schedule to that Act.

(i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the third Schedule to that Act.	From To	Rs. 321,000,000 Rs. 260,000,000
(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the third Schedule to that Act.	From To	Rs. 321,000,000 Rs. 210,000,000
(iii) Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the third Schedule to that Act.		Not Revised
(iv) Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in Column V of the third Schedule to that Act.		Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2009 only)

Sgd. MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA
Minister of Finance and Planning.

01.01 .2010
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Prime Minister, Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 2),— That this Parliament resolves the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008 and specified in the Order No. 7 hereto, be approved.

ORDER
Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008
Order No. 7 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 30602 “Stores Advance Account - Department of Sri Lanka Railways” of the third Schedule to that Act.

(i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 1,200,000,000
	To	Rs. 1,800,000,000
(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 1,200,000,000
	To	Rs. 700,000,000
(iii) Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the third Schedule to that Act.		Not Revised
(iv) Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in Column V of the third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 500,000,000
	To	Rs. 850,000,000

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2009 only)

Sgd. MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA
Minister of Finance and Planning.

01.01 .2010
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Prime Minister, Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No.3),— That this Parliament resolves the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008 and specified in the Order No. 20 hereto, be approved.

ORDER
Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008
Order No. 20 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 25002 “Advances for Payments on behalf of other Government Advance Account - Department of State Accounts” of the third Schedule to that Act.

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| (i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the third Schedule to that Act. | | Not Revised |
| (ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the third Schedule to that Act. | From
To | Rs. 5,300,000
Rs. 4,300,000 |
| (iii) Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the third Schedule to that Act. | | Not Revised |
| (iv) Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in Column V of the third Schedule to that Act. | | Not Revised |

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2009 only)

Sgd. MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA
Minister of Finance and Planning.

22.04.2010
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Prime Minister, Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No.4),— That this Parliament resolves the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008 and specified in the Order No. 21 hereto, be approved.

ORDER
Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008
Order No. 21 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 25003 “Miscellaneous Advance Account - Department of State Accounts” of the third Schedule to that Act.

(i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 200,000,000
	To	Rs. 20,000,000
(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 560,000,000
	To	Rs. 44,700,000
(iii) Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 400,000,000
	To	Rs. 588,000,000
(iv) Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in Column V of the third Schedule to that Act.		Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2009 only)

Sgd. MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA
Minister of Finance and Planning.

22.04.2010
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Prime Minister, Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No.5),— That this Parliament resolves the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008 and specified in the Order No. 23 hereto, be approved.

ORDER
Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008
Order No. 23 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 01602 “Advancing monies to be used in Bribery detection as Bribes Advance Account - Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption” of the third Schedule to that Act.

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| (i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the third Schedule to that Act. | Not Revised | | | | |
| (ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the third Schedule to that Act. | Not Revised | | | | |
| (iii) Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the third Schedule to that Act. | <table border="0"> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">From</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Rs. 6,000,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">To</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Rs. 10,700,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | From | Rs. 6,000,000 | To | Rs. 10,700,000 |
| From | Rs. 6,000,000 | | | | |
| To | Rs. 10,700,000 | | | | |
| (iv) Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in Column V of the third Schedule to that Act. | Not Revised | | | | |

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2009 only)

Sgd. MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA
Minister of Finance and Planning.

22.04.2010
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 6),— That this Parliament resolves that the Orders made by the Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008 and specified in the schedule hereto, be approved.

(These Orders are valid only up to 31.12.2009)

SCHEDULE

(As per schedule attached)

Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008 Order under Section 8

Schedule of variation of limits of Advance Accounts pertaining to Advances to public officers Authorized by the Minister of Finance and Planning under section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008 in respect of Finance year 2009

S. No.	Ministry/Department	Item No.	Maximum Limit of Expenditure in Column II		Minimum Limit of Receipts in Column III		Maximum Limit of Debit Balance in Column IV		Order No.
			From	To	From	To	From	To	
1	Minister of Housing and Common Amenities	12501	-	-	-	-	20,000,000	30,000,000	1
2	Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources	29001	-	-	-	-	90,000,000	97,000,000	2
3	Minister of Justice and Law Reforms	11001	-	-	-	-	50,000,000	55,000,000	3
4	Minister of Export Development and International Trade	16701	-	-	-	-	9,000,000	13,000,000	4
5	Department of Technical Education and Training	21501	-	-	-	-	130,000,000	247,000,000	5
6	Minister of Resettlement and Disaster Management	14501	-	-	-	-	15,000,000	21,000,000	8
7	Minister of Trade, Marketing Development, Co-operatives and Consumer Services	11601	-	-	-	-	21,000,000	25,000,000	9
8	Department of Government Printer	21101	-	-	-	-	175,000,000	245,000,000	10

9	District Secretariat, Monaragala	27701	-	-	23,500,000	18,000,000	-	11
10	District Secretariat, Kandy	25801	-	-	-	-	155,000,000	12
11	District Secretariat, Matara	26201	-	-	-	-	165,000,000	13
12	District Secretariat, Puttalam	27301	-	-	-	-	120,000,000	14
13	District Secretariat, Ampara	27001	-	-	29,500,000	27,000,000	72,000,000	15
14	District Secretariat, Kachcheri, Kilinochchi	26801	-	-	-	-	26,000,000	16
15	District Secretariat, Ratnapura	27801	-	-	35,400,000	26,000,000	115,000,000	17
16	District Secretariat, Polonnaruwa	27501	-	-	-	-	73,000,000	18
17	Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development	11501	-	-	-	-	6,500,000	19
18	Sri Lanka Navy	22301	-	-	-	-	600,000,000	22
19	Department of Up Country Peasantry Rehabilitation	30501	-	-	-	-	5,000,000	24
20	Department of Legal Affairs	32301	-	-	-	-	1,185,000	25
21	Department of Management Audit	32401	-	-	-	-	1,900,000	26
Sgd: Mahinda Rajapakse Minister of Finance and Planning								
06. April 2010 Colombo 01.								
(Cabinet approval signified)								

Sgd: Mahinda Rajapakse
Minister of Finance and Planning

06. April 2010
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

* Indicates Government Business

Wednesday, June 30, 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 year on per year basis
 - (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 amount of loans (including Treasury Bills) that has been borrowed by the government in each of the years during the period from 2005 to 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 the constructions;
 - (iii) from what other institutions were recommendations obtained in making payments for the constructions of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry into the constructions 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 the constructions;

- (iii) from what other institutions were recommendations obtained in making payments for the constructions of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry into the constructions 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 the constructions;
 - (iii) from what other institutions were recommendations obtained in making payments for the constructions of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry into the constructions of this road and to restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0102/'10

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

- (a) Is he aware that an audit query was carried out in the Ruhuna University in the years 2007–2008 by a group including the chief internal auditor of the University Grants Commission?
- (b) Will he admit that the audit report dated 29.01.2008 pertaining to this audit has been handed over to the University Grants Commission?
- (c) Will he state as per the above report —
 - (i) the names and posts of persons against whom allegations have been made;
 - (ii) the action taken against them?
- (d) If not, why?

0116/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of the date on which the “Api Wenuwen Api” fund was started and what its objectives are?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the total amount of money donated;
 - (ii) the amount of money granted by the government;
 - (iii) institutions and persons which donated money other than the government; and
 - (iv) separately the grants made by the above institutions and persons; to the said fund?
- (c) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the projects implemented by this fund;
 - (ii) separately, the amount of money spent on them;
 - (iii) the balance left in the fund; and
 - (iv) the names and posts of the members of the Management Committee which manage and control the administration of the fund?
- (d) If not, why?

0119/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Health,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the amount of saline imported to Sri Lanka from the year 2005 up to 31st March 2010;
 - (ii) the types imported; and
 - (iii) the amount spent on importation?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the reasons for the shortage of saline, as all kinds of information regarding such a shortage was published in newspapers recently; and
 - (ii) the steps that will be taken against such a person, if any official is responsible for causing such a situation?
- (c) If not, why?

0120/'10

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

- (a) Will he admit the media reports published in May 2010 to the effect that a shortage of drugs has occurred in Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he state the reasons for that shortage of drugs?
- (c) Will he admit that essential items like drugs should be stocked in stores sufficiently?
- (d) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the number of types of drugs produced by the State Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Corporation;
 - (ii) the number of types of drugs imported to Sri Lanka;
 - (iii) the amount of loss incurred or debts to be paid by the State Pharmaceutical Corporation?
- (e) If not, why?

0130/'10

Hon. Roshan Ranasinghe,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the names of the Rural Electrification schemes that were in operation in the country by the year 2005 in relation to each district ;
 - (ii) of the names of the Rural Electrification schemes initiated from the year 2005 up to date in relation to each district ;
 - (iii) separately of the funds incurred on each scheme ;
 - (iv) of the Rural Electrification schemes to be initiated in future ;
 - (v) of the cost to be incurred on them?
- (b) If not, why?

0132/'10

Hon. Janaka Bandara,— To ask the Minister of State Resources and Enterprise Development,—

- (a) Is he aware of the fact that the 810.31 hectre land of the Woodside Estate in Meda Dumbara, Kandy that belongs to the Sri Lanka State Plantations Corporation, has been given to Maruti Private Limited at Simon Hewawitharana road, Colombo 03 on an annual lease of Rs. 167,470/=?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether the government valuation and the approval of the Cabinet Ministers have been obtained with regard to this lease agreement;

- (ii) whether this lease agreement is legal;
 - (iii) whether the lessee has acted in keeping with the lease agreement; and
 - (iv) if not, the course of action taken by the corporation against it?
- (c) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether action will be taken to cancel the lease agreement concerned and the particular land being taken over by the Corporation, if the lessee has not acted lawfully ;
 - (ii) the names of those responsible, if the lessee has not acted lawfully so far ; and
 - (iii) the course of action to be taken against them?
- (d) If not, why?

0134/'10

Hon. Arundika Fernando,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Aviation,—

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the total amount of money spent for the construction of the Hambanthota port;
 - (ii) of the period of time taken for the aforesaid construction;
 - (iii) of the objectives of the construction of the aforesaid port;
 - (iv) of the date on which the aforesaid construction will be completed; and
 - (v) of the facilities and commercial benefits that will be made available after the construction has been completed?
- (b) If not, why?

0138/'10

Hon. Udith Lokubandara,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development,—

- (a) Is he aware that fresh water fingerlings were released into 24 selected tanks under the “ Nagenahira Novodaya” programme?
- (b) Will he state —
- (i) the monetary value of the fingerlings released into tanks as mentioned above;
 - (ii) the species of fresh water fish released into the above mentioned tanks; and
 - (iii) the annual fresh water fish harvest expected from it?

- (c) Is he aware that fresh water fingerlings were released into 97 selected tanks under “Uthuru Wasanthaya” programme?
- (d) Will he state —
 - (i) the monetary value of the fingerlings released into tanks as mentioned above;
 - (ii) the species of fresh water fish released into the above mentioned tanks; and
 - (iii) the annual fresh water fish harvest expected from it?
- (e) If not, why?

0139/'10

Hon. Duleep Wijesekera,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the number of tanks and reservoirs selected for launching the five year programme to develop fresh water fish and aqua culture production capacity; and
 - (ii) the chosen varieties of fresh water fish due to be released to the said reservoirs?
- (b) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the number of fresh water fish and prawns due to be released, separately;
 - (ii) the value of the said fish and prawns; and
 - (iii) the annual expected harvest of fresh water fish and prawns, after releasing the said aqua culture stock?
- (c) If not, why?

Thursday, July 01, 2010

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0002/'10

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

- (a) Is he aware of the fact that 4500 to 6000 farmer families have made Chena cultivation their livelihood for well over 40 years in an extent of 7000 acres from Kirinda yala to Ranminitenna village in the Tissamaharama Divisional Secretariat division in the Hambantota district?

- (b) Will he inform this House whether —
- (i) there is a plan to dispossess those helpless farmers of their farm lands; and
 - (ii) steps would be taken forthwith to terminate such an attempt, if there is one?
- (c) Will he state —
- (i) whether those farm lands are constantly destroyed by wild elephants;
 - (ii) if so, the courses of action to be taken to prevent such destructions;
 - (iii) whether steps would be taken to develop those farm lands with the provision of Infrastructure facilities such as water, electricity and roads and confer the ownership of those lands to the farmers?
- (d) If not, why?

0007/'10

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

- (a) Is he aware of the sand dune at Magama which is 04.05 Kilometers in length and 01.05 Kilometers in width 30 meters in height and stretches over 396 acres from the estuary of the Kirindioya to the estuary of the Doraoya?
- (b) Is he aware that —
- (i) 676 acres of paddy lands and 31 acres of supplementary crop farming lands are protected due to this sand dune;
 - (ii) the said sand dune is covered with trees such as “Palu, Weera and Ranawara” which are endemic to southern Sri Lanka?
- (c) Will he admit that —
- (i) this sand dune has been transferred to a foreign company to extract its minerals; namely Ilmanite and Granite;
 - (ii) there will be adverse impacts on Magama and surrounding villages as a result of around 60% of sand being removed from the layer of sand above ground level when extracting these minerals which are located about eight feet deep?
- (d) Will he inform this House —
- (i) if so, the measures taken to avert the aforesaid adverse impacts?
 - (ii) whether the project committee has consulted the residents for their consent regarding this project?

(iii) if the project was implemented, amidst protest of the people on whose instruction was it done?

(e) If not, why?

0070/'10

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

(a) Is he aware that in a hundred and fifty meters stretch of the road of Wathukanda-Walakadakanda in the Wathukanda Grama Niladhari Division of the Katuwana 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?

0009/'10

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

(a) Will he inform this House of —

(i) the foreign institution from which credit was obtained for the forest resources management project and the relevant amount of credit;

(ii) the extent of forest land that was targeted to be surveyed and mapped under this project;

(iii) the extent of land that was mapped; and

(iv) the amount spent on it?

(b) Will he submit to this House —

(i) the amount paid for the foreigners recruited as consultants under the aforesaid project;

(ii) the names of those who went on foreign tours under this project; and

(iii) the cost of the foreign tours?

(c) Will he state —

- (i) the number of concrete demarcation posts purchased to mark the boundaries of forests under the aforesaid project and the amount spent on it;
- (ii) the remaining number of posts;
- (iii) the remainder of posts, compared to the required number; and
- (iv) whether approval of the Survey Department has been granted for mapping and the demarcation posts used, under this project?

(d) If not, why?

0015/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the number of road accidents that have occurred annually throughout the island from the year 2008 to date;
 - (ii) separately, of the number of fatal accidents and the number of non-fatal accidents out of the aforesaid accidents;
 - (iii) of the number of accidents occurred due to high speed driving and driving under influence of liquor or drugs, out of these accidents; and
 - (iv) the number of persons who died, and the number of persons who were injured or disabled due to the aforesaid accidents?
- (b) Will he state the measures that will be taken to prevent those road accidents that occur throughout the island?
- (c) If not, why?

0036/'10

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

(a) Will he submit to this House —

- (i) the construction cost; and
 - (ii) the length and the floor area of each overhead bridge constructed at Kiribathgoda, Nugegoda, Dehiwala, Kadawatha, Kottawa and Urugodawatte?
- (b) Will he state the construction cost of each above , if they were built in normal cement structure?

- (c) Will he inform —
- (i) whether tenders have been called pertaining to above constructions;
 - (ii) If so, the names of the competitive quotations received;
 - (iii) the sources of funds for this constructions;
 - (iv) the total cost along with the interest;
 - (v) the pay back time period of the loan?
- (d) If not, why?

0024/'10

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

- (a) Is he aware that an institution by the name of “Rural Education Development Academy” is operative in several provinces including the Southern Province, for the purpose of teaching English, Tamil and Japanese languages to school children?
- (b) Will he submit to this House —
- (i) if so, the names of the said schools;
 - (ii) the other provinces and the relevant schools where the said project is operative;
 - (iii) whether approval has been granted to that institution for that project by the Ministry of Education or the Provincial Ministries of Education; and
 - (iv) the dates on which approval was granted, the person who has granted it and the conditions under which it was granted?
- (c) Will he state —
- (i) if a fee is charged from students under the said project, the amount charged per student; and
 - (ii) whether approval in that respect has been granted by the Ministry of Education or any other Government institution;
- (d) If not, why?

0025/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) the method adopted in recruiting teachers for the project which is operative in several provinces including the Southern Province, by an institution by the name of ‘Rural Education Development Academy’, for the purpose of teaching English, Tamil and Japanese languages to school children;
 - (ii) whether there is any guarantee that those teachers are qualified to teach languages like English, Tamil or Japanese;

- (iii) whether this project is supervised by the Public institution;
 - (iv) if so, by whom that supervision is done; and
 - (v) the measures that will be taken regarding the operation of the said project, if it has not met the relevant conditions in operation in spite of the fact that the approval for this project has been granted or not granted by the Ministry of Education?
- (b) If not, why?

0026/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether syllabi have been prepared for students who study Political Science and Agriculture in the medium of English in order to offer those subjects at the G.C.E (Advanced Level) examination in year 2011;
 - (ii) if so, whether they are being used for teaching at schools; and
 - (iii) if not, the syllabi under which the students studying in the medium of English would be required to sit the Examination?
- (b) If not, why?

0131/'10

Hon.Roshan Ranasinghe,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—

- (a) Will he submit to this House, separately and in relation to each district the extent of recultivated paddy lands out of the hither to abandoned paddy fields in the country, under the “Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu” Programme from 2008 to 2010?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
- (i) separately and in relation to each district the quantity of paddy produced in each season by cultivating paddy as mentioned above during the period from 2008 - 2010 ;
 - (ii) the contribution made to the National Economy by the harvest received from the cultivation of paddy fields that had been abandoned?
- (c) If not, why?

0133/'10

Hon. Janaka Bandara,— To ask the Minister of State Resources and Enterprise Development,—

- (a) Is he aware of the fact that the warehouse complex with an extent of 7 acres 02 rood and 05 perches at Modera, Mattakkuliya that belongs to the Janatha Estate Development Board which comes under the Ministry of State Resources and Enterprise Development, has been given to K-Port Private Limited on lease at a monthly rent of Rs. 65317/-?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether the government valuation and the approval of the Cabinet Ministers have been obtained with regard to the relevant agreement;
 - (ii) whether the lessee has acted lawfully in terms of the relevant agreement;
 - (iii) whether action will be taken for this warehouse to be taken over by the Janatha Estate Development Board if the lessee has not acted lawfully;
 - (iv) the names of those responsible, if the lessee has not acted lawfully so far; and
 - (v) the course of action to be taken against them?
- (c) If not, why?

0140/'10

Hon. S.C. Mutukumarana,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of national wild life parks currently in operation in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) separately of the income earned by them in years 2007, 2008, 2009?
- (b) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the total extent of land earmarked for developing as safari park at Ridiyagama in Hambantota;
 - (ii) the amount of money estimated for that project;
 - (iii) the date on which the work of the aforesaid project is expected to be completed?
- (c) If not, why?

0141/'10

Hon. Victor Antony,— To ask the Minister of Power & Energy,—

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) separately of the total amount of money estimated for the first and second phases of the restoration of the Kilinochchi power plant;
 - (ii) of the total number of units of electricity expected to be generated at the conclusion of each phase in mega watts;
 - (iii) of the number of new electricity connections expected to be given from it;
 - (iv) of the date on which the restoration is expected to be completed?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) separately of the total expenditure estimated for the first and second phases of the power transmission uplift project from Vavuniya to Chunnakulam;
 - (ii) separately of the scheduled distance of power transmission under the first and second phases;
 - (iii) of the date on which the project is expected to be completed?
- (c) If not, why?

0143/'10

Hon. Achala Jagodage,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply & Drainage,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the year in which the water scheme of the Kimbulawila Kanda Colony belonging to the 642 Galapatha East Grama Niladhari Division was started;
 - (ii) the bank which funded its implementation;
 - (iii) the grant received for this purpose?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the number of families targeted for the provision of benefits by implementing this water scheme;
 - (ii) whether this project was unsuccessful;
 - (iii) if so, the reasons for same?
- (c) If not, why?

0146/'10

Hon. Shantha Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Is he aware that the Gama Neguma programme is implemented for the purpose of infrastructure development and spiritual development of the rural people;
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the amount of money that was allocated for the Kurunegala District under the aforesaid project in the year 2009;
 - (ii) the number of projects that were implemented using the aforesaid money;
 - (iii) whether allocations have been made for the Kurunegala District for the year 2010 under the Gama Neguma programme;
 - (iv) if so, the amount of money so allocated;
 - (v) whether any projects have been commenced under this programme;
 - (vi) if so the number of projects that have been commenced?
- (c) If not, why?

Friday, July 02, 2010

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0071/'10

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

- (a) Is he aware that in the 250 metres stretch of the Walgammulla, Konkarahena road in the Walgammulla Grama Niladhari Division in the Katuwana Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying concrete about one 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 recommendations were obtained in making payments for the construction of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry in this respect and restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0072/10

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

- (a) Is he aware that in the $\frac{3}{4}$ Kilometres stretch of the Nawalebokka road in the Saputhanthrikanda Grama Niladhari Division in the Katuwana Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying concrete about seven months ago, concrete has scaled off and it 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 recommendations were obtained in making payments for the construction of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry in this respect and restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0073/10

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

- (a) Is he aware that in the 1 Kilometre stretch of the Thunmullahena-Magahena road in the Galahitiya South Grama Niladhari Division in the Walasmulla Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying concrete about one 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 recommendations were obtained in making payments for the construction of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry in this respect and restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0037/10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake, —To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources,—

- (a) Is he aware that a large number of Sri Lankan fishermen are in custody of foreign countries?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the number of Sri Lankan fishermen who were taken into custody by foreign countries from January 2005 up to now; and
 - (ii) the number of fishermen who are still in custody of foreign countries out of them?
- (c) If not, why?

0096/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this house the total public debt outstanding as Local and Foreign debt separately —
 - (i) at the end of each year from 1948 to 1994; and
 - (ii) at the end of each year from 1995 and in 2010 to-date on a per year basis?
- (b) Will he inform this House the total debt amortization (Capital + Interest) per year basis as per periods mentioned in (i) and (ii) above?
- (c) Will he state the total debt of the following institutions and countries as at year 1948 to 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008 to-date along with the average interest cost for the loans given —
 - (i) Word Bank
 - (ii) IMF
 - (iii) ADB
 - (iv) JBIC (Japan Bank of International Cooperation)
 - (v) USA
 - (vi) Japan
 - (vii) EU Countries
 - (viii) India and
 - (ix) China?
- (d) Will he also state the per capita debt compared against per capita earnings for the last 05 years on year basis?
- (e) If not, why?

0092/'10

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

- (a) Will he present to this House for the last 5 years on a per year basis —
 - (i) the total direct taxes that was supposed to be collected;
 - (ii) the amount of taxes collected and uncollected out of the total taxes supposed to be collected;
 - (iii) the action being taken regarding the uncollected taxes;
 - (iv) the amount of rewards paid to the relevant Authorities; and
 - (v) the number of tax files maintained in the Department of Inland Revenue ?
- (b) Will he inform this House for the last 5 years or per year basis —
 - (i) the amount of VAT, Excise Duty, Debit Taxes, Airport and Port Taxes due as at 31st December each year;
 - (ii) the amount of above taxes collected and uncollected ; and
 - (iii) the action taken regarding the uncollected taxes?
- (c) Will he state the amount of expected taxes to be collected under Direct Taxes, VAT, Airport and Port Taxes for the next 3 years?
- (d) If not, why?

0144/'10

Hon. Achala Jagodage,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply & Drainage,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the Objectives of launching the Kalu Ganga water supply project;
 - (ii) the number of families expecting benefits from it?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) separately of the estimated amount of money for the first and second phases of the relevant water supply project;
 - (ii) of the date of commencement of the said project;
 - (iii) of the date it is expected to be completed?
- (c) If not, why?

0145/'10

Hon. Achala Jagodage,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of elephants and tuskiers reported at the end of the year 2009;

- (ii) the number of elephants and tuskers that died as a result of the elephant-man conflicts in the year 2009; and
- (iii) the number of people who were killed as a result of being attacked by elephants and tuskers in the year 2009?
- (b) Will he submit to this House —
 - (i) whether there is a proposed programme to minimize the elephant-man conflict; and
 - (ii) if so, what that programme is?
- (c) If not, why?

0147/'10

Hon. Shantha Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Environment,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of the extent of land in the Kurunegala District belonging to the Forest Conservation Department?
- (b) Will he admit that —
 - (i) some portion of the aforesaid extent of land has not been under the preview of the Department;
 - (ii) some of these lands have been permanently inhabited by people for more than 40 years?
- (c) Will he state —
 - (i) the number of such families;
 - (ii) whether there is a move to bring those lands back under the preview of the Department; and
 - (iii) if so, what reasonable action will be taken with regard to families inhabiting those lands?
- (d) If not, why?

0148/'10

Hon. Shantha Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation & Water Resources Management,—

- (a) Is he aware of the “Daduru Oya” irrigation project, which is being implemented in the Kurunegala District?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the amount of money that the government has allocated for that project;
 - (ii) the present progress of that project as a percentage;
 - (iii) the number of families who are benefitted from that project?

- (c) Will he admit that the water problem of the farmers of the kurunegala District cannot be solved only through the “Daduru Oya” project?
- (d) If so, will he state whether any other programme has been prepared?
- (e) If not, why?

0142/'10

Hon. Victor Antony,— To ask the Minister of Sports,—

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the extent of land; belonging to the Youth Affairs and Sports Development Centre established in Makurugoda, Baddegama?
 - (ii) of the number of buildings; in it;
 - (iii) what those buildings are?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the total amount of money that was spent for constructing the aforesaid buildings;
 - (ii) the number of employees that have been appointed for the maintenance work of them?
- (c) If not, why?

0151/'10

Hon. Y.G. Padmasiri,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the objectives of the concept of eco-tourism;
 - (ii) the names of the villages of which steps have been taken for development under the proposed project;
 - (iii) the reasons for selecting those villages?
- (b) Will he inform this House separately of the amount of money estimated to develop each of the aforesaid villages under the relevant project?
- (c) If not, why?

0054/'10

Hon. A. Vinayagamoorthy,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana 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?

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?

0268/'10

Hon. Rauf Hakeem,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of trishaw owners in the kandy district who are registered to be entitled to the Rs. 1500/= monthly fuel subsidy granted by the government to the trishaws that provide transport facilities to the people for hire;
- (ii) the number of trishaw owners who have been granted this fuel subsidy out of the trishaw owners mentioned above;and
- (iii) separately and on Divisional Secretarial basis the names and addresses of those beneficiaries along with the trishaw numbers and the date on which the subsidy was first granted?

(b) If not, why?

Saturday, July 03, 2010

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0005/'10

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

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the number of “Govijana Kendra” areas in the Hambantota district;

- (ii) what those areas are; and
- (iii) the number of tenant farmers at “Govijana Kendra” level?
- (b) Will he take steps to make available a list of names along with addresses of the tenant farmers at “Govijana Kendra” level?
- (c) If not, why?

0074/10

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

- (a) Is he aware that in the 600 metres stretch of the Pathegama-Handugala road in the Pathegama Grama Niladhari Division in the Walasmulla Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying concrete about eight months ago, concrete has scaled off and it 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 recommendations were obtained in making payments for the construction of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry in this respect and restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0075/10

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

- (a) Is he aware that in the 200 metres stretch of the Pothewela-Pothakada road in the Maligathenna Grama Niladhari Division in the Beliaththa Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying concrete about one year ago, concrete has scaled off and it 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 recommendations were obtained in making payments for the construction of the said road?

- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry in this respect and restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0093/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) the number of apparel industry factories in Sri Lanka that have been in operation from the year 2004 to 2010 separately;
 - (ii) the total workforce in the factories when each one was opened;
 - (iii) the number of factories in operation and the total working strength as at today separately;
 - (iv) the action plans taken to open the factories that are closed;
 - (v) the total volume of apparel exported and the total value of earnings thereof in SLR and US Dollars for the years from 2004 to 2010 separately; and
 - (vi) the number of textile fabrics companies in Sri Lanka and their production capacity and texture woven and knitted?
- (b) If not, why?

0094/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the number of Samurdhi recipients as at 30th June of every year from the year 2008 to 2010 in the 15 electorates of the Colombo District;
 - (ii) the categories of the above families according to the amount of Samurdhi allowance they received?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the value of inflation for the years 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009;
 - (ii) the value in real terms they received in the subsequent years up to 2010 when discount the inflation taking 2004 as a base year;
 - (iii) whether it shows that the purchasing power of the Samurdhi recipients has been reduced; and
 - (iv) whether the poverty among such recipients has been increased as a result of the above?
- (c) If not, why?

0095/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the amounts paid to the Cabinet Ministers and Deputy Ministers as at 01.06.2010; and
 - (ii) the other perks that the Ministers and their staff enjoy?
- (b) If not, why?

0115/'10

Hon. (Mrs.) Sriyani Wijewickrama,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation & Water Resources Management,—

- (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?

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?

0118/'10

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Health,—

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) people living in Ismailpuram village in the Digamadulla Pradeshiya Saba Division face numerous inconveniences due to the lack of proper health care facilities; and
 - (ii) these people have to go to Ampara and Smmanthurai which are very far away from their village to get urgent health services?
- (b) Will he take speedy action to establish at least a rural health centre at Ismailpuram village in order to provide basic health services entertained by most of the villages in the country through such centers?
- (c) If not, why?

135/'10

Hon. Arundika Fernando,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) whether weapons or other items have been imported for Sri Lanka Army through British Borneo Defence Company situated in Texas, America;
 - (ii) if so, the expenditure borne on that in each year, separately?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the names and addresses of the owners of that company;
 - (ii) whether there is any connection between those owners and officials of Sri Lanka Army;
 - (iii) if so, the names of the persons with such a connection;
 - (iv) of the measures that will be taken in that respect, if such a connection exists with the relevant company?
- (c) If not, why?

0136/'10

Hon. Arundika Fernando,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether armament or other items have been purchased for the Sri Lanka Army through the Hicorp International Company, registered in the United States of America;

- (ii) if purchases have been made, what they are;
 - (iii) of the names and addresses of the Owners of this Company;
 - (iv) whether Tender procedures have been followed when making those purchases;
 - (v) if not, the names of those responsible with regard to those purchases;
 - (vi) the course of action to be initiated against them?
- (b) If not, why?

0137/'10

Hon. Arundika Fernando,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—

- (a) Will he admit that an amount of Rs.2018331.00 was in arrears to be paid to Sri Lanka Telecom by 2002, for foreign calls taken from Army headquarters in Jaffna?
- (b) Is he aware that Sri Lanka Telecom took legal action regarding the non-settlement of these bills?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether action has been taken by now to settle that amount;
 - (ii) if so, the fund out of which settlement was done;
 - (iii) the name of the person who granted approval for that?
- (d) If not, why?

0263/'10

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

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the number of families officially residing in the Mohideen Watta Housing scheme belonging to National Housing Development Authority and situated within Galle Municipal Council area of Kadawatsathara Divisional Secretariat Division, Galle ;
 - (ii) the names and addresses of those residents?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether he is aware of the fact that the said residents who have been residing at the Mohideen watta housing scheme for over 20 years have not been provided with title certificates (title deeds) so far ;
 - (ii) whether he will take speedy action to provide title certificates (title deeds) for those permanent residents?
- (c) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR WHICH NO DATES HAVE BEEN FIXED

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Hon. Ravi Karunanayake
Hon. Ranjan Ramanayake
Hon. H. M. M. Harees
Hon. Lakshman Kiriella
Hon. Arjuna Ranatunga
Hon. Nimal Wijesinghe
Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam
Hon. J. Sri Ranga

Hon. Harin Fernando,— Select Committee of Parliament to inquire and report on the acute shortage of essential drugs in the country,—

Whereas there is an acute shortage of essential drugs in the country;

And whereas the Hon. Minister of Health disclosed in Parliament the reasons for this shortage;

And whereas if no remedial action is taken immediately to correct this situation, it will result in a catastrophe.

This Parliament resolves that a Select Committee of Parliament be appointed to —

- (a) inquire into the reasons for this shortage;
 - (b) recommend the short term measures necessary to overcome the situation; and
 - (c) recommend the permanent measures necessary to prevent the re-occurrence of this situation in the future.
2.
 - (a) That the Committee and its Chairman shall be nominated by Mr. Speaker.
 - (b) That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 95, the Committee shall consist of not more than twenty one (21) Members.
3. That the Committee shall have the power to —
 - (a) fix its quorum;
 - (b) send for persons, papers and records, may order any person to attend before Parliament or before such Committee, and to produce any paper, book record or document in the possession or under the control of such person;
 - (c) verify or otherwise ascertain by the oral examination of witnesses and examine witnesses upon oath or affirmation which the Chairman of the Committee or a person specially authorized for that purpose may administer;
 - (d) obtain the services of Specialists and Experts in the relevant fields to assist the Committee; and
 - (e) make interim reports from time to time and sit notwithstanding any adjournment of Parliament.
4. The Committee shall make its Report within six months of the date of its first sitting or such other or further time as Parliament may grant.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake
Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam
Hon. J. Sri Ranga
Hon. Ranjan Ramanayake
Hon. Harin Fernando
Hon. Palitha Thewarapperuma
Hon. H. M. M. Harees
Hon. Lakshman Kiriella
Hon. Arjuna Ranatunga

Hon. Nimal Wijesinghe,— Select Committee of Parliament to inquire and report on the causes of the recurrent flooding of the Colombo City and its suburbs,—

Whereas the last several days has seen most of the Colombo Municipal Council area and large sections of the Colombo District subject to severe floods;

And whereas this has become a regular recurrent feature in the lines of the citizens of both the Colombo Municipal Council and the District;

And whereas no effort has been made by those responsible to arrest this situation;

And whereas no action has also been made to prevent the recurrent of these floods,

And whereas the situation has gone from bad to worse with the passage of time;

And whereas everything tends to be forgotten after the floods have receded;

And whereas this is a most unsatisfactory state of affairs.

This Parliament resolves that a Select Committee of Parliament be appointed to:

- (a) inquire into the causes of the recurrent flooding of the Colombo City, its environment and the District;
 - (b) inquire into the immediate and short term measures necessary to prevent the flooding as aforesaid; and
 - (c) recommend ways and means of the permanently preventing the recurrence of this problem.
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 - (a) That the Committee and its Chairman shall be nominated by Mr. Speaker.
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 - (a) fix its quorum;
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- (d) obtain the services of Specialists and Experts in the relevant fields to assist the Committee; and
 - (e) make interim reports from time to time and sit notwithstanding any adjournment of Parliament.
4. The Committee shall make its Report within six months of the date of its first sitting or such other or further time as Parliament may grant.

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Hon. Karu Jayasuriya

Hon. John Amaratunga

Hon. M. Joseph Michael Perera

Hon. D.M. Swaminadan

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake

Hon. J. Sri Ranga,— Select Committee of Parliament to review the laws dealing with Elections and to recommend the amendments,—

Whereas over the last several years numerous attempts have been made to reform the Electoral System of Sri Lanka;

And whereas Select Committees to look into the Electoral Reform have been appointed on many occasions including during the 5th Parliament and thereafter during the 6th Parliament in 2006;

And whereas several interim reports have been presented by these Committees;

And whereas no action has been taken to implement the recommendations of these Committees;

This Parliament resolves that a Select Committee of Parliament be appointed to:

- (a) review the laws dealing with elections more particularly the Registration of Electors Act, the Local Authorities Elections Act, the Provincial Council Elections Act, the Parliamentary Elections Act and the Presidential Elections Act, together with the several amendments made to the said Acts over the years and the Special Provisions Acts made applicable to the provisions of the Acts set out above;
- (b) assess the need to revise, amend and consolidate these Acts, and
- (c) recommend the reform and amendments necessary to the current laws dealing with elections.

2. (a) That the Committee and its Chairman shall be nominated by Mr. Speaker,
 - (b) That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 95, the Committee shall consist of not more than twenty one (21) Members.
 3. That the Committee shall have the power to —
 - (a) fix its quorum;
 - (b) send for persons, papers and records, may order any person to attend before Parliament or before such Committee, and to produce any paper, book, record or document in the possession or under the control of such person;
 - (c) verify or otherwise ascertain by the oral examination of witnesses and examine witnesses upon oath or affirmation which the Chairman of the Committee or a person specially authorized for that purpose may administer;
 - (d) obtain the services of Specialists and Experts in the relevant fields to assist the Committee; and
 - (e) make interim reports from time to time and to sit notwithstanding any adjournment of Parliament.
 4. The Committee shall make its Report within One Year of the date of its first sitting or such other or further time as Parliament may grant.
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