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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0290/'10

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

- (a) Will he admit that —
 - (i) the contract for the construction of the Colombo-Katunayaka expressway was awarded to a Korean contractor in October 2000;
 - (ii) steps were taken to suspend that contract on mutual agreement, in January 2003, that is 10 months prior to the expiry of the contract period;
 - (iii) a sum of Rs. 5,444 million had already been paid to the contractor out of the total contract amount of Rs. 9,516 million?
- (b) Is he aware that —
 - (i) the government signed an agreement again with a French company on 27th October 2006 to complete the construction of that expressway with Rs. 22,800 million;
 - (ii) the said contract failed?
- (c) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the total loss incurred due to the failure of those projects;
 - (ii) the names of the persons responsible for the delay in the project?
- (d) If not, why?

0291/'10

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Will he admit that —
 - (i) as pointed out by the Auditor General's report for the year 2006, a private consultant has been appointed and that he has been paid Rs 12,228,679/= for the preparation of plans and estimates under the rehabilitation project of the tsunami affected areas (rehabilitation of the Southern Province);

- (ii) the handing over of an unimportant part of the project to an outside party despite a major part of it being fulfilled by public officials is a non-economic transaction?
- (b) Will he submit to this House the name, the post, the educational qualifications and the technical qualifications of this consultant?
- (c) Will he admit that the aforesaid payment of money was a wastage of public funds?
- (d) If not, why?

Monday, July 05, 2010

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

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?

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 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?

0097/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—

- (a) Will he inform this House the net profit or loss of Ceylon Electricity Board from the year 1995 to date on per year basis?
- (b) Will he state —
- (i) whether the depreciation has been provided as per accepted accounting terms; and
 - (ii) if not, the profit and loss with depreciation being provided?
- (c) Will he further state the short term, long term and the total debt of Ceylon Electricity Board as at 31st December, in 2007, 2008, 2009 and as at today separately?
- (d) Will he inform this House —
- (i) the loans recovered through lending agencies over the last 4 years;
 - (ii) the amount and the interest rates; and
 - (iii) the debt amortization plan of the Ceylon Electricity Board along with interest and capital separately?
- (e) If not, why?

0022/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of National Heritage and 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?

0107/'10

Hon. Rajiva Wijesinha,— To ask the Minister of Rehabilitation and 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?

0270/'10

Hon. Rajiva Wijesinha,— to ask the Minister of National Heritage and Cultural Affairs,—

- (a) Will she inform this House —
- (i) the opportunities for training in Kandyan Dancing and Drumming provided by the state and other institutions;
 - (ii) the measures that have been taken to record the best examples of these dance forms for television and on films ?
 - (iii) whether she will take steps to enhance opportunities for training in these fields and to ensure the study and maintenance of traditional forms; and
 - (iv) whether will she promote the establishment of a National performance based training centre for Dance that would showcase these and other traditional Dance forms, including Bharatha Natyam?
- (b) If not, why?

0264/'10

Hon. Rauf Hakeem,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—

- (a) Is he aware that Mr. S.M.M. Haleel, a graduate teacher, residing at No. 18B, Kurukunthala, Kadugannawa, was assaulted on 01.02.2010 and his private vehicle was damaged by an outsider who had forcibly entered the school premises while Mr. Haleel was on duty at his place of work, Zahira National School of Mawanella?
- (b) Is he aware that no proper action has been taken in that respect so far, even though Mr. Haleel has lodged a complaint about the incident with the Mawanella Police under No. 273/06 and dated 07.02.2010?
- (c) Will he take action to give an order to conduct an impartial investigation regarding the aforesaid complaint lodged concerning an act of assaulting a teacher within government school premises, interfering with his duty?
- (d) If not, why?

0266/'10

Hon. Rauf Hakeem,— To ask the Minister of National Heritage and Cultural Affairs,—

- (a) Will she inform this House of the number of mosques and Muslim cultural centres which have so far been officially declared as places of worship (monuments) of National importance that should be preserved under Artifacts Ordinance (chapter 188), by the relevant Ministry?
- (b) Will she state separately on district basis the names and addresses of the aforesaid monuments along with the dates on which they were gazetted and gazette numbers?
- (c) If not, why?

Tuesday, July 06, 2010

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

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 the constructions;
- (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?

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 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?

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?

0117/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education,—

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the number of universities in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) whether they have got any International ratings or Asian ratings;
 - (iii) the cost to maintain each university per year;
 - (iv) the number of students in each University; and
 - (v) the cost per student?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) whether the government is trying to get foreign universities to come to operate in the country; and
 - (ii) If so, the names of such universities?
- (c) If not, why?

0271/'10

Hon. Rajiva Wijesinha,— to ask the Minister of Mass Media and Information,—

- (a) Will he inform this house the training opportunities provided for journalists by state and other institutions?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) whether he will take steps to develop such training opportunities, in particular through exchanges with regional institutes for the training of journalists, and through apprenticeships with regional and international newspapers and other media outlets; and
 - (ii) whether he will commence discussions with the Press Complaints Commission to encourage it, not only to deal swiftly with complaints but also to monitor the press and advise with regard to inaccuracies as to fact and other improprieties?
- (c) If not, why?

0272/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the complaints that have been registered with the National Commission for Human Rights with regard to recruitment to academic positions in Colleges of Education and other teacher training institutions;
 - (ii) the rulings received from the Human Rights Commission with regard to such complaints; and
 - (iii) whether the above rulings have been complied with ?

(b) Will he state —

- (i) the anomalies existed with regard to age requirements in advertisements for such positions?
- (ii) whether he will take steps to ensure compliance with Human Rights Commission rulings in this regard, and to correct anomalies if any with regard to the requirement recruitments?

(c) If not, why?

0301/'10

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

(a) Will he state —

- (i) whether the 2500-rupee pay-hike promised in the “Mahinda Chinthana—Vision for the Future 2010” will be granted;
- (ii) if so, the amount estimated for it;
- (iii) the number of public servants to whom this pay-hike is applicable;
- (iv) the date on which this pay-hike will be granted, to the public servants;
- (v) other concessions that will be granted to them?

(b) If not, why?

0302/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of National Heritage and Cultural Affairs,—

(a) Will she inform this House —

- (i) whether any chemical was used to chase away the wasp colonies of Sigiriya National Heritage site;
- (ii) whether other species of insects have invaded that site as a result of chasing away the wasps;
- (iii) if so, the measures that will be taken in that respect; and
- (iv) whether Sigiriya archaeological site has been sold or leased out to a Japanese Company or any other similar measure has been taken?

(b) Is she aware that toilets are being constructed at the foot of the Sigiriya rock?

(c) Will she take steps to stop all constructions carried out in a manner which is harmful to the Sigiriya rock?

(d) If not, why?

Wednesday, July 07, 2010

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

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 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?

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 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?

0038/'10

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

- (a) Is he aware that the ownership of the lands belonging to the Land Reforms Commission has been transferred to various persons in an unlawful manner without entering into agreements?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the basis on which the aforesaid lands have been transferred, the names of the transferees and the extent of the lands that have been given;
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to initiate disciplinary action against the officers who transferred those lands in this manner without following the legal procedure?
- (c) If not, why?

0044/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House for the last 05 years, separately —
 - (i) the total quantity of imported or locally produced commodities such as rice, sugar, wheat, dhal, milk powder, onion and chilli;
 - (ii) the Duty, VAT, Excise Duty imposed on the above items; and
 - (iii) the total revenue earned by the duties and taxes as per (ii) above ?
- (b) If not, why?

0275/'10

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

- (a) What are the figures of those under the age of 25 now held under judicial restraint, and what proportion is this of all those currently under judicial restraint?
- (b) Will he state whether the current remanding and sentencing policy with regard to suspected offenders under the age of 25, is in accordance with current social needs and the need to pursue reform rather than retribution?
- (c) Will he also state —
 - (i) whether the Judges Training Institute conducts programs for magistrates and others that will encourage different approaches to those now in operation with regard to the remanding and sentencing of those under the age of 25;
 - (ii) if not, as to why such programs are not conducted;
 - (iii) whether the remedial action would be initiated in this regard?
- (d) If not, why?

0297/'10

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

- (a) Will he admit that no measures have been taken to prevent accidents that may happen at unguarded level crossings ?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the reasons for neglecting the aforesaid matter connected with the protection of human resources ?
- (c) If not, why?

0303/'10

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

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) the estimated amount allocated to the Ministry of Health for the purpose of purchasing drugs in years 2008 and 2009 ;
 - (ii) out of the aforesaid amount the actual amount received by the Ministry for the above mentioned years ;
 - (iii) the names of the members of the Committee that appointed for the purpose of purchasing drugs in each of the aforesaid years ;
- (b) Will he admit that the reason for the shortage of drugs that occurred recently was the inadequacy of the money allocated for that purpose?
- (c) If not, why?

0273/'10

Hon. Rajiva Wijesinha,— to ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—

- (a) Is he aware of an organization called the International Crises Group?
- (b) Will he inform —
 - (i) whether this organisation has its representatives at present or had then in Sri Lanka during the last ten years ?
 - (ii) the provisions under which it functioned in Sri Lanka; and
 - (iii) as to how the visas were provided for its international functionaries?
- (c) Will he state —
 - (i) the names of the Sri Lankans, employed by the organisation in Sri Lanka ;
 - (ii) the academic or other qualifications they possess; and
 - (iii) the amount paid to each of them by ICG and the basis of payments?

- (d) Will he state —
 - (i) whether this organization or any of its employees is liable for tax in Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) If so, whether they have met their liabilities?
 - (e) If not, why?
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Thursday, July 08, 2010

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0078/10

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

- (a) Is he aware that in the 100 metres stretch of the Wakamulla-Niyandagala road in the Wakamulla Grama Niladhari Division in the Beliatta 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 the constructions;
 - (iii) from what other institutions recommendations were obtained in making payments for the constructions of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry in this respect and restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0045/10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the inflation rate for the last 10 years to-date;
 - (ii) the inflation rate for the last 2 years on monthly basis;
 - (iii) the interest rates, Treasury Bill rates and Repo rates for the last 10 years ?
- (b) If not, why?

0274/'10

Hon. Rajiva Wijesinha,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—

- (a) Is he aware of an organization called the Centre for Policy Alternatives (CPA)?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether this organization has benefited from foreign funding;
 - (ii) if so, the amount received in each year over the last decade;
 - (iii) whether the above all foreign funding received, has been approved by the Department of External Resources; and
 - (iv) the proportion of the budgets of CPA and its subsidiary organizations, met by foreign funding during 2008 and 2009?
- (c) Will he inform —
 - (i) whether this organization or any of its employees is liable for tax in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) if so, whether they have met their liabilities;
 - (iii) the salaries and other emoluments have been received by the Directors and other senior officials of this organization; and
 - (iv) whether the tax has been paid on these?
- (d) Will he also state the names of subsidiary organizations established by CPA and as to how they have been funded?
- (e) If not, why?

0298/'10

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Power & Energy,—

- (a) Will he admit that —
 - (i) as pointed out by the Auditor Generals' report of 2006, 6800 concrete posts have been purchased for the Southern Province Rehabilitation Program, when the actual requirement was 4524 posts;
 - (ii) accordingly, an additional expenditure of Rs. 11.8 million has been incurred as a result of purchasing 2276 extra concrete posts;
 - (iii) this additional purchase was an irregularity?
- (b) If not, why?

0304/'10

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the date on which the incumbent Commissioner of Elections will retire ;

- (ii) his present salary ;
- (iii) the measures that will be taken regarding the violation of his human rights caused by employing the Commissioner of Elections, who has passed his age of retirement, further in the service ;
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether necessary steps will be taken to establish the Election Commission under the 17th amendment to the constitution ;
 - (ii) if so, the date on which such steps will be taken ?
- (c) If not, why?

0276/'10

Hon. R. Yogarajan,— To ask the Minister of Youth Affairs,—

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the names of the institutions that come under the Vocational Education Commission of Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the names of the courses or programmes conducted at these institutions;
 - (iii) the mediums of instructions of the courses; and
 - (iv) the number of students who are enrolled for each of the courses in each medium ?
- (b) If not, why?

0128/'10

Hon. J. Sri Ranga,— To ask the Minister of Youth Affairs,—

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the budgetary allocation of the Ministry of Youth Affairs for the year 2009 and first quarter of the year 2010 (upto 01/04/2010);
 - (ii) the amount spent in year 2009 and up to 1st April 2010 ;
 - (iii) the amount spent per district and the purpose spent for separately ?
- (b) Will he state whether any amount of money which was allocated for youth affairs has been used for political advertisements?
- (c) If not, why?

0300/'10

Hon. Harin Fernando,— To ask the Minister of Highways,—

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Malangamuwa bridge over the Malangamuwa Oya on the Badulla-Kandagolla road via Rambukpotha, broke down in the floods of 2007 ;

- (ii) due to the rains that fell on 01st May 2010 the remaining part of the bridge has collapsed causing great damage ;
 - (iii) nearly ten thousand residents living in several villages including Malangamuwa, Sirimalgoda, Kandagolla, Hinnarangolla, Atambagahakandura, Muthumala and Kahataruppa have been put to inconvenience as their transportation activities have been completely blocked as a result ?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the reasons for not repairing it even after a lapse of 2 1/2 years as mentioned above ;
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to recover from the contractor the loss incurred to the government as a result of not constructing the bridge as per the standard ?
- (c) If not, why

Friday, July 09, 2010

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0079/10

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

- (a) Is he aware that in the 100 metres stretch of the Wakamulla-Aluthwawa road in the Wakamulla Grama Niladhari Division in the Beliatta 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 the constructions;
 - (iii) from what other institutions recommendations were obtained in making payments for the constructions of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry in this respect and restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0046/10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the number of registered religious institutions in the country;

- (ii) the number of Buddhist Temples, Churches, Hindu Kovils and Mosques separately on District basis;
 - (iii) the number of the registered Clergies belonging to each religion; and
 - (iv) the Names and Addresses of the institutions and persons pertaining to (i), (ii) and (iii) above ;
- (b) Will he state the amount of money granted to the above institutions over the last 05 years per year basis?
- (c) If not, why?

0296/'10

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the value of the development projects that were handed over to the Moratuwa Municipal Council to develop the roads coming under the Lunawa Lagoon project;
 - (ii) the value of the projects that have been completed;
 - (iii) the names of the road projects that have not completed;
 - (iv) whether the proper standards were maintained in carrying out the work of the completed projects ?
- (b) Will he inform this House the courses of action that have been followed with regard to the uncompleted projects ?
- (c) If not, why?

0103/'10

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

- (a) Is he aware that a complaint was lodged at the Ambalangoda Police by Mr. Chandradasa Naiduvawadu, a member of the Urban Council of Ambalangoda, under the No. EIB 52/37, that a group of thugs including Indunil Ediriwickremasooriya made death threats to him?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether that complaint was looked into by the Ambalangoda Police station;
 - (ii) if so, the measures taken?
- (c) Is he aware that Mr. Naiduvawadu, a member of the Urban Council of Ambalangoda, who died due to an assault carried out on him in the daybreak on 25th January 2010, had lodged a complaint under EIB 106/86 at the Ambalangoda Police Station about the assault carried out on him, before he died on 02.02.2010?

(d) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the measures taken by the Ambalangoda Police station regarding this matter ;
- (ii) of the names of the persons who assaulted him, according to that complaint ;
- (iii) whether the persons who assaulted him have been arrested by now ;
- (iv) if not, the reasons for it ;
- (v) the measures that he will take to enforce law with regard to this assault and killing ?

(e) If not, why?

0305/'10

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

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the number of times, a person can hold the executive presidency of Sri Lanka;
- (ii) whether there is a move by the government to increase the said number of times;
- (iii) if so, up to which number is that;
- (iv) if the number of times is not increased thus, whether the government intends to abolish the executive presidency?

(b) If not, why?

0267/'10

Hon. (Ms) Kamala Ranathunga,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—

(a) Will he inform this House of —

- (i) the date of commencement of the construction work of the Norochcholai Power Plant which was a solution to the national energy crisis and the construction of which was delayed by 20 years;
- (ii) the number of Mega Watts expected to be generated from it;
- (iii) the total amount of money that will be spent on this construction;
- (iv) the loss incurred by the country as a result of delaying the construction of this power plant;
- (v) the action that will be taken against those who caused the delay in such activities?

(b) 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?

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Hon. Mohamed Aslam,— To ask the Minister of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities,—

- (a) Will he state as per the Grama Niladhari Division level—
- (i) the number of shanties in the Beruwala Pradeshiya Sabha area of the Kalutara District;
 - (ii) the name and address of the owner/chief occupant of the residing family of each of the aforesaid shanties;
 - (iii) the names and addresses of the chief occupants of sub families residing in the above houses?
- (b) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR WHICH NO DATES HAVE BEEN FIXED

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Hon. Karu Jayasuriya

Hon. John Amaratunga

Hon. (Dr) Jayalath Jayawardana

Hon. R.M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara

Hon. (Mrs) Thalatha Atukorale

Hon. (Mrs) Chandrani Bandara Jayasinghe,—Select Committee of Parliament to review the implementation of the provisions of the Seventeenth Amendment to the Constitution and to report whether any further amendments are necessary for its implementation,—

Whereas the Seventeenth Amendment to the Constitution was passed by Parliament and certified in 2001;

And whereas the provisions of the said amendment have introduced and incorporated several salient provisions to ensure the independence of several state administrative and judicial agencies;

And whereas the said amendments were intended to ensure a just and free society;

And whereas the provisions of the Seventeenth Amendment to the Constitution have been observed in the breach,

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

- (a) review the implementation of the provisions of the Seventeenth Amendment to the Constitution;
 - (b) recommend the steps necessary to ensure the observance of its provisions;
 - (c) consider whether any further amendments are necessary.
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 - (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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