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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0323/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House the date on which the government adopted “Mathata Thitha” program?
- (b) Will he state for the last ten years on per year basis to date ;
 - (i) the consumption of Beer and Hard Liquor separately ;
 - (ii) the quantity of beer and hard liquor produced in Sri Lanka ;
 - (iii) the amount of beer and hard liquor imported to Sri Lanka; and
 - (iv) the revenue earned by the Government as all forms of taxes imposed on imports and local production of beer and hard liquor?
- (c) Will he state the estimated amount of illicit brewing taking place on per year basis for the last 3 years?
- (d) If not, why?

0359/'10

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the number of national schools and other government schools in Sri Lanka ;
 - (ii) separately and on district basis the number of government schools in which the medium of instruction is English from grade I to G.C.E. (Advanced Level) and the number of government schools in which English language is used to conduct certain selected classes, though the medium of Instruction is not English ; and
 - (iii) their names?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of schools in the Bandaragama and Millaniya Divisional Secretariat Divisions, in which the medium of instruction is English?
- (ii) their names?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether he admits the fact that at least two schools with its medium of instruction as English should be set up forthwith in each Divisional Secretariat division in order to face the future challenges associated with the use of English language ; and
 - (ii) if not, the alternatives suggested for it?
- (d) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Protection of the Rights of Elders (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act,— That the Regulations made by the President, under Sections 4(3), 14 and 20 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 as amended by Act, No. 48 of 1985 and Act. No. 28 of 1987 read with paragraph (2) of Article 44 of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1681/12 of 22nd November 2010, which was presented on 04.01.2011, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Minister of Plantation Industries,— Regulations under the Sri Lanka Tea Board Law,— That the Regulations made by the Sri Lanka Tea Board under Section 25 of the Sri Lanka Tea Board Law, No. 14 of 1975 read with Sections 5B and 5C of this Act, and approved by the Minister of Plantation Industries, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1677/14 of 27th October 2010, which was presented on 04.01.2011, be approved.

* *Indicates Government Business*

Friday, January 21, 2011

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0466/'10

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Health,—

- (a) Will he admit that the former Minister of Health made a statement in Parliament on 10.06.2010 that the immunization programme of the government was debilitated and the opposition was responsible for that?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether the immunization programme of the government is debilitated;
 - (ii) if so, the reasons for that; and
 - (iii) of the steps that will be taken to implement the immunization programme again successfully, if it is debilitated at present?
- (c) If not, why?

0761/'10

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Telecommunication and Information Technology,—

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) whether the Sri Lanka Telecom Limited entered into an agreement with the Telecom Asia Company regarding the VOIP International Telecommunication Service;
 - (ii) whether the prior approval of the Board of Directors of the Sri Lanka Telecom Limited granted for it;
 - (iii) whether the Sri Lanka Telecom Limited, received US \$0.075 per minute for international telephone calls before entering into the above mentioned agreement;
 - (iv) whether the aforesaid amount has come down to US \$ 0.069 per minute as a result of the above mentioned agreement?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) whether a proposal for entering into the above mentioned agreement with the aforesaid company was submitted for the first time in September 2009;
 - (ii) whether the Board of Directors of the Sri Lanka Telecom Limited; rejected that proposal on legal and financial ground;
 - (iii) if so, the names of the persons who brought that company to Sri Lanka again;
 - (iv) whether the above mentioned agreement has been signed against the relevant accepted procedure;
 - (v) the loss incurred by the Sri Lanka Telecom Limited as a result of signing the above mentioned agreement?
- (c) If not, why?

Tuesday, February 08, 2011

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

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?

0344/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this House, the number of Samurdhi recipients in each Divisional Secretariat Division of Kurunegala district who had been receiving the benefit by the 30th June of each year from 2005 to 2009, separately ?
- (b) Will he further inform this House—
 - (i) the amounts allocated annually for Samurdhi recipients of each Divisional Secretariat Division of Kurunegala district from 2005 to 2009, separately ;
 - (ii) the names and addresses of those who had been Samurdhi recipients but cut off from the lists later, with respect to Panduwasnuwara East and West Divisional Secretariat Divisions from 2005 to 2009 ;

- (iii) the basis on which those persons were deprived of the benefit ; and
 - (iv) the names and addresses of those who have been newly added as Samurdhi recipients with respect to the aforesaid two Divisional Secretariat Divisions?
- (c) If not, why?

0430/'10

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

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) the names of all Government owned Institutions with the capital invested to date per Institution;
 - (ii) the number of persons working in such Institutions for the last three years;
 - (iii) the amount of share ownership of the Institutions by the Government; and
 - (iv) the profit or loss per Institution for the last year as per (a)(i) above?
- (b) Will he also state —
- (i) the number of Institutions out of the total number as per (a)- i which do not report to COPE or PAC;
 - (ii) the reasons for not reporting; and
 - (iii) whether it is a violation of Section 148 of the Constitution?
- (c) If not, why ?

0572/'10

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) even though the Director (Biomedical Engineering Services) has informed the Sri Jayawardanapura Hospital through his letter No. BES/PL/MIS 99 1 dated 25.08.2009 to pay salary relevant to the salary code No. MN-7-2006A for the posts of Electronic Medical Technologist and Foreman (Special) in terms of Public Administration Circular No. 06/2006 (iv) dated 24.08.2007, the above staff of the aforesaid hospital is being paid according to the lower salary scale of MT-2-2006A ; and
 - (ii) a salary anomaly has been created as a result of the salary of code NO. MN-7-2006A being paid to the post of Civil (Electrical, Building) Foreman which was at a salary scale lower than that of the aforesaid staff?

- (b) Will he state whether action will be taken to place the Electronic Medical Technologist staff, who carry out such essential duties as maintaining all medical equipment and X-Ray machines of the above hospital, on the recommended salary scale and pay them salary arrears, too?
- (c) If not, why?

0787/'10

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Social Services,—

- (a) Will he inform this House separately—
 - (i) of the number of elderly persons staying in the Homes for Elders situated in each district of the Eastern Province ;
 - (ii) of the facilities and services provided by the government for those elderly persons ; and
 - (iii) the amount of money spent by the government annually for the provision of facilities to the aforesaid Homes?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the programme that is expected to be implemented by the government to enhance the facilities and services at the Homes for Elders situated in each of the aforesaid districts ; and
 - (ii) the amount of money expected to be spent on it?
- (c) If not, why?

0800/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education ,—

- (a) Is he aware that there are a large number of teachers trainees who have not been appointed as teachers so far though they have successfully completed the Teaching Diploma Course and internship at seventeen National Colleges of Education functional at present ?
- (b) Will he inform —
 - (i) of the number of Diploma holders who have not been appointed as teachers, from December 2009 up to now ;
 - (ii) whether a methodology has been formulated to grant appointments to those teacher trainees;
 - (iii) if so, the number of teacher trainees to be granted appointments within the years 2010 and 2011separately ;
 - (iv) the dates by which appointments will be granted in 2010 and 2011;

- (v) whether financial provisions have been made by now for granting those appointments ;
 - (vi) if so, the amounts allocated for 2010 and 2011 separately ;
 - (vii) the head under which provisions have been made and the methodology adopted to do so?
- (c) If not, why ?

0873/'10

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

- (a) Is he aware that there are samurdhi recipients in the Kurunegala district?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of families in the Kurunegala district that were empowered by the samurdhi programme from its inception up to year 2004 and in the year 2010 ;
 - (ii) the amount of money allocated for the Kurunegala district for year 2010 to provide Samurdhi assistance ; and
 - (iii) whether that amount of money has been given to the samurdhi recipients in time?
- (c) If not, why?

0876/'10

Hon. M.S.M. Aslam,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Is he aware that eventhough Mr. M.J.M. Uvais residing at No. 569/49B, Bandaranayake Place, Thihariya in the Attanagalla Divisional Secretariat Division of Gampaha district and A.C. Noor Naima (75 years of age) an elderly dependent on him are members of a low income family, they have not yet been provided with the Samurdhi assistance?
- (b) Will he state whether steps will be taken to provide the Samurdhi assistance without delay to Mr. Uvais and his dependents who live amidst various difficulties as he does not have a permanent job?
- (c) If not, why?

0484/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, — To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether a programme has been prepared to generate electricity by using wind power in the area from Puttlam to Mannar ;
 - (ii) if so, the total estimated cost of the aforesaid project ;
 - (iii) the amount of electricity expected to be generated from the aforesaid project in megawatts ;
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether there are any interested parties who are willing to implement the aforesaid project at present ;
 - (ii) if so, the names of those institutions and the countries they belong to?
- (c) If not, why?

0579/'10

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

- (a) Will he state whether the subject of Tourism is mostly under the purview of the Ministry of Economic Development?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Tourist Hotels operating in Anuradhapura, Jaffna, Trincomalee, Matara, Batticaloa, Puttalam and Kurunegala districts separately on star class basis; and
 - (ii) the number of rooms available in aforesaid hotels per year;
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) as to how a Sustainable Tourist Promotion drive would be developed in those areas; and
 - (ii) the total budget to promote the tourism sector in Sri Lanka for the year 2010/2011?

- (d) If not, why?

0788/'10

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Child Development and Women's Affairs,—

- (a) Will he inform this House separately—
 - (i) of the number of children staying in the Homes for Children situated in each district of the Eastern Province ;
 - (ii) of the facilities and services provided by the government for those children ; and
 - (iii) the amount of money spent by the government annually for the provision of facilities to the aforesaid Homes?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the programme that is expected to be implemented by the government to enhance the facilities and services at the Homes for Children situated in each of the aforesaid districts ; and
 - (ii) the amount of money expected to be spent on it?
- (c) If not, why?

0801/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the number of National Schools administered by the government in Matara district ;
 - (ii) the names, addresses and telephone numbers of those schools;
 - (iii) the schools which are overstaffed, out of the schools mentioned in answer for (ii) above ;
 - (iv) the subjects with respect to which they are overstaffed ?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the schools where shortage of teachers exists, out of those schools
 - (ii) the subjects with respect to which shortage of teachers exists;
 - (iii) whether action will be taken to provide teachers to the schools where shortage of teachers exists ;
 - (iv) if so, the time frame required for providing teachers ?
- (c) If not, why?

0857/'10

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether the provincial ministry of education has conducted a study regarding the salary arrears to be paid to teachers of the Southern Province coming under the purview of the provincial council and the central government ;
- (ii) if so, whether salary arrears are to be paid to teachers of the Southern Province as per the aforesaid study ; and
- (iii) separately, of the amount of salary arrears to be paid to teachers of the Southern Province at each education zone level as at 01.01.2010, if salary arrears are to be paid as mentioned above?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether allocations have been made by the government for the payment of aforesaid arrears ;
- (ii) the reasons, if allocations were not so made?

(c) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether he admits that an injustice has been caused to these teachers as a result of not paying salary arrears;
- (ii) if so, the date on which the aforesaid teachers will be paid their salary arrears?

(d) If not, why?

0538/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

(a) Will he inform—

- (i) whether the Trincomalee-Pulmudai road in the Eastern Province is a road proposed for development ;
- (ii) if so, whether this road is being developed by now?

(b) If this road is being developed, will he inform this House of—

- (i) its length in Kilometers ;
- (ii) the proposed date for the completion of its work ;
- (iii) the amount of money estimated for this purpose?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether tenders were called for the construction of this road ;
- (ii) if so, the names of institutions that submitted tenders ;
- (iii) the bids forwarded by the respective institutions ;
- (iv) the institution for which the tender was awarded and the price of bid?

(d) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether the total amount of estimated money for the construction of this road was obtained from local funds ;
- (ii) if not, whether it was obtained through foreign aid ;
- (iii) if foreign aid was obtained, the name of the donor country?

(e) If not, why?

0596/'10

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

(a) Will he state for the last 10 years per year basis—

- (i) the total Actual Expenditure (Net Economic Outturn) of the government ;
- (ii) the revenue of the government earned by direct and indirect taxes separately;
- (iii) the Capital and Recurrent expenditure of the government ;
- (iv) the GDP of the country ; and
- (v) the budget deficit of the Government?

(b) Will he also state—

- (i) as to how it is financed and give the interest cost for the loans taken to bridge the budget deficit; and
- (ii) whether it is possible to afford this lifestyle and the country is heading for a debt trap?

(c) If not, why?

Wednesday, February 09, 2011

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0041/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House the actions taken on COPE reports presented by former Chairmen of the Committee on Public Enterprises, Hon. John Amaratunga, Hon. Jeyaraj Fernandopulle, Hon. Rohitha Bogollagama and the report presented by the Hon. Wijayadasa Rajapakshe on the 12th January, 2007?
- (b) Will he State—
 - (i) the action taken on the report dated 20th July 2006, submitted by Mr. Mayadunne, the former Auditor-General and the report No.PS12 submitted by the Hon. Rauff Hakeem, Chairman PAC on 29th November, 2007;
 - (ii) the names of the institutions investigated as per the above reports; and
 - (iii) the actions that have been initiated with the directions of the Committee Report?
- (c) If not, why?

0528/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Will he inform—
 - (i) whether inner circular road in the Eastern Province is a road proposed for development ;
 - (ii) if so, whether this road is being developed by now?
- (b) If this road is being developed, will he inform this House of—
 - (i) its length in Kilometers ;
 - (ii) the proposed date for the completion of its work ;
 - (iii) the amount of money estimated for this purpose?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether tenders were called for the construction of this road ;
 - (ii) if so, the names of institutions that submitted tenders ;
 - (iii) the bids forwarded by the respective institutions ;
 - (iv) the institution for which the tender was awarded and the price of bid?

- (d) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the total amount of estimated money for the construction of this road was obtained from local funds ;
 - (ii) if not, whether it was obtained through foreign aid ;
 - (iii) if foreign aid was obtained, the name of the donor country?
- (e) If not, why?

0700/'10

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of Committees appointed by his predecessor to recommend changes in laws and regulations in areas that come under the purview of this Ministry ;
 - (ii) the areas considered by those Committees; and
 - (iii) the number of Committees that have reported to the Ministry?
- (b) Will he state steps to ensure the swift submission of reports by any Committees that have not reported?
- (c) Will he inform this House whether any of those reports recommend the institution of—
 - (i) performance indicators for judges and magistrates that encourage swift decisions and discourage applications for and agreements to dates that delay justice ;
 - (ii) an enlightened sentencing policy to reduce congestion in prisons and inappropriate penalties for young persons ;
 - (iii) mechanisms for arbitration and conciliation that reduce recourse to confrontation through judicial action; and
 - (iv) training for judges ,magistrates and police officials ensuring that punishment is directed towards reform and deterrence rather than retribution ?
- (d) If so, will he take action based on those reports?
- (e) If not, will he take other measures to achieve such objectives?
- (f) If not, why?

0789/'10

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Resettlement,—

- (a) Will he inform this House separately of—
 - (i) the number of refugees staying in the refugee camps established in each district of the Eastern Province ;
 - (ii) the facilities and services provided by the government for the refugees in those refugee camps ?
- (b) Will he submit to this House —
 - (i) the programme implemented by the government to complete the resettlement of the aforesaid refugees ;
 - (ii) the date by which the resettlement work is expected to be completed ?
- (c) If not, why ?

0802/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education ,—

- (a) Is he aware that there is a shortage of infrastructure facilities and common amenities in the government schools administered by the Akuressa Divisional Education Office of the Akuressa Zonal Educational Office in the Matara District ?
- (b) Will he state in relation to the above schools—
 - (i) the number of schools without electricity;
 - (ii) the number of schools without library and laboratory facilities;
 - (iii) the number of teachers' quarters;
 - (iv) the number of teachers' quarters without electricity;
 - (v) the number of schools with furniture requirements; and
 - (vi) the names, addresses and telephone numbers of schools with aforesaid shortages?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether arrangements will be made to allocate the required funds to fulfil the shortcomings in the aforesaid schools; and
 - (ii) if so, the period of time taken for it?
- (d) If not, why?

0859/'10

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the estimated cost for the construction of the Galle Bus stand ;
 - (ii) the name of the institution that prepared this estimate ; and
 - (iii) the estimate and the plan of the relevant building?
- (b) Will he state, in relation to this project—
 - (i) the name of the contractor or the names of contractors ;
 - (ii) the name of the firm or institution which provide consultancy services, if there is any ; and
 - (iii) the name of the institution responsible for supervision?
- (c) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the nature of this new bus stand and the institutions and the businesses that are intended to be carried out inside the building concerned ;
 - (ii) the methodology which is adopted for allocating places of business inside this building ;and
 - (iii) the relief that will be provided to the payment hawkers and the owners of temporary places of business who were removed from the vicinity of the Galle bus stand and other places in the Galle town with the construction of the bus stand?
- (d) If not, why?

0878/'10

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the amount of money spent to build the Volleyball court in Lenawara Uyana of Milleniya Divisional Secretariat Division that comes under the Bandaragama Pradeshiya Sabha area ; and
 - (ii) the value of the amount of work of the project that has been carried out by the contractor, according to the valuation of the development work carried out on the ground ;

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the name of the person who signed the agreement with the Pradeshiya Sabha for the implementation of the aforesaid project ;
- (ii) whether an irregularity has taken place in the implementation of the project ; and
- (iii) if so, steps that will be taken in this regard?

(c) If not, why?

0431/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of External Affairs,—

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) the number of times that he has been overseas as the Minister of External Affairs since the assumption of duty in his office to date;
- (ii) the name of the country, the reason of the visit, the cost per Minister, the names of accompanied persons and the cost incurred on them per visit basis separately ; and
- (iii) the benefits that the country received through each visit?

(b) Will he state —

- (i) the number of times that the predecessor's of the current Minister been in the same country during the last 5 years; and
- (ii) the total cost they incurred ?

(c) If not, why?

0535/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

(a) Will he inform—

- (i) whether the Siyambalanduwa-Pottuwil-Akkaraipattu road in the Eastern Province is a road proposed for development ;
- (ii) if so, whether this road is being developed by now?

(b) If this road is being developed, will he inform this House of—

- (i) its length in Kilometers ;
- (ii) the proposed date for the completion of its work ;
- (iii) the amount of money estimated for this purpose?

- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether tenders were called for the construction of this road ;
 - (ii) if so, the names of institutions that submitted tenders ;
 - (iii) the bids forwarded by the respective institutions ;
 - (iv) the institution for which the tender was awarded and the price of bid?
- (d) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the total amount of estimated money for the construction of this road was obtained from local funds ;
 - (ii) if not, whether it was obtained through foreign aid ;
 - (iii) if foreign aid was obtained, the name of the donor country?
- (e) If not, why?

0790/'10

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Disaster Management,—

- (a) Is he aware that a number of houses in the Paragahakele village in the Ampara Divisional Secretariat division was damaged due to a cyclonic situation which occurred on the 18th August 2010?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of houses damaged due to the above situation ;
 - (ii) separately, of the damage caused to each house ;
 - (iii) separately, of the relief provided by the government in relation damage caused to such houses ; and
 - (iv) the amount of money spent by the government on them?
- (c) If not, why ?

0803/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Is he aware that there is a shortage of infrastructure facilities and common amenities in the government schools administered by the Malimbada Divisional Education Office of the Akuressa Zonal Educational Office in the Matara District ?

- (b) Will he state in relation to the above schools—
 - (i) the number of schools without electricity;
 - (ii) the number of schools without library and laboratory facilities;
 - (iii) the number of teachers' quarters;
 - (iv) the number of teachers' quarters without electricity;
 - (v) the number of schools with furniture requirements; and
 - (vi) the names, addresses and telephone numbers of schools with aforesaid shortages?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether arrangements will be made to allocate the required funds to fulfil the shortcomings in the aforesaid schools; and
 - (ii) if so, the period of time taken for it?
- (d) If not, why?

0860/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a programme to provide meals to school children is implemented by the Ministry of Education ;
 - (ii) separately, of the number of schools in which this programme is implemented and their names at the District and Education Zone level ;
 - (iii) of the names of the local or foreign organizations that provide funds for this programme ;
 - (iv) of the amount of money allocated for each student per day and the type of the meal provided under this programme ; and
 - (v) of the manner in which the programme is implemented at school level?
- (b) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the payments due to the suppliers of the meals have not been made properly in many Education zones in which meals are provided under the aforesaid programme ; and
 - (ii) an injustice has been caused to the suppliers of meals due to the non-payment of the monies that are due to them and as a result, the programme for providing meals to school children has been hampered?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) The month for which these suppliers of meals have been paid last ;
and
- (ii) separately, the amount of money that has been paid to them as
arrears by now, at District and Education zone level?

(d) If not, why?

0879/'10

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Health,—

(a) Will he state whether—

- (i) a waiting room for the patients ;
- (ii) a sufficient number of consultation rooms ;
- (iii) a proper place for the pharmacy ;
- (iv) a special room for administering drugs by injection ;
- (v) a separate room for conducting E.C.G. tests ;
- (vi) toilet facilities for patients and the staff ;
- (vii) a proper Emergency Treatment Unit ; and
- (viii) a standard laboratory ;

are not available at the Out Patients Department of the Bandaragama District Hospital?

(b) If the answer to any of the questions mentioned above “yes”, will he inform this House, of the period of time within which steps will be taken to remedy those shortcomings?

(c) If not, why?

0539/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

(a) Will he inform—

- (i) whether the Bogahawewa-Pulmudai road in the Eastern Province is
a road proposed for development ;
- (ii) if so, whether this road is being developed by now?

- (b) If this road is being developed, will he inform this House of—
- (i) its length in Kilometers ;
 - (ii) the proposed date for the completion of its work ;
 - (iii) the amount of money estimated for this purpose?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) whether tenders were called for the construction of this road ;
 - (ii) if so, the names of institutions that submitted tenders ;
 - (iii) the bids forwarded by the respective institutions ;
 - (iv) the institution for which the tender was awarded and the price of bid?
- (d) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether the total amount of estimated money for the construction of this road was obtained from local funds ;
 - (ii) if not, whether it was obtained through foreign aid ;
 - (iii) if foreign aid was obtained, the name of the donor country?
- (e) If not, why?

0598/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the Gross Domestic Production (GDP)projected for the next 8 years;
 - (ii) the per Capita Income for the last 8 years on per year basis, to date;
 - (iii) the per Capita Debt for the last 8 Years on per year basis, to date; and
 - (iv) the values of the per Capita Earning and Debt as at 01/01/1994, 01/01/2005 and 01/08/2010?
- (b) If not, why?

Thursday, February 10, 2011

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

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?

0534/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Will he inform—
 - (i) whether the Akkaraipattu-Sakamam road in the Eastern Province is a road proposed for development ;
 - (ii) if so, whether this road is being developed by now?
- (b) If this road is being developed, will he inform this House of—
 - (i) its length in Kilometers ;
 - (ii) the proposed date for the completion of its work ;
 - (iii) the amount of money estimated for this purpose?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether tenders were called for the construction of this road ;
 - (ii) if so, the names of institutions that submitted tenders ;
 - (iii) the bids forwarded by the respective institutions ;
 - (iv) the institution for which the tender was awarded and the price of bid?
- (d) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the total amount of estimated money for the construction of this road was obtained from local funds ;
 - (ii) if not, whether it was obtained through foreign aid ;
 - (iii) if foreign aid was obtained, the name of the donor country?
- (e) If not, why?

0621/'10

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

- (a) Will he admit that the collection of money from school children and parents by past pupils associations and various other associations citing various reasons has been banned through circular No. 2008/41 of the Secretary of the Ministry of Education?
- (b) Despite it being so, is he aware that the Old Boy's Association of Royal College, Colombo has distributed collection cards titled '2010 Royal Parade' to the value of Rs. 600/- among children and collected money through them?
- (c) Will he inform this House of the measures that will be taken, if money has been collected in violation of the above circular?
- (d) If not, why?

0625/'10

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe,— To ask the Minister of Technology and Research,—

- (a) Is she aware of the complaints made to the Sri Lanka Inventors Commission by inventors regarding the injustices caused to them?
- (b) Will she state—
 - (i) the steps that have been taken with regard to statements made by inventors, namely businessman Seneviratne, lecturer Richard Nikapitiya and K.D. Perera to the affect that their inventions have been defrauded ; and
 - (ii) whether a formal inquiry has been conducted regarding written complaints made against the Chairman of the Sri Lanka Inventors Commission and some of its officers?
- (c) Is she aware that—
 - (i) a written request has been made to the President by the inventors who have become victims of piracy, to conduct an inquiry as regards the arbitrary actions of the Chairman of the Inventors Commission ; and
 - (ii) the allocations made to the commission by the government for a year have been spent within a short period of time?
- (d) Will she submit the audit reports of the above mentioned Commission to this House?
- (e) If not, why?

0628/'10

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of Agriculture instructors in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) of the recruitment procedure followed to recruit them; and
 - (iii) of the qualifications required to recruit persons to Agriculture instructor grade and other relevant grades?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) separately of the number of Agriculture Instructors that should be there in each province;
 - (ii) the number of Agriculture instructors recruited for the Uva Province;
 - (iii) whether there exists a similarity between trained Agriculture Instructors and Agriculture Diploma holders;
 - (iv) the qualifications required to be recruited to the trained Agriculture Instructor grade; and
 - (v) whether there is a procedure to recruit Agriculture Diploma holders to the post of Agriculture Instructor?
- (c) If not, why?

0804/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Is he aware that there is a shortage of infrastructure facilities and common amenities in the government schools administered by the Welipitiya Divisional Education Office of the Akuressa Zonal Educational Office in the Matara District ?
- (b) Will he state in relation to the above schools—
 - (i) the number of schools without electricity;
 - (ii) the number of schools without library and laboratory facilities;
 - (iii) the number of teachers' quarters;
 - (iv) the number of teachers' quarters without electricity;
 - (v) the number of schools with furniture requirements; and
 - (vi) the names, addresses and telephone numbers of schools with aforesaid shortages?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether arrangements will be made to allocate the required funds to fulfil the shortcomings in the aforesaid schools; and
 - (ii) if so, the period of time taken for it?
- (d) If not, why?

0861/'10

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the estimated cost of the project for the construction of the Galle-Matara railway line ;
- (ii) the work carried out by the aforesaid project ;
- (iii) the name of the organization or the country that provide funds for this project ;
- (iv) whether the funds are provided the form of a loan or a grant ; and
- (v) if it is a loan the relevant interest, the duration of repayment conditions on which it has been granted?

(b) Will he inform this House, in relation to the aforesaid project—

- (i) whether he would submit this House the agreements that have been signed ;
- (ii) the name of the contractor or the names of contractors responsible for the implementation;
- (iii) the names of the persons who provide consultancy services ;
- (iv) the name of the institution responsible for supervision ; and
- (v) the period of time taken for the completion of work?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) separately, the names and addresses of the subcontractors of the aforesaid project and the nature and the value of the subcontractors awarded to them ;
- (ii) whether workers from India or any other country are employed in the aforesaid project ; and
- (iii) if so, the number of such workers?

(d) If not, why?

0880/'10

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Justice,—

- (a) Will he state separately, the total income of the Sri Lanka Law College in the years, 2007, 2008 and 2009?
- (b) Will he state, separately—
 - (i) the amount of money levied as lecture fees ;
 - (ii) the amount of money levied as the fees for application forms for the Law College Entrance Examination ;
 - (iii) the amount of money levied as examination fees in respect of the aforesaid examination ;
 - (iv) the income received by the Sri Lanka Law College through other sources ; and
 - (v) the expenditure of the Law College ;in each of the above mentioned years?
- (c) Will he inform this House ;
 - (i) of the steps taken to regularize the financial management of the Sri Lanka Law College ;
 - (ii) whether the activities of the Sri Lanka Law College can not be conducted without increasing the lecture fees as mentioned in the Performance Report of the Ministry of Justice and Law Reforms for the year 2009?
- (d) If not, why?

0432/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the authority who calculates the inflation of a country;
 - (ii) the rate of inflation per year for the last 15 years in Sri Lanka; and
 - (iii) after provision for inflation in each year, the real value of money as at today of Rs. 1000 in 1995 (today's Purchasing Power of Rs. 1000 earned in 1995) ?
- (b) Will he state the names of the persons responsible for giving irresponsible guidance to the economy of the country?
- (c) Will he also state the inflation for the last 05 years in countries such as India, Pakistan, Maldives, Bhutan, Nepal, Singapore and Malaysia?
- (d) If not, why?

0536/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Will he inform—
 - (i) whether the Pottuwil-Panama road in the Eastern Province is a road proposed for development ;
 - (ii) if so, whether this road is being developed by now?
- (b) If this road is being developed, will he inform this House of—
 - (i) its length in Kilometers ;
 - (ii) the proposed date for the completion of its work ;
 - (iii) the amount of money estimated for this purpose?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether tenders were called for the construction of this road ;
 - (ii) if so, the names of institutions that submitted tenders ;
 - (iii) the bids forwarded by the respective institutions ;
 - (iv) the institution for which the tender was awarded and the price of bid?
- (d) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the total amount of estimated money for the construction of this road was obtained from local funds ;
 - (ii) if not, whether it was obtained through foreign aid ;
 - (iii) if foreign aid was obtained, the name of the donor country?
- (e) If not, why?

0805/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the number of schools administered by the Malimbada Divisional Educational Office of the Akuressa Zonal Educational Office in the Matara District ?
 - (ii) the names, address and telephone numbers of those schools;
 - (iii) the number of schools in which the total number of students is less than one hundred ;
 - (iv) the names of those schools; and
 - (v) the names of schools that have been identified to be closed down out of the schools in which the total number of students is less than one hundred ?

- (b) Will he state in this House —
- (i) whether there are schools in which there are excess teachers in this Division; and
 - (ii) the names of those schools;
 - (iii) the names of the schools in which there is a shortage of teachers;
 - (iv) the subjects for which there is a shortage of teachers;
 - (v) whether action will be taken to provide teachers to those schools in which there is a shortage of teachers; and
 - (vi) if so, the period of time within which it will be done ?
- (c) If not, why?

0874/'10

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) separately, and on annual basis the amounts of loans obtained by Sri Lanka from Iran in the years 2008, 2009 and 2010 ;
 - (ii) the projects for which the loans obtained from Iran, America and Institutions such as International Monetary fund and Asian Development Bank in the aforesaid years, were utilized ;
 - (iii) separately, the amounts of money utilized on each of the aforesaid each projects ;
 - (iv) out of the monies of those loans the amount that is in possession of the treasury at present without being used for projects ;
 - (v) separately, the amounts to be paid back to each country or institution as per (ii) above ; and
 - (vi) the period of time granted to pay back those loans?
- (b) If not, why?

0881/'10

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

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) the number of State Counsels ;
 - (ii) the number of State Attorneys ;
- in the Attorney General's Department?
- (b) Will he state separately, the number of State Counsels and State Attorneys required to fulfill the responsibilities of Attorney General's Department, efficiently, without any delays?

- (c) Will he inform this House of the measures that will be taken to fill the vacancies that exist at the Attorney General's Department?
- (d) If not, why?

0540/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Will he inform—
 - (i) whether the Trincomalee-Thirikkonduyadumadu road in the Eastern Province is a road proposed for development ;
 - (ii) if so, whether this road is being developed by now?
- (b) If this road is being developed, will he inform this House of—
 - (i) its length in Kilometers ;
 - (ii) the proposed date for the completion of its work ;
 - (iii) the amount of money estimated for this purpose?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether tenders were called for the construction of this road ;
 - (ii) if so, the names of institutions that submitted tenders ;
 - (iii) the bids forwarded by the respective institutions ;
 - (iv) the institution for which the tender was awarded and the price of bid?
- (d) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the total amount of estimated money for the construction of this road was obtained from local funds ;
 - (ii) if not, whether it was obtained through foreign aid ;
 - (iii) if foreign aid was obtained, the name of the donor country?
- (e) If not, why?

0599/'10

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

- (a) Will he state for the next 3 years—
 - (i) the future arrangements made for the Sri Lankan Cricket team ;
 - (ii) the names of the countries to be visited by the Sri Lankan Cricket team and countries of visiting Sri Lanka ;
 - (iii) the number of Test and One Day Matches to be played; and
 - (iv) the revenue expected and the cost that is to be incurred?

- (b) Will he also state—
- (i) the total cost of the Cricket Board per month ;
 - (ii) the list of people working in the Cricket Board and the names of those who receive monthly remuneration or salaries above 50,000/- ; and
 - (iii) the overhead factor of the Board of Control for Cricket per month?
- (c) If not, why?
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Friday, February 11, 2011

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0040/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the names of the countries, International Financing Institutions or Banks and Private entities that have lent money to the Government of Sri Lanka per year basis for the last 10 years ;
 - (ii) the total outstanding of loans as of today;
 - (iii) the total outstanding of loans at the end of the year 1999;
 - (iv) the amount lent by the countries or institutions from 1999 to-date on yearly basis; and
 - (v) the interest rates and the pay back period ?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) the total debt amortization (capital and interest payments) on yearly basis from the year 2000 to the year 2015 along with the loans taken to date;
 - (ii) the above information in US Dollars and Special Drawing Rights (SDR)?
- (c) If not, why?

0216/'10

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

(a) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) whether there are lands in the Colombo district that belong to the Land Reforms Commission ;
- (ii) if so, the name and the extent of each land, the name of the Grama Niladhari Division to which the land belongs and the condition of the land ;
- (iii) the annual income from each of the aforesaid lands ;
- (iv) whether the ownership of the aforesaid lands has been legally transferred to individuals or institutions ;
- (v) if so, the purpose for which the lands were transferred and the basis on which it was done ;
- (vi) the names of the individuals or institutions that received lands, their addresses, the dates of transfer, the extents of the lands and the period of time ;
- (vii) the income earned by the commission from each of the aforesaid lands?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether the lands that belong to the commission are illegally possessed by individuals or institutions ;
- (ii) if so, their names, the extent of land so possessed and the duration of their possession ;
- (iii) the courses of action that were taken in this regard and its current situation ;
- (iv) the extent of land owned by the commission at its inception and at present ;
- (v) out of the extent of land owned by the commission at its inception, the extent of land transferred to others ;
- (vi) the names and the addresses of the persons to whom the possession of the land was transferred and the extent of land so transferred?

(c) If not, why?

0293/'10

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

- (a) Will he admit the fact that —
 - (i) as pointed out by the Auditor General's Report for the year 2006, tenders were called to purchase 21000 wooden poles with a length of 9 metres and 3400 wooden poles with a length of 10 metres;
 - (ii) the tender with lowest bids submitted by the State Timber Corporation was not accepted; and
 - (iii) the tender was awarded to the South African Company that submitted the next lowest bids?
- (b) Is he aware that —
 - (i) 10,500 wooden poles with a length of 9 metres and 1700 wooden poles with a length of 10 metres were purchased; and
 - (ii) of the 2363 poles provided to the Southern Province only 73 had been used?
- (c) Will he admit that a loss of Rs. 79.5 million had to be incurred owing to the fact that the tender was not awarded to the State Timber Corporation?
- (d) Will he state the names of those who are responsible for the aforesaid loss?
- (e) If not, why?

0517/'10

Hon. (Mrs.) Rosy Senanayake,— To ask the Minister of Health,—

- (a) Will he admit that there are children with nutritional deficiencies in Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the number of children who are suffering from malnutrition in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the number of children who are suffering from malnutrition in Northern and Eastern area?
- (c) Will he inform the House of —
 - (i) the programmes implemented under the Ministry of Health to enhance the nutrition of children; and
 - (ii) the number of beneficiaries under those programmes?
- (d) If not, why?

0533/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Will he inform—
 - (i) whether the Siyambalanduwa-Ampara-Karativu road in the Eastern Province is a road proposed for development ;
 - (ii) if so, whether this road is being developed by now?
- (b) If this road is being developed, will he inform this House of—
 - (i) its length in Kilometers ;
 - (ii) the proposed date for the completion of its work ; and
 - (iii) the amount of money estimated for this purpose?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether tenders were called for the construction of this road ;
 - (ii) if so, the names of institutions that submitted tenders ;
 - (iii) the bids forwarded by the respective institutions ; and
 - (iv) the institution for which the tender was awarded and the price of bid?
- (d) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the total amount of estimated money for the construction of this road was obtained from local funds ;
 - (ii) if not, whether it was obtained through foreign aid ;
 - (iii) if foreign aid was obtained, the name of the donor country?
- (e) If not, why?

0560/'10

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Co-operatives and Internal Trade,—

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the name of the Minister who was in charge of the institution during the period when retail outlets of C.W.E. were kept open throughout the 24 hours ;
 - (ii) of the approved number of officers for the personal staff of that Minister and their designations, as per the relevant circular of the Secretary to the President ; and
 - (iii) separately of the names and addresses of the officers who held the aforesaid posts, and the salaries and allowances paid to them?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the number of officers seconded for his staff from the Ministry, State Corporations, Statutory Boards and affiliated Companies like C.W.E during the period when the aforesaid Minister was in office ;
- (ii) separately, the names, addresses and posts of those officers and the salaries and allowances and other privileges enjoyed by them ;
- (iii) separately, the institutions where they had served and the positions held prior to being seconded to the Minister's staff?

(c) If not , why?

0569/'10

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Health,—

(a) Will he state separately, the number of people who have contracted the dengue fever and the number of patients who have died of the dengue fever in each of the Divisional Secretariat Division in the Kalutara District in the years 2008, 2009 and 2010?

(b) Will he inform this House of —

- (i) the areas in the Kalutara District which are faced with the danger of the rapid spread of the dengue fever ;
- (ii) the specific measures that have been taken by now to combat the dengue fever in those areas ; and
- (iii) of other specific measures that will be taken in the future in this connection?

(c) If not, why?

0806/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education ,—

(a) Will he inform this House of —

- (i) the number of schools administered by the Welipitiya Divisional Educational Office of the Akuressa Zonal Educational Office in the Matara District ?
- (ii) the names, address and telephone numbers of those schools;
- (iii) the number of schools in which the total number of students is less than one hundred ;
- (iv) the names of those schools; and
- (v) the names of schools that have been identified to be closed down out of the schools in which the total number of students is less than one hundred ?

- (b) Will he state in this House —
- (i) whether there are schools in which there are excess teachers in this Division; and
 - (ii) the names of those schools;
 - (iii) the names of the schools in which there is a shortage of teachers;
 - (iv) the subjects for which there is a shortage of teachers;
 - (v) whether action will be taken to provide teachers to those schools in which there is a shortage of teachers; and
 - (vi) if so, the period of time within which it will be done ?
- (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 from 01.05.2010 to 01.07.2010; and
 - (ii) the other perks that the Ministers and their staff enjoy?
- (b) If not, why?

0518/'10

Hon. (Mrs.) Rosy Senanayake,— To ask the Minister of Health,—

- (a) Will he state —
- (i) the number of persons with iron deficiency out of the pregnant mothers and breastfeeding mothers in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the measures taken to enhance their nutrition;
 - (iii) the number of low weight births in Sri Lanka; and
 - (iv) the number of children with iron deficiency out of the children below 5 years of age?
- (b) Will he state the statistics relevant to (i), (iii) and (iv) above in respect of Northern and Eastern Provinces?
- (c) If not, why?

0541/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Will he inform—
 - (i) whether the Ella-Kantale road in the Eastern Province is a road proposed for development ;
 - (ii) if so, whether this road is being developed by now?
- (b) If this road is being developed, will he inform this House of—
 - (i) its length in Kilometers ;
 - (ii) the proposed date for the completion of its work ;
 - (iii) the amount of money estimated for this purpose?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether tenders were called for the construction of this road ;
 - (ii) if so, the names of institutions that submitted tenders ;
 - (iii) the bids forwarded by the respective institutions ;
 - (iv) the institution for which the tender was awarded and the price of bid?
- (d) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the total amount of estimated money for the construction of this road was obtained from local funds ;
 - (ii) if not, whether it was obtained through foreign aid ;
 - (iii) if foreign aid was obtained, the name of the donor country?
- (e) If not, why?

0637/'10

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Traditional Industries and Small Enterprise Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of craftsmen who were engaged in various fields connected to handicrafts and had registered at the National Crafts Council by the end of the year 2009 ; and
 - (ii) the steps that have been taken as remedial measures for the difficulties face by the craftsmen engaged in handicrafts in finding raw materials ;
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) whether a programme is being implemented in order to preserve the knowledge of the craftsmen engaged in handicrafts and transfer it to the future generations?
 - (ii) if so, what that programme is?
- (c) If not , why?

0807/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the number of schools administered by the Akuressa Divisional Educational Office of the Akuressa Zonal Educational Office in the Matara District ?
 - (ii) the names, address and telephone numbers of those schools;
 - (iii) the number of schools in which the total number of students is less than one hundred out of the schools mentioned above ?
 - (iv) the names of those schools?
- (b) Will he state in this House —
 - (i) whether there are schools in which there are excess teachers in this Division;
 - (ii) the names of those schools;
 - (iii) the names of the schools in which there is a shortage of teachers;
 - (iv) the subjects for which there is a shortage of teachers;
 - (v) whether action will be taken to provide teachers to those schools in which there is a shortage of teachers; and
 - (vi) if so, the period of time taken for it ?
- (c) If not, why?

0546/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the construction work of the Arugambay bridge, which was proposed to be constructed in the Bataloa district, has been completed ;
 - (ii) if not, what its current state is ;
 - (iii) the estimated cost of the construction of that bridge ; and
 - (iv) the amount of money spent so far?
- (b) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the name of the institution that invested money in the construction of that bridge ; and
 - (ii) the name of the country that granted aid and the amount of money so granted, if foreign aid was received for the construction of the aforesaid bridge?

(c) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the name of the institution which is carrying out the construction work of this bridge ;
- (ii) of the basis on which construction work was assigned to that institution ;
- (iii) whether tenders were called for the purpose of assigning construction work ;
- (iv) separately of the institutions that submitted tenders and the bids forwarded by them, if tenders were called for assigning construction work?

(d) If not, why?

0600/'10

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) as to when the next Cricket World Cup is going to be held;
- (ii) the world cup matches to be played in Sri Lanka;
- (iii) the cost envisaged for part of the World Cup to be hosted in Sri Lanka;
- (iv) as to how it is intended to get the revenue;
- (v) the number of spectators expected; and
- (vi) out of them, the number of spectators from Overseas?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of international Cricket Grounds in Sri Lanka as at now;
- (ii) the maintenance cost of those grounds per month?
- (iii) the names of the new grounds done up for the Cricket World Cup; and
- (iv) the cost for building up each of those Cricket Grounds separately?

(c) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Holding of Cabinet Portfolios by the President and the Prime Minister is not appropriate,—Adjourned debate on question (08th October 2010)

Motion made and question proposed,— “That this Parliament resolves that holding of Cabinet Portfolios by the President and the Prime Minister is not appropriate in order to have a very effective administration and to critically review performance of the Ministers.” [P.1/'10]

P.4/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Granting Permission to Journalists to attend all Meetings held under Committee on Public Enterprises (COPE), Public Accounts Committee (PAC) and Consultative Committees,—That this Parliament resolves that journalists must be permitted to attend all meetings held under the Committee on Public Enterprises, Public Accounts Committee and Consultative Committees as this will make the discussions more effective, meaningful and transparent.

P.5/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Granting Agricultural Loans to farmers who are self employed in Agriculture,—That this Parliament is resolves that farmers who are self employed in agriculture be granted Agricultural loans to a maximum of Rs. 2,50,000 at a reduced Interest Rate of 5%.

P.6/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Implementation of an Island wide programme to educate the masses in destroying waste material such as polythene, plastic etc.,— That this Parliament resolves that an island wide programme to educate the masses in destroying waste material such as polythene, plastic etc, be implemented since the usage of Polythene and Plastic material has rapidly increased in the island and large scale environmental pollution is taking place due to the indiscriminate disposal of such material.

P.7/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Publishing the names of defaulters of loans taken from State Banks,— That this Parliament resolves that legal provisions be introduced in Parliament to publish names of defaulters who have borrowed over Rs.100 million from state banks.

P.8/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Implementation of Private Members Motions,— That this Parliament resolves that Private Members Motions moved in Parliament shall be debated within one year and, if approved by Parliament, the Cabinet of Ministers shall sanction them within six months, so that the Private Members Motions would be an effective contribution by Parliamentarians.

P.9/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Playing National Anthem in Parliament,—That this Parliament resolves that National Anthem be played in Parliament before the commencement and the conclusion of Parliament Sitting in order to develop national spiritedness in the country.

P.10/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Developing a Strong Sri Lankan Identity,— That this Parliament resolves that the requirement to state one's race and religion in government documents is an impediment and an inhibition to develop a strong national identity be dispensed with.

P.11/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Prevention of using images of Religious leaders for commercial purposes,— That this Parliament resolves that all religions must equally be respected and that images of Lord Buddha, Jesus Christ, Lord Shiva or Prophet Mohammed should not be used on any Commercial advertisement or any other form of non religious items.

P.12/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Making new laws to regulate contempt of court proceedings ,— That this Parliament resolves that new laws should be brought into regulate contempt of court proceedings as to strengthen democracy and to maintain a vibrant free media ensuring equal justice to all.

P.13/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Introducing of Laws relating to Public Interest Litigation,— That this Parliament resolves that Laws be introduced in Parliament for the Public Interest Litigation in respect of violation of basic Human Rights of the poor, content or conduct of Government policy, compel Municipal Authorities to perform a public duty, violation of religious rights or other basic fundamental rights, and corruption which Leads to Higher Public Debt and additional Liability to the Citizen.

P.14/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Presenting a Financial Audit Report to The Election Commission by Political Parties,— That this Parliament resolves that all income and expenditure earned and incurred by recognized Political Parties must be audited and presented to the Election Commission annually.

P.15/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Punishments for Government Officials,—That this Parliament resolves that, High Ranking Government Officials who misuse and politicize their independent positions be punished and fined as soon as they are found guilty.

P.16/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Extension of Retirement Age,—That this Parliament resolves that the Government officers' retirement age must be extended up to 65 years and for those who have special aptitude it can be extended up to 70 years, if the Legislature recommends.

P.17/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Establishment of Quality Assurance Council to protect Education,— That this Parliament resolves that a "Quality Assurance Council" be established by law with an immediate effect to protect the education for the future generation, since there are many educational institutions mushrooming in Sri Lanka using university names without any accountability.

P.18/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Creation of a Position named “Special Prosecutor”,— That this Parliament resolves that in order to ensure the Government Service is free from political interferences, a position named “Special Prosecutor” that directly reporting to this Parliament be created to institute prosecutions as soon as Independent Commissions Committee on Public Accounts and Committee on Public Enterprises report the cases of misuse, corruption or inefficiency, affecting the efficiency of the Institutions.

P.19/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Pre Budget Debate prior to passing of the Budget,— That this Parliament resolves that, like in India and United Kingdom, there must be a pre Budget debate on estimates provided, three months before passing of the Budget in order to mitigate and rectify any adverse or unfavorable impacts.

P.20/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Payment of 1% Return for Employees in relation to Inflation,— That this Parliament resolves that the Employee Provident Fund and Employees Trust Fund which are administered by the Government Institutions should ensure that the employees get a return of 1% higher than the inflation of each year.

P.21/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Provision of Free Traveling Facilities to Senior Citizens,— That this Parliament resolves that all senior citizens be provided with free of charge traveling facilities in public transport services.

P.22/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Establishment of a Conflict Resolution Centre,— That this Parliament resolves that a Conflict Resolution Centre which can go into problems in Sri Lanka, in the region, and the world as a whole, be created, utilizing the strengths in all religions namely Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism and Islam that since Sri Lanka is a multi ethnic and multi religious country which has a national problem such as aberration of peace.

P.23/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Payment of Pension Gratuity without delay,— That this Parliament resolves that measures be adopted to pay Pension Gratuity without delay to the Pensioners who have not yet received the same.

P.24/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Appointment of a National Policy Formulation Board to determine National Policies,— That this Parliament resolves that a national policy formulation board having specific powers to function notwithstanding changes of Government and consisting of politicians and professionals in this field be appointed with a view to formulating systematic national policies and plans.

P.25/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Setting up of a unit with legal powers to solve the problems faced by the migrant employees,— That this Parliament is of the opinion that a unit with legal powers be set up to look into problems faced by migrant employees such as assaults, abduction, rape, sexual abuse, killings, financial frauds and to get them down to this country and to look into their safety.

P.26/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Formulation of a National Programme to introduce New Inventors to the World,— That this Parliament resolves that a national programme be formulated to introduce the new inventors and citizens who are endowed with various skills to the world and to improve their skills and creations.

P.27/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Tax Concession to Industrialists who utilize Indigenous Raw Materials,— That this Parliament resolves that a 02 year tax concession be granted to local industrialists who produce goods for the international market utilizing more than 75% indigenous raw materials

P.28/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Granting Citizenship to Estate Community,— That this Parliament resolves that the estate sector community who do not have Sri Lankan citizenship should be granted same upon their willingness

P.29/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Providing a free glass of milk to the pupils in primary schools in the Island,— That this Parliament resolves that arrangements should be made to give a free glass of milk in the morning to all the pupils in the primary schools in the Island.

P.30/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Refund of Employee's Provident Fund and Employees Trust Fund benefits to the applicants within a week,— That this Parliament resolves that there should be a procedure to refund Employees' Provident Fund and Employees' Trust Fund benefits to the applicants within a week.

P.31/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Issuing free season tickets to students,— That this Parliament resolves that a system should be introduced to issue free season tickets to students to travel in buses of the Road Passenger Transport Authorities.

P.32/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Establishment of Sports Schools and formulating a National Sports Policy,— That this Parliament resolves that a National Sports Policy with long term objectives should be formulated and high standard Sports Schools with pavilions, play grounds, sports Instruments and sports instructors should be established basically covering all the districts.

P.33/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Establishment of a Faculty of National Languages,— That this Parliament resolves that a Faculty of National Languages should be established in order to teach Sinhala, Tamil and English to teachers.

P.34/'10

Hon. (Alhaj) A.H.M. Azwer,—Establishment of Industrial Estates in the Puttalam District,—That this Parliament resolves that Industrial Estates be established at suitable locations in the Puttalam District with a view to boosting up industries in the District and to provide employment opportunities to the youth.

P.35/'10

Hon. (Alhaj) A.H.M. Azwer,—Developing the Sathernkerny Public Play Ground in the Kalmunai Town,—That this Parliament resolves that the Sathernkerny Public Play Ground be developed in all aspects as an International Sports Ground with a view to providing advanced facilities for the youth of Digamadulla District to improve their skills and ability in the various aspects of sports.

P.39/'10

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— Establishment of a Museum in the Kegalle District,— That this Parliament resolves that steps be taken to establish a museum for archeological monuments and for the purpose of obtaining information regarding places which have archaeological, cultural and social values.

P.40/'10

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— Appointment of a Presidential Commission combining the Judiciary, the Police and the Prison,— That this Parliament resolves that a Presidential Commission be appointed the Judiciary, the Police and the Prison with the objective of minimizing crimes spreading in the society, to improve criminals laws be minimizing shortcomings, to dispose of backlog of cases including land matters piled up in courts and to provide a speedy service by modernizing the Judiciary, the Police and the Prison

P.41/'10

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— Presidential Commission on Political victimization,— That this Parliament resolves that a fully pledge Presidential Commission should be appointed to inquire into the complaints made by people who have been affected by political victimization due to their political ideas, from past until now, and to give them relief.

P.42/'10

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— Amendment to Agricultural Development Act, No.46 of 2000,— That this Parliament resolves that the Agricultural Development Act, No.46 of 2000 be amended in order to remedy the great injustice caused to the tenant cultivators, mostly engaged in cultivation since their land ownership comes under various titles and whereas the tenant cultivation was abolished by the above Act, which resulted that the tenant cultivators had been deprived of their lands and numerous disputes have arisen due to lack of legal protection.

P.43/'10

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— Conservation of the Ussangoda Mountain Site,—That this Parliament resolves since the Ussangoda mountain range area on the coastal belt in the south belonging to the Ambalantota Divisional Secretariat Division, popularly known as the Horton Plains of the South and identified as a site belonging to Middle Paleolithic has inherited an immense importance as an open settlement site from which twenty eight thousand years old geometrical tools and rocks have been discovered and also as a site extremely rich in marine and land bio-diversity and an ideal turtle habitat and as a wall that protected people from the Tsunami waves, hence it be declared an eco-system to be protected by immediately putting a stop to the project proposed to be launched there.

P.44/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Enacting Laws for free access to Government information,— That this Parliament resolves that laws be enacted in Parliament for the right of people to have free access to all the information of the Government whereby their transparency would be maintained.

P.45/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Sri Lankans be afforded Better Opportunities for Health,— That this Parliament resolves that all Sri Lankans be afforded better health opportunities as most of them are subject to open heart surgeries and for that purpose Employees of the Private Sector must be provided with free facilities through Employees Provident Fund and Employees Trust Fund and in case of Public Servants or Non Employees by the Government through the President Fund with full cost.

P.46/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Protection of the World Environment,— That this Parliament resolves that Sri Lanka must pay more attention to the Protection of the World Environment and specially take action to prevent global warming.

P.47/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Telecasting of Parliamentary Proceedings,— That this Parliament resolves that live or censored Parliamentary Proceedings should be telecasted through the Television or Internet.

P.48/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Granting Permission to Vote for Sri Lankans living overseas,— That this Parliament resolves that Sri Lankans who are living overseas must be permitted to vote at future elections.

P.49/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Introduction of a Electronic Voting System,— That this Parliament resolves that a Electronic Voting System must be introduced for the present archaic Voting System.

P.50/'10

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— Implementation of a proper scientific plan for the protection of valuable natural resources of Sri Lanka and their surrounding areas,—That this Parliament resolves that a proper scientific plan be implemented to protect and promote the Sinharaja Forest, Kanneliya Forest Reserve, Roomassala Hill, the islands and the mangrove system of Koggala Oya and Madu Ganga, a Ramsar Wetland, which are considered as valuable natural resources no only of Sri Lanka but the whole world, and their surrounding areas.

P.51/'10

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— Taking action for the protection, promotion and proper utilization of the historical and archeological heritages of the Galle fort and its surroundings,— That this Parliament resolves that action be taken to protect and promote historical and archaeological heritages of the Galle rampart, inside the Galle fort and in the surroundings of the Galle fort which are an important centre of the tourism industry, have a historical and archaeological value and are considered as a world heritage site and to make the best use of this world heritage for the country by implementing a systematic plan with the participation of the community and the public sector institutions connected with it.

P.52/'10

Hon. Thilanga Sumathipala,— Implementing a practical programme to address the housing issues of the owners of houses lacking in facilities living in Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that a practical programme be formulated for addressing the peoples' housing issues by constructing flats and cluster flats Schemes in Colombo and other cities in its neighbourhood under the vision of Mahinda Chinthana for ensuring the right of each and every family living in Sri Lanka to live in a house that consists of their basic requirements, drinking water, electricity, toilet facilities and a kitchen.

P.53/'10

Hon. Thilanga Sumathipala,— Regulating the drainage of rainy water in the city of Colombo,— That this Parliament resolves since a situation has been created where the entire city of Colombo is submerged in a continuous rainfall of about half an hour as the drain system of the city of Colombo is more than 100 years old and is not functioning properly, whereas damages are caused to environment from houses, building and unauthorized structures constructed haphazardly, hence the relevant drain system shall be modernized, cleaned and properly maintained so as to enable the efficient draining of rainy water to mitigate the flood disaster situation caused within the Colombo Municipal Council area during torrential rains.

P.54/'10

Hon. Thilanga Sumathipala,— Protecting the Professional dignity of the Medical field,— That this Parliament resolves since the Ordinary Patients are faced with grave problems and have become immensely helpless owing to doctors without necessary Professional Qualifications and experience practicing in the local and international medical field, and whereas the professionally qualified doctors in the medical field sustain disgrace in society as a result of it, that it is imperative to act properly, efficiently and lawfully in order to protect the professional dignity of the Medical field.

P.55/'10

Hon. Thilanga Sumathipala,— Ensuring media freedom and right to information,— That this Parliament resolves that all citizens of a democratic country be granted the opportunity to gain knowledge and understanding through free media, whereas right to information and expression has been established within the Constitution itself and there is no opportunity to hide or conceal the truth in a world where technology is developing,

P.56/'10

Hon. Thilanga Sumathipala,— Creating a healthy society through sports,— That this Parliament resolves that a fair system devoid of racism and class divisions shall be drawn up at the government level so as to create a healthy society by encouraging children to take up sports in their childhood itself, to guide children with innate talents to the international level and to bring glory to the country by creating world renowned players.

P.57/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Frequent update of the Register of Electors,— That this Parliament resolves that the Register of Electors must be an open list with frequent update rather than list that gets updated only for 30 days of a month in the year.

P.59/'10

Hon Ravi Karunanayake,—Granting a Pension Scheme for the overseas work force,— That this Parliament resolves that a pension scheme should be devised to reward the overseas work force who sends their hard earned money to increase the wealth of Sri Lanka.

P.60/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Awarding pensions for the armed personnel who served before 19th of May, 2009- That this Parliament resolves that as the members of the Parliament are entitled to a pension in five years, the armed personnel who had been engaged in activities before the 19th of May, 2009 but have not completed the period of 22 years should also be entitled to a pension.

P.62/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Introducing a special design to help people with restricted ability and mobility—That this Parliament resolves that all new public buildings must have design features ensuring accessibility as specified by the law for the persons with restricted ability and mobility in order to optimize their remaining productivity and to minimize the unwanted dependency.

P.63/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Enabling the right to vote— This Parliament resolves that every individual above the age of eighteen must be allowed to vote as there is a big number of registered voters that have been deprived of voting and if an individual does not vote after the name appears on the register they should be fined

P.64/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake, — Ensuring a corruption free world— That this Parliament is of the opinion that Sri Lankan Parliamentarians get together and join global organizations of parliaments in eradicating corruption.

P.65/'10

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— Granting a higher position to the Quaziz Court System,—That this Parliament is of the opinion that the Quaziz Court System that was established in Sri Lanka under the Muslim marriage and Divorce Ordinance of 1929 and subsequently amended under the Muslim marriage and Divorce Act in 1951 must be upgraded with powers vested with the Quaziz judges to adjudicate upon all matters concerned with disputes arising in Muslim families and also the status of the Quaziz Court System must be upgraded in such a manner where sittings be held in premises congenial to the dignity of the system and as the Quaziz judges are appointed by the Judicial Service Commission they should be placed on a respectable and an acceptable salary structure payable to other judicial officers.

P.69/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake, —Repayment of funds of the depositor who are duped, — That this Parliament resolves that as there are many depositors who have been duped with the funds that have been deposited in the finance companies and these depositors or the delinquent companies have been promised by the government during the political campaign of 2009/2010 elections that they will be paid their outstanding, hence the Central Bank that is the custodian of these institutions should have been more diligent and the government must step in paying the depositors.

P.70/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana, — Providing Vocational training for disabled children and children with special needs, — That this Parliament resolves that the disabled children and the children with special needs be provided with vocational training at district and provincial levels and a programme should be implemented to direct them in proper manner to employment opportunities.

P.71/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana, — Granting Justice of the Peace appointments to indigenous Ayurvedic doctors, — That this Parliament resolves that all the indigenous Ayurvedic doctors who have got themselves registered with the Ayurvedic Medical Council should be granted justice of the Peace appointments as a token of respect to that service, as they render a great service, specially to the rural people, considering it as meeting their social obligation, without expecting money or privilege.

P.72/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana, — Formulating a proper methodology for granting Justice of the Peace appointments, — That this Parliament resolves that a proper methodology for granting Justice of the Peace appointments as the dignity and recognition bestowed upon this office deteriorate as a result of granting Justice of the Peace appointments that are recognised by society and provide an immense service to society without accepted criteria.

P.74/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,—Solving the problems created by the Tsunami disaster, —That this Parliament resolves that an efficient programme be implemented to look into any kind of problem caused by the Tsunami disaster and remains unsolved, at Divisional Secretariat Division and District Secretariat Division level and to minimize such problems faced and to be faced by those Divisions.

P.75/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,—Formulating a national policy for home base workers,— That this Parliament resolves that a proper national policy on nearly one Million home base workers who engage on various productions within various employment generating sectors of Sri Lanka be formulated by the political authority with the assistance of experts, scholars and intellectuals as well as governmental and non-governmental organizations in all related fields and that the aforesaid policy be implemented early.

P.76/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Utilizing paddy lands that can not be cultivated with paddy for productive purposes, — That this Parliament resolves that programmes be formulated in such a manner that the law on paddy lands reclamation is not violated, so paddy lands that are impossible to be cultivated with paddy could be utilized for productive agricultural crop cultivation only, without leaving any room for constructions to take place in them, once such lands have been identified after a proper study.

P.77/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana, — Removing the salary anomalies of the Public Service Pensioners, — That this Parliament resolves that a national programme be formulated to remove the severe salary anomaly that exists between the salaries of the public servants who had retired prior to 01.06.2006 and those who retired after the said date, created as a result of the salary conversion of public servants that was effected from 01.06.2006, according to the salary revisions circular 6/2006.

P.78/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana, — Establishment of information centres at district level, — That this Parliament resolves that information centres where all information relating to the geographical location, historic background, crops cultivated, road network, government offices, schools, universities, railway stations, bus stands are computerized and documented be established and that these centres be established at the provincial level during the first stage, at the district level during the second stage and at the Divisional Secretariat division level during the third stage.

P.79/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana, — Regulating of religious school education and administration of Sri Lanka, — That this Parliament resolves that an urgent programme be drawn up to increase the number of students attending religious schools by continually providing human and physical resources for religious schools in order to regulate education and administration of religious schools of all religions of Sri Lanka and to accord proper recognition to the certificates of the final examination and the Dharmacharya examination of Buddhist Dhamma Schools and similar examinations conducted in religious schools of other faiths.

P.80/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana, — Formulating laws regarding the rearing of pets such as dogs and cats, — That this Parliament resolves that laws be formulated for the registration of pets such as dogs and cats in local government authorities and that laws be formulated that the sale of the young of these animals should only be done in authorized centres and making it compulsory to spay female animals reared in other places other than these authorized centres.

P. 81/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana, — Training workers required for the job market, — That this Parliament resolves that the task of initiating a methodology for the training of workers required for the new employment opportunities generated in future Sri Lanka be commenced by all tertiary educational institutions in the country.

P. 82/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana, — Re-organizing the Public Administration structure, — That this Parliament resolves since the Ministry of Public Administration is in the process of redemarcating Grama Niladhari divisions the entire Public Administration structure be re-organized in such a way that divisional Secretariat divisions and districts be demarcated afresh through the redemarcated Grama Niladhari Divisions and such newly demarcated Divisional Secretary's areas be made local government areas and such area should consist of jurisdictions of all Public institutions including Divisional education area, Police area, agrarian services area and the regional health services officers area.

P. 83/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana, — Resumption of the further development activities of the Nilwala Ganga project, — That this Parliament resolves that further development activities of the Nilwala Ganga project be resumed forthwith and steps be taken expeditiously to solve the problems faced by the people who cultivate various crops on the catchment area of the Nilwala Valley, due to the stalled development activities of the Nilwala Ganga project in the Matara district.

P.84/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Extending the Honorary Post of 'Justice of the Peace' even beyond the term of the Peoples representatives of the Provincial Councils and local government bodies, —since the honorary post of 'Justice in Peace' accorded to the peoples representatives of the Provincial Councils and local government bodies are confined only to their term of office, a large number of people who approach them for the relevant service, even after their terms of office is over, are greatly inconvenienced. Therefore this Parliament resolves that a suitable system be adopted to extend this post to the people's representatives even beyond their terms of office.

P.85/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Reconsideration of allowances and privileges of all members and Ministers of the Provincial Councils, — That this Parliament resolves that proper measures be adopted in this regard following deep consideration Since the allowances privileges and facilities of the Hon Ministers, Chairmen, Vice Chairmen, Chief government Whips, Leader of the House, Leader of the Opposition, Chief Opposition Whip and Hon. Members of the existing provincial councils and the Northern Provincial Council which is to officially function in near future, are not in a proper state.

P.86/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Reconsideration of the allowances and privileges granted to all people's representatives in Local Authorities, —That this Parliament resolves that since there are irregularities with respect to the allowances, privileges and other facilities granted to the Mayors, Chairmen, Deputy Mayors, Vice Chairmen and the Members of the existing Municipal Councils, Urban Councils and Pradeshiya Sabhas in the Island and the Municipal Councils, Urban Councils and Pradeshiya Sabhas which are planned to be established in the future, serious consideration be drawn to this matter and proper courses of action be followed in this regard.

P.87/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Issuing death certificates for the disappeared Tamil persons in the North and East, — That this Parliament resolves that immediate investigations be carried out to find out whether the persons who disappeared due to various reasons during the past period of about three decades of war in the North and East are still alive or not, and if they are not alive death certificate should be issued for them.

P 88/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Formulation of a National Youth Policy, — That this Parliament resolves that a select committee be appointed consisting of the Hon. Members of Parliament representing all the political parties for formulating a National Youth Policy suitable for Sri Lanka to get the assistance of the veterans, academics and intellectuals as well as governmental and non-governmental organizations representing all the related fields for that purpose.

P. 89/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Making use of Government schools and Universities for education units, during vacations, — That this Parliament resolves that adult and non formal education units should be started on concessionary rates with the involvement of business community, Non government organizations. Chambers of Commerce and Community based organizations during school holidays, and afternoon sessions and University vacations.

P. 90/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,—Setting up of an efficeint system to make acting appointments on Grama Niladari Posts that fall vacant,—That this Parliament resolves that a post of Grama Niladari's be set up in each divisional secretariat office with a view to appointing Grama Niladari's from that pool to Grama Niladari divisions that fall vacant, Since appointing the Grama Niladari of the adjoining division on acting basis on a meagre allowance when vacancy occurs in a Grama Niladari division leads to the breakdown of efficiency in both divisions and also to provide for the Grama Niladari's of that pool to be deployed in any productive field or duty assigned to them by the Divisional Secretary.

P .91/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Granting Official recognition to prevailing Civil Defence Committees, — That this Parliament resolves that a Parliamentary Act to be enacted to enable official recognition be granted to civil defence committees operational at present and to make it more convenient for those committees comprising of the chief incumbent, Priest of the religious institutions, The Principal, Grama Niladhari, Samurdhi Development officer, Agriculture Research Assistant, Janasabha Secretaries, an officer representing the Police Station of the area, representatives from the voluntary organizations public and private sector who are residents of the Grama Niladhari division, be set up and to facilitate proper Co-ordination with the relevant authorities against criminal acts, vices and various illegal activities taking place in the Grama Niladhari division.

P .92/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Updating outdated laws and regulations currently being in operation in the Island, —That this Parliament resolves that since laws and regulations introduced during the Colonial era are still in operation, that committees be appointed to review such laws and regulations and a national programme be implemented to update outdated penalties, fines etc.

P.93/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Holding all elections on the same day, — That this Parliament resolves Whereas during the 22 year period from 1988 to 2010 an election of some kind has been held every year except for the years 1990, 1992, 1995, 1996, 1998, 2003 and 2007 whereas the holding of such elections is having a huge impact on every field such as economy and administration of the country, though it is a worthy criterion in gauging the public opinion, that an appropriate amendment be introduced to the Constitution to revise the official term of office of entities such as local government authorities, the Parliament and the presidency and to devise an appropriate system of election, enabling the holding of elections for them on the same day.

P. 94/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,—Taking action to strengthen Parliamentary democracy,— That this Parliament resolves that an amendment to the Constitution required to design a system to ensure the representation of the heads of the local government bodies in the provincial councils and the heads of Provincial Councils in the Parliament, be introduced for the maintenance of proper coordination between the Parliament and the provincial councils and between the provincial councils and the local government bodies in order to make democracy in the country more stronger.

P. 95/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Taking action to create national integrity, — That this Parliament resolves that, with the aim of promoting national integrity, a national programme be implemented with the assistance of the state and private electronic and print media to commence the conducting of the Sinhala language training programmes in areas where the Tamil speaking people live and the Tamil language training programmes where the Sinhala speaking people live with the assistance of government, non-government and private institutions.

P. 96/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana, — Providing relief to the party rendered helpless due to the improper behavior of the spouse, — That this Parliament resolves that necessary laws be drafted to prevent the spouse together with the children becoming utterly helpless due to the husband or the wife being engaged in alcoholism, gambling and other improper behaviors and selling or transferring to others land or household goods on his or her own will, when a married couple are living under the same roof.

P.97/'10

Hon. Ruwan Ranatunga,— Increasing annual interest rate for fixed deposits of senior citizens up to 14 % ,— That this Parliament resolves that the annual interest rate for fixed deposits of Rupees 15 lakhs or less of senior citizens be increased up to 14 %, as most of the senior citizens who are spending the evening of their life after rendering a

considerable service for the country in corporations, boards, authorities and the private sector, live on the interest received on their savings and provident fund that they had deposited in fixed deposits, have been put into great inconvenience due to the lowered interest income received for the fixed deposits of senior citizens as a result of bringing down the annual interest rate of state banks up to 10.5 %.

P.98/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Establishing Committees on Ethics, — That this Parliament resolves that a Committee on Ethics should be established to look into the matters connected with the maintaining of credibility and good ethical conduct of the Members of Parliament in Sri Lanka.

P.99/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Issuing a new electronic identity card, — That this Parliament resolves that a national identity card with a new electronic number and containing important and necessary details about the relevant individual such as blood group , bank account number, credit card number, educational qualifications, driving licence number and passport number, be issued to facilitate administration and suppression of crimes and other fraudulent activities and that information of all residents of Divisional Secretariat Divisions be computerized early at Grama Niladhari Division level and those information be updated from time to time.

P.100/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Option of retirement after a 20 year period of service for male police officers, — That this Parliament resolves that the option of voluntary retirement available for female police officers after the completion of 20 year period of service shall be made applicable to the male police officers as well, and a scheme shall be formulated for this purpose.

P.101/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Setting up committees for repealing regulations,— That this Parliament resolves that committees to look into the possibility of repealing redundant regulations shall be set up since the formulation of regulations as well as the repealing of regulations is an ongoing process

P.102/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana, — Confirmation in service of officers of the Civil Defence Force, — This House resolves that the officers attached to the Civil Defence force be made entitled to Salaries, allowances, permanency of service and pensions enjoyed by the officers in other armed forces along with accepted official status as in the other government departments.

P.103/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Establishment of Assurance Committees,—That this Parliament moves that Committees be established to ensure that the government fulfills its' responsibilities as there are occasions when the government fails to meet the assurances given in response to questions raised in Parliament and the obligations of the government.

P.104/'10

Hon. (Al-Haj)A.H.M. Azwer,— Encouraging the cultivation of Palmyra,- That this Parliament resolves that steps be taken to encourage the cultivation of Palmyra known as “Katpagatharu” which is very useful for the public and to promote productions related to Palmyra .

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Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Enhancing the Productivity of the Lands owned by the Department of Railways,— That this Parliament resolves that the income received by the Department be enhanced by removing speedily the unauthorized constructions and occupants from the lands owned by the Department of Railways and by reviewing the agreements regarding authorized constructions and that the lands that do not affect development work of the Department directly be provided to the private sector on long-term lease and funds thus obtained be utilized for modernization of the Railway network.
