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The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Regulations under 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. 1685/25 of 24th December 2010, which were presented on 20.01.2011, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

* *Indicates Government Business*

Tuesday, February 22, 2011

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0315/'10

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the date on which Sri Lanka agreed to stage the IIFA event in Colombo;
- (ii) the party who is paying for the event;
- (iii) the date that the money received ;
- (iv) if money isn't being paid as above, who is footing the bill ; and
- (v) the total cost for the event?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the benefits expected from the event IIFA; and
- (ii) whether such benefits could be received?

(c) If not, why?

0410/'10

Hon. Dilum Amunugama,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of employees in the public service in the year 2004 ;
 - (ii) the number of employees in the public service by the year 2010 ; and
 - (iii) the number of persons recruited to the public service from the year 2004 up to now?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to increase the aforesaid number of employees further ; and
 - (ii) the action taken for such an increase?
- (c) If not, why?

0529/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform—
 - (i) whether the Thirikkonduyadumadu Jayanthipura 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?

0545/'10

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

- (a) Is he aware that Sri Lankan sports persons participated in the Olympic Games during the period from the year 1948 upto now?
- (b) Will he submit to this House the list of names of the sportspersons who participated in the Olympic Games during the period mentioned above, the victories achieved by them and the years in which those achievements were made?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the place and the year in which the next Olympic Games will be held ;
 - (ii) whether sportspersons from Sri Lankan will participate in it ; and
 - (iii) the programme that has been launched in that regard?
- (d) If not, why?

0624/'10

Hon. R. Yogarajan,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Is he aware that a serious shortage of teachers prevails in the Hameed Al- Hussainiyya College at No. 45, Hussainiyya Street, Colombo 12 ?
- (b) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the approved cadre of teachers of aforesaid school in Sinhala and Tamil medium on subject wise ;
 - (ii) the number of teachers available in each medium on subject wise;
 - (iii) the shortage of teachers in each medium on subject wise;
 - (iv) the action that will be taken to address the above shortage of teachers; and
 - (v) as to when such action is taken?
- (c) Is he aware that an excess of teachers prevails at Royal, Ananda and Nalanda College?

(d) Will he state—

- (i) the number of teachers excess in the schools mentioned in part (c) on medium wise and subject wise; and
- (ii) whether actions will be taken to transfer those excess teachers to Hameed Al-Hussainiyya college to fill the existing vacancies?

(e) If not, why?

0642/'10

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of unemployed graduates who are expected to be given jobs within this year ;
- (ii) whether job advertisements have been published and interviews have been conducted with regard to the matter mentioned above ;
- (iii) the dates on which the aforesaid recruitments will be commenced and completed ; and
- (iv) the amount of money that is expected to be allocated through the budget estimates for the aforesaid programme for providing jobs?

(b) If not, why?

0708/'10

Hon. Dunesh Gankanda,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Employment Promotion and Welfare,—

(a) Will he state—

- (i) separately, the number of foreign jobs given to Sri Lanka by the government of Korea each year during the period from the year 2005 to August 2010;
- (ii) the procedure that should be followed by a person to obtain such an employment opportunity;
- (iii) separately, at district level, the number of persons who left for such jobs;
- (iv) separately , for each year, the number of persons registered by now in the Bureau of Foreign Employment having fulfilled the basic requirements for a Korean job?

- (b) Will he inform this House —
- (i) the period of validity of the registration of a Korean job candidate registered in the Bureau of Foreign Employment;
 - (ii) the procedure to be followed again by a job candidate whose aforesaid registration has lapsed, to obtain a job in Korea;
 - (iii) whether priority is given for job candidates registered in the Bureau of Foreign Employment in selecting people for this purpose in the future?
- (c) If not, why?

0731/'10

Hon. M. Joseph Michael Perera,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—

- (a) Is he aware that —
- (i) the open competitive examination to recruit Tax Officers of Grade II of Class III of Sri Lanka Inland Revenue Service was held in year 2006;
 - (ii) out of the 16,000 candidates who sat for the aforesaid examination, about 1000 were called for interviews;
 - (iii) 550 out of them were granted appointments with effect from 1st April 2007;
 - (iv) among the recipients of those appointments, there are persons who had not graduated by the date given in the gazette notification issued in 2006 with relevance to this examination ?
- (b) Will he inform this House of —
- (i) the name, address and marks scored with relevance to each of the candidates who received appointments as Tax Officers, separately ;
 - (ii) the marks scored at the examination and the interview by Mrs. W.A.S.M. Sovis who resides at No. 76/C, Tudella, Ja_Ela East and faced the interview at 9.30 a.m. on 08.12.2006 ?
- (c) If not , why?

0780/'10

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

(a) Will he state —

- (i) the number of children in this country whose mothers are married Sri Lankan women who are working abroad at present;
- (ii) the programmes that have been implemented for the protection and welfare of the aforesaid children by the government;
- (iii) the amount of money spent per year for such programmes by the government ?

(b) If not, why?

0317/'10

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the total outstanding debts to Ceylon Electricity Board ;
- (ii) the names of the ten biggest debtors to CEB ;
- (iii) the interest cost required to pay for the money borrowed by CEB owing to its high debts;
- (iv) the action that is being taken to overcome this situation;
- (v) the amount that the CEB owes to its creditors;
- (vi) the names of the 10 biggest creditors of CEB; and
- (vii) the dates from which the money is due for the last 6 years?

(b) Whether it is correct, that the reasons for high Electricity prices are the inefficiency and high debts of CEB?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) the conditions declared by the IMF on CEB ; and
- (ii) whether the CEB is going to meet those conditions?

(d) If not, why?

0575/'10

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the number of volunteer teachers serving in government schools in each district on the basis of each category of schools ;
 - (ii) whether any programme will be implemented to confirm those volunteer teachers ; and
 - (iii) whether money has been allocated for that purpose under the last budget ?
- (b) Is he aware that the volunteer teachers who are subject to the provisions of clause VI in Part 2 of the Education Ministry Circular bearing No 2008/50 have not been confirmed up to now?
- (c) If so, will he state courses of action that will be taken to confirm them in the service?
- (d) If not, why?

0781/'10

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

- (a) Will he state in this House —
 - (i) separately, on district basis, the number of widows in the Eastern Province, whose husbands lost their lives while serving in the three armed forces, the Police, the Police Special Task Force and the Civil Security Service;
 - (ii) the welfare services that have been implemented by the government for the benefit of the aforesaid widows;
 - (iii) the welfare services that have been implemented by the government for the benefit of their children?
- (b) If not, why?

0379/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of MSD or Police personnel allowed to the Members of Parliament and Provincial Council Members separately as of today;
 - (ii) as to whom else MSD is deployed; and
 - (iii) number of personnel so allowed?
- (b) Will he table a list of MSD personnel deployed other than for MPP and Members of Provincial Councils as of today?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the names of the defeated candidates and MPP who are still receiving MSD or Police protection as of today;
 - (ii) number of personnel deployed to them and where they are from; and
 - (iii) the criteria adopted for such deployment?
- (d) Will he also inform the number of MSD or JSD or Police personnel allowed to the Judges of Supreme Court, High Court and Court of Appeal?
- (e) If not, why?

0724/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of persons in the Kurunegala district who have obtained Samurdhi loans ;
 - (ii) the interest rate applicable to the above mentioned loans ;
 - (iii) the procedure followed in granting the above mentioned loans ; and
 - (iv) the amount of money to be recovered as at present?

- (b) Is he aware that the officers act in an arbitrary manner when recovering the loans from who obtained Samurdhi loans?
- (c) If so, will he state the courses of action that will be followed in this regard?
- (d) If not, why?

0782/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the number of people residing in the Eastern Province who are congenitally disabled and those who have become disabled due to various accidents and diseases separately on district basis;
 - (ii) the relief services provided by the government for those disabled persons ;
 - (iii) the amount spent by the government annually in that respect ?
- (b) If not, why ?

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS
(Tuesday, February 22, 2011)

0664/'10

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Co-operatives and Internal Trade,—

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of stores;
 - (ii) the location of each of the aforesaid stores ;
 - (iii) separately, the capacity of each store ;
 - (iv) the number of employees who served in each store ; and
 - (v) the number of vehicles;
- that belonged to the Paddy Marketing Board at its inception?

(b) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) the number of paddy stores that belong to the government;
- (ii) the places where those paddy stores are located ;
- (iii) separately, the capacity of each of those stores and the number of employees attached to each of them ; and
- (iv) the types of the vehicles allocated for purchasing paddy and the number of vehicles so allocated;

at present ?

(c) Will he state with respect to the last 5 years—

- (i) the amount of paddy purchased by each store separately, during the Yala and Maha seasons ;
- (ii) the purchasing price of paddy ;
- (iii) the selling price of paddy ; and
- (iv) the amount of paddy destroyed out of the stocks of paddy purchased during the aforesaid period of time?

(d) If not, why?

0665/'10

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

(a) Will he inform this House separately of —

- (i) the number of hectares brought under the cultivation of agricultural crops;
- (ii) the number of hectares brought under the cultivation of each export crop ;
- (iii) the number of hectares brought under the cultivation of export crop ;

in each district in the Yala and Maha seasons during the post 10 years ?

(b) Will he state —

- (i) separately as per the seasons, the harvest from each cultivated agricultural crop;
 - (ii) separately, the annual harvest of each export crop and the export value of the said crops;
 - (iii) the total export value of the said crops ;
- for each year during the past 10 years ?

(c) If not, why?

0666/'10

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

- (a) Will he state the number of government farms that existed by 1977 ?
- (b) Will he state, in relation to each farm;
 - (i) the name, objective of establishing and the role played;
 - (ii) the extent and the number of employees; and
 - (iii) the years that registered profits, profits registered , divisions that registered profits and production of a few years that registered profits ?
- (c) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the number of farms that were transferred to the private sector, out of the above farms ;
 - (ii) names of person to whom they were transferred and the present owners;
 - (iii) the dates of such transfers , bids and the basic terms of transfer; and
 - (iv) the functions performed by private farms at present ?
- (d) Will he inform, in relation to the government owned farms;
 - (i) the functions performed;
 - (ii) separately of the number of employees;
 - (iii) profits registered or losses incurred in the last 5 years ; and
 - (iv) the values of each product produced in the last year ?
- (e) If not, why?

0667/'10

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

- (a) Will he state the names of public sector institutions (Departments, Corporations, Boards, Authorities) established by the central government and provincial councils with relevance to agriculture ?
- (b) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the date of establishment the objectives and the functions each of these institutions;
 - (ii) the posts created and the number of employees in each post as of now in each of these institutions ;
 - (iii) the manner in which the aforesaid institutions operate at regional level and their organizational structure ?

- (c) Will he state —
- (i) the names of non-governmental organizations established with relevance to agriculture by now;
 - (ii) the names of persons who set up each of these institutions and those who provide financial allocations to them;
 - (iii) the amount of financial allocations spent by the aforesaid organizations by now;
 - (iv) the number of employees in each of these organizations ?
- (d) If not, why?

0669/'10

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources Management,—

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) the number of major irrigation schemes in Sri Lanka ;
 - (ii) the electorate to which each of the aforesaid irrigation schemes belongs ;
 - (iii) the names and the water source of each of the aforesaid irrigation schemes ; and
 - (iv) the catchment area and its capacity?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the year in which each of the aforesaid irrigation schemes was commenced ;
 - (ii) the year in which each of them was completed ;
 - (iii) the date on which each was commissioned ; and
 - (iv) the amount spent for the completion of each scheme?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) the amount allocated for rehabilitation of each irrigation scheme within the last 20 years ;
 - (ii) years in which money was allocated ; and
 - (iii) the work done with respect to each scheme within the last 20 years?
- (d) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the extent of land that has been brought under cultivation ;
 - (ii) the extent of land cultivated in Yala and Maha season, separately, within the last ten years ; and
 - (iii) the number of families that have been settled with respect to each of the aforesaid irrigation schemes?
- (e) If not, why?

0776/'10

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

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) Dr. Darshana Wickramasinghe of University of Ruhuna was dismissed from service on a decision of the University Council, though he was found not guilty for all charges framed against him;
- (ii) the aforesaid decision was challenged before the Court of Appeal by Dr. Wickramasinghe and a writ of certiorari quashing the said decision has been issued;
- (iii) Dr. Wickramasinghe has filed a private case in the District Court of Matara for damages caused by Prof. Mirani Weerasuriya of same University by making malicious complaint against him which resulted lost of his employment; and
- (iv) even for this private case, the University makes payments for the Lawyers retained for Prof. Mirani Weerasuriya?

(b) Will he state whether —

- (i) the aforesaid actions taken by the authorities of the University of Ruhuna could be justified;and
- (ii) the University Grants Commission is directed to make inquires on the above and to take appropriate steps to prevent such incidents in future?

(c) If not, why?

0777/'10

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the values and sources of Foreign Research Grants received by the Faculty of Medicine of Ruhunu University of Sri Lanka for the years 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009 separately;
- (ii) the manner in which those funds were utilized by the aforesaid Faculty of Medicine;
- (iii) whether the Faculty Board of Faculty of Medicine, the Senate and the academic authority were informed of the receipt of those grants and the findings of the research for which the grants were used; and
- (iv) if not, the reasons for not informing the relevant authorities;

(b) Will he also state—

- (i) whether those funds were taken in to the University accounts in terms of Section 99(1) of the Universities Act No. 160 of 1978 and other Financial Regulations of the Government; and
- (ii) if not, the reasons for not accounting those funds in the University accounts?

(c) If not, why?

Wednesday, February 23, 2011

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0324/'10

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether the fact that elimination of cigarette consumption has been included to the “Mathata Thitha” programme ;
- (ii) the consumption of cigarette and Beedi in Sri Lanka per year for the last 5 years;
- (iii) the amount of cigarettes and Beedi produced locally per year for the last 6 years;
- (iv) the amount of cigarettes imported to the country over the last 6 years; and
- (v) the revenue earned through taxes imposed on local production and imports of cigarettes and Beedi for last six years per year basis?

(b) If not, why?

0549/'10

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) whether the construction work of the Ralithulai bridge, which was proposed to be constructed in the Trincomalee 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?

0559/'10

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

- (a) Is he aware that under “Vishramika Diviyata Athwelak” (Support for retired life) in Mahinda Chinthana Vision that was presented at the last Presidential Election, a pledge was made as a relief measure for pensioners, to the effect that the pensions of those who had retired prior to 2006 would be rectified in line with the 2006 salary scheme and implemented from the following budget (2010)?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether measures have been taken through the 2010 budget to pay the pensions of those who had retired prior to 2006 in line with the 2006 salary scheme accordingly ;
 - (ii) of the amount allocated for the aforesaid purpose ;
 - (iii) of the relevant reasons, if that relief has not been granted through the 2010 budget ; and
 - (iv) of the date on which the aforesaid pension hike would be granted?
- (c) If not, why?

0570/'10

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

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) a plan implement by the Housing Development Authority to sell the remaining plots of land of the Raddolugama Housing Scheme has been suspended on a complaint made to His Excellency the President by its residents ;
- (ii) the recommendation made in this connection by the Presidential Investigation Unit has been conveyed to the then Chairman of the Housing Development Authority and the Secretary of the Ministry of Housing and Construction through the letter Ref: No. SP/4/2/4/2/1 dated 28.02.2006 ; and
- (iii) in the aforesaid letter it has been stated (briefly) “Since the residents have enjoyed the remaining small plots of land for nearly 23 years, His Excellency the President has drawn his attention to transfer them by sale to the residents. It is hereby informed that it is advisable to allot the road surrounding the Raddolugama Housing Scheme from plot 1820 and to transfer by sale plot 1819 to adjacent neighbours” ?

(b) Will he take action to execute the above order of the President without delay?

(c) If not, why?

0682/'10

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

(a) Will he inform this House of the number of private houses and institutions that are being occupied by the Security Forces in the North including Kilinochchi?

(b) Will he state as to when those places will be given back to the original owners?

(c) If not, why?

0706/'10

Hon. Gayantha Karunatileka,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately of the number of Samurdhi recipients who have been entitled to Samurdhi benefits as at 30th June every year from 2005 to 2009 in each divisional Secretariat division in the Galle district ;
 - (ii) the amount of money paid to those who were entitled to it, their names and addresses ; and
 - (iii) separately, the total amount of money paid to Samurdhi recipients annually in the years 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of persons who were Samurdhi recipients earlier but were removed later in each of the above years, their names and addresses ;
 - (ii) the basis on which they were removed ; and
 - (iii) Separately and on yearly basis, the number of new Samurdhi recipients added to the list during that period ; if there are any and their addresses?
- (c) If not, why?

0707/'10

Hon. Dunes Gankanda,— To ask Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether an Organization named North East Rehabilitation and Development Organization (NERDO) has been registered in Sri Lanka ;
 - (ii) if so, the date on which the aforesaid Organization was registered ; and
 - (iii) the objectives of establishing the aforesaid Organization?
- (b) Will he state the place where the office of the aforesaid Organization is situated, the names of the Heads of the Organizations the number of staff and their names and addresses?
- (c) If not, why?

0848/'10

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the only agricultural economic centre in Puttlam district is situated in Norochcholai in the Kalpitiya Pradeshiya Sabha area ;
 - (ii) the Kalpitiya Pradeshiya Sabha area is covered by a long belt of infertile sand ;
 - (iii) with that infertile belt of sand that has been made fertile by the application of chemical fertilizer including urea, the farmers of that area very successfully produce about 1/3 of the red onion, vegetable and fruit requirements of Sri Lanka ; and
 - (iv) despite that fact, the subsidy provided by the government for urea and other fertilizer for paddy cultivation is not available for the farmers who engage in highland farming ?
- (b) Will he admit that it is proper to provide the fertilizer subsidy available for paddy cultivation also to the farmers of the very difficult area of the Kalpitiya Pradeshiya Sabha who soil in highland farming?
- (c) If so, will he inform this House whether action will be taken to provide that fertilizer subsidy to the farmers of Kalpitiya as well?
- (d) If not, why?

0877/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately, of the amount of money spent in the years 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010 for the construction of the Veerawila International Airport, with respect to each of the above mentioned years ;
 - (ii) whether that project will be implemented further ;
 - (iii) if not, the reasons for it ;
 - (iv) the loss incurred by the government of Sri Lanka as a result of abandoning the aforesaid project ;
 - (v) the name of the person or persons responsible for causing aforesaid loss ; and
 - (vi) the courses of action that will be followed against them?
- (b) If not, why?

0886/'10

Hon. Vijitha Herath ,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

(a) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) the dates on which the interviews were held to admit children to the grade one of the WP/GM/Ananda Vidyalaya, at Pallegama, Pepiliyawala in the Gampaha district for the year 2011 ; and
- (ii) separately, the names, addresses and relevant category of the applicants who were qualified and who were not qualified to admit their children and marks obtained by them ;

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether a letter from the Grama Niladhari is required to prove the information relevant to the register of electors which has been referred to application according to the relevant circular of the Ministry ; and
- (ii) whether the interview board can refuse to check the other documents of proof which have been mentioned in the circular merely because there is no letter issued by the Grama Niladhari?

(c) Will he admit that—

- (i) some applicants who did not have a letter from the Grama Niladhari had been called again for an interview on another day ; and
- (ii) since they had not been informed properly one applicant has been subjected to injustice?

(d) Will he take steps—

- (i) to do justice to the aforesaid applicant who was subjected to injustice ; and
- (ii) to conduct a proper investigation in this regard?

(e) If not, why?

0888/'10

Hon. Wasantha Aluwihare,— To ask the Minister of Lands and Land Development,—

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) 42 plots out of the land called Gangeyaya situated in Perakanatta Grama Niladhari Division of Wilgamuwa in Matale district were distributed among landless farmers in the year 2002, after holding a land kachcheri ;
 - (ii) those land recipients were chased away by other persons later and they have forcibly taken possession of those lands ; and
 - (iii) eventhough the land recipients who were chased away as mentioned above have complained about this, no inquiry in that respect has been held so far?
- (b) Will he submit to this House the list of names of the land recipients according to the distribution of land carried out in the year 2002?
- (c) Will he state whether steps will be taken to enquire into the complaints lodged by the land recipients chased away from their lands, ensure their ownership and resettle them?
- (d) If not, why?

0584/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the renewal granted on the grace period and payback of loans taken from the multilateral agencies and friendly countries on bilateral basis for last four years;
 - (ii) as to when such facilities were granted;
 - (iii) the purpose it was given for;
 - (iv) whether there is any initiation Fee, Commitment Fee, Management or Administration Fee, Insurance Premium, and or any other costs in different names pertaining to the aforesaid loans ;
 - (v) whether they are one off payments or annual payments; and
 - (vi) the total amounts to be paid per year on aforesaid costs per year which impacts on the country as a cost factor?
- (b) If not, why?

0732/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Employment Promotion and Welfare,—

(a) Will he state—

- (i) separately, the number of expatriate workers who died overseas in each month during the period from year 2006 up to now ;
- (ii) the reasons for their deaths ;
- (iii) the number of dead bodies brought to Sri Lanka out of the dead bodies of such workers who died overseas ; and
- (iv) if the dead bodies could not be brought here the reason for it?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of instances in which compensations have been paid for the aforesaid persons who died overseas ; and
- (ii) there are instances in which compensations have not been paid for the aforesaid persons who died overseas, the reasons for it?

(c) If not, why?

0585/'10

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the loans taken in total during the periods of 1970-1980, 1980-1990, 1990-2000 by the government separately;
- (ii) whether those are Multilateral or Bilateral Loans;
- (iii) the interest rates applicable and the interest paid per year on above loans;
- (iv) whether those loans are paid up or not;
- (v) the total interest and capital amortization paid per year on aforesaid loans; and
- (vi) the total interest and capital amortization for the period from 2015 to 2020 (five years) on the loans taken as at today?

(b) If not ,why?

0833/'10

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of employees of the Department of Immigration and Emigration detailed for duties at the Katunayake airport ;and
 - (ii) the qualifications to be fulfilled by the aforesaid employees engaged in duties at the airport?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether outsiders who do not belong to the Department of Immigration and Emigration have been detailed for duties of that Department at the Katunayake airport ;
 - (ii) if so, the number of such persons ;
 - (iii) of the qualifications of such persons ; and
 - (iv) of the reasons for the deployment of such a group?
- (c) If not, why?

Thursday, February 24, 2011

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0376/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately—
 - (i) the amounts of Duty and all other forms of Taxes imposed on the imported items namely Milk Powder, Gas, Sugar, Dhal, Onions, Potatoes, Rice, Canned Fish and Petroleum;
 - (ii) the quantities of the aforesaid items imported for the last 10 years;
 - (iii) the revenue earned through imposition of Taxes for the last 5 years;
 - (iv) the quantities of them produced locally, if any, for last 5 years on per year basis; and
 - (v) the annual consumption of those items for last 5 years?
- (b) If not, why?

0678/'10

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

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) whether the land on which Sooriyawewa Cricket Stadium in Hambanthota is built was transferred by the government to an outside party by way of leasing or any other method;
 - (ii) to whom it was transferred in that manner;
 - (iii) the amount for which that land was transferred, the year in which it was transferred and the extent of the land;
 - (iv) the party to whom the ownership of that stadium will be transferred once it is completed;
 - (v) the period of time and amount for which it will be transferred;
 - (vi) the annual income expected through it?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the total amount that would be spent on the construction of the aforesaid stadium;
 - (ii) whether that amount is spent by the government, a government institution or by Sri Lanka Cricket or some other institution;
 - (iii) if so, the amount spent by each party, separately?
- (c) Will he inform of —
 - (i) the persons who provide consultancy for designing and architecture of this stadium;
 - (ii) the amount expected to be spent on the playground, pavilion, light bulbs for day and night matches and annual maintenance, separately ?
- (d) If not, why?

0705/'10

Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Sudarshini Fernandopulle,— To ask the Minister of External Affairs,—

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the names of organizations or institutions operative in the country which are affiliated to the United Nations Organization ;
 - (ii) separately, the functions assigned to each of the said organizations and institutions ;
 - (iii) whether the approval of the government has been received for programmes implemented by them ; and
 - (iv) the programme that the government has for the supervision of the functioning of those organizations and institutions?

- (b) Will he submit to this House separately the grants received by each of the aforesaid organizations and institutions from the year 2005 up to now?
- (c) If not, why?

0890/'10

Hon. Harin Fernando,— To ask the Minister of Agrarian Services and Wildlife,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the erection of electric fences to minimize Human - Elephant conflict takes place according to proper standards ;
 - (ii) the dates of commencement and completion of the erection of electric fences proposed to be erected in Rideemaliyadda, Mahiyangana, Kandeketiya, Meegahakiula, Uva Paranagama and Haldummulla areas in the Badulla district ;
 - (iii) whether, there is a delay in the commencement of the erection of those electric fences ; and
 - (iv) if so, the reasons for it?
- (b) Will he admit the facts that—
 - (i) a delay occurs in the payment of compensation in relation to damages caused by elephant attacks ; and
 - (ii) the compensation paid in relation to such damage at present is not sufficient?
- (c) Will he state, whether a suitable course of action will be taken speedily to expedite the payment of compensation and increase the amount paid as compensation?
- (d) If not, why

0899/'10

Hon. Gamini Jayawickrama Perera,— To ask the Minister of Health,—

- (a) Will he state whether a person who has fallen ill due to the consumption of liquor is charged a fee, when such a person is admitted to a government hospital?
- (b) Is he aware that types of 'arishta' containing alcohol and drugs containing cannabis are used for treatment in Ayurvedic medicine and that cirrhosis which is caused by liquor consumption is caused due to long term reception of such treatment as well?

(c) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether there is an accepted method to find out whether cirrhosis has been caused due to alcohol consumption or due to Ayurvedic treatment in the above mentioned manner ; and
- (ii) if so, what that method is?

(d) If not, why?

0911/'10

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether the “wayamba” (North Western) Cricket team which represented Sri Lanka at the Champions league 20-20 Cricket tournament held in South Africa in September 2010 was sponsored by an institution with a trade name Musli Power X-tra;
- (ii) what that institution is;
- (iii) the amount of money paid to the Sri Lanka Cricket Board by this institution ?

(b) Will he inform this House whether a product used for sexual stimulation is sold under the trade name Musli Power X-tra ?

(c) If so, does he admit the fact that exhibiting the logo relating to that product while the “wayamba” (North Western) Cricket team was playing , is harmful to the image of the country and the players ?

(d) Will he inform this House as to what course of action would be taken against those officers who acted irresponsibly in selecting sponsors for the above tournament ?

(e) If not, why?

0917/'10

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

(a) Is he aware of an organization called the Institute for Leadership and Democracy?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) as to how and when aforesaid institution was established; and
- (ii) the names of directors of that institution;

- (c) Will he state for last ten years in relation to this institute—
- (i) the funding sources ;
 - (ii) the purpose for funding;
 - (iii) the amounts of foreign funds received if any; and
 - (iv) whether the funding by foreign sources were in accordance with Central Bank regulations;
- (d) Will he inform whether —
- (i) any relationship exists between this Institute or any of its Directors with any political party;
 - (ii) any foreign funds received by the Institute has been transferred to or used by the above party; and
 - (iii) the foreign donors to the Institute aware of any links between the Institute and the said political party?
- (e) If not, why?

0594/'10

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

- (a) Will he state for the last 8 years on per year basis —
- (i) the amount of money spent on Capital Loan Payments and Interest for the Loans paid to public servants; and
 - (ii) the name and the amount of any other Recurrent Expenditure incurred on public service of which value was more than 25 Billion Rupees ?
- (b) If not, why ?

0713/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
- (i) the total amount of money spent for the function named “Karadiyawara Mangalyaya” which was conducted for the inauguration of the Hambantota port ;
 - (ii) the name of the person or organization that was in charge of the entertainment activities of the aforesaid function;
 - (iii) if those activities were done by an organization, the names of the head of the organization and the members of the Board of Directors of the organization; and
 - (iv) the total amount of money paid to that organization or the person?
- (b) If not, why?

0893/'10

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) study leave is granted to students of leading schools who sit the G.C.E. (Advanced Level) examination ;
 - (ii) even though it is required to complete all lessons in the syllabus relating to students sitting the G.C.E.(Advanced Level) examination by the end of the term, teachers in charge of the relevant subjects conduct tuition classes during school hours ; and
 - (iii) as stated above, study leave has been granted to conduct such classes during school hours?
- (b) Will he state as to who has approved the granting of study leave as mentioned above?
- (c) Will he inform this House whether disciplinary action will be initiated upon inquiry into the teachers of government schools who grant study leave to students and conduct tuition classes for fees during school hours without teaching at school?
- (d) If not, why

0914/'10

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether “Sri Lanka Cricket” has entered into a contract with Somerset Entertainment Ventures (Singapore) Pvt. Ltd ;
 - (ii) if so, the date on which the aforesaid contract was entered into and the details pertaining to the contract ;
 - (iii) the value of the aforesaid contract ;
 - (iv) whether the aforesaid contract will be tabled ; and
 - (v) if not, the reasons for it?
- (b) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the registration number of the aforesaid company, if it has been registered in Sri Lanka ; and
 - (ii) the name of the country in which the aforesaid company has been registered, its registration number and the date of registration if it is a registered company in another country?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether the advertisement pertaining to the aforesaid contract was published by “Sri Lanka Cricket” only on its web site ;
- (ii) the date on which the aforesaid advertisement was published ;
- (iii) whether the aforesaid company had entered into contracts pertaining to Cricket before it entered into the aforesaid contract ; and
- (iv) if so, the occasions on which such contracts were entered into?

(d) If not, why?

0601/'10

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the benefit of having GSP Plus to Sri Lanka;
- (ii) as to when Sri Lanka lost the GSP Plus benefit; and
- (iii) the reasons for losing this benefit?

(b) Will he also state—

- (i) the volume of goods exported to EU under GSP Plus from the year it was started to the time it lapsed on per year basis;
- (ii) as to how the government assisted the Exporters who were affected owing to the loss of GSP Plus benefits; and
- (iii) the names of the countries currently enjoying GSP Plus?

(c) If not why?

0838/'10

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) whether the Ministry of Health has purchased drugs from the State Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Corporation at higher rates than that of the prevailing prices in the market ;
- (ii) if so, the reasons for granting approval for the above mentioned purchase ;
- (iii) the loss incurred by the government when comparing the rates with the market prices of the drugs purchased ; and
- (iv) whether this situation resulted in the recent drug shortage?

(b) Will he inform this House of the course of action to be taken against this malpractice which resulted owing to the lack of proper monitoring by the Ministry of Health?

(c) If not, why?

0896/'10

Hon. Harin Fernando,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources Management,—

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) unauthorized cultivators cultivate the tank beds of Nagadeepa and Mapakada reservoirs when the water level of those reservoirs recede ; and
 - (ii) those reservoirs are damaged by the silting up caused by those unauthorized cultivation activities carried out in the tank reserves for several years?
- (b) Will he inform this House, whether any legal action will be taken against those unauthorized cultivators in order to stop the damage that they cause to the said reservoirs?
- (c) If not, why

0915/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the year in which the office bearers were last elected through on election to “Sri Lanka Cricket” ;
 - (ii) of the name of the person who was elected as its Chairman on that occasion ;
 - (iii) of the reasons that led to the appointment of interim committees for “Sri Lanka Cricket” in March 2005, December 2008, March 2009 and July 2010, separately in respect of each occasion ; and
 - (iv) separately of the names of members appointed to the interim committees on each such occasion?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the instances in which “interim committees” are appointed as per clause 33 of the Sports Act No. 25 of 1973 ;
 - (ii) the obstacles that obtained for the election of office bearers democratically for “Sri Lanka Cricket” from the year 2005 up to now ; and
 - (iii) whether he admits that non-election of office bearers democratically to the aforesaid institution is detrimental for the existence of the game of Cricket?
- (c) Will he state as to when action will be taken to elect office bearers to Sri Lanka Cricket through the votes of sports clubs in terms of clause 35 of the Sports Act ?
- (d) If not, why?

Friday February 25, 2011

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0578/'10

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Doctors pass out per year from Sri Lankan Universities;
 - (ii) the number of overseas medical graduates who are accounted to be registered as doctors ;
 - (iii) whether the exams to register the aforesaid graduates as doctors are carried out by the Sri Lanka Medical Council and it has been assigned to another authority w.e.f. 01/01/2010; and
 - (iv) if so, the name of the new Authority ?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the requirement of Doctors in the country per year;
 - (ii) the average salary paid to a Doctor;
 - (iii) the other benefits given to them;
 - (iv) whether the Doctors qualified in Sri Lanka are permitted to go overseas on leave; and
 - (v) if so, the time period they are allowed to be on leave ?
- (c) If not, why?

0726/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the institution under which the Girathalana North road in Panduwasnuwara West Divisional Secretariat Division comes ; and
 - (ii) whether permission has been obtained from the relevant institution to tar that road?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the name of the institution or names of the persons entrusted with the task of tarring the aforesaid road ;
 - (ii) the estimated amount of money allocated in that respect ;
 - (iii) the length and width of the road to be tarred, according to that estimate ;
 - (iv) the length of the stretch of road that has been tarred by now ; and
 - (v) the date on which tarring was completed?

- (c) Is he aware that tarring of that road has not been done conforming to the standards many places have cared in by now and that the specified length has not been tarred?
- (d) If so, will he inform this House of the measures that will be taken against the institution or persons that carried out constructions without conforming to the standards?
- (e) If not, why?

0887/'10

Hon. Wasantha Aluwihare,— To ask the Minister of Environment,—

- (a) Is he aware that a large amount of garbage collected daily from the surrounding areas of the economic centre in Dambulla town is disposed to the Inamaluwa forest reserve ?
- (b) Will he admit that —
 - (i) a serious environmental damage is caused to the Inamaluwa forest reserve as a result ;
 - (ii) the lives of the wild animals that live in the reserve have been seriously threatened as they consume polythene and pieces of plastic in the garbage so disposed ?
- (c) Will he inform this House the steps that will be taken to prevent the environmental damage which is being caused to the Inamaluwa reserve and protect the lives of the wild animals in it ?
- (d) If not ,why?

0889/'10

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Land and Land Development,—

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the extent of land acquired by the Divisional Secretary of Minipe in Kandy district from 2000 to 2008 under the State Lands (Recovery of possession) Act, the names of the owners of those lands, their addresses and Grama Niladhari Divisions ;
 - (ii) whether compensation has been paid by the National Highways Sector Project of the Ministry of Highways for the building or land where Mr. G.M. Punchibanda of Pallewatta Grama Niladhari division was residing or for a well in that land which was subjected to recovery of possession within the aforesaid period ;
 - (iii) if so, the amount paid as compensation ?
- (b) Will he admit that Mr. Punchibanda has obtained electricity supply for that land using forged documents and that he has submitted an application for the approval of Land Commissioner General to obtain a license for that land ?

(c) Will he state whether action will be taken—

- (i) to recover the money paid as compensation to Mr. Punchibanda in recovering the possession of land;
- (ii) against the officials who advised and approved the provision of a license for the aforesaid land in an irregular manner, the payment of compensation for property on it and the supply of electricity ?

(d) If not , why?

0891/'10

Hon. Harin Fernando,— To ask the Minister of Co-operatives and Internal Trade ,—

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) the vegetable cultivators in welimada are inconvenienced owing to the improper administration of the Keppetipola Dedicated Economic Centre;
- (ii) this Centre, where farmers cannot fetch a good price for their vegetables and payments are not properly made for their products has become a place, that exploits farmers and that the farmers have lost their credibility in this Economic Centre ?

(b) Will he inform this House whether arrangements will be made speedily to—

- (i) develop and implement a programme that can do away with this situation and prevent problems between the farmer and the trader while building confidence in the farmer on the Economic Centre;
- (ii) implement a programme which will prevent exploitation of farmers by getting the help of the Price Control Unit and the weighing and measuring Unit for checking the stalls at this Economic Centre ?

(c) If not, why ?

0897/'10

Hon. Gamini Jayawickrama Perera,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development ,—

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether an island situated close to Kalpitiya has been leased out to a local or foreign company's or an individual;
- (ii) if it has been leased out, the purpose, the period and the amount of the lease ?

- (b) Will he state ;
 - (i) the name of the company to which the aforesaid island has been leased out or the name of the person to whom it has been leased out;
 - (ii) whether the relevant Lease Agreement will be submitted to this House?
- (c) If not, why?

0602/'10

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) all the shares bought by ETF during the last year;
 - (ii) the purchasing prices and the present reselling prices of aforesaid shares;
 - (iii) whether the shares were bought from quoted companies; and
 - (iv) if not, as to why non quoted shares were bought?
- (b) Will he state whether it is a policy of the government to buy minority share holdings in many quoted and unquoted companies ?
- (c) If not, why?

0839/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Mass Media and Information,—

- (a) Will inform this House—
 - (i) separately, of the profit made or the loss incurred by Sri Lanka Rupavahini Corporation in each year during the period from year 2006 up to now ;
 - (ii) whether the Rupavahini Corporation has implemented the updated combined plan for the year 2010 ; and
 - (iii) of the amounts of time the Rupavahini allocated for the election campaign activities of the government, during the periods when elections were held from 2006 up to now and the payments made in that respect?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of persons recruited to the Rupavahini Corporation from year 2006 up to now ; and
 - (ii) the qualifications required for the posts to which the aforesaid persons were recruited and the qualifications of those recruited?
- (c) If not, why?

0894/'10

Hon. Harin Fernando,— To ask the Minister of Youth Affairs and Skills Development,—

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the number of registered youth clubs affiliated to the Sri Lanka Youth Club Federation that comes under the National Youth Council;
- (ii) of the number of active youth clubs out of the above mentioned youth clubs;
- (iii) of the total number of members of the active youth clubs;
- (iv) whether the membership has increased considerably when the present is compare with the membership that existed 5 years ago;
- (v) if not, whether it has been decreased;
- (vi) whether the total present membership of the active youth clubs is a satisfactory number ?

(b) If not , why?

0898/'10

Hon. Gamini Jayawickrama Perera,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—

- (a) Will he present to this House a detailed report pertaining to the amounts of money spent at ceremony held for filling the Hambanthota harbour with seawater ?
- (b) Will he state the details of the persons who obtained the money so spent ?
- (c) If not, why?

0910/'10

Hon. Wasantha Aluwihare,— To ask the Minister of State Resources and Enterprise Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of tea estates managed by the Sri Lanka Plantation Corporation ;
 - (ii) of the amount of tea disposed monthly as waste tea at tea auctions, out of the amount of tea produced by those tea estates;
 - (iii) separately of the number of kilograms of tea that was condemned as unsuitable for human consumption at the tea auctions out of the amount of tea produced by the Kele Bokka Estate and the Galpihilla Estate, in the month of August in year 2010;
 - (iv) the gross loss incurred by it;
 - (v) the steps that will be taken in future to find out the reasons for such a loss and prevent the situation ?
- (b) If not ,why?

0913/'10

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Will he inform this House separately of the names addresses and marks obtained by students who were in the waiting list and admitted to school and students who were not admitted to the school though their names were in the waiting list subsequent to the interviews held for the admission of students for Grade One of Vihara Maha Devi Balika Vidyalaya, Kiribathgoda for the year 2010?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the names, addresses, and marks obtained and the special reason of admission of the five students who were admitted to the said school on the special orders of the officials of the Ministry of Education in 2010 ;
 - (ii) the names, addresses and marks obtained by the 18 students who obtained low marks at the interview and admitted by the principal on the orders of the officials of the Ministry of Education in the months of October and November 2010, in total violation of the circular of the secretary of the Ministry of Education ?
- (c) Will he state whether the officials of the Ministry and the principal who admitted children to the school as stated above in violation of the circular of the secretary to the Ministry of Education and the righteous policies of the Minister will be punished under the Bribery and corruption Act or any other law ?
- (d) If not, why?

0645/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Labour and Labour Relations,—

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) as to when the minimum salaries of the private sector will be increased;
 - (ii) the amounts in Sri Lankan rupees to be increased in salaries of the various categories in the private sector separately; and
 - (iii) the last occasions in which the salaries of the private sector employees were increased over the last 10 years?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) as to when the salaries of the Public Sector going to be increased;
 - (ii) the amount to be increased; and
 - (iii) the minimum pensionable salaries for the various categories of the Public Service?
- (c) If not, why?

0840/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of State Resources and Enterprise Development,—

- (a) Will inform this House of the name and qualifications of the incumbent chairman or the appointed competent authority of the Ceylon Ceramic Corporation?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the names of the owners of the land in which the Weuda Tile Factory belonging to the Ceylon Ceramic Corporation is situated ; and
 - (ii) whether a decision has been taken to sell or lease out the said land?
- (c) Will he inform this House of the number of workers employed in the Weuda Tile Factory?
- (d) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the cost of living allowance and the employment provident fund money due for them have not been received until November 2010 ;
 - (ii) if so, the date on which the said allowances will be granted to them?
- (e) If not, why?

0895/'10

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

(a) Is he aware —

- (i) that a quarry is run in a place which adjoins the land in which the Bogoda Raja maha Viharaya, Which is a world heritage, and the historic Bogoda Wooden Bridge are situated ;
- (ii) a serious environmental damage caused by the aforesaid quarry in the vicinity of the aforesaid sacred area ?

(b) Will be inform this House —

- (i) whether, permission has been granted to run the above mentioned quarry ;
- (ii) if so, the names of the persons who are responsible for the environmental damage caused to the aforesaid place of cultural importance ;
- (iii) of the steps that will be taken to prevent the aforesaid environmental damage ?

(c) If not, why?
