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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1047/'10

Hon. Mohamed Aslam,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(4)

- (a) Is he aware that the Ministry of Education of the Central Province called for applications as per the decision reached by the Cabinet of Ministers on 25.10.2006 and as per the instructions bearing ED/2/20/4/1/47 and dated 10/02/2007 of the Ministry of Education regarding the appointment of voluntary teachers serving in various provinces of the island as teacher assistants ?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of persons thus applied for the post of teacher assistants in the Central Province;
 - (ii) the number of persons who were found to have qualified for the aforesaid post at the interview;
 - (iii) their names and addresses;
 - (iv) out of them, the number of persons who have already received the above appointments and their names and addresses separately in respect of each education zone in the Kandy, Matale and Nuwaraeliya districts ?
- (c) If not, why?

1241/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?

- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1048/'10

Hon. Mohamed Aslam,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(4)

- (a) Will he admit that in respect of the applications called by the Ministry of Education of the Central Province as per the decision of the Cabinet of Ministers dated 25.10.2006 and the instructions given through the letter bearing ED/2/20/4/1/47 and dated 10/02/2007 of the Ministry of Education with relevance to the appointment of voluntary teachers as teacher assistants, 31 persons were found to have qualifications out of the candidates who came from the Naula, Wilgamuwa, Galewela and Matale education zones of the Matale District ?
- (b) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Education Secretary of the Central Province has been ordered to grant them the posts of teacher assistants through the letter Ed/2/29/4/1/47 List and dated 08/09/2008 of the Secretary of the Ministry of Education;
 - (ii) instead of granting the said appointments, only the letters have been sent up to now by the Education Secretary under No (ED/1/20/6/24) on 10.02.2010 assigning them to the relevant centers for teacher training;
 - (iii) under these circumstances, the above mentioned personnel who are to receive the posts of teacher assistants continue to be in a state of despair ?
- (c) If so, will he state whether action will be taken to grant them the posts of teacher assistants ?
- (d) If not, why ?

1242/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Plantation Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Plantation Industries on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1049/'10

Hon. Mohamed Aslam ,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(4)

- (a) Will he admit that in respect of the applications called by the Ministry of Education of the Central Province as per the decision of the Cabinet of Ministers dated 25.10.2006 and the instructions given through the letter bearing ED/2/20/4/1/47 and dated 10/02/2007 of the Ministry of Education with relevance to the appointment of voluntary teachers as teacher assistants, 50 persons were found to have qualifications out of the candidates who came from the Walapnae, Nuwareliya, Hanguranketha, Kotmale and Hatton educational zones of the Nuwaraeliya District?
- (b) Is he aware that—
- (i) the Education Secretary of the Central Province has been ordered to grant them posts of teacher assistants through the letter ED/2/29/4/1/47 list and dated 08/09/2008 of the Secretary of the Ministry of Education;
 - (ii) instead of granting the said appointments, only the letters have been sent up to now by the Education Secretary under No (ED/1/20/6/24) on 10.02.2010 assigning them to the relevant centres for teacher training; and
 - (iii) under these circumstances, the above mentioned personnel who are to receive the posts of teacher assistants continue to be in a state of despair?
- (c) If so, will he state whether action will be taken to grant them the posts of teacher assistants?
- (d) If not, why?

1243/11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Education on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

The Minister of Environment,— Regulations under the National Environmental Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Environment and Natural Resources under Section 32 (2) (h) of the National Environmental Act, No. 47 of 1980, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1627/19 of November 10th, 2009, which were presented on 09.08.2011, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

* *Indicates Government Business*

Wednesday, August 24, 2011
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1201/11

Hon. M. T. Hasen Ali,— To ask the Minister of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities,— (4)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the number of houses destroyed in the Sainthamaruthu Divisional Secretariat Division during the Tsunami disaster in 2004 ?
- (b) Is he aware that 460 houses are still needed to fulfill the needs of the Tsunami victims?

(c) Will he state —

- (i) the action to be taken to help the Tsunami victims who are still in Camps for nearly 7 years; and
- (ii) any possible deadline before which the housing requirements of the Tsunami victims are fulfilled?

(d) If not, why?

1244/11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Child Development and Women's Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Child Development and Women's Affairs on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
- (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
- (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?

(c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?

(d) If not, why?

1347/11

Hon. Shantha Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(3)

(a) Will he state —

- (i) the number of Physical Education teachers belonging to the Sri Lanka Teacher's Service serving in the country at present ;
- (ii) out of them, the number of teachers serving in the provincial public service and under the central government, separately ; and
- (iii) the number of the Physical Education teachers required for the entire education system?

(b) Will he admit that the number of Physical Education teachers in the field of education at present is not sufficient?

(c) If so, will he inform this House of the programme to be launched to address the shortage of the Physical Education teachers?

(d) If not, why ?

1245/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Environment,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Environment on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1368/'11

Hon. M. T. Hasen Ali,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the names of land owners identified in Survey Map No. PP/AM/3737 who had been paid compensation for their lands acquired for the development purpose of Oluvil Port?
- (b) Will he state whether Mr. Yousuf Lebbe Uthuma Lebbe of 4/11, Central Camp, Navithanvely, had been paid compensation for his land identified and acquired as Lot No: 2 as per Survey Map No. PP/AM/3737 under reference No: AD/DS/LD/LAOH/26?
- (c) If not, why?

1246/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Technology and Research,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Technology and Research on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

Thursday, August 25, 2011
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1247/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Postal Services,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Postal Services on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1449/'11

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Postal Services,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that, there is a dearth of Tamil Officers or Officers proficient in the Tamil language in a large number of Post offices in the Country?
- (b) Will he inform this House the number of such vacancies existing in all Post Offices?
- (c) Will he state whether an early action will be taken to fill all such vacancies so that the language policy of the government will be enforced?
- (d) If not, why?

1248/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Industry and Commerce on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1603/'11

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the current gross annual fish production of Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) the programmes which have been implemented and programmes that are expected to be implemented in this year to increase the gross annual fish production?
- (b) If not, why?

1249/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1604/'11

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Environment,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the amount of electronic waste that has been collected by now under the E-waste Collection Project ;
 - (ii) whether the waste collected under the aforesaid project is recycled ; and
 - (iii) if so, the amount of electronic waste that has been recycled by now out of the electronic waste collected?
- (b) If not, why?

Friday, August 26, 2011

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1250/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Local Government and Provincial Councils on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1609/'11

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the degree courses conducted at the Sripali Campus of the University of Colombo ;
 - (ii) separately of the number of students who have been registered for each of the said courses ; and
 - (iii) of the position of the University of Colombo and the University of Visual and Performing Arts in 2010 in terms of the international rating of universities?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether there is a plan to affiliate the Sripali Campus to the University of Visual and Performing Arts ;
 - (ii) if so, whether that plan will be tabled ;
 - (iii) the objectives expected to be achieved through that ; and
 - (iv) if not, whether that affiliation is done without any planning?
- (c) Will he inform this House whether there is a plan to transfer the premises where the University of Visual and Performing Arts is currently located, to another public or private institution?
- (d) If not, why?

1251/11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Public Administration and Home Affairs on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1610/11

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Justice,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the extent of the land, close to the Beach Garden in Panadura on which the official residence of Panadura Magistrate is located ;
 - (ii) the owners of that land ;
 - (iii) whether the aforesaid official residence was damaged by the Tsunami that occurred on 26-12-2004 ; and
 - (iv) the amount of money spent to repair the damaged official residence and the surrounding parapet wall?
- (b) Is he aware that—
 - (i) this official residence of the Panadura Magistrate and the land on which it is located have been leased out to a private institution to run a cafeteria ; and
 - (ii) the Panadura Magistrate is without an official residence, at present?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) The persons who recommended this lease and gave approval to it ;
 - (ii) whether he will table the relevant lease agreement ;
 - (iii) whether he admits the fact that an irregularity or an act of corruption has taken place at the transfer of the ownership of the above property ; and
 - (iv) if so, the course of action to be initiated against those responsible for it?
- (d) If not, why?

1252/11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of External Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of External Affairs on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1611/'11

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Government has made plans to hold the "Commonwealth Games-2018" in Hambantota ; and
 - (ii) if so, the estimated cost expected to be borne by the government to hold the above mentioned "Commonwealth Games-2018"?
- (b) If not, why?

Wednesday, September 06, 2011
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1253/11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Higher Education on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?

- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1145/'11

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Employment Promotion and Welfare,—(2)

- (a) Will he state separately —
 - (i) the number of Sri Lankans who were sent to South Korea by the government in each year during the period from the year 2005 up to October 2010; and
 - (ii) on district basis the number of skilled workers and unskilled workers out of the aforesaid number of persons?
- (b) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the value of the air ticket of one person who was sent to South Korea for employment;
 - (ii) the amount of money charged from one person out of the aforesaid value; and
 - (iii) the amount paid by the government ?
- (c) If not, why ?

1564/'11

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the number of government quarters, which comes under the purview of the District Secretaries and the Divisional Secretaries in each District ;
 - (ii) the persons who are entitled to obtain those quarters for occupation ;
 - (iii) the person in authority who approves the allocation of those quarters to persons who are entitled to them ; and
 - (iv) the basis on which a monthly rental is levied in respect of those quarters?
- (b) If not, why ?

1254/11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of National Languages and Social Integration,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of National Languages and Social Integration on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1423/'11

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—(2)

- (a) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the extent of land acquired by the Ceylon Tourist Board in each of the years from 2005 to 2011;
 - (ii) the projects for which those lands have been given by now;
 - (iii) the amount of money received for those lands;
 - (iv) the names of persons, companies or institutions relevant to each of the aforesaid projects;
 - (v) the basis on which lands have been given to those persons, companies or institutions;
 - (vi) whether the relevant projects have been commenced on the aforesaid lands; and
 - (vii) if so, what they are?
- (b) If not, why?

1255/11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Economic Development on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS
(Wednesday, September 06, 2011)

0668/'10

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (3)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately of—
 - (i) the amounts of all imported food items including rice, flour, sugar, fruits and spices;
 - (ii) the names of the countries from which the aforesaid food items were imported;
 - (iii) the names of the institutions and persons who imported them;
 - (iv) the value of each of the food items when it was unloaded in the country;

in each year during the last 5 years ?
- (b) If not, why ?

0858/'10

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (3)

- (a) Will he state separately in respect of each province, whether salary arrears are to be paid for teachers serving in schools coming under the purview of the central government and the provincial councils in the Western, Sabaragamuwa, North-Western, Central, Uva, North-Central, Eastern and Northern provincial councils?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately, of the amount of salary arrears to be paid to teachers at each province level as at 01.01.2010, if salary arrears are to be paid as mentioned above?
 - (ii) whether allocations have been made by the government for the payment of the aforesaid salary arrears ; and
 - (iii) the reasons, if allocations were not so made?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (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?

1146/'11

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Employment Promotion and Welfare,—(2)

- (a) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the number of Sri Lankans who were sent to Cyprus by the government in each year during the period from the year 2005 up to October 2010; and
 - (ii) on district basis, the number of skilled workers and unskilled workers out of the aforesaid number of persons ?
- (b) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the value of the air ticket of one person who was sent to Cyprus for employment;
 - (ii) the amount of money charged from one person out of the aforesaid value; and
 - (iii) the amount paid by the government ?
- (c) If not, why ?

1147/'11

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Employment Promotion and Welfare,—(1)

- (a) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the number of Sri Lankans who were sent to Libya by the Government in each year during the period from the year 2005 to October 2010;
 - (ii) on district basis, the number of skilled workers and unskilled workers out of the aforesaid number of persons;
- (b) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the value of the air-ticket of one person who was sent to Libya for employment;
 - (ii) the amount of money charged from one person out of the aforesaid value;
 - (iii) the amount paid by the government ?
- (c) If not, why?

1148/'11

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Employment Promotion and Welfare,—(1)

- (a) Will he state separately —
 - (i) the number of Sri Lankans who were sent to Japan by the Government in each year during the period from the year 2005 to October 2010;
 - (ii) on district basis, the number of skilled workers and unskilled workers out of the aforesaid number of persons;
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the value of the air-ticket of one person who was sent to Japan for employment;
 - (ii) the amount charged from one person out of the aforesaid value;
 - (iii) the amount paid by the government ?
- (c) If not, why?

Wednesday, September 07, 2011
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1256/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Justice,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Justice on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1605/'11

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a special project is implemented to increase the production of soya beans and maize ;
 - (ii) if so, the areas in which the aforesaid project is implemented ; and
 - (iii) of the way in which the aforesaid project receives funds?
- (b) If not, why?

1257/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1606/'11

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Resettlement,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

(i) whether a special loan scheme is implemented for the low-income earners who have been resettled in North ; and

(ii) if so, the maximum amount of loan granted under the aforesaid loan scheme?

(b) If not, why?

1258/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

(a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Power and Energy on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?

(b) Will he state—

(i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;

(ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and

(iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?

(c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?

(d) If not, why?

1607/'11

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Environment,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

(i) whether a Strategic Environmental Evaluation Report for the Northern Province has been prepared ; and

(ii) the contribution it makes to the accelerated development programmes implemented in the Northern Province?

(b) If not, why?

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS

(Wednesday, September 07, 2011)

0333/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,— (2)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of Municipal Councils, Urban Councils and Pradeshiya Saba functioning in Sri Lanka at present;
 - (ii) the names, dates of birth and the political parties of the present members who have been elected to each Municipal Council, Urban Council and Pradeshiya Saba representing government and opposition;
 - (iii) the benefits entitled to a Member of Municipal Council, Urban Council and Pradeshiya Saba;
 - (iv) the total number of staff working in the above entities; and
 - (v) the total cost for salaries per month?
- (b) If not, why?

0841/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately and on annual basis the total duty income lost to the government from 2006 up to date?
- (b) Will he admit the fact that the duty income lost to the government through four trade agreements alone, signed in 2009 nearly Rs. 600 crores?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) if so, what those agreements are ;
 - (ii) the reasons that led to the loss of duty income due to those agreements ; and
 - (iii) the steps taken by the government to avoid these situations?
- (d) If not, why?

0903/'10

Hon. Mohamed Aslam,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (4)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Mr. M.R.M. Silmi, who is serving as a lecturer of the National College of Education, Dharga Town, Aluthgama faced the interview on 05/11/2000 to be absorbed into Class III of the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service ; and
 - (ii) he did not get the expected promotion, despite having fulfilled all the required qualifications as a result of his personal file not being completed and duly maintained by the Kalutara Zonal Education Office?
- (b) Will he admit that the requirement for the completion of five year service by 24/08/2000 for a graduate lecturer to be eligible for promotion as per Cabinet decision No. 82/2000 dated 24/08/2000 had already been completed by Mr. Silmi who is a holder of a Masters Degree (M.A) by the date 11/07/2000?
- (c) If so, will he inform this House of the reasons for further delaying the granting of the said promotion to Mr. Silmi?
- (d) Will he state whether action will be taken to absorb Mr. Silmi to Class III of the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service with effect from 08/12/2000 and pay without delay all salary arrears and allowances as per the salary scale of the relevant post?
- (e) If not, why?

0585/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(2)

- (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?

1131/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (1)

- (a) Will he state on per year basis for last 10 years—
 - (i) the balance of payments net position of Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) the trade balances?
- (b) Will he state the trade volume reflected by the Import and Export balances separately, per month for the last 24 months?
- (c) If not why?

Thursday, September 08, 2011
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1259/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Traditional Industries and Small Enterprise Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Traditional Industries and Small Enterprise Development on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1615/'11

Hon. Mohamed Aslam,— To ask the Minister of Livestock and Rural Community Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Mr. W. Anwer who resides at Katukeliyawa, Ihalagama has served as a Casual Labourer at the Animal Husbandry Training Centre at Seppukulam from 15.08.2000 up to 30.04.2001 ; and
 - (ii) the officials responsible have failed to confirm this person who had been serving for 255 days continuously in a satisfactory manner?

(b) Will he inform this House whether steps will be taken to reinstate Mr. Anwer in service and confirm him as per the relevant Public Administration Circulars taking into consideration the fact that he has completed 180 day period of service in the above post ?

(c) If not, why ?

1260/11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—(1)

(a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Water Supply and Drainage on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?

(b) Will he state—

(i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;

(ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and

(iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?

(c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?

(d) If not, why?

1617/11

Hon. Mohamed Aslam ,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that—

(i) Mrs. S. S. Fareeda of No. 88, Kadiyawatta Road, Darga Town is a retired teacher of Grade 1 of Sri Lanka Teachers' Service (Retirement No. 112550708) ; and

(ii) eventhough she was promoted to Grade 1 of Sri Lanka Teachers' Service with effect from 01.03.2004, the pension compatible with that promotion or the arrears that she is entitled to from the date of appointment to that grade, have not been provided to her up to now?

(b) If so, will he state whether steps will be taken to provide the revised pension including the arrears that Mrs. Fareeda is entitled to, without delay?

(c) If not, why ?

1261/11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Livestock and Rural Community Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Livestock and Rural Community Development on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

Friday, September 09, 2011
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1262/11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Petroleum Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Petroleum Industries on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1263/11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources Management,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Irrigation and Water Resources Management on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?

- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1264/11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Urban Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Urban Affairs on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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 Employees' 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 Employees' 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 Authority.

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.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 an Electronic Voting System,— That this Parliament resolves that an 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 not 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 is an important centre of the tourism industry, has a historical and archaeological value and is 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.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 a 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.71/'103

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 be prepared as the dignity and recognition bestowed upon this office deteriorate as a result of granting Justice of the Peace appointments that are recognized 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 re-demarcating 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 re-demarcated 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 of the 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 Peoples 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 employees 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.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 .

P.105/'10

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.

P.108/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Formulating a scheme to protect the lives of the beggars,— That this Parliament resolves that lands for cultivation be provided to beggars and their safety of life and nourishment be ensured through the income received from such lands, as there is a serious threat to the lives of the beggars at present.

P.109/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Formulation of a system to prevent the harm caused by stray dogs to human lives,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should formulate a system to allocate a portion of land for the purpose of confining stray dogs and caring for them with a view to preventing the harm caused by them to human lives.

P.110/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Imposing severe punishment for cases of child abuse,— That this Parliament resolves that measures be taken to expedite the hearing of cases of child abuse by passing new rules and regulations, if the existing rules and regulations in that respect are not sufficient as a situation has arisen where child abuse increases speedily day by day, throughout the Island.

P.111/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Establishing beach access roads for the promotion of tourism,— Since the obstruction caused to local and foreign tourists and fishermen in accessing the coastal belt as a result of constructions going on apace within the coastal zone of the Island has hindered the promotion of tourism as well as the fisheries industry, that this Parliament resolves that a beach access road network should be established with a view to preventing this situation and to promote these industries.

P.112/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Rectifying the salary anomalies of the officers in the Education Administrative Service,— That this Parliament resolves that since there exist a salary anomaly in Principals' Service, Teacher Education Service and Education Administrative Service, a methodology should be formulated to rectify the aforesaid situation enabling them to receive a salary which is sufficient to maintain their dignity.

P.113/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Promoting Buddhist Bhikku Education,— That this Parliament resolves that a system should be formulated to establish separate Bhikku Education Institutions specially meant for improving Buddhist Monks' oratorical skills, listening skills, computer literacy and their knowledge on psychology and counseling, in addition to the existing Bhikku Education Institutions, with a view to promoting their knowledge on Dhamma.

P.114/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Updating the Notary Service operative in Sri Lanka at present,— Since the Notary Service operative in the Island at present has been based on obsolete laws, this Parliament resolves that this service has to be reconsidered and laws have to be introduced to suit the present situation in the country.

P.115/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Strengthening the economy of the chena cultivators in the dry zone,— That this House resolves that Co-operative Societies Limited be set up in order to increase the yield of crops such as paddy, kurakkan, green gram and gingelly cultivated by the chena cultivators in the dry zone, process products of high quality through the introduction of new technology to process products, and strengthen the base in the local and international markets to sell those products.

P.116/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Establishment of Teacher Advisor Service,— That this Parliament resolves that the Teacher Instructor posts which was initiated nearly 20 years ago with the objective of ensuring quality development in education in Sri Lanka, and has been in operation ever since, be established as a separate Teacher Advisor Service unit.

P.117/'10

Hon. Ruwan Ranatunga,— Conferring the power of subdivision on the Government grant lands against which bans of sub division have been issued, to Divisional Secretaries,— That this Parliament resolves that the necessary Laws be introduced to confer the power of sub division on the Divisional Secretaries by minimizing the current lengthy process operating through the Provincial Commissioner, Commissioner of Lands and the Presidential Secretariat when needs of sub division arise in order to ensure the rights of the second generation of original recipient of land and to effect development activities on their houses, lands, although sub division of Government grant lands on permits such as Jayabhumi, Swarnabhumi and Rathnabhumi is banned.

P.118/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Introducing new technology to popularize rice flour instead of wheat flour among the public,— That this Parliament resolves that with the aim of retaining the huge amount of wealth drained from this country to foreign countries on wheat flour, to popularize food prepared with rice flour which could be used as a substitute, and to grind rice which is a fibrous type of grain more finely similar to the consistency of wheat flour, machinery and new technology of the type used to grind wheat flour be introduced.

P.119/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Providing relief to those who have become disabled due to the war,— That this Parliament resolves that measures should be taken to provide some monthly allowance for those disabled due to war, as a considerable number out of those who earned a living as laborers and those who were engaged in permanent jobs have become deformed and disabled due to the war that existed for a period of nearly 30 years and live helplessly burdened by the cost of living.

P.120/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Providing a transport allowance for all V.I.P security personnel,— That this Parliament resolves that measures should be taken to pay an equal amount as a transport allowance to the officials engaged in Presidential security service, Prime Minister's security service as well as other V.I.P security services

P.122/'11

Hon. Ruwan Ranatunga,— Reducing the difference that exists between the interest paid and the interest charged by the state banks,— That this Parliament resolves that steps be taken to reduce the difference that exists between the interest charged and the interest paid, in order to extend a helping hand to the public and the small scale businessmen and encourage them as the interest rate paid by state banks for ordinary savings deposits remains at 4 % to 4.5 % and the interest rate paid for fixed deposits remains around 8 % while the interest rate charged by the banks for housing, business and agricultural loans etc. stands at 12 % to 13 %.

P.123/'11

Hon. Ruwan Ranatunga,— Providing an allowance in appraisal of graduate Grama Niladharis,— That this parliament resolves that necessary steps be taken to grant a pay hike or an allowance to graduate Grama Niladharis in appraisal of their graduate qualifications as no consideration has been paid to that qualification so far even though about 30 % to 40 % of the Grama Niladharis currently in service have acquired graduate qualifications despite the fact that these Grama Niladharis who serve to provide public service to the people at village level have been recruited on the marks scored at a competitive examination that they faced post G.C.E. (A/L) qualifying.

P.124/'11

Hon. Ruwan Ranatunga,— Banning the publication of the image of Lord Buddha in daily news papers and periodicals excluding academic publications,— That this Parliament resolves that legislation necessary for banning the publication of the images of Lord Buddha and images of Buddha Statues in daily news papers, periodicals and other pamphlets other than academic publications in future be introduced, as images of Lord Buddha and images of Buddha Statues are printed in daily news papers and periodicals without any restraint and extensively and as it is an insult to Lord Buddha to use such paper as wrapping for various items and for other inappropriate activities and also in consideration of the commemoration of the 2600th Buddha Jayanthi.

P.126/'11

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— Establishment of a “Sister School Programme” for a Trilingual Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that developing a ten year National Strategic Framework for a Trilingual Sri Lanka is a landmark measure for national integration and social harmony, steps be taken by the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of National Languages and Social Integration to link individual schools in majority Sinhala speaking areas with Tamil medium schools in a “Sister School Programme” for the exchange of students and teachers on short term exposure programmes.

P.127/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Renaming the Galle International Stadium,— That this Parliament resolves that the Galle International Stadium be renamed after the father of free education, the Late Hon. (Dr.) C.W.W. Kannangara as a mark of respect.

P.128/'11

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— Formulation of a National Programme on Early Childhood Education,— That this Parliament resolves that a national programme be formulated on providing early childhood education (pre-school education) which is a very important stage in the process of education of the children of our country and also, a proper training programme, a method of recruitment along with a salary structure be formulated for pre school wardens.

P.129/'11

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— Completing a dissertation on historical places in Galle District,— That this Parliament resolves that an in-depth study be carried out on the places of historical, archeological and cultural importance in the Galle District and a dissertation of academic importance be completed on such places.

P.130/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Appointing a Select Committee of Parliament on Election Procedures and the Conduct of Elections,— That this Parliament resolves that a Select Committee of Parliament on Election Procedures and the Conduct of Elections be appointed, on a permanent basis.

P.131/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Prompt disbursement of EPF and ETF money,— That this Parliament resolves that provisions be introduced to repay all the subscribers of EPF and ETF their dues, one month after retirement from active employment.

P.132/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Ensuring impartiality in State Media,— That this Parliament resolves that since State Media is the exclusive right of the citizens of Sri Lanka and since there has been regular politicization of the Government Media, equal treatment and equal opportunity must be ensured to all political parties registered in Sri Lanka through State Media.

P.133/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Language proficiency requirements in Public Service,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should make mandatory, by the year 2025, that all Public Servants must be able to work, correspond and speak in all 3 languages viz. Sinhala, Tamil and English.

P.134/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Providing the Members of Parliament with a Decentralized Budget Allocation,— That this Parliament resolves that the 225 Members of Parliament be made entitled to a Decentralized Budget Allocation on a yearly basis which is totaling 1% of GDP that must be utilized 50% on capital expenditure and the balance on any basis the Member of Parliament desires on behalf of his voters based on guidelines of the Government.

Tuesday, September 20, 2011

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0454/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities,—(3)

- (a) Is he aware that the Indian Government agreed to grant rupees 24 billion to Sri Lanka for construction of 50,000 houses for Tamils, during the Indian visit of the Sri Lankan President from 8 to 10 June, 2010 ?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of houses that have been built to date by using aforesaid funds;
 - (ii) the places in which they were built and the names of the recipients ; and
 - (iii) the amount of money given by India before the construction of houses?

- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the criteria used in selection of the internally displaced persons to give new houses ;
 - (ii) whether they are Tamils, Muslims, or Sinhalese; and
 - (iii) the number of houses required more to be built to settle all the displaced people?
- (d) If not, why?

0862/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the date on which the Publication Assistance Project was started ;
 - (ii) separately, of the amount of money allocated by the government for the aforesaid project in each of the years during the period from its inception up to now ; and
 - (iii) of the number of writers who obtained assistance under the aforesaid project in each year?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the current position with regard to the performance of the aforesaid project ;
 - (ii) whether steps will be taken to formulate a firm footing, to prevent this project, which has been of great assistance to writers, from being inactive from time to time ; and
 - (iii) if so, the date on which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

1265/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Consumer Welfare,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Consumer Welfare on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1179/'11

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of State Resources and Enterprise Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the full name and the age of the Chairman of the Janatha Estate Development Board;
 - (ii) the person, in authority who appointed him;
 - (iii) the previous place of work of the aforesaid Chairman and the post he held there;
 - (iv) his professional experience;
 - (v) monthly salary and other allowances received by him ?
- (b) If not, why ?

1266/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Food Security,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Food Security on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1180/'11

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of State Resources and Enterprise Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the special projects launched at the selected estates of the Janatha Estates Development Board under the special projects in year 2010;
 - (ii) separately, the amount of money spent for each of those projects; and
 - (iii) the amount of money earned under each of those projects to date ?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the current state of each of those projects ?
- (c) If not, why ?

1267/11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Rural Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Rural Affairs on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

Wednesday, September 21, 2011
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0982/10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a power house project has been initiated with Ethamala Ella in the Pitabeddara Divisional Secretariat division in the Matara district, as it's base;
 - (ii) if so, whether the report furnished by the Central Environment Authority in relations to that project is presented;
 - (iii) if so, the institution under which that project comes ?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the extent of land allocated for this project;
 - (ii) whether the Central Environment Authority has informed that this project be halted owing to damages to environment and violation of project proposals ?
- (c) Will he admit the facts that —
 - (i) we have lost quite a number of waterfalls due to the emergence of electricity projects at water falls, seeking financial benefit ;
 - (ii) Ethamala Ella too is likely to become a victim of such a fate ?
- (d) If not, why ?

1268/11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Human Resources,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Human Resources on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1206/'11

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the amount of gold seized while being smuggled into the country from 1994 up to now, separately with respect to each year;
 - (ii) the names of the persons or institutions that smuggled the aforesaid amount of gold into the country; and
 - (iii) separately, the fines charged by the government from each of the aforesaid persons or institutions?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the amount of gold seized while being smuggled out of Sri Lanka from 1994 up to now, separately with respect to each year;
 - (ii) the names of the persons or institutions that attempted to smuggle the aforesaid amount of gold out of the country; and
 - (iii) separately, the fines charged by the government from each of the aforesaid persons or institutions?
- (c) If not, why?

1269/11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Good Governance and Infrastructure,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Good Governance and Infrastructure on the ‘Deyata kirula’ exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1210/11

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the length of the Galle-Matara Southern Express Railway Line, which was opened in February 2011;
 - (ii) the amount of money spent for the construction of the aforesaid Railway Line; and
 - (iii) the name of the institution which undertook the construction work of the aforesaid Railway Line?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately of the maximum speed at which trains can be run on the aforesaid Railway Line and the speed at which trains are run on the aforesaid line at present;
 - (ii) of the time taken to run a train on the Express Railway Line up to its destination at the speed at which trains are run at present; and
 - (iii) of the time taken to run a train on that Railway Line up to the aforesaid destination at the speed at which a train could be run on it before it was developed as a Express Railway Line?
- (c) If not, why?

1270/11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

Thursday, September 22, 2011

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0985/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that a stock of usable iron at Trincomalee harbour which is under Sri Lanka Ports Authority, has been sold during early September 2010, outside the tender procedure ?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) if so, the name of the institution or the person that purchased the aforesaid stock of iron ;
 - (ii) of the weight of that stock of iron;
 - (iii) of the proceeds received by Sri Lanka Ports Authority through the sale of the aforesaid stock of iron ?
- (c) Will he state —
 - (i) whether the accepted procedure followed in entering and leaving the harbour has been followed in removing that stock of iron that was sold; and
 - (ii) if so, whether the relevant documents will be submitted ?

- (d) Will he admit that a financial fraud has been committed in this transaction ?
- (e) If so, will he state the measures that will be taken against those who were involved in it ?
- (d) If not, why?

1218/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Co-operatives and Internal Trade,—(2)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Co-operatives and Internal Trade on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1277/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) an iron bridge called Dorakumbura Bridge exists on the road between Uramula of Bibila Divisional Secretariat Division in the Uva Province and Dorakumbura of Padiyathalawa Divisional Secretariat Division in the Eastern Province;
 - (ii) even the iron railing of that bridge which has decayed for several years and fallen into a dilapidated state, has broken;
 - (iii) the people of that area face serious difficulties in their transport activities as a result?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether measures will be taken to repair the bridge speedily to alleviate those difficulties;
- (ii) if so, the date on which repair work will be started?

(c) If not, why?

0986/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the names of books that have been issued by the publications unit under the Department of Education in year 2010;
- (ii) of the number of books that have been issued with relevance to G.C.E. A/L Geography out of them;
- (iii) whether there are books among them that have been issued subsequent to the removal of the relevant syllabus from schools;
- (iv) if so, the name/s of the book/s relevant to the (iii) above; and
- (v) of the amount spent on that ?

(b) If not, why ?

1220/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Mass Media and Information,—(2)

(a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Mass Media and Information on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
- (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
- (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?

(c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?

(d) If not, why?

1342/'11

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the value of the bag of planting material provided under the “Divi Neguma” programme;
- (ii) the types of planting material contained in that bag and the quantity of each type?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the number of families to be involved in the “Divi Neguma” Programme from each Grama Niladhari Division;
- (ii) of the number of Grama Niladhari Divisions where this programme is implemented;
- (iii) of the amount of money allocated by now for each Grama Niladhari Division?

(c) If not, why?

1221/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Civil Aviation,—(2)

(a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Civil Aviation on the ‘Deyata kirula’ exhibition in 2011?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
- (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
- (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?

(c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?

(d) If not, why?

Friday, September 23, 2011
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0801/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (4)

- (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?

0984/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Agrarian Services and Wildlife,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether sand mining has taken place in the Wilpattu sanctuary ;
 - (ii) if so, whether he will submit the permit granted for this purpose;
 - (iii) the authority which granted the aforesaid permit; and
 - (iv) the person or persons who have been authorized by the aforesaid permit to engage in sand mining ?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the quantity of sand removed from the aforesaid sanctuary by now; and
 - (ii) the purpose for which the sand is taken away?
- (c) If not, why ?

1215/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the ways in which the President's Fund receives financial aid ?
- (b) Will he state, separately with reference to years 2008, 2009 and 2010—
 - (i) the money allocated for the President's Fund ;
 - (ii) the total value of the financial assistance provided by the President's Fund ;
 - (iii) the areas of activity for which financial assistance is provided by the President's Fund and the amounts granted for each such area of activity ; and
 - (iv) the names of the recipients of such assistance?
- (c) If not, why ?

0812/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (2)

- (a) Is he aware that there is a shortage of infrastructure facilities and common amenities in the government schools administered by the Kotapola Divisional Education Office of the Deniyaya 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; and
 - (v) the number of schools with furniture requirements ?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the names, addresses and telephone numbers of schools with aforesaid shortages;
 - (ii) whether arrangements will be made to allocate the required funds to fulfil the shortcomings in the aforesaid schools; and
 - (iii) if so, the period of time taken for it?
- (d) If not, why?

1217/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Rehabilitation and Prison Reforms,—(2)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Rehabilitation and Prison Reforms on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1340/'11

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of students studying in government schools in year 2011;
 - (ii) of the number of students who are provided with free school uniforms out of the aforesaid number of students;
 - (iii) whether school uniforms for year 2011 have been provided by now;
 - (iv) if not, the reasons for that;
 - (v) of the date on which the uniforms that have not been provided, will be provided?
- (b) If not, why?

1271/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Finance and Planning on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?

- (b) Will he state—
- (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1275/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the people of the area have been inconvenienced as the construction work of the Community Water Project in the Beragala Grama Niladhari Division in the Haldummulla Divisional Secretariat Division in the Badulla district has been stopped half way?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the name of institution which provides funds for the construction of the aforesaid Community Water Project;
 - (ii) of the total amount of money that has been allocated for that purpose;
 - (iii) of the reasons for stopping the aforesaid project;
 - (iv) whether action will be taken to fulfill the water requirements of the people by removing the obstacles prevailing in the construction work of the aforesaid project expeditiously and re-starting the construction work;
 - (v) if so, the date on which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS

(Friday, September 23, 2011)

0811/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the number of schools administered by the Kotapola Divisional Educational Office of the Deniyaya Zonal Educational Office in the Matara District ?
 - (ii) the names, addresses 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, addresses and telephone numbers 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?

0813/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (2)

- (a) Is he aware that there is a shortage of infrastructure facilities and common amenities in the government schools administered by the Pasgoda Divisional Education Office of the Deniyaya 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; and
 - (v) the number of schools with furniture requirements ?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) the names, addresses and telephone numbers of schools with aforesaid shortages;
- (ii) whether arrangements will be made to allocate the required funds to fulfil the shortcomings in the aforesaid schools; and
- (iii) if so, the period of time taken for it?

(d) If not, why?

0815/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (2)

(a) Will he inform this House of —

- (i) the number of schools administered by the Devinuwara Divisional Educational Office of the Matara 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?
- (v) the names of schools that have been identified to be closed down by now?

(b) Will he state in this House —

- (i) whether there are schools in which there are excess teachers in this Division;
- (ii) the names, addresses and telephone numbers 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 to be taken for it ?

(c) If not, why?

1151/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) separately of the number of persons who were entitled for Samurdhi benefits up to June 30th in each year from 2005 up to 2010;
- (ii) separately of the amount of money allocated for Samurdhi beneficiaries in each year from the year 2005 up to 2010;
- (iii) of the names and addresses of the persons who had been Samurdhi beneficiaries from 2005 up to 2009 and were deprived of Samurdhi benefits subsequently;
- (iv) of the basis on which the aforesaid persons were deprived of their Samurdhi benefits, if they have been deprived of it;
- (v) of the names and addresses of the persons who were granted Samurdhi benefits anew after the month of June 2010;

in each Divisional Secretariat Division in the Matara district ?

(b) If not, why?

1156/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Plantation Industries,—(1)

(a) Will he state in respect of the Matara district—

- (i) the extent of land of Tea Small holders;
- (ii) the number of Tea Small holders;and
- (iii) the names and addresses of those Tea Small holders on Divisional Secretariat Division basis ?

(b) Will he inform this house—

- (i) whether the fertilizer subsidy is provided to the aforesaid Tea Small holders;
- (ii) if so, the amount of the subsidy paid in respect of a hectare of land;
- (iii) separately, the amount of subsidized fertilizer provided to the Tea Small holders in the Matara district annually from January 2005 to December 2010;
- (iv) separately the annual production of the Tea Small holders in respect of each of the above years; and
- (v) whether there has been an increase in the production following the provision of the fertilizer subsidy ?

(c) If not, why?

Tuesday, October 04, 2011
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0943/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the schools with needs for buildings ;
 - (ii) the number of buildings needed by such schools ;
 - (iii) the number of schools without sanitary facilities ; and
 - (iv) the names and addresses of such schools?out of the government schools administered by the Mulatiyana Divisional Education Office coming under the purview of the Mulatiyana Zonal Education Office of the Matara District?
- (b) Will he admit that a qualitative and quantitative development of education will take place through the fulfillment of above needs?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to allocate financial provisions required for the fulfillment of above needs ; and
 - (ii) if so, the period of time to be taken for this purpose?
- (d) If not, why ?

1000/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the amount of money deposited by now in the Employees Trust Fund (ETF);
 - (ii) the number of employees who have obtained its membership; and
 - (iii) the annual interest rate paid for the money of the members ?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the period of five years for refunding the money for depositors has been extended;
 - (ii) if not, whether a plan has been made for such an extension of time;
 - (iii) if either the above (b) (i) or (ii) has been done, the reasons for the same; and
 - (iv) whether the approval of the Labour Advisory Council has been obtained for this purpose ?

- (c) Will he inform this House of the solutions offered to the problems of employees who utilize the money in the Employees Trust Fund for the fulfillment of short-term requirements ?
- (d) If not, why ?

1225/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Telecommunication and Information Technology,—(2)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Telecommunication and Information Technology on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1014/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of External Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) whether a certain amount of money has been allocated for promoting Sri Lanka's image in the world through the Ministry of External Affairs ;
 - (ii) the amount of money so allocated ;
 - (iii) the number of advertising firms that submitted tenders for that programme, accordingly ; and
 - (iv) the names of those firms?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether the services of a British firm named "Bell Pottinger" out of the firms referred to in (a) (iv) above, have been obtained for the above mentioned programme ;
 - (ii) of the types of the services obtained from that firm ; and
 - (iii) separately of the total amount of money paid to that firm and the amount of money paid for each task?
- (c) If not, why ?

1227/11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Sports,—(2)

- (a) Will he state the total amount of money spent by the Ministry of Sports on the 'Deyata kirula' exhibition in 2011?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the expenditure borne by each institution and department of the Ministry on that exhibition;
 - (ii) the functions carried out by those institutions and departments; and
 - (iii) separately, the amount of money spent on each of those functions?
- (c) Will he state the Head of Expenditure of the Ministry out of which funds were allocated from the last Budget for the above mentioned expenses?
- (d) If not, why?

1278/11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources Management,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) a tower has been created by the hydrology division of the Department of Irrigation purportedly, for water gauging activities of the Nilwala river on a four perch area of the Tea land known as Walakandawatta, in the Maramba Peddapitiya North Grama Niladhari Division belonging to Mrs. Dayawathie Hettiarachchi of "Suramya" Bopagoda in the Akuressa Divisional Secretariat Division in the Matara district, ten years ago;
 - (ii) this tower has not been used for any purpose so far;
 - (iii) no compensation or lease rental has been paid to the owner of this land for acquiring the land to erect the tower ?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the reasons that led to the suspension of the activities of this water gauge tower;
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to pay compensation to Mrs. Dayawathi for the land that has been acquired or give the land back to her if the construction work is not carried out;
 - (iii) if a compensation is paid, what that amount is?
- (c) If not, why?

1015/'10

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities,—(2)

(a) Will he state —

- (i) the total amount of money allocated to construct houses in the year 2011 under the Ministry; and
- (ii) separately, of the amounts allocated to construct rural houses, government houses and flats out of the above amount?

(b) Will he state —

- (i) whether aid or loans have been provided by various countries for the above housing projects ; and
- (ii) if so, the countries that provided aid or loans and the amounts provided by each country separately?

(c) If not, why ?

1280/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Disaster Management,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) the house and furniture belonging to Mr. S.T.K. Jayaweera residing at “Darshana”, Kapparithota in Weligama Divisional Secretariat Division of Matara district have been damaged due to the Tsunami that occurred on 26.12.2004;
- (ii) he has been rendered utterly helpless as his requests for compensation or a new house to compensate for the damage have not been met eventhough he has referred those requests to the relevant authorities for a period of nearly six years?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether measures will be taken to provide him with compensation to repair his damaged house or a new house from another location;
- (ii) if so, the time frame required to do that?

(c) If not, why?

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS
(Tuesday, October 04, 2011)

0944/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the schools with needs for buildings ;
 - (ii) the number of buildings needed by such schools ;
 - (iii) the number of schools without sanitary facilities ; and
 - (iv) the names and addresses of such schools?out of the government schools administered by the Weligama Divisional Education Office coming under the purview of the Matara Zonal Education Office of the Matara District?
- (b) Will he admit that a qualitative and quantitative development of education will take place through the fulfillment of above needs?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to allocate financial provisions required for the fulfillment of above needs ; and
 - (ii) if so, the period of time to be taken for this purpose?
- (d) If not, why ?

0945/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the schools with needs for buildings ;
 - (ii) the number of buildings needed by such schools ;
 - (iii) the number of schools without sanitary facilities ; and
 - (iv) the names and addresses of such schools?out of the government schools administered by the Pasgoda Divisional Education Office coming under the purview of the Deniyaya Zonal Education Office of the Matara District?
- (b) Will he admit that a qualitative and quantitative development of education will take place through the fulfillment of above needs?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to allocate financial provisions required for the fulfillment of above needs ; and
 - (ii) if so, the period of time to be taken for this purpose?
- (d) If not, why ?

0946/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the schools with needs for buildings ;
- (ii) the number of buildings needed by such schools ;
- (iii) the number of schools without sanitary facilities ; and
- (iv) the names and addresses of such schools?

out of the government schools administered by the Kotapola Divisional Education Office coming under the purview of the Deniyaya Zonal Education Office of the Matara District?

(b) Will he admit that a qualitative and quantitative development of education will take place through the fulfillment of above needs?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether action will be taken to allocate financial provisions required for the fulfillment of above needs ; and

- (ii) if so, the period of time to be taken for this purpose?

(d) If not, why ?

0947/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the schools with needs for buildings ;
- (ii) the number of buildings needed by such schools ;
- (iii) the number of schools without sanitary facilities ; and
- (iv) the names and addresses of such schools?

out of the government schools administered by the Dikwella Divisional Education Office coming under the purview of the Matara Zonal Education Office of the Matara District?

(b) Will he admit that a qualitative and quantitative development of education will take place through the fulfillment of above needs?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether action will be taken to allocate financial provisions required for the fulfillment of above needs ; and

- (ii) if so, the period of time to be taken for this purpose?

(d) If not, why ?

0948/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the schools with needs for buildings ;
 - (ii) the number of buildings needed by such schools ;
 - (iii) the number of schools without sanitary facilities ; and
 - (iv) the names and addresses of such schools?
out of the government schools administered by the Devinuwara Divisional Education Office coming under the purview of the Matara Zonal Education Office of the Matara District?
- (b) Will he admit that a qualitative and quantitative development of education will take place through the fulfillment of above needs?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to allocate financial provisions required for the fulfillment of above needs ; and
 - (ii) if so, the period of time to be taken for this purpose?
- (d) If not, why ?

0949/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the schools with needs for buildings ;
 - (ii) the number of buildings needed by such schools ;
 - (iii) the number of schools without sanitary facilities ; and
 - (iv) the names and addresses of such schools?
out of the government schools administered by the Thihagoda Divisional Education Office coming under the purview of the Mulatiyana Zonal Education Office of the Matara District?
- (b) Will he admit that a qualitative and quantitative development of education will take place through the fulfillment of above needs?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to allocate financial provisions required for the fulfillment of above needs ; and
 - (ii) if so, the period of time to be taken for this purpose?
- (d) If not, why ?

0950/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the schools with needs for buildings ;
- (ii) the number of buildings needed by such schools ;
- (iii) the number of schools without sanitary facilities ; and
- (iv) the names and addresses of such schools?

out of the government schools administered by the Malimbada Divisional Education Office coming under the purview of the Akuressa Zonal Education Office of the Matara District?

(b) Will he admit that a qualitative and quantitative development of education will take place through the fulfillment of above needs?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether action will be taken to allocate financial provisions required for the fulfillment of above needs ; and
- (ii) if so, the period of time to be taken for this purpose?

(d) If not, why ?

0951/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the schools with needs for buildings ;
- (ii) the number of buildings needed by such schools ;
- (iii) the number of schools without sanitary facilities ; and
- (iv) the names and addresses of such schools?

out of the government schools administered by the Hakmana Divisional Education Office coming under the purview of the Mulatiyana Zonal Education Office of the Matara District?

(b) Will he admit that a qualitative and quantitative development of education will take place through the fulfillment of above needs?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether action will be taken to allocate financial provisions required for the fulfillment of above needs ; and
- (ii) if so, the period of time to be taken for this purpose?

(d) If not, why ?

0952/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the schools with needs for buildings ;
 - (ii) the number of buildings needed by such schools ;
 - (iii) the number of schools without sanitary facilities ; and
 - (iv) the names and addresses of such schools?out of the government schools administered by the Kamburuptiya Divisional Education Office coming under the purview of the Mulatiyana Zonal Education Office of the Matara District?
- (b) Will he admit that a qualitative and quantitative development of education will take place through the fulfillment of above needs?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to allocate financial provisions required for the fulfillment of above needs ; and
 - (ii) if so, the period of time to be taken for this purpose?
- (d) If not, why ?

0953/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the schools with needs for buildings ;
 - (ii) the number of buildings needed by such schools ;
 - (iii) the number of schools without sanitary facilities ; and
 - (iv) the names and addresses of such schools?out of the government schools administered by the Akuressa Divisional Education Office coming under the purview of the Akuressa Zonal Education Office of the Matara District?
- (b) Will he admit that a qualitative and quantitative development of education will take place through the fulfillment of above needs?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to allocate financial provisions required for the fulfillment of above needs ; and
 - (ii) if so, the period of time to be taken for this purpose?
- (d) If not, why ?

0954/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the schools with needs for buildings ;
- (ii) the number of buildings needed by such schools ;
- (iii) the number of schools without sanitary facilities ; and
- (iv) the names and addresses of such schools?

out of the government schools administered by the Welipitiya Divisional Education Office coming under the purview of the Akuressa Zonal Education Office of the Matara District?

(b) Will he admit that a qualitative and quantitative development of education will take place through the fulfillment of above needs?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether action will be taken to allocate financial provisions required for the fulfillment of above needs ; and
- (ii) if so, the period of time to be taken for this purpose?

(d) If not, why ?

0955/'10

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House of —

- (i) the schools with needs for buildings;
- (ii) the number of buildings needed by such schools;
- (iii) the number of schools without sanitary facilities;
- (iv) the names and addresses of such schools;

out of the government schools administered by the Morawaka Divisional Education Office coming under the purview of the Deniyaya Zonal Education Office of the Matara District ?

(b) Will he admit that a qualitative and quantitative development of education will take place through the fulfillment of above needs ?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether action will be taken to allocate financial provisions required for the fulfillment of above needs;
- (ii) if so, the period of time to be taken for this purpose ?

(d) If not, why ?

Wednesday, October 05, 2011

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1281/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the construction work of the bridge that was started to be built across the Henegedara canal on the road from Lihinigiriya to Eethanawatta which belongs to the Bamunakotuwa Divisional Secretariat Division in the Kurunegala district has been stopped halfway; and
 - (ii) the people of the area have faced a number of hardships due to the delay in the construction of the bridge?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the reasons for stopping the construction work of the bridge abruptly;
 - (ii) the amount of money estimated for the construction of the aforesaid bridge;
 - (iii) the date on which the construction work of the bridge was to be completed?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to re-start the construction work of the aforesaid bridge that has been stopped by now; and
 - (ii) if so, the date on which it will be started?
- (d) If not, why?

1341/'11

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the amount of money spent on the inaugural ceremony of 'Divi Neguma' programme commenced under the guidance of the Ministry of Economic Development;
 - (ii) the amount of money spent on the publicity programmes held in that respect?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the officers appointed to supervise the 'Divi Neguma' programme;
 - (ii) whether they are paid any allowance or wages for such supervision;
 - (iii) if so, the amount paid per person per month?
- (c) If not, why?

1282/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) the fishermen and the owners of multiday fishing vessels are severely inconvenienced owing to the lack of space at the Devinuwara Puranawella fishing harbour in the Matara district and the scarcity of facilities provided by the Ministry of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development;
- (ii) the Auction hall is not large enough to auction the fish brought by at least 100 vessels though around 900 vessels make their way to this point daily?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether action will be taken to expand this fishing harbour and the Auction hall and provide the fishermen with adequate facilities;
- (ii) if so, the period of time required to do that;
- (iii) whether financial allocations have been made for this purpose by now;
- (iv) if so, the sum allocated?

(c) If not, why?

1283/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Livestock and Rural Community Development,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) a large number of traditional dairy farmers live in the areas that come under the Thihagoda and Malimbada Divisional Secretariat Divisions in the Matara District;
- (ii) they are faced with a number of problems owing to the non availability of high quality milch cows and necessary infrastructure facilities;
- (iii) the farmers complain that the milch cows provided by government institutions which are sold to be of high quality do not comply with the required standard?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether arrangements will be made to provide those dairy farmers with high quality milch cows and necessary advice in order to uplift their living standards;
- (ii) if so, the period of time required to do that?

(c) If not, why?

Thursday, October 06, 2011
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1287/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that 13 fishermen from the South who were crew of the multiday fishing boats known as 'Titus 2', Tharangi 2', and Deepa 02' which were captured by the L.T.T.E. on or around 07th March 1999 while engaging in fishing activities and a number of other fishermen have gone missing?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether—
 - (i) arrangements will be made to pay full compensation to families of the fishermen who are confirmed to have been captured by the L.T.T.E. and a reasonable compensation to the families of the missing fishermen;
 - (ii) death certificates of missing fishermen will be issued expeditiously;
 - (iii) a system will be devised to grant bursaries to facilitate the educational activities of the children of those fishermen;
 - (iv) priority will be accorded to the children of those fishermen when recruiting persons to the public service on educational or other qualifications;
 - (v) a system to provide lands or houses to those families will be put in place soon?
- (c) If not, why?

1289/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Postal Services,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the people of about seventeen villages that belong to the Badalkumbura Divisional Secretariat Division in the Moneragala district have faced severe hardships due to the lack of postal facilities to those areas; and
 - (ii) although there are post offices in far away villages in the area there is a dearth of postmen to serve in those offices?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether action will be taken immediately to remedy this situation and provide an efficient postal service to the people in the area;
 - (ii) whether a programme has been prepared for that;
 - (iii) what that programme is?
- (c) If not, why?

1291/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Activities of an electrification scheme were launched with the setting up of a plaque, to provide electricity to Aliyawatta, an undeveloped village in the Moneragala district ; and
 - (ii) but, still this electrification scheme is limited to the plaque?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether arrangements will be made to commence the work of the Aliyawatta electrification scheme soon and provide electricity to the people of that area ;
 - (ii) if so, the date on which the work of this scheme will commence ;
 - (iii) the amount of money expected to be spent on this scheme ; and
 - (iv) the number of families that is planned to be provided with electricity, through that scheme?
- (c) If not, why?

Friday, October 07, 2011

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1293/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that eventhough about six years have elapsed since the completion of the water supply project established to meet the drinking water requirements of several villages including Senagama in the Naula Divisional Secretariat Division of Matale district, drinking water required by the people of that area is not supplied through that project up to now?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the total cost of that water supply project;
 - (ii) the number of families expected to be provided with drinking water through that project?

(c) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the reasons for not providing water to the people of that area through that project up to now;
- (ii) whether steps will be taken to remove those obstacles and meet the drinking water requirements of the people of that area speedily;
- (iii) if so, the time frame required for that?

(d) If not, why?

1294/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) fishermen from the South have disappeared while they were engaged in fishing activities in the North and the East during the period when terrorist activities prevailed in those areas;
- (ii) an amount between Rs. 1350/= to Rs. 5800/= was provide monthly by the government to the families of those fishermen from 2001 to 2007 as relief on their behalf;
- (iii) payment of that relief has been stopped by now;
- (iv) children and other dependents of those fishing families have faced severe economic difficulties as a result of this situation?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the reasons for stopping the payment of relief paid on behalf of the disappeared fishermen after 2007;
- (ii) whether measures will be taken to issue death certificates for those fishermen and provide compensation to their dependents?

(c) If not, why?

1297/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that even though the foundation stone was laid for the construction of the 12 kilometer stretch of the road from the Irrigation Junction to Ehiliwewa in the Wellawaya Divisional Secretariat Division of the Moneragala District under the 'Maga Neguma' program about six years ago, the construction activities have not been carried out up to now?

- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the reasons for confining the construction of this road to the foundation stone alone;
 - (ii) of the amount of money allocated for the construction of the road;
 - (iii) whether prompt action will be taken to commence the construction activities of the aforesaid road in order to provide transport facilities to the people of the area;
 - (iv) if so, the date on which the construction activities will commence?
- (c) If not, why?

Tuesday, October 18, 2011

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1298/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the construction work of the Demadoya Rural Water Project which comes under the Pallepola Divisional Secretariat Division in the Matale District has been stopped half way; and
 - (ii) about 2000 families in the area have faced an acute drinking water problem as a result of stopping the aforesaid water project?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the amount of money that has been allocated for the aforesaid rural water project;
 - (ii) whether steps will be taken to commence the work of the aforesaid water project expeditiously and fulfill the water requirements of the people of the area; and
 - (iii) if so, the date on which the work of the water project will be started?
- (c) If not, why?

1299/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the construction activities of the bridge along the road from the Mannawatta junction to Godawelalanda, Pallepola in the Pallepola Divisional Secretariat Division of the Matale District which commenced about five years ago have still not been completed; and
 - (ii) the people are undergoing immense hardships as a result?

- (b) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the total amount of money allocated for the construction activities of the aforesaid bridge; and
 - (ii) the reasons for the delay despite the allocation of money?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether prompt action will be taken to resume the construction activities of the bridge; and
 - (ii) if so, the date for the resumption of the construction activities?
- (d) If not, why?

1300/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Ga/Pitigala Maha Vidyalaya belonging to the Elpitiya Education Zone in the Galle District remained as a fully equipped popular school about eight years ago;
 - (ii) about ten buildings of this school have been left to decay as a result of the closure of this school several years ago?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to redevelop this invaluable resource located in an area with road facilities as a school ;
 - (ii) if so, the period of time taken for the same;
 - (iii) whether action will be taken to utilize the buildings and other resources for another gainful purpose, if action is not taken to reopen the school;
 - (iv) if so, the purpose for which the aforesaid buildings are expected to use?
- (c) If not, why?

Wednesday, October 19, 2011

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1301/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) the Namayala Lake, which is about 2000 years old is located in an area called Nalagama Willaddara bordering the two electorates of Tangalle and Beliatta in the Hambantota District;
- (ii) this lake and surrounding lands were acquired by the government in the year 2005 for a drinking water project;
- (iii) construction activities are yet to get off the ground, despite the laying of the foundation stone on 05.10.2005 in the aforesaid location for a water project named the Tangalle-Beliatta integrated water scheme?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the number of families planned to be provided with water under this project;
- (ii) whether action will be taken for the speedy commencement of its activities to cater to the drinking water requirements of the people of the area;
- (iii) if so, the date on which its construction will commence;
- (iv) the amount of money to be spent on this purpose;

(c) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether a suitable methodology will be devised to allocate lands to the people who have been dispossessed of their lands due to the water project;
- (ii) if so what it is?

(d) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR WHICH NO DATES HAVE BEEN FIXED

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Hon. V. S. Radhakrishnan

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Hon. Perumal Rajathurai

Hon. Rajiva Wijesinha

Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma,— Select Committee of Parliament to recommend and report political and constitutional measures to empower the people of Sri Lanka as one nation,—

WHEREAS a unique opportunity has arisen for the people of Sri Lanka to unite and work together as a nation towards the economic, social and political development of the country and its citizens;

AND WHEREAS to this end it is opportune to take steps to enhance the unity of the people of Sri Lanka and empower them to take decisions and engage in actions towards their economic, social and political development;

AND WHEREAS a Select Committee of Members of Parliament being a committee of the elected representatives of the people is best equipped to determine the nature and scope of steps to be taken to enable the aforesaid.

This Parliament resolves as follows:

A Select Committee of Parliament be appointed to recommend to this House within 6 months the initiative appropriate to achieve political and constitutional measures to—

- (a) enhance the unity of the people of Sri Lanka;
- (b) further empower the people to work as a nation; and
- (c) enable the people to take decisions and engage in actions towards their economic, social and political development.

2.
 - (a) That the Committee and its Chairman shall be nominated by Mr. Speaker.
 - (b) That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 95, the Committee shall consist of not more than thirty one (31) members.
 3. The said Select Committee of Parliament is empowered to—
 - (a) determine its quorum,
 - (b) summon such persons and documents as it deemed necessary;
 - (c) examine, on oath or affirmation and person so summoned;
 - (d) continue notwithstanding the adjournment of Parliament from time to time,
and
 - (e) submit interim reports from time to time.
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