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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Regulations under the National Thoroughfares Act,— That the Regulations made by the President under paragraph (c) of subsection 2 of Section 89 of the National Thoroughfares Act, No. 40 of 2008 read with Sections 13 and 14 of the said Act and with paragraph (2) of Article 44 of the Constitution, relating to the fee to be levied from the drivers of every vehicle using a User Fee National Highway and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1732/12 of November 18th, 2011, which were presented on 17.01.2012, be approved.

* *Indicates Government Business*

Thursday, February 09, 2012

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1132/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,— (1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) as to when consumers get a reduction in the exorbitant electricity prices;
 - (ii) the new power generation projects to be originated in the next 10 years by CEB and private sector;
 - (iii) the expected cost of the power unit generated by aforesaid projects; and
 - (iv) the average selling price of a power unit generated as per above?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) whether the Ceylon Electricity Board is over staffed; and
 - (ii) if so, the action being taken to rectify the situation?
- (c) If not why?

1400/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that the lives of the people living in the areas from Galle to Matara have been put at great risk as a result of not fixing protective gates and signal lights at a large number of level crossings on the railway track from Galle to Matara, despite the modernization of that track?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether measures will be taken to fix protective gates and signal lights at those places speedily;
 - (ii) whether plans in that respect have already been made; and
 - (iii) if so, the date on which the work related to fixing of those gates and lights will be started?
- (c) If not, why?

1492/'11

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Rehabilitation and Prison Reforms,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of advisors who serve in the Ministry of Rehabilitation and Prison Reforms at present;
 - (ii) their names, educational qualifications and responsibilities;
 - (iii) the salaries and allowances paid to them;
 - (iv) the total of all the allowances paid during the previous month?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the names of the advisors to whom official vehicles have been provided, the number of official vehicles provided and the details of those vehicles;
 - (ii) separately of the fuel allowance provided to each advisor, if they are provided with a fuel allowance?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the names of the advisors to whom telephone facilities have been provided by now if telephone facilities are provided to them;
 - (ii) separately of the amount of the telephone allowance paid to each advisor, if they are paid a telephone allowance?
- (d) If not, why?

1693/'11

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the name of the Chairman of “Rakna Lanka” security service ;
 - (ii) separately of the annual charges for which “Rakna Lanka” security service provides security services to each institution ;
 - (iii) of the number of security officers provided to each of the aforesaid institutions ;
 - (iv) of the amount of money paid by “Rakna Lanka” security service to one security officer out of the amount paid by its clients for one security officer ; and
 - (v) whether all the persons who work in “Rakna Lanka” institution are persons who had been employed in defence services?
- (b) If not, why?

1719/'11

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) as to who the members of the Board of Directors are appointed to statutory Boards and Corporations belonging to the Ministry of Housing and Common Amenities;
 - (ii) the person in authority who appointed the members of the Board of the Directors;
 - (iii) the educational qualifications and professional experience of the members of the Board of Directors;
 - (iv) of the salaries or allowances paid, vehicles, telephones and other facilities given to each member of the Board of Directors separately?
- (b) If not, why?

1727/'11

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the owners of the Hingurana Sugar Factory and the sugarcane farmers have reached an agreement ; and
 - (ii) if so, whether he will table that agreement?

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- (b) Is he aware that sugarcane farmers refuse to grow sugarcane in relevant lands?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the demands made by those sugarcane farmers ;
 - (ii) whether he will take steps to provide reasonable solutions to these demands ; and
 - (iii) if so, the date on which it will be done?
- (d) If not, why?

1860/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that a sum of Rs. 177,180.66 has been paid by the Vavuniya Municipal Council in a fraudulent manner based on false information in respect of the alleged construction of a non-existent nursery school building in the village called Kovilkulum in Vavuniya?
- (b) Will he State—
 - (i) who obtained the aforesaid money; and
 - (ii) whether steps will be taken to recover the aforesaid money from the person who perpetrated that fraudulent act?
- (c) If not, why?

1873/'11

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam,— To ask the Minister of External Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the institution that handles the baggages of persons engaged in Diplomatic missions through the Ministry of External Affairs;
 - (ii) whether a formal Tender procedure was followed in selecting that institution;
 - (iii) if so, the basis on which the institution, which hitherto handled baggages was dropped and the task was entrusted to some other institution;
 - (iv) of the difference between the payment made to the new institution for performing that task during the last year and the amount paid to the previous private institution per year?
- (b) If not, why?

1912/'11

Hon. (Dr.) Harsha De Silva,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that Real Estate Exchange (Private) Limited (REEL) was incorporated with UDA, SLRDC, NHDA, CMC and the Sustainable Township Programme to address the shelter issues of slum and shanty dwellers in Colombo?
- (b) Will he state for 2006 to date—
 - (i) the Directors, Chairpersons and Chief Accounting Officers of REEL ;
 - (ii) the details of funds transferred by the treasury, state banks or state institutions to REEL;
 - (iii) the objective, the projected and actual outcomes of each transfer;
 - (iv) details of expenditure items exceeding Rs. 5 million; and purpose for each authorization; and
 - (v) the present financial position of REEL?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether any internal inquiries, audits or criminal investigations on any extravagance, fraud and/or corruption at REEL have been carried out since January 2010 to date;
 - (ii) if so, their outcomes ; and
 - (iii) the remedial actions proposed on malpractices found in (c) i above and the dates they are taken?
- (d) If not, why?

1913/'11

Hon. Niroshan Perera,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that no cold storage facility is available at the morgue of the Government Hospital in Marawila in Puttalam District?
- (b) Will he inform the House—
 - (i) whether plans have been made to construct a cold storage facility for this Hospital;
 - (ii) if so, the amount estimated for the construction of this facility; and
 - (iii) the period of time within which the cold storage facility will be constructed?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) the number of Judicial Medical Officers serving in that Hospital at present; and
- (ii) the steps that have been taken to preserve the corpses in this Hospital, which lacks cold storage facility, as post mortem examinations are not conducted in the Hospital on public holidays or on days on which the Judicial Medical Officer is on leave?

(c) If not, why?

1914/'11

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the year in which the building that houses the Bandaragama Police Station was constructed ; and
- (ii) whether he is aware that this building decayed and in a dilapidated condition?

(b) Will he state whether action will be taken to construct a new building with sufficient facilities to carry out the functions of the Bandaragama Police Station properly?

(c) If not, why?

1978/'11

Hon. R. M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,— (1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) Mr. D.M. Piyadasa, D.M. Gunadasa, R.M. Amaradasa, T.A. Sarath, M.P. Gunapala, D.M. Rathnasiri, D.M. Sarath, J.M. Premalatha and H.M. Gunasekara in the Galtemmandiya Grama Niladhari Division in the Buttala Divisional Secretariat Division in the Moneragala district are low income earners who received Samurdhi benefits;

(ii) at present they have been deprived of the Samurdhi benefit?

(b) Will he inform this House whether arrangements will be made to grant samurdhi benefits back to those people who are in a very helpless state owing to the deprivation of the samurdhi benefit?

(c) If not, why?

1989/'11

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Chavakachcheri Urban Council has failed to remove the waste matter of the toilets in 12 schools in its area ; and
 - (ii) the Urban Council has been informed of the aforesaid situation by the administrations of the schools concerned?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether action will be taken to give necessary instructions to the Chavakachcheri Urban Council to address this problematic situation and provide all the resources that can be provided properly by the Urban Council to those schools?
- (c) If not, why?

1994/'11

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

- (a) Will he state the date on which the Divisional Secretary of the Trincomalee Town and Gravets Divisional Secretariat Division assumed duties in office?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the date of first appointment and the place of duty;
 - (ii) the grade in the Sri Lanka Administrative Service; and
 - (iii) the basis on which the office is held, in respect of the aforesaid Divisional Secretary?
- (c) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of complaints made up to now by the aforesaid Divisional Secretary to the District Secretary and the Governor against Officers and individuals;
 - (ii) the number of complaints received by the District Secretary, Governor and the Ministry of Public Administration against the aforesaid Divisional Secretary and the Grama Niladharis of his office;
 - (iii) the summary of the complaints received against the Divisional Secretary?
 - (iv) the Grama Niladharis against whom complaints have been received, along with their Divisions; and
 - (v) the steps taken in regard to the aforesaid complaints?

(d) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the complaint made by the aforesaid Divisional Secretary to the Governor of the Eastern Province against the Provincial Land Commissioner;
- (ii) whether an inquiry has been held in that regard;
- (iii) of the recommendations of the aforesaid inquiry; and
- (iv) of the steps taken in that regard by now?

(e) If not, why?

2007/'11

Hon. Wasantha Aluwihare,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—(1)

(a) Will he accept that—

- (i) money has been drawn illegally, out of the SLTB Provident Fund, for the use of employers on several previous occasions ;
- (ii) there are similar moves to draw such money once again ;
- (iii) several employees who opposed to the aforesaid move have been transferred ;
- (iv) there are moves to bring the said fund under control of the Central Bank ?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the total amount of money which was in the provident fund at the time when the Sri Lanka Transport Board was peoplised ;
- (ii) the number of employees who have left the membership, having received benefits out of that and the amount of money, paid to them ; and
- (iii) the number of employees who continued to retain membership and the balance amounts left in their names?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) the amount of money drawn by the employers from time to time and the basis on which such money had been drawn ;
- (ii) whether such money had been reimbursed ;
- (iii) whether the employees will lose their benefits, enjoyed so far, if the fund comes under the Central Bank of Sri Lanka ; and
- (iv) if so, whether such benefits will be protected?

(d) If not, why ?

Friday, February 10, 2012
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1306/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the total remittances received in to the country for over last 10 years on per year basis in USD and SL rupees;
 - (ii) the names of the countries from which those remittance were received; and
 - (iii) the average remittance per person from each of aforesaid countries for the last 5 years on per year per country basis?
- (b) Will he also state the benefits given to the citizens who are helping to protect our external reserves?
- (c) If not, why?

1493/'11

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Resettlement,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of advisors who serve in the Ministry of Resettlement at present;
 - (ii) their names, educational qualifications and responsibilities;
 - (iii) the salaries and allowances paid to them;
 - (iv) the total of all the allowances paid during the previous month?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the names of the advisors to whom official vehicles have been provided, the number of official vehicles provided and the details of those vehicles;
 - (ii) separately of the fuel allowance provided to each advisor, if they are provided with a fuel allowance?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the names of the advisors to whom telephone facilities have been provided by now if telephone facilities are provided to them;
 - (ii) separately of the amount of the telephone allowance paid to each advisor, if they are paid a telephone allowance?
- (d) If not, why?

1567/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that peoples' lives have been put at great risk as the iron bridge built connecting the road from Mahaoya to Pollebedda in Mahaoya Divisional Secretariat Division of Ampara district has decayed and is in a dilapidated condition?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether renovation work of that bridge will be started soon;
 - (ii) if so of the date on which it will be done;
 - (iii) whether provisions have been allocated for that purpose; and
 - (iv) if so, of the amount allocated?
- (c) If not, why?

1612/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Mayor of the Jaffna Municipal Council, taking arbitrary decision without the assent of the Council has granted approval to a businessman to construct a four storey commercial building on a marshy land in the Jaffna town ;
 - (ii) a proposal by the former Mayor of Jaffna, the late Mr. Raviraj, to construct a building on the said marshy land was not implemented on account of the recommendations of the feasibility report on soil ;
 - (iii) a four-storey building is now being constructed on the aforesaid marshy land without any inspection of soil ; and
 - (iv) the aforesaid construction could subsequently lead to loss of life and property?
- (b) Is he aware that—
 - (i) even before the construction of the above building the constructor has sold several stalls ;
 - (ii) the deeds have been written only for Rs. 11,000,000 for stalls sold at Rs. 19,000,000 and an advance of Rs. 50,000 each has been obtained ; and
 - (iii) a loss of revenue to the Municipal Council and an income tax fraud have taken place as a result?

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- (c) Will he state whether action will be taken to conduct a preliminary inquiry and take appropriate measures to prevent the above situation?
- (d) If not, why?

1694/'11

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the aim of establishing Lanka Puthra Bank ;
 - (ii) of the number of persons who have been granted loans by the aforesaid bank and the amount of loans so granted from the date of inception of the aforesaid bank upto now ;
 - (iii) of the percentages of recovery of loans up to 2011 ; and
 - (iv) separately of the number of persons who have been granted loans over 50 million, over 100 million and over 200 million?
- (b) If not, why?

1720/'11

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the names of persons who have been appointed as Working Directors in the Boards of Directors of the Statutory Boards and Corporations coming under the Ministry of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities;
 - (ii) of the person in authority who appointed the Working Directors in those Boards of Directors;
 - (iii) of the educational qualifications and professional experience of those Working Directors; and
 - (iv) of the salaries or allowances that are paid and the other facilities including vehicles, telephones that have been provided to each of those Working Directors, separately ?
- (b) If not, why?

1861/'11

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the amount of money allocated by the Governor of the Northern Province to Vavuniya Urban Council in year 2009. for the eradication of dengue;
 - (ii) of the reasons for not submitting the accounts reports and details relevant to the spending of that amount of money to the Urban Council up to now; and
 - (iii) whether steps will be taken to have those accounts reports and details submitted to the Urban Council?
- (b) If not, why?

1874/'11

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the floor area in square feet of the three-storey building at the Kuliyaipitiya town belonging to the North Western Provincial office of the Ceylon Electricity Board;
 - (ii) the space in the aforesaid building used only for office activities;
 - (iii) the reason for renting another building opposite the aforesaid building by paying extra money by the Ceylon Electricity Board despite the availability of sufficient space in the relevant building for office activities;
 - (iv) separately, the rent paid for each building for the period of past three years; and
 - (v) the names of other buildings obtained on the rent or lease basis by the Ceylon Electricity Board in the Kuliyaipitiya electorate?
- (b) If not, why?

1910/'11

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) separately the salaries drawn by Mrs. M.S. Mohomed, Secretary of the Ministry in May and June 2011;
- (ii) the salary drawn by Mrs. Mohomed in September 2011;
- (iii) whether the Secretary have had her increments increased in 2011;
- (iv) whether increments have been granted to the driver of the Secretary in 2011;
- (v) if so, the value of the increments granted; and
- (vi) the basis on which the salaries have been increased by granting increments?

(b) If not, why?

1915/'11

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) separately on the basis of each university, the number of students who obtained degrees from the universities in Sri Lanka in the years 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010 ; and
- (ii) out of the above mentioned graduates, the number of persons who obtained their degrees as internal students and the number of persons who obtained their degrees as external students, separately?

(b) Will he inform this House of the policy adopted by the government with regard to external degree courses?

(c) If not, why?

1990/'11

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware—
 - (i) that the people of the Village known as Galauda, in the Viyaluwa area of the Badulla District have been immensely inconvenienced as they have not been provided with pipe borne water; and
 - (ii) that the people of the aforesaid area have made a request to the Bandarawela branch of the National Water Supply and Drainage Board, to meet their drinking water requirement through supplying of pipe bone water?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether steps will be taken to provide pipe borne water to meet the drinking water requirement of over 200 families living in the Galauda area?
- (c) If not, why?

2001/'11

Hon. R. M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) all the stalls from number 4 to 17, out of the 17 stalls built in the new Pradesheeya Sabha building in the Buttala town, except stall number 11 which has been reserved for the stall of the Fisheries Corporation, have been given for about Rupees 20 lakhs each offer calling for tenders;
 - (ii) a decision was arrived at, in the monthly meeting of the Sabha not to give stalls number 1,2 and 3 through tenders since such stalls will be required for future needs of the Sabha;
 - (iii) later tenders submitted by their friends with a low value Rs 10 lakhs each in relation to the above three stalls have been accepted;
 - (iv) the aforesaid Pradesheeya Sabha has lost a huge income owing to the above calling of tenders that was done without any transparency; and
 - (v) a massive financial fraud has taken place through this improper calling of tenders?
- (b) Will he state whether he will make arrangement for an impartial inquiry to be initiated in relation to the above calling of tenders?
- (c) If not, why?

2042/'11

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the amount of money spent on providing Samurdhi assistance under samurdhi programme ;
 - (ii) the number of families which received samurdhi assistance throughout the country ;
 - (iii) the number of samurdhi development officers who served as animators of samurdhi movement ; and
 - (iv) the amount of money spent on salaries and allowances of the Samurdhi Development Officers ;
- in 2010?
- (b) If not, why ?

2057/'11

Hon. (Dr.) Harsha De Silva,—To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) all purchases and sales (separately) of listed shares at the Colombo Stock Exchange done by the Employees Provident Fund (EPF) in the last two years ;
 - (ii) the names of brokers responsible for each transaction ;
 - (iii) the cost of each transaction, inclusive of brokerage fees separately ; and
 - (iv) the brokerage fees paid to each stock broking company for the aforesaid period of 2 years?
- (b) Will he state the closing price of each share in (a) (i) above for two weeks prior to each purchase or sale, and 2 weeks since the purchase or sale?
- (c) If not, why?

2066/'11

Hon. A. Vinayagamoorthy,— To ask the Minister of Lands and Land Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Peters Farm belonging to Mr. Bastiampillai Joseph Peter in extent ten Acres (Lot Number: 797 depicted in Plan No: 7 SP 4739) at Thatchankulam, Vavuniya was acquired in 1986 for the expansion of Vavuniya Airport; and
 - (ii) the compensation due for the land acquired in 1986 has not been paid yet?

- (b) Will he inform this house whether the steps will be taken to pay aforesaid compensation to the wife and daughter of Mr. Bastiampillai as now he has passed away?
 - (c) If not, why?
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Tuesday, February 21, 2012
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1405/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,— (1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) as to when the Strategic Development Projects Bill was presented and then enacted;
 - (ii) the number of projects that have been implemented under the aforesaid Act;
 - (iii) the names of those projects and the countries of origin, separately, with the value of investment, capacity of employment and the product or service to be born; and
 - (iv) the annual turnover and the duty to be paid by each investor per year separately, from the year they commenced?
- (b) Will he state the exemptions granted by the Government through the above Act as per Inland Revenue Act, No.10 of 2006, Value Added Tax Act, No.14 of 2002, Finance Act, No.11 of 2002, Finance Act, No.5 of 2005, Excise (Special Provisions) Act, No.13 of 1989, Economic Service Charge Act, No.13 of 2006, Debit Tax Act, No. 16 of 2002 and Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235)?
- (c) If not, Why?

1494/'11

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Social Services,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of advisors who serve in the Ministry of Social Services at present;
 - (ii) their names, educational qualifications and responsibilities;
 - (iii) the salaries and allowances paid to them;
 - (iv) the total of all the allowances paid during the previous month?

- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the names of the advisors to whom official vehicles have been provided, the number of official vehicles provided and the details of those vehicles;
 - (ii) separately of the fuel allowance provided to each advisor, if they are provided with a fuel allowance?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the names of the advisors to whom telephone facilities have been provided by now if telephone facilities are provided to them;
 - (ii) separately of the amount of the telephone allowance paid to each advisor, if they are paid a telephone allowance?
- (d) If not, why?

1568/'11

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

- (a) Will he inform this House whether the competitive examination held to appoint officers of eighty five services including those of the Supra grade of the Management Assistant Service to Class II Grade II of the Sri Lanka Administrative Service through promotion on merit, has been cancelled after year 2007?
- (b) Is he aware that—
 - (i) those officers have lost the only opportunity available for them to move to a higher grade on merit; and
 - (ii) officers of several relevant services including those of the Supra grade of the Management Assistant Service have become severely disheartened;due to the cancellation of that competitive examination?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the reasons that led to the cancellation of that examination;
 - (ii) whether measures will be taken to recommence it; and
 - (iii) if so, the date on which it will be done?
- (d) If not, why?

1592/'11

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Mass Media and Information,—(3)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the total cost incurred on the construction of the Ranminitenna Tele Village in Hambantota ;
- (ii) the number of productions made with this village as the base by now ;
- (iii) whether a fee is charged, when this village is given to artists for the purpose of their productions ; and
- (iv) if so, the income earned through that by now?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the number of persons employed for handling maintenance work of the Ranminitenna village ;
- (ii) of the monthly cost incurred on administration and maintenance of the village ; and
- (iii) of the special concessions granted to artists with financial difficulties when using this village?

(c) If not, why?

1661/'11

Hon. E. Saravanapavan,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether development projects have been commenced in Nagar Kovil area in Jaffna District ;
- (ii) if so, the number of persons who receive benefits through those development projects ; and
- (iii) as to what happened to the Rs. 5.8 million that was allocated for the construction of Nagar Kovil Shopping Complex according to the Economic Progress Report for the year 2010?

(b) If not, why?

1667/'11

Hon. T. Ranjith De Soysa,— To ask the Minister of Mass Media and Information,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the foreign broadcasting services that operated in Sri Lanka after Independence ;
 - (ii) the impact of those broadcasting services had on this country ;
 - (iii) whether action was taken to discontinue those broadcasting services ;
 - (iv) if so, of the Government which took action in this regard; and
 - (v) the years in which those courses of action were taken?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether approval will be granted to foreign broadcasting services to operate in Sri Lanka in the future ;
 - (ii) if so, the basis on which the aforesaid approval will be granted ; and
 - (iii) the objectives expected to be achieved by taking action on such a basis?
- (c) If not, why?

1672/'11

Hon.Mohan Priyadarshana De Silva,—To ask the Minister of Higher Education,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the measures taken to improve the quality of the field of higher education during the period from year 2006 up to now;
 - (ii) the benefits received by the students in the field of higher education through these measures;
 - (iii) the measures expected to be taken in future with respect to improving the quality of higher education; and
 - (iv) the results expected through them?
- (b) If not, why?

1683/'11

Hon. Eric Prasanna Weerawardhana,— To ask the Minister of Civil Aviation,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the development projects implemented in the field of civil aviation during the period from year 2006 up to now;
 - (ii) the benefits received by the people through these projects;
 - (iii) the development projects expected to be implemented in the field of civil aviation, in future; and
 - (iv) the results expected through them?
- (b) If not, why?

1695/'11

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Ministry of Transport was involved in the activities connected to the Uthuru Mithuru project implemented for the reconstruction of the Railway lines in the North ;
 - (ii) of the aim of the aforesaid project ;
 - (iii) of the types of work that had to be carried out in relation to the aforesaid project ;
 - (iv) the sources that provided funds for the aforesaid project ; and
 - (v) the types of work that have been completed under the Railway line project in the North?
- (b) If not, why?

1721/'11

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the names of Vice Chairpersons appointed for the statutory boards and corporations coming under the Ministry of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities;
 - (ii) the person in authority who appointed the aforesaid Vice Chairpersons;
 - (iii) of the educational qualifications and professional experience of those Vice Chairpersons;
 - (iv) separately, of the salaries or allowances paid and the other facilities including vehicles and telephones, that have been provided to each of those Vice Chairpersons?
- (b) If not, why?

1875/'11

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the accepted tender procedure will be followed in selecting suitable persons for the administration of the car park of the Kuliapitiya Base Hospital; and
 - (ii) if so, the conditions pertaining to the awarding of the said tender?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the fee levied for the parking of a motor cycle by the tenderer who secured the administration of the hospital car park; and
 - (ii) whether an authorized receipt for receiving money is issued for charging money at the car park?
- (c) Will he admit that it is not fair to charge money for the same purpose on three occasions from a person coming to the hospital three times a day in a vehicle for visiting a patient under going residential treatment?
- (d) If not, why?

1916/'11

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

- (a) Will he state the names of the schools that have been selected for “the 1000 secondary schools” project, out of the schools situated in the Millaniya Divisional Secretariat Division?
- (b) Will he admit that Ka/Dhombagoda Seelarathana Maha Vidyalaya is suitable to be selected for “the 1000 secondary schools” project?
- (c) If so, will he state whether action will be taken to include the above mentioned school in the aforesaid project?
- (d) If not, why?

1991/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Notices to the effect that “The Government has prohibited the sale of Cigarettes to persons under 21 years of age” are displayed in business establishments and restaurants with a view to creating an awareness among people; and
 - (ii) How ever, complaints have been received regarding the sale of Cigarettes to persons under 18 years of age at business establishments and restaurants in Manner?

(b) Will he state whether action will be taken to draw the attention of the Public Health Inspector of the aforesaid area to this matter and inform the Local Government Body of the area to take legal action in this regard?

(c) If not, why?

2046/'11

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Agrarian Services and Wildlife,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the services provided to the farming community by an Agrarian Centre ;
- (ii) whether Agrarian Banks have been established at every Agrarian Centre ; and
- (iii) the amount of loans given to the farmers through the Agrarian Banks during the year 2010?

(b) If not, why ?

2058/'11

Hon. (Dr.) Harsha De Silva,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (1)

(a) Is he aware that the management activity of the Employees Provident Fund (EPF) is undertaken by the Monetary Board of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka?

(b) Will he state whether —

- (i) the fund management of the EPF is conducted at the direction of the investment Committee in accordance with the Investment Policy Statement with the approval of the Monetary Board;
- (ii) the investment Committee meets on a regular basis to evaluate the investment proposals presented by the Fund Management Division of the EPF Department;
- (iii) the investment decisions are made according to the investment policy of the EPF ; and
- (iv) the minutes of the meetings of investment committee for the last two years are tabled?

(c) Will he state pertaining to the Investment Committee for last two years-

- (i) the names and date of appointment of all members; and
- (ii) the dates that the meetings were held along with members present?

(d) If not, why?

Wednesday, February 22, 2012
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1410/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the names of all ports in operation owned by the government and the private sector; and
 - (ii) the names of the Sri Lankan ports to be operated by the Government and private sector ?
- (b) Will he inform this House separately —
 - (i) the full operational capacity of all ports in terms of containers and break bulk;
 - (ii) the actual handling capacity of each port as a percentage of its total capacity; and
 - (iii) as to how the surplus capacities of the ports are going to be handled ?
- (c) Will he also state —
 - (i) the staff strength of each port as per a (i) above, separately; and
 - (ii) the total of last salary and emoluments paid to them ?
- (d) If not, why?

1498/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of advisors who serve in the Ministry of State Resources and Enterprise Development at present;
 - (ii) their names, educational qualifications and responsibilities;
 - (iii) the salaries and allowances paid to them;
 - (iv) the total of all the allowances paid during the previous month?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the names of the advisors to whom official vehicles have been provided, the number of official vehicles provided and the details of those vehicles;
- (ii) separately of the fuel allowance provided to each advisor, if they are provided with a fuel allowance?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) the names of the advisors to whom telephone facilities have been provided by now if telephone facilities are provided to them;
- (ii) separately of the amount of the telephone allowance paid to each advisor, if they are paid a telephone allowance?

(d) If not, why?

1570/'11

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

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) some buildings of MR/Kalubovitiyana Maha Vidyalaya which comes under the Deniyaya Education Office in the Matara district, are in a very dilapidated condition; and
- (ii) the student of the aforesaid school engage in their studies inside those buildings in a very risky condition?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether steps will be taken to renovate the aforesaid buildings;
- (ii) whether the allocations required for it have been made by now;
- (iii) if so, the amount of money that has been allocated; and
- (iv) if allocations have been made, the date on which the renovation work of the aforesaid building will be started?

(c) If not, why?

1674/'11

Hon.Mohan Priyadarshana De Silva,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the development projects implemented in the field of industry during the period from year 2006 up to now;
 - (ii) the benefits received by the people through these projects;
 - (iii) the development projects expected to be implemented in the aforesaid field in future; and
 - (iv) the results expected through them?
- (b) If not, why?

1684/'11

Hon. Eric Prasanna Weerawardhana,— To ask the Minister of Lands and Land Development,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the development projects implemented in the field of lands during the period from year 2006 up to now;
 - (ii) the benefits received by the people through these projects;
 - (iii) the development projects expected to be implemented in the field of lands, in future; and
 - (iv) the results expected through them?
- (b) If not, why?

1690/'11

Hon. (Ven.) Ellawala Medhananda Thero,— To ask the Minister of Environment,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the projects implemented within Sri Lanka for environment conservation during the period from 2006 up to now;
 - (ii) the benefits received by the people through those projects;
 - (iii) the measures that will be taken in future to protect the environment; and
 - (iv) the results expected through those measures?
- (b) If not, why?

1696/'11

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the length of the railway line from Thandikulam to Omanthai in kilometers ;
 - (ii) the name of the company that is engaged in the renovation of this stretch of railway line ;
 - (iii) the amount of money estimated for the renovation work of this stretch of railway line ; and
 - (iv) the amount of money that has been spent for it?
- (b) If not, why?

1722/'11

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Ministry of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities or an institution affiliated to the Ministry has composed a National Housing Anthem;
 - (ii) of the artists who contributed to the composition of lyrics, melody, music, singing and visual composition of the aforesaid Anthem;
 - (iii) of the total amount of money spent on the aforesaid composition; and
 - (iv) of the Head of Expenditure out of which the money was spent?
- (b) If not, why?

1909/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) many workers who migrate to the Middle East Countries for foreign employment do not possess knowledge on the Sharia Law and other laws in force in those countries ; and
 - (ii) as a result they encounter many problems while being engaged in foreign employment?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether there is a programme for seeking legal aid for Sri Lankan migrant workers who are found guilty under the laws of the Middle East Countries due to their lack of knowledge regarding laws of those countries ;
- (ii) if not, whether action will be taken to introduce such a programme to enable migrant workers to avoid problems faced by them ; and
- (iii) if so, the date on which such a programme will be introduced?

(c) If not, why?

1917/'11

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the names of schools that have been selected for ‘the 1000 secondary schools” project, out of the schools situated in the Bandaragama Divisional Secretariat Division ; and
- (ii) whether Ka/Wevita Maithree Maha Vidyalaya has been selected for “the 1000 secondary schools” project?

(b) If not, why?

1992/'11

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

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) the electricity facility has not been provided to the residents of Manalkadu in the Wadamarachchi Divisional Secretariat Division in Jaffna ;
- (ii) petitions performing to this matter have been submitted to the Divisional Secretary of Wadamarachchi, the District Secretary of Jaffna and to the Ceylon Electricity Board by the people of the area ; and
- (iii) eventhough more than 4 months have elapsed since electricity poles have been erected with a view to providing electricity to the aforesaid area, power lines have not yet been connected to those poles upto now?

(b) If so, will he inform this House whether he will take steps to benefit the people in Manalkadu by providing electricity facility to them?

(c) If not, why?

2002/'11

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the mangrove cultivation in the Stretch of land between Puttalam Lagoon and the highway between the 7th and 9th mile posts in the Puttalam-Kalpitiya road, has been destroyed by a group of people?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) Whether the aforesaid stretch of land with the mangrove cultivation will be utilized for implementing a project;
 - (ii) of the persons who implement the aforesaid project;
 - (iii) of the extent of the stretch of land belonging to the said project;
 - (iv) of the legal provisions obtained for the implementation of the aforesaid project; and
 - (v) whether a pre-environmental assessment report has been obtained for the project according to the environmental rules and regulations of the North-Western province?
- (c) If not, why?

2048/'11

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of Family Health Service Divisions under the offices of the Divisional Medical Officers of Health in the Northern Province ; and
 - (ii) whether action has been taken to appoint Family Health Services Officers to all the aforesaid Family Health Services Divisions?
- (b) If not, why ?

2059/'11

Hon. (Dr.) Harsha De Silva,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,— (1)

- (a) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the complete procedures adopted to remove the traders at the old Nugegoda 'Janatha Pola' when it was demolished and thereafter to select the traders to be given shops at the newly developed 'Janatha Pola' during the first week of October 2011 ;
 - (ii) the names of the persons responsible for each activity pertaining to removal of traders and for allocation of new stalls;
 - (iii) the dates on which each actions pertaining to removal of traders and allocation of stalls were taken; and
 - (iv) the number, names and addresses of traders removed as per a (i) and of the traders given stalls on the basis of size , stalls having structure and stalls marked on ground without structures?

- (b) Will he also state —
- (i) whether there is a discrepancy between the two lists of traders removed and installed; and
 - (ii) if so, the action being taken to correct the anomaly?
- (c) If not, why?

1411/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Co-operatives and Internal Trade,— (1)

- (a) Will he state the names of —
- (i) the directors of the Lak Sathosa at the origin;
 - (ii) the present board of directors;
 - (iii) the directors representing the Ministry of Finance; and
 - (iv) the auditors and the company secretaries of Lak Sathosa?
- (b) Will he inform this House as to when the Annual General Meetings of the Lak Sathosa were held from its inception to date?
- (c) Will he state the market share of Lak Sathosa in comparison with other super markets?
- (d) If not, why?

Thursday, February 23, 2012
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1412/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,— (1)

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) whether the BOI is still the “One Stop Shop” for foreign investments drawing into the country;
 - (ii) what the Section 16 and Section 17 of BOI Act are; and
 - (iii) whether there is any other criteria other than Section 16 and Section 17; and
 - (iv) the time period taken to give approval for an investment application?

- (b) Will he inform this house—
- (i) the present Board of Investments; and
 - (ii) the key persons who are involved in investment appraisals, approvals, monitoring investments, etc.?
- (c) Will he state separately for the period depicted as 2000-2004, 2005-2009, year 2010 and year 2011 to date—
- (i) the investments actually came into the country through BOI;
 - (ii) of them, the investments on infrastructure development;
 - (iii) the investment applications made to BOI;
 - (iv) value of the investments and employment envisaged to be created under the Section 16 and Section 17 of BOI Act?
- (d) If not, why?

1499/11

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Youth Affairs and Skills Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) the number of advisors who serve in the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Skills Development at present;
 - (ii) their names, educational qualifications and responsibilities;
 - (iii) the salaries and allowances paid to them;
 - (iv) the total of all the allowances paid during the previous month?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the names of the advisors to whom official vehicles have been provided, the number of official vehicles provided and the details of those vehicles;
 - (ii) separately of the fuel allowance provided to each advisor, if they are provided with a fuel allowance?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) the names of the advisors to whom telephone facilities have been provided by now if telephone facilities are provided to them;
 - (ii) separately of the amount of the telephone allowance paid to each advisor, if they are paid a telephone allowance?
- (d) If not, why?

1572/'11

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

- (a) Will he State—
 - (i) the name of the institution which provided allocations to the Sumithuru Housing Project constructed in the Thiththagalla area at Ahangama in the Galle district, for the families who lost their houses in the Tsunami disaster; and
 - (ii) the amount of money provided by the aforesaid institution?
- (b) Is he aware that the houses of the aforesaid project have not been constructed to the proper standards?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he will take steps to construct the aforesaid houses to the proper standards; and
 - (ii) if so, the period of time that will be taken for it?
- (d) If not, why?

1675/'11

Hon. Mohan Priyadarshana De Silva,— To ask the Minister of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the development projects implemented in the field of construction during the period from year 2006 up to now;
 - (ii) the benefits received by the people through these projects;
 - (iii) the development projects expected to be implemented in the field of construction, in future; and
 - (iv) the results expected through them?
- (b) If not, why?

1724/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether a non banking financial institution named Industrial Finance Limited has been registered with the Central Bank of Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the date on which it was registered;
 - (iii) separately, the names of the Chairman and the members of the board of directors of along with their addresses and the experience in the financial field?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether this company had been owned by some other company earlier;
- (ii) if so, the name of that company; and
- (iii) the names of the Chairman and the members of the board of directors along with their addresses?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) the number of customers of the I.F.L. company at present;
- (ii) the number of depositors who have deposited money in the aforesaid company; and
- (iii) the value of the deposits of the aforesaid company as at 31st March 2011?

(d) If not, why?

1687/'11

Hon. Eric Prasanna Weerawardhana,— To ask the Minister of Plantation Industries,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the development projects implemented in the field of plantation during the period from year 2006 up to now;
- (ii) the benefits received by the people through these projects;
- (iii) the development projects expected to be implemented in the field of plantation, in future; and
- (iv) the results expected through them?

(b) If not, why?

1728/'11

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of persons who have lost their houses owing to the construction of the fisheries harbour at Dikovita;
- (ii) whether they have been paid compensation; and
- (iii) separately the amount paid to each of the aforesaid persons, if they have been paid compensation?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether houses have been constructed for those who have lost their houses owing to the construction of the aforesaid fisheries harbour;
- (ii) if so, the company which constructed the aforesaid houses;
- (iii) of the procedure followed in selecting the above mentioned company;
- (iv) the floor area and the cost of construction of each of those houses;
- (v) whether the constructed houses have cracked and caved in; and
- (vi) if so, the measures that will be taken to remedy that situation?

(c) If not, why?

1918/'11

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Co-operatives and Internal Trade,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House separately of the names of persons who, have obtained loans from the Bandaragama Multipurpose Co-operative Society and the Co-operative Rural Bank, a subsidiary of the above Society, by 01.05.2011 and defaulted the payment of those loans and the amount each person has defaulted?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the steps taken by the Bandaragama Multipurpose Co-operative Society to recover the defaulted amounts; and
- (ii) if no such steps are taken, the reasons for that?

(c) If not, why?

2003/'11

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam,— To ask the Minister of Agrarian Services and Wildlife,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that a program is being implemented to clear many acres of forest at Moradawilluwa and Thousamadama area abutting the Kala oya within the buffer zone of the Wilpattu National Park and hand them over for agricultural projects?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the District and Divisional Secretariat Division to which the land cleared for the aforesaid project belongs to;
- (ii) as to who implement this project; and
- (iii) the extent of forest land cleared for the aforesaid project?

(c) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether the legal provisions required for implementing such a project have been obtained;
- (ii) if so, what they are;
- (iii) whether the pre-environmental approval which should be obtained subject to the process of pre-environmental impacts prior to implementing a development project by clearing an extent of land of more than one hectare has been obtained for this project?

(d) If not, why?

2010/'11

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether there is a “Janasewana” housing construction project, implemented in Hanguranketha area of Nuwara Eliya District ; and
- (ii) if so, the number of houses constructed under the aforesaid project ; and
- (iii) of the projected year of completion of the constructions?

(b) If not, why?

2049/'11

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether Health Centres have been constructed in all the Family Health Services Divisions in the Northern Province ;
- (ii) if not, of the number of Family Health Service Divisions without Health Centres ;
- (iii) of the names of those Divisions ; and
- (iv) whether action will be taken to provide Health Centres to the Divisions where there are no Health Centres?

(b) If not, why ?

1413/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,— (1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the total investment made in Sri Lanka by each country in 2009, 2010, and 2011 separately;
 - (ii) the number of employments created through those investments on per country and per company basis separately; and
 - (iii) of them, the number of employments still functioning?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the total export potential of the investments mentioned in a (i); and
 - (ii) the actual extent of export taken place as of years 2009, 2010 and 2011 on per country and per company basis separately?
- (c) Will he state for 2009, 2010, and 2011, separately—
 - (i) the total value addition recorded through the investments in a (i) above on per country and per company basis; and
 - (ii) the amount of tax paid up by the aforesaid companies?
- (d) If not why?

1500/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of advisors who serve in the Ministry of Water Supply and Drainage at present;
 - (ii) their names, educational qualifications and responsibilities;
 - (iii) the salaries and allowances paid to them;
 - (iv) the total of all the allowances paid during the previous month?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the names of the advisors to whom official vehicles have been provided, the number of official vehicles provided and the details of those vehicles;
 - (ii) separately of the fuel allowance provided to each advisor, if they are provided with a fuel allowance?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) the names of the advisors to whom telephone facilities have been provided by now if telephone facilities are provided to them;
- (ii) separately of the amount of the telephone allowance paid to each advisor, if they are paid a telephone allowance?

(d) If not, why?

1573/'11

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

(a) Is he aware that the project for the development of the public play ground at Wellawa, which was started by the Kurunegala Pradeshiya Sabha, nearly a year ago, has been confined to name board up to now;

(b) Will he inform this House of —

- (i) the reasons for stopping activities connected to the development of the public ground at Wellawa;
- (ii) the date on which the development activities of the aforesaid play ground will be commenced; and
- (iii) the total amount of money allocated for that purpose?

(c) If not, why?

1809/'11

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) whether plans are under way to re-commence the production process of the Kanthale Sugar Factory; and
- (ii) if so, the date on which production activities would commence?

(b) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the extent of land belonging to the Kanthale sugar factory;
- (ii) the extent of land that has been sold or given on lease out of that total extent of land;
- (iii) the period for which such lands have been made available ;
- (iv) the establishments that have purchased or obtained on lease such lands;
- (v) the countries of origin of such establishments; and
- (vi) separately, the amount of money received from each of those establishments by selling or giving on lease?

(c) If not, why?

Friday, February 24, 2012
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1414/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the unique selling propositions that are used, when marketing Sri Lanka to a potential investor; and
 - (ii) the competitiveness of our labour in terms of cost compared to India, Indonesia, Bangladesh, China, Vietnam, and Cambodia on the basis of per month cost?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) the tax benefits entitled to a potential investor in Sri Lanka, compared to the other countries referred in a (ii) above;
 - (ii) the various taxes that are applicable in Sri Lanka as at today for investors, manufacturers and service providers; and
 - (iii) the tax benefits and the taxes exempted for a Sri Lankan investor, investing in Sri Lanka as at today?
- (c) If not why?

1538/'11

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the total number of students who received education and the number of students in each grade;
 - (ii) the number of teachers;
 - (iii) the number of students who applied for the admission to grade one; in Dikkumbura Adarsha Kanitu Viduhala in Habaraduwa Educational Zone at the beginning of each year during the period from the year 2003 up to 2010?
- (b) Will he state separately with respect to the aforesaid school;
 - (i) the number of development projects implemented;
 - (ii) the persons or institutions that provided financial allocations for the aforesaid projects; and
 - (iii) the development projects granted by government institutions; in each of the years during the period from year 2003 up to the year 2010?
- (c) If not, why?

1575/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) a project named “Rackiya Piyasa” (JobsNet) was started under the Ministry of Labour Relations and Manpower in year 2003;
 - (ii) the employees attached to this Project have been working on contract basis since 2003 up to now; and
 - (iii) even the payment of salaries of those employees have been stopped for few months?
- (b) Will he inform—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to pay the salaries of these employees expeditiously; and
 - (ii) if so, the date on which their salaries will be paid?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether there is a plan to attach the employees who were recruited under “Rackiya Piyasa” (JobsNet) to the Department of Manpower and Employment and confirm them in their service;
 - (ii) if so, what that plan is; and
 - (iii) if they are going to be attached to the aforesaid department, the date on which it will be done?
- (d) If not, why?

1676/'11

Hon.Mohan Priyadarshana De Silva,— To ask the Minister of Co-operatives and Internal Trade,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the development projects implemented in the field of trade during the period from year 2006 up to now;
 - (ii) the benefits received by the people through these projects;
 - (iii) the development projects expected to be implemented in the field of trade, in future; and
 - (iv) the results expected through them?
- (b) If not, why?

1688/'11

Hon. Eric Prasanna Weerawardhana,— To ask the Minister of Traditional Industries and Small Enterprise Development,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the development projects implemented in the field of Traditional Industries and Small Enterprise Development during the period from year 2006 up to now;
 - (ii) the benefits received by the people through these projects;
 - (iii) the development projects expected to be implemented in the field of Traditional Industries and Small Enterprise Development, in future; and
 - (iv) the results expected through them?
- (b) If not, why?

1729/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether cabinet approval has been given for the construction of the fisheries harbour at Dikovita ;
 - (ii) if so, the date on which the above mentioned cabinet approval was granted ;
 - (iii) the sources that provide funds for the construction of the harbour and the total amount of money required ;
 - (iv) separately, the amount received as aid and amount of money received as a loan out of the aforesaid amount of money ; and
 - (v) the interest rate of the loan obtained and the repayment period?
- (b) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the company to which the construction work of the harbour was assigned ;
 - (ii) the system followed in selecting the aforesaid company ; and
 - (iii) the bids offered by the other companies, if tenders were called in selecting the aforesaid company?
- (c) If not, why?

1804/'11

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the total estimated amount of money for carpeting the road from Kuliyaipitiya, Koangahagedara to Pugalla ;
 - (ii) whether tenders have been called for the project of carpeting the aforesaid road ;
 - (iii) if so, the contractors who forwarded tenders for the aforesaid project ; and
 - (iv) separately of the bids submitted by each of the aforesaid contractors?
- (b) If not, why ?

1810/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) whether competitive examinations were conducted to recruit persons to the post of First Secretary of the Sri Lanka Overseas Service from 2008 to 2011;
 - (ii) if so, the periods during which such examinations were conducted; and
 - (iii) the procedure followed in recruiting officers to the post of First Secretary?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the names of the persons who were recruited to the post of First Secretary according to the procedure mentioned in (a) iii above, in each year;
 - (ii) whether persons outside the Overseas Service have been recruited to this post;
 - (iii) if so, the basis on which such recruitments were made;and
 - (iv) the qualifications of the persons so recruited?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) whether a competitive examination was conducted to select persons, if those who were outside the Sri Lanka Overseas Service were recruited to the above post;
 - (ii) if not, the reasons for adopting two different procedures for recruiting persons from within the Sri Lanka Overseas Service and outside, to that post?
- (d) If not, why?

1919/'11

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Rehabilitation and Prison Reforms,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of prisoners who have been sentenced to death (having concluded all appeals) by 01-09-2011;
 - (ii) of the classification of “crimes” which caused each of the aforesaid prisoners to be sentenced to death; and
 - (iii) of the reason or reasons for not executing the death sentence given to those prisoners?
- (b) Will he state the policy followed by the Government, in granting pardon to some of the individuals who have been sentenced to death?
- (c) If not, why?

2011/'11

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether there is a programme implemented, to provide houses for the aboriginal folks under the “Janasewana” housing project ; and
 - (ii) as to what aboriginal communities have been selected for the purpose of providing such houses?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of aboriginal families that has been identified as those with housing needs ; and
 - (ii) of the steps that have been taken to construct those houses in accordance with the cultural needs of such communities?
- (c) If not, why?

2050/'11

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister Health,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the eye patients visiting the Hambantota Base Hospital for treatment are Instructed by the officers of the hospital to obtain spectacles and contact lenses from private optometrists in the Hambantota town;
 - (ii) those institutions sell contact lenses at exorbitant prices; and
 - (iii) hapless patients are subject to various inconveniences as a result of the activities of the officers of the hospital?

(b) Will he state whether —

- (i) steps will be taken to conduct an inquiry regarding the above situation in the eye clinic and stop corrupt practices;
- (ii) facilities will be made available to provide spectacles and contact lenses recommended for patients as per test reports issued by the hospital from 'Rajya Osu Sala' at a minimum price;
- (iii) action will be taken to give necessary instructions to the hospital authorities to treat patients using contact lenses issued by the 'Rajya Osu Sala' ; and
- (iv) action will be taken to introduce a program jointly by the aforesaid hospital and 'Rajya Osu Sala' if problems occur in this regard?

(c) If not, why?

1519/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Parliamentary Affairs,— (1)

(a) Will he state for years 2010 and 2011, separately —

- (i) the total cost for renting or leasing of buildings which are not owned by the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs ;
- (ii) the rate per square feet of rented or leased buildings; and
- (iii) the leasing period of the buildings?

(b) Will he also state in relation to the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs for aforesaid years separately—

- (i) the total money spent on renting or leasing of vehicles which do not belong to any of the ministry related entities;
- (ii) the total number of vehicles rented or leased;
- (iii) the other outsourced services;
- (iv) the cost incurred in outsourced services mentioned;
- (v) the number of people who have been contracted on outsourced basis; and
- (vi) the total staff strength?

(c) If not, why?

1576/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the building which houses the out patients department of Ihala Beligalla rural hospital situated at Beliattha area in the Hambanthota District is in a severely dilapidated condition; and
 - (ii) this situation has posed a threat even to the lives of the patients who come for treatment and the members of the hospital staff?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether action will be taken to renovate this building;
 - (ii) if provisions have been allocated for that purpose, the date on which the renovation work will be commenced?
- (c) If not, why?

1775/'11

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Will he State, in relation to the Galle Mahamodara Hospital;
 - (i) wards and other units functioning at present;
 - (ii) the damages caused by the Tsunami;
 - (iii) whether the condition prevailing is conducive enough to treat patients; and
 - (iv) if a decision has been taken to shift it to some other place, the alternative arrangements that have been made in relation to it?
- (b) Will he State—
 - (i) if the construction of a children's and maternity hospital has been started close to the Karapitiya hospital, the date it was started, the estimated cost and it's current progress; and
 - (ii) according to the plan of the hospital, the details of the units in it?

(c) Will he State—

- (i) the names of persons or institutions that provided or are expected to provide funds for the construction of this hospital;
- (ii) the amount given so far;
- (iii) how the monies have been spent;
- (iv) the balance that remained and the activities for which it was used; and
- (v) if government allocations have been made what that amount is?

(d) Will he State—

- (i) whether a financial fraud or misappropriation has taken place in the construction of this hospital; and
- (ii) if so, whether suitable action will be taken upon an investigation in that regard?

(e) If not, why?

1811/'11

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) separately and in relation to each post, the Salary, fuel allowances, telephone allowances, other allowances, entertainment allowances and monthly Director Board allowances received by the Chairman, Executive Director or Working Director or a Director of the National Livestock Development Board in 2004;
- (ii) the years, after 2004 in which the salaries or other allowances pertaining to the above posts were varied; and
- (iii) the salaries and allowances pertaining to the above posts in 2011?

(b) If not, why?

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Hon. Gamini Jayawickrama Perera

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam,— Select Committee of Parliament to examine the problems relating to the results of Advance Level Examination in the year 2011 and to recommend means to rectify and remedy them,— Whereas the release of the Advance Level results for the academic year 2011 has caused serious problems;

And whereas contradictory statements are being made by various parties;

And whereas some quarters say that the problems are due to technical errors;

And whereas yet others cast the blame on undue haste in releasing the results;

And whereas yet others blame that the problem on the incompetence of the officials concerned;

And whereas the Commissioner of Examinations has been relieved of his post;

And whereas the President himself appointed a Commission to go into this matter;

And whereas the future of a whole generation of students have been placed in jeopardy, and

And whereas this has resulted in the confidence in the Education System being severely eroded;

And whereas doubts have arisen regarding the acceptance of certificates issued by the Department of Education;

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

- (a) examine the modalities of the 'Z' score;
- (b) examine the reasons which led to this problem;
- (c) recommend means to rectify and remedy to the Advance Level results for the academic year 2011;
- (d) recommend steps to be taken to prevent future occurrence of such problems; and
- (e) recommend other remedial measures that the Committee deems necessary.

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