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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0850/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,— (2)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the amount of money allocated for road constructions and maintenance in the Central Government, Provincial Councils and Urban Councils from the year 2006 to 2011, separately on per year basis;
- (ii) the total cost incurred by the three entities mentioned above for all types of roads from the year 2006 to 2010; and
- (iii) the amount of money to be allocated for road construction and maintenance in year 2012?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the sources of funds for road construction and maintenance referred to (a) (i) and
- (ii) if it is a loan capital, the cost of borrowing and the names of the lending country or institution?

(c) Will he state the amount of money paid by the government to private contractors for the road constructions completed in year 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010?

(d) If not, why?

1272/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) applications were called from aesthetic graduates to fill 3174 vacancies for aesthetic teachers in the provincial and National schools throughout the island in 2009 and 2010; and
 - (ii) interviews have been conducted on the results of the written test held accordingly ?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the total number of aesthetic graduates who have been appointed upon the above mentioned written test and the interview, so far ?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the date on which the remaining aesthetic graduates will be recruited as aesthetic teachers, if graduates have not been recruited to fill all existing vacancies for aesthetic teachers; and
 - (ii) whether allocations have been set a side for that ?
- (d) If not, why ?

1675/'11

Hon. Mohan Priyadarshana De Silva,— To ask the Minister of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities,— (3)

- (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?

1797/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of workers who earn foreign exchange for Sri Lanka by being employed in Italy ;
 - (ii) whether the Employee Provident Fund dues, taxes and other charges are deducted from their salaries by the government in that country ;
 - (iii) if so, whether the full amount or part of such deductions has been remitted to our country up to now ; and
 - (iv) if not, whether the government of that country pays a sum of money to the Sri Lankan workers upon the termination of their employment and return to Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether the Government will take action to give a pension to those workers who earn foreign exchange for Sri Lanka by being employed in foreign countries for a long period?
- (c) If not, why?

1917/'11

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (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?

2050/'11

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister Health,—(2)

- (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?

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(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?

2146/'11

Hon. Y.G. Padmasiri,— To ask the Minister of Child Development and Women's Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether steps will be taken to develop two Pre-childhood Development Centres (Pre-schools) situated close to each of the proposed primary feeder schools in line with the feeder school development project, as the government intends to develop 5000 primary feeder schools under the 1000 school programme implemented by the Ministry of Education;
- (ii) whether an appropriate training will be provided for the teachers of the Pre-childhood Development Centres selected in this manner;
- (iii) whether the physical resources required for those Pre-childhood Development Centres will be made available ?

(b) If not, why?

2233/'12

Hon. (Mrs) Vijayakala Maheswaran,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the revision of salaries and allowances of the teachers in the Sri Lanka Teachers Service has not been done as per the Budget Proposals of 2011 to do so and Public Administration Circular No. 28/2010 issued thereupon ; and
 - (ii) the teachers have not been placed on the proper salary steps, to date, according to their academic and professional qualifications?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether any circular has been sent recently to the Zonal Education Offices giving instructions on revision of salaries and placing the teachers on proper salary steps; and
 - (ii) if not, whether necessary action will be taken to rectify the situation pertaining to the revision of teachers' salary?
- (c) If not, why?

1641/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) nineteen years have lapsed since the completion of restoration activities of the Sadhdhatissa Tank, Maligawila, Buttala, which is one of the largest irrigation schemes in the Monaragala District;
 - (ii) the cultivation lands under the aforesaid scheme have not been distributed among farmers up to now; and
 - (iii) land kachcheris have been held on several occasions and suitable farmers have been selected for granting lands ?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the reasons for not granting lands to the aforesaid farmers despite farmers being selected for granting lands; and
 - (ii) the date on which those farmers will be given lands ?
- (c) If not, why?

1709/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the Ministry has been able to solve the poaching between India and Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the number of Indian fishermen in Sri Lankan custody and the number of Sri Lankan fishermen in Indian custody at present;
 - (iii) whether fishing is taking place in Katchative island; and
 - (iv) whether the unfair claim made on Sri Lanka pertaining to the banning of fishing in Katchative island has been resolved?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) the number of registered fishermen in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) whether fishing vessels of those fishermen equipped with GPRS facility for the purpose of identifying their location in the sea?
 - (iii) whether the aforesaid fishermen have been insured; and
 - (iv) the number of fishermen that have been missing during the job for the last 5 years on per year basis ;
- (c) If not, why?

1907/'11

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Mass Media and Information,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether arrangements have been made to provide the Carlton Sports Channel (CSN) with cassettes or hard discs belonging to the National television, which contain recordings of sports events;
 - (ii) if so, the reasons for providing, them as mentioned above;
 - (iii) of the basis on which such cassettes or hard discs were provided; and
 - (iv) of the amount of money paid by the Carlton Sports Channel to the National television for obtaining those cassettes?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) if the Carlton Sports Channel has made a requests to obtain those cassettes or hard discs, the details of persons who made that request;
 - (ii) the letter relevant to the aforesaid request; and
 - (iii) the name and the designation of the officer who gave permission for the aforesaid cassettes and hard discs to be released by the National television?
- (c) If not, why?

1918/'11

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Co-operatives and Internal Trade,—(2)

- (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?

1642/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) G/Agulugalla Kanishta Vidyalaya coming under Elpitiya Education Office in Galle district has been closed down; and
 - (ii) as a result, a large amount of physical resources owned by the school is being destroyed?
- (b) Will he State—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to reopen this school; and
 - (ii) if so, the period of time that will be taken for it?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether plans have been made to use this school for some other economic activity, if it is not reopened;
 - (ii) if so, what that economic activity is; and
 - (iii) of the period of time that will be taken for it ?
- (d) If not, why?

1710/'11

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

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) the number of families in Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) the earning capacity of a Sri Lankan family?
- (b) Will he also state on per district basis the number of families exist below the poverty line ?
- (c) Will he inform this House the determining factor in arriving at the poverty line in Sri Lanka?
- (d) If not, why?

1926/'11

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether arrangements have been made to construct a road through the Sinharaja forest which is a world heritage;
 - (ii) the starting point and end point of this road within the territory of the Sinharaja forest;
 - (iii) the length of this road within the Sinharaja forest; and
 - (iv) the width of the road?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the officer who approved the construction of this road;
 - (ii) of the reasons for constructing a road through the Sinharaja forest; and
 - (iii) of the persons responsible for the grave damage that is caused to the Sinharaja forest, a world heritage, in the name of development when construction work is carried out within that forest?
- (c) If not, why?

Wednesday, May 09, 2012

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0851/'10

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

- (a) Will he state separately —
 - (i) the domestic rice consumption in year 2009 and 2010; and
 - (ii) estimated consumption in 2011 and 2012?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) the names of government institutions that imported 100,000 metric tones of rice in , February 2010;
 - (ii) the source of finance for said importation; and
 - (iii) the import price, selling price ,the quantity sold and quantity in stock of rice imported as per above?
- (c) Is he aware that—
 - (i) approximately 30,000 metric tons of rice imported as per above have been sold to the private sector in September, 2010 at the price of SLR 31/= per Kg whereas the price of imported rice was over SLR 65/= per Kg; and
 - (ii) the private merchants have sold that rice in the local market even though the government had insisted them not to do so?
- (d) Will he state the action taken against the private merchants who sold rice as per above?
- (e) If not, why?

1273/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Kaduruwana Tea Factory located at the Pitabeddara Pradeshiya Sabha area in the Matara District and initiated under the auspices of the Sri Lanka Southern Development Authority has been left abandoned and unused for a period of six years; and
 - (ii) the abandoning of the aforesaid factory which is a national resource has caused a huge loss to the national economy ?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the total cost incurred on the construction of the aforesaid tea factory;
 - (ii) the reasons for it being left unused and abandoned;
 - (iii) whether a scheme will be launched forthwith to commence the production activities of the tea factory and purchase green tea leaves from tea planters of the area; and
 - (iv) if production activities are to be commenced, the time to be taken for this purpose ?
- (c) If not, why ?

1683/'11

Hon. Eric Prasanna Weerawardhana,— To ask the Minister of Civil Aviation,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (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?

1728/'11

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,—(2)

- (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?

1775/'11

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

- (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?

1909/'11

Hon. Ranjan Ramanayake,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Employment Promotion and Welfare,—(3)

(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?

1916/'11

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (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?

1927/'11

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

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the name of the institutions to which the repair work of the railway track between Aluthgama and Galle has been assigned ;
- (ii) the name of country to which that institution belongs ;
- (iii) the estimated amount allocated for the above mentioned repair work ;
- (iv) the date on which the repair work of the aforesaid railway track will be completed ; and
- (v) the amount of money expected to be spent at the completion of the development work of the aforesaid railway track?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether tenders had been called for awarding the contract for repair work of the railway track from Aluthgama to Galle ;
- (ii) if so, the number of tenders that were received ; and
- (iii) the names and addresses of the persons who submitted the tenders?

(c) If not, why?

1643/'11

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

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) the government school at Bandurawala in Puttlam District has been closed down ;
- (ii) buildings of the aforesaid school worth several hundred thousand rupees are falling into decay at present ; and
- (iii) the people of the area have made a request that the school be reopened for the benefit of the children in the area?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether action will be taken to reopen the aforesaid school ; and
- (ii) if so, the period of time that will be taken for it?

(c) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether action will be taken to use the aforesaid school for some other useful economic activity if it is not reopened ;
- (ii) if so, the period of time that will be taken for it ; and
- (iii) of the economic activity for which the aforesaid school is expected to be used?

(d) If not, why?

1687/'11

Hon. Eric Prasanna Weerawardhana,— To ask the Minister of Plantation Industries,—(3)

(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?

1711/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Civil Aviation,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of airports in Sri Lanka;
- (ii) the number of aircrafts registered in Sri Lanka at present as per the Sri Lankan Aviation Law; and
- (iii) the year of manufacture of each of the registered aircrafts ?

(b) Will he state the revenue earned by the Government through the registered airlines for the years 2006 to 2011?

- (c) Will he state—
- (i) the throughput of passengers moved in and out of the airports in Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) the throughput of cargo that moved through the airports in Sri Lanka for the years 2006 to 2011?
- (d) Will he state the revenue earned by the Government through the above airports for the years 2006 to 2011 ?
- (e) If not, why?

1928/'11

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the names of those who served as Chairmen of the Maga Neguma Machinery Institution from 2006 up to now; and
 - (ii) separately the period of service of each of the aforesaid Chairmen and salaries and other allowances received by them?
- (b) Will he State—
- (i) the number of permanent employees who served in Maga Neguma Machinery Institution from the year 2005 up to now;
 - (ii) the number of permanent employees removed from the aforesaid institution;
 - (iii) the names, addresses and posts of permanent employees who were removed ; and
 - (iv) the reason for the removal of aforesaid employees?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the number of casual employees who served in the above institution from the year 2006 up to now; and
 - (ii) separately out of them, the number of employees made permanent and the number of employees removed?
- (d) If not, why?

1644/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Ananda Kanishta Vidyalaya in Nagoda in the Kalutara district has been closed down for nearly six years;
 - (ii) at present, all the buildings of the school have gone wild and are decaying; and
 - (iii) the people of the area request that this school be reopened to ease the congestion prevalent at the popular schools in the town?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) if this school will be reopened, the time taken for that;
 - (ii) if not, whether there is a plan to utilize the resources of the school for some other useful economic activity;
 - (iii) if so, what that economic activity is; and
 - (iv) the time that will be taken to initiate such economic activity ?
- (c) If not, why?

1712/'11

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the lands above 50 perches that has been given to the different users without following proper tender procedure from 2009 to date on per year basis;
 - (ii) the reasons for giving those lands to the users;
 - (iii) the number of jobs created through the use of given land as per (a) (i);
 - (iv) the benefits received by the country from the use of given lands; and
 - (v) the amount of taxes exempted in the process of giving aforesaid lands; and
 - (vi) as to why the tender procedure was not followed connected to these land transactions?
- (b) If not, why?

1930/'11

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Will he State—
 - (i) the date on which the Maga Neguma Machinery Company was established;
 - (ii) the names of the share holders of this company; and
 - (iii) the number of shares owned by each share holder?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether machinery or other assets have been obtained from the Road Development Authority or its from then subsidiary company and related companies when the Maga Neguma Machinery Company was established;
 - (ii) if so, of the things so obtained?
- (c) If not, why?

Thursday, May 10, 2012
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0989/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of External Affairs,— (2)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the Minister of External Affairs has contracted or employed Public Relations (PR) companies to perform work for Sri Lankan government overseas;
 - (ii) if so, the names of such companies;
 - (iii) as to when they were contracted;
 - (iv) whether they were selected on tender basis;
 - (v) if not, as to why it was done so;
 - (vi) the amounts paid monthly to each company in Sri Lankan rupees; and
 - (vii) the benefit accrued from their service?

- (b) Will he state—
- (i) whether any more PR companies will be employed in overseas work;
 - (ii) the details on companies such as Qurvis in USA, Bell Pottinger in UK, Lexican in India, doing for Sri Lanka;
 - (iii) the owners of those companies; and
 - (iv) whether those companies are attempting to engage in foreign policy making too?
- (c) Will he admit that the Ministerial employees will de-motivate owing to assigning one of their duties to the outside firms as per above?
- (d) If not, why?

1289/'11

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

- (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; and
 - (iii) what that programme is?
- (c) If not, why?

1979/'11

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the investments made by the Government for the Ambilipitiya paper factory from year 2005 to date;
 - (ii) of the number of persons employed in the aforesaid institution at present;
 - (iii) separately of the profit earned or the loss incurred by the aforesaid institution annually from year 2005 to date?

(b) Will he State—

- (i) whether action will be taken to privatise the Ambilipitiya paper factory or to transfer it to a private institution on some basis;
- (ii) whether tenders have been called for that purpose;
- (iii) if so, the details of those tenders; and
- (iv) if the aforesaid institution will be given to the private sector, the amount of money and the period of time for which it will be given?

(c) If not, why?

2002/'11

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam,— To ask the Minister of Environment,—(2)

(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?

2058/'11

Hon. (Dr.) Harsha De Silva,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (2)

(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 the date of appointments of all members; and
 - (ii) the dates that the meetings were held along with members present?
- (d) If not, why?

1645/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) a number of years have lapsed since the construction work of Beliaththa Public Shopping Complex situated in Beliaththa area in Hambanthota district, was stopped half way; and
 - (ii) the farming community in the area face a number of difficulties in selling their agricultural produce as the construction work of the aforesaid Shopping Complex has not been completed?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) the date on which the construction work of the aforesaid shopping complex was started ; and
 - (ii) the reasons for stopping the construction work of the aforesaid shopping complex?

(c) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether action will be taken to recommence the construction work of the aforesaid shipping complex and complete it expeditiously; and
- (ii) of the period of time that will be taken for it?

(d) If not, why?

1713/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education,— (1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the value of the financial assistance and all forms of other assistance and benefits granted to a university student from the beginning to completion of the studies within the stipulated time on per year basis;
- (ii) the number of university students who received and not received the aforesaid financial and other assistance in years 2009,2010 and 2011 separately;
- (iii) the number of students in each state university for the years 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011 separately; and
- (iv) the district base university students intake for years 2008,2009 and 2010 separately?

(b) If not, why?

1981/'11

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

(a) Will he State—

- (i) the number of rapes occurred from the year 2000 up to 2005;
- (ii) the number of rapes occurred from the year 2006 up to 2011; and
- (iii) the reasons for the aforesaid incidents?

(b) Will he inform this House of —

- (i) the courses of action taken on behalf of the women who were raped during the aforesaid periods of time;
- (ii) the courses of action taken against the persons who were responsible for the aforesaid rapes; and
- (iii) the courses of action that have been taken up to now and the courses of action that are expected to be taken in the future to prevent rape?

(c) If not, why?

1646/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the roof of Kotagoda Aththadassi Kanishta Vidayalaya in Akmeemana in the Galle District has decayed not long after it was repaired ; and
 - (ii) this has been caused by the low quality timber used by the contractor in the construction work of the roof?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the period during which the roof of this school was repaired ;
 - (ii) the amount of money spent for that ;
 - (iii) whether tenders were called to construct the roof ;
 - (iv) the name of the tenderers who submitted tenders ;and
 - (v) the name/names of contractor/contractors who constructed the roof?
- (c) Will he inform this House whether arrangements will be made to have this roof repaired again by the contractor upon a formal inquiry into the decaying of the roof of the above school?
- (d) If not, why?

1737/'11

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

- (a) Will he state from July 2010 to date—
 - (i) the total consumption and the per capita consumption of milk powder per month and per year;
 - (ii) the import content of milk powder per year;
 - (iii) the value of the import content of milk powder per year; and
 - (iv) the real subsidy given to milk powder importers by the government with corroborative evidence?
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the cost of production of milk powder in Sri Lanka for the years 2010 and 2011; and
 - (ii) all the taxes (direct and indirect) imposed on imports of milk and local production of milk?
- (c) If not, why?

1982/'11

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of child abuse cases reported during the period from 2000 to 2005;
- (ii) the number of child abuse cases reported during the period from 2006 to 2011;
- (iii) the causes for the aforesaid cases;
- (iv) the actions taken on behalf of the children who were subject to abuse;
- (v) the actions taken against the perpetrators of such acts;
- (vi) the actions taken at present to prevent child abuse; and
- (vii) the actions to be taken in future in that regard?

(b) If not, why?

Friday, May 11, 2012

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0976/'10

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether the Golden Relief Resources Limited is registered in the Road Development Authority as a Contractor;
- (ii) If so, the grade of contractors under which it is registered ;
- (iii) the Chairman and the number of members of the Board of Directors of that company;
- (iv) their names and addresses; and
- (v) the main projects carried out by that company in the Southern Province under the Road Development Authority ?

(b) If not, why ?

0991/'10

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Plantation Industries,— (2)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) as to when the state plantation companies were privatized;
 - (ii) the government in power at that time;
 - (iii) the name of the President of the country when the plantation companies were privatized; and
 - (iv) the names of the privatized plantation companies;
- (b) Will he also state separately —
 - (i) the price of each plantation company sold at; and
 - (ii) the percentage of shares that were sold on per company basis?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the privatized plantation enterprises will be bought back by the government as they are perusing a nationalization policy;
 - (ii) if so, as to when they will be bought back; and
 - (iii) if not so, as to why they are not bought back?
- (d) If not why?

1300/'11

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

- (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; and
 - (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; and
 - (iv) if so, the purpose for which the aforesaid buildings are expected to use?
- (c) If not, why?

1647/'11

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

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) even though six years have passed since the opening of Kottanthivu rural hospital situated in Mundalama Divisional Secretariat Division in Puttlam district, no patient has been admitted to the hospital up to now; and
 - (ii) this situation has arisen as a result of not providing physical and human resources properly, though the hospital was opened?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) if so, whether measures will be taken speedily to address the shortage of resources that exists at the hospital in order to meet the health needs of the people of that area; and
 - (ii) if so, the time frame required for that?
- (c) If not, why?

1738/'11

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

- (a) Will he state from July 2010 to date—
 - (i) the total consumption and the per capita consumption of big onions and red onions per month and per year;
 - (ii) the import content of onions per year;
 - (iii) the value of the import content of onions per year; and
 - (iv) the real subsidy given to onions importers by the government with corroborative evidence?
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the cost of production of onions in Sri Lanka for the years 2010 and 2011;
 - (ii) all the taxes (direct and indirect) imposed on imports of onions and local production of onions; and
 - (iii) the number of families involved in onion cultivation in the country?
- (c) If not, why?

1983/'11

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the road from Bopagama Junction to Naduwaththa Junction in the Attanagalla Electorate belongs to the Road Development Authority;
 - (ii) if not, whether it is a road belonging to the Provincial Council;
 - (iii) the extent of that road;
 - (iv) the extent of which construction work has been completed and the width of that extent; and
 - (v) the estimated cost for carpeting that road?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a tender procedure was followed when awarding contract for the construction of that road; and
 - (ii) if so, the names and addresses of the bidders and the bids submitted by each, separately?
- (c) Will he State—
 - (i) the dates of commencement and completion of construction work of that road ; and
 - (ii) of the name of the company which carried out the construction work of that road and the names and addresses of the members of the Board of Directors of that company ?
- (d) If not, why?

1648/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that nearly 15 years have elapsed since the construction work of a building that was being built on a land with an extent of two acres belonging to the Board of Investment of Sri Lanka in the Bridge Camp area in the Uhana Divisional Secretariat Division in the Ampara District was stopped halfway?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether arrangements will be made to complete the construction work of this building and start a suitable factory in it to solve the unemployment problem of the people in the area ;
 - (ii) if a plan has already been drawn in this regard, the expected project for which this building will be utilized ; and
 - (iii) of the period of time taken to initiate those activities?
- (c) If not, why?

1739/'11

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

- (a) Will he state from July 2010 to date on per year basis—
 - (i) the total consumption and the per capita consumption of potatoes ;
 - (ii) the total local production and the per capita production of potatoes;
 - (iii) the import content of potatoes ;
 - (iv) the value of the import content of potatoes; and
 - (v) the real subsidy given to potatoes by the government with corroborative evidence?
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the cost of production per 1 Kg potatoes in Sri Lanka for the years 2010 and 2011; and
 - (ii) all the taxes (direct and indirect) imposed on 1 kg of imported and locally produced potatoes separately?
- (c) If not ,why?

1984/'11

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

- (a) Will he State—
 - (i) the number of filling stations permitted by the Petroleum Corporation to be established since 2005 to-date ;
 - (ii) the names of places they have been established; and
 - (iii) the names and addresses of the owners of those filling stations ?
- (b) Will he State—
 - (i) the amount of money charged by the government when starting a filling station;
 - (ii) the number of applications received so far for starting new filling stations; and
 - (iii) the procedure that should be followed and prerequisites for starting a new filling station ?
- (c) 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.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.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.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.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.

P.138/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Converting courses conducted by the universities into job-oriented courses,— That this Parliament resolves that a systematic program should be drawn up for the co-ordination of public sector and private sector institutions with all universities with a view to providing employment opportunities for those graduated whereafter converting those degree courses conducted exclusively for scholarly education by all government and private sector universities of the island into job-oriented, professional degree courses.

P.139/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Setting proper standards for vans transporting school children,— That this Parliament resolves that standards should be introduced for school vans in order to maintain a school van service with proper standards and to ensure the safety of school children who make use of this service, and a code of disciplinary rules should be introduced for maintaining good conduct among employees of school vans since school van services operated throughout the island do not meet the required standards and the conduct of some employees of school vans is not at a satisfactory level.

P.140/'11

Hon. (Al-Haj) A. H. M. Azwer,— Regularizing the development and promotion of the coconut industry and coconut resources,— Since coconut occupied an important place in the commercial products, this Parliament resolves that meaningful steps be taken to regularize development and to promote coconut industry and coconut resources, which would grow as a significant contributor to the Gross Domestic Product of the country while sustaining the resources and its environment.

P.141/'11

Hon. (Al-Haj) A. H. M. Azwer,— Increasing the plantation of Kithul to boost the Kithul industry,— Since the Kithul contributes immensely for the rural industries, this Parliament resolves that proper action must be taken to increase the number of new plantations in keeping with our ambitious plan of increasing the stock of Kithul for vegetation so as to give a boost to the rural industry and the rural folk.

P.142/'11

Hon. (Al-Haj) A. H. M. Azwer,— Ensuring a pollution free marine environment around Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that an action be taken to ensure a pollution free marine environment around Sri Lanka for a sustainable national development and the well being of its people and the economy by the year 2020.

P.143/'11

Hon. (Al-Haj) A. H. M. Azwer,— Initiating action to develop cashew cultivation,— That this Parliament resolves that an action must be initiated to develop cashew cultivation in order to help processing, marketing and plantation of cashew and allied products and thereby help Sri Lanka to become a leading producer and exporter of quality and value added cashew products

P.144/'11

Hon. (Al-Haj) A. H. M. Azwer,— Development of traditional industries,— That this Parliament resolves that the traditional industries which have been dwindling in the Ampara District such as handloom, pottery, palmyra and reed products i.e. boxes, plates and mats, coir products and cane products be developed and thereby the livelihood opportunities of the people be created in order to have their income increased.

P.146/'11

Hon. Thilanga Sumathipala,— Establishment of a proper control system for the arms trade,— That this Parliament resolves that a local system of legislation relevant to international treaties and conventions be established to alleviate malpractices, as the flowing in of weapons to countries like Sri Lanka as a consequence of the operation of arms trade internationally without any control and the irregular circulation of arms within such countries has resulted in posing serious obstacles to the freedom of the society and posing a threat and exerting pressure on a democratically elected government as well as causing the spread of malpractices like drugs and prostitution, and because of creation of a disciplined, law abiding and ethical society alleviating the aforesaid situation is one intention of Mahinda Chinthana Vision and also because of minimizing social conflict through the implementation of arms trade treaties and ensuring social welfare is the expectation of the present day world.

P.147/'11

Hon. (Al-Haj) A. H. M. Azwer,— Undertaking extensive studies to explore the possibility of introducing the plantation of date palm,— That this Parliament resolves that an extensive study be undertaken to explore the possibility of introducing the plantation of date palm (*Phoenix dactylifera*) in our country since such an experiment undertaken in Kattankudy in the Batticaloa District is found to be successful, so that the people of our country will be afforded the opportunity of enjoying this luscious fruit grown in our own soil.

P.151/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Regulating broadcasting of radio,— That this Parliament resolves that laws be introduced to incorporate an independent authority that will regulate broadcasting of radio.

P.152/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Regulating telecasting of TV programs,— That this Parliament resolves that laws be introduced to incorporate an independent authority that will regulate telecasting of TV programs.

P.153/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Introducing Public Accounts Committees in Municipalities,— That this Parliament resolves that laws be introduced to establish Public Accounts Committees in every Municipality by 1st January 2013.

P.154/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Enacting the Bill of Rights,— That this Parliament resolves that a bill taking on the Bill of Rights that is a cornerstone of Democracy in South Africa that affirms the democratic values of Human Dignity, Equality and Freedom be enacted in Sri Lanka ensuring the rights of all people of the country that must be respected, protected, promoted and fulfilled by the State subject to limitations specified in the Bill.

P.155/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Payment of Special Allowances to the Members of Parliament,— That this Parliament resolves that no Minister, Deputy Minister or Member of Parliament should be paid any Special Allowance at all unless it is approved by the Public Service Commission and the Salaries and Cadre Commission and brought before the Parliament.

Tuesday, May 22, 2012
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0993/'10

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) as to when the Gas Company was sold to the Shell Company Ltd;
 - (ii) the price and the percentage of the shares that were sold;
 - (iii) the name of the President and the government in power at the time of selling the Gas Company;
 - (iv) the dividend received by government from the date of sale to the date of repurchase; and
 - (v) the Shell terminal shares holding by the government?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) the price paid by the government to buy back the shares of the Shell Company Ltd;
 - (ii) the percentage of shares bought back by the government;
 - (iii) as to when the aforesaid repurchasing was done; and
 - (iv) as to how the valuation was agreed upon?
- (c) If not, why?

1301/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—(2)

- (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; and
 - (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; and
 - (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; and
 - (ii) if so what it is?
- (d) If not, why?

1985/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of licences issued during the period from 2005 to 2008 and in 2011 to open liquor stores;
 - (ii) the names and addresses of the aforesaid licensees during the period from 2005 to 2011;
 - (iii) the procedure followed in issuing licences to sell liquor; and
 - (iv) the annual income the government earned by issuing licences for liquor stores in the years mentioned under (i) above separately?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of applications received so far for obtaining licences to sell liquor;
 - (ii) the number of applications to whom it has been decided to issue licences in future; and
 - (iii) their names and addresses?
- (c) If not, why?

1650/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that the construction work of the Cultural Centre of the Athuraliya Pradeshiya Sabha in Akuressa in Matara District has been stopped halfway?
- (b) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the name of the institution that provides funds for the construction of the aforesaid Cultural Centre;
 - (ii) the estimated cost of the construction; and
 - (iii) the reasons for stopping the construction work?
- (c) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether construction work of the Athuraliya Cultural Centre will be completed soon; and
 - (ii) if so, the period of time taken for that ?
- (d) If not, why?

1740/'11

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

- (a) Will he state from July 2010 to date on per year basis—
 - (i) the total consumption and the per capita consumption of sugar ;
 - (ii) the total local production and the per capita production of sugar;
 - (iii) the import content of sugar ;
 - (iv) the value of the import content of sugar; and
 - (v) the real subsidy given to sugar by the government with corroborative evidence?
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the cost of production per 1 Kg sugar in Sri Lanka for the years 2010 and 2011; and
 - (ii) all the taxes (direct and indirect) imposed on 1 Kg of imported and locally produced sugar separately?
- (c) If not ,why?

1986/'11

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of private companies owned by the government at present;
- (ii) separately, the names of those companies and the relevant ministries;
- (iii) the names and the addresses of the members of the Board of Directors of each of the companies;
- (iv) separately, the percentage of the shares owned by the government and the percentage of the shares owned by the private sector in each of the aforesaid companies;
- (v) the names and the addresses of the private investors who have invested money in each of the companies; and
- (vi) separately, the net profit earned or the loss incurred by each of the aforesaid companies in the years 2009 and 2010?

(b) If not, why?

1651/'11

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

(a) Is he aware—

- (i) that the Central Dispensary at Hiramadalagama in the Atakalampanna Pradehiya Sabha area in the Ratnapura District has been closed down; and
- (ii) as a result, the people of the area are under going immense hardships ?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the reason for closing down the aforesaid dispensary despite the fact that it is good condition after being renovated;
- (ii) whether action will be taken to re-open the aforesaid dispensary soon; and
- (iii) if so, the period of time taken for that ?

(c) If not, why?

1741/'11

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

- (a) Will he state from July 2010 to date on per year basis—
 - (i) the total consumption and the per capita consumption of dhal ;
 - (ii) the total local production and the per capita production of dhal;
 - (iii) the import content of dhal;
 - (iv) the value of the import content of dhal; and
 - (v) the real subsidy given to dhal importers by the government with corroborative evidence?
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the cost of production per 1 Kg dhal in Sri Lanka for the years 2010 and 2011; and
 - (ii) all the taxes (direct and indirect) imposed on imports of dhal and local production of dhal?
- (c) If not ,why?

1987/'11

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the names of private security firms which had been assigned the task of providing security services to all the universities and the institutions belonging to them, which come under the Ministry of Higher Education, as at year 2010 ;
 - (ii) separately of the universities and the institutions belonging to them which are provided with security services by each of the above mentioned security firms ;
 - (iii) separately of the number of security officers deployed in each of the universities as at year 2010 and the number of security officers deployed at present ;
 - (iv) separately of the amount of money paid per security officer in year 2010 and the amount paid at present ; and
 - (v) separately of the monthly expenditure incurred by each of the above institutions on security?
- (b) If not, why?

Wednesday, May 23, 2012
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0995/'10

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

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) whether the president has got powers to pardon people who have been convicted;
 - (ii) if so, the number of people who were pardoned in last 3 years by the president;
 - (iii) the criteria used for the release;
 - (iv) the durations in which each of them had served the sentence at the time of release; and
 - (v) the name of any politician or related persons who were pardoned and released by the president for last three years?
- (b) If not, why?

1320/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) the ownership of nearly four hundred acres of land in Alankudah area, along the Puttalam-Kalpitiya road in Puttalam district, belonging to the Lands Reform Commission and registered under the plan number 2396 of the land registry, has been obtained by Bar Reef Resorts Private Limited on forged deeds ; and
 - (ii) at present a tourist hotel named Alankudah is being built on this land?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the reasons for the failure of the public officials to look into this until the above institution obtained the ownership of government land on forged deeds ;
 - (ii) whether steps will be taken to reclaim government owned land following a formal investigation about this land deal ;
 - (iii) of the date on which the formal investigation will commence ;
 - (iv) whether legal action will be instituted against the offenders ; and
 - (v) if not, the reasons for that?
- (c) If not, why?

1988/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the National Police Commission is functioning at present ; and
 - (ii) if not, the date on which it became inactive?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the aforesaid Commission has been provided with building facilities by now ;
 - (ii) if so, the address of that place ;
 - (iii) the name of the owner of that building ;
 - (iv) the monthly rental for the building if it has been obtained on rent basis ; and
 - (v) the amount of money paid monthly for water, electricity, telephone and other facilities?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of officers serving in the National Police Commission ;
 - (ii) of the amount of money spent monthly on payment of their salaries ; and
 - (iii) separately of the total amount of money spent annually on the Police Commission since the date on which it became inactive upto now?
- (d) If not, why?

1652/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the non-academic staff who have been serving at schools in Moneragala and Badulla districts for several years, have not been confirmed in service up to now;
 - (ii) these personnel who have been recruited in the years 2005 and 2008, have been serving up to now for meagre daily wages; and
 - (iii) they are facing economic difficulties as a result ?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the reasons for not confirming this group of non-academic workers in service despite the interviews have been held for confirming them;
- (ii) whether measures will be taken to overcome those problems and absorb them into the permanent cadre; and
- (iii) if so, the time frame required for that?

(c) If not, why?

1742/'11

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

(a) Will he state from July 2010 to date on per month/ per year basis—

- (i) the total consumption and the per capita consumption of rice ;
- (ii) the total local production and the per capita production of rice in Yala and Maha seasons separately ;
- (iii) the import content of rice;
- (iv) the value of the import content of rice; and
- (v) the real subsidy given to rice importers and paddy growers by the government with corroborative evidence?

(b) Will he state separately—

- (i) the cost of production per 1 Kg rice in Sri Lanka for the years 2010 and 2011;
- (ii) the number of families involved in paddy cultivation; and
- (iii) all the taxes (direct and indirect) imposed on 1 Kg of imported and locally produced rice ?

(c) If not ,why?

2008/'11

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

(a) Will he state the date on which the Pakistan cricket team arrived in Sri Lanka and the date on which the aforesaid team left Sri Lanka in the year 2009?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether vehicles were obtained from any institution or institutions to provide transport facilities during the aforesaid tour ;and
- (ii) if so, the number of vehicles so obtained?

(c) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the methodology adopted in selecting institutions for providing transport services during that tour ;
- (ii) whether tenders were called for the above mentioned purpose ;
- (iii) if so, whether other institutes were used to obtain transport services than those from which tenders had been called ; and
- (iv) if so, what those institutes are?

(d) If not, why?

1653/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that a community Water Supply project was commenced a few years ago to provide drinking water facilities to Kadurugaswewa and Kandakulama villages in the Thalawa Divisional Secretariat Division in the Anuradhapura district?
- (b) Will he inform this House, in relation to that Community Water Supply project;
 - (i) the date the construction was commenced;
 - (ii) the proposed date of completion of construction;
 - (iii) the total sum expected to be spent for its completion;
 - (iv) if foreign funds were used for the construction, the name of the institution or institutions that provided such funds; and
 - (v) if local funds were used, the methodology followed for that?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to expedite the construction work of this stalled project to fulfill the drinking water requirements of the people of the area; and
 - (ii) if so, the time that will be taken for that?

(d) If not, why?

1743/'11

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

- (a) Will he state from July 2010 to date on per month /per year basis—
 - (i) the total consumption and the per capita consumption of canned fish ;
 - (ii) the total local production and the per capita production of canned fish;
 - (iii) the import content of canned fish ;
 - (iv) the value of the import content of canned fish; and
 - (v) the real subsidy given to canned fish by the government with corroborative evidence?
- (b) Will he state all the taxes (direct and indirect) imposed on imports of canned fish?
- (c) If not, why?

2009/'11

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Mass Media and Information,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the extent of the site on which the Ranmihitenna Cinema Village has been built in Hambantota District in acres ;
 - (ii) of the date on which it was opened ; and
 - (iii) separately of the income received by this institution at each of the occasions in which the above mentioned cinema village was used to shoot films or teledramas from the date on which it was opened up to now?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the names of the teledramas and films shot at the Ranmihitenna Cinema Village ; and
 - (ii) the names of the Director, the Producer or the Production Company of each of those creations?
- (c) If not, why?

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1063/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(3)

- (a) Will he state separately—
 - (i) the total amount in US Dollars to be paid at the end of the period of loans or grants lent for last 15 years by the countries and institutions as follows; China, USA, India, IMF, World Bank, ADB, JBIC and EU ; and
 - (ii) the average pay back period of loans per country or institution separately ?
- (b) If not why?

1322/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Jana Udana village known as Anuruddhagama in the Karadeniya electorate in the Galle district was commissioned in year 1999 ; and
 - (ii) the owners of the majority of houses in this village have not settled in them so far?
- (b) Will he state the reasons owing to which the people did not settle in those houses?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether arrangements will be made to give the abandoned houses to the poor homeless people in the area upon a formal investigation of the houses at Anuruddhagama Jana Udana village ; and
 - (ii) if so, the time that it will take?
- (d) If not, why?

2020/'11

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the number of candidates who sat the competitive examination, held in 2010 for recruitment of Prison Jailors-Class II and Welfare Officers-Class II ;
 - (ii) the number of vacancies that exist for such posts ;
 - (iii) whether the recruitments have been made for such vacancies at present in keeping with the results of aforesaid competitive examination ;
 - (iv) if so, the minimum cut-off mark on which the recruitments were made ;
 - (v) the names and the addresses of the individuals so recruited and the marks obtained, separately ;
 - (vi) the names and addresses of the other individuals, if any if such persons have been recruited on a basis other than the results of the said competitive examination ; and
 - (vii) of the reasons for such recruitments?
- (b) If not, why?

1654/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) the H.M.P. Banda Memorial Library belonging to the Hanguranketha Pradeshiya Sabha in the Nuwara-Eliya District has remained closed for nearly a year;
 - (ii) the roof, doors and windows and the electrical wiring system have been severely damaged as a result of the aforesaid library building being not repaired; and
 - (iii) over thousand members of the library have been deprived of the opportunity of utilizing books due to its closure?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether action will be taken to renovate the aforesaid library building promptly and make it available for the use of the members; and
 - (ii) if so, the period of time to be taken for this purpose?
- (c) If not, why?

1744/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Petroleum Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the process through which the petroleum products are imported by the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation (CPC); and
 - (ii) the authorising agent in the aforesaid process ?
- (b) Will he also state as to how—
 - (i) the substandard petrol be permitted to be imported during the period end of June to Mid July 2011;
 - (ii) the inferior quality petrol satisfy the Initial Quality Check done at CPC; and
 - (iii) subsequently it was changed to confirm that the quality was not up to expected levels?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of vehicles got affected owing to the usage of inferior quality petrol;
 - (ii) the people involved in this fraud; and
 - (iii) the cost beared by the tax payer due to the aforesaid fraud?
- (d) If not, why?

2021/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the existing number of War Hero-families of the three forces, to the date;
 - (ii) the number of families that have been identified for the grant of allowances under the budget proposal 2011, which proposes a grant of one lakh rupees for the third child born to a war hero-family;
 - (iii) whether the said benefit would be given to war-hero families where there was already third child prior to the making of this proposal;
 - (iv) the date on which the allowance will be started, if such allowance has not been granted up to now; and
 - (v) for how long the granting of such allowance will be effective?
- (b) If not, why?

1655/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the antiquities at the temple belonging to the era of the Kandyan Kingdom, located at Alawathugirigama, Panwila in Kandy district, have been falling into decay for several years; and
 - (ii) rehabilitation work has not been done up to now, eventhough several years have lapsed since the declaration by the officials of the Department of Archaeology that steps would be taken to protect those antiquities ?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the reasons for not carrying out the rehabilitation work despite the inspection of that temple done by the officials of the Department of Archaeology; and
 - (ii) of the date on which rehabilitation of that temple will start, if such work is to be started in future?
- (c) If not, why?

1745/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the name of the secretary appointed to the 2011 Cricket World Cup Secretariat in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) by whom the aforesaid appointment was done;
 - (iii) whether there were any other persons considered for that appointment; and
 - (iv) if so, the names of them?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the powers bestowed on to the post of secretary to the Cricket World Cup Secretariat; and
 - (ii) whether he fulfilled the powers vested in the post?
- (c) If not, why?

2022/'11

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the estimated amount for the renovation of Ganewatta Pothuwagonna road in Ganewatta Divisional Secretariat Division;
 - (ii) the width and length of that road that is to be renovated by carpeting or some other means;
 - (iii) the number of bridges and culverts that need to be constructed for that road as per the relevant estimate; and
 - (iv) the details of the lands acquired, if lands have been acquired for the renovation of Pothuwagonna road?
- (b) Will he State—
 - (i) whether a proper tender procedure was followed in awarding the contract for renovation of the aforesaid road;
 - (ii) if so, the names and addresses of those who submitted tenders; and
 - (iii) the name and address of the person who was awarded the contract?
- (c) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the width of that road, prior to the renovation; and
 - (ii) the total amount of money spent for the completion of renovation work?
- (d) If not, why?

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1064/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (3)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the total loans and grants received in 2009,2010,2011 to date separately; and
 - (ii) the projects on which the loans and grants received as per above have been used for?

- (b) Will he also state on per loan taken—
 - (i) the all inclusive average interest rate;
 - (ii) the loan period; and
 - (iii) the total interest, loan fee at the end of the loan period?
- (c) If not, why?

1327/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that nearly a period of one year has elapsed since the reconstruction work of the stretch of road from Menikdiwela to Thismada on Poththapitiya road in Kandy district, was stopped half way?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the amount allocated for the reconstruction of that road;
 - (ii) the reasons for abandoning the reconstruction if allocations have been made in the above manner?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether measures will be taken to start reconstruction of that road speedily and provide transport facilities for the people of that area; and
 - (ii) if so, of the time frame required for that?
- (d) If not, why?

2033/'11

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the date on which the Cadet Training Camps situated in Rantembe were started ;
 - (ii) of the number of Cadet platoons that have been accommodated at the aforesaid camp at present;
 - (iii) of the number of Cadets who can undergo residential training in the aforesaid camp at a time;
 - (iv) whether any training Camps have been conducted with the participation of a number of Students, exceeding the aforesaid number;
 - (v) of the minimum age limit of the students who are eligible for the cadet training;
 - (vi) whether students below the minimum age limit have under gone Cadet training of the aforesaid camp; and
 - (vii) if so, the action that will be taken regarding the officers who were incharge of the camps that were conducted with the participation of the aforesaid students?
- (b) If not, why?

1656/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that the buildings at the tea and rubber factories of the Kotagala Plantations Company belonging to the Enduragala Estate located in the Ingiriya Divisional Secretariat Division of the Kalutara District have remained abandoned for many years without being put to use?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to reopen this factory and grant relief to the people of the area;
 - (ii) if not, whether action will be taken to use it for some other gainful purpose; and
 - (iii) if action is so taken, the purpose for which it will be used ?
- (c) If not, why?

1747/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the government accepts the casino as a normal course of business;
 - (ii) if not, as to why the activities pertaining to casinos are legalised and taxed; and
 - (iii) the benefits received to the country through casinos?
- (b) If not, why?

2035/'11

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

- (a) Will he State—
 - (i) whether government security officers have been deployed for the security of persons who are not representatives of the public ;
 - (ii) the names and other details of the persons who have been provided with security in the aforesaid manner ;
 - (iii) whether the officers who have been deployed for their security are police officers, officers of Ministerial Security Division or officers of Army ; and
 - (iv) separately, the number of back up vehicles provided to each person, who is not a Member of the Parliament and has been provided with security as mentioned above?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the authority who decides whether a certain person should be provided with VIP Security ; and
- (ii) of the methodology of providing the aforesaid security?

(c) If not, why?

1657/'11

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) separately, of the total number of students enrolled by the University Grants Commission to the government universities in each of the years during the period from the academic year 2005-2006 up to the academic year 2010-2011;
- (ii) separately, of the number of male students and female students enrolled to the medical faculties in the academic years 2009-2010 and 2010-2011;
- (iii) whether there is a decline in the number of students enrolled to the medical faculties in the academic year 2010-2011 in comparison with the academic year 2009-2010; and
- (iv) if so, the reasons for it?

(b) If not, why?

1748/'11

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of Chinese projects that the Sri Lankan government got involved with, from 2005 to 2011;
- (ii) the names of those projects; and
- (iii) the Chinese Aid component in comparison to the full value of the each project?

(b) Will he also state—

- (i) the number of Chinese workers that are requested by the Chinese company to be employed here separately on per project basis ;
- (ii) whether the requests of the Chinese companies pertaining to employing Chinese workers were agreed to; and
- (iii) if so, the justification and compelling reason to agree to their requests?

(c) If not, why?

2036/'11

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

(a) Will he state separately—

- (i) the amount of money spent annually by Sri Lanka Cricket for sending its officers abroad from the year 2008 up to now ;
- (ii) the amount of money spent on each of the occasions when officers were sent abroad in each of the aforesaid years ; and
- (iii) the number of days spent abroad by the officers on each of those occasions?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the positive or negative results gained by the game of cricket as an outcome of the aforesaid foreign trips made by the officers ;
- (ii) separately of the amounts of money spent on travelling, accommodation and other expenses of each of the officers who went abroad ;
- (iii) whether tour itineraries relevant to the trips made by the aforesaid officers will be submitted ; and
- (iv) separately of the monthly salaries and other allowances of the aforesaid officers?

(c) If not, why?
