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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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The Minister of Environment,— Regulations under the Marine Pollution Prevention Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Environment under the Section 51 read with Sections 7 and 21 of the Marine Pollution Prevention Act, No. 35 of 2008 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1741/19 of January 19th, 2012, which was presented on 06.07.2012, be approved.

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Tuesday, August 07, 2012

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1329/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,—(3)

- (a) Is he aware that the foundation stone was laid a few years ago for the construction of the Heen-Ela bridge at Gammulla , Yatawatta in Matale District?
- (b) Will he inform this House, with respect to the construction of the aforesaid bridge—
 - (i) of the estimated cost;
 - (ii) of the amount that has been spent by now;
 - (iii) of the institution which invested money; and
 - (iv) of the country which granted aid and the amount so granted if foreign aid was received ?

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(c) Will he state—

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

(d) If not, why?

1380/'11

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) as to when Sri Lanka was informed by the Cricket World Cup Council that Sri Lanka will be co-hosting the World Cup for year 2011 ;
- (ii) the amount of money spent on upgrading the prevailing cricket grounds for the World Cup matches ;
- (iii) names of the persons authorized to approve expenditure on upgrading of prevailing cricket grounds and construction of new cricket grounds; and
- (iv) whether the constructions of grounds were complied with the approved expenditure?

(b) If not, why?

1870/'11

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the daily income and the monthly income of the division of Sri Lanka Telecom which provides telephone facilities through Internet, Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) ;
- (ii) whether the aforesaid division has been closed down by now ;
- (iii) if so, the date on which it was closed down ;
- (iv) the reasons for closing down the aforesaid division ; and
- (v) the profit earned or the loss incurred by the aforesaid division at the time it was closed down?

(b) If not, why?

2238/'12

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

- (a) Is he aware that sub standard water filters have been purchased in an irregular manner by the North Central Provincial Council to be distributed to kidney patients free of charge ?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the amount of money spent and the number of water filters obtained;
 - (ii) the tender procedure that was followed;
 - (iii) separately the names and addresses of the institutions which submitted tenders and the bids offered; and
 - (iv) the name and address of the institution to which the tender was awarded when purchasing the aforesaid water filters ?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the procedure followed to obtain the approval to get the tests related to the quality of the water filters done by the same institution from which they were purchased without getting them done by a government institution;
 - (ii) whether they would be purchased further despite the order given by the Auditor General that the distribution of the water filters be stopped;
 - (iii) of the officer who approved funds to purchase water filters;
 - (iv) whether he admits the fact that purchasing of water filters has been done in contravention of the Financial Regulations of the government; and
 - (v) whether legal action will be taken against the officers responsible for purchasing the water filters ?
- (d) If not, why?

2248/'12

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) separately, the number of unemployed graduates recorded in the year 2011 in each province on the basis of the degree courses they have followed; and
- (ii) the measures taken by the government in the year 2011, to solve the unemployment problem of the graduates ?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether he admits that the measures taken up to now to solve the unemployment problem of the graduates are not sufficient; and
- (ii) if so, what measures are to be taken in this regard in the future ?

(c) If not, why ?

2284/'12

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the estimated total value submitted for carrying out renovation work by the company to which the project for renovation of the Northern Province railway line has been assigned ;
- (ii) of the date on which the aforesaid project was commenced and the date on which it is expected to be completed;
- (iii) whether permission has been granted to the relevant Indian company to employ the Indian workers in the aforesaid project;
- (iv) of the salaries paid to the Indian drivers and the machine operators, employed in the aforesaid project;
- (v) of the salaries paid to the Sri Lankan drivers and the machine operators employed in the aforesaid project;
- (vi) of the number of overtime hours given to the Sri Lankan workers; and
- (vii) separately, of the amount of money paid to Sri Lankan workers and the Indian workers per an overtime hour ?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether the accommodation facilities, sanitary facilities, and the safety equipment have been provided for the Sri Lankan workers who work in the aforesaid project; and
- (ii) if so, whether the aforesaid facilities have been adequately provided ?

(c) If not, why?

2300/'12

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the non government organizations that are engaged in various activities with the Ministry of Education at present;
- (ii) separately the tasks performed by various non government organizations in collaboration with the Ministry of Education under various projects and development programmes outside the plantation sector and Northern and Eastern Provinces during the last ten years; and
- (iii) separately and on annual basis the value of financial and material aids received by the Ministry of Education from each of those organizations under the aforesaid programmes during the last ten years ?

(b) If not, why ?

2358/'12

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that severe sea-erosion occurs in Oluvil area in the Eastern Province ?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the steps that have been taken to prevent the aforesaid condition ?
- (c) If not, why ?

2375/'12

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of garment factories started by local and foreign investors under the Board of Investment from the date of its inception up to now;
- (ii) out of them, the number of garment factories which are operative at present; and
- (iii) the names of those factories ?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the course of action followed by the government in relation to the factories which were started under the Board of Investment and have been closed down by now; and
- (ii) of the assurance given by the government with regard to the claims, debts and the problems of the employees of those factories if the government intends to give the aforesaid factories back to investors ?

(c) If not, why?

2387/'12

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) whether Mr. Lakshman Hirimuthugoda, the ex-Chairman of Land Reforms Commission, formulated a recruitment procedure in the year 2007;
- (ii) whether the public officers who have expertise in formulating such procedures were involved in it;
- (iii) if the aforesaid procedure was implemented, the date on which it was done;
- (iv) if not, whether a recruitment procedure contrary to the aforesaid recruitment procedure was formulated;
- (v) the posts mentioned in that recruitment procedure and the relevant qualifications;
- (vi) the names of the persons who gave approval for that recruitment procedure and the persons who formulated it; and
- (vii) the Section of the Land Reforms Commission Act under which the aforesaid approval was granted?

(b) Will he also state—

- (i) whether the recruitment procedure formulated as mentioned in (a) (iv) above was submitted to the Land Reforms Commission;
- (ii) if the aforesaid procedure was not submitted to the Commission, the reasons for that;
- (iii) whether an agreement was entered into with the National Salaries Commission in relation to the aforesaid procedure;
- (iv) if the approval of the Land Reforms Commission was given for the aforesaid procedure, the name of the officer who obtained the approval and the date on which the approval was obtained;

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- (v) whether the agreement mentioned in b (iii) above was submitted in writing;
 - (vi) if the aforesaid procedure had not been submitted to the subject Minister before it was submitted to the National Salaries Commission, the reasons for that ?
- (c) If not, why?

1601/'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 cases withdrawn by the Attorney General from 2004/01/01 to date after they were indicted;
 - (ii) the names of the cases and persons indicted and the dates on which those indictments were served; and
 - (iii) the reasons for serving indictments and withdrawing them thereafter ?
- (b) Will he also state—
- (i) the cost incurred by the Attorney General's Department for withdrawals of indictments ; and
 - (ii) the names of the lawyers who appeared on behalf of the Attorney General's Department for the same ?
- (c) If not, why?

1827/'11

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

- (a) Will he admit that—
- (i) the office building at Horovpathana in the Anuradhapura District, which is owned by the Department of Highways, has been decaying for years; and
 - (ii) leaving the aforesaid government building to decay as mentioned above is a serious crime?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether there is a plan to renovate the aforesaid building and use it for a productive economic activity;
- (ii) if so, what that economic activity is;
- (iii) whether allocations have been made for that purpose;
- (iv) the amount of money so allocated; and
- (v) of the date on which the aforesaid renovation work will be commenced?

(c) If not, why?

2117/'11

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

(a) Will he inform this House of —

- (i) the estimated amount of money for the renovation of the Magulagama Katupotha road in Panduwasnuwara;
- (ii) the width and the length of the aforesaid road, which is being renovated; and
- (iii) the number of bridges situated on the aforesaid stretch of road ?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether tenders were called for the renovation of the aforesaid road;
- (ii) if so, the number of tender applications received ;
- (iii) the names and addresses of the tender applicants;
- (iv) the name of the institution to which the aforesaid tender was awarded; and
- (v) the value of the tender submitted by the aforesaid institution ?

(c) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the date on which the renovation work of the aforesaid road will be completed; and
- (ii) the amount of money expected to have been spent by the time of the renovation work is completed?

(d) If not, why?

2307/'12

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of the role played by the School Counseling and Career Guidance Units in the school system ?
- (b) Will he state, separately at district level—
 - (i) the number of government schools in which informal Counseling and Career Guidance Unit is run; and
 - (ii) the number of counselors with a formal training who are serving in the aforesaid schools ?
- (c) If not, why ?

2376/'12

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether investors have responded to the advertisement published in the first week of December 2011 calling for applications to invest in 25 factories and business establishments which have been closed down;
 - (ii) of the steps that have been taken so far by the government regarding the project proposals mentioned above; and
 - (iii) of the concessions granted to investors when starting the above mentioned projects ?
- (b) If not, why?

Wednesday, August 08, 2012

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1381/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the profit or loss made by the Sri Lanka Cricket on the World Cup matches held between 19th February and 2nd April 2011;
 - (ii) the main sources of revenue and the total revenue earned separately ;
 - (iii) the main forms of expenditure made on holding matches;
 - (iv) whether expenditure was incurred following proper tender procedure and after being evaluated the competitive bids; and
 - (v) if not, as to how those expenditure was made?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether complimentary tickets were issued for the World Cup matches;
- (ii) if so, the persons to whom such tickets were issued; and
- (iii) the value of the complementary tickets issued?

(c) If not, why?

1586/'11

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

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) several years have elapsed since the construction work of the Heendeniyawela bridge which crosses Arawakoya at Sirisamanpura in the Ehaliyagoda Divisional Secretariat Division, was stopped halfway; and
- (ii) as a result people in many villages are facing severe hardships?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the year in which the construction work of the aforesaid bridge was commenced;
- (ii) the institution or institutions which provide allocation for the construction works;
- (iii) whether tenders were called for the construction work of the Heendeniyawela bridge;
- (iv) if so, the names of the institutions that submitted tenders;
- (v) of the bids submitted by each institution; and
- (vi) of the institutions to which the tenders were awarded and the values of those tenders ?

(c) Will he also inform this House—

- (i) of the reasons for stopping the construction work of the bridge halfway;
- (ii) whether necessary action will be taken to construct the bridge;
- (iii) whether allocations have been made for it; and
- (iv) if so, the amount of money that has been allocated?

(d) If not, why?

1871/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the amount estimated for the renovation of Jaffna Telecom building;
 - (ii) the names and addresses of those who submitted applications, if tenders were called for the renovation of that building;
 - (iii) the names and addresses of the persons who offered the lowest bid in their applications according to the tender procedure; and
 - (iv) the name of the person or the institution that was awarded the tender and the amount of the bid?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether renovation work of the aforesaid building has been completed by now; and
 - (ii) if so, the total amount of money spent on it?
- (c) If not, why?

1925/'11

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Employment Promotion and Welfare,—(4)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) separately the number of women who migrated to foreign countries as housemaids in the years 2008,2009 and 2010;
 - (ii) whether the Foreign Employment Bureau has the statistics regarding mothers who were among the women who migrated as housemaids in the above years; and
 - (iii) if so, the number of mothers who migrated as housemaids, separately in relation to each year?
- (b) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the children of the families in which mothers migrated have been adversely affected; and
 - (ii) the government is vested with a special responsibility of protecting the family units in implementing state policies in terms of Article 27(12) of the Constitution ?
- (c) If so, whether the government will take steps to stop women with children from going abroad as housemaids?
- (d) If not, why?

2286/'12

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the payment of salary arrears for persons attached to the Sri Lanka Principal Service and the Sri Lanka Teacher Service as per Public Administration Circular 06/2006 (VIII) and as proposed in the budget for the year 2006 has been delayed; and
 - (ii) if so, the period of time for which it has been delayed ?
- (b) Will he admit that the cost of living allowance has not been increased to the persons who retired from the Principal Service and the Teacher Service after 31.12.2005 even by the budget for the year 2012?
- (c) Will he inform this House the types of relief provided to the persons who retired from the Principal Service and the Teacher Service and suffer all forms of hardships as mentioned above ?
- (d) If not, why?

2305/'12

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether lands or buildings belonging to the Ministry of Education have been rented out or leased by now;
 - (ii) if so, the period of time for which the aforesaid buildings or lands have been rented out or leased; and
 - (iii) the annual income earned by the Ministry through that ?
- (b) If not, why ?

2377/'12

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the industries or institutions that have signed agreements with the Board of Investment can be taken over by the government without giving proper notice to the relevant investors as per the Sri Lanka Board of Investment Act which is in force at present;
 - (ii) if so, the conditions included in the agreement that has been signed with the Board of Investment which enable the government to take over such industries or institutions; and
 - (iii) the courses of action that will be followed by the Board of Investment in relation to the institutions, if there are any, that have been taken over by the government despite the fact that those institutions have entered into agreements with the Board of Investment ?
- (b) If not, why?

2611/'12

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

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) a request has been made by the parents of the students of Kalu/Galewatta Tamil School coming under the Mathugama Education Zone, that a fence be erected after demarcating the land which belongs to the aforesaid school; and
 - (ii) the people of the area have made a request that a school be built for the benefit of the children who live in “Dokkeed” estate in Agalawatta ?
- (b) Will he inform this House, whether the steps will be taken—
 - (i) to grant the requests mentioned in a (i) and a (ii) above;
 - (ii) to construct toilets for the use of the teachers and the students of Kalu/Galewatta Tamil School; and
 - (iii) to construct a play ground for the aforesaid school ?
- (c) If not, why?

1708/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the names of all registered political parties in Sri Lanka as of today;
 - (ii) the names of the office bearers of the above political parties; and
 - (iii) whether the accounts of registered political parties have been handed over on per year basis?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) the names of the political parties of which the registrations have been cancelled for non-fulfilment of the conditions stipulated at the registration; and
 - (ii) the amount of money received by the each political party from the Election Commission or Election Commissioner's Office for last three years to date on per year basis separately ?
- (c) If not, why?

1828/'11

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

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) a large number of vacancies exist at the Sri Lanka Postal Department at present ;
 - (ii) applications for the competitive examination to recruit Postal Officers to Postal Department were called in year 2006 ;
 - (iii) the aforesaid examination was held in year 2007 and the results were issued in year 2008 ; and
 - (iv) no recruitments have been made on the above mentioned results up to now?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the reasons for not making the relevant recruitments on the examination results issued in 2008 ;
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to recruit those officers ; and
 - (iii) if so, the date on which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

2118/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether a contract was awarded to David N Town Send & Associates for developing a compact network of the Sri Lanka Telecommunication Regulatory Commission during the period from 06.12.2000 to 19.04.2001;
 - (ii) whether tenders had been called for developing that compact plan;
 - (iii) if so, the names and addresses of the parties that submitted tenders along with the bid submitted by each tenderer separately; and
 - (iv) the amount of the bid to which the contract was awarded ?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the qualifications possessed by the institution to which the aforesaid contract was awarded ;
 - (ii) whether the approval of the Board of Directors had been granted to award the contract;
 - (iii) whether the relevant institution submitted an acceptable compact plan;
 - (iv) if not, whether action will be taken to recover the amount spent for that, from the contractor; and
 - (v) the courses of action that have been taken in that regard by now ?
- (c) If not, why ?

2289/'12

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the total number of applications received for the re-scrutiny of 2011 Advanced Level results;
 - (ii) of the total number of students who sat for the 2011 Advanced Level Examination (under the old and new syllabuses);
 - (iii) whether the errors that occurred in indicating district quota and Z-score for enrolling students to universities have been corrected;
 - (iv) of the reasons for the delay in releasing the results of certain subjects of the aforesaid examination; and
 - (v) as to how the Z-score and district quota were declared before releasing the results of certain subjects?
- (b) Will he admit that students and the public have lost confidence in Advanced Level results by now ?
- (c) If not, why ?

2308/'12

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) separately the number of railway season tickets and bus season tickets which have been issued to school children in each of the years during the period from 2002 to 2012; and
 - (ii) the expenditure incurred in each of the above mentioned years for the aforesaid purpose ?
- (b) If not, why ?

2378/'12

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of foreign tours undertaken by the government in the year 2011 with the objective of strengthening friendly diplomatic relationships for the development of Sri Lanka and soliciting international support required to minimize foreign influence tarnishing the image of Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the names of those who participated in the aforesaid foreign tours;
 - (iii) the amount of money spent on them; and
 - (iv) the benefits accrued to the country as a result of the aforesaid foreign tours ?
- (b) If not, why ?

1850/'11

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the 10 biggest cost increases during the last 5 years in the Sri Lanka Ports Authority on per port and per year basis;
 - (ii) the amalgamated consolidated impact of putting all the parts together for determination of (i) above;
 - (iii) whether there was a revenue increase in proportionate to the cost increase; and
 - (iv) if not, as to how the short fall has been met?
- (b) Will he state the revenue, cost, profit and value addition per employee of the Sri Lanka Ports Authority for the last 6 years on per year basis?
- (c) If not, why?

Thursday, August 09, 2012

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1382/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the amounts paid annually to the Cricketers in the Sri Lankan Cricket Squad for year 2010 and 2011 to date separately;
 - (ii) the criteria used to determine the payments; and
 - (iii) the persons who are responsible for setting up the aforesaid criteria?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) whether the Selection Committee is fully responsible for the selection of the Cricket Team ; and
 - (ii) if not , whether there is anybody else holding that responsibility?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the names of the members of the Selection Committee from 2010 to date;
 - (ii) whether they are paid; and
 - (iii) if so, the amount they have been paid in any form or way?
- (d) If not, why?

1590/'11

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Kumbukkana, Okkampitiya, Buttala and Sellakataragama roads were carpeted under the development programme carried out in line with the “ Deyata Kirula” exhibition held in Buttala in the Moneragala District; and
 - (ii) some of those roads have caved in by now?
- (b) Will he inform this House separately of the—
 - (i) sum of money spent to develop each of those roads; and
 - (ii) local or foreign Institution or Institutions that provided aforesaid amount of money ?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the name/names of the contractor / contractors to whom the development work of those roads were handed over;
 - (ii) of the institution that oversaw the development work; and
 - (iii) whether arrangements will be made to have those places that have caved in, repaired by those contractors ?
- (d) If not, why?

1903/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the ownership of Carlton Sports Network is with the government or an institution affiliated to the government;
 - (ii) if its ownership is with a private institution, the name/names and address/addresses of the owner/owners of that institution; and
 - (iii) the names and addresses of the Board of Directors of that institution?
- (b) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the date on which telecasting of Carlton Sports Network was started or is due to be started;
 - (ii) the frequency range allocated for the purpose of starting that channel;
 - (iii) the period of time for which telecasting rights were granted to Carlton Sports Network; and
 - (iv) the documents that granted approval for starting that channel and the agreements relevant to the granting of broadcasting rights?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) the amount paid for starting that channel; and
- (ii) whether the documents relevant to the aforesaid payment will be submitted?

(d) If not, why?

2291/'12

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether a decision has been taken to change the Matron posts of pre-schools administered by Local Authorities; and
- (ii) if so, the reason for it ?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether the administration of the pre-schools coming under the Local Authorities has been assigned to other institutions;
- (ii) the names of the pre-schools of which administration has been assigned to other institutions as mentioned above; and
- (iii) the names of the institutions to which the administration of those pre-schools has been assigned?

(c) Will he admit that the decision taken not to approve any new pre-school Matron posts, which has been mentioned in the letter bearing No. DMS/D3/97/27/02 issued by the Director General of Management Services, will lead to closure of pre-schools governed by Local Authorities ?

(d) If not, why?

2312/'12

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of private higher education institutes affiliated to foreign universities that award degrees and post graduate degrees that are in operation in Sri Lanka at present with the approval of the government;
- (ii) separately, the name, address, telephone number and the year of registration of each of the aforesaid institutes;
- (iii) the government institution which monitors the standards of those institutes; and
- (iv) the year in which a monitoring of standard was carried out last and the higher education institutes that were subjected to the aforesaid monitoring of standards ?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the number of private higher education institutes that award degrees and post graduate degrees which are in operation in Sri Lanka at present without the approval of the government; and
 - (ii) the institution under which such institutes should obtain registration?
- (c) Will he also state separately on annual basis the number of Sri Lankan students who have gone abroad and the number of students who migrated to Sri Lanka for higher education from the year 2000 to 2010 ?
- (d) If not, why?

2379/'12

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he state —

- (i) the present position of the Electronic National Identity Cards Project that was proposed to be implemented by the Department of Registration of Persons, nearly eight years ago;
- (ii) the number of times tenders were called for this purpose;
- (iii) the reasons for not proceeding with those tenders;
- (iv) whether a suitable supplier has been selected by now;
- (v) whether the selection of the aforesaid supplier was done through calling tenders; and
- (vi) if tenders were called, the names of the other tenderers who forwarded applications ?

(b) If not, why?

1829/'11

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

(a) Will he admit that—

- (i) there are many teachers who are actually frustrated as a result of not receiving transfers after the completion of the difficult area service period in the government schools administered by the Morawaka, Kotapola and Pasgoda Divisional Education Offices belonging to the Deniyaya Education Office of the Matara District ; and
- (ii) the quality of teaching of these teachers could decline on account of this reason?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the minimum qualifications need to be fulfilled for transfers as per the decisions of the teacher transfer boards ;
- (ii) of the number of teachers who have sought transfers by now, after the completion of their difficult service period at the above educational zones ;
- (iii) whether a programme has been drawn up for granting them transfers ;
- (iv) what that programme is ; and
- (v) if transfers are given accordingly , the date for same?

(c) If not, why?

1851/'11

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of grounds required for the Cricket World Cup-2011;
- (ii) the names of the selected grounds;
- (iii) the criteria used to select those grounds; and
- (iv) as to when the ICC informed of the number of grounds required for the World Cup in Sri Lanka?

(b) Will he also state—

- (i) as to when the construction of the International Cricket Ground at Sooriyawewa was commenced;
- (ii) the initial construction cost of the said ground estimated by the architect Mr. Surath Wickramasinghe and the actual cost incurred finally;
- (iii) the reason for the huge increase of the final cost; and
- (iv) as to why an Indian architect was required when Mr. Wickramasinghe or other could have done the job very well?

(c) Will he inform this House—

- (i) as to why the Sri Lanka Ports Authority (SLPA) involves in construction of cricket grounds; and
- (ii) whether SLPA has a mandate to do so?

(d) If not, why?

2119/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the date on which the Kantale Sugar Company was closed down;
 - (ii) the loss incurred by the aforesaid company from that date up to now;
 - (iii) the amount of the allocations provided by the government to the aforesaid company during that period; and
 - (iv) the annual production capacity of that company ?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he will table the lease agreement pertaining to leasing out the Kantale Sugar Company;
 - (ii) name and the address of the person who acted as an intermediary if it was leased out to a foreign company; and
 - (iii) the names and addresses of the other companies who offered to lease out the aforesaid company ?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the value of the equipment that belonged to the Kantale Sugar Company;
 - (ii) whether these equipment are included in the lease agreement; and
 - (iii) if not, the purposes for which the aforesaid equipment were used ?
- (d) If not, why ?

2380/'12

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the Commercial Agreements entered into between a delegation from United Arab Emirates and the Government of Sri Lanka on 24th November 2011;
 - (ii) the number of investors from the United Arab Emirates who have come forward to invest funds in commercial and other business activities in terms of those agreements;
 - (iii) separately, the fields they are expected to invest in and the values relating to those investments;
 - (iv) whether special concessions have been granted / conditions imposed for those investors; and
 - (v) if so, what they are ?
- (b) If not, why?

1830/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) all the constructions made under the Nilwala Scheme with a view to control floods in the Matara District, run the risk of being destroyed ;
 - (ii) as a result, the picturesque “Kirala Kele” (Sonneratia - Cork tree plantation) is also facing a threat of destruction ;
 - (iii) the farmers are faced with a serious crisis situation due to a potential threat caused by floods?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to renovate the canals and the constructions made under the Nilwala Scheme expeditiously ; and
 - (ii) if so, of the period of time required for it?
- (c) If not, why?

1852/'11

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

- (a) Will he state, after how many years the P. Saravanamutthu Stadium comes to international cricket, since it was developed ?
- (b) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the Tamil Union Cricket Club had given an offer to develop the P. Saravanamutthu Stadium ;
 - (ii) the aforesaid offer was of 780 million rupees to develop the stadium with 25,000 seats ; and
 - (iii) the Sri Lankan Cricket had rejected the said offer meanwhile accepting alternative offers for the same purpose?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the reasons for rejecting the offer given by the Tamil Union Cricket Club to develop the P. Saravanamutthu Stadium ;
 - (ii) the other offers accepted; and
 - (iii) the reasons for accepting alternative offers?
- (d) If not, why?

2120/'11

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the profit made or the loss incurred by the Embilipitiya paper mill from 2001 to 2004; and
 - (ii) separately of the allocations made by the government annually for paying the salaries of the employees of that mill from year 2005 ?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the date on which this institution was transferred to the Strategic Enterprise Management Agency (SEMA); and
 - (ii) the amount of money spent by the government or by any other means for this mill after it was transferred to SEMA?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the institution to which the aforesaid mill was given under the 30 year lease basis;
 - (ii) of the year in which the aforesaid lease period starts and the year in which it ends;
 - (iii) the amount of money the government received during the period of that lease; and
 - (iv) whether he will table the lease agreement ?
- (d) Will he state—
 - (i) the extent of the land that belongs to the mill in acres;
 - (ii) the government's assessed value of one acre of the aforesaid land during the period of the lease;
 - (iii) the value of the machinery of the mill;
 - (iv) whether the machinery is included in the lease agreement ;
 - (v) if not, the purpose for which such machinery was used ?
- (e) If not, why?

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1384/'11

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

- (a) Will he state for years 2010 and 2011 separately —
 - (i) the total cost for renting or leasing of buildings which are not owned by the Ministry of External Affairs;
 - (ii) the rate per square feet of rented or leased buildings; and
 - (iii) the leasing period of the buildings?
- (b) Will he also state in relation to the Ministry of External Affairs for aforesaid years separately—
 - (i) the total money spent on hiring or leasing of vehicles which do not belong to any of the Ministry related entities;
 - (ii) the total number of vehicles owned;
 - (iii) the other outsourced services;
 - (iv) the cost incurred in outsourced services mentioned above;
 - (v) the number of people who have been contracted on outsourced basis; and
 - (vi) the total staff strength?
- (c) If not, why?

1636/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) more than five years have lapsed since the receipt of a foreign grant of Rs. 3000 million for the reconstruction of the Mahamodara hospital in Galle which was destroyed by the Tsunami; and
 - (ii) the construction activities of the aforesaid hospital have been limited to the foundation up to now?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether tax concessions of the government have been granted to the contractor for the construction of this hospital ?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) the country which granted Rs. 3000 million for the construction of the hospital;
- (ii) whether the Ministry of Health has conducted an inquiry to look into the non-construction of the hospital building by the contractor after having taken the aforesaid amount;
- (iii) if so, the outcome of that inquiry; and
- (iv) if an inquiry was not conducted, the reasons for the same?

(d) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether there is a plan to seek a foreign loan again and resume this construction;
- (ii) if so, the amount of that foreign loan; and
- (iii) the name of the agency and the country from which the loan is obtained ?

(e) If not, why?

1986/'11

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

(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?

2382/'12

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of External Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the course of action followed by the Ministry of External Affairs when nominating persons for Consular Offices in Sri Lanka which represent foreign countries;
- (ii) the time taken by the local authorities to approve it, when such an appointment is proposed by the relevant country;
- (iii) the qualifications that the proposed persons are required to possess; and
- (iv) whether the government of the relevant country or the relevant persons is informed if there is a problem with regard to granting approval to a nomination after a country has nominated its representative?

(b) If not, why?

1831/'11

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

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) nearly on year ago, the foundation stone was laid for the renovation of the canal named “Yodha Ela” situated in Anuradhapura District ; and
- (ii) the renovation work of the aforesaid canal has been confined to the inauguration ceremony so far?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the amount of money allocated for the renovation work of Yodha Ela ;
- (ii) the reasons for not starting the renovation work up to now ; and
- (iii) if the renovation work is started, the date on which it will be done?

(c) If not, why?

1932/'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 graduates in the service of Sri Lanka Police; and
 - (ii) the aforesaid number as a percentage of the entire Police Force?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether —
 - (i) there is a specific procedure followed by the Department of Police to grant promotions to graduate police personnel;
 - (ii) a special selection procedure is followed by the Department of Police when promoting graduate police personnel to the post of Sub Inspector; and
 - (iii) the Department of Police has made arrangements to recognise graduate police personnel?
- (c) If not, why?

2121/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether vehicles have been obtained for the Road Development Authority on rent basis during the period from year 2005 to 2011 ;
 - (ii) if so, the vehicles obtained ;
 - (iii) the purposes for which the aforesaid vehicles are used ;
 - (iv) the names and addresses of the institutions that provided the aforesaid vehicles on rent and the names and addresses of the members of the Boards of Directors of them ;
 - (v) the years in which the aforesaid vehicles were obtained ; and
 - (vi) if the aforesaid vehicles have been released by now, the years in which they were released?
- (b) If not, why?

2383/'12

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that a supplementary estimate of Rs. 500 million for the purpose of paying for the drugs purchased from the local market to avoid a shortage in the supply of drugs until the drugs ordered were received, was submitted for approval in 2011?

(b) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) whether the Ministry of Health did not have an estimate of the drug requirements for the year 2011;
- (ii) of the types of drugs that had to be purchased from the local market during the aforesaid year due to the delay in placing orders?
- (iii) of the reasons for such delays in placing orders for drugs;
- (iv) of the procedure followed in purchasing those drugs from the local market ; and
- (v) separately of the types and amounts of drugs purchased from the local market and the institutions from which those purchases were made ?

(c) If not, why ?

1832/'11

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

(a) Will he admit that—

- (i) a number of vehicles worth millions of rupees have been decaying at the premises of the office of the Anuradhapura Divisional Health Services Director for years; and
- (ii) leaving the state resources to decay as mentioned above is a serious crime?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the reasons for not operating the aforesaid vehicles again after getting them repaired;
- (ii) whether steps will be taken to repair the aforesaid vehicles and use them again; and
- (iii) if so, the period of time that will be taken for it?

(c) If not, why?

1933/'11

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

(a) Will he state the loss caused to the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation due to the importation and distribution of substandard petrol?

(b) Will he admit that—

- (i) there was a connivance from the top to bottom in this fraud; and
- (ii) the fraud was exposed only through the vigilant Union Members?

- (c) Will he submit this House the report on importing substandard petrol handed over on the 29th August 2011?
- (d) Will he state—
 - (i) the name of the officials involved in this fraudulent business ;
 - (ii) the action taken against them; and
 - (iii) the reasons for punishing the officers involved in this fraud eagerly meanwhile the higher officers caught in the Hedging scam are allowed to behave freely?
- (e) If not, why?

2122/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of drivers, belonging to the approved cadre of the Road, Development Authority ;
 - (ii) the number of drivers, recruited during the period from year 2005 to 2011 ;
 - (iii) the number of drivers, who have been released, to the other government institutions, out of them ;
 - (iv) the names of the drivers, so released and the state institutions to which they have been released ; and
 - (v) whether the salaries paid to them have been reimbursed by the relevant institutions?
- (b) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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.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.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.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 efficient 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 Advisory 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 Advisory 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.

P.158/'12

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Development of Ports in Sri Lanka,— Since Sri Lanka has been known as a geographically well located centre and shipping is a very important service industry from ancient times and since India is very ambitiously developing and promoting ports, this Parliament resolves that we team up with India and Indian Business and develop ports for the benefit of two countries.
