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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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The Minister of Environment ,— Regulations under the Forest Conservation Ordinance,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Environment under subsection (1) of Section 24 of the Forest Conservation Ordinance (Chapter 451) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1762/1 of June 11th, 2012, which were presented on 19.07.2012, be approved.

* *Indicates Government Business*

Thursday, August 09, 2012

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

2100/'11

Hon. (Mrs.) Rosy Senanayake,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(2)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the amount paid as demurrage for drugs and surgical equipment imported in the year 2009 and the party that paid it ; and
- (ii) separately the amounts paid as demurrage by the State Pharmaceuticals Corporation in the years 2006, 2007, 2008, and 2010 in relation to the above imports ?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the value of damaged, expired and sub-standard drugs identified in the year 2008 ;
- (ii) of the amount to be recovered from the suppliers, who supplied sub-standard drugs ;
- (iii) of the reason for not recovering that amount ; and
- (iv) even though it was revealed that the drugs purchased in the year 2008 were not up to the standard, the reasons for it being neglected by the Tender Board in repurchasing?

(2)

- (c) Will he state separately the loss incurred by the State Pharmaceuticals Corporation in purchasing 250,000 vaccines of 750 milligram Cefuroxime Sodium, bandages without laboratory testing and 6783 units of 250 milligram Amoxiline antibiotic capsules without stipulated weight, in the year 2009?

- (d) If not, why?

2421/'12

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Labour and Labour Relations,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—

- (i) the annual interest rate paid for the deposits in the Employees' Provident Fund; and
- (ii) the other benefits which the beneficiaries of the Employees' Provident Fund are entitled to ?

- (b) Will he inform this House of the amount of the portion of the total estimated cost for the construction of the proposed headquarters of the Employees' Provident Fund, that is expected to be spent out of the monies of the Employees' Provident Fund ?

- (c) If not, why ?

Friday, August 10, 2012

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

2422/'12

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

- (a) Will he state—

- (i) separately the number of sportspersons participating in each of the sporting events representing Sri Lanka at the 2012 Olympic Sports Festival;
- (ii) the dates on which the sportspersons were selected for each of those events;
- (iii) the total number of sportspersons nominated for the 2012 Olympic Pool;
- (iv) whether trainers for sportspersons selected for each of the events and sponsors for the training have been selected;
- (v) the basis for selecting sportspersons and sponsors; and
- (vi) the amount of money expected to be allocated for a single sportsperson in the Olympic Pool in the year 2012 ?

- (b) If not, why?

2247/'12

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(2)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the term of office of the Tax Appeals Commission established on 01st April, 2011;
 - (ii) the number of officers appointed to the aforesaid Commission; and
 - (iii) the full name of each of the aforesaid officers and the relevant qualifications ?
- (b) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the location of the five– storey building obtained on rent for the Tax Appeals Commission and the rent paid per month; and
 - (ii) the total amount of money spent for the recurrent expenditure including salaries of employees, water and electricity bills of the Commission during the first six months ?
- (c) Will he admit that —
 - (i) 120 tax appeal files which were under the Inland Revenue Department have been transferred to the new Tax Appeals Commission;
 - (ii) none of the investigations regarding those files has been completed within the relevant period; and
 - (iii) the government has lost a sum of about Rs. 8 billion as a result ?
- (d) If so, will he inform this House of the measures to be taken in that regard?
- (e) If not, why?

2423/'12

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of players selected for the National Football Pool in 2011;
 - (ii) the amount of money allocated by the Ministry of Sports and the Football Federation on each player;
 - (iii) the amount of money allocated annually for training of football players at the National Football Training Centre at Beddagana;
 - (iv) the sources from which such funds are raised; and
 - (v) the number of players receiving residential and part time training at the Beddagana Training Centre at present ?

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(b) Will he state—

- (i) the facilities provided to the players selected to this Pool from outside areas;
- (ii) whether the players of the National Football Team receive the required sponsorship for playing on full time basis; and
- (iii) if not, the scheme devised to provide them with such sponsorship ?

(c) If not, why?

2424/'12

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the date on which the last census of wild elephants was held in Sri Lanka;
- (ii) separately, the number of wild elephants currently found in each district, according to that census;
- (iii) the places other than the sanctuaries that wild elephants inhabit; and
- (iv) the measures to be taken in future by the government to provide relief to the people who are affected by the wild elephants that stray into villages ?

(b) If not, why?

Tuesday, August 21, 2012

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1188/'11

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

(a) Will he state on per year basis for the last five years—

- (i) the total consumption and per capita consumption of wheat flour;
- (ii) the amount of wheat flour locally produced;
- (iii) the production cost per 1Kg of wheat flour in Sri Lanka;
- (iv) the content of wheat flour that was imported; and
- (v) the value of the imported volume of wheat flour ?

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- (b) Will he also state separately all taxes (direct and indirect) imposed on 1Kg of wheat flour imported and produced locally?
- (c) If not why?

1642/'11

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

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

1907/'11

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

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

1833/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) there are many teachers in the Tamil medium government schools in Matara District, who are deeply frustrated as a result of not being granted transfers after the completion of their difficult area service ; and
 - (ii) such frustration has resulted in deterioration of the quality of teaching of such teachers?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of Tamil medium teachers in Matara District who have applied for transfers ;
 - (ii) whether measures will be taken to grant transfers to those who have met the requirements, out of the above mentioned teachers ; and
 - (iii) if so, the relevant dates for grant of transfers?
- (c) If not, why?

1934/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the profit or loss of Ceylon Petroleum Corporation (CPC) for the years 2010 and 2011 separately; and
 - (ii) the reasons for the profit or loss ?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the total profit or loss after adding back all the taxes and fees imposed from the point of importing to final using of the petroleum products; and
 - (ii) as to why such a huge unreasonable profit earned by the State by selling petroleum products being added back the taxes?
- (c) Will he state the amounts to be paid at the moment by Ceylon Petroleum Corporation to the foreign banks on the Hedging scam?
- (d) If not, why?

2123/'11

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the amount of money invested in the 'Maganeguma' Road Construction Equipment Company Limited, by the Road Development Authority ;
 - (ii) of the years in which the aforesaid amount of money was invested ;
 - (iii) of the profit earned or the loss incurred through the aforesaid investments ;
 - (iv) of the names of persons who decided to invest the aforesaid amount of money ;
 - (v) whether approval of the Ministry of Finance and Planning has been obtained for that purpose ; and
 - (vi) if so, whether the relevant documents will be tabled?
- (b) If not, why?

1834/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that the newly built two-storey building at the Kuruwita Police Station in Ratnapura District has been kept closed without being used eventhough four years have elapsed since the completion of the construction work of it?
- (b) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the amount of money spent for the construction of the aforesaid building ;
 - (ii) the reasons for not opening the aforesaid new building despite the fact that the construction work of it has been completed ; and
 - (iii) the date on which the duties of the Kuruwita Police Station will be commenced in the aforesaid new building ?
- (c) If not, why?

1935/'11

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the supplier or suppliers of inferior quality petrol and other petroleum products to Sri Lanka during the period of May–July, 2011;
 - (ii) as to how the Ministry is excluded from the scam of importing inferior petroleum products ;
 - (iii) number of consumers affected by using sub-standard petrol;
 - (iv) the names of the customers who made the complaints regarding the damages caused by the sub-standard petrol;
 - (v) the amount compensated to each affected consumer separately;
 - (vi) the number of filling stations of which machineries were affected by sub-standard petrol; and
 - (vii) as to how those filling stations are compensated?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether the concerned parties, who exposed this racket of inferior quality petrol to the public would be given a handsome bonus?
- (c) If not, why?

2124/'11

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of iron bridges constructed islandwide under the Iron Bridge Project granted by Great Britain ;
 - (ii) the places where they are located ;
 - (iii) the amount of money granted by Great Britain for constructing the aforesaid bridges ;
 - (iv) separately, the length, the width, the estimated amount and the cost of construction of each of the aforesaid bridges ;
 - (v) separately, the amount of money spent on each of the bridges, exceeding the estimated amount ; and
 - (vi) separately, the reasons for expenses made, exceeding the estimated amount?
- (b) If not, why?

Wednesday, August 22, 2012
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1383/'11

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

- (a) Will he state separately,—
 - (i) the profit and loss ; and
 - (ii) the Final Accounts with the Balance Sheet;
of the Sri Lanka Cricket for the years 2009, 2010 and 2011?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) the Cash Flows for the years 2010 and 2011;
 - (ii) the assets of the Sri Lanka Cricket ;
 - (iii) the total cost incurred on grounds and other items where cost is over SLR 1 Million; and
 - (iv) a break up for the above?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the names of the permanent and temporary staff members of the Sri Lankan Cricket separately; and
 - (ii) the total cost incurred on payment for staff for the years 2010 and 2011 to date separately?
- (d) If not, why?

1643/'11

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

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

(b) Will he state—

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

(c) Will he inform this House—

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

(d) If not, why?

1987/'11

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the names of private security firms which had been assigned the task of providing security services to all the universities and the institutions belonging to them, which come under the Ministry of Higher Education, as at year 2010 ;
- (ii) separately of the universities and the institutions belonging to them which are provided with security services by each of the above mentioned security firms ;
- (iii) separately of the number of security officers deployed in each of the universities as at year 2010 and the number of security officers deployed at present ;
- (iv) separately of the amount of money paid per security officer in the year 2010 and the amount paid at present ; and
- (v) separately of the monthly expenditure incurred by each of the above institutions on security?

(b) If not, why?

1835/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) action has been taken to conduct Information Technology and English Language courses for the students selected to the state universities for the academic year 2011-2012 ;
 - (ii) 22 District Co-ordinating Officers have been trained for this purpose;
 - (iii) these courses are conducted using untrained officers, disregarding the trained officers mentioned above; and
 - (iv) as a result, the quality of these courses will decline?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the amount of money that has been allocated for conducting the above mentioned courses at universities;
 - (ii) the manner in which the aforesaid amount of money is spent?
- (c) If not, why?

1936/'11

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

- (a) Will he submit to this House of —
 - (i) the initial plan for the Southern Highway from Colombo to Matara ;
 - (ii) as to how the cost estimated for the construction of Southern Highway was amended ; and
 - (iii) the reasons for the amendments?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the Southern Highway from Colombo to Matara is going to be extended up to Hambantota;
 - (ii) if so, the cost estimated for that extension;
 - (iii) as to how it is financed;
 - (iv) the benefits of that project; and
 - (v) the time frame of the construction?
- (c) If not, why?

2125/'11

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the date on which the construction work of the Kittangi bridge, situated on the Kalmunei –Chawalakadei road, was commenced ;
- (ii) the estimated amount of money for the aforesaid construction ;
- (iii) the dates on which the aforesaid construction work had been scheduled to be commenced and completed ;
- (iv) whether the aforesaid construction work has been completed by now ;
- (v) whether the late charges have been levied, if the construction work has not been completed on the due date ;
- (vi) if so, the amount of money levied ; and
- (vii) the name of the company, which carried out the aforesaid construction?

(b) If not, why?

1836/'11

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

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) majority of the people of the tea and rubber estates in Galle and Matara Districts do not possess Birth Certificates ;
- (ii) as a result, they are unable to obtain National Identity Cards; and
- (iii) this has resulted in them losing the right to vote as their names are not included in the electoral registers ?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether a mechanism to provide the Birth Certificates to those people who live in the above areas will be put in place expeditiously; and
- (ii) if so, the period of time that will be taken for that ?

(c) Will he also inform this House—

- (i) whether he is aware that the people in these areas are inconvenienced owing to the language barrier that has emerged by amalgamating the areas inhabited by Tamil People with Grama Niladhari Divisions representing Sinhala people in the above mentioned districts; and
- (ii) if so whether arrangements will be made to appoint Grama Niladharis in a manner through which people can get things done in their own language to avert this situation ?

(d) If not, why?

1937/'11

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

(a) Will he admit that 42 years old oil refinery of Ceylon Petroleum Corporation (CPC) is now outdated?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether the loan promised to be granted by the Iranian Government to expand the oil refinery of CPC was received;
- (ii) if so, as to when it was received;
- (iii) the counterpart funding of the government for that ; and
- (iv) the expected output capacity of the envisaged refinery?

(c) Will he also state whether —

- (i) refining of 100,000 barrels of crude oil per day is a doubling of existing capacity of the refinery;
- (ii) Iran has given only 1/3 of the loan to expand the refinery; and
- (iii) the value of the 1/3 of the loan was US\$ 1.5 billion?

(d) Will he admit that the refinery expansion is dragged by some parties in CPC aiming personal benefits gained through continuous buying of oil from outside?

(e) If not, why?

2126/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of vehicles owned by the Road Development Authority which have been given to public institutions other than the Maga Neguma Road Construction Equipment Limited ;
 - (ii) the dates on which the aforesaid vehicles were given ;
 - (iii) the registration numbers and makes of the vehicles given ;
 - (iv) the reasons for giving the aforesaid vehicles ;
 - (v) the vehicles that have been taken back by the Road Development Authority by now ; and
 - (vi) the details relevant to the condition of the vehicles taken back?
- (b) If not, why?

Thursday, August 23, 2012

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1387/'11

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Youth Affairs and Skills Development,— (2)

- (a) Will he state for the years 2010 and 2011 separately —
 - (i) the total cost for renting or leasing of buildings which are not owned by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Skills Development;
 - (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 Youth Affairs and Skills Development for the 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 the outsourced services mentioned;
 - (v) the number of people who have been contracted on outsourced basis; and
 - (vi) the total staff strength?
- (c) If not, why?

1644/'11

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

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

2009/'11

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

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

1837/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) lands have been distributed along with land permits among the residents of the reawakened village named Bhagyagama located in the Horagoda East Grama Niladhari Division in the Malimbada Divisional Secretariat area of the Matara District after having those lands surveyed and demarcation stones laid; and
 - (ii) subsequently the Lands Reform Commission has stated that the ownership of the aforesaid lands lies with it;
 - (iii) accordingly, the Lands Reform Commission has asked for money from the residents to survey the lands again and issue permits?
- (b) Will he state the reasons for asking for money for surveying the above lands again and grant permits?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the date, if those lands are to be surveyed again;
 - (ii) whether action will be taken in future to issue freehold deeds to those lands;
 - (iii) whether there is a move to charge money from the residents for those lands?
- (d) If not, why?

2127/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the length of the Colombo-Kandy main road which was widened by the Road Development Authority ;
 - (ii) the years in which the widening activities of this road were started and completed ;
 - (iii) the cost estimated for that ;
 - (iv) whether monies in excess of the estimate have been spent ; and
 - (v) if so, the reasons for it?

- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether sub contracts have been awarded for widening the above mentioned road ;
 - (ii) if so, whether the proper tender procedure was followed in awarding those sub contracts ;
 - (iii) if tenders were called, the names and addresses of those who responded ;
 - (iv) of the name and address of the person or institution that was awarded the tender and the amount of the tender?
- (c) If not, why?

2143/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) the names of the private sector people that gave the funds to the government to finance the Commonwealth Games in Hambantota ; and
 - (ii) the number and the names of the persons brought here to solicit their support to hold the aforesaid Games in Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he inform this House of—
- (i) the number of persons went overseas to solicit their support to Sri Lanka ;
 - (ii) the names of them ; and
 - (iii) the total cost incurred?
- (c) Will he also state—
- (i) the number of persons went to St. Kitts in November 2011 ;
 - (ii) the names of the persons went ;
 - (iii) the total cost for the return trip ;
 - (iv) the cost of the charter flight mentioned ; and
 - (v) as to how Sri Lanka lost the hosting of Commonwealth Games after being so confident of winning?
- (d) If not, why?

1838/'11

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) statements have been recorded by the Criminal Investigation Department on 09.01.2009 and 08.02.2011 from Mr. D.B. Elkaduwa, a Senior Journalist, residing at No.11, Devala Road, Ambepussa, Warakapola, regarding allegations of conspiring against the State;
 - (ii) Mr. Elkaduwa has been subjected to intense economic and mental pressure due to continuous harassment; and
 - (iii) he has made a request from the responsible officials that he be allowed to engage in free media practice?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether necessary steps will be taken to protect the Fundamental Rights of Mr. Elkaduwa;
 - (ii) whether measures will be taken to conduct a proper investigation regarding the inconveniences he had to face; and
 - (iii) if so, the date on which such investigation will be conducted?
- (c) If not, why?

2128/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the roads belonging to the Road Development Authority, Provincial Council and Pradeshiya Sabha and restored with government provisions or foreign aid, in Paduwasnuwara electorate from 2006 up to now;
 - (ii) the estimated amount for each of those roads; and
 - (iii) the length, width and the restored condition (tarred, concreted, built with concrete blocks) of each of those roads;
- (b) Will he submit to this house—
 - (i) whether tender procedure was followed with relevance to the aforesaid road restoration;
 - (ii) if not, the reasons for that;
 - (iii) if tenders were called, the names and addresses of those who offered tenders for each of those roads; and
 - (iv) the names and addresses of those who were awarded the tenders?

(c) Will he inform this house—

- (i) of the total amount spent on each of those roads at the completion of restoration;
- (ii) whether technical reports have been provided by the institutions that were awarded the contracts, after the completion of restoration of those roads;
- (iii) if so, whether those reports will be tabled?

(d) If not, why?

2144/'11

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

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) a large scale corruption is continuously taking place at the National School in Madirigiriya ;
- (ii) some of the misappropriation of funds in the aforesaid school have been exposed by the Presidential Investigation Unit ;
- (iii) some of these malpractices were reported in the newspapers ;
- (iv) the principal of this school is solely concentrating on making money fraudulently neglecting the improving of school ;
- (v) the said principal is harassing the honest teachers who are opposing the malpractices done by him ; and
- (vi) such principals are a menace to Sri Lanka as they destroy the youth of this country?

(b) Will he inform this House of the action that has been taken to rectify these matters?

(c) If not, why?

Friday, August 24, 2012

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1389/'11

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

- (a) Will he state for the years 2010 and 2011 separately —
 - (i) the total cost for renting or leasing of buildings which are not owned by the Ministry of Education;
 - (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 Education 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 the outsourced services mentioned;
 - (v) the number of people who have been contracted on outsourced basis; and
 - (vi) the total staff strength?
- (c) If not, why?

1645/'11

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

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

(c) Will he inform this House—

(i) whether action will be taken to recommence the construction work of the aforesaid Shopping Complex and complete it expeditiously; and

(ii) of the period of time that will be taken for it?

(d) If not, why?

2020/'11

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

(i) the number of candidates who sat for the competitive examination, held in 2010 for recruitment of Prison Jailors-Class II and Welfare Officers-Class II ;

(ii) the number of vacancies that exist for such posts ;

(iii) whether the recruitments have been made for such vacancies at present in keeping with the results of the aforesaid competitive examination ;

(iv) if so, the minimum cut-off mark on which the recruitments were made ;

(v) the names and the addresses of the individuals so recruited and the marks obtained, separately ;

(vi) the names and addresses of the other individuals, if any if such persons have been recruited on a basis other than the results of the said competitive examination ; and

(vii) of the reasons for such recruitments?

(b) If not, why?

1839/'11

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

(a) Is he aware that the Family Health Services Centre of Helwella situated in Walasmulla of Hambantota District is in a dilapidated condition?

(b) If so, will he state whether prompt action would be taken to repair that building in order to meet the health needs of the people of that area?

(c) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether provisions have been made for the repair work of the above building ;
- (ii) if so, the amount allocated ; and
- (iii) the date on which the reconstruction work would commence?

(d) If not, why?

2129/'11

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of lanes on the Southern Expressway in one direction;
- (ii) the width of one lane mentioned above;
- (iii) the internationally accepted width of a lane on an Expressway;
- (iv) the width of the lane allocated for providing services;
- (v) the internationally accepted width of a lane meant for that purpose;
- (vi) whether the width of the aforesaid lanes is below the international standard; and
- (vii) if so, the reasons for it?

(b) If not, why?

2183/'11

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

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) the Land Titling Division of the Ministry of Lands and Land Development has discovered many inadequacies in the present Registration of Titles Act; and
- (ii) the Bar Association of Sri Lanka has also made recommendations to amend the aforesaid Act?

(b) Will he state separately the identified inadequacies and the proposed amendments in relation to the Title Registration Act as per (a) (i) and (ii) above?

(c) Will he inform this House of the actions being taken to make those amendments by Parliament?

(d) Will he admit that —

- (i) in spite of many inadequacies, the Ministry of Lands and Land Development is vigorously implementing the Registration of Titles Act, No. 21 of 1998; and
- (ii) the relevant Ministry is endeavouring to incorporate 105 new Sections to the aforesaid Act without changing the identified inadequacies?

(e) If not, why?

1840/’11

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

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) the new shopping complex at Walasmulla in Mulkirigala area in Hambantota District has not been put to any use although one and half years have elapsed since it was opened ; and
- (ii) the people of the area complain that the construction work of the new shopping complex has been carried out without adhering to proper standards?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the total amount of money spent for the construction of the shopping complex mentioned above ;
- (ii) whether the funds were obtained locally or from foreign sources ; and
- (iii) the names of the institution or institutions which provided the funds?

(c) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether action will be taken to hold a formal inquiry regarding the construction of the Walasmulla new shopping complex without adhering to proper standards ;
- (ii) whether the shopping complex will be renovated with a view to making it available for the use of the people ; and
- (iii) if so, the date on which it will be done?

(d) If not, why?

2130/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of employees who served as co-ordinators of the Road Development Authority, during the period from the year 2005 to 2011;
 - (ii) the names of the co-ordinators and the areas to which they have been attached;
 - (iii) the period for which they have been given that post; and
 - (iv) their monthly salary and the other allowances paid to them?
- (b) If not, why?

2184/'11

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the lift fixed at District Court Complex, Mt. Lavinia for the benefit of the public is functioning; and
 - (ii) if not, the reasons for not functioning ?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) the estimated cost for the installation of the aforesaid lift;
 - (ii) the engineers who installed the lift;
 - (iii) whether they have properly done the installation of the lift;
 - (iv) whether there are any issues regarding this lift; and
 - (v) if so, the main problem identified?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Bar Association of Mt. Lavinia has made numerous appeals in connection with the problems regarding the lift and its usage to the Ministry; and
 - (ii) the actions already taken and to be taken in future to rectify the matters raised in the aforesaid appeals;
- (d) If not, why?