



[Seventh Parliament -First Session]

No. 8 (4).]

ADDENDUM TO THE ORDER BOOK No. 8

OF

PARLIAMENT

Issued on Friday, May 10, 2013

Tuesday, May 21, 2013

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 1),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 52 of 2011 and specified in the Order No. 22 hereto, be approved.

Appropriation Act, No. 52 of 2011

Order No. 22 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.52 of 2011, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 01002 “Advancing monies to be used in Bribery detection as Bribes Advance Account– Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

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| (i) Maximum limit of expenditure | From | Rs. | 5,000,000 |
| specified in Column II of the Third | To | Rs. | 9,000,000 |
| Schedule to that Act. | | | |
| (ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified | | | |
| in Column III of the Third | | | Not Revised |
| Schedule to that Act. | | | |
| (iii) Maximum limit of debit balance | From | Rs. | 7,500,000 |
| specified in Column IV of the Third | To | Rs. | 16,000,000 |
| Schedule to that Act. | | | |

(2)

- (iv) Maximum limit of liabilities
specified in Column V of the Third
Schedule to that Act.

Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2012 only)

Sgd./MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA,
Minister of Finance and Planning.

18.03.2013
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—
Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 2),— That this Parliament resolves that
the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the
Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act,
No. 52 of 2011 and specified in the Order No. 23 hereto, be approved.

Appropriation Act, No. 52 of 2011

Order No. 23 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.52
of 2011, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of
the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item
No. 21302 “Printing Publicity and Sales of Books (public Notification of Publication
rights, Acquiring Translation fees and staff wages inclusive of all allowances) Advance
Account – Department of Education Publications” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

- (i) Maximum limit of expenditure

specified in Column II of the Third
Schedule to that Act.

Not Revised

- (ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified
in Column III of the Third
Schedule to that Act.

From
To

Rs. 2,900,000,000
Rs. 1,850,000,000

- (iii) Maximum limit of debit balance

specified in Column IV of the Third
Schedule to that Act.

Not Revised

(3)

(iv) Maximum limit of liabilities	From	Rs. 500,000,000
specified in Column V of the Third	To	Rs. 1,450,000,000
Schedule to that Act.		

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2012 only)

*Sgd./*MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA,
Minister of Finance and Planning.

18.03.2013
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—
Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 3),— That this Parliament resolves that
the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the
Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act,
No. 52 of 2011 and specified in the Order No. 24 hereto, be approved.

Appropriation Act, No. 52 of 2011

Order No. 24 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.52
of 2011, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of
the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item
No. 22302 “Stores Advance Account (Explosive Items) - Sri Lanka Navy” of the Third
Schedule to that Act.

(i) Maximum limit of expenditure	From	Rs. 450,000,000
specified in Column II of the Third	To	Rs. 550,000,000
Schedule to that Act.		

(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified		
in Column III of the Third		Not Revised
Schedule to that Act.		

(iii) Maximum limit of debit balance	From	Rs. 450,000,000
specified in Column IV of the Third	To	Rs. 550,000,000
Schedule to that Act.		

(4)

- (iv) Maximum limit of liabilities
specified in Column V of the Third
Schedule to that Act. Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2012 only)

*Sgd./*MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA,
Minister of Finance and Planning.

18.03.2013
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—
Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 4),— That this Parliament resolves that
the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the
Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act,
No. 52 of 2011 and specified in the Order No. 25 hereto, be approved.

Appropriation Act, No. 52 of 2011

Order No. 25 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.52
of 2011, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of
the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item
No. 25002 “Advances for Payments on behalf of other Government Advance Account -
Department of State Accounts ” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

- (i) Maximum limit of expenditure
specified in Column II of the Third
Schedule to that Act. Not Revised
- (ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified From Rs. 4,250,000
in Column III of the Third To Rs. 4,062,000
Schedule to that Act.
- (iii) Maximum limit of debit balance
specified in Column IV of the Third
Schedule to that Act. Not Revised

(iv) Maximum limit of liabilities

specified in Column V of the Third
Schedule to that Act.

Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2012 only)

*Sgd./*MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA,
Minister of Finance and Planning.

18.03.2013

Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—
Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 5),— That this Parliament resolves that
the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the
Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act,
No. 52 of 2011 and specified in the Order No. 26 hereto, be approved.

Appropriation Act, No. 52 of 2011

Order No. 26 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.52
of 2011, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of
the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item
No. 28502 “Maintenance of Agricultural Farms and Seed Sales Advance Account -
Department of Agriculture ” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

(i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	280,000,000
	To	Rs.	385,000,000
(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	290,000,000
	To	Rs.	375,000,000
(iii) Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.			Not Revised

- (iv) Maximum limit of liabilities
specified in Column V of the Third
Schedule to that Act.

Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2012 only)

Sgd./MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA,
Minister of Finance and Planning.

18.03.2013
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—
Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 6),— That this Parliament resolves that
the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the
Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act,
No. 52 of 2011 and specified in the Order No. 27 hereto, be approved.

Appropriation Act, No. 52 of 2011

Order No. 27 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.52
of 2011, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of
the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item
No. 30602 “Railway Stores Advance Account - Department of Sri Lanka Railways” of
the Third Schedule to that Act.

- (i) Maximum limit of expenditure

specified in Column II of the Third
Schedule to that Act.

Not Revised

- (ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified
in Column III of the Third
Schedule to that Act.

From
To

Rs. 1,200,000,000
Rs. 1,000,000,000

- (iii) Maximum limit of debit balance
specified in Column IV of the Third
Schedule to that Act.

From
To

Rs. 5,311,000,000
Rs. 5,511,000,000

(7)

(iv) Maximum limit of liabilities	From	Rs. 800,000,000
specified in Column V of the Third	To	Rs. 1,000,000,000
Schedule to that Act.		

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2012 only)

Sgd./MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA,

Minister of Finance and Planning.

18.03.2013

Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—
Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 7),— That this Parliament resolves that
the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the
Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act,
No. 52 of 2011 and specified in the Order No. 28 hereto, be approved.

Appropriation Act, No. 52 of 2011

Order No. 28 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.52
of 2011, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of
the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item
No. 31002 “Government Factory Stores Advance Account - Government Factory” of
the Third Schedule to that Act.

(i) Maximum limit of expenditure	From	Rs. 120,000,000
specified in Column II of the Third	To	Rs. 130,000,000
Schedule to that Act.		

(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified		
in Column III of the Third		Not Revised
Schedule to that Act.		

(8)

(iii) Maximum limit of debit balance	From	Rs.	10,000,000
specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.	To	Rs.	40,000,000

(iv) Maximum limit of liabilities			
specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act.			Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2012 only)

Sgd./MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA,
Minister of Finance and Planning.

21.03.2013
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 8),— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 52 of 2011 and specified in the Order No. 29 hereto, be approved.

Appropriation Act, No. 52 of 2011

Order No. 29 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.52 of 2011, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 31003 “Government Factory Work Done Advance Account - Government Factory” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

(i) Maximum limit of expenditure	From	Rs.	260,000,000
specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	To	Rs.	325,000,000

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| (ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified
in Column III of the Third
Schedule to that Act. | Not Revised |
| (iii) Maximum limit of debit balance
specified in Column IV of the Third
Schedule to that Act. | Not Revised |
| (iv) Maximum limit of liabilities
specified in Column V of the Third
Schedule to that Act. | Not Revised |

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2012 only)

Sgd./ MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA,
Minister of Finance and Planning.

21.03.2013
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—
Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No.9),— That this Parliament resolves that the
Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the
Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act,
No. 52 of 2011 and specified in the schedule hereto, be approved.

(These Orders are valid only up to 31.12.2012)

SCHEDULE

Appropriation Act No. 52 of 2011 Order under Section 8

Schedule of variation of limits of Advance Accounts pertaining to Advances to public officers authorized by the Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 8 of the Appropriation Act No. 52 of 2011 in respect of Finance year 2012.

Srl No.	Ministries/Departments	Item No.	II Maximum Limits of Expenditure of Activities of the Government Rs.		III Minimum Limits of Receipts to be Credited to the Accounts of Activities of the Government Rs.		IV Maximum Limits of Debit Balance of Activities of the Government Rs.		Order No.
			From	To	From	To	From	To	
1	Ministry of Public Administration and Home Affairs	12101	20,000,000	24,000,000	-	-	-	-	1
2	Ministry of Resettlement	14501	10,000,000	4,000,000	7,000,000	2,500,000	17,500,000	13,000,000	2
3	Department of Land Settlement	28701	-	-	-	-	6,000,000	31,000,000	3
4	District Secretariat, Kegalle	27901	-	-	35,000,000	30,000,000	-	-	4
5	District Secretariat, Moneragala	27701	-	-	24,000,000	23,000,000	-	-	5
6	District Secretariat, Mullaitivu	26701	10,700,000	12,700,000	-	-	-	-	6
7	Ministry of Finance and Planning	10201	24,000,000	15,000,000	-	-	-	-	7
8	Department of Registration of Persons	22701	-	-	15,000,000	13,000,000	-	-	8
9	Department of National Museums	20801	-	-	5,000,000	4,600,000	-	-	9

10	Ministry of Productivity Promotion	18101	4,500,000	3,500,000	3,500,000	1,000,000	5,500,000	8,800,000	10
11	District Secretariat, Gampaha	25601	-	-	57,000,000	53,500,000	-	-	11
12	District Secretariat, Matara	26201	-	-	-	-	180,000,000	182,000,000	12
13	Ministry of Higher Education	17101	-	-	4,000,000	2,300,000	-	-	13
14	Department of State Accounts	25001	-	-	2,000,000	1,800,000	-	-	14
15	Ministry of Coconut Development and Janatha Estate Development	17801	-	-	-	-	3,000,000	3,800,000	15
16	Department of Rubber Development	29301	-	-	11,000,000	10,500,000	-	-	16
17	Law Commission of Sri Lanka	23501	-	-	500,000	350,000	-	-	17
18	District Secretariat, Kandy	25801	-	-	55,000,000	53,000,000	-	-	18
19	Ministry of Telecommunication and Information Technology	18501	-	-	-	-	2,000,000	3,800,000	19
20	Office of the Finance Commission	01101	-	-	4,000,000	1,200,000	-	-	20
21	Sri Lanka Customs	24701	40,000,000	40,100,000					21
Total			109,200,000	99,300,000	223,000,000	196,750,000	214,000,000	242,400,000	
Sgd./MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA Minister of Finance and Planning									
20 March 2013 Colombo 01.									
(Cabinet approval signified)									

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The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Regulations under the Import and Export (Control) Act,— That the Regulations made by the President under Section 20 of the Import and Export (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 read with Article 44 (2) of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1804/17 of 03rd April 2013, which were presented on 07.05.2013, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Transport,— Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Transport under Section 237, read with Section 19 of the Motor Traffic Act, (Chapter 203) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1795/35 of 31st January 2013, which were presented on 08.05.2013, be approved.

* *Indicates Government Business*

Tuesday, June 04, 2013

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

2870/12

Hon. Eran Wickramaratne,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education,—(3)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the reasons for terminating the aptitude test implemented by the University of Visual and Performing Arts as an entrance requirement;
- (ii) whether any discussions were held with the university officials before taking the decision to terminate the aforesaid aptitude test ;
- (iii) if not, the reason for not having such a discussion ; and
- (iv) if so, the stance taken by the university officials in respect to terminating the aptitude test as an entrance requirement ?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether the Ministry or the University Grants Commission received petitions from applicants that the aptitude test is corrupt on the basis that lecturers are partial to applicants whom they are in good terms with ;
- (ii) if so, as to why there has been no investigation or inquiry in this regard; and
- (iii) whether the Ministry had attempted to improve the transparency of the aforesaid test?

(c) If not, why?

2982/12

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

(a) Is he aware that —

- (i) a stable salary scale which can meet the cost of living has not been formulated for teachers in order to safeguard their professional dignity; and
- (ii) a proper methodology has not yet been prepared to grant the interim salary proposal with salary arrears, as agreed to by the Ministry of Education ?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the reason for failing to grant the aforesaid interim salary proposal with salary arrears up to now;
- (ii) of the total amount of salary arrears due for teachers as per the aforesaid salary proposal;
- (iii) whether steps will be taken to grant the other requests made by the Teachers-Principals Association in addition to the salary problem; and
- (iv) of the period of time that will be taken to formulate a fixed salary scheme for teachers and principals and pay their salaries based on it ?

(c) If not, why?

3071/12

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(1)

(a) Will he state —

- (i) the date on which the Southern Provincial Council was established and commenced its functions;
- (ii) the number of statutes adopted by the Southern Provincial Council by now; and
- (iii) separately, the title, number and the date of adoption of each of the aforesaid statutes?

(b) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the statutes relevant to the subjects in List I of the 9th Schedule of the Constitution (Provincial Councils List); and
- (ii) of the statutes relevant to the subjects in List III of the 9th Schedule of the Constitution (Concurrent List);

which have been adopted by the aforesaid Provincial Council?

(c) If not, why?

3173/12

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Child Development and Women's Affairs,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House of the number of cases of abuse committed against women and children in Sri Lanka in each year from 2009 up to now, separately ?

(b) Will he admit that—

- (i) the aforesaid crimes have increased rapidly into an uncontrollable level;
- (ii) the Sri Lanka Police show a sluggish interest in bringing the relevant criminals to book;
- (iii) the accused of most of the aforesaid child and women abuse cases are politicians who have connections with the government; and
- (iv) enough action is not taken against them due to that reason ?

(c) Will he also inform this House—

- (i) of the steps that have been taken for the prevention of women and child abuses by the relevant Ministry, Department of Probation and Childcare Services and the Child Protection Authority;
- (ii) whether action will be taken to seek the involvement of international organizations such as UNICEF and other non-government organizations operating in the country for the prevention of such crimes; and
- (iii) if so, the activities carried out in regard to that ?

(d) If not, why?

3196/12

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

- (a) Is he aware—
 - (i) that a large number of Sri Lankan females and males who have gone to Saudi Arabia as house maids and for other jobs after getting registered in the Sri Lanka Foreign Employment Bureau, stay in the “Olaya” detention camp and under the “Jeda” Bridge at present, undergoing immense suffering; and
 - (ii) that various factors such as not receiving proper working places, violence and not paying salaries as per the relevant agreements have contributed for that ?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to bring the aforesaid group of Sri Lankans to the country immediately ; and
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to implement a practical programme which can be executed immediately to uplift the protection, welfare and economy of their families ?
- (c) If not, why ?

3042/12

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) drugs and devices have been purchased in a fraudulent manner, claiming that there is a shortage of drugs and medical equipment in many of the government hospitals in the island;
 - (ii) the amount of money spent on such purchases in 2011 is even higher than the amount spent in 2010; and
 - (iii) even the drugs and devices which could have been purchased at very low prices have been bought at exorbitant prices ?
- (b) Will he inform this Houses—
 - (i) separately, the amount of money spent annually on purchasing drugs and devices in 2010 and 2011;
 - (ii) the policy of purchasing drugs and devices when a requirement of drugs and devices occurs in a hospital; and
 - (iii) whether action is taken against officials who have been involved in frauds and corruption in purchasing drugs and devices purportedly claiming a drug shortage ?
- (c) If not, why ?

3072/12

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(1)

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) the date on which the Eastern Provincial Council was established and commenced its functions;
 - (ii) the number of statutes adopted by the Eastern Provincial Council by now; and
 - (iii) separately, the title, number and the date of adoption of each of the aforesaid statutes?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the statutes relevant to the subjects in List I of the 9th Schedule of the Constitution (Provincial Councils List);
 - (ii) of the statutes relevant to the subjects in List III of the 9th Schedule of the Constitution (Concurrent List); andwhich have been adopted by the aforesaid Provincial Council?
- (c) If not, why?

Wednesday, June 05, 2013
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

3045/12

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Nagahaduwa stretch of paddy fields in the Payagala area with an extent of 25 hectares is barren at present; and
 - (ii) absence of proper control of water, not repairing the anicut that had been built to prevent the flow of sea water, non receipt of the fertilizer subsidy in the proper manner and the provision of low quality seed paddy are the reasons that had caused that stretch of paddy fields going barren ?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the reasons why the attention of the relevant authorities responsible for implementing the government's project of re-cultivating the barren paddy fields, has not been drawn to the aforesaid barren stretch of paddy fields;
- (ii) whether he admits the fact that barren paddy fields of the aforesaid type with a large extent of land should be re-cultivated in order to make the country self-sufficient in rice; and
- (iii) if so, whether arrangements will be made to re-cultivate the Nagahaduwa stretch of paddy fields ?

(c) If not, why ?

3073/12

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the date on which the Western Provincial Council was established and commenced its functions;
- (ii) the number of statutes that have been adopted by the Western Provincial Council by now; and
- (iii) separately, the title, number and the date of adoption of each the aforesaid statutes ?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the statutes relevant to the subjects in List I of the 9th Schedule of the Constitution (Provincial Council List); and
- (ii) of the statutes relevant to the subjects in List III of the 9th Schedule of the Constitution (Concurrent List);

which have been adopted by the aforesaid Provincial Council ?

(c) If not, why ?

3256/12

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether visitors for the prison inmates and prison officers are checked when they enter prisons;
 - (ii) if so, of the persons who smuggle drugs and mobile phones into prisons;
 - (iii) whether he is aware that the irregularities that take place within prisons are supported by prison officers; and
 - (iv) if so, of the measures that will be taken regarding such officers ?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of inmates that could be accommodated in Welikada prison; and
 - (ii) the number of inmates detained in the said prison at present ?
- (c) If not, why?

3290/12

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) W.M. Surekha De Silva, a young woman had been sent to Saudi Arabia for employment by Al-Athees Foreign Employment Agency located in Maradana, Colombo;
 - (ii) she had died there; and
 - (iii) the aforesaid Foreign Employment Agency had furnished fake police reports and other fake details in order to send her abroad ?
- (b) Will he state of the legal action initiated against this agency which sent the said young woman abroad on fake details ?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the reason that led to the death of Surekha De Silva has been discovered as at present;
 - (ii) if so, what the reason is;
 - (iii) whether the Autopsy report in relation to that death will be presented;
 - (iv) whether arrangements will be made to pay the compensation receivable by the parents on behalf of this dead young woman ?
- (d) If not, why ?

3297/'12

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) whether the person named Mayuran Kumarasamy bearing National Identity Card No. 892291535 V and resided in Mulativu was arrested in Vavuniya on 28.04.2009;
- (ii) whether he is aware that this person was sent to the Welikanda Camp in Polonnaruwa for rehabilitation in April 2010;
- (iii) whether this person is still being detained under detention orders without being released despite the decision to release him in the year 2011;
- (iv) if so, the name of the camp in which he is detained at present; and
- (v) the reasons for not releasing him?

(b) If not, why?

3336/'12

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

(a) Will he state —

- (i) separately, the number of passports issued to All Countries, the Middle East and to India by the Department of Immigration and Emigration during the past six months;
- (ii) approximately, the daily income earned by the aforesaid department through issuing of passports;
- (iii) the measures taken by the aforesaid department to identify the persons who overstay in the country exceeding visa period and to take legal action accordingly;
- (iv) the number of occasions where such persons who overstay without permission were caught during the past six months;
- (v) the action that was taken against them?

(b) If not, why?

3405/13

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the amount of money spent on festivals in 2011 and 2012 by the institutions that come under the Ministry of Transport;
 - (ii) what those festivals are;
 - (iii) separately, the names of the departments, corporations, boards or other institutions that organized each of the aforesaid festival;
 - (iv) separately, the amount of money spent by the Ministry of Transport for the “Deyata Kirula” exhibitions held in the years 2011 and 2012 ?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the government’s stand on fixing protective gates for the unguarded level crossings;
 - (ii) the amount of money allocated in the years 2011 and 2012 to fix gates in the places where there are unguarded level crossings ?
- (c) If not, why ?

Thursday, June 06, 2013

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

3046/12

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that it has not been possible to collect rates amounting to nearly 150 crores due to Colombo Municipal Council from public departments, corporations and statutory boards ?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the rates due to Colombo Municipal Council from each public department, corporation and statutory board;
 - (ii) the reasons for the Municipal Treasury to take no action up to now to collect the said rates; and
 - (iii) whether speedy action will be taken to collect those rates from the relevant institutions ?
- (c) If not, why ?

3074/12

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

- (a) Will he state separately on yearly basis the number of candidates who sat for the competitive examination for the selection of students for the Bachelor of Law (LLB) Degree Course conducted by the Open University of Sri Lanka in the years 2009,2010 and 2011 ?
- (b) Will he also state separately the date on which the aforesaid examination was held and the date on which the results were released in each of the years 2009,2010 and 2011 ?
- (c) Will he further state whether the above facts are in agreement with (the concept of) “Efficiency” included in the “Vision Statement” of the Open University of Sri Lanka ?
- (d) If not, why ?

3291/12

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

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) the number of foreign employment agencies which have been registered from August 2011 up to now; and
 - (ii) whether he will produce a list of the aforesaid agencies?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether he admits that workers are continuing to go abroad through fake foreign employment agencies even at present;
 - (ii) if so, whether action will be taken to take legal action against those agencies;
 - (iii) of the number of foreign employment agencies which were raided in the year 2012;
 - (iv) of the legal action taken against those agencies; and
 - (v) whether a programme has been prepared to identify those action before workers go abroad through fake foreign employment agencies or by producing false information?
- (c) If not, why?

3298/12

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether a decision has been taken to allocate a part of the land in which the Institute of Indigenous Medicine is located to a private company for business purposes;
 - (ii) if so, the name of the said private company;
 - (iii) the business purpose for which the above mentioned land is requested for by the said company;
 - (iv) if the above mentioned land is handed over to the said private company, the conditions attached; and
 - (v) the prices for which the relevant land is handed over to the said company ?
- (b) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the above mentioned property belongs to the Institute of Indigenous Medicine; and
 - (ii) even within the premises of the Institute of Indigenous Medicine, the issue is that a sufficient space is not available?
- (c) If not, why?

3337/12

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

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) whether he admits the fact that the Controller General of Immigration and Emigration made a statement in about June of 2012, to the effect that, a new set of laws will be formulated ,concerning the granting of dual citizenship and will be submitted within three months ;
 - (ii) of the present situation with regard to the formulation of the aforesaid laws;
 - (iii) whether he admits the fact that, though a large number of Sri Lankans, who are staying abroad, wishes to come to this country, they have to encounter a number of problems, as no work is done with regard to the granting of dual citizenship by now?
- (b) Will he inform this House, of the date on which the implementation of the new laws, with regard to the granting of dual citizenship, will be commenced?
- (c) If not, why?

3047/12

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) certain minor employees, nurses and doctors serving in the Colombo South Kalubowila General Hospital do not treat patients with compassion;
 - (ii) the inhouse patients of the aforesaid hospital and the other patients have become destitute as a result of the above nature of the staff; and
 - (iii) certain patients have died in the aforesaid hospital due to not receiving the treatment properly ?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether an inquiry on the above mentioned hospital staff that acts in an irresponsible manner will be conducted and proper action will be taken in that regard ?
- (c) If not, why ?

3075/12

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the year in which the Allied Health Specialised Degree Course was initiated in the university of Peradeniya;
 - (ii) separately, and in relation to each year, the number of students who got registered to follow that course; and
 - (iii) the number of graduates who have completed that course, at present ?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) whether a decision has been taken to reduce the period of the Allied Health Specialised Degree Course to 3 years;
 - (ii) if so, the reasons for that ?
- (c) Will he inform this House of the steps that have been taken to ensure the quality of the above degree course ?
- (d) If not, why ?

Friday, June 07, 2013
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

3049/'12

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

- (a) Is he aware that the Agro-chemical Division of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation, which fulfilled 99% of the demand of the whole agro-chemical market, has been reduced to a state by now downgraded due to the facts of making political appointments and not being provided with necessary resources?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether due steps will be taken to solve the problems prevalent in the Agro-chemical Division of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation; and
 - (ii) whether steps will be taken to make the relevant appointments in a reasonable manner by calling applications other than recruiting officers to the aforesaid Division through political appointments?
- (c) If not, why?

3283/'12

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

- (a) Is he aware that recommendations number HRC/5518/06/L-13 dated 20/08/2007 issued by the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka subsequent to an inquiry into the nonpayment of pensions to K.A. Karunaratne, M.D.C.P. Perera, L.P. Karunaratne, E.M. Wimalasena who were employed in the Department of Broadcasting on casual basis (before being incorporated as a Corporation) before 5/1/1967 have still not been implemented?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the reasons for not implementing the above mentioned recommendations; and
 - (ii) whether action will be taken as regards the above mentioned persons paying due attention to Public Administration Circular No. 17/2005 dated 05/10/2005?
- (c) If not, why?

3285/12

Hon. P. Harrison,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) a bogus contractor has fraudulently taken an amount of sixteen million rupees for the repair and carpet the Medawachchiya, Ethakada, Etambagaskada road which was actually done by a private company with their funds;
- (ii) an officer in a higher post in the Provincial Road Development Authority, who is well aware of the roads of the province has fraudulently approved the aforesaid payments;
- (iii) approximately nine billion rupees has been paid to repair a stretch of 3 kilometers in Oyamaduwa road in Anuradhapura in line with the Deyata Kirula exhibition held in Oyamaduwa, Anuradhapura; and
- (iv) the tender procedure has been completely violated when awarding tenders to repair the roads in the North Central Province ?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether he will look into the number of incidents where the Road Development Authority in the North-Central Province has repaired the roads committing financial frauds; and
- (ii) whether disciplinary action will be taken against the officers who have committed frauds ?

(c) If not, why ?

3299/12

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the minimum age limit considered in giving employments to the graduates;
- (ii) whether the aforesaid age limit will be applicable in the same manner when there is a delay in providing employments to the graduates due to the delays in the government; and
- (iii) the posts and designations of the graduates who were given appointments recently and the places of work to which they have been appointed ?

(b) If not, why ?

3050/12

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

- (a) Is he aware —
 - (i) that government schools are being militarized at present;
 - (ii) that military training is given to G.C.E. Advanced Level students and that the principals of the schools are awarded with the rank of Colonel under that?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the number of schools in which the students have been given military training;
 - (ii) the objective of starting a project to give military training to students in schools; and
 - (iii) whether steps will be taken to achieve the above objectives without involving G.C.E. Advanced Level students and schools in militarization while safeguarding their right to education?
- (c) If not, why?

3284/12

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) a water supply project has been implemented with the financial aid from Japanese International Corporation Agency (JAICA) with a view to provide drinking water facilities for the people in Kandy District in the year 2005;
 - (ii) although a water tank has been build in Katugastota, Kondadeniya area under that project and drinking water facilities were provided to the people living in that area but the villagers in areas like Akurana, Dunuwila North and South, Heepitiya, Pangollamada, Udadeegala, Doragamuwa, Udurawana, Aluthgama, Paranagama have not been provided with the drinking water facility up to now ?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to look into the project which has not yet been implemented, although foundation stone has been laid on several times to build a new water tank in the garden of the Doragamuwa temple with a view to provide water facilities to the people living in that area; and
 - (ii) whether steps will be taken immediately to supply water to the aforesaid villagers who were rendered helpless due to the lack of drinking water facility ?
- (c) If not, why ?

3300/12

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the ‘Lanka Hospitals’, which is a property owned by the Sri Lanka Insurance Corporation, is registered with the Stock Exchange; and
 - (ii) of the legal position with regard to a company belonging to a state corporation being registered with the Stock Exchange ?
- (b) If not, why ?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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.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.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.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.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.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.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.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.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.

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.159/'12

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Formulating a methodology to increase production to suit future national and international demand,— That this Parliament resolves that a methodology to increase production, through inter-relations among all sectors affiliated to relevant products, while making maximum use of modern technology, be formulated, after making a projection of industrial and agricultural productions that suit the demand from the national and international community.

P.160/'12

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Creating a digital library to protect the traditional heritage of Sri Lankan people,— That this Parliament resolves that a modern library making use of digital technology be set up for all sectors including the environment, indigenous medicine, agriculture and traditional industries, as an extensive national programme has become necessary to protect and nurture the traditional knowledge of Sri Lankan people, and pass it on to the future generation, and to prevent the abuse of genetic resources and biological heritage, and steps be taken to formulate a joint programme in that respect, bringing together all relevant sectors including the World Intellectual Property Organization, National Intellectual Property Office of Sri Lanka and the Bio-diversity Unit of the Ministry of Environment.

P.161/'12

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Commencing a national programme to conserve the traditional knowledge of Sri Lankan people,— That this Parliament resolves that a national programme be commenced, jointly by the relevant sectors including the Bio-diversity Unit and the National Intellectual Property Office, by obtaining information from people representing various sectors such as systems of medicine, agriculture, food preservation and handicrafts where traditional knowledge of Sri Lankan people is used, to conserve such knowledge.

P.162/'12

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Obtaining patents for genetic resources in medicinal herbs endemic to Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that a special programme be prepared, jointly by all responsible institutions including the Bio-diversity Unit, National Intellectual Property Office and the Ministry of Indigenous Medicine, to prevent foreign countries from identifying active chemicals and genetic resources contained in valuable medicinal herbs endemic to Sri Lanka and obtaining patents for them fraudulently, by obtaining patents for the relevant active chemicals and genetic resources for Sri Lanka, and to use those properties for producing and upgrading pharmaceuticals.

P.163/'12

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Abandoning of honorary titles of representatives of the people,— Since all representatives of the people representing the Parliament, the Provincial Councils, the Pradeshiya Sabhas including the President and the Prime Minister receive salaries and/or allowances monthly for the duties they perform, and since none of the holders of the above posts render an honorary service with altruistic concerns, and since the use of titles such as His Excellency, Honourable or Sir with the name or the post has become an object for ridicule, that this Parliament resolves that necessary action be pursued to discontinue the use of honorary titles of the representatives of the people.

P.164/'12

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Transforming the Securities and Exchange Commission into an independent institution,— That this Parliament resolves that the Securities and Exchange Commission be made an independent institution, which would remove all impediments, especially related to political interference and political patronage.

P.165/'12

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Introducing “Advance Voting” to replace Postal Voting,— That this Parliament resolves that the Constitution be amended to replace Postal Voting with “Advance Voting”, which will help to ameliorate many shortcomings in the present election system.

P.166/'12

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Amending the Constitution to introduce an open Electoral Register,— That this Parliament resolves that the Constitution be amended so that the Electoral Register will be an open register, rather than a static list which is maintained at present.

P.170/'12

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Extension of the Maintenance Board for Elders Programme at Provincial, District and Divisional Secretariat levels,— That this Parliament resolves that the Maintenance Board for Elders Programme, functioning under the Secretariat for Elders of the Ministry of Social Services to lodge complaints against injustices caused by various parties by neglecting elderly citizens, be extended at Provincial, District and Divisional Secretariat levels.

P.171/'12

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Formulating a Loan Scheme for the elderly community that enables them to contribute towards the economic development of Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that, since the non-existence of a Loan Scheme in the Banking System for the elders who have passed 60 years of age that enables them to contribute to the overall economic development of Sri Lanka and strengthening their means of livelihood is social discrimination against them, a proper programme be formulated to prevent this injustice caused to the elders.

P.172/'12

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Formulating a programme for persons who are over the age of 60 to make them active members of the society,— That this Parliament resolves that a methodology be adopted to create awareness in the society including the school community to formulate a programme to make the elders over the age of 60, who laboured for the social economic progress and who are now in an inactive and left out state without any recognition in the society, active members of the society.

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.175/'13

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Expanding the knowledge of school children regarding Motor Mechanics,— That this Parliament resolves that a systematic programme be drawn up to include Motor Mechanics as a subject in the school syllabus, as a solution for the unemployment problem of the future youth of Sri Lanka and with the aim of meeting the demand for skilled workers in comparison to the advancement of the field of Motor Mechanics.

P.176/13

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Establishing a College of Education to train teachers for teaching Motor Mechanics,— That this Parliament resolves that a College of Education be established to train teachers for teaching Motor Mechanics at school level so that the demand for skilled workers in the field can be met in a manner that keeps pace with the growth and development taking place in the field of Automotive Technology in Sri Lanka and abroad.

P.177/13

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Updating the syllabuses of Motor Mechanics,— That this Parliament resolves that a proper programme be formulated to change and update the syllabuses of Motor Mechanics that are 25-30 years old, since the government technical colleges and the affiliated institutes related to the Motor Mechanics still follow such archaic syllabuses.

P.178/13

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Ensuring security of Employment of those who are engaged in occupations related to three wheelers and motor bikes,— That this Parliament resolves that a systematic programme be prepared expeditiously to develop the economic strength of youth, retired members of the Armed Forces and senior citizen groups living in Sri Lanka who are willing to engage in direct and indirect occupations related to three wheelers and motor bikes, with the objective of obtaining their contribution to the total national production and thereby adding the active contribution of those who are involved in the aforementioned field to the national economy.

P.179/13

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Broadening public attitudes on Sri Lankan/local cookery in the country,— That this Parliament resolves that a broad attitudinal change should be effected in the public about the Sri Lankan/local cookery and culinary arts by introducing measures such as the inclusion of Sri Lankan Cookery/Culinary Arts as a subject in the curricula of schools, universities and tertiary educational institutions, making new discoveries through the promotion of research with the intervention of both public and private sector and the creation of Certificate, Diploma, Degree and Post-graduate courses with the involvement of the institutions connected to the field with a view to changing the public attitudes towards the Sri Lankan Cookery/Culinary Arts sector.

P.180/13

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Integrating Sri Lankan food culture with the teaching and learning process,— That this Parliament resolves that a programme be formulated to uplift the Sri Lankan identity internationally, by transferring Sri Lankan food culture to the future generations through teaching and learning methodologies and spreading our food culture among locals and foreigners, in the context that the Sri Lankan food culture has been formed with a number of sectors including the art of flavours and blending, art of cookery, art of colouring and cutting technique.