



(Eighth Parliament - First Session)

No. 17.]

MINUTES OF PARLIAMENT

Friday, November 20, 2015 at 2.00 p.m.

PRESENT :

The Hon. Karu Jayasuriya, Speaker

The Hon. Thilanga Sumathipala, Deputy Speaker and Chairman of Committees

The Hon. Selvam Adaikkalanathan, Deputy Chairman of Committees

The Hon. Ranil Wickremesinghe, Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies
and Economic Affairs

The Hon. (Mrs.) Thalatha Atukorale, Minister of Foreign Employment

The Hon. Wajira Abeywardana, Minister of Home Affairs

The Hon. John Amaratunga, Minister of Tourism Development and Christian
Religious Affairs

The Hon. Mahinda Amaraweera, Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources
Development

The Hon. (Dr.) Sarath Amunugama, Minister of Special Assignment

The Hon. Gayantha Karunatileka, Minister of Parliamentary Reforms and Mass
Media and the Chief Government Whip

The Hon. Ravi Karunanayake, Minister of Finance

The Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam, Minister of Education

The Hon. Lakshman Kiriella, Minister of Higher Education and Highways and the
Leader of the House of Parliament

The Hon. Mano Ganesan, Minister of National Dialogue

The Hon. Daya Gamage, Minister of Primary Industries

The Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Minister of Sports

The Hon. Nimal Siripala de Silva, Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation

The Hon. Palany Thigambaram, Minister of Hill Country New Villages,
Infrastructure and Community Development

The Hon. Duminda Dissanayake, Minister of Agriculture

The Hon. Navin Dissanayake, Minister of Plantation Industries

The Hon. S. B. Dissanayake, Minister of Social Empowerment and Welfare

The Hon. S. B. Nawinne, Minister of Internal Affairs, Wayamba Development and Cultural Affairs

The Hon. Gamini Jayawickrama Perera, Minister of Sustainable Development and Wildlife

The Hon. Harin Fernando, Minister of Telecommunication and Digital Infrastructure

The Hon. A. D. Susil Premajayantha, Minister of Science, Technology and Research

The Hon. Sajith Premadasa, Minister of Housing and Construction

The Hon. Rishad Bathiudeen, Minister of Industry and Commerce

The Hon. R. M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara, Minister of Public Administration and Management

The Hon. (Mrs.) Chandrani Bandara, Minister of Women and Child Affairs

The Hon. Faiszer Musthapha, Minister of Provincial Councils and Local Government

The Hon. Anura Priyadharshana Yapa, Minister of Disaster Management

The Hon. Sagala Ratnayaka, Minister of Law and Order and Southern Development

The Hon. Arjuna Ranatunga, Minister of Ports and Shipping

The Hon. Patali Champika Ranawaka, Minister of Megapolis and Western Development

The Hon. Chandima Weerakkody, Minister of Petroleum Resources Development

The Hon. Malik Samarawickrama, Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade

The Hon. Mangala Samaraweera, Minister of Foreign Affairs

The Hon. Mahinda Samarasinghe, Minister of Skills Development and Vocational Training

The Hon. Ranjith Siyambalapitiya, Minister of Power and Renewable Energy

The Hon. W. D. J. Senewiratne, Minister of Labour and Trade Unions Relations

The Hon. Wijith Wijayamuni Zoysa, Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources Management

The Hon. D. M. Swaminathan, Minister of Prisons Reforms, Rehabilitation, Resettlement and Hindu Religious Affairs

The Hon. Rauff Hakeem, Minister of City Planning and Water Supply

The Hon. Abdul Haleem, Minister of Post, Postal Services and Muslim Religious Affairs

The Hon. Kabir Hashim, Minister of Public Enterprise Development

The Hon. P. Harrison, Minister of Rural Economic Affairs

The Hon. Lakshman Yapa Abeywardena, State Minister of Finance

The Hon. Wasantha Aluwihare, State Minister of Agriculture

The Hon. T. B. Ekanayake, State Minister of Lands

The Hon. Mohan Lal Grero, State Minister of Higher Education

The Hon. Piyanakara Jayaratne, State Minister of Law and Order and Southern
Development

The Hon. Dilan Perera, State Minister of Highways

The Hon. Niroshan Perera, State Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs

The Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Sudarshini Fernandopulle, State Minister of City Planning and
Water Supply

The Hon. A. D. Premadasa, State Minister of Industry and Commerce Affairs

The Hon. Palitha Range Bandara, State Minister of Skills Development and
Vocational Training

The Hon. (Mrs.) Vijayakala Maheswaran, State Minister of Child Affairs

The Hon. V. S. Radhakrishnan, State Minister of Education

The Hon. Ruwan Wijewardene, State Minister of Defence

The Hon. Dilip Wedaarachchi, State Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources
Development

The Hon. Ravindra Samaraweera, State Minister of Labour and Trade Unions
Relations

The Hon. Sujeewa Senasinghe, State Minister of International Trade

The Hon. Vasantha Senanayake, State Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources
Management

The Hon. M. L. A. M. Hizbullah, State Minister of Rehabilitation and Resettlement

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The Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe, Deputy Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation

The Hon. Lasantha Alagiyawanna, Deputy Minister of Megapolis and Western
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The Hon. Faizal Cassim, Deputy Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous
Medicine

The Hon. Dunesh Gankanda, Deputy Minister of Disaster Management

The Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage, Deputy Minister of Petroleum Resources
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The Hon. (Mrs.) Sumedha G. Jayasena, Deputy Minister of Sustainable Development
and Wildlife

The Hon. (Dr.) Harsha De Silva, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs

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The Hon. Duleep Wijsekera, Deputy Minister of Post, Postal Services and Muslim
Religious Affairs

The Hon. Ameer Ali Shihabdeen, Deputy Minister of Rural Economic Affairs

The Hon. H. M. M. Harees, Deputy Minister of Sports

The Hon. Hector Appuhamy

The Hon. Rohitha Abeygunawardana

The Hon. Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena

The Hon. Sisira Kumara Abeysekera

The Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena

The Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala

The Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma

The Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage

The Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage

The Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare

The Hon. A. Aravindh Kumar

The Hon. J. M. Ananda Kumarasiri

The Hon. (Mrs.) Geetha Samanmalee Kumarasingha

The Hon. Velu Kumar

The Hon. Nalaka Prasad Colonne
The Hon. Kaveendiran Kodeeswaran
The Hon. Chandrasiri Gajadeera
The Hon. Chandima Gamage
The Hon. Siripala Gamalath
The Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila
The Hon. Nihal Galappaththi
The Hon. Dinesh Gunawardena
The Hon. Bandula Gunawardane
The Hon. Edward Gunasekara
The Hon. S. M. Chandrasena
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The Hon. Mohamed Navavi
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The Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara
The Hon. I. Charles Nirmalanathan
The Hon. Buddhika Pathirana
The Hon. (Dr.) Ramesh Pathirana

The Hon. K. K. Piyadasa
The Hon. Sanath Nishantha Perera
The Hon. Sujith Sanjaya Perera
The Hon. Johnston Fernando
The Hon. Ashoka Priyantha
The Hon. (Mrs.) Hirunika Premachandra
The Hon. S. Premarathna
The Hon. Bandula Lal Bandarigoda
The Hon. Tharaka Balasuriya
The Hon. Vijitha Berugoda
The Hon. Muhammad Ibrahim Muhammad Mansoor
The Hon. S. M. Marikkar
The Hon. K. Kader Masthan
The Hon. Imran Maharooft
The Hon. Abdullah Mahrooff
The Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma
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The Hon. (Prof.) Ashu Marasinghe
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The Hon. Seeniththamby Yoheeswaran
The Hon. (Ven.) Athuraliye Rathana Thero
The Hon. C. B. Rathnayake
The Hon. Prasanna Ranaweera
The Hon. Roshan Ranasinghe
The Hon. Keheliya Rambukwella
The Hon. Ishak Rahuman
The Hon. Mujibur Rahuman
The Hon. Harshana Rajakaruna
The Hon. Chamal Rajapaksa
The Hon. Namal Rajapaksa
The Hon. Mahinda Rajapaksa
The Hon. Angajan Ramanathan
The Hon. Gamini Lokuge
The Hon. Janaka Wakkumbura
The Hon. (Mrs.) Pavithradevi Wanniarachchi
The Hon. Vidura Wickramanayaka
The Hon. (Dr.) Jayampathy Wickramaratne

The Hon. A. A. Wijethunga
The Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Thusitha Wijemanna
The Hon. Lakshman Ananda Wijemanne
The Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna
The Hon. (Mrs.) Sriyani Wijewickrama
The Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri
The Hon. Kanchana Wijesekara
The Hon. Heshu Withanage
The Hon. Thenuka Vidanagamage
The Hon. Wimal Weerawansa
The Hon. Kumara Welgama
The Hon. Gnanamuthu Srineshan
The Hon. (Mrs.) Shanthi Sriskandarasa
The Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera
The Hon. Sandith Samarasinghe
The Hon. Rajavarothiam Sampanthan, Leader of the Opposition in Parliament
The Hon. E. Saravanapavan
The Hon. M. H. M. Salman
The Hon. Dharmalingam Sithadthan
The Hon. Muthu Sivalingam
The Hon. Sivasakthy Ananthan
The Hon. M. A. Sumanthiran
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The Hon. Lakshman Senewiratne
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The Hon. Shehan Semasinghe
The Hon. Sunil Handunnetti
The Hon. (Dr) A. R. A. Hafeez
The Hon. Wijepala Hettiarachchi
The Hon. Indika Anuruddha Herath
The Hon. Kanaka Herath
The Hon. Vijitha Herath

Mr. Dhammika Dasanayake, Secretary-General of Parliament

Mr. Neil Iddawala, Deputy Secretary-General

Mrs. Kushani Rohanadeera, Assistant Secretary-General

Parliament met pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker took the Chair.

1. Presentation of Papers : The Minister of Parliamentary Reforms and Mass Media presented the Draft Budget Estimates of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka for the Fiscal Year 2016.

Ordered that the said Papers do lie upon the **Table**.

2. Business of the Parliament : The Leader of the House of Parliament moved,— That the proceedings on Item No. 1 of Public Business appearing on the Order Paper be exempted at this day's sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order No. 7 of the Parliament and the motion agreed to by Parliament on 06.10.2015.

Question put, and agreed to.

3. Appropriation Bill (2016) : Order for Second Reading read.

The Minister of Finance moved,— That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question proposed.

The Minister of Higher Education and Highways moved,—That the debate be now adjourned.

Question put, and agreed to.

Debate to be resumed on Saturday, November 21, 2015.

4. Adjournment : The Leader of the House of Parliament moved,— That the Parliament do now adjourn.

Question put, and agreed to; the Parliament was at 6.30 p.m. adjourned until 9.30 a.m. on Saturday, November 21, 2015 pursuant to the Resolution of Parliament on 06th November 2015.