



(Eighth Parliament - First Session)

No. **19.**]

MINUTES OF PARLIAMENT

Monday, November 23, 2015 at 9.30 a.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. (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. Duminda Dissanayake, Minister of Agriculture

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

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

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. (Dr.) Wijeyadasa Rajapakshe, Minister of Justice and Minister of
Buddhasasana

The Hon. Chandima Weerakkody, Minister of Petroleum Resources Development

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

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. Lakshman Yapa Abeywardena, State Minister of Finance

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

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

The Hon. A. H. M. Fowzie, State Minister of National Integration and Reconciliation

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

The Hon. Lasantha Alagiyawanna, Deputy Minister of Megapolis and Western
Development

The Hon. Faizal Cassim, Deputy Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous
Medicine

The Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage, Deputy Minister of Petroleum Resources
Development

The Hon. Anuradha Jayaratne, Deputy Minister of Mahaweli Development and
Environment

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

The Hon. H. R. Sarathie Dushmantha, Deputy Minister of Justice

The Hon. Karunarathna Paranawithana, Deputy Minister of Provincial Councils and
Local Government

The Hon. Susantha Punchinilame, Deputy Minister of Public Administration and
Management

The Hon. Ajith P. Perera, Deputy Minister of Power and Renewable Energy

The Hon. Lakshman Wasantha Perera, Deputy Minister of Plantation Industries

The Hon. Arundika Fernando, Deputy Minister of Tourism Development and
Christian Religious Affairs

The Hon. Tharanath Basnayaka, Deputy Minister of Telecommunication and Digital
Infrastructure

The Hon. Ranjan Ramanayake, Deputy Minister of Social Empowerment and
Welfare

The Hon. Nimal Lanza, Deputy Minister of Home Affairs

The Hon. Eran Wickramaratne, Deputy Minister of Public Enterprise Development

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

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

The Hon. Hector Appuhamy

The Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena

The Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala
The Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma
The Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage
The Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare
The Hon. J. M. Ananda Kumarasiri
The Hon. Velu Kumar
The Hon. Nalaka Prasad Colonne
The Hon. Kaveendiran Kodeeswaran
The Hon. Chandrasiri Gajadeera
The Hon. Chandima Gamage
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
The Hon. D. V. Chanaka
The Hon. Sisira Jayakody
The Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa
The Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha
The Hon. Anura Sidney Jayarathne
The Hon. (Dr.) Kavinda Heshan Jayawardana
The Hon. Lucky Jayawardana
The Hon. K. Thurairetnasingam
The Hon. Palitha Thewarapperuma
The Hon. Piyal Nishantha De Silva
The Hon. Anura Dissanayaka
The Hon. Mayantha Dissanayake
The Hon. Wimalaweera Dissanayaka
The Hon. Weerakumara Dissanayake
The Hon. Salinda Dissanayake
The Hon. Mohamed Navavi
The Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara
The Hon. I. Charles Nirmalanathan
The Hon. Buddhika Pathirana
The Hon. K. K. Piyadasa
The Hon. Sujith Sanjaya Perera

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. Imran Maharooof
The Hon. Abdullah Mahrooff
The Hon. Tilak Marapana
The Hon. (Prof.) Ashu Marasinghe
The Hon. Seeniththamby Yoheeswaran
The Hon. (Ven.) Athuraliye Rathana Thero
The Hon. Bimal Rathnayake
The Hon. Lohan Ratwatte
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. Namal Rajapaksa
The Hon. Gamini Lokuge
The Hon. Janaka Wakkumbura
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. Chaminda Wijesiri
The Hon. Heshu Withanage
The Hon. Thenuka Vidanagamage
The Hon. S. Viyalanderan
The Hon. Wimal Weerawansa
The Hon. Kumara Welgama
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. M. H. M. Salman

The Hon. M. A. Sumanthiran

The Hon. Lakshman Senewiratne

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 Amended Budget Estimates of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka for the Fiscal Year 2015.

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

Suspension of Sitting

10.30 a.m.

The sitting was suspended until 11.02 a.m.

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The Sitting was resumed. The Speaker took the Chair.

2. Sittings of the Parliament : The Leader of the House of Parliament moved,—
That notwithstanding the motion agreed to by Parliament on 06.11.2015, the hours of sitting this day shall be 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.. At 7.00 p.m. Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the Parliament without question put.

Question put, and agreed to.

3. Appropriation Bill (2016) - (Second Allotted Day) : Order read for resuming adjourned debate on Question (20th November, 2015).

“ That the Bill be now read a second time”

Question again proposed; and debate resumed.

The Minister of Megapolis and Western Development moved,— That Hon. Lucky Jayawardana do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 11.19 a.m. Hon. Lucky Jayawardana took the Chair.)

The Minister of Special Assignment moved,— That Hon. Edward Gunasekara do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 1.25 p.m. Hon. Edward Gunasekara took the Chair.)

The Minister of Ports and Shipping moved,— That Hon. Bimal Rathnayake do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 2.20 p.m. Hon. Bimal Rathnayake took the Chair.)

(At 3.10 p.m. the Deputy Chairman of Committees took the Chair.)

The Minister of Higher Education and Highways moved,— That Hon. Edward Gunasekara do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 5.11 p.m. Hon. Edward Gunasekara took the Chair.)

And it being 6.30 p.m. the debate stood adjourned; debate to be resumed on Tuesday, November 24, 2015.

4. Adjournment : The Minister of Parliamentary Reforms and Mass Media moved,— That this Parliament do now adjourn.

Question put, and agreed to; the Parliament was at 6.30 p.m. adjourned until 9.30 a.m. On Tuesday, November 24, 2015 pursuant to the Resolution of Parliament on 06th November 2015.