



(Eighth Parliament - First Session)

No. 23.]

MINUTES OF PARLIAMENT

Saturday, November 28, 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. Mahinda Amaraweera, Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources
Development

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. 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. Navin Dissanayake, Minister of Plantation Industries

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

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

The Hon. Rishad Bathiudeen, Minister of Industry and Commerce

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. Malik Samarawickrama, Minister of Development Strategies and
International Trade

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

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. T. B. Ekanayake, State Minister of Lands

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

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

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

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

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. Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena

The Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena

The Hon. Dilum Amunugama

The Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala

The Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma

The Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage

The Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare

The Hon. J. M. Ananda Kumarasiri

The Hon. Nalaka Prasad Colonne

The Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila

The Hon. Nihal Galappaththi

The Hon. Dinesh Gunawardena

The Hon. Bandula Gunawardane

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. Lucky Jayawardana

The Hon. Mylvaganam Thilakarajah
The Hon. K. Thurairetnasingam
The Hon. Janaka Bandara Tennakoon
The Hon. Salinda Dissanayake
The Hon. Mohamed Navavi
The Hon. I. Charles Nirmalanathan
The Hon. K. K. Piyadasa
The Hon. Sujith Sanjaya Perera
The Hon. Ashoka Priyantha
The Hon. (Mrs.) Hirunika Premachandra
The Hon. Bandula Lal Bandarigoda
The Hon. Tharaka Balasuriya
The Hon. Vijitha Berugoda
The Hon. K. Kader Masthan
The Hon. Imran Maharoof
The Hon. Tilak Marapana
The Hon. (Prof.) Ashu Marasinghe
The Hon. Prasanna Ranaweera
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. Angajan Ramanathan
The Hon. Gamini Lokuge
The Hon. (Dr.) Jayampathy Wickramaratne
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. Hesha Withanage
The Hon. S. Viyalanderan
The Hon. Gnanamuthu Srineshan
The Hon. Sandith Samarasinghe

The Hon. Rajavarothingiam Sampanthan, Leader of the Opposition in Parliament

The Hon. M. H. M. Salman

The Hon. Dharmalingam Sithadthan

The Hon. (Dr.) S. Sivamohan

The Hon. Vadivel Suresh

The Hon. Lakshman Senewiratne

The Hon. Ali Zahir Moulana Seyed

The Hon. Shehan Semasinghe

The Hon. Wijepala Hettiarachchi

The Hon. Indika Anuruddha 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 Industry and Commerce presented,— The Annual Performance Report of the Co-operative Employees Commission for the year 2014.

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

2. Business of the Parliament : The Leader of the House of Parliament moved,— That December 03rd Thursday, 04th Friday, 05th Saturday, 07th Monday, 08th Tuesday, 09th Wednesday, 10th Thursday, 11th Friday, 12th Saturday, 14th Monday, 15th Tuesday, 16th Wednesday, 17th Thursday, 18th Friday and 19th Saturday, 2015 be allotted days for the consideration of the “Appropriation Bill (2016)”.

Question put, and agreed to.

3. Sittings of the Parliament (No. 1) : The Leader of the House of Parliament moved,— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 70(2) of the Parliament, the hours of sittings of Parliament on allotted days for consideration of the “Appropriation Bill (2016)” from December 03rd Thursday to 19th Saturday, 2015 shall be 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.. At 6.30 p.m. paragraphs (5) and (6) of Standing Order No. 7 of the Parliament shall operate.

Question put, and agreed to.

4. Sittings of the Parliament (No. 2) : The Leader of the House of Parliament moved,— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 70(2) of the Parliament and the motion agreed to by Parliament this day, the hours of sittings of Parliament on allotted days for consideration of the “Appropriation Bill (2016)” on Fridays, December 04th, 11th, and 18th, 2015 shall be 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.. At 6.30 p.m. paragraph (5) and (6) of Standing Order No. 7 of the Parliament shall operate.

Question put, and agreed to.

5. Sittings of the Parliament (No. 3) : The Leader of the House of Parliament moved,— That notwithstanding the motions agreed to by Parliament this day and on Friday, November 06th, 2015, the hours of sitting of Parliament on Wednesday 02nd and Saturday 19th December, 2015 shall be 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.. At 5.00 p.m. Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the Parliament without question put.

Question put, and agreed to.

6. Appropriation Bill (2016) - (Sixth 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 Parliamentary Reforms and Mass Media moved,— That Hon. Lucky Jayawardana do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 10.25 a.m. Hon. Lucky Jayawardana took the Chair.)

The Minister of Law and Order and Southern Development moved,— That Hon. J. M. Ananda Kumarasiri do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 11.55 a.m. Hon. J. M. Ananda Kumarasiri took the Chair.)

(At 1.00 p.m. the Deputy Speaker took the Chair.)

Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage seconded by Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasekera moved,— That Hon. Mujibur Rahuman do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 2.55 p.m. Hon. Mujibur Rahuman took the Chair.)

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

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 4.15 p.m. Hon. Gnanamuthu Srineshan took the Chair.)

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

Question put, and agreed to.

The Debate to be resumed on Monday, November 30, 2015.

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

Question put, and agreed to; the Parliament was at 4.55 p.m. adjourned until 9.30 a.m. on Monday, November 30, 2015 pursuant to the Resolution of Parliament on 06th November, 2015.