



*(Eighth Parliament - First Session)*

No. 32. ]

## MINUTES OF PARLIAMENT

Wednesday, December 09, 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

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**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 Co-existence, Dialogue and Official  
Languages

**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. 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. (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. 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. (Dr.) Rajitha Senaratne**, Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine

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

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

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

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

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

**The Hon. Dunes Gankanda**, Deputy Minister of Disaster Management

**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. (Mrs.) Sumedha G. Jayasena**, Deputy Minister of Sustainable Development  
and Wildlife

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

**The Hon. Karunarathna Paranawithana**, Deputy Minister of Parliamentary Reforms  
and Mass Media

**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. Indika Bandaranayake**, Deputy Minister of Housing and Construction

**The Hon. Nishantha Muthuhettigamage**, Deputy Minister of Ports and Shipping Affairs

**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. H. M. M. Harees**, Deputy Minister of Sports

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**The Hon. Hector Appuhamy**

**The Hon. Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena**

**The Hon. Sisira Kumara Abeysekera**

**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. Chandima Gamage**

**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. Malith Jayathilake**  
**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. Mylvaganam Thilakarajah**  
**The Hon. K. Thurairetnasingam**  
**The Hon. Janaka Bandara Tennakoon**  
**The Hon. Palitha Kumara Thewarapperuma**  
**The Hon. Sirinal de Mel**  
**The Hon. Piyal Nishantha De Silva**  
**The Hon. T. Ranjith De Zoysa**  
**The Hon. Wimalaweera Dissanayaka**  
**The Hon. Weerakumara Dissanayake**  
**The Hon. Mohamed Navavi**  
**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. Ashoka Priyantha**  
**The Hon. (Mrs.) Hirunika Premachandra**  
**The Hon. S. Premarathna**  
**The Hon. Bandula Lal Bandarigoda**  
**The Hon. Tharaka Balasuriya**  
**The Hon. Muhammad Ibrahim Muhammad Mansoor**  
**The Hon. S. M. Marikkar**  
**The Hon. K. Kader Masthan**  
**The Hon. Imran Maharoof**  
**The Hon. Abdullah Mahrooff**  
**The Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma**

**The Hon. Tilak Marapana**  
**The Hon. (Prof.) Ashu Marasinghe**  
**The Hon. Seeniththamby Yohewaran**  
**The Hon. C. B. Rathnayake**  
**The Hon. Lohan Ratwatte**  
**The Hon. Prasanna Ranatunga**  
**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. (Mrs.) Pavithradevi Wanniarachchi**  
**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. Hesha Withanage**  
**The Hon. Kumara Welgama**  
**The Hon. S. Shritharan**  
**The Hon. Sandith Samarasinghe**  
**The Hon. Rajavarothiam Sampanthan, Leader of the Opposition in Parliament**  
**The Hon. E. Saravanapavan**  
**The Hon. Dharmalingam Sithadthan**  
**The Hon. (Dr.) S. Sivamohan**  
**The Hon. Muthu Sivalingam**  
**The Hon. Sivasakthy Ananthan**  
**The Hon. Vadivel Suresh**  
**The Hon. Lakshman Senewiratne**  
**The Hon. Ali Zahir Moulana Seyed**  
**The Hon. Mavai S. Senathirajah**  
**The Hon. Chathura Sandeepa Senaratne**  
**The Hon. Sunil Handunnetti**

**The Hon. (Dr.) A. R. A. Hafeez**

**The Hon. Wijepala Hettiarachchi**

**The Hon. Indika Anuruddha Herath**

**The Hon. Kanaka Herath**

Mr. Dhammika Dasanayake, Secretary-General of Parliament

Mr. Neil Iddawala, Deputy Secretary-General

Mrs. Kushani Rohanadeera, Assistant Secretary-General

Mr. Tikiri K. Jayathilake, Assistant Secretary-General

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

**1. Petitions :**

(1) Hon. Wasantha Aluwihare presented —

- (i) a petition dated 12.09.2015 from Mr. A. M. Wickramasinghe of Baddeggedara, Ganegoda, Thenna, Matale;
- (ii) a petition dated 10.10.2015 from Mr. A. P. Wijerathna of No. 50/8, Kirulagama, Palapathwala, Matale;
- (iii) a petition dated 05.10.2015 from Mr. H. M. G. Yuwaratna of No. 188/1 A, Dumbukola, Katudeniya;
- (iv) a petition dated 26.10.2015 from Mr. I. P. Uparis of No. 44, Kirimetiya, Owilikanda, Matale;
- (v) a petition dated 14.10.2015 from Mr. M. H. G. S. K. Premakeerthi of No. 316/4, Vijaya Mawatha, Alugolla, Nalanda;
- (vi) a petition dated 20.10.2015 from Mrs. S. G. Rathnadiwakara of No. 20/A, Agalawatta Road, Matale; and
- (vii) a petition dated 09.10.2015 from Mr. S. H. M. Wijesekara of No. 116/1, Nikakotuwwatta, Samandawa Road, Aluwiharaya, Matale.

(2) Hon. Gamini Lokuge presented a petition dated 06.10.2015 from Mr. R. M. Tikiri Banda of No. 41/1, Bimbarama Road, Piliyandala.

(3) Hon. Lucky Jayawardana presented —

- (i) a petition dated 03.10.2015 from Mr. A. G. K. S. Jayasinghe of No. 84/C, Gurudeniya, Gelioya;
- (ii) a petition dated 04.07.2006 from Mr. H. M. T. B. Herath of No. 53, Dehideniya, Peradeniya;
- (iii) a petition dated 25.09.2015 from Mr. J. S. B. Galagoda of No. 192, Pahala Gunnepana, Polgolla;
- (iv) a petition dated 05.10.2015 from Mr. Saman Indika Athapaththu of No. 181, Wevegama, Dehida, Nawalapitiya;
- (v) a petition dated 07.10.2015 from Mrs. W. M. Swarna Wijesundara of No. 22/1 C, Ranundeniya Road, Kiribathkumbura; and

- (vi) a petition dated 24.10.2015 from Mr. Y. B. Wijerathna Banda of No. 313/C, Yalegoda, Handessa.
- (4) Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare presented —
- (i) a petition dated 12.10.2015 from Mr. A. M. U. P. K. Attanayake of Sisarawatta, Kandalama Road, Dambulla;
  - (ii) a petition dated 28.09.2015 from Mr. I. I. W. W. N. Bandara of R.P.C. / 1409, Inamaluwagama, Inamaluwa; and
  - (iii) a petition dated 30.09.2015 from Mr. L. C. L. S. Mahanama of “Dewithilina”, Kandulawa Road, Ibbagamuwa.
- (5) Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma presented —
- (i) a petition dated 20.10.2015 from Mrs. A. P. Ayomi Abedeera of No.210/11, Makola Road, Kiribathgoda;
  - (ii) a petition dated 17.09.2015 from Mr. B. Jayarathna of No. 49/17, Abrew Road, Kaluthara North;
  - (iii) a petition dated 10.10.2015 from Mr. K. C. Athula Kumara of No. 136, Pilikuththuwa, Buthpitiya;
  - (iv) a petition dated 03.06.2015 from Mr. P. Charlis of No. 72, Gemunu Mawatha, Thibbotugoda, Ganemulla;
  - (v) a petition dated 26.10.2015 from Mr. P. A. Palliyaguru of No. 167/2/1, Lakshmi Road, Gampaha;
  - (vi) a petition dated 10.10.2015 from Mrs. R. M. P. C Rathnayake of No. 125/8, Church Road, Monaratennawatta, Aluthgama - Bogamuwa, Yakkala;
  - (vii) a petition dated 14.09.2015 from Mrs. W. P. M. Pathirana of No. 6, Helasiri Mawatha, Boragodawatta, Minuwangoda; and
  - (viii) a petition dated 19.09.2015 from Mr. W. W. A. D. Fernando of Siyane Village, Maharagama, Mudungoda.
- (6) Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa presented —
- (i) a petition dated 19.10.2015 from Mrs. D. M. Hewawithana of Labour Officer, District Labour Office, Kalutara;
  - (ii) a petition dated 22.09.2015 from Mr. Mahinda Karusekara of No. 543/1, Sundarapola Road, Yanthampalawa, Kurunegala; and
  - (iii) a petition dated 19.10.2015 from Mr. W. Sumith Premalal Fernando of No. 41, Bodaragama Park, Yatadola Watta, Mathugama.

The Petitions stood referred under Standing Order No. 25A of the Parliament, to the Committee on Public Petitions.

**2. Leave to introduce Bill :** Hon. Edward Gunasekara seconded by Hon. Lucky Jayawardana moved,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Ranjith Aluvihare Foundation.”

Question put, and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read the first time, and ordered to be printed.

The Bill stood referred under Standing Order No. 47(5) of the Parliament, to the Minister of Social Empowerment and Welfare for report.

**3. Appropriation Bill (2016) - (Fifteenth Allotted Day) :** Considered further in the Committee .

*(In the Committee)*

The Speaker took the Chair.

Head 114

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa proposed that the Programme be reduced by Rs. 10/-.

(At 10.29 a.m. Hon. Edward Gunasekara took the Chair.)

(At 1.40 p.m. Hon. Lucky Jayawardana took the Chair.)

(At 2.15 p.m. the Deputy Chairman of Committees took the Chair.)

(At 5.01 p.m. Hon. Edward Gunasekara took the Chair.)

Question put, and negatived.

The Minister of Higher Education and Highways on behalf of the Minister of Finance proposed an amendment to leave out line 11 in page 15 of the Schedule, and insert,—

“Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation”

Question that the amendment be agreed to, put, and agreed to.

The Minister of Higher Education and Highways on behalf of the Minister of Finance proposed another amendment to leave out line 15 in page 15 of the Schedule, and insert,—

“Head 114 Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation”

Question that the amendment be agreed to, put, and agreed to.

Question that the Clauses of the Head 114, as amended stand part of the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Question that the sum of Rs. 297,550,000 for Head 114, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 23,100,000 for Head 114, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 1,150,500,000 for Head 114, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 21,233,000,000 for Head 114, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 306

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 13,592,500,000 for Head 306, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 20,585,100,000 for Head 306, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 307

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 1,632,400,000 for Head 307, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 1,016,500,000 for Head 307, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 151

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 210,000,000 for Head 151, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 41,420,000 for Head 151, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 980,000,000 for Head 151, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 1,665,000,000 for Head 151, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 290

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 381,925,000 for Head 290, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 1,654,700,000 for Head 290, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 176

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 157,900,000 for Head 176, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 13,700,000 for Head 176, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 519,000,000 for Head 176, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Whereupon the Minister of Higher Education and Highways proposed that the Chairman do report progress and ask leave to sit again.

Question put, and agreed to.

Committee report progress; to sit again on Thursday, December 10, 2015.

**4. Adjournment (Use of Substandard Insecticides) :** The Leader of the House of Parliament moved,— That this Parliament do now adjourn.

Question proposed, and debated.

Question put, and agreed to; the Parliament was at 6.30 p. m. adjourned until 9.30 a.m. on Thursday, December 10, 2015 pursuant to the Resolution of Parliament on 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2015.