



(Eighth Parliament - First Session)

No. 44.]

MINUTES OF PARLIAMENT

Tuesday, January 26, 2016 at 1.00 p.m.

PRESENT :

Hon. Karu Jayasuriya, Speaker

Hon. Thilanga Sumathipala, Deputy Speaker and Chairman of Committees

Hon. Selvam Adaikkalanathan, Deputy Chairman of Committees

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

Hon. Wajira Abeywardana, Minister of Home Affairs

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

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

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

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

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake, Minister of Finance

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam, Minister of Education

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

Hon. Mano Ganesan, Minister of National Co-existence, Dialogue and Official
Languages

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

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

Hon. Navin Dissanayake, Minister of Plantation Industries

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

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

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

Hon. Harin Fernando, Minister of Telecommunication and Digital Infrastructure

Hon. Rishad Bathiudeen, Minister of Industry and Commerce

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

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

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

Hon. Anura Priyadharshana Yapa, Minister of Disaster Management

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

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

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

Hon. Chandima Weerakkody, Minister of Petroleum Resources Development

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

Hon. Mangala Samaraweera, Minister of Foreign Affairs

Hon. Ranjith Siyambalapitiya, Minister of Power and Renewable Energy

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

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

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

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

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

Hon. Kabir Hashim, Minister of Public Enterprise Development

Hon. P. Harrison, Minister of Rural Economic Affairs

Hon. Wasantha Aluwihare, State Minister of Agriculture

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

Hon. Mohan Lal Grero, State Minister of Higher Education

Hon. Piyanakara Jayaratne, State Minister of Provincial Councils and Local Government

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Hon. Duneshe Gankanda, Deputy Minister of Disaster Management

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

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

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

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

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

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

Hon. Lakshman Wasantha Perera, Deputy Minister of Plantation Industries

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

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

Hon. Nimal Lanza, Deputy Minister of Home Affairs

Hon. Eran Wickramaratne, Deputy Minister of Public Enterprise Development

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

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

Hon. Hector Appuhamy

Hon. Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena

Hon. Sisira Kumara Abeysekara

Hon. Dilum Amunugama

Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala

Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage
Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare
Hon. A. Aravindh Kumar
Hon. J. M. Ananda Kumarasiri
Hon. (Mrs.) Geetha Samanmalee Kumarasingha
Hon. Velu Kumar
Hon. Nalaka Prasad Colonne
Hon. Kaveendiran Kodeeswaran
Hon. Chandrasiri Gajadeera
Hon. Chandima Gamage
Hon. Siripala Gamalath
Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila
Hon. Nihal Galappaththi
Hon. Dinesh Gunawardena
Hon. Bandula Gunawardane
Hon. Edward Gunasekara
Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera
Hon. S. M. Chandrasena
Hon. D. V. Chanaka
Hon. Sisira Jayakody
Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa
Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha
Hon. (Dr.) Kavinda Heshan Jayawardana
Hon. Lucky Jayawardana
Hon. Mylvaganam Thilakarajah
Hon. K. Thurairetnasingam
Hon. M. S. Thowfeek
Hon. Sirinal de Mel
Hon. Piyal Nishantha De Silva
Hon. Anura Dissanayaka
Hon. Mayantha Dissanayake
Hon. Wimalaweera Dissanayaka
Hon. Weerakumara Dissanayake
Hon. Douglas Devananda
Hon. Mohamed Navavi
Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara
Hon. I. Charles Nirmalanathan

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana
Hon. (Dr.) Ramesh Pathirana
Hon. K. K. Piyadasa
Hon. Sanath Nishantha Perera
Hon. Sujith Sanjaya Perera
Hon. Ashoka Priyantha
Hon. S. Premarathna
Hon. Bandula Lal Bandarigoda
Hon. Tharaka Balasuriya
Hon. Vijitha Berugoda
Hon. Muhammad Ibrahim Muhammad Mansoor
Hon. S. M. Marikkar
Hon. K. Kader Masthan
Hon. Imran Maharroof
Hon. Abdullah Mahrooff
Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma
Hon. Tilak Marapana
Hon. (Prof.) Ashu Marasinghe
Hon. S. C. Mutukumarana
Hon. Seeniththamby Yoheswaran
Hon. (Ven.) Athuraliye Rathana Thero
Hon. Bimal Rathnayake
Hon. C. B. Rathnayake
Hon. Prasanna Ranatunga
Hon. Prasanna Ranaweera
Hon. Roshan Ranasinghe
Hon. Keheliya Rambukwella
Hon. Ishak Rahuman
Hon. Mujibur Rahuman
Hon. Harshana Rajakaruna
Hon. Chamal Rajapaksa
Hon. Namal Rajapaksa
Hon. Angajan Ramanathan
Hon. Gamini Lokuge
Hon. Janaka Wakkumbura
Hon. (Mrs.) Pavithradevi Wanniarachchi
Hon. Vidura Wickramanayaka

Hon. (Dr.) Jayampathy Wickramaratne

Hon. A. A. Wijethunga

Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Thusitha Wijemanna

Hon. Lakshman Ananda Wijemanne

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna

Hon. (Mrs.) Sriyani Wijewickrama

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri

Hon. Kanchana Wijesekara

Hon. Thenuka Vidanagamage

Hon. S. Viyalanderan

Hon. Wimal Weerawansa

Hon. Kumara Welgama

Hon. S. Shritharan

Hon. Gnanamuthu Srineshan

Hon. (Mrs.) Shanthi Sriskandarasa

Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera

Hon. M. H. M. Salman

Hon. (Dr.) S. Sivamohan

Hon. Muthu Sivalingam

Hon. M. A. Sumanthiran

Hon. Lakshman Senewiratne

Hon. Ali Zahir Moulana Seyed

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti

Hon. Wijepala Hettiarachchi

Hon. Indika Anuruddha Herath

Hon. Kanaka Herath

Hon. Vijitha 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. Oath or Affirmation : The Hon. Mohammad Shariff Thoufeek, Member of Parliament under Article 99A of the Constitution; made and subscribed the Affirmation required by law and signed the **Book** at the **Table**.

2. Announcements by the Speaker : The Speaker made the following announcements :-

I

“I wish to inform this House that the Secretary-General of Parliament has received the Letter of Resignation from the Hon. (Dr.) A. R. A. Hafeez, Member of Parliament. The Letter of Resignation will be read now.”

The Secretary General of Parliament accordingly read the following letter :—

“ 19th January 2016

Secretary General
Parliament
Sri Jayewardenepura
Kotte

Dear Sir,

Resignation as a Member of Parliament

This is to inform you that I hereby resign from my seat as a Member of Parliament with effect from today the 19th of January 2016.

I wish to thank you and staff for all the assistance extended to me during the period I served as a Member of Parliament.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

Dr. A.R.A. Hafeez, M.P.”

II

“It is with great regret that I have to announce to Parliament the death of Hon. M. K. A. D. S. Gunawardana, M.P., Minister of Lands and I desire on behalf of the Parliament to express the deep sense of loss that we have sustained, and our sincere sympathy with the members of the family of the Member.

The Vote of Condolence in this regard will be taken up in Parliament on a future date.”

III

“I wish to inform the Parliament in terms of Standing Order No. 50(2)(a) that I have received copies of two petitions filed at the Supreme Court under Article 121(1) of the Constitution in respect of the Bill titled “Local Authorities Elections (Amendment)”.”

IV

“I wish to inform the Parliament in terms of Standing Order No. 50(2) (a) that I have received copies of three petitions filed at the Supreme Court under Article 121(1) of the Constitution in respect of the Bill titled “Microfinance”.”

V

“I wish to inform the Parliament in terms of Standing Order No. 50(2)(a) that I have received a copy of a petition filed at the Supreme Court under Article 121(1) of the Constitution in respect of the Bill titled “Theravadi Bhikku Kathikawath (Registration)”.”

3. Presentation of Papers : (1) The Speaker presented,— the Sixth Instalment – Part XXIII of the Report of the Auditor-General for the Financial Year 2012; and First Instalment – Part VI and VII, Second Instalment – Part VIII, IX and X and Fifth Instalment – Part II of the Report of the Auditor-General for the Financial Year 2013 under Article 154(6) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

Ordered that the said Reports do lie upon the **Table** and to be Printed.

(2) The Minister of Parliamentary Reforms and Mass Media presented,—

- (i) the Performance Report of the Office of the Cabinet of Ministers for the year 2014; and
- (ii) the Annual Performance Reports and the Statement of Accounts of the Finance Commission for the years 2012 and 2013.

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

(3) The Minister of Home Affairs presented,—

- (i) the Annual Performance Report and Accounts of the District Secretariat, Ampara for the year 2014;
- (ii) the Performance and Accounts Report of the District Secretariat, Gampaha for the year 2014;
- (iii) the Annual Performance Report and Accounts of the District Secretariat, Hambantota for the year 2014;
- (iv) the Annual Performance and Accounts Report of the District Secretariat, Kandy for the year 2014;
- (v) the Performance Report and Accounts of the District Secretariat, Matara for the year 2014;

- (vi) the Annual Performance Report and Accounts of the District Secretariat, Mullaitivu for the year 2014;
- (vii) the Annual Performance Report and Accounts of the District Secretariat, Nuwara Eliya for the year 2014;
- (viii) the Annual Performance Report and Accounts of the District Secretariat, Puttalam for the year 2014; and
- (ix) the Performance and Accounts Report of the District Secretariat, Ratnapura for the year 2014.

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

(4) The Minister of Internal Affairs, Wayamba Development and Cultural Affairs presented the Regulations made by the Minister of Internal Affairs, Wayamba Development and Cultural Affairs under subsection (1) of Section 52 of the Registration of Persons Act, No. 32 of 1968 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1946/31 of 22nd December 2015.

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

- (5) The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development presented,—
- (i) the Annual Report and Accounts of the National Aquatic Resources Research and Development Agency for the year 2013; and
 - (ii) the Annual Report of the Cey-Nor Foundation Limited for the year 2013.

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

(6) The Minister of Parliamentary Reforms and Mass Media presented the Annual Performance Report of the Ministry of Plantation Industries for the year 2014.

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

(7) The Minister of Parliamentary Reforms and Mass Media presented the Regulations made by the Minister of Sports under Section 41 of the Sports Law No. 25 of 1973 read with Section 31 of that Law, amending the Sections 13 and 17 contained in the National Sports Association Regulations No. 01 of 2013 published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1793/3 of 15th January 2013, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1940/7 of 9th November 2015.

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

4. Petitions :

- (1) Hon. John Amaratunga presented a petition dated 26.11.2015 from Mr. S. B. L. Seneviratne of No. 40/4, Yakadaththalawatta, Godawela, Polgahawela.
- (2) Hon. Wajira Abeywardana presented —
 - (i) a petition dated 26.10.2015 from Mrs. A. R. Kadeja Beebe of No. 31/15 A, Kandewatta Road, Galle;

- (ii) a petition dated 26.10.2015 from Mr. H. M. V. W. Herath of No. 3062, Pubudu Mawatha, III Piyawara, Anuradhapura;
 - (iii) a petition dated 15.10.2015 from Mr. H. H. Thilakasena of No. 1/43 Asoka Road, Madawalamulla, Galle;
 - (iv) a petition dated 17.10.2015 from Mr. L. W. Gunadasa of No.6/16, Elawella Road, Dharmapala Mawatha, Nupe, Matara;
 - (v) a petition dated 19.11.2015 from Mr. M. K. Asoka Kulasekara of “Sagara”, Aluthwala Road, Ronnaduwa, Ambalangoda; and
 - (vi) a petition dated 02.11.2015 from Ms. U. M. Sooriarachchi of No. 431, Galle Road, Wewala, Hikkaduwa.
- (3) Hon. R. M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara presented —
- (i) a petition dated 23.11.2015 from Mr. Perakum Sujana Monaragala of No. 39, Kirillawatta, Webada; and
 - (ii) a petition dated 23.12.2015 from Mr. S. B. Dissanayake, Sub Inspector, Police Station, Inginiyagala.
- (4) Hon. Gayantha Karunatileka presented —
- (i) a petition dated 15.12.2015 from Mrs. S. K. Chithrakanthi of No.7, Chamara Uyana, Wathurugama Road, Mudungoda; and
 - (ii) a petition dated 10.10.2015 from Ms. U. D. R. P. Kulathilaka of No. 5, Havellock Road, Galle.
- (5) Hon. Wasantha Aluwihare presented —
- (i) a petition dated 07.11.2015 from Dr. A. Gobikrishna of No. 71, Meewattekkumbura Road, Matale;
 - (ii) a petition dated 07.12.2015 from Mr. D. G. Nimal Shantha, Government Teachers' Training College, Batticaloa;
 - (iii) a petition dated 12.12.2015 from Mr. D. M. Sunil Jayatissa of No. 705, Section 19, Hadungamuwa; and
 - (iv) a petition dated 12.12.2015 from Mrs. W. M. M. Wijethunga of No. 339, Ambokka, Millawana.
- (6) Hon. Anura Dissanayaka presented —
- (i) a petition dated 30.11.2015 from Mr. D. A. Pemasiri of Saman Mawatha, Galavilawatta, Homagama;
 - (ii) a petition dated 12.10.2015 from Mr. K. K. Dharmasena of No. 80/1, Pelahela, Dompe;
 - (iii) a petition dated 23.11.2015 from Mr. K. M. Weerasena of No. 19, Hendeniya, Peradeniya;
 - (iv) a petition dated 16.12.2015 from Mr. P. S. K. Jayakody of No. 136/2 F, Pahala Biyanwila, Kadawatha; and
 - (v) a petition dated 22.10.2015 from Mr. Pradeep Lanka Dharmawickrama of No. 90/5, Nelum Mahara, Dekatana.

- (7) Hon. Lucky Jayawardana presented —
- (i) a petition dated 15.11.2015 from Mr. B. M. D. B. Basnayaka of No. 201, Angunawala, Peradeniya; and
 - (ii) a petition dated 07.11.2015 from Mr. K. M. Kulathunga of No. 08, Panawelulla, Popepitiya, Ududumbara.
- (8) Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala presented —
- (i) a petition dated 13.12.2015 from Mr. S. D. Nimal Chandrasiri Perera of Malliyagoda, Weuda; and
 - (ii) a petition dated 21.12.2015 from Mr. S. K. Sarath Kumara of Messagammana, Doratiyawa.
- (9) Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera presented —
- (i) a petition dated 17.12.2015 from Mr. A. W. C. T. Peiris of Road Development Authority, Rural Bridge Section, Borupana Road, Rathmalana; and
 - (ii) a petition dated 18.12.2015 from Mr. P. K. Nandadasa of Kapumulla, Uduwa South, Kudauduwa, Horana.
- (10) Hon. (Dr.) Ramesh Pathirana presented —
- (i) a petition dated 23.08.2015 from Mr. G. Godage of No. 184/1, Edirisinghe Mawatha, Kitulampitiya, Uluwitake, Galle;
 - (ii) a petition dated 01.10.2015 from Mr. S. K. Dayananda of “Prabodha”, Vihara Mawatha, Veherahena, Matara; and
 - (iii) a petition dated 11.09.2015 from Mr. S. S. U. Hettiarachchi of No. 05, Vekunugoda Lane, Galle.
- (11) Hon. Sujith Sanjaya Perera presented a petition dated 27.11.2015 from Mr. R. H. Jayawardana of No. 07, Wijerama Mawatha, Kundasala.
- (12) Hon. S. M. Marikkar presented —
- (i) a petition dated 30.09.2015 from Mr. Ananda Kaluarachchi of No. 1/10, Wijaya Road, Kolonnawa;
 - (ii) a petition dated 26.11.2015 from Mr. B. A. Siriyananda of No. 05, Government Quarters, Gonnagahavita, Mulleriyawa New Town; and
 - (iii) a petition dated 14.10.2015 from Mr. H. D. P. M. Jayasinghe of No. 44, Sella Road, Kataragama.
- (13) Hon. Harshana Rajakaruna presented a petition dated 12.12.2015 from Mrs. Kamala Nandani Wijegunaratna of “Randika”, No. 57/2/1, Asgiriya, Gampaha.
- (14) Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna presented —
- (i) a petition dated 23.09.2015 from Mrs. D. M. Vijitha Mallika of No. 126/39, Wariyapola, Katudeniya, Matale;
 - (ii) a petition dated 22.12.2015 from Mrs. D. W. G. Gunawathie of No. 12/2, Gammaduwa Road, Raththota; and

- (iii) a petition dated 09.11.2015 from Mr. E. G. Kapilaratna of No. 151/1, Imaduwa Yaya, Wilgamuwa, Perakanaththa.

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

5. Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (Amendment) : The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development presented,— “Bill to amend the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act, No.2 of 1996.”

The Bill was ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday, February 09, 2016 and to be printed.

6. Sittings of the Parliament (No.1) : The Leader of the House of Parliament,— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 7 of the Parliament and the motions agreed to by Parliament on 06.10.2015 and 09.01.2016, Parliament meets this day in terms of the motion agreed to by Parliament on 19.12.2015 and the hours of sittings of Parliament shall be 1.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.. At 2.00 p.m. Standing Order No. 7(5) of the Parliament shall operate.

Question put, and agreed to.

7. Sittings of the Parliament (No.2) : The Leader of the House of Parliament,— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 7 of the Parliament and the motion agreed to by Parliament on 06.10.2015, the Parliament shall sit on January 29th Friday, 2016, and the hours of sitting on that day shall be 1.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.. At 6.30 p.m. Standing Order No. 7(5) of the Parliament shall operate.

Question put, and agreed to.

8. Leave to introduce Bill : Hon. Buddhika Pathirana seconded by Hon. K. K. Piyadasa moved,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Ruhunu Awakening Organization.”

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 Education for report.

9. Leave to introduce Bill : Hon. Buddhika Pathirana seconded by Hon. K. K. Piyadasa moved,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the “Matara Season” Organization.”

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 Education for report.

10. Leave to introduce Bill : Hon. Vijitha Berugoda seconded by Hon. Kanaka Herath moved,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Headang Education 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 Education for report

11. Leave to introduce Bill : Hon. (Mrs.) Sriyani Wijewickrama seconded by Hon. Kanaka Herath moved,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate Handagala Walagamba Purana Gallen Rajamaha Viharastha Development Council.”

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 Buddhasasana for report

12. Leave to introduce Bill : Hon. (Mrs.) Sriyani Wijewickrama seconded by Hon. Kanaka Herath moved,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Maithripala Senanayake 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.

13. Leave to introduce Bill : Hon. (Mrs.) Sriyani Wijewickrama seconded by Hon. Kanaka Herath moved,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Sri Gunarathana International 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 Buddhasasana for report.

14. Leave to introduce Bill : Hon. Kanaka Herath seconded by Hon. (Mrs.) Sriyani Wijewickrama moved,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Moneragala District Kantha Maha Sangamaya”

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 Women and Child Affairs for report.

15. Leave to introduce Bill : Hon. (Prof.) Ashu Marasinghe seconded by Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Thusitha Wijemanna moved,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Computer Society of Sri Lanka.”

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 Telecommunication and Digital Infrastructure for report.

16. Leave to introduce Bill : Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Thusitha Wijemanna seconded by Hon. (Prof.) Ashu Marasinghe moved,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Daya Sarana Development 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.

17. Adjournment (Agreements Approved by Parliament on 19th December, 2015) : The Leader of the House of Parliament moved,— That this Parliament do now adjourn.

Question proposed, and debated.

(At 2.10 p. m. the Deputy Chairman of Committees took the Chair.)

The Minister of Foreign Affairs moved,— That Hon. Lucky Jayawardana do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 2.50 p. m. Hon. Lucky Jayawardana took the Chair.)

The Minister of Plantation Industries moved,— That Hon. Edward Gunasekara do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 4.50 p. m. Hon. Edward Gunasekara took the Chair.)

Question put, and agreed to; the Parliament was at 6.05 p.m. adjourned until 1.00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 27, 2016 pursuant to the Resolution of Parliament on 09th January, 2016.