



(Eighth Parliament - Second Session)

No. 44.]

MINUTES OF PARLIAMENT

Friday, October 26, 2018 at 10.00 a.m.

PRESENT :

Hon. Karu Jayasuriya, Speaker

Hon. Selvam Adaikkalanathan, Deputy Chairperson of Committees

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

Hon. (Mrs.) Thalatha Atukorale, Minister of Justice & Prison Reforms

Hon. Wajira Abeywardana, Minister of Home Affairs

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

Hon. Mahinda Amaraweera, Minister of Agriculture

Hon. Gayantha Karunatileka, Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms and Chief Government Whip

Hon. Lakshman Kiriella, Minister of Public Enterprise & Kandy City Development and Leader of the House of Parliament

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

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

Hon. Harin Fernando, Minister of Telecommunication, Digital Infrastructure and Foreign Employment

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

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

Hon. Sagala Ratnayaka, Minister of Youth Affairs, Project Management and Southern Development

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

Hon. Mangala Samaraweera, Minister of Finance and Mass Media

Hon. Ravindra Samaraweera, Minister of Labour & Trade Union Relations

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

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

Hon. Kabir Hashim, Minister of Highways & Road Development

Hon. P. Harrison, Minister of Social Empowerment

Hon. Field Marshal Sarath Fonseka, Minister of Sustainable Development, Wildlife and Regional Development

Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala, State Minister of Home Affairs

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare, State Minister of Tourism Development and Christian Religious Affairs

Hon. Piyasena Gamage, State Minister of Youth Affairs, Project Management and Southern Development

Hon. Mohan Lal Grero, State Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs

Hon. Lucky Jayawardana, State Minister of City Planning and Water Supply

Hon. (Dr.) Harsha De Silva, State Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs

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

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

Hon. Eran Wickramaratne, State Minister of Finance

Hon. Ruwan Wijewardene, State Minister of Defence

Hon. (Mrs.) Sriyani Wijewickrama, State Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports

Hon. Dilip Wedaarachchi, State Minister of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development and Rural Economic Affairs

Hon. Sujeewa Senasinghe, State Minister of International Trade

Hon. (Dr.) M. L. A. M. Hizbullah, State Minister of Highways & Road Development

Hon. A. H. M. Fowzie, State Minister of National Unity and Co-existence

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

Hon. Edward Gunasekara, Deputy Minister of Internal Affairs & Wayamba Development

Hon. Palitha Kumara Thewarapperuma, Deputy Minister of Sustainable Development, Wildlife and Regional Development

Hon. Manusha Nanayakkara, Deputy Minister of Telecommunication, Digital Infrastructure and Foreign Employment

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana, Deputy Minister of Industry and Commerce

Hon. Karunarathna Paranawithana, Deputy Minister of Science, Technology, Research, Skills Development & Vocational Training and Kandy Heritage

Hon. Indika Bandaranayake, Deputy Minister of Housing and Construction

Hon. Seyed Ali Zahir Moulana, Deputy Minister of National Integration,
Reconciliation and Official Languages
Hon. K. Kader Masthan, Deputy Minister of Resettlement, Rehabilitation and
Northern Development
Hon. Angajan Ramanathan, Deputy Minister of Agriculture
Hon. Ranjan Ramanayake, Deputy Minister of Social Empowerment
Hon. Muthu Sivalingam, Deputy Minister of Social Welfare & Primary Industries
Hon. Ameer Ali Shihabdeen, Deputy Minister of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources
Development and Rural Economic Affairs

Hon. Hector Appuhamy
Hon. Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena
Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena
Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma
Hon. (Dr.) S. M. Mohamed Ismail
Hon. T. B. Ekanayake
Hon. Ravi Karunanayake
Hon. A. Aravindh 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. S. M. Chandrasena
Hon. D. V. Chanaka
Hon. Sisira Jayakody
Hon. Malith Jayathilake
Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa
Hon. Anura Sidney Jayarathne
Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara
Hon. Mylvaganam Thilakarajah
Hon. K. Thurairetnasingam
Hon. Janaka Bandara Tennakoon

Hon. M. S. Thowfeek
Hon. Sirinal de Mel
Hon. Mohan Priyadarshana De Silva
Hon. T. Ranjith De Zoysa
Hon. Mohamadu Nazeer
Hon. I. Charles Nirmalanathan
Hon. (Dr.) Ramesh Pathirana
Hon. K. K. Piyadasa
Hon. Susantha Punchinilame
Hon. Dilan Perera
Hon. Sanath Nishantha Perera
Hon. Sujith Sanjaya Perera
Hon. Arundika Fernando
Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Sudarshini Fernandopulle
Hon. Ashoka Priyantha
Hon. Bandula Lal Bandarigoda
Hon. Tharanath Basnayaka
Hon. Tharaka Balasuriya
Hon. Vijitha Berugoda
Hon. S. M. Marikkar
Hon. Imran Maharroof
Hon. Abdullah Mahrooff
Hon. (Mrs.) Vijayakala Maheswaran
Hon. (Prof.) Ashu Marasinghe
Hon. Anura Priyadharshana Yapa
Hon. (Ven.) Athuraliye Rathana Thero
Hon. Bimal Rathnayake
Hon. C. B. Rathnayake
Hon. Lohan Ratwatte
Hon. Prasanna Ranaweera
Hon. Keheliya Rambukwella
Hon. Ishak Rahuman
Hon. Mujibur Rahuman
Hon. Harshana Rajakaruna
Hon. Namal Rajapaksa
Hon. Mahinda Rajapaksa
Hon. Nimal Lanza

Hon. Gamini Lokuge
Hon. Janaka Wakkumbura
Hon. (Mrs.) Pavithradevi Wanniarachchi
Hon. Vidura Wickramanayaka
Hon. A. A. Wijethunga
Hon. Lakshman Ananda Wijemanne
Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna
Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri
Hon. Kanchana Wijesekara
Hon. Thenuka Vidanagamage
Hon. Chandima Weerakkody
Hon. Wimal Weerawansa
Hon. Kumara Welgama
Hon. S. Shritharan
Hon. Gnanamuthu Srineshan
Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera
Hon. Sandith Samarasinghe
Hon. Rajavaroatham Sampanthan, Leader of the Opposition in Parliament
Hon. E. Saravanapavan
Hon. Dharmalingam Sithadthan
Hon. Thilanga Sumathipala
Hon. M. A. Sumanthiran
Hon. W. D. J. Senewiratne
Hon. Mavai S. Senathirajah
Hon. Indika Anuruddha Herath
Hon. Vijitha Herath

Mr. Dhammika Dasanayake, Secretary-General of Parliament

Mr. Neil Iddawala, Chief of Staff and Deputy Secretary-General of Parliament

Mrs. Kushani Rohanadeera, Assistant Secretary-General

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

1. Presentation of Papers : (1) The Speaker presented the Performance Report of the Audit Service Commission for the Second quarter (01.04.2018 - 30.06.2018) of 2018 in terms of Articles 41B (6) and 153H of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

Ordered that the said Report do lie upon the Table.

(2) The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms presented the Annual Report of the Mahaweli Authority of Sri Lanka for the year 2015 and moved that this Report be referred to the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Lands.

Question put, and agreed to.

(3) The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms presented the Annual Report of the Ceylon — German Technical Training Institute for the year 2015 and moved that this Report be referred to the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development.

Question put, and agreed to.

(4) The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms presented the Performance Report and Annual Accounts of the Measurement Units, Standards and Services Department for the year 2017 and moved that this Report be referred to the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Manufacturing and Services.

Question put, and agreed to.

(5) The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms presented the Annual Performance Report and Accounts of the Department of Pensions for the year 2017 and moved that this Report be referred to the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Internal Administration and Public Management.

Question put, and agreed to.

(6) The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms presented the Performance Report and Annual Accounts of the Ministry of Prison Reforms, Rehabilitation, Resettlement and Hindu Religious Affairs for the year 2017 and moved that this Report be referred to the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Reconciliation and North & East Reconstruction.

Question put, and agreed to.

2. Presentation of Reports from Committees : (1) Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayatissa Member of the Committee on behalf of Hon. Chamal Rajapaksa, the Chairman of the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Transport and Communication presented the Report of the said Committee on, “Supplementary Estimate -Head 117 – Programme – 02” which was referred to the said Committee.

Ordered that the said Report do lie upon the Table.

(2) Hon. M. A. Sumanthiran, the Chairman of the Committee on Public Finance presented the Report of the said Committee on,

- (i) Appropriation Bill; and
- (ii) Supplementary Estimate No. 1 of 2018

which were referred to the said Committee.

Ordered that the said Report do lie upon the Table.

3. Presentation of Public Petitions :

- (1) Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala presented a petition dated 16.07.2018 from Mr. G.L.G. Perera of Nugahapola Walawwa, Paldeniya, Mahawela.
- (2) Hon. Palitha Kumara Thewarapperuma presented a petition dated 23.06.2018 from Mrs. Sunithra Gayani Jayasinghe of Withanagoda, Welipenna.

The Petitions stood referred under Standing Order No. 30(10) of the Parliament, to the Committee on Public Petitions.

4. Business of the Parliament: The Leader of the House of Parliament moved,— That the proceedings on Item Nos. 1 and 2 of Public Business appearing on the Order Paper be exempted at this day's sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order No. 27 of Parliament.

Question put, and agreed to.

5. Sittings of the Parliament (No. 1): The Leader of the House of Parliament moved,— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 8(1) the Parliament shall sit on Monday 05th November, 2018.

Question put, and agreed to.

6. Sittings of the Parliament (No. 2): The Leader of the House of Parliament moved,— That this Parliament at its rising this day do adjourn until 3.00 p.m. on Monday 05th November, 2018.

Question put, and agreed to.

7. Resolution under the Active Liability Management Act: The Minister of Finance and Mass Media moved,— That this Parliament resolves that a sum not exceeding Rs. 310 billion may be raised by way of loans, in or outside Sri Lanka for such purposes as specified in the provisions of Section 3 of the Active Liability Management Act, No.8 of 2018.

(At 11.04 a.m. the Deputy Chairman of Committees took the Chair.)

Hon. (Dr.) Harsha de Silva, State Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs moved,— That Hon. Mylvaganam Thilakarajah do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 2.04 p.m. Hon. Mylvaganam Thilakarajah took the Chair.)

The Minister of Public Enterprise & Kandy City Development moved,— That Hon. K. Thurairetnasingam do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 3.14 p.m. Hon. K. Thurairetnasingam took the Chair.)

The State Minister of Power and Renewable Energy moved,— That Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 4.51 p.m. Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena took the Chair.)

Question put, and agreed to.

8. Supplementary Sum—Head 117— Programme 02: The Minister of Public Enterprise & Kandy City Development on behalf of the Minister of Highways & Road Development moved,—† That a supplementary sum not exceeding Rupees Thirty Thousand Million (Rs. 30,000 Mn.) be payable out of the Consolidated Fund of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka or any other fund or monies of or at the disposal of the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka or from the proceed of any loans obtained by the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka for the service of the Financial Year beginning on 1st January 2018 and ending on 31st December 2018 and that the said sum may be expended as specified in the schedule hereto.

Schedule

Head	-117 Ministry of Highways & Road Development	
Programme -2	Development Activities	
		<u>Rs. Million</u>
	Recurrent Expenditure	-
	Capital Expenditure	<u>30,000.00</u>
	Total Expenditure	<u>30,000.00</u>
Project	-3 Expressways Development-	12,987.00
	Foreign Loans (Financing Code 12)	12,641.00
	Foreign Finance Related Domestic Co-Financing (Financing Code 18)	346.00
	(Schedule No. 01)	
Project	-4 Highways Development-	15,365.00
	Foreign Loans (Financing Code 12)	4,000.00
	Domestic Funds (Financing Code 11)	11,200.00
	Foreign Finance Associated Cost (Financing Code 17)	165.00
	(Schedule No. 02)	
Project	-6 Construction of Bridges and Fly Overs-	300.00
	Foreign Loans (Financing Code 12)	300.00
	(Schedule No. 03)	

Project	-7 Natural Disaster Affected Road Rehabilitation-	1,348.00
	Foreign Loans (Financing Code 12)	1,000.00
	Domestic Funds (Financing Code 11)	198.00
	Foreign Finance Associated Cost (Financing Code 17)	150.00
	(Schedule No. 04)	<u>30.000.00</u>

Supplementary Estimates No. 01, 2018
Ministry of Highways & Road Development

Expenditure Head	-117	Ministry of Highways & Road Development
Programme	-2	Development Activities
	Capital Expenditure	Rs. 30,000,000,000
	Total Expenditure	Rs. 30,000,000,000

These provision will be accounted as follows.

Schedule No.01

Expenditure Head	-117	Ministry of Highways & Road Development
Programme	-2	Development Activities
Project	-3	Expressways Development

<u>Items</u>	<u>Rs. Million</u>
-9 Extension Southern Expressway– from Matara to Hambanthota (GOSL-China)	
2506 - Infrastructure Development	
1 Section 01 (Godagama—Beliatta) (Financing Code 12)	2,101.00
2 Section 02 (Beliatta — Wetiya) (Financing Code 12) (Financing Code 18)	2,798.00 346.00
3 Section 03 (Wetiya—Andarawewa) (Financing Code 12)	1,710.00
4 Section 04 (Andarawewa — Mattala) (Financing Code 12)	1,033.00
5 Consultancy Services (Financing Code 12)	400.00
-10 Outer Circular Highway, OCH-III from Kadawatha to Kerawalapitiya (GOSL - China EXIM Bank)	
2506 - Infrastructure Development (Financing Code 12)	4,599.00
	<u>12,987.00</u>

Schedule No.02

Expenditure Head	-117	Ministry of Highways & Road Development
Programme	-2	Development Activities
Project	-4	Highways Development

<u>Items</u>	<u>Rs. Million</u>
-40 Western Province National Highways (GOSL-OFID)	
2506 - Infrastructure Development	
(Financing Code 12)	100.00
(Financing Code 17)	90.00
-43 Southern Road Connectivity Project (GOSL-ADB)	
2506 - Infrastructure Development	
(Financing Code 12)	400.00
-44 Integrated Road Investment Programme-(I Road)	
(GOSL-ADB)	
2506 - Infrastructure Development	
(Financing Code 12)	3000.00
-46 Rehabilitation and Improvement of Priority Roads	
Project 3 - Phase II (GOSL-CDB)	
2506 - Infrastructure Development	
(Financing Code 12)	500.00
(Financing Code 17)	75.00
-51 Gap Financing of the Road Development Authority's Commitments	
2506 - Infrastructure Development	
(Financing Code 11)	11,200.00
	<u>15,365.00</u>

Schedule No.03

Expenditure Head	-117	Ministry of Highways & Road Development
Programme	-2	Development Activities
Project	-6	Construction of Bridges and Fly Overs

<u>Items</u>	<u>Rs. Million</u>
-19 Major Bridges Construction Project of National Road Network (GOSL-JICA)	
2506 - Infrastructure Development	
(Financing Code 12)	<u>300.00</u>
	<u>300.00</u>

Schedule No.04

Expenditure Head -117 Ministry of Highways & Road Development
Programme -2 Development Activities
Project -7 Natural Disaster Affected Road Rehabilitation

<u>Items</u>	<u>Rs. Million</u>
-8 Pro-Poor Eastern Infrastructure Development (GOSL-Japan)	
2506 - Infrastructure Development	
(Financing Code 11)	198.00
-13 Landslide Disaster Protection Project of National Road Network (GOSL-JICA)	
2506 - Infrastructure Development	
(Financing Code 12)	1,000.00
(Financing Code 17)	150.00
	<u>1,348.00</u>

Total Requirement of Allocation According to Finance Codes

	<u>Rs. Million</u>
Foreign Loans (Finance Code 12)	17,941.00
Domestic Funds (Financing Code 11)	11,398.00
Foreign Finance Associated	
Domestic Cost (Finance Code 17)	315.00
Foreign Finance Related	
Domestic Co-Financing (Financing Code 18)	346.00
Total Allocation Requirement	<u>30,000.00</u>

†Vide Supplementary Estimate No.1 of 2018 presented on 25th October, 2018

Question put, and agreed to.

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

Question put, and agreed to; the Parliament was at 5.15 p.m. adjourned until 3.00 p.m. on Monday, November 05, 2018 pursuant to the Resolution of Parliament on this day.