



(Eighth Parliament - Third Session)

No. 26.]

MINUTES OF PARLIAMENT

Wednesday, February 20, 2019 at 1.00 p.m.

PRESENT :

Hon. J. M. Ananda Kumarasiri, Deputy Speaker and the Chair of Committees

Hon. Selvam Adaikkalanathan, Deputy Chairperson of Committees

Hon. Ranil Wickremesinghe, Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies,
Economic Affairs, Resettlement & Rehabilitation, Northern Province
Development, Vocational Training & Skills Development and Youth Affairs

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

Hon. Wajira Abeywardana, Minister of Internal & Home Affairs and Provincial
Councils & Local Government

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

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

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake, Minister of Power, Energy and Business Development

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam, Minister of Education

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

Hon. Mano Ganesan, Minister of National Integration, Official Languages, Social
Progress and Hindu Religious Affairs

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Hon. Sujeewa Senasinghe, Non Cabinet Minister of Science, Technology & Research

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Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma, State Minister of Mahaweli Development and Environment

Hon. Eran Wickramaratne, State Minister of Finance

Hon. Ruwan Wijewardene, State Minister of Defence

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Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha, Deputy Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade

Hon. Karunarathna Paranawithana, Deputy Minister of Skills Development & Vocational Training

Hon. Abdullah Mahrooff, Deputy Minister of Ports & Shipping

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Hon. Siripala Gamalath

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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

Mr. Tikiri K. Jayathilake, Assistant Secretary-General

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

1. Announcements by the Speaker : The Deputy Speaker made the following announcements:-

“I wish to inform that with the approval of this House, 34 notifications comprising of the names of all the Members of Parliament appointed by the Committee of Selection to serve as members of the 34 Ministerial Consultative Committees in terms of the motions passed by Parliament on Thursday, 24th January and Tuesday, 05th February 2019

as per the provisions of Standing Order 112, will be tabled in order to be printed in the official Hansard report which records proceedings of the day.

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Hon. Ishak Rahuman
Hon. Malith Jayathilake”

2. Presentation of Papers : (1) The Deputy Speaker presented the Tenth Instalment – Part XXXII of the Report of the Auditor-General for the Financial Year 2017 in terms of Article 154(6) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

Ordered that the said Report do lie upon the **Table** and to be printed.

(2) The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms presented the Annual Report of the Central Engineering Consultancy Bureau for the year 2015 and moved that 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 —

- (i) Annual Report of the Development Lotteries Board for the year 2016; and
- (ii) Note on Supplementary Allocations from the Supplementary Support Services and Contingent Liabilities Project appearing under Expenditure Head No. 240 of the Department of National Budget for the period from 01.12.2018 to 31.12.2018 under Section 6(1) of the Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2017.

and moved that this Report and Note on Supplementary Allocations be referred to the Committee on Public Finance.

Question put, and agreed to.

(4) The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms presented the Orders made by the Minister of City Planning, Water Supply and Higher Education under Section 25A of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978 recognizing the KAATSU - Highly Advanced Medical Technology Training Centre (Pvt) Limited (KIU) and S L T Campus (Pvt) Ltd as Degree Awarding Institutions and published in the Gazette Extraordinary

No. 2105/31 of 09th January 2019 and moved that these Orders be referred to the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development.

Question put, and agreed to.

(5) The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms presented the Performance Report and Annual Accounts of the Department of Registrar of Companies for the year 2016 and moved that this Report be referred to the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Business and Commerce.

Question put, and agreed to.

(6) The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms presented the Report on the Submission of observations and steps taken in terms of the Standing Order 119(4) of the Parliament with regard to the Report presented to Parliament by the Committee on Public Accounts regarding the performance of the Department of Registrar of Companies in the year 2016 and moved that this Report be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts.

Question put, and agreed to.

(7) The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms presented the Regulations made by the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade under Section 20 read with Section 4(3) and Section 14 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 amended by Acts, No. 48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 relating to Vehicle exhaust emission standards and Safety measures/ Standards and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2107/45 of 25th January 2019 and moved that this Report be referred to the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development.

Question put, and agreed to.

3. Presentation of Public Petitions :

- (1) Hon. John Amaratunga presented a petition dated 06.07.2018 from Mr. M. A. N. Bandara of No. 120/40, Siripura, Hunupitiya, Wattala.
- (2) Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma presented —
 - (i) a petition dated 16.10.2018 from Mr. D. R. D. Gunawardena of No. 422/1 A, Polgahawatte, Dalugama, Kelaniya; and
 - (ii) a petition dated 06.10.2018 from Mr. Upul Shantha Kumara of No. 74, Oruthota, Gampaha.
- (3) Hon. Sunil Handunnetti presented a petition dated 01.10.2018 from Mr. S. P. Wickramathunge of No. 325/G, Ekamuthu Mawatha, Koswatte, Battaramulla.
- (4) Hon. Thenuka Vidanagamage presented a petition dated 26.09.2018 from Mr. P. G. Ranjith Bandara of No. 69/A, Rathkinda Road, Hobariyawa, Girandurukotte.
- (5) Hon. Prasanna Ranaweera presented a petition dated 17.08.2018 from Mr. S. C. Wanigasinghe of “Saviya Suppliers”, No. 223/E, Bandaranayeka Mawatha, Hunupitiya, Wattala.

The Petitions stood referred under Standing Order 30(10) of the Parliament, to the Committee on Public Petitions.

4. Order under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act (No.1) : The Minister of Public Enterprise, Kandyan Heritage and Kandy Development on behalf of the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade moved,— That the Order made by the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade under Section 14(2) of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979 relating to CESS and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2090/5 of 25th September 2018, which was presented on 22.01.2019, be approved.

The State Minister of Transport & Civil Aviation moved,— That Hon. (Mrs.) Sriyani Wijewickrama do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 3.05 p.m. Hon. (Mrs.) Sriyani Wijewickrama took the Chair.)

The State Minister of Finance moved,— That Hon. Tharaka Balasuriya do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 4.55 p.m. Hon. Tharaka Balasuriya took the Chair.)

Hon. (Mrs.) Sumedha G. Jayasena seconded by Hon. Dilan Perera moved,— That Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Thusitha Wijemanna do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 5.28 p.m. Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Thusitha Wijemanna took the Chair.)

The State Minister of Transport & Civil Aviation moved,— That Hon. Velu Kumar do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 6.01 p.m. Hon. Velu Kumar took the Chair.)

Question put, and agreed to.

5. Order under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act (No.2) : The Minister of Public Enterprise, Kandyan Heritage and Kandy Development on behalf of the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade moved,— That the Order made by the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade under Section 14(1) of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979 relating to CESS and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2093/19 of 17th October 2018, which was presented on 05.02.2019, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

6. Adjournment : And it being 6.30 p.m. the Parliament was adjourned by the Presiding Member without Question put.

The Parliament adjourned accordingly until 10.30 a.m. on Thursday, February 21, 2019.