



(Ninth Parliament - First Session)

No. 14.]

MINUTES OF PARLIAMENT

Wednesday, October 07, 2020 at 10.00 a.m.

PRESENT :

Hon. Mahinda Yapa Abeywardana, Speaker

Hon. Ranjith Siyambalapitiya, Deputy Speaker and the Chair of Committees

Hon. Mahinda Rajapaksa, Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing

Hon. Rohitha Abegunawardhana, Minister of Ports & Shipping

Hon. Mahinda Amaraweera, Minister of Environment

Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma, Minister of Power

Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage, Minister of Agriculture

Hon. Dinesh Gunawardena, Minister of Foreign and Leader of the House of Parliament

Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana, Minister of Trade

Hon. S. M. Chandrasena, Minister of Lands

Hon. Nimal Siripala de Silva, Minister of Labour

Hon. Douglas Devananda, Minister of Fisheries

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara, Minister of Water Supply

Hon. (Prof.) G. L. Peiris, Minister of Education

Hon. Johnston Fernando, Minister of Highways and Chief Government Whip

Hon. Prasanna Ranatunga, Minister of Tourism

Hon. C. B. Rathnayake, Minister of Wildlife & Forest Conservation

Hon. Chamal Rajapaksa, Minister of Irrigation and State Minister of Internal Security, Home Affairs and Disaster Management

Hon. Namal Rajapaksa, Minister of Youth & Sports

Hon. Gamini Lokuge, Minister of Transport

Hon. (Mrs.) Pavithradevi Wanniarachchi, Minister of Health

Hon. M .U. M. Ali Sabry, Minister of Justice

- Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Seetha Arambepola**, State Minister of Skills Development, Vocational Education, Research and Innovation
- Hon. Lasantha Alagiyawanna**, State Minister of Co-operative Services, Marketing Development and Consumer Protection
- Hon. Ajith Nivard Cabraal**, State Minister of Money & Capital Market and State Enterprise Reforms
- Hon. Siripala Gamalath**, State Minister of Canals and Common Infrastructure Development in Settlements in Mahaweli Zones
- Hon. (Dr.) Nalaka Godahewa**, State Minister of Urban Development, Coast Conservation, Waste Disposal and Community Cleanliness
- Hon. Piyanakara Jayaratne**, State Minister of Foreign Employment Promotion and Market Diversification
- Hon. (Prof.) Channa Jayasumana**, State Minister of Production, Supply and Regulation of Pharmaceuticals
- Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara**, State Minister of Batik, Handloom and Local Apparel Products
- Hon. Jeevan Thondaman**, State Minister of Estate Housing & Community Infrastructure
- Hon. Piyal Nishantha De Silva**, State Minister of Women and Child Development, Preschools & Primary Education, School Infrastructure & Education Services
- Hon. Mohan Priyadarshana De Silva**, State Minister of Production and Supply of Fertilizer and Regulation of Chemical Fertilizer and Insecticide Use
- Hon. Wimalaweera Dissanayake**, State Minister of Wildlife Protection, Adoption of Safety Measures including the Construction of Electrical Fences and Trenches and Reforestation and Forest Resource Development
- Hon. Arundika Fernando**, State Minister of Coconut, Kithul and Palmyrah Cultivation Promotion and Related Industrial Product Manufacturing & Export Diversification
- Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Sudarshini Fernandopulle**, State Minister of Prison Reforms & Prisoners' Rehabilitation
- Hon. Susil Premajayantha**, State Minister of Education Reforms, Open Universities and Distance Learning Promotion
- Hon. Tharaka Balasuriya**, State Minister of Regional Co-operation
- Hon. Vijitha Berugoda**, State Minister of Dhamma Schools, , Pirivenas and Bhikkhu Education
- Hon. Prasanna Ranaweera**, State Minister of Rattan, Brass, Pottery, Furniture and Rural Industrial Promotion
- Hon. Roshan Ranasinghe**, State Minister of Land Management, State Enterprises Land and Property Development
- Hon. Lohan Rathwaththe**, State Minister of Gem & Jewellery related Industries
- Hon. Shasheendra Rajapaksa**, State Minister of Paddy and Grains, Organic Food, Vegetables, Fruits, Chillies, Onion and Potato Cultivation Promotion, Seed Production and Advanced Technology Agriculture
- Hon. Nimal Lanza**, State Minister of Rural Roads and other Infrastructure

- Hon. Janaka Wakkumbura**, State Minister of Development of Minor Crops including Sugarcane, Maize, Cashew, Pepper, Cinnamon, Cloves, Betel Related Industries and Export Promotion
- Hon. Vidura Wikramanayaka**, State Minister of National Heritage, Performing Arts and Rural Arts Promotion
- Hon. Kanchana Wijsekera**, State Minister of Ornamental Fish, Inland Fish & Prawn Farming, Fishery Harbour Development, Multi day Fishing Activities and Fish Exports
- Hon. Thenuka Vidanagamage**, State Minister of Rural and School Sports Infrastructure Improvement
- Hon. S. Viyalanderan**, State Minister of Backward Rural Areas Development and Promotion of Domestic Animal Husbandary & Minor Economic Crop Cultivation
- Hon. (Dr.) Sarath Weerasekera**, State Minister of Provincial Councils & Local Government
- Hon. Shehan Semasinghe**, State Minister of Samurdhi, Household Economy, Micro Finance, Self Employment and Business Development
- Hon. Kanaka Herath**, State Minister of Company Estate Reforms, Tea and Rubber Estates Related Crops Cultivation and Factories Modernization and Tea and Rubber Export Promotion
- Hon. D. B. Herath**, State Minister of Livestock, Farm Promotion and Dairy & Egg Related Industries
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- Hon. Selvam Adaikkalanathan**
- Hon. Amarakeerthi Athukorala**
- Hon. Kapila Athukorala**
- Hon. (Mrs.) Thalatha Athukorala**
- Hon. Sampath Athukorala**
- Hon. Tissa Attanayake**
- Hon. Hector Appuhamy**
- Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe**
- Hon. (Dr.) (Ms.) Harini Amarasuriya**
- Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena**
- Hon. Thavaraja Kalai Arasan**
- Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala**
- Hon. Naseer Ahamed**
- Hon. Thisakutti Arachchi**
- Hon. M. Udayakumar**
- Hon. U. K. Sumith Udukumbura**
- Hon. (Major) Pradeep Undugoda**

Hon. Sanjeeva Edirimanna
Hon. Akila Ellawala
Hon. Lalith Ellawala
Hon. Selvarajah Kajendren
Hon. Govindan Karunakaram
Hon. Gayantha Karunatilleka
Hon. Sagara Kariyawasam
Hon. Faizal Cassim
Hon. Jayantha Ketagoda
Hon. Lakshman Kiriella
Hon. Udayana Kirindigoda
Hon. Jagath Kumara
Hon. Gevindu Cumaratunga
Hon. K. P. S. Kumarasiri
Hon. A. Aravindh Kumar
Hon. Velu Kumar
Hon. Karunadasa Kodithuwakku
Hon. Nalaka Bandara Kottegoda
Hon. (Dr.) Upul Galappaththi
Hon. Udayakantha Gunathilaka
Hon. (Mrs.) Kokila Gunawardene
Hon. Yadamini Gunawardena
Hon. Sivanesathurai Santhirakanthan
Hon. Milan Jayathilake
Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha
Hon. (Dr.) Kavinda Heshan Jayawardhana
Hon. Premalal Jayasekara
Hon. Kulasingam Dhileeban
Hon. Premitha Bandara Tennakoon
Hon. M. S. Thowfeek
Hon. (Dr.) Harsha de Silva
Hon. Chamara Sampath Dasanayake
Hon. Palani Thigambaram
Hon. Anura Dissanayaka
Hon. S. B. Dissanayake
Hon. (Mrs.) Manjula Dissanayake
Hon. Mayantha Dissanayake

Hon. Rohana Dissanayaka
Hon. Sarathi Dushmantha
Hon. (Major) Sudarshana Denipitiya
Hon. Isuru Dodangoda
Hon. Premnath C. Dolawatte
Hon. W. H. M. Dharmasena
Hon. H. Nandasena
Hon. Gayashan Nawananda
Hon. Asanka Navarathna
Hon. Manusha Nanayakkara
Hon. Charles Nirmalanathan
Hon. Kins Nelson
Hon. S. Noharathalingam
Hon. Buddhika Pathirana
Hon. Anupa Pasqual
Hon. Nimal Piyathissa
Hon. Jagath Pushpakumara
Hon. Dilan Perera
Hon. Niroshan Perera
Hon. Sujith Perera
Hon. G. G. Ponnambalam
Hon. Nalin Fernando
Hon. Harin Fernando
Hon. Ashoka Priyantha
Hon. (Mrs.) Muditha Prishanthi
Hon. Sajith Premadasa, Leader of the Opposition in Parliament
Hon. Uddika Premarathne
Hon. R. M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara
Hon. (Prof.) Ranjith Bandara
Hon. Rohana Bandara
Hon. Shantha Bandara
Hon. Rishad Bathiudeen
Hon. Sudath Manjula
Hon. S. M. Marikkar
Hon. K. Kader Masthan
Hon. Imran Maharoof
Hon. Imthiaz Bakeer Markar

Hon. S. M. M. Muszhaaraff
Hon. Mohomad Muzammil
Hon. Wasantha Yapabandara
Hon. Patali Champika Ranawaka
Hon. Nipuna Ranawaka
Hon. B. Y. G. Rathnasekara
Hon. Kumarasiri Rathnayaka
Hon. Ali Sabri Raheem
Hon. Ishak Rahuman
Hon. Mujibur Rahuman
Hon. (Dr.) Suren Raghavan
Hon. Harshana Rajakaruna
Hon. Ajith Rajapakse
Hon. Gunathilaka Rajapaksha
Hon. (Dr.) Thilak Rajapakshe
Hon. Upul Mahendra Rajapaksha
Hon. (Dr.) Wijeyadasa Rajapakshe
Hon. (Dr.) V. Radhakrishnan
Hon. Ranjan Ramanayake
Hon. M. Rameshwaran
Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam
Hon. Gamini Waleboda
Hon. Eran Wickramaratne
Hon. (Mrs.) Rajika Wickramasinghe
Hon. C.V. Wigneswaran
Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna
Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri
Hon. M. W. D. Sahan Pradeep Withana
Hon. Madhura Withanage
Hon. Hesha Withanage
Hon. (Prof.) Tissa Vitarana
Hon. Chandima Weerakkody
Hon. Jayantha Weerasinghe, PC
Hon. D. Weerasingha
Hon. Weerasumana Weerasinghe
Hon. Kumara Welgama
Hon. Sivagnanam Shritharan

Hon. Rajavaritham Sampanthan

Hon. Dharmalingam Sithadthan

Hon. Maithreepala Sirisena

Hon. M. A. Sumanthiran

Hon. Vadivel Suresh

Hon. John Seneviratne

Hon. (Dr.) Rajitha Senarathne

Hon. Rauff Hakeem

Hon. Abdul Haleem

Hon. Kabir Hashim

Hon. H. M. M. Harees

Hon. (Prof.) Charitha Herath

Hon. Samanpriya Herath

Hon. Marjan Faleel

Hon. Field Marshal Sarath Fonseka

Mr. Dhammika Dasanayake, Secretary-General of Parliament

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

Mr. Tikiri K. Jayathilake, Assistant Secretary-General

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

1. Presentation of Papers : (1) The Minister of Highways presented the Annual Performance Report of the Ministry of Megapolis and Western Development for the year 2019.

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

(2) The Minister of Highways presented the Annual Performance Report and Accounts of the Department of Pensions for the year 2019.

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

(3) The Minister of Highways presented the Performance Report of the Rubber Development Department for the year 2018.

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

(4) The Minister of Youth & Sports presented the Annual Performance Report of the Ministry of Telecommunication, Foreign Employment and Sports for the year 2019.

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

(5) The Minister of Justice presented the—

- (i) Performance Report of the Department of Public Trustee for the year 2019; and
- (ii) Annual Performance Report of the Department of Community Based Corrections for the year 2019.

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

2. Presentation of Public Petitions :

- (1) Hon. Piyankara Jayaratne presented a petition dated 05.09.2020 from Mr. S. A. M. Ranjith Suriyehetti of No. 121/E, Kotikawatte, New Town, Mulleriyawa.
- (2) Hon. Kumara Welgama presented a petition dated 02.09.2020 from Mr. Sunil Withana Arachchi of No. 9/1, Sampath Uyana, Matthegeoda Road, Matthegeoda.
- (3) Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna presented a petition dated 05.09.2020 from Mr. P. B. Shelton of No. 23, “Lahiru”, Muwandeniya, Matale.
- (4) Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri presented a petition dated 11.09.2020 from Mrs. S. M. P Sanjeevani Sandanayake of “Tharushi”, Viharakale, Diyathalawa.
- (5) Hon. Ajith Rajapakse presented a petition dated 27.08.2020 from Mr. Dodampahala Hewage Jagath Sri Dharshana of No. 39, Tissa Road, Netolpitiya, Tangalle.
- (6) Hon. (Prof.) Charitha Herath presented —
 - (i) a petition dated 21.08.2020 from Mrs. K. C. J. Basil Fernando of No. 81/7C, Anagarika Dharmapala Mawatha, Dehiwala; and
 - (ii) a petition dated 30.08.2020 from Mr. N. A. Nimal Ranjith De Silva of Pahala Galpola, Ilukhena.

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

3. Nation Building Tax (Amendment) Bill : Order for Second Reading read.

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing moved,— That the Bill be now read a second time.

(At 1.30 p.m. the Deputy Speaker took the Chair.)

The State Minister of Batik, Handloom and Local Apparel Products moved,—That Hon. (Mrs.) Kokila Gunawardene do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 2.01 p.m. Hon. (Mrs.) Kokila Gunawardene took the Chair.)

The State Minister of Samurdhi, Household Economy, Micro Finance, Self Employment and Business Development moved,— That Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 3.40 p.m. Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam took the Chair.)

(At 4.19 p.m. the Speaker took the Chair.)

Question put, and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read a second time.

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing moved,— That the Bill be referred to a Committee of the whole Parliament.

Question put, and agreed to.

Parliament immediately resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee)

The Speaker took the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 3 were agreed to.

Enacting Clause and Title

Question that the Enacting Clause and Title stand part of the Bill, put, and agreed to.

Bill reported without Amendments.

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing moved,— That the Bill be now read the third time.

Question put, and agreed to.

Bill, accordingly read the third time and passed.

4. Economic Service Charge (Amendment) Bill : Order for Second Reading read.

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing moved,— That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question put, and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read a second time.

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing moved,— That the Bill be referred to a Committee of the whole Parliament.

Question put, and agreed to.

Parliament immediately resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee)

The Speaker took the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 3 were agreed to.

Enacting Clause and Title

Question that the Enacting Clause and Title stand part of the Bill, put, and agreed to.

Bill reported without Amendments.

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing moved,— That the Bill be now read the third time.

Question put, and agreed to.

Bill, accordingly read the third time and passed.

5. Ports and Airports Development Levy (Amendment) Bill : Order for Second Reading read.

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing moved,— That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question put, and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read a second time.

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing moved,— That the Bill be referred to a Committee of the whole Parliament.

Question put, and agreed to.

Parliament immediately resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee)

The Speaker took the Chair.

Clause 1 was agreed to.

Clause 2

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing proposed an amendment to leave out line 20, in page 1 and substitute the following:—

“on December 5, 2019; and”

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

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing proposed another amendment to leave out line 21, in page 1 and substitute the following:—

“at the rate of 10 *per centum*, on and after”;

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

Question that the Clause as amended, stand part of the Bill, put, and agreed to.

Clause 3

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing proposed an amendment to leave out line 12, in page 2 and substitute the following:—

“any decision or order made by any Court or any proceedings” and;

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

Question that the Clause as amended, stand part of the Bill, put, and agreed to.

Clause 4 was agreed to.

Enacting Clause and Title

Question that the Enacting Clause and Title stand part of the Bill, put, and agreed to.

Bill reported with Amendments.

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing moved,— That the Bill, as amended, be now read the third time.

Question put, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, accordingly read the third time and passed.

6. Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 1) : The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing moved,— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019 and specified in the Order No. 19 hereto, be approved:—

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019

Order No. 19 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 22302 “Stores Advance Account (Explosive items) – Sri Lanka Navy” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

<u>Item</u>		<u>Revision</u>	
(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	Not Revised	
(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From Rs.	640,000,000
		To Rs.	595,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.	Not Revised	
(iv)	Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act.	Not Revised	

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2019)

Mahinda Rajapaksa,
Minister of Finance

09.09.2020
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet Approval Signified)

Question put, and agreed to.

7. Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 2) : The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing moved,— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019 and specified in the Order No. 20 hereto, be approved:—

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019

Order No. 20 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 30602 “Stores Advance Account – Department of Sri Lanka Railways” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

<u>Item</u>		<u>Revision</u>	
(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure	From	Rs. 1,800,000,000
	specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	To	Rs. 2,400,000,000
(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified	From	Rs. 1,800,000,000
	in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	To	Rs. 1,500,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.		Not Revised
(iv)	Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act.		Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2019)

Mahinda Rajapaksa,
Minister of Finance

09.09.2020
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet Approval Signified)

Question put, and agreed to.

8. Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 3) : The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing moved,— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019 and specified in the Order No. 21 hereto, be approved:—

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019

Order No. 21 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 31002 “Stores Advance Account – Government Factory” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

	<u>Item</u>			<u>Revision</u>
(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	40,000,000
		To	Rs.	70,000,000
(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	120,000,000
		To	Rs.	70,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.			Not Revised
(iv)	Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act.			Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2019)

Mahinda Rajapaksa,
Minister of Finance

09.09.2020
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet Approval Signified)

Question put, and agreed to.

9. Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 4) : The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing moved,— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019 and specified in the Order No. 22 hereto, be approved:—

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019

Order No. 22 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 31003 “Work Done Advance Account – Government Factory” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

<u>Item</u>		<u>Revision</u>	
(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.		Not Revised
(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From Rs.	440,000,000
		To Rs.	360,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.		Not Revised
(iv)	Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act.		Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2019)

Mahinda Rajapaksa,
Minister of Finance

09.09.2020

Colombo 01.

(Cabinet Approval Signified)

Question put, and agreed to.

10. Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 5) : The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing moved,— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019 and specified in the Schedule hereto, be approved:—

SCHEDULE

Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019 Order under Section 8

Schedule of variation of limits of Advance Accounts pertaining to Advances to public officers authorized by the Minister of Finance under Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019 in respect of Finance year 2019.

Group Order No.01

By virtue of the powers vested in me under Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 6 of 2019, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance with the approval of the Government do by this order alter / vary the maximum limits specified in Column II and IV of the Third Schedule to that Act, and the minimum limits specified in Column III of that Schedule being the limits corresponding to item Numbers 00201, 02001, 02401, 05101, 05201, 05301, 05401, 05501, 05601, 13001, 15801, 20101, 22301, 22401, 22501, 23101, 28301 and 33101 relating to Advances to Public Officers in the manner set out in the Schedule hereto.

(16)

M. No. 14

Sri No.	Ministry/Department	Item No.	II Maximum Limits of Expenditure of Activities of the Government (Rs)		III Minimum Limits of Receipts to be credited to the Accounts of Activities of the Government (Rs)		IV Maximum Limits of Debit Balance of Activities of the Government (Rs)		Order No.
			From	To	From	To	From	To	
1	Prime Minister's Office	00201	23,000,000	21,000,000	11,000,000	9,500,000	77,000,000	76,500,000	1
2	Elections Commission	02001			18,000,000	20,000,000	95,000,000	115,000,000	2
3	National Procurement Commission	02401	1,200,000	2,100,000			3,000,000	4,000,000	3
4	Non Cabinet Minister of Digital Infrastructure and Information Technology	05101			2,500,000	1,300,000			4

5	Non Cabinet Minister of Science, Technology & Research	05201	22,300,000	20,000,000	5				
6	Non Cabinet Minister of Economic Reforms and Public Distribution	05301	2,500,000	170,000	6				
7	Non Cabinet Minister of Labour and Trade Union Relation	05401	4,400,000	3,200,000	7				
8	Non Cabinet Minister of Mass Media	05501	1,000,000	3,500,000	200,000	2,500,000	6,000,000	25,000,000	8
9	Non Cabinet Minister of Special Areas Development	05601	300,000	120,000	9				
10	Minister of Public Administration and Disaster Management	13001	40,000,000	65,000,000	23,200,000	42,000,000	85,000,000	206,000,000	10
11	Minister of Public Enterprise, Kandyan Heritage and Kandy Development	15801	4,200,000	5,700,000	2,000,000	2,500,000	11		
12	Department of Buddhist Affairs	20101	21,000,000	20,500,000	12				
13	Sri Lanka Navy	22301	510,000,000	440,000,000	13				
14	Sri Lanka Air Force	22401	418,000,000	380,000,000	14				
15	Department of Police	22501	1,080,000,000	1,060,000,000	15				
16	Department of Debt Conciliation Board	23101	500,000	449,000	16				
17	Department of Forests Conservation	28301	71,000,000	66,000,000	17				
18	Department of Samurdhi Development	33101	275,000,000	255,000,000	18				

(These Orders are valid up to 31.12.2019)

Mahinda Rajapaksa.
Minister of Finance

(These Orders are valid up to 31.12.2019)

(Cabinet Approval Signified)

09.09.2020
Colombo 01.

Question put, and agreed to.

11. Adjournment (Reduction of Time Till University Entrance) : The Minister of Highways moved,— That this Parliament do now adjourn.

Question proposed, and debated.

The Minister of Highways moved,—That Hon. Sanjeeva Edirimanna do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 4.31 p.m. Hon. Sanjeeva Edirimanna took the Chair.)

And it being 5.30 p.m. Parliament was adjourned by the Presiding Member without Question put, pursuant to the Resolution of Parliament on 06th October 2020.

Parliament adjourned accordingly until 10.00 a.m. on Thursday, October 08, 2020.