



(Ninth Parliament - First Session)

No. 129.]

MINUTES OF PARLIAMENT

Thursday, December 09, 2021 at 9.30 a.m.

PRESENT :

Hon. Mahinda Yapa Abeywardana, Speaker

Hon. Mahinda Rajapaksa, Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Policies & Plan Implementation, 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 Mass Media

Hon. Udaya Gammanpila, Minister of Energy

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

Hon. S. M. Chandrasena, Minister of Lands

Hon. Janaka Bandara Thennakoon, Minister of Public Services, Provincial Councils & Local Government

Hon. Nimal Siripala de Silva, Minister of Labour

Hon. Douglas Devananda, Minister of Fisheries

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara, Minister of Water Supply

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 National Security & Disaster Management and State Minister of Home Affairs

Hon. Namal Rajapaksa, Minister of Youth & Sports, Minister of Development Co-ordination and Monitoring and State Minister of Digital Technology and Enterprise Development

Hon. Basil Rohana Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance

Hon. Gamini Lokuge, Minister of Power

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

Hon. Wimal Weerawansa, Minister of Industries

Hon. (Dr.) Sarath Weerasekera, Minister of Public Security

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. Siripala Gamalath, State Minister of Canals and Common Infrastructure Development in Settlements in Mahaweli Zones

Hon. (Dr.) Nalaka Godahewa, State Minister of Urban Development, Waste Disposal and Community Cleanliness

Hon. D. V. Chanaka, State Minister of Aviation and Export Zones Development

Hon. Sisira Jayakody, State Minister of Indigenous Medicine Promotion, Rural and Ayurvedic Hospitals Development and Community Health

Hon. Anuradha Jayaratne, State Minister of Tanks, Reservoirs and Irrigation Development related to Rural Paddy Fields

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. Mohan Priyadarshana De Silva, State Minister of Coast Conservation & Low-Lying Lands Development

Hon. Duminda Dissanayake, State Minister of Solar Power, Wind and Hydro Power Generation Projects Development

Hon. Sanath Nishantha, State Minister of Rural and Divisional Drinking Water Supply Projects Development

Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Sudarshini Fernandopulle, State Minister of Primary Health Care, Epidemics and COVID Disease Control

Hon. (Dr.) Susil Premajayantha, State Minister of Education Reforms, Open Universities and Distance Learning Promotion

Hon. Vijitha Berugoda, State Minister of Dhamma Schools, Pirivenas and Bhikkhu Education

Hon. Roshan Ranasinghe, State Minister of Provincial Councils & Local Government

Hon. Lohan Ratwatte, State Minister of Gem & Jewellery related Industries

Hon. Shasheendra Rajapaksa, State Minister of Promoting the Production & Regulating the Supply of Organic Fertilizer, and Paddy and Grains, Organic Foods, Vegetables, Fruits, Chilies, Onion and Potato Cultivation Promoting, 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. Jayantha Samaraweera**, State Minister of Warehouse Facilities, Container Yards, Port Supply Facilities and Boats and Shipping Industry Development
- Hon. Shehan Semasinghe**, State Minister of Samurdhi, Household Economy, Micro Finance, Self Employment and Business Development
- Hon. Indika Anuruddha Herath**, State Minister of Rural Housing and Construction & Building Material Industries
- 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. A. L. M. Athaullah**
- Hon. Amarakeerthi Athukorala**
- Hon. Kapila Athukorala**
- Hon. (Mrs.) Thalatha Athukorala**
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- Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe**
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- Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena**
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- Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala**
- Hon. Thisakutti Arachchi**
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Hon. Govindan Karunakaram
Hon. Gayantha Karunatilleka
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Hon. Karunadasa Kodithuwakku
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Hon. (Mrs.) Kokila Gunawardene
Hon. Yadamini Gunawardena
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Hon. (Dr.) Kavinda Heshan Jayawardhana
Hon. Premalal Jayasekara
Hon. Kulasingam Dhileeban
Hon. Premitha Bandara Tennakoon
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Hon. Rohana Dissanayaka
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Hon. (Major) Sudarshana Denipitiya
Hon. Isuru Dodangoda
Hon. Premnath C. Dolawatte
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Hon. Buddhika Pathirana
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Hon. Nimal Piyathissa
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Hon. (Prof.) Ranjith Bandara
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Hon. Shantha Bandara
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Hon. Imran Maharoof
Hon. Imthiaz Bakeer Markar
Hon. Mohomad Muzammil
Hon. Anura Priyadharshana Yapa
Hon. Wasantha Yapabandara

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
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Hon. (Dr.) V. Radhakrishnan
Hon. M. Rameshwaran
Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam
Hon. Waruna Liyanage
Hon. Eran Wickramaratne
Hon. (Mrs.) Rajika Wickramasinghe
Hon. C.V. Wigneswaran
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. Sivagnanam Shritharan
Hon. Dharmalingam Sithadthan
Hon. Maithreepala Sirisena
Hon. M. A. Sumanthiran
Hon. Jagath Kumara Sumithraarachchi
Hon. John Seneviratne

Hon. Rauff Hakeem

Hon. (Prof.) Charitha Herath

Hon. Samanpriya Herath

Hon. Marjan Faleel

Hon. Field Marshal Sarath Fonseka

Mr. Dhammika Dasanayake, Secretary-General of Parliament

Mrs. Kushani Rohanadeera, 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—

- (i) Report on the submission of observations and steps taken in terms of the Standing Order 119(4) of the Parliament with regard to the matters mentioned on the National Audit Office in the report of the Committee on Public Accounts which was presented to Parliament; and
- (ii) Report on the submission of observations and steps taken in terms of the Standing Order 119(4) of the Parliament with regard to the matters mentioned on the Finance Commission in the report of the Committee on Public Accounts which was presented to Parliament

and moved that those Reports be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts.

Question put, and agreed to.

(2) The Minister of Education presented the Annual Report of the University of Sri Jayewardenepura for the year 2019 and moved that the Report be referred to the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Education.

Question put, and agreed to.

(3) The Minister of Transport presented the Annual Report of the National Transport Medical Institute for the year 2019 and moved that the Report be referred to the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Transport.

Question put, and agreed to.

(4) The Minister of Highways presented the Annual Report of the National Crafts Council for the year 2019 and moved that the Report be referred to the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Industries.

Question put, and agreed to.

(5) The Minister of Highways presented the—

- (i) Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2236/66 of 18th July 2021;
- (ii) Order made by the Minister of Finance under Sections 2 and 5 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2240/20 of 11th August 2021;
- (iii) Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2244/8 of 07th September 2021;
- (iv) Order made by the Minister of Finance under Sections 2 and 5 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2249/3 of 11th October 2021;
- (v) Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2249/16 of 13th October 2021;
- (vi) Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 5 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2252/9 of 02nd November 2021;
- (vii) Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 5 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2252/25 of 02nd November 2021;
- (viii) Notification made by the Minister of Finance under Section 22 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52), as amended from time to time, relating to Excise Duty on Liquor and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2253/41 of 12th November 2021
(Excise Notification No. 11/2021); and
- (ix) Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 3 of the Excise (Special Provisions) Act, No. 13 of 1989 relating to Excise duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2253/42 of 12th November 2021

and moved that those Orders and the Notification be referred to the Committee on Public Finance.

Question put, and agreed to.

(6) The Minister of Youth & Sports, Minister of Development Co-ordination and Monitoring and State Minister of Digital Technology and Enterprise Development 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 matters mentioned on the Ministry of Youth & Sports in the report of the Committee on Public Accounts which was presented to Parliament and moved that the Report be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts.

Question put, and agreed to.

(7) The Minister of Justice presented the Performance Report of the Attorney General's Department for the year 2020.

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

2. Presentation of Reports from Committees : (1) Hon. Lasantha Alagiyawanna, Member of the Committee on behalf of Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana, Chair of the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Trade presented the Report of the said Committee on—

- (i) Mahapola Higher Education Scholarship Trust Fund (Amendment) Bill;
- (ii) Annual Report of the Consumer Affairs Authority for the year 2018;
- (iii) Annual Reports and Accounts of the Mahapola Higher Education Scholarship Trust Fund for the years 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017;
- (iv) Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Export Development Board for the year 2020;
- (v) Annual Report of the National Institute of Co-operative Development—Polgolla for the year 2019; and
- (vi) Annual Report of the Sri Lanka State Trading (General) Corporation Ltd for the year 2018/2019

which were referred to the Committee.

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

(2) Hon. Namal Rajapaksa, Member of the Committee on behalf of the Chair of the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Technology presented the Report of the said Committee on—

- (i) Regulations under Section 71(2)(a) of the Sri Lanka Telecommunications Act, No. 25 of 1991 amended by Act, No. 27 of 1996 read with Section 5 (f) of the aforesaid Act;
- (ii) Annual Report of the Telecommunications Regulatory Commission of Sri Lanka for the year 2019; and
- (iii) Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution for the year 2017

which were referred to the Committee.

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

(3) Hon. Namal Rajapaksa, Chair of the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Youth & Sports presented the Report of the said Committee on—

- (i) Annual Report of the National Youth Services Council for the year 2017;
- (ii) Annual Report of the Sugathadasa National Sports Complex Authority for the year 2018;
- (iii) Annual Report of the National Youth Corps for the year 2015;
- (iv) Annual Report of the National Youth Corps for the year 2016;
- (v) Annual Report of the National Youth Corps for the year 2017; and
- (vi) Annual Report of the National Youth Services Council for the year 2018

which were referred to the Committee.

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

(4) Hon. M .U. M. Ali Sabry, Chair of the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Justice presented the Report of the said Committee on—

- (i) Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill;
- (ii) Judicature (Amendment) Bill;
- (iii) Prohibition of Anti-Personnel Mines Bill;
- (iv) Civil Procedure Code (Amendment) Bill;
- (v) Regulations made by the Minister of Justice under Section 61 read with Section 45 (1A) of the Judicature Act No. 2 of 1978 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2226/12 dated 3rd May 2021;
- (vi) Annual Reports of the Legal Aid Commission of Sri Lanka for the years 2015, 2016 and 2017;
- (vii) Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the Rehabilitation Authority for the year 2017; and
- (viii) Annual Report of the Office on Missing Persons for the year 2019

which were referred to the Committee.

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

(5) Hon. Lasantha Alagiyawanna, Member of the Committee on behalf of Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana, Chair of the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Trade presented the Report of the said Committee on the Special Meeting held on 01st December 2021 to discuss the current issues relating to the usage of Domestic Gas Cylinders which was referred to the Committee.

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

3. Presentation of Public Petitions :

- (1) Hon. (Mrs.) Pavithradevi Wanniarachchi presented a petition dated 15.07.2021 from Mrs. L. K. Miulin of No. 35/106, Eriyagahadeniya, Dumriya Mawatha, Hidellana, Rathnapura.

- (2) Hon. Kanaka Herath presented a petition dated 17.10.2021 from Mr. E. D. Jayarathne Wickramasinghe of Medagama, Parape, Rambukkana.
- (3) Hon. Sanath Nishantha presented a petition dated 02.08.2021 from Mrs. P. M. M. S. Premarathne of Ranketha Uyana, Giriulla Road, Alawwa.
- (4) Hon. Nipuna Ranawaka presented a petition dated 26.07.2021 from Mr. Sarath Hewapathirana of Henagewatte, Hallala, Weligama.

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

4. Appropriation Bill — (Twenty Second Allotted Day) : Considered further in the Committee.

(In the Committee)

The Speaker took the Chair.

Head 110

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Hon. (Mrs.) Thalatha Athukorala proposed that the Programme be reduced by Rs. 10/-.

(At 11.01 a.m. Hon. Hesha Withanage took the Chair.)

The State Minister of Rural and School Sports Infrastructure Improvement moved,— That Hon. Ajith Rajapakse do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 1.00 p.m. Hon. Ajith Rajapakse took the Chair.)

(At 3.37 p.m. Hon. Premnath C. Dolawatte took the Chair.)

Question put, and negatived.

Ministry of Justice

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Minister of Finance proposed an amendment to leave out lines 8 and 9 in page 19 and substitute the following:—

“Recurrent	12,812,460,000
Capital	11,937,000,000”

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

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

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Minister of Finance proposed an amendment to leave out line 12 in page 19 and substitute the following:—

“Programme 01 Development Activities 2,506,425,000 8,073,690,000”

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

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

Head 205

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 69,475,000 for Head 205, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 3,700,000 for Head 205, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 228

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 7,851,750,000 for Head 228, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 3,308,200,000 for Head 228, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 229

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 1,545,000,000 for Head 229, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 329,000,000 for Head 229, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 230

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 125,200,000 for Head 230, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 10,500,000 for Head 230, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 231

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 35,850,000 for Head 231, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 1,000,000 for Head 231, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 233

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 416,300,000 for Head 233, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 206,500,000 for Head 233, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 234

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 246,550,000 for Head 234, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 3,200,000 for Head 234, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 235

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 15,910,000 for Head 235, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 1,210,000 for Head 235, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

State Ministry of Prison Management and Prisoners' Rehabilitation

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Minister of Finance proposed an amendment to leave out line 9 in page 20 and substitute the following:—

“Capital 1,390,000,000”

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

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

Head 418

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Minister of Finance proposed an amendment to leave out line 12 in page 20 and substitute the following:—

“Programme 01 Operational Activities 377,370,000 928,800,000”

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

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

Head 232

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 7,601,500,000 for Head 232, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 448,000,000 for Head 232, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 326

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 484,060,000 for Head 326, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 13,200,000 for Head 326, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Ministry of Youth & Sports

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Minister of Finance proposed an amendment to leave out line 19 in page 47 and substitute the following:—

“Capital 3,800,000,000”

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

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

Head 194

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 447,575,000 for Head 194, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 22,500,000 for Head 194, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Minister of Finance proposed an amendment to leave out line 23 in page 47 and substitute the following:—

“Programme 02 Development Activities 2,791,150,000 3,637,200,000”

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

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

Head 219

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 116,850,000 for Head 219, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 9,500,000 for Head 219, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 970,525,000 for Head 219, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 98,000,000 for Head 219, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 328

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 447,400,000 for Head 328, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 6,500,000 for Head 328, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 26,300,000 for Head 328, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 402

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 561,165,000 for Head 402, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 178,970,000 for Head 402, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 135,735,000 for Head 402, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 991,000,000 for Head 402, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Ministry of Technology

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Minister of Finance proposed an amendment to leave out line 12 in page 45 and substitute the following:—

“Capital 2,759,900,000”

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

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

Head 186**Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)**

Question that the sum of Rs. 93,950,000 for Head 186, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 6,500,000 for Head 186, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

The Minister of Highways on behalf of the Minister of Finance proposed an amendment to leave out line 16 in page 45 and substitute the following:—

“Programme 02 Development Activities 680,000,000 2,430,000,000”

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

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

Head 227**Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)**

Question that the sum of Rs. 1,332,700,000 for Head 227, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 323,400,000 for Head 227, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 444**Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)**

Question that the sum of Rs. 58,490,000 for Head 444, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 6,600,000 for Head 444, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 339,000,000 for Head 444, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 841,000,000 for Head 444, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 169

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 78,000,000 for Head 169, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 8,800,000 for Head 169, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 280

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 91,000,000 for Head 280, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 41,200,000 for Head 280, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

At 5.53 p.m. the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to Parliament.

Committee report progress; to sit again on Friday, December 10, 2021.

5. Regulations under the Judicature Act : The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Justice moved,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Justice under Section 61 read with Section 45(1A) of the Judicature Act, No. 2 of 1978 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2226/12 of 03rd May 2021, which were presented on 22.10.2021, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

6. Regulations under the Sri Lanka Telecommunications Act : The Minister of Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Policies & Plan Implementation, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing moved,— That the Regulations made by the President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka under Section 71(2)(a) of the Sri Lanka Telecommunications Act, No. 25 of 1991 amended by Act, No. 27 of 1996 read with Section 5(f) of the aforesaid Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2134/56 of 02nd August 2019, which was presented on 09.11.2021, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

7. Adjournment (Issues Faced by Small and Medium-Scale Poultry Farmers) :

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

Question proposed, and debated.

The Minister of Education moved,—That Hon. (Mrs.) Kokila Gunawardene do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 5.55 p.m. Hon. (Mrs.) Kokila Gunawardene took the Chair.)

And it being past 5.30 p.m. Parliament was at 6.29 p.m. adjourned by the Presiding Member without Question put, pursuant to the Resolution of Parliament this day.

Parliament adjourned accordingly until 9.30 a.m. on Friday, December 10, 2021 pursuant to the Resolution of Parliament of 20th November 2021.