



(Ninth Parliament - First Session)

No. 116.]

MINUTES OF PARLIAMENT

Wednesday, November 24, 2021 at 9.30 a.m.

PRESENT :

Hon. Mahinda Yapa Abeywardana, Speaker

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

Hon. Angajan Ramanathan, Deputy Chairperson of Committees

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. Mahinda Amaraweera, Minister of Environment

Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma, Minister of Mass Media

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

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

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

Hon. Nimal Siripala de Silva, Minister of Labour

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

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

Hon. Dilum Amunugama, State Minister of Vehicle Regulation, Bus Transport Services and Train Compartments and Motor Car Industry and State Minister of Community Police Services

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. Anuradha Jayaratne**, State Minister of Tanks, Reservoirs and Irrigation Development related to Rural Paddy Fields
- Hon. Piyanaka 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. Piyal Nishantha De Silva**, State Minister of Women and Child Development, Preschools & Primary Education, School Infrastructure & Education Services
- 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. 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 Wijesekera**, 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. 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. 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**
- Hon. Sampath Athukorala**
- Hon. Tissa Attanayake**
- Hon. Hector Appuhamy**
- Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe**
- Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena**
- Hon. Mayadunna Chinthaka Amal**
- Hon. Thavaraja Kalai Arasan**
- Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala**
- Hon. Thisakutti Arachchi**
- Hon. M. Udayakumar**
- Hon. U. K. Sumith Udukumbura**
- Hon. (Major) Pradeep Undugoda**
- Hon. Sanjeeva Edirimanna**
- Hon. Lalith Ellawala**
- Hon. Selvarajah Kajendren**
- Hon. Gayantha Karunatileka**
- Hon. Sagara Kariyawasam**
- Hon. Faizal Cassim**
- Hon. Jayantha Ketagoda**
- Hon. Lakshman Kiriella**
- Hon. Udayana Kirindigoda**
- Hon. Gevindu Cumaratunga**

Hon. (Mrs.) Geetha Samanmale Kumarasinghe

Hon. K. P. S. Kumarasiri

Hon. A. Aravindh Kumar

Hon. Velu Kumar

Hon. Karunadasa Kodithuwakku

Hon. Nalaka Bandara Kottegoda

Hon. (Mrs.) Diana Gamage

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. Kulasingam Dhileeban

Hon. Premitha Bandara Tennakoon

Hon. Shan Vijayalal De Silva

Hon. (Dr.) Harsha de Silva

Hon. Chamara Sampath Dasanayake

Hon. S. B. Dissanayake

Hon. (Mrs.) Manjula Dissanayake

Hon. Mayantha Dissanayake

Hon. Rohana Dissanayaka

Hon. Isuru Dodangoda

Hon. Premnath C. Dolawatte

Hon. W. H. M. Dharmasena

Hon. H. Nandasena

Hon. (Dr.) 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. K. Sujith Sanjaya Perera
Hon. G. G. Ponnambalam
Hon. Nalin Fernando
Hon. Ashoka Priyantha
Hon. (Mrs.) Muditha Prishanthi
Hon. Uddika Premarathne
Hon. R. M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara
Hon. Rohana Bandara
Hon. Shantha Bandara
Hon. Sudath Manjula
Hon. K. Kader Masthan
Hon. Imthiaz Bakeer Markar
Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma
Hon. Mohomad Muzammil
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
Hon. (Dr.) V. Radhakrishnan
Hon. M. Rameshwaran
Hon. Waruna Liyanage
Hon. Eran Wickramaratne
Hon. C.V. Wigneswaran
Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna
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Hon. M. W. D. Sahan Pradeep Withana

Hon. Madhura Withanage
Hon. Hesha Withanage
Hon. (Prof.) Tissa Vitarana
Hon. Jayantha Weerasinghe, PC
Hon. D. Weerasingha
Hon. Weerasumana Weerasinghe
Hon. Sivagnanam Shritharan
Hon. Mahinda Samarasinghe
Hon. Dharmalingam Sithadthan
Hon. Maithreepala Sirisena
Hon. Jagath Kumara Sumithraarachchi
Hon. Vadivel Suresh
Hon. John Seneviratne
Hon. (Dr.) Rajitha Senarathne
Hon. Rauff Hakeem
Hon. Kabir Hashim
Hon. H. M. M. Harees
Hon. (Prof.) Charitha Herath
Hon. Vijitha Herath
Hon. Marjan Faleel

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 Deputy Speaker took the Chair.

1. Presentation of Papers : (1) The Minister of Labour presented the Annual Report and Financial Statement of the Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment for the year 2016 and moved that the Report be referred to the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Labour.

Question put, and agreed to.

(2) The Minister of Highways presented the —

- (i) Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Cement Corporation for the year 2018; and

- (ii) Regulations made by the Minister of Industries under Section 53 read with Section 15 of the National Gem and Jewellery Authority Act, No. 50 of 1993, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2232/36 of 18th June 2021

and moved that the Report and those Regulations be referred to the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Industries.

Question put, and agreed to.

2. Presentation of Reports from Committees : Hon. Sudath Manjula, Member of the Committee on behalf of Hon. Janaka Bandara Thennakoon, Chair of the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Public Services, Provincial Councils & Local Government presented the Report of the said Committee on Annual Report of Sri Lanka Institute of Local Governance for the year 2017, which was referred to the Committee.

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

3. Presentation of Public Petitions :

- (1) Hon. Buddhika Pathirana presented a petition dated 18.10.2021 from Mr. Priyantha Wickramasekara of No. 31, Navimana Road, Weraduwa, Matara.
- (2) Hon. Milan Jayathilake presented a petition dated 23.09.2021 from Mr. Ranathunga Mudiyanseelage Dharma Ranathunga of No. 73, Rajahena Road, Moragala, Dekatana.

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

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

(In the Committee)

The Deputy Speaker took the Chair.

Head 101

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Hon. R. M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara proposed that the Programme be reduced by Rs. 10/-.

(At 11.16 a.m. Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna took the Chair.)

(At 1.00 p.m. the Deputy Chairperson of Committees took the Chair.)

(At 2.13 p.m. Hon. Velu Kumar took the Chair.)

(At 3.26 p.m. Hon. Sanjeeva Edirimanna took the Chair.)

(At 4.56 p.m. the Speaker took the Chair.)

Question put, and negatived.

Ministry of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs

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

“Capital 1,775,000,000”

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.

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 414,000,000 for Head 101, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 144,000,000 for Head 101, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance proposed an amendment to leave out line 13 in page 9 and substitute the following:—

“Programme 02 Development Activities 727,000,000 855,000,000”

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 201

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 84,000,000 for Head 201, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 9,000,000 for Head 201, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 1,073,000,000 for Head 201, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 79,000,000 for Head 201, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 202

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 154,000,000 for Head 202, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 27,000,000 for Head 202, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 203

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 198,000,000 for Head 203, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 42,000,000 for Head 203, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 204

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 209,000,000 for Head 204, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 57,000,000 for Head 204, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 206

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 140,000,000 for Head 206, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 6,000,000 for Head 206, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 581,000,000 for Head 206, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 220,000,000 for Head 206, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 208

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 50,000,000 for Head 208, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 14,000,000 for Head 208, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 191,000,000 for Head 208, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 191,000,000 for Head 208, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 209

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 89,000,000 for Head 209, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 10,000,000 for Head 209, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 70,000,000 for Head 209, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 121,000,000 for Head 209, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 401

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 180,500,000 for Head 401, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 8,500,000 for Head 401, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 166,500,000 for Head 401, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 145,500,000 for Head 401, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 207

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 266,000,000 for Head 207, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 6,000,000 for Head 207, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 885,000,000 for Head 207, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 140,000,000 for Head 207, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Ministry of Public Services, Provincial Councils & Local Government

The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance proposed an amendment to leave out line 12 in page 34 and substitute the following:—

“Recurrent 293,896,000,000”

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 130

The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance proposed an amendment to leave out line 16 in page 34 and substitute the following:—

“Programme 01 Operational Activities 28,998,000,000 426,000,000”

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 236

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 158,000,000 for Head 236, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 3,000,000 for Head 236, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 253

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 264,740,000,000 for Head 253, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 51,000,000 for Head 253, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 420

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 308,000,000 for Head 420, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 44,000,000 for Head 420, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 300,000,000 for Head 420, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 14,456,000,000 for Head 420, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 312

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 50,008,000,000 for Head 312, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 2,216,000,000 for Head 312, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 313

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 37,459,000,000 for Head 313, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 2,899,000,000 for Head 313, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 314

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 35,507,000,000 for Head 314, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 2,712,000,000 for Head 314, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 315

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 26,428,000,000 for Head 315, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 3,208,000,000 for Head 315, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 316

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 33,542,000,000 for Head 316, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 2,688,000,000 for Head 316, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 317

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 20,979,000,000 for Head 317, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 2,951,000,000 for Head 317, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 318

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 24,902,000,000 for Head 318, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 3,106,000,000 for Head 318, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 319

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 30,955,000,000 for Head 319, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 3,057,000,000 for Head 319, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 321

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 28,220,000,000 for Head 321, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 3,163,000,000 for Head 321, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

At 5.14 p.m. the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to Parliament.

Committee report progress; to sit again on Thursday, November 25, 2021.

5. Annual Report of the National Film Corporation (2013) : 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 Annual Report of the National Film Corporation for the year 2013 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 20.02.2018 under Section 14(1) of Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971 and under Section 32(1) of State Film Corporation of Sri Lanka Act, No. 47 of 1971 amended by Act, No. 45 of 1980, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

6. Annual Report of the National Film Corporation (2014) : 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 Annual Report of the National Film Corporation for the year 2014 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 20.02.2018 under Section 14(1) of Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971 and under Section 32(1) of State Film Corporation of Sri Lanka Act, No. 47 of 1971 amended by Act, No. 45 of 1980, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

7. Adjournment (Recruitment of Graduates from Foreign Universities to Public Service) : The Leader of the House of Parliament moved,— That this Parliament do now adjourn.

Question proposed, and debated.

The State Minister of Provincial Councils & Local Government moved,—That Hon. Premnath C. Dolawatte do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 5.14 p.m. Hon. Premnath C. Dolawatte took the Chair.)

The State Minister of Provincial Councils & Local Government moved,—That Hon. Wasantha Yapabandara do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 5.31 p.m. Hon. Wasantha Yapabandara took the Chair.)

And it being past 5.30 p.m. Parliament was at 5.47 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 Thursday, November 25, 2021 pursuant to the Resolution of Parliament of 20th November 2021.