



(Ninth Parliament - First Session)

No. 51.]

MINUTES OF PARLIAMENT

Friday, December 08, 2022 at 9.30 a.m.

PRESENT :

Hon. Mahinda Yapa Abeywardana, Speaker

Hon. Ajith Rajapakse, Deputy Speaker and the Chair of Committees

Hon. Angajan Ramanathan, Deputy Chairperson of Committees

Hon. Ranil Wickremesinghe, President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka

Hon. Dinesh Gunawardena, Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government

Hon. Mahinda Amaraweera, Minister of Agriculture and Minister of Wildlife and Forest Resources Conservation

Hon. Tiran Alles, Minister of Public Security

Hon. Naseer Ahamed, Minister of Environment

Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana, Minister of Transport and Highways and Minister of Mass Media

Hon. Nimal Siripala de Silva, Attorney at Law, Minister of Ports, Shipping and Aviation

Hon. Douglas Devananda, Minister of Fisheries

Hon. Manusha Nanayakkara, Minister of Labour and Foreign Employment

Hon. (Dr.) Ramesh Pathirana, Minister of Plantation Industries and Minister of Industries

Hon. Nalin Fernando, Minister of Trade, Commerce and Food Security

Hon. Harin Fernando, Minister of Tourism and Lands

Hon. (Dr.) Susil Premajayantha, Attorney at Law, Minister of Education and Leader of the House of Parliament

Hon. Prasanna Ranatunga, Minister of Urban Development and Housing and Chief Government Whip

Hon. Roshan Ranasinghe, Minister of Sports and Youth Affairs and Minister of Irrigation

Hon. Keheliya Rambukwella, Minister of Health and Minister of Water Supply

Hon. (Dr.) Wijeyadasa Rajapakshe, PC, Minister of Justice, Prisons Affairs and Constitutional Reforms

Hon. Vidura Wikramanayaka, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs

Hon. Kanchana Wijsekera, Minister of Power and Energy

Hon. M .U. M. Ali Sabry, PC, Minister of Foreign Affairs

Hon. Sajith Premadasa, Leader of the Opposition in Parliament

Hon. Dilum Amunugama, State Minister of Investment Promotion

Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Seetha Arambepola, State Minister of Health

Hon. Lasantha Alagiyawanna, State Minister of Transport

Hon. (Mrs.) Geetha Samanmale Kumarasinghe, State Minister of Women and Child Affairs

Hon. A. Aravindh Kumar, State Minister of Education

Hon. (Mrs.) Diana Gamage, State Minister of Tourism

Hon. Siripala Gamalath, State Minister of Highways

Hon. Sivanesathurai Santhirakanthan, State Minister of Rural Road Development

Hon. D. V. Chanaka, State Minister of Power and Energy

Hon. Sisira Jayakody, Attorney at Law, State Minister of Indigenous Medicine

Hon. Anuradha Jayaratne, State Minister of Justice and Prison Affairs

Hon. Premalal Jayasekara, State Minister of Ports and Aviation

Hon. Premitha Bandara Tennakoon, State Minister of Defence

Hon. Chamara Sampath Dasanayake, State Minister of Primary Industries

Hon. Piyal Nishantha De Silva, State Minister of Fisheries

Hon. Mohan Priyadarshana De Silva, Attorney at Law, State Minister of Agriculture

Hon. Rohana Dissanayaka, State Minister of Sports and Youth Affairs

Hon. Sanath Nishantha, State Minister of Water Supply

Hon. Anupa Pasqual, State Minister of Social Empowerment

Hon. Jagath Pushpakumara, State Minister of Foreign Employment Promotion

Hon. Arundika Fernando, State Minister of Urban Development and Housing

Hon. Ashoka Priyantha, State Minister of Home Affairs

Hon. Shantha Bandara, State Minister of Mass Media

Hon. Tharaka Balasuriya, State Minister of Foreign Affairs

Hon. Vijitha Berugoda, State Minister of Private Education

Hon. K. Kader Masthan, State Minister of Rural Economy

Hon. Prasanna Ranaweera, State Minister of Small and Medium Enterprises Development

Hon. Lohan Ratwatte, State Minister of Plantation Industries

Hon. (Dr.) Suren Raghavan, State Minister of Higher Education

Hon. Shasheendra Rajapaksa, State Minister of Irrigation

Hon. Janaka Wakkumbura, State Minister of Provincial Councils and Local Government

Hon. Thenuka Vidanagamage, State Minister of Urban Development and Housing

Hon. S. Viyalanderan, State Minister of Trade

Hon. Ranjith Siyambalapitiya, State Minister of Finance

Hon. Shehan Semasinghe, State Minister of Finance

Hon. Indika Anuruddha Herath, State Minister of Power and Energy

Hon. Kanaka Herath, State Minister of Technology

Hon. D. B. Herath, State Minister of Livestock Development

Hon. Selvam Adaikkalanathan

Hon. A. L. M. Athaullah

Hon. Kapila Athukorala

Hon. (Mrs.) Thalatha Athukorala, Attorney at Law

Hon. Sampath Athukorala

Hon. Tissa Attanayake

Hon. Hector Appuhamy

Hon. Rohitha Abegunawardhana

Hon. Wajira Abeywardana

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe

Hon. (Dr.) (Ms.) Harini Amarasuriya

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena

Hon. Mayadunna Chinthaka Amal

Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala

Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma

Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage

Hon. Thisakutti Arachchi

Hon. U. K. Sumith Udukumbura

Hon. M. Udayakumar

Hon. (Dr.) Major Pradeep Undugoda

Hon. Sanjeeva Edirimanna

Hon. Akila Ellawala

Hon. Lalith Ellawala

Hon. Selvarajah Kajendren

Hon. Govindan Karunakaram

Hon. Gayantha Karunatilleka

Hon. Sagara Kariyawasam, Attorney at Law

Hon. Faizal Cassim
Hon. Jayantha Ketagoda
Hon. Lakshman Kiriella, Attorney at Law
Hon. Udayana Kirindigoda
Hon. Lalith Varna Kumara
Hon. Gevindu Cumaratunga
Hon. K. P. S. Kumarasiri
Hon. Velu Kumar
Hon. Karunadasa Kodithuwakku
Hon. Nalaka Bandara Kottegoda
Hon. Mano Ganesan
Hon. Udaya Gammanpila
Hon. (Dr.) Upul Galappaththi
Hon. Udayakantha Gunathilaka
Hon. (Mrs.) Kokila Gunawardene
Hon. Yadamini Gunawardena
Hon. (Dr.) Nalaka Godahewa
Hon. S. M. Chandrasena
Hon. Milan Jayathilake
Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha
Hon. Piyankara Jayaratne
Hon. (Dr.) Kavinda Heshan Jayawardhana
Hon. (Prof.) Channa Jayasumana
Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara
Hon. M. S. Thowfeek
Hon. Kulasingam Dhileeban
Hon. Janaka Bandara Thennakoon
Hon. Jeevan Thondaman
Hon. Shan Vijayalal De Silva
Hon. (Dr.) Harsha de Silva
Hon. Palani Thigambaram
Hon. Anura Dissanayaka
Hon. Duminda Dissanayake
Hon. S. B. Dissanayake
Hon. (Mrs.) Manjula Dissanayake
Hon. Mayantha Dissanayake
Hon. Wimalaweera Dissanayake

Hon. Sarathi Dushmantha
Hon. (Major) Sudarshana Denipitiya
Hon. Isuru Dodangoda
Hon. Premnath C. Dolawatte, Attorney at Law
Hon. W. H. M. Dharmasena
Hon. (Dr.) Gayashan Nawananda
Hon. Asanka Navarathna
Hon. Kins Nelson
Hon. S. Noharathalingam
Hon. Buddhika Pathirana
Hon. (Prof.) G. L. Peiris
Hon. Dilan Perera
Hon. Dhammika Perera
Hon. Niroshan Perera
Hon. K. Sujith Sanjaya Perera
Hon. G. G. Ponnambalam
Hon. Johnston Fernando
Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Sudarshini Fernandopulle
Hon. (Mrs.) Muditha Prishanthi
Hon. Rohana Bandara
Hon. R. M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara
Hon. (Prof.) Ranjith Bandara
Hon. Rishad Bathiudeen
Hon. Sudath Manjula
Hon. S. M. Marikkar
Hon. Imran Maharoof
Hon. Imthiaz Bakeer Markar
Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma
Hon. S. M. M. Muszhaaraff
Hon. Mohomad Muzammil
Hon. Anura Priyadharshana Yapa, Attorney at Law
Hon. Wasantha Yapabandara, Attorney at Law
Hon. Patali Champika Ranawaka
Hon. Nipuna Ranawaka
Hon. (Ven.) Athuraliye Rathana Thero
Hon. B. Y. G. Rathnasekara
Hon. Kumarasiri Rathnayaka

Hon. C. B. Rathnayake
Hon. Ali Sabri Raheem
Hon. Ishak Rahuman
Hon. Mujibur Rahuman
Hon. Harshana Rajakaruna
Hon. Gunathilaka Rajapaksha
Hon. Chamal Rajapaksa
Hon. (Dr.) Thilak Rajapakshe
Hon. Namal Rajapaksa, Attorney at Law
Hon. Mahinda Rajapaksa
Hon. Upul Mahendra Rajapaksha
Hon. (Dr.) V. Radhakrishnan
Hon. M. Rameshwaran
Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam
Hon. Nimal Lanza
Hon. Waruna Liyanage
Hon. Gamini Lokuge
Hon. (Mrs.) Pavithradevi Wanniarachchi, Attorney at Law
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, Attorney at Law
Hon. Hesha Withanage
Hon. (Prof.) Tissa Vitarana
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Hon. Dharmalingam Sithadthan
Hon. Maithreepala Sirisena
Hon. M. A. Sumanthiran
Hon. Jagath Kumara Sumithraarachchi
Hon. Vadivel Suresh
Hon. John Seneviratne
Hon. (Dr.) Rajitha Senarathne
Hon. Rauff Hakeem, Attorney at Law
Hon. Abdul Haleem
Hon. Kabir Hashim
Hon. (Prof.) Charitha Herath
Hon. Vijitha Herath
Hon. Jayarathna 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. Announcements by the Speaker : The Speaker made the following announcements:—

I

“I wish to inform that notwithstanding the provisions of the Standing Order 122 of Parliament and the resolution adopted by Parliament on 26th November 2022, the following Members have been nominated by the Committee of Selection to serve in the Committee on Banking and Financial Services, as per the resolution adopted by Parliament on 06th December 2022:—

Hon. Shehan Semasinghe
Hon. Anupa Pasqual
Hon. Chamal Rajapaksa
Hon. Gamini Lokuge
Hon. Sampath Athukorala

Hon. Sanjeeva Edirimanna
Hon. Karunadasa Kodithuwakku
Hon. (Mrs.) Kokila Gunawardene
Hon. (Mrs.) Muditha Prishanthi
Hon. Yadamini Gunawardena”

II

“I wish to inform that notwithstanding the provisions of the Standing Order 123 of Parliament and the resolution adopted by Parliament on 26th November 2022, the following Members have been nominated by the Committee of Selection to serve in the Committee on Economic Stabilization, as per the resolution adopted by Parliament on 06th December 2022:—

Hon. Shehan Semasinghe
Hon. Tharaka Balasuriya
Hon. (Mrs.) Pavithradevi Wanniarachchi, Attorney at Law
Hon. C. B. Rathnayake
Hon. Namal Rajapaksa, Attorney at Law
Hon. Jeevan Thondaman
Hon. Akila Ellawala
Hon. Kumarasiri Rathnayaka
Hon. (Prof.) Ranjith Bandara
Hon. Marjan Faleel”

III

“I wish to inform that notwithstanding the provisions of the Standing Order 124 of Parliament and the resolution adopted by Parliament on 26th November 2022, the following Members have been nominated by the Committee of Selection to serve in the Committee on Ways and Means, as per the resolution adopted by Parliament on 06th December 2022:—

Hon. Ranjith Siyambalapitiya
Hon. Sisira Jayakody, Attorney at Law
Hon. Shasheendra Rajapaksa
Hon. Johnston Fernando
Hon. Wajira Abeywardana
Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage
Hon. Nalaka Bandara Kottegoda
Hon. Nipuna Ranawaka
Hon. Samanpriya Herath
Hon. (Mrs.) Manjula Dissanayake”

2. Presentation of Papers : (1) The Minister of Urban Development and Housing presented the Annual Report of the Homoeopathic Medical Council for the year 2018 moved that the Report be referred to the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Health.

Question put, and agreed to.

(2) The Minister of Urban Development and Housing presented the Annual Reports of the Palmyrah Development Board for the years 2016 and 2017 moved that those Reports be referred to the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Plantation Industries.

Question put, and agreed to.

3. Presentation of Reports from Committees : (1) Hon. (Dr.) Harsha de Silva, Chair of the Committee on Public Finance presented the Report of the said Committee on the Estimates for the Financial Year 2023 in terms of Standing Order 121(5) (ii) of the Parliament Including whether the allocation of money is in compliance with the policies of the Government which was referred to the Committee.

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

(2) Hon. (Dr.) Harsha de Silva, Chair of the Committee on Public Finance presented the Report of the said Committee on —

- (i) Order under the Casino Business (Regulation) Act, No. 17 of 2010; and
- (ii) Regulations under the Casino Business (Regulation) Act, No. 17 of 2010

which was referred to the Committee.

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

4. Presentation of Public Petitions :

- (1) Hon. Vidura Wikramanayaka presented a petition dated 16.11.2022 from Mr. S. K. A. Pushpakumara of No. 09, Kanatta Road, Warallahena, Horana.
- (2) Hon. Ranjith Siyambalapitiya presented a petition dated 13.11.2022 from Mr. W. Thilakarathna of Rathna Hardware, No. 15, Gal Athara Road, Ussapitiya.

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

5. Regulation of Election Expenditure : The Minister of Justice, Prisons Affairs and Constitutional Reforms presented,—“Bill to regulate the expenditure incurred by candidates at every election conducted under the Local Authorities Elections Ordinance (Chapter 262), the Provincial Councils Elections Act, No. 2 of 1988; the Parliamentary Elections Act, No. 1 of 1981 and the Presidential Elections Act, No. 15 of 1981 and to provide for matters connected therewith and incidental thereto.”

The Bill was ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday, January 03, 2023, be printed and be referred to the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Justice, Prisons Affairs and Constitutional Reforms.

6. Business of the Parliament (No.1) : The Leader of the House of Parliament moved,— That the proceedings on Item Nos. 1 to 26 of Public Business appearing on the Order Paper be exempted at this day's sittings from the provisions of Standing Order 8 of the Parliament and the motions agreed to by Parliament on 18th October 2022 and 19th November 2022.

Question put, and agreed to.

7. Business of the Parliament (No.2) : The Leader of the House of Parliament moved,— That the proceedings on Item Nos. 2, 19 and 22 of Public Business appearing on the Order Paper be exempted at this day's sitting from the provisions of Standing Order 27 of the Parliament.

Question put, and agreed to.

8. Appropriation Bill — (Twentieth Allotted Day) : Considered further in the Committee.

(In the Committee)

The Speaker took the Chair.

Head 102

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Hon. Eran Wickramaratne proposed that the Programme be reduced by Rs. 10/-.

(At 10.43 a.m. the Deputy Speaker took the Chair.)

(At 12.34 p.m. the Deputy Chairperson of Committees took the Chair.)

(At 1.49 p.m. Hon. Premnath C. Dolawatte, Attorney at Law took the Chair.)

(At 3.09 p.m. Hon. Imran Maharroof took the Chair.)

(At 4.45 p.m. Hon. Weerasumana Weerasinghe took the Chair.)

(At 5.38 p.m. the Speaker took the Chair.)

Question put, and negatived.

Question that the sum of Rs. 1,276,535,000 for Head 102, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 328,400,000 for Head 102, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 1,897,500,000 for Head 102, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 237

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 8,146,830,000 for Head 237, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 2,772,000,000 for Head 237, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 238

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 81,300,000 for Head 238, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 1,250,000 for Head 238, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 239

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 451,280,000 for Head 239, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 1,340,200,000 for Head 239, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Ministry of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies

The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies proposed an amendment to leave out lines 18 and 19 in page 10 and substitute the following:—

“Recurrent 274,012,962,000

Capital 334,752,778,000”

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 240

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 267,200,000 for Head 240, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 358,000,000 for Head 240, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies proposed an amendment to leave out line 13 in page 11 and substitute the following:—

“Programme 02 Development Activities 167,787,953,000 168,311,228,000”

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 241

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 624,550,000 for Head 241, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 75,554,500,000 for Head 241, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 242

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 108,300,000 for Head 242, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 2,050,000 for Head 242, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 243

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 21,441,290,000 for Head 243, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 900,000 for Head 243, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies proposed an amendment to leave out line 20 in page 11 and substitute the following:—

“Programme 02 Development Activities — 66,041,300,000”

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 244

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 72,570,000 for Head 244, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 1,100,000 for Head 244, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 245

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 95,500,000 for Head 245, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 7,800,000 for Head 245, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 246

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 4,713,300,000 for Head 246, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 10,255,400,000 for Head 246, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 247

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 4,798,415,000 for Head 247, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 483,400,000 for Head 247, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 248

The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies proposed an amendment to leave out line 6 in page 12 and substitute the following:—

“Programme 01 Operational Activities 3,410,500,000 507,000,000”

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 249

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 57,412,280,000 for Head 249, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 5,482,100,000 for Head 249, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 250

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 114,900,000 for Head 250, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 30,400,000 for Head 250, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 251

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 736,400,000 for Head 251, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 42,600,000 for Head 251, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 252

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 1,285,300,000 for Head 252, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 1,305,700,000 for Head 252, 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. 101,760,000 for Head 280, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 296

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 132,440,000 for Head 296, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 24,900,000 for Head 296, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 323

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 22,900,000 for Head 323, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 324

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 64,736,000 for Head 324, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 2,350,000 for Head 324, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 329

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 825,893,000 for Head 329, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 2,000,000 for Head 329, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 333

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 40,830,000 for Head 333, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 700,000 for Head 333, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Ministry of Investment Promotion

The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies proposed an amendment to leave out lines 11 and 12 in page 30 and substitute the following:—

“Recurrent 855,000,000
Capital 1,370,000,000”

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 187

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 382,000,000 for Head 187, 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 187, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies proposed an amendment to leave out line 16 in page 30 and substitute the following:—

“Programme 02 Development Activities 473,000,000 1,356,000,000”

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 Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies moved,—That the First Schedule as amended stand part of the Bill, put, and agreed to.

Question put, and agreed to.

Second Schedule was agreed to.

Third Schedule ESTIMATE-2023

Limits of Advance Accounts Activities

The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies proposed an amendment to leave out line 10 in page 42 and substitute the following:—

“89	Department of National Budget	24001	Advances to Public Officers	9,000,000	4,900,000	30,000,000	-”
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Question that the amendment be agreed to, put, and agreed to.

The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies proposed another amendment to insert the following immediately after line 2 in page 49:—

“181	Department of Cinnamon Industry Development	33701	Advances to Public Officers	1,000,000	100,000	900,000	-”
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Question that the amendment be agreed to, put, and agreed to.

The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies moved,—That the Third Schedule as amended, stand part of the Bill, put, and agreed to.

Question put, and agreed to.

Postponed Clause 2

The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies (Cabinet Approval having being signified) proposed, an amendment as follows:—

“The sub section (1) (b) of Clause 2 of the Appropriation Bill for 2023 be amended by deleting the words “rupees four thousand four hundred twenty nine billion four hundred forty nine million” in line 8 to 10 of page 02 and substituting the words “rupees four thousand nine hundred seventy nine billion” therefor.”

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.

Question that the postponed Clauses 3 to 10 stand part of the Bill, put, and 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 Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies moved,— That the Bill, as amended, be now read the third time.

Question put, and agreed to; Parliament having divided as follows: Ayes: 123; Noes: 80; Abstain: 02.

The following Two hundred and three (203) Hon. Members of Parliament voted by using the electronic voting system under the Standing Order 47(2)(b) of the Parliament, as follows:—

G 001. Douglas Devananda	Yes
G 002. Nimal Siripala De Silva	Yes
G 003. Chamal Rajapaksa	Yes
G 004. Mahinda Rajapaksa	Yes
G 005. Prasanna Ranatunga	Yes
G 006. Susil Premajayantha	Yes
G 007. Dinesh Gunawardena	Yes
G 009. Bandula Gunawardana	Yes

G 010. Keheliya Rambukwella	Yes
G 011. Mahinda Amaraweera	Yes
G 012. Wijeyadasa Rajapakshe	Yes
G 013. Harin Fernando	Yes
G 014. Ramesh Pathirana	Yes
G 015. M.U.M. Ali Sabry	Yes
G 016. Vidura Wickramanayaka	Yes
G 017. Kanchana Wijesekera	Yes
G 018. Naseer Ahamed	Yes
G 019. Manusha Nanayakkara	Yes
G 020. Tiran Alles	Yes
G 021. Ajith Rajapakse	Yes
G 022. Nalin Fernando	Yes
G 023. Roshan Ranasinghe	Yes
G 024. Jagath Pushpakumara	Yes
G 025. Ranjith Siyambalapitiya	Yes
G 026. Dilum Amunugama	Yes
G 027. Mohan Priyadarshana De Silva	Yes
G 028. Janaka Wakkumbura	Yes
G 029. Shehan Semasinghe	Yes
G 030. Kanaka Herath	Yes
G 031. Thenuka Vidanagamage	Yes
G 032. Premitha Bandara Tennakoon	Yes
G 033. Lasantha Alagiyawanna	Yes
G 034. Rohana Dissanayaka	Yes
G 035. Premalal Jayasekara	Yes
G 036. Arundika Fernando	Yes
G 037. Vijitha Berugoda	Yes
G 038. Lohan Ratwaththe	Yes
G 039. Sanath Nishantha	Yes
G 040. Tharaka Balasuriya	Yes
G 041. Indika Anuruddha Herath	Yes
G 042. Siripala Gamalath	Yes
G 043. Anuradha Jayaratne	Yes
G 044. S. Viyalanderan	Yes
G 045. D. V. Chanaka	Yes
G 046. Sisira Jayakody	Yes
G 047. Piyal Nishantha De Silva	Yes
G 048. Prasanna Ranaweera	Yes

G 049. D. B. Herath	Yes
G 050. Shasheendra Rajapaksa	Yes
G 051. Seetha Arambepola	Yes
G 052. Shantha Bandara	Yes
G 053. K. Kader Masthan	Yes
G 054. Ashoka Priyantha	Yes
G 055. A. Aravindh Kumar	Yes
G 056. Geetha Samanmale Kumarasinghe	Yes
G 057. Suren Raghavan	Yes
G 058. Diana Gamage	Yes
G 059. Sivanesathurai Santhirakanthan	Yes
G 060. Chamara Sampath Dasanayake	Yes
G 061. Anupa Pasqual	Yes
G 062. Johnston Fernando	Yes
G 063. S. B. Dissanayake	Yes
G 064. Pavithradevi Wanniarachchi	Yes
G 065. Gamini Lokuge	Yes
G 066. Vajira Abeywardena	Yes
G 067. Janaka Bandara Thennakoon	Yes
G 068. C. B. Rathnayake	Yes
G 069. S. M. Chandrasena	Yes
G 070. Mahindananda Aluthgamage	Yes
G 071. Rohitha Abeygunawardhana	Yes
G 072. Namal Rajapaksa	Yes
G 073. Sarath Weerasekera	Yes
G 074. Wimalaweera Dissanayaka	Yes
G 075. Dhammika Perera	Yes
G 076. Kapila Athukorala	Yes
G 077. Gayashan Nawananda	Yes
G 078. S. M. M. Muszhaaraff	Yes
G 079. Jayantha Ketagoda	Yes
G 080. Sampath Athukorala	Yes
G 081. Thisakutti Arachchi	Yes
G 082. U. K. Sumith Udukumbura	Yes
G 083. Pradeep Undugoda	Yes
G 084. Sanjeeva Edirimanna	Yes
G 085. Akila Ellawala	Yes
G 086. Jagath Kumara Sumithraarachchi	Yes
G 087. Karunadasa Kodithuwakku	Yes

G 088. Nalaka Bandara Kottegoda	Yes
G 089. Udayakantha Gunathilaka	Yes
G 090. Kokila Gunawardene	Yes
G 091. Milan Jayathilake	Yes
G 092. Kulasingam Dhileeban	Yes
G 093. Sudarshana Denipitiya	Yes
G 094. Isuru Dodangoda	Yes
G 095. Premnath C. Dolawatte	Yes
G 097. Muditha Prishanthi	Yes
G 098. Sudath Manjula	Yes
G 099. Mayadunna Chinthaka Amal	Yes
G 100. Nipuna Ranawaka	Yes
G 101. Kumarasiri Rathnayaka	Yes
G 102. Gunathilaka Rajapaksha	Yes
G 103. Upul Mahendra Rajapaksha	Yes
G 104. Rajika Wickramasinghe	Yes
G 105. M. W. D. Sahan Pradeep Withana	Yes
G 106. Madhura Withanage	Yes
G 107. D. Weerasingha	Yes
G 108. Samanpriya Herath	Yes
G 109. Sagara Kariyawasam	Yes
G 110. Yadamini Gunawardena	Yes
G 111. Manjula Dissanayake	Yes
G 112. Ranjith Bandara	Yes
G 113. Jayantha Weerasinghe	Yes
G 114. Marjan Faleel	Yes
G 115. Lalith Varna Kumara	Yes
G 116. S. Jagath Samarawickrama	Yes
O 001. Rishad Bathiudeen	No
O 002. Rajitha Senarathne	No
O 003. Imthiaz Bakeer Markar	No
O 004. Tissa Attanayake	No
O 005. Rauff Hakeem	No
O 006. Gayantha Karunatileka	No
O 007. Lakshman Kiriella	No
O 008. Sajith Premadasa	No
O 010. Patali Champika Ranawaka	No
O 011. Palany Thigambaram	No
O 012. Mano Ganesan	No

O 015. G.L. Peiris	No
O 016. Anura Dissanayaka	No
O 017. A. L. M. Athaullah	Yes
O 018. G. G. Ponnambalam	No
O 019. C. V. Wigneswaran	Abstain
O 020. Athuraliye Rathana Thero	No
O 021. Kabir Hashim	No
O 022. Thalatha Athukorala	No
O 023. Abdul Haleem	No
O 025. Harsha De Silva	No
O 027. Dilip Wedaarachchi	No
O 028. R. M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara	No
O 029. Niroschan Perera	No
O 030. Eran Wickramaratne	No
O 031. J. C. Alawathuwala	No
O 032. Vadivel Suresh	No
O 033. John Seneviratne	Yes
O 034. Anura Priyadharshana Yapa	No
O 035. Tissa Vitharana	No
O 036. Dullas Alahapperuma	No
O 037. Vijitha Herath	No
O 038. Selvarajah Kajendren	No
O 040. Ali Sabri Raheem	Yes
O 041. Angajan Ramanathan	No
O 042. Faizal Cassim	No
O 043. Ashok Abeysinghe	No
O 045. Ajith Mannapperuma	No
O 046. Buddhika Pathirana	No
O 047. M. S. Thowfeek	No
O 048. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha	No
O 049. Hector Appuhamy	No
O 050. Thushara Indunil Amarasena	No
O 051. Velu Kumar	Abstain
O 053. Dilan Perera	No
O 054. Wimal Weerawansa	No
O 055. Piyankara Jayaratne	Yes
O 057. Harini Amarasuriya	No
O 061. Mayantha Dissanayake	No
O 062. K. Sujith Sanjaya Perera	No

O 063. S. M. Marikkar	No
O 064. Imran Maharoof	No
O 065. Ishak Rahuman	No
O 066. Mujibur Rahuman	No
O 067. Harshana Rajakaruna	No
O 068. Rohini Kumari Wijerathna	No
O 069. Chaminda Wijesiri	No
O 070. Waruna Liyanage	No
O 071. M. Udayakumar	No
O 072. Hesha Withanage	No
O 074. Duminda Dissanayake	Yes
O 075. Chandima Weerakkody	No
O 076. Dayasiri Jayasekara	No
O 081. W. H. M. Dharmasena	No
O 082. Kins Nelson	No
O 083. Rohana Bandara	No
O 085. Udaya Gammanpila	No
O 086. Nalaka Godahewa	No
O 087. Channa Jayasumana	No
O 088. Sudarshini Fernandopulle	Yes
O 089. Nimal Lanza	Yes
O 090. Jayantha Samaraweera	No
O 091. Jeevan Thondaman	Yes
O 092. B. Y. G. Rathnasekara	No
O 093. Sarathie Dushmantha	No
O 094. Mohomad Muzammil	No
O 095. Lalith Ellawala	No
O 096. Udayana Kirindigoda	No
O 097. K. P. S. Kumarasiri	No
O 098. Upul Galappaththi	No
O 099. Shan Vijayalal de Silva	No
O 101. Asanka Navarathna	No
O 104. Wasantha Yapabandara	No
O 105. Thilak Rajapakshe	No
O 106. M. Rameshwaran	Yes
O 107. Gamini Waleboda	No
O 108. Weerasumana Weerasinghe	No
O 109. Gevindu Cumaratunga	No
O 110. Charitha Herath	No

The following Two (02) Hon. Members of Parliament cast their votes having being asked the names by the Secretary-General under the Standing Order 47(2)(c) of the Parliament as follows:—

Field Marshal Sarath Fonseka	No
V. Radhakrishnan	No

Bill as amended accordingly read the third time and passed.

9. Resolution under the Essential Public Services Act : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That this Parliament resolves that the Proclamation made and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2308/62 of 03rd December 2022 and Schedule thereto, by virtue of the powers vested with the President in terms of Section 2 of the Essential Public Services Act, No. 61 of 1979, which was presented on 06.12.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

10. Order under the Value Added Tax Act (No.1) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 2A of Value Added Tax Act, No. 14 of 2002 as amended by Act, No. 6 of 2005, relating to the Value Added Tax and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2295/08 of 31st August 2022, which was presented on 08.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

11. Order under the Value Added Tax Act (No.2) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 2A of Value Added Tax Act, No. 14 of 2002 as amended by Act, No. 6 of 2005, relating to the Value Added Tax and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2300/25 of 06th October 2022, which was presented on 18.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

12. Regulation under the Finance Act : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Regulation made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 12 of the Finance Act, No. 12 of 2013 read with the Finance Act, No. 12 of 2012 relating to Hub Regulations and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2292/36 of 10th August 2022, which was presented on 08.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

13. Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.1) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 20 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 amended by Acts, No. 48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 read with Sections 4(1) and 14 of the aforesaid Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2300/12 of 05th October 2022, which were presented on 08.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

14. Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.2) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance under Section 20 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 amended by Acts, No. 48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 read with Sections 4(1) and 14 of the aforesaid Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2278/21 of 06th May 2022, which were presented on 09.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

15. Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.3) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 20 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 amended by Acts, No. 48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 read with Sections 4(1) and 14 of the aforesaid Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2285/19 of 24th June 2022, which were presented on 09.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

16. Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.4) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 20 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 amended by Acts, No. 48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 read with Sections 4(1) and 14 of the aforesaid Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2302/31 of 21st October 2022, which were presented on 17.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

17. Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.5) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 20 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 amended by Acts, No. 48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 read with Sections 4(1) and 14 of the aforesaid Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2304/04 of 31st October 2022, which were presented on 24.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

18. Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.6) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 20 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 amended by Acts, No. 48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 read with Sections 4(1) and 14 of the aforesaid Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2304/05 of 31st October 2022, which were presented on 24.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

19. Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.1) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies 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. 2292/29 of 09th August 2022, which was presented on 15.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

20. Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.2) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies 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. 2292/41 of 10th August 2022, which was presented on 15.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

21. Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.3) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies 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. 2295/44 of 03rd September 2022, which was presented on 15.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

22. Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.4) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies 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. 2298/51 of 22nd September 2022, which was presented on 15.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

23. Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.5) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies 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. 2301/40 of 13th October 2022, which was presented on 15.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

24. Resolution under the Customs Ordinance (No.1) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,—That the Resolution under Section 10A of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to Import Duties, which was presented on 15.11.2022, be approved.

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 2292/31 of 09th August 2022)

Question put, and agreed to.

25. Resolution under the Customs Ordinance (No.2) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,—That the Resolution under Section 10A of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to Import Duties, which was presented on 15.11.2022, be approved.

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 2300/27 of 06th October 2022)

Question put, and agreed to.

26. Resolution under the Customs Ordinance (No.3) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Resolution under Section 10 of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to Import Duties, which was presented on 03.12.2022, be approved.

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 2306/14 of 14th November 2022)

Question put, and agreed to.

27. Order under the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act (No.1) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 3(3) of the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act, No. 18 of 2011 relating to Ports and Airports Development Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2294/26 of 22nd August 2022, which was presented on 18.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

28. Order under the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act (No.2) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 3(3) of the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act, No. 18 of 2011 relating to Ports and Airports Development Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2300/13 of 05th October 2022, which was presented on 18.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

29. Resolution under the Foreign Exchange Act : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That this Parliament resolves that the validity period of the Order made by the Minister of Finance, under Section 22 of the Foreign Exchange Act, No. 12 of 2017 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2286/27 of 30th June 2022, be extended for a period of six months from 30.12.2022 in terms of Section 22(3) of the said Act.

Question put, and agreed to.

30. Order under the Casino Business (Regulation) Act : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 2 of the Casino Business (Regulation) Act, No. 17 of 2010 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2295/09 of 31st August 2022, which was presented on 08.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

31. Regulations under the Casino Business (Regulation) Act : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 4 read with Section 3 of the Casino Business (Regulation) Act, No. 17 of 2010 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2295/10 of 31st August 2022, which were presented on 08.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

32. Order under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act (No.1) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 14(2) of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2292/32 of 09th August 2022, which was presented on 15.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

33. Order under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act (No.2) : The Minister Education on behalf of the Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government moved,— That the Order made by the Minister of Investment Promotion under Section 14(2) of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979, relating to CESS Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2300/15 of 05th October 2022, which was presented on 17.11.2022, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

34. Adjournment : And it being past 5.00 p.m. Parliament was at 7.14 p.m. adjourned by the Speaker without Question put, pursuant to the Resolution of Parliament this day.

Parliament adjourned accordingly until 9.30 a.m. on Friday, December 09, 2022.