



(Ninth Parliament - Fourth Session)

No. 13.]

MINUTES OF PARLIAMENT

Wednesday, March 22, 2023 at 9.30 a.m.

PRESENT :

Hon. Mahinda Yapa Abeywardana, Speaker

Hon. Ajith Rajapakse, Deputy Speaker and the Chair 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

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

Hon. Kanchana Wijsekera, Minister of Power and Energy

Hon. Sajith Premadasa, Leader of the Opposition in Parliament

Hon. Dilum Amunugama, State Minister of Investment Promotion

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. 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. 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. 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 Piriven Education

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. Ranjith Siyambalapitiya, State Minister of Finance

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

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

Hon. Selvam Adaikkalanathan

Hon. A. L. M. Athaullah

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. Thavaraja Kalai Arasan
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. Gayantha Karunatileka
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. Yadamini Gunawardena
Hon. (Dr.) Nalaka Godahewa
Hon. S. M. Chandrasena
Hon. Milan Jayathilake
Hon. (Dr.) Kavinda Heshan Jayawardhana

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara
Hon. Kulasingam Dhileeban
Hon. Janaka Bandara Thennakoon
Hon. Shan Vijayalal De Silva
Hon. (Dr.) Harsha de Silva
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. H. Nandasena
Hon. Asanka Navarathna
Hon. Charles Nirmalanathan
Hon. Kins Nelson
Hon. S. Noharathalingam
Hon. Buddhika Pathirana
Hon. Nimal Piyathissa
Hon. (Prof.) G. L. Peiris
Hon. Niroshan Perera
Hon. K. Sujith Sanjaya Perera
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. 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. Nipuna Ranawaka
Hon. (Ven.) Athuraliye Rathana Thero
Hon. B. Y. G. Rathnasekara
Hon. Kumarasiri Rathnayaka
Hon. C. B. Rathnayake
Hon. Ishak Rahuman
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. Nimal Lanza
Hon. Waruna Liyanage
Hon. Gamini Lokuge
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. Hesha Withanage
Hon. (Prof.) Tissa Vitarana
Hon. Chandima Weerakkody, Attorney at Law
Hon. Wimal Weerawansa
Hon. D. Weerasingha
Hon. Weerasumana Weerasinghe
Hon. (Dr.) Sarath Weerasekera
Hon. Dilip Wedaarachchi
Hon. Kumara Welgama
Hon. Sivagnanam Shritharan

Hon. Jagath Samarawickrama
Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera
Hon. Maithreepala Sirisena
Hon. M. A. Sumanthiran
Hon. Jagath Kumara Sumithraarachchi
Hon. Vadivel Suresh
Hon. W. D. J. Seneviratne, Attorney at Law
Hon. (Dr.) Rajitha Senarathne
Hon. Rauff Hakeem, Attorney at Law
Hon. H. M. M. Harees
Hon. Abdul Haleem
Hon. Kabir Hashim
Hon. (Prof.) Charitha Herath
Hon. Vijitha Herath
Hon. Samanpriya Herath
Hon. Marjan Faleel
Hon. A. H. M. Fowzie
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

Mr. Hansa Abeyrathne, Assistant Secretary-General

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

1. Announcements by the Speaker : The Speaker made the following announcement:—

“I wish to inform Parliament that I have received a copy of another Petition filed at the Supreme Court under Article 121(1) of the Constitution in respect of the Bill entitled ‘Central Bank of Sri Lanka’, in addition to the receipt of Petitions mentioned in the announcement made by me on 21st March 2023.”

2. Presentation of Papers : (1) The Minister of Urban Development and Housing presented the Annual Report of the People’s Bank for the year 2021 and moved that the Report be referred to the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies.

Question put, and agreed to.

(2) The Minister of Urban Development and Housing presented the—

- (i) 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. 2320/46 of 22nd February 2023; and
- (ii) 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. 2320/47 of 22nd February 2023

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

Question put, and agreed to.

(3) The Minister of Ports, Shipping and Aviation presented the Annual Report of the Sri Lankan Airlines for the year 2020/2021 and moved that the Report be referred to the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Ports, Shipping and Aviation.

Question put, and agreed to.

(4) The Minister of Plantation Industries and Minister of Industries presented the Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Cement Corporation for the year 2020 and moved that the Report be referred to the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Industries.

Question put, and agreed to.

3. Presentation of Public Petitions :

- (1) Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma presented two petitions dated 13.02.2023 from Mr. J. A. Upali Perera of No. 90/1 A, Warapalana, Uduthuthiripitiya; and
- (2) Hon. Jagath Kumara Sumithraarachchi presented a petition dated 07.02.2023 from Mr. P. A. Ruhunage of No. 46/4, Liyanage Mawatha, Wijithapura, Pelawatta, Battaramulla.

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

4. Business of the Parliament : The Leader of the House of Parliament moved,—
That the proceedings on Item Nos. 1 and 2 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.

5. Resolution under the Essential Public Services Act (No.1) : The Minister of 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. 2323/02 of 13th March 2023 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 21.03.2023, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

6. Resolution under the Essential Public Services Act (No.2) : The Minister of 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. 2323/38 of 17th March 2023 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 21.03.2023, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

7. Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No.1) : The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies moved,— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021 and specified in the Order No. 31 hereto, be approved:—

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021

Order No. 31 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021, I, Ranil Wickremesinghe, Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 21302 “Printing and Publicity and Sales of Publications Advance Account-Department of Educational Publications” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Revision</u>
(i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	Not Revised

(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	4,600,000,000
		To	Rs.	1,700,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.			Not Revised
(iv)	Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	1,600,000,000
		To	Rs.	16,000,000,000

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2022)

Ranil Wickremesinghe,
Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization
and National Policies

28.02.2023

Colombo 01.

Question put, and agreed to.

8. Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No.2) : The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies moved,— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021 and specified in the Order No. 32 hereto, be approved:—

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021

Order No. 32 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021, I, Ranil Wickremesinghe, Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 22302 “Stores Advance Account (Explosive items) - Sri Lanka Navy” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

<u>Item</u>			<u>Revision</u>
(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 550,000,000
		To	Rs. 700,000,000

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| (ii) | Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act. | Not Revised |
| (iii) | Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act. | Not Revised |
| (iv) | Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act. | Not Revised |

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2022)

Ranil Wickremesinghe,
Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization
and National Policies

28.02.2023

Colombo 01.

Question put, and agreed to.

9. Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No.3) : The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies moved,— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021 and specified in the Order No. 33 hereto, be approved:—

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021

Order No. 33 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021, I, Ranil Wickremesinghe, Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No: 28502 “Maintenance of Agricultural Farms and Seed Sales Advance Account – Department of Agriculture” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

<u>Item</u>				<u>Revision</u>
(i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.		660,000,000
	To	Rs.		850,000,000

(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	660,000,000
		To	Rs.	850,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.			Not Revised
(iv)	Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act.			Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2022)

Ranil Wickremesinghe,
Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization
and National Policies

28.02.2023
Colombo 01.

Question put, and agreed to.

10. Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No.4) : The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies moved,— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021 and specified in the Order No. 34 hereto, be approved:—

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021

Order No. 34 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021, I, Ranil Wickremesinghe, Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 30602 “Railway Stores Advance Account—Department of Sri Lanka Railways” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Revision</u>
(i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	Not Revised

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(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	2,000,000,000
		To	Rs.	1,000,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	8,200,000,000
		To	Rs.	9,000,000,000
(iv)	Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act.			Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2022)

Ranil Wickremesinghe,
Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization
and National Policies

28.02.2023

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Question put, and agreed to.

11. Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No.5) : The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies moved,— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021 and specified in the Order No. 35 hereto, be approved:—

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021

Order No. 35 under Section 8

By virtue of powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act No. 30 of 2021, I, Ranil Wickremesinghe, Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 31003 “Work Done Advance Account – Government Factory” of the Third Schedule to that Act.

	<u>Item</u>			<u>Revision</u>
(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	400,000,000
		To	Rs.	410,000,000

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(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	390,000,000
		To	Rs.	350,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Third Schedule to that Act.			Not Revised
(iv)	Maximum limit of liabilities specified in Column V of the Third Schedule to that Act.			Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2022)

Ranil Wickremesinghe,
Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization
and National Policies

28.02.2023
Colombo 01.

Question put, and agreed to.

12. Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No.6) : The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies moved,— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021 and specified in the Schedule hereto be approved.:—

(These Orders are valid up to 31.12.2022)

(As per the schedule attached)

SCHEDULE

Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021 Order under Section 8

Schedule of variation of limits of Advance Accounts pertaining to Advances to public officers authorized by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 30 of 2021 in respect of Finance year 2022.

Group Order No. 01

By virtue of the powers vested in me under Section 8 of the Appropriation Act No. 30 of 2021, I Ranil Wickremesinghe, Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies with the approval of the Government do by this order alter/vary the maximum limits specified in Column II and IV of the Third Schedule to the Appropriation Act No.30 of 2021, and the minimum limits specified in Column III of that Schedule being the limits corresponding to item Nos. 00201, 10501, 11101, 11801, 12601, 13001, 14901, 18701, 18901, 22201, 22301, 22401, 22501, 23201, 23501, 24201, 24901, 26001, 26501, 26901, 27701, 28101, 28801, 29301, 30601, 32001, 33101, 33401 and 33601 relating to Advances to public officers in the manner set out in the Schedule hereto.

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Sri No.	Ministry/Department	Item No.	II Maximum Limits of Expenditure of Activities of the Government (Rs)		III Minimum Limits of Receipts to be credited to the Accounts of Activities of the Government (Rs)		IV Maximum Limits of Debit Balance of Activities of the Government (Rs)		Order No.
			From	To	From	To	From	To	
1	Office of the Prime Minister	00201	-	-	12,000,000	11,000,000	-	-	1
2	Minister of Mass Media	10501	-	-	5,100,000	4,500,000	-	-	2
3	Minister of Health	11101	-	-	1,422,500,000	1,199,000,000	-	-	3
4	Minister of Agriculture	11801	-	-	44,000,000	40,000,000	-	-	4

5	Minister of Power & Energy	11901	-	-	7,200,000	6,500,000	-	-	5
6	Minister of Education	12601	-	-	1,637,000,000	1,100,000,000	-	-	6
7	Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government	13001	-	-	732,000,000	555,000,000	-	-	7
8	Minister of Industries	14901	-	-	36,200,000	20,000,000	-	-	8
9	Minister of Investment Promotion	18701	1,500,000	33,000,000	-	-	2,000,000	22,500,000	9
10	Minister of Public Security	18901	-	-	72,550,000	52,000,000	-	-	10
11	Sri Lanka Army	22201	-	-	3,000,000,000	2,100,000,000	-	-	11
12	Sri Lanka Navy	22301	-	-	400,000,000	330,000,000	-	-	12
13	Sri Lanka Air Force	22401	-	-	320,000,000	310,000,000	-	-	13
14	Department of Police	22501	-	-	1,000,000,000	800,000,000	-	-	14
15	Department of Prisons	23201	-	-	130,000,000	110,000,000	-	-	15
16	Law Commission of Sri Lanka	23501	-	-	700,000	600,000	-	-	16
17	Department of Management Services	24201	-	-	4,000,000	3,250,000	-	-	17
18	Department of Treasury Operations	24901	-	-	6,000,000	5,500,000	-	-	18
19	District Secretariat, Nuwara-Eliya	26001	-	-	35,000,000	31,000,000	-	-	19
20	District Secretariat/ Kachcheri-Mannar	26501	-	-	12,000,000	11,000,000	-	-	20
21	District Secretariat/ Kachcheri-Batticaloa	26901	-	-	-	-	140,000,000	149,000,000	21

22	District Secretariat, Monaragala	27701	35,000,000	35,395,000	-	-	-	22
23	Department of Agrarian Development	28101	-	-	280,000,000	200,000,000	-	23
24	Department of Surveyor General of Sri Lanka	28801	-	-	130,000,000	126,000,000	-	24
25	Department of Rubber Development	29301	-	-	18,000,000	16,500,000	-	25
26	Department of Sri Lanka Railways	30601	-	-	450,000,000	420,000,000	-	26
27	Department of Civil Security	32001	-	-	480,000,000	360,000,000	-	27
28	Department of Samurdhi Development	33101	-	-	280,000,000	198,000,000	-	28
29	Department of Multi - purpose Development Task Force	33401	-	-	16,000,000	12,000,000	50,000,000	29
30	Merchant Shipping Secretariat	33601	2,000,000	2,200,000	-	-	-	30

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Ranil Wickremesinghe,
Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization
and National Policies

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Question put, and agreed to.

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13. Resolution under the Customs Ordinance : The Minister of 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 08.03.2023, be approved.

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 2312/75 of 01st January 2023)

Question put, and agreed to.

14. Adjournment (Special Statement in Parliament by Hon. President on IMF agreement) : The Leader of the House of Parliament moved,— That this Parliament do now adjourned.

Question proposed, and debated.

The State Minister of Finance moved,—That Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 11.52 a.m. Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna took the Chair.)

The Minister of Tourism and Lands moved,—That Hon. Weerasumana Weerasinghe do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 1.00 p.m. Hon. Weerasumana Weerasinghe took the Chair.)

The Minister of Environment moved,—That Hon. Samanpriya Herath do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 1.38 p.m. Hon. Samanpriya Herath took the Chair.)

(At 4.30 p.m. the Deputy Speaker took the Chair.)

And it being 5.30 p.m. debate stood adjourned; Debate to be resumed on Thursday, March 23, 2023.

And it being 5.30 p.m. Parliament was adjourned by the Deputy Speaker without Question put.

Parliament adjourned accordingly until 9.30 a.m. on Thursday, March 23, 2023.