



(Ninth Parliament - Fourth Session)

No. 93.]

MINUTES OF PARLIAMENT

Wednesday, December 06, 2023 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. Dinesh Gunawardena, Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration,
Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government

Hon. Mahinda Amaraweera, Minister of Agriculture and Plantation Industries

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

Hon. Jeevan Thondaman, Minister of Water Supply and Estate Infrastructure
Development

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

Hon. Manusha Nanayakkara, Minister of Labour and Foreign Employment

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

Hon. Harin Fernando, Minister of Tourism and Lands and Minister of Sports and
Youth Affairs

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

Hon. (Mrs.) Pavithradevi Wanniarachchi, Attorney at Law, Minister of Wildlife
and Forest Resources Conservation and Minister of Irrigation

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

Hon. Kanchana Wijesekera, Minister of Power and Energy

Hon. Sajith Premadasa, Leader of the Opposition in Parliament

Hon. Ranjith Siyambalapitiya, Non Cabinet Minister of State Plantation Enterprises
Reforms and State Minister of Finance

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

Hon. Lasantha Alagiyawanna, State Minister of Transport

Hon. A. Aravindh Kumar, State Minister of Education

Hon. Siripala Gamalath, State Minister of Highways

Hon. Sivanesathurai Santhirakanthan, State Minister of Rural Road Development

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. Anupa Pasqual, State Minister of Social Empowerment

Hon. Jagath Pushpakumara, State Minister of Foreign Employment Promotion

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. K. Kader Masthan, State Minister of Rural Economy

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

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. 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. Amirthanathan 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. 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. (Dr.) Major Pradeep Undugoda
Hon. Sanjeeva Edirimanna
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. 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. Piyanakara Jayaratne

Hon. (Prof.) Channa Jayasumana
Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara
Hon. M. S. Thowfeek
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. 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. (Dr.) Gayashan Nawananda
Hon. Asanka Navarathna
Hon. Charles Nirmalanathan
Hon. Kins Nelson
Hon. S. Noharathalingam
Hon. Buddhika Pathirana
Hon. Nimal Piyathissa
Hon. (Prof.) G. L. Peiris
Hon. Dilan Perera
Hon. Niroshan Perera
Hon. G. G. Ponnambalam
Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Sudarshini Fernandopulle
Hon. (Mrs.) Muditha Prishanthi
Hon. R. M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara
Hon. Rishad Bathiudeen
Hon. Sudath Manjula
Hon. S. M. Marikkar
Hon. Seyed Ali Zahir Moulana
Hon. Imran Maharoof
Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma
Hon. S. M. M. Muszhaaraff, Attorney at Law

Hon. Mohomad Muzammil
Hon. Anura Priyadharshana Yapa, Attorney at Law
Hon. Wasantha Yapabandara, Attorney at Law
Hon. Patali Champika 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. Harshana Rajakaruna
Hon. Gunathilaka Rajapaksha
Hon. Chamal Rajapaksa
Hon. (Dr.) Thilak Rajapakshe
Hon. Mahinda Rajapaksa
Hon. Upul Mahendra Rajapaksha
Hon. (Dr.) V. Radhakrishnan
Hon. M. Rameshwaran
Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam
Hon. Waruna Liyanage
Hon. Gamini Lokuge
Hon. Gamini Waleboda
Hon. (Mrs.) Rajika Wickramasinghe
Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri
Hon. M. W. D. Sahan Pradeep Withana
Hon. Madhura Withanage, Attorney at Law
Hon. Hesha Withanage
Hon. Chandima Weerakkody, Attorney at Law
Hon. Jayantha Weerasinghe, PC
Hon. D. Weerasingha
Hon. Weerasumana Weerasinghe
Hon. (Dr.) Sarath Weerasekera
Hon. Dilip Wedaarachchi
Hon. Sivagnanam Shritharan
Hon. Jagath Samarawickrama
Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera
Hon. Dharmalingam Sithadthan

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. (Prof.) Charitha Herath
Hon. Vijitha Herath
Hon. Samanpriya Herath
Hon. Marjan Faleel
Hon. A. H. M. Fowzie

Mrs. Kushani Rohanadeera, Secretary-General of Parliament

Mr. Chaminda Kularathne, Chief of Staff and Deputy Secretary-General of Parliament

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

“In terms of Standing Order 113(2) of Parliament, I have nominated the following Members of Parliament as the Co-opted Members to serve in the Legislative Standing Committee for consideration of the Bill titled ‘United Christian Fellowship of Sri Lanka (Incorporation)’:-

Hon. Vidura Wickramanayaka

Hon. Arundika Fernando

Hon. (Mrs.) Geetha Samanmale Kumarasinghe

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe

Hon. Nimal Lanza

Hon. Kins Nelson

Hon. Rohana Bandara

Hon. Upul Mahendra Rajapaksha”

II

“In terms of Standing Order 113(2) of Parliament, I have nominated the following Members of Parliament as the Co-opted Members to serve in the Legislative Standing Committee for consideration of the Bill titled ‘White Rose Foundation (Incorporation)’:-

Hon. Jagath Pushpakumara

Hon. Rohana Dissanayaka

Hon. A. Aravindh Kumar

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe

Hon. Kins Nelson

Hon. Rohana Bandara

Hon. D. Weerasingha

Hon. Lalith Varna Kumara”

III

“In terms of Standing Order 113(2) of Parliament, I have nominated the following Co-opted Members to serve in the Legislative Standing Committee for the consideration of the ‘Matara Season’ Organization (Incorporation) Bill’:-

Hon. Wajira Abeywardana

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe

Hon. Sampath Athukorala

Hon. Karunadasa Kodithuwakku

Hon. Isuru Dodangoda

Hon. Kins Nelson

Hon. Rohana Bandara

Hon. Nipuna Ranawaka”

IV

“In terms of Standing Order 113(2) of Parliament, I have nominated the following Co-opted Members to serve in the Legislative Standing Committee for the consideration of the ‘Samadhi Health Service, Environment, Agricultural, Cultural and Sport Centre (Incorporation) Bill’:-

Hon. Shantha Bandara

Hon. Anupa Pasqual

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe

Hon. S. M. M. Muszhaaraff, Attorney at Law

Hon. Karunadasa Kodithuwakku

Hon. Kins Nelson

Hon. Rohana Bandara

Hon. Nipuna Ranawaka”

V

“I wish to inform that the Hon. U. K. Sumith Udukumbura, the Hon. (Dr.) Major Pradeep Undugoda, the Hon. (Mrs.) Kokila Gunawardene, the Hon. Mayadunna Chinthaka Amal and the Hon. Gunathilaka Rajapaksha, Members of Parliament have been nominated to serve in the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Foreign Employment & Labour by the Committee of Selection on 05th December 2023, in terms of the provisions of the Standing Order 111(13) and 130(3) of the Parliament, to fill the vacancies occurred due to the vacation from the Membership of the above Committee, by the Hon. Gamini Lokuge, the Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage, the Hon. Rohitha Abegunawardhana, the Hon. Milan Jayathilake and the Hon. M. W. D. Sahan Pradeep Withana, Members of Parliament.”

VI

“I wish to inform that the Hon. Madhura Withanage, Attorney at Law, and the Hon. Seyed Ali Zahir Moulana, Members of Parliament have been nominated to serve in the Sectoral Oversight Committee on National Economic and Physical Plans by the Committee of Selection on 05th December 2023, in terms of the provisions of the Standing Order 111(13) and 130(3) of the Parliament, to fill the vacancies occurred due to the vacation from the Membership of the above Committee, by the Hon. Vijitha Herath and the Hon. (Prof.) Ranjith Bandara, Members of Parliament.”

2. Presentation of Papers : (1) The Minister of Ports, Shipping and Aviation presented the Annual Report of the Ceylon Shipping Corporation Ltd for the year 2021/2022 and moved that the Report be referred to the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Energy & Transport.

Question put, and agreed to.

(2) The Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs presented the—

- (i) Annual Report of the Galle Heritage Foundation for the year 2021; and
- (ii) Annual Performance Report of the Department of National Archives for the year 2021.

and moved that those Reports be referred to the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Media, Youth, Heritage and New Citizen.

Question put, and agreed to.

3. Presentation of Committee Reports : The Hon. (Dr.) Harsha de Silva, the Chair of the Committee on Public Finance presented the Report of the Committee on the —

- (i) Value Added Tax (Amendment) Bill; and
- (ii) Regulations under Section 20 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969

which were referred to the said Committee.

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

4. Presentation of Public Petitions :

- (1) Hon. Duminda Dissanayake presented a petition dated 17.07.2023 from Mrs. K. A Liyanage of No 89, Palugaswewa Farm, Wijithapura.
- (2) Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena presented a petition dated 21.09.2023 from Mr. W. Anura Shantha of No. 245/5, Sigera Road, Madiwela, Kotte.
- (3) Hon. (Dr.) Major Pradeep Undugoda presented a petition dated 16.10.2023 from Mrs. M. A. Nayana Damayanthi of Thummodara Road, Puwakpitiya.
- (4) Hon. Madhura Withanage, Attorney at Law presented a petition dated 19.09.2023 from Mr. A. D. Premathilaka of No. 3B, Kaluwara Road, Amunugoda, Imbulgoda.

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

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

(In the Committee)

The Speaker took the Chair.

Head 122

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Hon. Gayantha Karunatileka proposed that the Programme be reduced by Rs. 10/-.

(At 11.30 a.m. the Deputy Speaker took the Chair.)

(At 1.13 p.m. Hon. Weerasumana Weerasinghe took the Chair.)

(At 2.14 p.m. Hon. Samanpriya Herath took the Chair.)

(At 2.39 p.m. Hon. Imran Maharoof took the Chair.)

(At 3.47 p.m. Hon. Harshana Rajakaruna took the Chair.)

(At 5.11 p.m. Hon. Samanpriya Herath took the Chair.)

(At 6.31 p.m. the Speaker took the Chair.)

Question put, and negatived.

Ministry of Tourism and Lands

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

“Capital 12,869,000,000”

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.

Question that the sum of Rs. 692,400,000 for Head 122, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 27,000,000 for Head 122, 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 14 in page 19 and substitute the following:—

“Programme 02 Development Activities - 11,857,000,000”

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 286

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 634,200,000 for Head 286, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 70,000,000 for Head 286, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 287

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 679,880,000 for Head 287, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 59,000,000 for Head 287, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 288

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 358,550,000 for Head 288, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 204,200,000 for Head 288, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 4,070,725,000 for Head 288, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 425,100,000 for Head 288, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 322

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 713,650,000 for Head 322, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 156,500,000 for Head 322, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 327

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 506,325,000 for Head 327, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 70,200,000 for Head 327, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 101

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 556,000,000 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. 163,500,000 for Head 101, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 824,000,000 for Head 101, Programme 02 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 1,456,500,000 for Head 101, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 201

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 106,000,000 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. 10,000,000 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. 1,449,000,000 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. 95,000,000 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. 155,000,000 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. 25,000,000 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. 186,000,000 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. 24,000,000 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. 240,000,000 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. 43,000,000 for Head 204, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 205

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 83,000,000 Head 205, Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 6,000,000 for Head 205, Programme 01 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 206

Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 142,000,000 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. 649,000,000 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. 231,000,000 for Head 206, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Head 207

Question that the sums be agreed to, put, and agreed to; Parliament having divided as follows: Ayes: 44; Noes: 5.

The following Forty Eight (48) Members of Parliament voted by using the electronic voting system under the Standing Order 47(2)(b) of the Parliament, as follows:—

G 001. Pavithradevi Wanniarachchi	Yes
G 002. Nimal Siripala De Silva	Yes
G 005. Prasanna Ranatunga	Yes
G 006. Susil Premajayantha	Yes
G 007. Dinesh Gunawardena	Yes
G 010. Bandula Gunawardana	Yes
G 014. Harin Fernando	Yes
G 017. Vidura Wickramanayaka	Yes
G 025. Jagath Pushpakumara	Yes
G 031. Thenuka Vidanagamage	Yes
G 040. Tharaka Balasuriya	Yes
G 041. Indika Anuruddha Herath	Yes
G 042. Siripala Gamalath	Yes
G 048. Prasanna Ranaweera	Yes
G 049. D. B. Herath	Yes
G 050. Shasheendra Rajapaksa	Yes
G 055. A. Aravindh Kumar	Yes
G 059. Sivanesathurai Santhirakanthan	Yes
G 060. Chamara Sampath Dasanayake	Yes
G 061. Anupa Pasqual	Yes
G 076. Kapila Athukorala	Yes
G 077. Gayashan Nawananda	Yes
G 078. S. M. M. Muszhaaraff	Yes
G 080. Sampath Athukorala	Yes

G 081. Thisakutti Arachchi	Yes
G 082. U. K. Sumith Udukumbura	Yes
G 086. Jagath Kumara Sumithraarachchi	Yes
G 091. Milan Jayathilake	Yes
G 093. Sudarshana Denipitiya	Yes
G 094. Isuru Dodangoda	Yes
G 095. Premanath C. Dolawatte	Yes
G 098. Sudath Manjula	Yes
G 101. Kumarasiri Rathnayaka	Yes
G 103. Upul Mahendra Rajapaksha	Yes
G 106. M. W. D. Sahan Pradeep Withana	Yes
G 107. Madhura Withanage	Yes
G 108. D. Weerasingha	Yes
G 109. Samanpriya Herath	Yes
G 111. Yadamini Gunawardena	Yes
G 112. Manjula Dissanayake	Yes
G 116. Lalith Varna Kumara	Yes
O 018. G. G. Ponnambalam	No
O 038. Selvarajah Kajendren	No
O 040. Ali Sabri Raheem	Yes
O 077. Sivagnanam Shritharan	No
O 078. M. A. Sumanthiran	No
O 080. S. Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam	No
O 101. S. Jagath Samarawickrama	Yes

The following one (01) Member of Parliament cast his vote having being asked the name by the Secretary-General under the Standing Order 47(2)(c) of the Parliament as follows:—

Marjan Faleel	Yes
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Programme 01 (Recurrent Expenditure)

Question that the sum of Rs. 296,000,000 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. 22,000,000 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. 1,404,000,000 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. 254,000,000 for Head 207, 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. 78,000,000 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. 29,000,000 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. 256,000,000 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. 342,000,000 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. 116,000,000 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. 8,000,000 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. 100,000,000 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. 1,245,000,000 for Head 209, Programme 02 (Capital Expenditure), be inserted in the Schedule, put, and agreed to.

At 6.58 p.m. the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to Parliament.

Committee report progress; to sit again on Thursday, December 07, 2023.

6. Order under the Tourism Act : The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Tourism and Lands and Minister of Sports and Youth Affairs moved,— That the Order made by the Minister of Tourism and Lands under Section 26(1) of the Tourism Act, No. 38 of 2005 on the recommendation of the Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority with regard to the declaration of tourist development areas and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2342/26 of 26th July 2023, which was presented on 14.11.2023, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

7. Annual Reports of the Buddhasasana Fund (2016 and 2017) : The Minister of Education on behalf of the Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs moved,— That the Annual Reports of the Buddhasasana Fund for the years 2016 and 2017 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the years ended 31.12.2016 and 31.12.2017 and presented on 07.03.2023 under Section 13 of the Buddhasasana Fund Act, No. 35 of 1990, be approved.

Question put, and agreed to.

8. Adjournment (Replacement of Old Flats in Colombo with Apartment Complexes): The Leader of the House of Parliament moved,— That this Parliament do now adjourned.

Question proposed, and debated.

The State Minister of Urban Development and Housing moved— That Hon. Madhura Withanage, Attorney at Law do now take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 7.01 p.m. Hon. Madhura Withanage, Attorney at Law took the chair.)

And it being past 6.30 p.m. Parliament was at 7.28 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, December 07, 2023, pursuant to the Resolution of Parliament on 20th November, 2023.