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Tuesday, July 09, 2013 at 1.00 p.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

2201/'11

1.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities,—(4)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of houses built in the Kalutara District by the Ministry in the year 2011;
- (ii) the number of houses expected to be constructed in the years 2012, 2013 and 2014; and
- (iii) the amount of money allocated for the aforesaid constructions of houses?

(b) Will he also state—

- (i) whether the newly built houses are given free;
- (ii) if not, the price at which those houses are sold or rented; and
- (iii) the basis on which those houses are allocated?

(c) If not, why?

2279/'12

2.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(2)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of libraries situated throughout the country that are administered by the local government bodies;
- (ii) the number of employees who serve as Library Assistants in those libraries;
- (iii) the monthly salary or allowance paid to them;
- (iv) whether the Library Assistants are entitled to promotional prospects and pension rights which the public servants are entitled according to their experience and period of service; and
- (v) if they are not entitled to such promotions, the reasons for it ?

(2)

(b) Will he inform this House—

(i) whether he admits the fact that the Library Assistants not being entitled to receive pensions which a majority of public servants are entitled to in accordance with their experience is a severe injustice and a violation of human rights; and

(ii) the date on which this right will be granted to them ?

(c) If not, why?

2340/'12

3.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(2)

(a) Is he aware that a pledge was made under the “Mahinda Chinthana - A vision for the future” manifesto that a separate unit for the prevention of women's diseases, would be started in the Ministry of Health?

(b) Will he inform this House whether the aforesaid unit is operative at present?

(c) If not, why?

3068/'12

4.

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(1)

(a) Will he state —

(i) the date on which the Uva Provincial Council was established and commenced its functions;

(ii) the number of Statutes adopted by the Uva Provincial Council by now; and

(iii) separately, the title, number and the date of adoption of each of the aforesaid Statutes?

(b) Will he inform this House —

(i) of the Statutes relevant to the subjects in the List I of the ninth Schedule of the Constitution (Provincial Councils List); and

(ii) of the Statutes relevant to the subjects in the List III of the ninth Schedule of the Constitution (Concurrent List);

which have been adopted by the aforesaid Provincial Council?

(c) If not, why?

3286/'12

5.

Hon. Gayantha Karunatileka,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) there is a dearth of officers within the Government Translator Service which belongs to the Combined Service;
- (ii) external personnel not being attracted to this service due to lack of salaries and privileges that encourages them to join and remain in the service and even those who have joined the service leaving it on a constant basis are the reasons for this dearth of officers;
- (iii) the entire service has been downgraded by the Public Administration Circular No.06/2006 in terms of salary scales, in comparison to the other services that had been allied to it earlier; and
- (iv) this situation is totally in contradiction with the programme for a tri-lingual Sri Lanka ?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether any steps have been taken by now to reinstate the due recognition and service status that the said Translator Service has been deprived of;
- (ii) if so, what those steps are; and
- (iii) the date on which the above steps will be implemented ?

(c) If not, why ?

3335/'12

6.

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) whether he admits the fact that the attempts by Sri Lankans to leave the country illegally without obtaining visas have steadily increased from January 2012 to date;
- (ii) the number of illegal migrants nabbed during that period; and
- (iii) the legal action taken against them ?

(4)

- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether this process of illegal migration was in operation prior to the aforesaid period;
 - (ii) if not, whether it had started recently; and
 - (iii) of the reasons for not implementing measures to nab those illegal migrants before the aforesaid period ?
- (c) If not, why ?

3404/'13

7.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) whether a person called Malarathnam Singarasa of Nawalkadu, Batticaloa has been imprisoned ;
 - (ii) if so, the name of the prison where he is held; and
 - (iii) whether he has been imprisoned as a prisoner or as a suspect ?
- (b) Will he inform this House of —
- (i) the date and location of his arrest and the person who arrested him; and
 - (ii) the charge on which he was arrested and the law relevant ?
- (c) Will he also state—
- (i) whether a case has been filed against the person called Malarathnam Singarasa before a court of law;
 - (ii) if so, the charges relevant, the date on which such case was filed, the case number and the court of law;
 - (iii) the current situation of that case; and
 - (iv) whether action will be taken to release that person ?
- (d) If not, why ?

2463/'12

8.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House for the years 2010, 2011 and 2012 separately on per year basis pertaining to the “Uthuru Wasanthaya” and “Nagenahira Udanaya”—
- (i) the cost incurred and the benefits accrued;
 - (ii) the number of jobs that have been created; and
 - (iii) the exact expenditure incurred and corroborate through cash flows as to the actual amount spent?

- (b) Will he state the total aid and grants obtained on account of “Uthuru Wasanthaya and Nagenahira Udanaya” for the years 2010, 2011 and 2012?
- (c) If not, why?

2504/'12

9.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that there are number of shortages of physical and human resources in Janakapura Vidyalaya situated in the Sampathnuwara Divisional Secretariat Division in the Northern Province?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the shortages of physical and human resources in Janakapura Vidyalaya ;
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to overcome the aforesaid shortages ; and
 - (iii) if so, the period of time that will be taken for it ?
- (c) If not, why ?

2634/'12

10.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Sports,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of matches included in the test cricket match series held in Sri Lanka in the months of March and April in the year 2012 ;
 - (ii) of the stadiums in which the aforesaid matches were played ;
 - (iii) of the number of seats available in the spectators' stands in each of the aforesaid stadiums;
 - (iv) of the amounts charged for the seats in the spectators' stands in the aforesaid stadiums;
 - (v) of the price of one ticket for watching this match series;
 - (vi) of the period of time for which the aforesaid ticket was valid;
 - (vii) whether a minimum amount of Rs. 5000 has been charged for one seat at the spectators' stands in the aforesaid stadiums; and
 - (viii) if so, the reasons for it?
- (b) If not, why ?

3069/'12

11.

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(1)

(a) Will he state —

- (i) the date on which the Sabaragamuwa Provincial Council was established and commenced its functions;
- (ii) the number of Statutes adopted by the Sabaragamuwa Provincial Council by now; and
- (iii) separately, the title, number and the date of adoption of each of the aforesaid Statutes?

(b) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the Statutes relevant to the subjects in the List I of ninth Schedule of the Constitution (Provincial Councils List); and
- (ii) of the Statutes relevant to the subjects in the List III of ninth Schedule of the Constitution (Concurrent List);

which have been adopted by the aforesaid Provincial Council?

(c) If not, why?

2515/'12

12.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether he admits that there are many physical and human resource deficiencies in Sampathnuwara Hospital in the Northern Province ;
- (ii) of the physical and human resource deficiencies and the shortcomings that exist in the aforesaid hospital ;
- (iii) whether action will be taken to address the aforesaid shortcomings ;
and
- (iv) if so, of the time required for that purpose?

(b) If not, why ?

2719/'12

13.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he state for the years 2011 and 2012 separately—

- (i) the number of cases investigated by the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption;
- (ii) the number of cases to which the indictments were served after the examinations;
- (iii) the offence stated in the case, the fine and the punishment given pertaining to each case referred to in (a) (ii) on per case basis; and
- (iv) the average length of the time period taken by the aforesaid Commission to complete a case received?

(b) Will he also state—

- (i) the matters to be implemented by the aforesaid Commission according to the COPE report issued under the Chairmanship of Hon. Wijeyadasa Rajapakshe, MP ;
- (ii) the actions implemented regarding the recommendations of the aforesaid report; and
- (iii) the reason for not conforming to and not following up the recommendations given in the said COPE report?

(c) If not, why?

2790/'12

14.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the date on which the ship named 'Lanka Mahapola' was commissioned for the use of the Ceylon Shipping Corporation Limited; and
- (ii) whether the above mentioned ship has been given to some other organization on the basis of lease or rent ?

- (b) If the ship has been given on the basis, of lease or rent, will he state separately—
- (i) the name of the organization to which it has been given;
 - (ii) the date on which it was given;
 - (iii) the shipping experience of the company that has obtained it on the basis of lease or rent;
 - (iv) the financial assets of the company;
 - (v) the amount of money received monthly as the payment for giving the aforesaid ship on the basis of rent or lease; and
 - (vi) the total amount of money that has been obtained from the relevant company and the amount outstanding ?
- (c) If not, why ?

3070/'12

15.

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(1)

- (a) Will he state —
- (i) the date on which the Northwestern Provincial Council was established and commenced its functions;
 - (ii) the number of Statutes adopted by the Northwestern Provincial Council by now; and
 - (iii) separately, the title, number and the date of adoption of each of the aforesaid Statutes?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the Statutes relevant to the subjects in the List I of the ninth Schedule of the Constitution (Provincial Councils List); and
 - (ii) of the Statutes relevant to the subjects in the List III of the ninth Schedule of the Constitution (Concurrent List);
- which have been adopted by the aforesaid Provincial Council?
- (c) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1.

Hon. (Mrs) Sriyani Wijewickrama,— Leave to introduce Bill,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Sivmuni Se Vehera Buddhist Foundation.”

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.1),— That the Regulations made by the President under Section 20 read with subsection (3) of Section 4 and Section 14 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 and Article 44 (2) of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1813/14 of 5th June 2013, which were presented on 20.06.2013, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*2.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.2),— That the Regulations made by the President under Section 20 read with subsection (3) of Section 4 and Section 14 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 and Article 44 (2) of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1813/15 of 5th June 2013, which were presented on 20.06.2013, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*3.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Determination under the Constitution,— That this Parliament determines that the salary of Mr. H.A.S. Samaraweera, the incumbent Auditor-General appointed with effect from 15.08.2011 shall be as follows in terms of Article 153(2) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

That this Parliament further determines that Mr. H.A.S. Samaraweera, Auditor-General shall be placed on the salary point of Rs. 48,940.00 which is the 2nd step in the salary scale of SL-4-2006, with effect from 15.08.2011 when he was appointed to the said post and that he be paid the other allowances relevant to the post and such annual salary increments as specified in the salary scale.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*4.

The Minister of Labour and Labour Relations,— Regulations under the Employees' Provident Fund Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Labour and Labour Relations under Section 46 of the Employees' Provident Fund Act, No. 15 of 1958 as amended from time to time and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1810/20 of 13th May 2013, which were presented on 21.06.2013, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*5.

Sri Lanka Electricity (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*6.

Mines and Minerals (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*7.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.3),— That the Regulations made by the President under Section 20 read with Sub-section (3) of Section 4 and Section 14 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 and Article 44 (2) of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1799/15 of 01st March 2013, which were presented on 22.03.2013, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*8.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Resolution under the Inland Revenue Act,— That this Parliament resolves, under the Section 97(1) (a) of the Inland Revenue Act No 10 of 2006 that the Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the Republic of India for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with respect to Taxes on Income entered into on 22nd January, 2013 between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the Republic of India which was presented on 18.06.2013 be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*9.

The Minister of External Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka (No.1),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 157 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, that the Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the State of Kuwait for the Reciprocal Promotion and Protection of Investments, signed on 05th November 2009, being an Agreement for the Promotion and Protection of Investments in Sri Lanka of such foreign State, its nationals or corporations, companies and other associations incorporated or constituted under its Laws, which was presented on 07.09.2011 be approved, as being essential for the development of the national economy.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*10.

The Minister of External Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka (No.2),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 157 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, that the Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam for the Promotion and Protection of Investments, signed on 22nd October 2009, being an Agreement for the Promotion and Protection of Investments in Sri Lanka of such foreign State, its nationals or of corporations, companies and other associations incorporated or constituted under its Laws, which was presented on 07.09.2011 be approved, as being essential for the development of the national economy.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*11.

The Minister of Lands and Land Development,— Regulations under the Registration of Title Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Lands and Land Development under Section 67 of the Registration of Title Act, No. 21 of 1998 read with Section 60 and 62 of that Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1616/23 of 24th August 2009, which were presented on 06.05.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*12.

Order under the Code of Criminal Procedure (Special Provisions) Act,—Adjourned Debate on Question (08th September 2011),— Motion made and question proposed, “Order made by the Minister of Justice under Sub-section (2) of Section 7 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (Special Provisions) Act, No. 42 of 2007, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1708/5 of 30th May 2011, which was presented on 23.08.2011, be approved.”

*13.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Fauna and Flora Protection Ordinance,— That the Order made by the Minister of Agrarian Services and Wildlife under subsection (1) of Section 2 of the Fauna and Flora Protection Ordinance (Chapter 469) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1735/21 of 06th December 2011, which was presented on 13.12.2011, be approved.

14.

Sri Lanka Women’s Conference (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

15.

State Employees’ Development Finance Corporation (Incorporation) Bill— Consideration.

16.

Institute of Martial Arts (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

17.

Institute of Certified Public Accountants (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

18.

Al-Jamiathul Ghawsiyyah (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

* *Indicates Government Business*
