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No. 317.]

**ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Friday, November 29, 2013 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

2507/'12

1.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(3)

- (a) Is he aware that a lot of physical and human resource deficiencies exist in Ethawetunawewa Vidyalaya situated in the Sampathnuwara Divisional Secretariat Division in the Northern Province?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the physical and human resource deficiencies that prevalent in the Ethawetunawewa Vidyalaya;
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to address the aforesaid shortages; and
 - (iii) if so, of the time required for that?
- (c) If not, why ?

2937/'12

2.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(2)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the total cost incurred for the census which was carried out in the years 2011 and 2012;
 - (ii) the number of people employed to obtain the information in the aforesaid census;
 - (iii) the population of the country on the basis of ethnic groups as Sinhalese, Tamils, Muslims, Malays, Burghers, and others;
 - (iv) the population of the country on the basis of religions as Buddhism, Christianity (all denominations), Hinduism and Islam; and
 - (v) the number of houses per district?

(2)

- (b) Will he also state in relation to the tender for procurement for data scanning of the census of population and housing—
 - (i) the winner of the tender;
 - (ii) the names of the other applicants who bid for the same along with the amounts of each tender separately; and
 - (iii) the members who were in the Cabinet Appointed Tender Board?
- (c) If not, why?

3061/'12

3.

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(3)

- (a) Is he aware that construction activities of buildings in a number of schools in Horana, Matugama and Kalutara educational zones in the Kalutara District have been stalled owing to non availability of funds?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of schools with partly completed buildings in the above educational zones;
 - (ii) as to what happened to the funds allocated by the government for the construction of those school buildings;
 - (iii) of the amount of money further required to complete the construction work of the partly completed buildings in those schools; and
 - (iv) whether arrangements will be made to allocate the required funds and complete those school buildings?
- (c) If not, why?

3342/'12

4.

Hon. P. Harrison,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(3)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether payments of money have been made from the farmers' pension scheme to compensate the damage to cultivation of Mavilaru in the year 2006;
 - (ii) if so, the number of farmers to whom the said payments have been made, the amount of money paid per farmer and the total amount of money spent on that behalf;
 - (iii) whether any frauds have taken place when the aforesaid payments were made;
 - (iv) if so, whether those who committed the aforesaid frauds have been punished; and
 - (v) the punishments given?
- (b) If not, why?

3619/'13

5.

Hon. (Mrs.) Rosy Senanayake,— To ask the Minister of Resettlement,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) whether a resettlement will take place in "Seeniyamottai" area where the persons displaced due to the war have been detained;
- (ii) whether water and sanitary facilities needed for that area have been provided;
- (iii) the number of families in "Seeniyamottai";
- (iv) their original places of residence; and
- (v) the date on which they will be resettled in their original places of residence?

(b) If not, why?

2645/'12

6.

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether a special housing scheme has been implemented to address the housing problem of police officers as mentioned in "Mahinda Chinthana - A vision for the Future"; and
- (ii) if so, of the date on which that special housing scheme was started?

(b) If not, why ?

3133/'12

7.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Lands and Land Development,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that since January 2010, certain lands in the Ampara District have been grabbed by politicians and politically affiliated officials?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the names, acreages and values of the government lands in the Ampara District of which ownerships have been transferred, leased out, alienated on permit or "Swarnabumi" deeds, on per land basis since 2010;
- (ii) the reasons for transferring or handing over the aforesaid lands and not following the tender procedure therein; and
- (iii) whether the opportunities and facilities have been given to the people living for decades in the areas referred to in (a) and others to obtain lands as per above?

(4)

(c) Will he also state—

- (i) whether the allegation of taking over the beach lands in the Ampara District from the lawful owners forcibly or with duress under the pretext of cleansing the terrorists owned areas is factual; and
- (ii) if not, as to how such allegation comes about?

(d) If not, why ?

3254/'12

8.

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam,— To ask the Minister of Mass Media and Information,—(3)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of media personnel who were provided with laptop computers recently;
- (ii) whether a list of names of them will be submitted;
- (iii) the basis on which the media personnel are selected for the provision of laptop computers;
- (iv) the cost of one such computer; and
- (v) the total amount spent on the laptop computers distributed up to now?

(b) If not, why?

3351/'12

9.

Hon. P. Harrison,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,—(2)

(a) Will he state —

- (i) the number of institutions that come under the purview of the Ministry of Water Supply and Drainage;
- (ii) the number of government vehicles that come under each such institution;
- (iii) the grades of the officers of those institutions to whom government vehicles have been assigned; and
- (iv) the number of vehicles falling under the supervision of those officers?

(b) Will he inform this House of —

- (i) the number of vehicles in the institutions coming under the aforesaid Ministry that have been obtained on rent basis;
- (ii) the method of payment of rent adopted in relation to those vehicles;
- (iii) the total amount of money paid annually as rent on those vehicles; and
- (iv) the officers who use those vehicles obtained on rent basis?

(5)

(c) Will he also state —

- (i) whether a methodology to distinguish government vehicles under this Ministry, vehicles obtained on rent basis, and personal vehicles of the officers is in place?
- (ii) if so, whether a clarification in that regard is made;
- (iii) whether the state insignia and the name of the relevant institution are engraved in the government vehicles that come under the Ministry and the institutions coming under it; and
- (iv) if not, the reasons for that?

(d) If not, why?

2646/'12

10.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether a methodology has been introduced to provide foreign scholarships to all the public servants as mentioned in the “Mahinda Chinthana - A vision for the Future”; and
- (ii) if such a methodology has been introduced to grant scholarships, the details related to that methodology?

(b) If not, why?

3134/'12

11.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Lands and Land Development,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that since January 2010, certain lands in the Trincomalee District have been grabbed by politicians and politically affiliated officials?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the names, acreages and values of the government lands in the Trincomalee District of which ownerships have been transferred, leased out, alienated on permit or “Swarnabumi” deeds, on per land basis since 2010;
- (ii) the reasons for transferring or handing over the aforesaid lands and not following the tender procedure therein; and
- (iii) whether the opportunities and facilities have been given to the people living for decades in the areas referred to in (a) and others to obtain lands as per above?

(6)

(c) Will he also state—

(i) whether the allegation of taking over the beach lands in the Trincomalee District from the lawful owners forcibly or with duress under the pretext of cleansing the terrorists owned areas is factual; and

(ii) if not, as to how such allegations come about?

(d) If not, why?

3374/'12

12.

Hon. P. Harrison,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House of the—

(i) total number of AIDS patients identified within Sri Lanka by 2012;

(ii) number of AIDS patients identified in the years 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012, separately;

(iii) number of female and male patients identified in each of the aforesaid years, separately;

(iv) the districts where an increase of AIDS patients is witnessed; and

(v) reasons for such increase?

(b) Will he state—

(i) whether he admits that the spread of AIDS in this country increases through the expatriate women and men;

(ii) if so, whether persons returning from foreign countries are checked for AIDS at the air port; and

(iii) if not, the reasons for that?

(c) Will he also inform this House—

(i) of the rate at which prevalence of AIDS has increased in Sri Lanka within last year, compared with other countries of the world;

(ii) of the reasons for such increase;

(iii) whether financial allocations have been made by the budget and voluntary organizations in 2013 to arrest the spread of that disease; and

(iv) of the amount so allocated?

(d) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1.

Hon. (Dr.) Ramesh Pathirana,— Leave to introduce Bill,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Federation of Information Technology Industry Sri Lanka.”

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

Appropriation Bill (2014)— (Seventh Allotted Day)—Adjourned Debate on question (21st November 2013)[1].

*2.

Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

*3.

Mines and Minerals (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*4.

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.)

*5.

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.)

*6.

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.)

*7.

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.)

*8.

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.

9.

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

10.

Institute of Martial Arts (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

11.

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

12.

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

13.

Maithripala Senanayake Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

14.

Hands for Education Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

* *Indicates Government Business*

[1].

Motion made and question proposed "That the Bill be now read a Second time."
