



[Seventh Parliament - First Session]

No. 322.]

**ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Friday, December 06, 2013 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

2654/'12

1.

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether Jana Sabha system has been legislated as mentioned in the 'Mahinda Chinthana - A vision for the Future'; and
- (ii) if so, of the date on which the aforesaid Jana Sabha system was legislated?

(b) If not, why ?

2681/'12

2.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(2)

(a) Will he state in relation to the Colombo Commercial Company (CCC) Limited —

- (i) the reason for privatisation or transferring of the management to private sector despite the policies of the Mahinda Chinthana;
- (ii) the new owners or managing partners and the agreement;
- (iii) as to when the management accounts were submitted; and
- (iv) if not, as to when it will be submitted?

(b) Will he also state—

- (i) the reasons for selling lands of CCC Ltd. to the foreigners;
- (ii) the selling price of the lands;
- (iii) whether the 100% tax on the aforesaid transaction has been paid;
- (iv) if so, date of payment; and
- (v) if not, the reasons for not paying?

(2)

- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether tenders were called on the aforesaid land transaction;
 - (ii) if so, the members of the Tender Advisory or Selection Committee; and
 - (iii) if not, the basis on which it was done?
- (d) If not, why?

3362/'12

3.

Hon. P. Harrison,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(2)

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) the number of institutions that come under the purview of the Ministry of Health;
 - (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 —
 - (i) of 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 ?
- (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?

3421/'13

4. Hon. Buddhika Pathirana;— To ask the Minister of Mass Media and Information,—(1)

(a) Will he admit that—

- (i) theoretical knowledge on the field of motor mechanism which is developing rapidly creating a large number of direct and indirect employment opportunities can be imparted through the electronic media;
- (ii) it is important to create a media culture for the advancement of this sector; and
- (iii) only a handful of programmes on motor mechanism are being broadcast through the electronic media at present?

(b) If so, will he inform this House whether time will be allotted over the electronic channels to broadcast programmes relevant to the field of motor mechanism?

(c) If not why?

3629/'13

5. Hon. (Mrs.) Rosy Senanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the areas where the Indian Company known as 'Cairn India' engaged in oil explorations around Mannar, is carrying out its surveys at present; and
- (ii) the progressive observations done by the said company up to now with relevance to discovering oil?

(b) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the nature of agreements in relation to the ownership of oil wells, subsequent to the drilling of such wells; and
- (ii) the periods relevant to those agreements?

(c) If not, why?

(4)

2655/'12

6.

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether an Export Processing Zone has been started under “Negenahira Navodaya” programme as mentioned in the ‘Mahinda Chinthana - A vision for the Future’;
- (ii) if so, of the name of the area in which the aforesaid Export Processing Zone has been started; and
- (iii) of the date on which the aforesaid Export Processing Zone was started?

(b) If not, why?

3197/'12

7.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,—(1)

(a) Will he state —

- (i) the amount of fish exported in the years 2011, 2012 and 2013 to date separately;
- (ii) the countries importing fish from Sri Lanka;
- (iii) the 5 largest fish exporting companies in Sri Lanka;
- (iv) the tax paid by them to the Government of Sri Lanka;
- (v) the number of people that have been employed by them; and
- (vi) whether the exporting of fish can be expanded to more countries?

(b) Will he also state-

- (i) whether there is a training school for fishermen; and
- (ii) if not so, as to why such a training school cannot be established?

(c) If not, why ?

3367/'12

8.

Hon. P. Harrison,— To ask the Minister of Child Development and Women's Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of children's homes registered with the government in which protective care is provided to children;
- (ii) the number of children living in them; and
- (iii) the sum of money that has been allocated for the year 2013 to look after each such child?

(5)

(b) Will he inform the House —

- (i) of the number of child detention homes in Sri Lanka;
- (ii) of the number of children stay in them; and
- (iii) of the sum of money that has been allocated for each such child; and
- (iv) whether this amount is sufficient for their maintenance?

(c) If not, why?

3524/'13

9.

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) whether he is aware that, near the Koggala Air Force Camp, a housing complex owned by the Ministry of Public Administration and Home Affairs is situated;
- (ii) the number of houses in that housing complex;
- (iii) the total amount of money spent for the housing project;
- (iv) the funding sources of this project?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of houses in the aforesaid housing scheme that have been given for occupation;
- (ii) whether it is a wasting of national wealth if the aforesaid project has not been given for the use of the people; and
- (iii) if so, whether arrangements will be made to use the aforesaid housing complex to promote tourism or for any other productive activity?

(c) If not, why?

10.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,—(1)

(a) Will he state —

- (i) whether the fish canning factories in Sri Lanka have fully integrated manufacturing plants;
- (ii) the amount of fish that was caught by these factories;
- (iii) the number of cans of fish that have been manufactured in Sri Lanka since the inception of fish canning factories to date;
- (iv) the label or the brand name under which locally produced canned fish are sold in Sri Lanka since the inception of fish canning factories to date; and
- (v) the amount paid as local taxes by the aforesaid canneries from their inception?

(b) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*a1.

Appropriation Bill (2014)— (Twelfth Allotted Day)— Committee (Progress 05th December).

*2.

The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,— Regulations under the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act (No.1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development under Section 61 of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act, No. 2 of 1996 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1780/31 of 19th October 2012, which were presented on 22.11.2013, be approved.

*3.

The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,— Regulations under the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act (No.2),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development under Section 61 read with Section 59 of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act, No. 2 of 1996 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1788/41 of 14th December 2012, which were presented on 22.11.2013, be approved.

*4.

The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,— Regulations under the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act (No.3),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development under Section 61 read with Section 29 of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act, No. 2 of 1996 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1768/36 of 27th July 2012, which were presented on 22.11.2013, be approved.

*5.

The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,— Regulations under the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act (No.4),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development under Section 61 read with paragraph (c) of Section 8 of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act, No. 2 of 1996 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1774/36 of 7th September 2012, which were presented on 22.11.2013, be approved.

*6.

The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,— Regulations under the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act (No. 5),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development under Section 61 read with paragraph (c) of Section 8 of the Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Act, No. 2 of 1996 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1770/25 of 10th August 2012, which were presented on 22.11.2013, be approved.

*7.

The Minister of Transport,— Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Transport under Section 237 of the Motor Traffic Act (Chapter 203), read with subsection (2) of Section 5 and Section 19 of the aforesaid Act, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1821/31 of 31st July 2013, which were presented on 22.11.2013, be approved.

*8.

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

*9.

Mines and Minerals (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*10.

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.)

*11.

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.)

*12.

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.)

*13.

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.)

*14.

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.

15.

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

16.

Institute of Martial Arts (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

17.

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

18.

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

19.

Maithripala Senanayake Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

20.

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

* *Indicates Government Business*

NOTICES OF AMENDMENTS RELATING TO ORDERS OF THE DAY

a1.

For amendments in Committee on the Appropriation Bill (2014)— See separate Paper “ Supplement to the Orders of the Day ”.
