



[Seventh Parliament - First Session]

No. 324.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT FOR

Monday, December 09, 2013 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

2448/'12

1.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources Management,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of pumphouses that have been established for controlling floods under the Nilwala Scheme that has been implemented in the Matara District;
 - (ii) of the names of the places where each pumphouse is located; and
 - (iii) of the number of pumphouses that are defunct at present?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether he admits the fact that the expected objectives of the Nilwala Scheme will not be achieved as the pumphouses which have been established for controlling floods have become defunct;
 - (ii) if so, whether action will be taken speedily to renovate the aforesaid pumphouses;
 - (iii) whether the necessary provisions have been allocated for the aforesaid purpose; and
 - (iv) if so, the total amount of money that has been allocated for the aforesaid purpose?
- (c) If not, why?

2658/'12

2.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) whether a tool kit, which requires for self-employment has been provided free of charge to all those who wish to engage in self-employment as mentioned in 'Mahinda Chinthana - A vision for the Future'; and
 - (ii) if so, of the number of families that the aforesaid tool kits have been provided free of charge?
- (b) If not, why?

(2)

3347/'12

3.

Hon. P. Harrison,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(2)

(a) Will she state —

- (i) the number of institutions that come under the purview of the Ministry of Power and Energy;
- (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 she 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 she 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?

2659/'12

4.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) whether a sports health unit has been started in every base hospital as mentioned in 'Mahinda Chinthana - A vision for the Future'; and
 - (ii) if so, of the date on which the aforesaid programme was initiated?
- (b) If not, why?

3533/'13

5.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana;— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that the people in Kirinda, Puhulwella Divisional Secretariat Division accuse that paddy lands in the area are being filled;
 - (ii) of the extent of paddy lands in the aforesaid area that have been filled without authorization since the year 2005 to date;
 - (iii) whether complaints have been received against the aforesaid unauthorized fillings;
 - (iv) if so, of the number of complaints that have been received;
 - (v) whether investigations have been conducted and legal action has been taken regarding the aforesaid complaints; and
 - (vi) of the actions that have been taken accordingly?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether any authorization has been obtained for the fillings of paddy lands in Kirinda, Puhulwella Divisional Secretariat Division since 2005 to date;
 - (ii) if so, the extent of paddy lands for which authorization has been granted for filling; and
 - (iii) the reasons for giving the opportunity to fill those paddy lands?
- (c) If not, why?

(4)

3348/'12

6.

Hon. P. Harrison,— To ask the Minister of Youth Affairs and Skills Development,—(2)

(a) Will he state —

- (i) the number of institutions that come under the purview of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Skills Development ;
- (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 ?

(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; and
- (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?

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7.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Livestock and Rural Community Development,—(1)

(a) Will he state separately —

- (i) the names, dates of birth and educational and professional qualifications; and
- (ii) the values of wages and other allowances and of any other privileges;

of the Chairman, the Deputy Chairman and the Directors of the Plantation Human Development Trust?

(5)

(b) Will he inform this House —

- (i) whether it is possible in terms of the provisions of the Establishments Code to place the present Director General of the Plantation Human Development Trust in the said position as far as his age is concerned;
- (ii) whether he is aware of the fact that the employees of the aforesaid Trust accuse that the said Director General is holding positions in two public entities;
- (iii) if so, of the names of the aforesaid two entities;
- (iv) separately of the monthly salary, wages, other allowances and privileges given to him by the two entities; and
- (v) of the reasons as to why the officer named Mervin Perera, who is a Regional Director of the aforesaid Trust has not granted retirement even after he has exceeded the stipulated age limit?

(c) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Business of the Parliament,— That the proceedings on Item No. 8 of Public Business appearing on the Order Paper be exempted at this day's sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order No. 23.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*a1.

Appropriation Bill (2014)— (Fourteenth Allotted Day)— Committee (Progress 07th 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.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Resolution under the Inland Revenue Act,— That this Parliament resolves, under 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 Kingdom of Bahrain for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with respect to Taxes on Income agreed on 24th June 2011 which was presented on 05.12.2013 be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*9.

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

*10.

Mines and Minerals (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*11.

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.)

*12.

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.)

*13.

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.)

*14.

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.)

*15.

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.

16.

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

17.

Institute of Martial Arts (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

18.

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

19.

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

20.

Maithripala Senanayake Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

21.

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 ”.
