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FOR**

**Wednesday, January 22, 2014 at 1.00 p.m.**

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**QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS**

1971/'11

1.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Will he admit that—
  - (i) the building which houses the Divisional Education Office of Pasgoda, coming under the Deniyaya Education Zone in Matara District is in a severely dilapidated condition; and
  - (ii) as the aforesaid building is situated within the premises of the M/Urubokka National School it self, it has become a serious threat to the lives of the students and the employees of that school?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether action will be taken to renovate this building expeditiously; and
  - (ii) whether allocations have been made for that purpose?
- (c) If not, why?

3115/'12

2.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Lands and Land Development,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that since January 2010, certain lands in Mannar 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 Mannar 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 procedures 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?

(2)

(c) Will he also state—

- (i) whether the allegation of taking over the beach lands in Mannar 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?

3366/'12

3.

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

(a) Will he state —

- (i) the number of schools located in the North Central Province; and
- (ii) separately, the number of school students who receive education in the Anuradhapura and Polonnaruwa Districts?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether the midday meal is provided to the schools in the Anuradhapura and Polonnaruwa Districts by the government;
- (ii) if so, separately, of the number of students and the schools for which the midday meal is provided in each district; and
- (iii) of the amount of money, spent in the year 2012, to provide midday meal for the schools of those two districts?

(c) If not, why?

3728/'13

4.

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,- To ask the Minister of Mass Media and Information,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the reason to re-open the Ranminitenna Tele-Cinema Village on 05<sup>th</sup> March 2013, which was opened several years ago;
- (ii) the art related work that took place there from the day it opened, up to March 2013;
- (iii) the total amount of money that has been spent to date for that project of Tele- Cinema Village;
- (iv) separately, the amount of money spent on the two functions held to declare open that village; and
- (v) about the programme that will be implemented to use this place to, uplift the field of art?

(b) If not, why?

(3)

3732/'13

5.

Hon. Ranjan Ramanayake,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Employment Promotion and Welfare,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
  - (i) the name of the person who holds the office of the Additional General Manager of the Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment; and
  - (ii) the monthly salary and other allowances received by the person holding the aforesaid office?
- (b) Will he state—
  - (i) the name of the person holding the office of General Manager in the Sri Lanka Foreign Employment Agency;
  - (ii) the monthly salary and allowances received by the person holding the aforesaid office;
  - (iii) whether there is a familial relationship between the person holding the aforesaid office and the Minister of Foreign Employment Promotion and Welfare; and
  - (iv) if so, what that relationship is?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
  - (i) whether there is a possibility for a single person to hold positions in both the above mentioned institutions; and
  - (ii) accordingly, whether action will be taken to rectify this situation if holding posts in two institutions is considered an offence?
- (d) If not, why?

4410/'13

6.

Hon Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— To ask the Minister of Telecommunication and Information Technology,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
  - (i) the names of the roads that are being developed in the Kurunegala District under the Deyata Kirula Programme in the year 2014 ;
  - (ii) whether tenders have been called to undertake the development activities of those roads;
  - (iii) if so, the institutions to which the tenders regarding the development of above each road were awarded; and
  - (iv) separately, the agreed amounts of monies with regard to the tenders that have been granted for the development projects of each of the aforesaid road?
- (b) If not, why?

2452/'12

7.

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

- (a) Is he aware that a jeep and a cab, which belong to the Madulla Pradeshiya Sabha in the Moneragala District, have been decaying in the Pardeshiya Sabha premises for a number of years?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether he admits that letting the aforesaid property decay in the Pradeshiya Sabha premises is a wastage of resources; and
  - (ii) of the reasons for not repairing and using these vehicles?
- (c) Will he state—
  - (i) the reason for not taking measures to generate an income by auctioning of the aforesaid two vehicles if they are not used by the Madulla Pradeshiya Sabha; and
  - (ii) the obstacles for taking the aforesaid measures, if there are any?
- (d) If not, why?

3116/'12

8.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Lands and Land Development,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that since January 2010, certain lands in the Jaffna 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 Jaffna 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?

(5)

(c) Will he also state—

- (i) whether the allegation of taking over the beach lands in the Jaffna 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?

3295/'12

9.

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

(a) Is he aware that the journalists complain —

- (i) transparency was not observed in giving free lap-top computers to journalists; and
- (ii) computers were given to a set of journalists who work on contract basis and who have retired?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the period of service of each of the journalist provided with lap-top computers, separately;
- (ii) if journalists who work on contract basis and retired journalists have been provided with the computers, the number of such journalists;
- (iii) their names and addresses; and
- (iv) the amount of money spent for providing computers as above?

(c) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the number of permanent journalists who have been provided with computers; and
- (ii) the amount of money that was spent for providing them with computers?

(d) If not, why?

3117/'12

10.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Lands and Land Development,—(2)

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

(6)

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the names, acreages and values of the government lands in the Vavuniya 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?

(c) If not, why?

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## 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 Nos. 1, 2 and 3 of Public Business appearing on the Order Paper be exempted at this day’s sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order No. 23.

2.

Hon. (Al-Haj) A. H. M. Azwer,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.1),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the M.S. Thowfeek Foundation.”

3.

Hon. Wijeyadasa Rajapakshe,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.2),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to ensure a fair, independent and impartial trial to the judges of the superior courts in case of resolution for removal; to provide for a procedure for investigations; and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.”

4.

Hon. Janaka Bandara,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.3),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Sri Lanka Amadyapa Maha Sabhawa.”

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## NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

\*1.

The Minister of Transport,— Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act (No.1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Transport under Section 237 of the Motor Traffic Act (Chapter 203), read with Sections 3 and 191 of the aforesaid Act and under Section 237, read with Sections 213 D and 213 E of the aforesaid Act and Section 237, read with Section 19 of the aforesaid Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1805/34 of 11<sup>th</sup> April 2013, which were presented on 21.01.2014, 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.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, as amended by Act, No. 48 of 1985 and Act, No. 28 of 1987 and Article 44(2) of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1843/40 of 02<sup>nd</sup> January 2014, which were presented on 21.01.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*3.

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, as amended by Act, No. 48 of 1985 and Act, No. 28 of 1987 and Article 44(2) of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1844/49 of 08<sup>th</sup> January 2014, which were presented on 21.01.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*4.

National Institute of Business Management (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

\*5.

Mines and Minerals (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

\*6.

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 05<sup>th</sup> 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.)

\*7.

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 22<sup>nd</sup> 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.)

\*8.

The Minister of Transport,— Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act (No.2),— 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 31<sup>st</sup> July 2013, which were presented on 22.11.2013, be approved.

\*9.

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 13<sup>th</sup> May 2013, which were presented on 21.06.2013, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*10.

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 24<sup>th</sup> August 2009, which were presented on 06.05.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*11.

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 06<sup>th</sup> December 2011, which was presented on 13.12.2011, be approved.

12.

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

13.

Institute of Martial Arts (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

14.

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

15.

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

16.

Maithripala Senanayake Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

17.

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

18.

Samastha Lanka Sasanarakshaka Mandalaya (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

19.

The Rehabilitation of Buddhist Temples Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

\* *Indicates Government Business*

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