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Friday, February 21, 2014 at 1.30 p.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

2787/'12

1.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House as to when Mr. Sarath Fonseka was released?
- (b) Will he state whether—
 - (i) the aforesaid pardon was conditional or unconditional;
 - (ii) the pension rights and military titles of Mr. Fonseka were restored;
 - (iii) he could still be referred to as 'General';
 - (iv) there are anymore pending cases in court against Mr. Fonseka; and
 - (v) the pending cases are nullified by the presidential pardon?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of police and military personnel either persecuted or terminated owing to assisting or working with Mr. Sarath Fonseka;
 - (ii) whether those officers have now been restored or compensated; and
 - (iii) if not, the reasons?
- (d) Will he also state pertaining to the release of Mr. Sarath Fonseka—
 - (i) the persons negotiated;
 - (ii) the countries applied pressure and as to when it happened; and
 - (iii) as to why the mediations of political and religious leaders were not considered?
- (e) If not, why?

(2)

3013/'12

2.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—(3)

(a) Is he aware that —

- (i) a student of H/ Tangalle Boys' National School was severely abused by the then Mayor on 04th April 2007 while he was being taken to his home from the Tangalle bus stand;
- (ii) a complaint was lodged at the Tangalle Police Station after the Student Counseling Teacher of the Tangalle Boys' School was informed of this matter;
- (iii) the aforesaid complaint number C.W.I.B. has been recorded on paragraph 24 of page 127 at the aforesaid Police Station; and
- (iv) the Retired Citizens' Association of Tangalle is demanding that law be enforced against the aforesaid Mayor as per the aforesaid complaint?

(b) Will he inform this House whether action will be taken to conduct a formal investigation regarding the aforesaid complaint?

(c) If not, why?

3267/'12

3.

Hon. (Mrs.) Rosy Senanayake,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the total outstanding assessment tax of the private sector entities to the Colombo Municipal Council; and
- (ii) the total outstanding assessment tax to be recovered by the CMC for the year 2012?

(b) If not, why ?

3367/'12

4.

Hon. P. Harrison,— To ask the Minister of Child Development and Women's Affairs,—(2)

(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?

(3)

- (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?

3654/'13

5.

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of national schools, Navodya schools and primary schools located within the Ampara District;
 - (ii) of the number of teachers available according to each subject the number of students in each of those schools separately;
 - (iii) whether there is a shortage of teachers in these schools;
 - (iv) if so, the names of the schools in which a shortage of teacher prevails and subjects for which the shortage exists; and
 - (v) if a shortage of teachers do exist in the area, the steps that have been taken to remedy it?
- (b) Will he also inform this House which of the schools lack libraries and access to water and sanitation (latrine) facilities out of the schools in the Ampara District referred to in (a)(i) above?
- (c) If not, not why?

3686/'13

6.

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

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) over 300 Sri Lankan women who have gone for employment in Kuwait are held in police custody and in prison camps with no other charges but for fleeing from their work places due to various kinds of maltreatment and harassment they had to face; and
 - (ii) regular and immediate response to solve those problems is not received from the officials of the Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment attached to the Sri Lankan Embassy in Kuwait to look into the grievances of Sri Lanka migrant workers subjected to harassment in that manner and act accordingly?

(4)

- (b) Will he inform this House whether action will be taken to repatriate the personnel held in Kuwait camps speedily?
- (c) If not, why?

3699/'13

7.

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Petroleum Industries,—(3)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the average import price (CIF Value) per Metric ton at which petrol was imported within February 2013;
 - (ii) the approximate volume of a Metric ton of petrol in litres;
 - (iii) as such, the average price of a litre of petrol as it is unloaded at the port in February 2013;
 - (iv) the amounts of different taxes charged by the government on each litre of petrol, separately;
 - (v) the profit derived by the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation from each litre of petrol; and
 - (vi) the distribution cost of a litre of petrol and the profit derived by the filling station by selling a litre of petrol?
- (b) If not, why?

4182/'13

8.

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Environment and Renewable Energy—(1)

- (a) Is he aware of the environmental pollution that has been caused by the quarries located in Pathakada and Delgoda areas in the Millaniya Divisional Secretariat Division?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the steps that have been taken and the steps that will be taken to prevent such pollution?
- (c) If not, why?

2819/'12

9.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Civil Aviation,—(3)

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) the number of Airlines fly into Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the names of those Airlines;
 - (iii) whether they are regular or charter carriers;
 - (iv) whether they have got sixth freedom of traffic;
 - (v) the total passenger upload possible per month by all these Airlines;
 - (vi) the total tourist arrivals in the last year; and
 - (vii) as to how these Airlines are helpful in achieving the targets of tourists arrivals?
- (b) If not, why?

3081/'12

10.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) whether there is an attempt to incorporate amendments to the National Authority on Tobacco and Alcohol Act, No. 27 of 2006;
 - (ii) if so, the reasons for delaying it; and
 - (iii) the date on which the amendments will be introduced after clearing the obstacles that delay them?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) separately and on per year basis, the number of persons who died of smoking during the last 8 years including the year 2012;
 - (ii) the amount of money that the government has to spend per person afflicted with cancers or other diseases caused by smoking; and
 - (iii) separately, the number of hospital beds that had to be allocated for persons afflicted with diseases caused by smoking from the year 2005 to 2012?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) the percentage of the funds allocated for persons afflicted with cancers or other diseases caused by smoking, out of the allocations made for the health sector by the Budget 2012; and
 - (ii) whether that sum has increased compared to last year?
- (d) If not, why?

3378/'12

11.

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) separately, the number of school children and the number of schools in the districts of the North Central Province at present;
 - (ii) the money allocated for school education of the North Central Province by the Provincial Council during the past five years;
 - (iii) accordingly, the amount of money spent per school child annually in the said province during the past five years; and
 - (iv) the total amount of money spent per child during the past five years?

(6)

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the amount of money allocated during the past five years for constructing new school buildings and renovating existing buildings in the Anuradhapura and Polonnaruwa Districts;
- (ii) whether a list of names of schools in which such constructions and renovations were carried out will be submitted; and
- (iii) separately, the number of children studied in each of the school by the end of the year 2012 in which the said constructions and renovations were carried out?

(c) If not, why?

3731/'13

12.

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

(a) Is he aware that a letter dated 20.02.2012 signed by the Director of Education of the Piliyandala Education Zone and sent to the Principal of Ananda Samarakoon Vidyalaya in Wewala, has instructed the Principal of the school—

- (i) to make prompt arrangements to enroll the students who get through the grade 5 scholarship examination in that school, in the Darmaraja Vidyalaya Mampe; and
- (ii) that a huge sum of money has been allocated by the government on the development of Ananda Samarakoon Vidyalaya in Wewala under the 'Mahinda Chinthana - Vision for the Future'?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the amount of money utilized on the development of Ananda Samarakoon Vidyalaya in Wewala;
- (ii) of the purposes for which those funds have been utilized; and
- (iii) as to who made such monies available and under which programme?

(c) If not, why?

3905/'13

13.

Hon. (Mrs.) Rosy Senanayake,— To ask the Minister of Technology and Research,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether certain recommendations have been submitted with regard to the environmental impact on the places around the "Kudankulam" nuclear power plant built in India;
- (ii) if so, whether that written recommendations be submitted to this House;
- (iii) whether the radiation that is released from this power plant will endanger the living creatures; and
- (iv) whether the conditions or agreements between India and Sri Lanka with regard to this project be submitted?

(b) If not, why?

Votes of Condolence

1.

The late Hon. Festus Perera, ex- Member of Parliament.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

Mines and Minerals (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*2.

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.)

*3.

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.)

*4.

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.

*5.

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.)

*6.

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.)

*7.

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.

8.

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

9.

Institute of Martial Arts (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

10.

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

11.

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

* *Indicates Government Business*
