



[Seventh Parliament - First Session]

No. 412.]

**ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Saturday, November 08, 2014 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

2746/'12

1.

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

(a) Will he state —

- (i) the number of local surgical gauze factories functioning at present;
- (ii) the number of employees employed in those factories;
- (iii) the quantity of surgical gauze purchased for the government hospitals from the local producers; and
- (iv) the courses of action that will be taken to protect that industry which is fallen into decline due to the reductions in the quantity of local gauze products purchased by the government hospitals?

(b) If not, why ?

3551/'13

2.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(1)

(a) Will he state —

- (i) whether the statement made by the Minister of Finance and Planning during the impeachment of the former Chief Justice that the “Golden Key” and foiled Ceylinco subsidiary companies will be compensated, is correct;
- (ii) if so, as to when compensation was offered or expected to be done;
- (iii) the total outstanding to depositors of the aforesaid companies;
- (iv) the percentage that can be paid by the assets and reserves within those companies;
- (v) the name of each company sold along with amount obtained; and
- (vi) the payment plan for the balance?

(2)

(b) Will he also state —

- (i) the Institutions existed under the ‘Golden Key Company’ and the foiled Ceylinco subsidiaries and other companies in Ceylinco group;
- (ii) the value that each company was sold for;
- (iii) the valuer; and
- (iv) whether the last Balance Sheets of those companies as at the date of crashing will be submitted?

(c) If not, why?

4268/’13

3.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana;— To ask the Minister of Environment and Renewable Energy,—(1)

(a) Will he admit that —

- (i) the Padaviya Forest, which has a endemic ecosystem and is situated in the North Central Province, has been declared a forest reserve by a Gazette Notification;
- (ii) the reason for such declaration is its unique significance;
- (iii) action is being taken to reacquire a portion of 12,900 hectares from that forest reserve through a gazette notification for the purpose of relocation of displaced communities and for development activities;
- (iv) the loss of part of that reserve as stated in (iii) above may result in many weather and climatic changes in the area; and
- (v) it may cause severe impacts on the lakes system led by the Padaviya Lake?

(b) If so, will he inform this House whether quick action will be taken to prevent this situation?

(c) If not, why?

4580/’13

4.

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka;— To ask the Minister of Mass Media and Information,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the total amount of money that was spent on the recently held CHOGM by the Ministry of Mass Media and Information and the other institutes coming under the purview of that Ministry;
- (ii) of the manner by which the aforesaid money was raised;

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- (iii) of the manner in which the aforesaid money was spent;
- (iv) of the total amount of money spent on media publicity for the aforesaid conference;
- (v) of the names of electronic and print media through which publicity was given; and
- (vi) separately of the amount of money that was paid to each of the aforesaid media institute?

(b) If not, why?

4679/'13

5.

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

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the names, designations and the institutions of the persons selected for the expert Committee appointed by the Secretary to the Ministry of Agriculture to solve the Kidney disease issue in the North Central province;
- (ii) the date on which that committee was appointed;
- (iii) the number of meetings held by that committee so far;
- (iv) the date on which the final report of the committee was handed over;
- (v) the person/persons to whom the said report was handed over by the committee; and
- (vi) the steps taken to implement the recommendations of that report?

(b) Will he also inform this House —

- (i) whether the use of 4 agro-chemicals has been banned by the recommendations of that report;
- (ii) whether the agro-chemicals so banned are still available for sale in the market;
- (iii) the pesticides imported to Sri Lanka in 2013;
- (iv) separately of the quantities of each such pesticide imported;
- (v) whether the standard of those pesticides was tested;
- (vi) if so, the laboratory and the place where they were tested;
- (vii) if no such standard test was conducted the reasons for it?

(c) If not, why?

4775/'14

6.

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of registered pharmacies available in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) of the number of registered pharmacists and the number of distributors of pharmaceutical drugs available in the country;
 - (iii) of the number of pharmacists required for the country; and
 - (iv) whether a proper methodology is in effect for training pharmacists?
- (b) If not, why?

5100/'14

7.

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam, — To ask the Minister of Coconut Development and Janatha Estate Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether the Mita menace has caused a severe influence towards the decline of local coconut production;
 - (ii) of the annual coconut yield in Sri Lanka from the year 2010 to date separately;
 - (iii) of the number of coconuts exported annually during the past five years separately;
 - (iv) of the income received from the export of coconuts annually during that period; and
 - (v) of the extent of coconut cover in each year during that period separately?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) what allocations were made by the government and non-state agencies to the Coconut Research Institute for the development of coconut cultivation and for conducting research necessary to counter the hazards faced by coconut plantations in last three years;
 - (ii) what new researches were conducted by the Institute for the advancement of coconut cultivation;
 - (iii) what recommendations have been given by the Institute after such researches;
 - (iv) of the date on which those recommendations will be implemented in order to enhance and improve coconut exportation?
- (c) If not, why?

8.

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha, — To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

(a) Will she state —

- (i) the name of the company which presently carries out the operational activities and maintenance work of Phase I of Norochcholai Coal Power Plant, which has a capacity of 300 MW, and of which the construction work has been completed; and
- (ii) the date on which that company was assigned with such responsibility?

(b) Will she inform this House —

- (i) whether arrangements have been made to delegate the responsibility of carrying out operational activities and maintenance work of the aforesaid power plant to the Chinese company which constructed that power plant;
- (ii) if so, of the date from which such responsibility will be delegated to that company; and
- (iii) of the scheduled dates of completion of the construction work of Phase II and Phase III of that power plant?

(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.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.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*a1.

Appropriation Bill (2015) — (Twelfth Allotted Day) — Committee (Progress 07th November).

*2.

The Minister of Postal Services,— Rules under the Post Office Ordinance,—That the Rules made by the Minister of Postal Services with the concurrence of the Minister of Finance and Planning under Sections 6, 10, 12, 19, 21, 25, 27, 43, 44, 59 and 68 of the Post Office Ordinance (Chapter 190) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1872/32 of 25th July 2014, which were presented on 30.10.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*3.

The Minister of Justice,— Order under the Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Act,—That the Order made by the Minister of Justice under subsection (3) of Section 2 of the Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Act, No. 25 of 2002 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1875/28 of 13th August 2014, which was presented on 07.11.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*4.

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 Section 14 and sub-section (3) of Section 4 and Section 6 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 paragraph (2) of Article 44 of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1882/5 of 30th September 2014, which were presented on 05.11.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*5.

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 Section 14 and sub-section (3) of Section 4 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 paragraph (2) of Article 44 of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1882/40 of 02nd October 2014, which were presented on 05.11.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*6.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.3),—That the Regulations made by the President under Section 20 read with sub-section (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 paragraph (2) of Article 44 of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1883/16 of 10th October 2014, which were presented on 05.11.2014, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*7.

Appropriation (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*8.

Prescription (Special Provisions) Bill — Adjourned debate on question (07th August, 2014) [1].

*9.

Assistance to and Protection of Victims of Crime and Witnesses 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 External Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka (No.3),— 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 Czech Republic for the Reciprocal Promotion and Protection of Investments, signed on 28th March 2011, 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 05.08.2014 be approved, as being essential for the development of the national economy.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*14.

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.

*15.

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.)

*16.

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.)

*17.

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.

*18.

The Minister of Health,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Wijaya Kumaratunga Memorial Hospital (2011),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of Wijaya Kumaratunga Memorial Hospital together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ended 31.12.2011 and presented on 04.09.2013 under the Parliamentary Act, No.38 of 1999 be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Health on 13.09.2013.)

*19.

The Minister of Health,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Jayewardenepura General Hospital (2011),—That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Jayewardenepura General Hospital together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ended 31.12.2011 and presented on 22.11.2013 under the Parliamentary Act, No. 54 of 1983 be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Health on 07.02.2014.)

*20.

The Minister of Health,— Annual Report and Accounts of the State Pharmaceutical Corporation - (2011),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the State Pharmaceutical Corporation together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ended 31st of December 2011 and presented on 21.01.2014 under Section 30 (2) of the State Industrial Corporation Act. No.49 of 1957 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Health on 24.04.2014.)

*21.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka National Engineering Research and Development Center (2011),— That the Annual Report of Sri Lanka National Engineering Research and Development Center together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year commencing from 1st of January 2011 and ending 31st of December 2011 and presented on 10.10.2013 under Section 30(2) of the State Industrial Corporations Act, No.49 of 1957 be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Technology and Research on 21.02.2014)

*22.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the National Science Foundation - (2011),— That the Annual Report of the National Science Foundation together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ended 31st of December 2011 and presented on 10.10.2013 under Section 40(3) of the Science and Technology Development Act, No.11 of 1994 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Technology and Research on 21.02.2014)

*23.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the National Science and Technology Commission - (2011),— That the Annual Report of the National Science and Technology Commission together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ending 31st of December 2011 and presented on 23.10.2013 under Section 40(3) of the Science and Technology Development Act, No.11 of 1994 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Technology and Research on 21.02.2014)

*24.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution - (2011),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ended 31st of December 2011 and presented on 10.10.2013 under Section 37(3) of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution Act, No. 6 of 1984 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Technology and Research on 21.02.2014)

*25.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the National Research Council - (2011),— That the Annual Report of the National Research Council together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ending 31st of December 2011 and presented on 22.10.2013 under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Technology and Research on 21.02.2014.)

*26.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the Institute of Fundamental Studies - (2011),— That the Annual Report of the Institute of Fundamental Studies together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ending 31st of December 2011 and presented on 22.10.2013 under Section 36(4) of the Sri Lanka Institute of Fundamental Studies Act, No. 55 of 1981 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Technology and Research on 21.02.2014)

*27.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Accreditation Board for Conformity Assessment - 2011,— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Accreditation Board for Conformity Assessment together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ending 31st of December 2011 and presented on 10.10.2013 under Section 29(5) of the Sri Lanka Accreditation Board for Conformity Assessment Act, No. 32 of 2005 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Technology and Research on 21.02.2014)

*28.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the Atomic Energy Authority - (2011),— That the Annual Report of the Atomic Energy Authority together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ending 31st of December 2011 and presented on 10.10.2013 under Section 34(2) of the Atomic Energy Authority Act, No. 19 of 1969, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Technology and Research on 21.02.2014.)

*29.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the Industrial Technology Institute - (2011),— That the Annual Report of the Industrial Technology Institute together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ended 31st of December 2011 and presented on 23.10.2013 under Section 40(3) of the Science and Technology Development Act, No. 11 of 1994 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Technology and Research on 21.02.2014.)

*30.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Inventors' Commission - (2011),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Inventors' Commission together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ending 31st of December 2011 and presented on 10.10.2013 under Section 27 of the Sri Lanka Inventors' Commission Act, No. 53 of 1979 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Technology and Research on 21.02.2014.)

*31.

The Minister of Technology and Research,— Annual Report of the Arthur C. Clarke Institute for Modern Technologies - (2011),— That the Annual Report of the Arthur C. Clarke Institute for Modern Technologies together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ending 31st of December 2011 and presented on 10.10.2013 under Section 40(3) of the Science and Technology Development Act, No. 11 of 1994 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Technology and Research on 21.02.2014.)

32.

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

33.

Institute of Martial Arts (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

34.

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

35.

The Institute of Medicina Alternativa (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

36.

Kalpawruksha Development Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

37.

Sivmuni Se Vehera Buddhist Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

38.

P. Harrison Community Development Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

39.

Welfare Society of the School for the Mentally Subnormal Child (Incorporation) (Amendment) Bill — Consideration.

40.

Al-Jamiathul Ghawsiyyah (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 (2015)— See separate Paper “ Supplement to the Orders of the Day ”.

[1].

Motion made and question proposed “That the Bill be now read a second time.”
