



[Seventh Parliament - First Session]

No. 415.]

**ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Wednesday, November 12, 2014 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

3554/'13

1.

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

- (a) Will he state from the year 2010 to date —
 - (i) the number of fully integrated fish canning factories opened in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) whether a fully Sri Lankan integrated process is followed or fish canning is done only for export by the aforesaid factories;
 - (iii) the investment value and the labour generation of each fish canning factory operating in Sri Lanka separately; and
 - (iv) the canned fish produced in metric tons by each factory separately?
- (b) Will he also state the principal countries from which canned fish are imported to Sri Lanka?
- (c) If not, why?

3961/'13

2.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education,—(3)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) it was published in the newspapers that the group that participated in the 6th South Asian University Cultural Festival held in the University of Patiala Punjab of India from 24.02.2013 to 28.02.2013 representing the University of Visual Arts, had been selected to be the first and most talented group;
 - (ii) however, competitions were not held in the aforesaid festival except for presentation of cultural items;

(2)

- (iii) a fake felicitation ceremony too was held with the participation by you and a group of experts with a huge expenditure, implying the aforesaid group won the first place, the group that received just a certificate of participation at the aforesaid festival; and
 - (iv) Secretary of the Students Union of the faculty of Visual Arts makes allegations that aforesaid fraudulent act was committed by the Vice Chancellor of the University of Performing Arts Mr. Jayasena Kottegodage on behalf of his son Janaka Kottegodage?
- (b) Will he state whether the steps will be taken to hold a formal inquiry and punish the offenders in relation to the aforesaid fraudulent act?
- (c) If not, why?

4419/'13

3.

Hon. (Mrs.) Rosy Senanayake,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources Management,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether the quarters and the other buildings located in the premises of around 500 acres which belong to the Ambelipitiya Paper Mills, coming under the Walawa special area of the Mahaweli Authority of Sri Lanka are being used presently;
 - (ii) whether information has been received in regard to unauthorized occupation of the lands in the aforesaid premises,
 - (iii) whether information has been received in regard to the cutting down of trees in the lands in the aforesaid premises and the transport of timber; and
 - (iv) whether any programme is being implemented in order to protect the lands, buildings and the other property in the aforesaid premises?
- (b) If not, why?

4627/'13

4.

Hon. Sujeewa Senasinghe,— To ask the Minister of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities,—(2)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of houses projected to be constructed by the Ministry of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities according to the Budget 2013 within that year;
- (ii) the number of new houses constructed as per that budget proposal;
- (iii) the areas in which those housing projects have been carried out; and
- (iv) out of those housing schemes, the number of houses given to public servants?

(b) If not, why?

4636/'13

5.

Hon. P. Harrison,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the reasons for extending the age limit for the payment of farmers' pension to 63 years from the budget of 2014;
- (ii) whether the extension of the age limit for paying the farmers' pension up to 63 years is a violation of the Farmers' Pension and Social Security Benefit Scheme Act, No. 12 of 1987 which stipulates that the pension should be paid to farmers at the age of 60 years; and
- (iii) if not, whether action will be taken to pay pension arrears to those who have become entitled to pension by paying installments from the year 2011 to November 2013?

(b) Will he table separately of—

- (i) the contribution of the farmers' pension scheme from 18 years of age; and
- (ii) the contribution of the Ministry of Finance and Planning, the Govisetha Lottery and the farmers for the farmers' pension?

(c) If not, why?

(4)

4847/'14

6.

Hon. (Dr.) Harsha De Silva,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (4)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of licenses issued so far to carry on the business of gaming in Sri Lanka;
- (ii) the names of persons and/or companies who have obtained such licenses; and
- (iii) the date of issue of each of the above licenses?

(b) If not, why?

4944/'14

7.

Hon. Tissa Attanayake,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education,—(2)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the specified duration of the Allied Health Services or Nursing and Para-Medical Services degree course;
- (ii) the total number of students following that degree course by now; and
- (iii) the number of students enrolled annually for that degree course?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether the duration of the said course which had been designed as a four year degree course with the syllabuses prepared accordingly, has been reduced to three years by now;
- (ii) if so, whether it is possible to complete that degree course which had been designed with syllabuses for four years, in three years;
- (iii) whether those students are caused an injustice as a result of reducing the duration of that degree course; and
- (iv) if so, of the measures that will be taken in that regard?

(c) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*a1.

Appropriation Bill (2015) — (Fifteenth Allotted Day) — Committee (Progress 11th 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.)

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*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 Minister of Wildlife Resources Conservation,— 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.

Sri Lanka Association of Professional Social Workers (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

41.

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

42.

Madahapola Sri Ratnapalaramaya Religious and Buddhist Educational Development 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 (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.”
