



[Eighth Parliament - First Session]

No. 28.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Friday, December 04, 2015 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

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1.

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(2)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) whether the removal of the tax of Rs. 90.00 from the selling price of cement by the last interim budget was done, not as a measure to bring down the prices of cement; and
- (ii) the tax revenue per month lost to the government as a result of this?

(b) Will he also state—

- (i) whether the retail price of cement was fixed at Rs. 840.00 having published the relevant price reduction in the Gazette of 20th February 2015;
- (ii) whether cement is sold in the country at that price since then; and
- (iii) if not, isn't it an (grave) error that the government lost its income while the consumers too lost the anticipated relief?

(c) Will he inform this house—

- (i) whether steps will be taken to effect this price reduction as promised by the interim budget; and
- (ii) if so, the date it will be effective from?

(d) If not, why?

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2.

Hon. M. H. M. Salman,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

(a) Is he aware that —

- (i) applications were called for recruiting teacher assistants on school based to Tamil medium estate schools and Mrs. F. Ruzana Mafoor residing at No.25/2, Viyangalle, Agalawatte submitted an application;
- (ii) consequently, she appeared for the relevant interview under calling No. 199 (B) on 02.03.2015; and
- (iii) although vacancies did exist for the post in estate schools in the area in which she lives, Mrs. Ruzana Mafoor has not been given a teacher assistant appointment so far?

(2)

- (b) Will he inform this House whether steps will be taken to give her the appointment as a teacher assistant without delay?
- (c) If not why?

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3.

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) when Sri Lanka Insurance Corporation was privatized in the year 2003 about 1500 persons out of the 3100 employees who served there lost their employment;
 - (ii) they were even deprived of the 10% benefit that employees are entitled to when an institution is sold through PERC; and
 - (iii) even though Sri Lanka Insurance Corporation was re-acquired by the government during the tenure of the previous regime on a judgment of the Supreme Court, all the employees who lost their job were not reinstated?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to provide relief to the employees who underwent injustice due to not receiving their employment back; and
 - (ii) if so, the manner it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

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4.

Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Management,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the approval to grant permanent appointments to trainee graduates in terms of development service minuets, has been granted by the Cabinet decision No. 12/0030/523001 dated 10.01.2013;
 - (ii) the Director General of Combined Services, by his letter No. CS/DOS/21 dated 18.11.2014, has informed the Chief Secretary of the Southern Province that the date of appointment of the trainee graduates, who were recruited to the permanent positions of the Southern Provincial Public Service, should be the date that they complete the one year training period or if such date falls on a public holiday then the first working day that follows the aforesaid date; and
 - (iii) in terms of the decision No. CSS/2/13/GRAD/1-V of the Chief Secretary of the Southern Province dated 12.08.2014, by the decision G/SP/12/08 of the Governor dated 18.11.2014, 313 trainee graduates who were recruited for Matara District, were entitled for the permanent appointments, after completing a training period of one year?

(3)

- (b) Will he inform this House of the date as to when the trainee graduates are absorbed to the permanent positions in the Southern Provincial Public Service and will be granted the period of service and the salary arrears that they are entitled to?
- (c) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*a1.

Appropriation Bill (2016)— (Eleventh Allotted Day)— Committee (Progress 03rd December).

*2.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance under Section 20 read with Sub-section (3) of 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 published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1903/41 of 26th February 2015, which were presented on 23.09.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*3.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Finance Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 26 read with Section 22 of the Finance Act, No. 11 of 2004 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1915/2 of 18th May 2015, which was presented on 03.11.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*4.

The Minister of Finance,— 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 Republic of Singapore for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with respect to Taxes on Income entered on 03rd April, 2014, which was presented on 23.09.2015 be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*5.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Stamp Duty (Special Provisions) Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 3 of the Stamp Duty (Special Provisions) Act, No. 12 of 2006 read with Article 44(2) of the Constitution, relating to Stamp Duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1882/17 of 30th September 2014, which was presented on 23.09.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

(4)

*6.

The Minister of Finance,— Regulations under the Insurance Industry Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance under Section 112 read with Sections 13 (1) (d) and Section 16 of the Regulation of Insurance Industry Act, No. 43 of 2000 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1907/17 of 25th March 2015, which were presented on 21.11.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*7.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Stamp Duty (Special Provisions) Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 3 of the Stamp Duty (Special Provisions) Act, No. 12 of 2006 regarding Stamp Duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1933/14 of 21st September 2015, which was presented on 21.11.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*8.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Excise (Special Provisions) Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 3 of the Excise (Special Provisions) Act, No. 13 of 1989 relating to Excise Duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1934/40 of 2nd October 2015, which was presented on 21.11.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*9.

The Minister of Finance,— Notification under the Excise Ordinance,— That the Notification made by the Minister of Finance under subsection (1) of Section 22 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) as amended from time to time, regarding Excise Duties on Liquor and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1934/41 of 2nd October 2015, which was presented on 21.11.2015, be approved.

(Excise Notification Numbers 975, 976 and 977)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*10.

Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,— Regulations under the Sri Lanka Electricity Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Power and Renewable Energy on the recommendation of the Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka under the Section 6 to be read in conjunction with Section 54 of the Sri Lanka Electricity Act, No.20 of 2009, published in the Gazette notification Extraordinary No. 1918/2 of 4th June 2015, which were presented on 21.11.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*11.

The Minister of Justice and Minister of Buddhasasana,— 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.1926/46 of 6th August 2015, which was presented on 21.11.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

(5)

*12.

The Minister of Finance,— Notification under the Excise Ordinance,— That the Notification made by the Minister of Finance, under Section 28(a) read with Section 16(c) of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52), as amended from time to time regarding Excise License Fee and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1901/19 of 13th February 2015, which was presented on 23.09.2015, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 973)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

* ***Indicates Government Business***

NOTICES OF AMENDMENTS RELATING TO ORDERS OF THE DAY

a1.

For amendments in Committee on the Appropriation Bill (2016) — See separate Paper “ Supplement to the Orders of the Day ”.
