



[Eighth Parliament - First Session]

No. 31.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Tuesday, December 08, 2015 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

45/'15

1. Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Megapolis and Western Development,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Hambanthota Rest House which was under the purview of Urban Development Authority has been transferred to private sector;
 - (ii) the employees who were employed there have been attached to the Head Office of the Urban Development Authority; and
 - (iii) this process causes a financial loss for the Urban Development Authority?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether measures will be taken to take back this Rest House to the Urban Development Authority; and
 - (ii) if so, of aforesaid date?
- (c) If not, why?

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2. Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education and Highways,—(2)

- (a) Will he table—
 - (i) separately as per the institution, the number of engineering, accountancy and other professional courses conducted by institutions other than the government universities; and
 - (ii) separately, the course fee charged by those institutions for each course?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the courses conducted by charging fees at the universities under the Ministry of Higher Education and Highways ;
 - (ii) separately, the course fee charged for each course; and
 - (iii) of the changes that occurred in the said fees from 2012 to 2015?
- (c) If not, why?

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3.

Hon. Lucky Jayawardana,— To ask the Minister of Defence,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) a large number of soldiers of the Sri Lanka Army who had been engaged in operational duties in the North and the East have left the army after serving in the Army for 12 years; and
 - (ii) they are suffering severe hardships at present?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of soldiers who have left the Army after serving for 12 years;
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to provide relief to those persons;
 - (iii) whether he admits that it would be reasonable to pay a half pension to those persons who served the country risking their lives; and
 - (iv) if so, of the date from which arrangements will be made to pay a half pension to those persons?
- (c) If not, why?

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4.

Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma,— To ask the Minister of Defence,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that a Gazette Extraordinary bearing No.1854/41 dated 21.03.2014 has been issued by the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka under sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph (4) of the United Nations Regulations No. 1 of 2012;
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of organizations and the number of individuals declared by the said Gazette Notification as being involved in crimes connected to terrorism;
 - (ii) whether measures will be taken to table a description containing all details of the relevant organizations and individuals; and
 - (iii) if not, why?
- (c) Will he also inform this house—
 - (i) whether investigations regarding the organizations and individuals mentioned in (b) (i) above in relation to acts of violence committed by the LTTE from 1976, have been commenced by the Sri Lanka Police; and
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to request from the member countries of the United Nations to hand over the relevant suspects to our country in accordance with the provisions stipulated in Resolution No.1373 adopted by the Security Council of the United Nations on 28th September 2001?
- (d) If not, why?

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5.

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the application forwarded by Mr. W. Pradeep, who received a condominium housing unit after his house was destroyed by the Tsunami, to admit his child to Grade one of Sujatha Vidyalaya, Matara in 2013 had been rejected;
 - (ii) if so, the reasons for that;
 - (iii) whether the appeal forwarded in that regard had been rejected; and
 - (iv) if so, the reasons for that?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) whether the Secretary to the Ministry and the Director of National Schools have informed the Principal in writing to admit the relevant child to the school after the above rejections, and inform him of it;
 - (ii) if so, the responses of the Principal after the said written intimation;
 - (iii) whether he is aware that the child had not been admitted to the school by rejecting the above intimation; and
 - (iv) the reasons for not admitting the child to the school?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a formal inquiry had been conducted in regard to that rejection; and
 - (ii) the steps will be taken against the injustice caused to that child?
- (d) If not, why?

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6.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the criteria taken into consideration when admitting students to Advanced Level classes of the Visaka Vidyalaya, Colombo;
 - (ii) of the subject streams that are available for the students who are admitted to Advanced Level classes of the Visaka Vidyalaya, Colombo in the year 2015;
 - (iii) separately, of the number of classes available in each subject stream for the newly admitted Advanced Level students;
 - (iv) separately, of the number of students in each of the aforementioned classes; and
 - (v) of the number of students admitted to the Advanced Level classes of the Visaka Vidyalaya, Colombo from other schools in the year 2015?

(4)

(b) Will he table —

- (i) separately, of the name of each student mentioned in (a) (v) above, their district, name of the school from which the student sat for G.C.E. (Ordinary Level) Examination and the Advanced Level subject stream that they were admitted to; and
- (ii) separately of the qualifications possessed by each of the aforesaid students in order to gain admission to the Visaka Vidyalaya?

(c) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1.

Hon. Edward Gunasekara,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.1),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Ranjith Aluvihare Foundation.”

2.

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

“ Bill to incorporate the Child Rehabilitation Centre.”

3.

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

“ Bill to incorporate the Sahana Community Development Foundation.”

4.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.4),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Seretse Khama Foundation Trust.”

5.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.5),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the South Lanka Academy for Tertiary Education and Leadership.”

6.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.6),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Samadhi Community Development Foundation.”

7.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.7),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Sri Balabhivurdhi Wardana Samithiya.”

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*a1.

Appropriation Bill (2016)—(Fourteenth Allotted Day)— Committee (Progress 07th December).

*2.

The Minister of Foreign 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, the Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the State of Qatar for the Reciprocal Promotion and Protection of Investments, signed on 22nd May 2012, 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 01.12.2015 be approved, as being essential for the development of the national economy.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*3.

The Minister of Foreign 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, the Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand for the Reciprocal Promotion and Protection of Investments, signed on 03rd January 1996, 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 01.12.2015 be approved, as being essential for the development of the national economy.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*4.

The Minister of Foreign 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, the Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the Republic of Indonesia for the Reciprocal Promotion and Protection of Investments, signed on 10th June 1996, 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 01.12.2015 be approved, as being essential for the development of the national economy.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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*5.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka (No.4),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 157 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, the Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt for the Reciprocal Promotion and Protection of Investments, signed on 11th March 1996, 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 01.12.2015 be approved, as being essential for the development of the national economy.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*6.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka (No.5),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 157 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, 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 01.12.2015 be approved, as being essential for the development of the national economy.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*7.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka (No.6),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 157 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, the Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam for the Reciprocal 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 corporations, companies and other associations incorporated or constituted under its Laws, which was presented on 01.12.2015 be approved, as being essential for the development of the national economy.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*8.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka (No.7),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 157 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, the Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the People's Republic of China for the Reciprocal Promotion and Protection of Investments, signed on 13th March 1986, 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 01.12.2015 be approved, as being essential for the development of the national economy.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*9.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka (No.8),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 157 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, the Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of Malaysia for the Reciprocal Promotion and Protection of Investments, signed on 16th April 1982, 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 01.12.2015 be approved, as being essential for the development of the national economy.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*10.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka (No.9),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 157 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, the Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan for the Reciprocal Promotion and Protection of Investments, signed on 05th January 2000, 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 01.12.2015 be approved, as being essential for the development of the national economy.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*11.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka (No.10),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 157 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, the Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran for the Reciprocal Promotion and Protection of Investments, signed on 25th July 2000, 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 01.12.2015 be approved, as being essential for the development of the national economy.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*12.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka (No.11),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 157 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, 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 01.12.2015 be approved, as being essential for the development of the national economy.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*13.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka (No.12),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 157 of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, the Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of the Republic of India for the Reciprocal Promotion and Protection of Investments, signed on 22nd January 1997, 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 01.12.2015 be approved, as being essential for the development of the national economy.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*14.

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 8th June 2015, which were presented on 21.11.2015, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*15.

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.)

*16.

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.)

*17.

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.)

*18.

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.)

*19.

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.)

*20.

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.)

*21.

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.)

*22.

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.)

*23.

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.)

*24.

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 ”.
