



*[Eighth Parliament - First Session]*

No. 33.]

## ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

### FOR

Thursday, December 10, 2015 at 9.30 a.m.

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#### QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

29/15

1.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether excavations have been halted in the Kuragala historic sacred site which is one of the most important Buddhist places of worship in the Sabaragamuwa Province; and
  - (ii) if so, the reasons for same?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
  - (i) the extent of land belonging to the Kuragala sacred site;
  - (ii) whether the boundaries of the said extent of land have been delimited;
  - (iii) whether measures have been taken for the preservation of the artifacts found during excavations; and
  - (iv) if so, the measures thus taken?
- (c) Will he state—
  - (i) whether action will be taken to secure the right of Buddhists to the Kuragala sacred site; and
  - (ii) whether measures will be taken to continue with its excavations; and
  - (iii) if so, the date on which it will be done?
- (d) If not, why?

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2.

Hon. (Dr.) A. R. A. Hafeez,— To ask the Minister of Disaster Management,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
  - (i) the house bearing No.264/1 at Vedagedara, Yonakapura, Dickwella where Mr. M.M.A.Nifran and the members of his family resided was located in a hilly area;
  - (ii) the kitchen that remained from the house that was destroyed by the rains that fell on 22.09.2012 too was totally destroyed as a result of the earth slip that occurred in the adjoining hills around 1.45 a.m. on 02.09.2015; and
  - (iii) no step has been taken in this regard up to now, even though the responsible officials of the area have been informed about this?

(2)

- (b) Will he inform this House whether steps will be taken to construct that house for Mr.Nifran who has been rendered helpless, as a result of the total destruction of the house that he had to live as a family with his small children and his wife, and due to lack of a permanent source of income?
- (c) If not, why?

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3.

Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma,—To ask the Minister of Prisons Reforms, Rehabilitation, Resettlement and Hindu Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
  - (i) the number of LTTE members undergoing imprisonment after being convicted of crimes against humanity that were committed by the LTTE Organization; and
  - (ii) the number of suspects who were in prisons up to 30.10.2015 having been arrested with pertinence to inhuman crimes conducted by the LTTE Organization?
- (b) Will he table separately —
  - (i) the names of the prisoners mentioned in (a) (i) above, charges that were leveled against them and the duration of their prison sentence;
  - (ii) the names of the LTTE suspects mentioned in (a) (ii) above and the date on which the relevant suspects were imprisoned;
  - (iii) out of the LTTE suspects mentioned in (a) (ii) above, the names of the suspects against whom charges have not yet been leveled, and the date on which they were arrested, if any;
  - (iv) out of the group mentioned in (b) (i) and (ii) above, the names of suspects against whom intelligence reports have been received to the effect that they have engaged in terrorist activities or other crimes during the period of imprisonment, separately, if any?
- (c) If not, why?

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4.

Hon. E. Saravanapavan,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that many principals who have served continuously in the same school for over 7 years have been transferred to other schools?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether transfers have been given to all the principals in the Jaffna peninsula who have served in the same school for over 7 years;
  - (ii) whether there are principals in the Jaffna peninsula who have not been transferred; and
  - (iii) if so, the reason for them not to get transferred?
- (c) If not, why?

5. Hon. Bandula Gunawardana,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether he is satisfied with the adequacy of foreign reserves of Sri Lanka in terms of risk weighted system; and
  - (ii) the adequacy of foreign reserves under floating exchange ratio method in respect of each year from the year 2000 to 2014 as per the data of variables X, STD, OPL and M2 in applying the new system of risk weighted of the International Monetary Fund?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
  - (i) the adequacy of foreign reserves of Sri Lanka during the first 9 months of the year 2015; and
  - (ii) the major causes that impacted on this situation?
- (c) If not, why?

6. Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Petroleum Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he state —
    - (i) the sum of money payable to the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation by government institutions as at 30.05.2015;
    - (ii) the names of the institutions from which such sums are due and the amount due in respect of each such institution separately; and
    - (iii) the steps taken by the Corporation for the recovery of such sums?
  - (b) Will he inform this House —
    - (i) of the sum of money payable by the Corporation as loans, interest and other payments as at 30.05.2015;
    - (ii) of the names of the institutions to whom such sums are due and the sums due to each of the institutions separately; and
    - (iii) whether the Corporation will have to increase fuel prices in order to settle these sums?
  - (c) Will he also inform this House —
    - (i) of the net loss incurred to the Corporation in each of the past five years, separately;
    - (ii) whether an inquiry has been conducted into the causes of losses suffered by the Corporation; and
    - (iii) if so, what those causes are?
  - (d) If not why?
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(4)

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

**Notice of Motions**

1.

Hon. (Mrs.) Sriyani Wijewickrama,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.1),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Jayanthipura Subasadaka Sangamaya.”

2.

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.2),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Champika Premadasa Community Development Foundation.”

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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

\*a1.

Appropriation Bill (2016)—(Sixteenth Allotted Day)— Committee (Progress 09<sup>th</sup> 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 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 03<sup>rd</sup> 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 10<sup>th</sup> 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.)

\*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 11<sup>th</sup> 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 05<sup>th</sup> 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 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 13<sup>th</sup> 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 16<sup>th</sup> 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 05<sup>th</sup> 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 25<sup>th</sup> 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.)

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\*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 28<sup>th</sup> 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 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 21<sup>st</sup> 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 03<sup>rd</sup> 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 26<sup>th</sup> 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 6<sup>th</sup> 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 30<sup>th</sup> 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 13<sup>th</sup> February 2015, which was presented on 23.09.2015, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 973)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\* ***Indicates Government Business***

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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 ”.

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