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FOR

Thursday, February 25, 2016 at 1.00 p.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

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1.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education and Highways,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) paddy lands, wetlands and floodplains have been damaged as a result of the Southern, Katunayake-Colombo and Outer Circular expressways;
- (ii) the residents in close proximity to expressways are facing the danger of floods due to this reason; and
- (iii) this damage caused to the environment affects the balance of environment in the entire country?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether steps have been taken to save the flood risk areas created due to the expressways from the danger of floods;
- (ii) if so, what those steps are;
- (iii) whether he has taken steps to conserve the affected eco systems; and
- (iv) if so, what those steps are?

(c) Will he also inform this House—

- (i) whether there is an integrated programme with the other Ministries connected to the flood risk mentioned in (a) (ii) above; and
- (ii) if so, what that programme is?

(d) If not, why?

2.

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,— To ask the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of new buses purchased by the Sri Lanka Transport Board from 2010-2014, separately;
 - (ii) of the amount of money spent annually to purchase the buses, separately;
 - (iii) the depots to which those buses were assigned; and
 - (iv) the amount of money spent to purchase the following 14 buses from the Lanka Ashok Leyland company, WP NB-6028, WP NC-6049, WP NB-6051, WP NB-6057, WP NB-6067, WP NB-6671, WP NB-7750, WP NB-7751, WP NB-7752, WP NB-7967, WP NC-0653, WP NC-1307, WP NC-1746 and WP NC-2016?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the above 14 buses mentioned in (a) (iii) above are with the S.L.T.B. at present; and
 - (ii) if so, the depots which they belong to?
- (c) If not, why?

3.

Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma,— To ask the Minister of National Co-existence, Dialogue and Official Languages,—(2)

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO) and International Non-Governmental Organizations (INGO) registered in Sri Lanka by 01st of January 2015; and
 - (ii) the addresses of those organizations?
- (b) Will he also submit to this House—
 - (i) the names of the NGOs and INGOs registered in Sri Lanka from 01.01.2015 to 01.11.2015; and
 - (ii) the contact details of the organizers of those organizations;
- (c) Will he further submit to this House, separately, based on each of the aforesaid organizations —
 - (i) the total amount of money received as financial aid from 01.01.2000 up to now;
 - (ii) the names of the foreign countries or organizations that provided aforesaid funds; and
 - (iii) the objectives of those foreign countries and organizations to provide such funds;
- (d) If not, why?

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4. Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise Development,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware of the malpractices and injustices that took place at the competitive examination conducted to recruit Internal Officer Trainees (2014) to the Bank of Ceylon?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of candidates that sat the said competitive examination conducted at the University of Kelaniya on 08.06.2014;
 - (ii) the number of candidates who passed, and failed that examination, separately;
 - (iii) whether all those who passed that examination have been awarded appointments; and
 - (iv) if not, why?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the reasons for raising the cut-off mark of 40 for each subject, to 50, when a methodology for all internal promotions of the Bank of Ceylon in terms of circular 66/2002 has been specified;
 - (ii) whether the candidates have been informed of this in advance;
 - (iii) whether he admits the fact that this examination has been conducted on an accepted methodology;
 - (iv) the reasons for not granting an opportunity to rescrutinize the results, after it took five months to release the results; and
 - (v) the steps to be taken to deliver justice to the aggrieved officers of the Bank of Ceylon?
- (d) If not, why?

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5. Hon. M. H. M. Salman,— To ask the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that CP/GAM/ Alsafa Primary College is functioning in a section of the Nawalapitiya Railway warehouse belonging to the Sri Lanka Railway Service?
- (b) Will he inform this house whether action will be taken to transfer the aforesaid land to the Department of Education of the Central Province in order to develop the said building facilitating to permanently conduct the school in the relevant premises which amidst serious inconveniences, is presently functioning in the building of the Railway warehouse which is not taken for any use at the moment?
- (c) If not, why?

6.

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Minister of Law and Order and Southern Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of complaints received by the Criminal Investigation Department against politicians on allegations of preparing forged documents during the Presidential Election period from 08.12.2014 to 08.01.2015;
 - (ii) the persons against whom those complaints have been received;
 - (iii) whether there has been an arrest on these complaints;
 - (iv) if so, the person who was arrested;
 - (v) of the progress of the investigation in relation to each complaint, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

7.

Hon. S. M. Marikkar,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) whether the amount of 30 million rupees allocated by the 100 day project for the development of roads in every electorate will be provided as usual;
 - (ii) If not, the amount of money that will be provided within this year; and
 - (iii) whether the roads proposed under the amount of 30 million rupees will be allowed to be completed within the next year in case the aforesaid roads were not completed within this year?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether money will be allocated by the Ministry of Highways for the development of byroads in the year 2016;
 - (ii) If so, the amount of money that will be allocated;
 - (iii) the criteria taken into consideration in making the aforesaid allocation?
- (c) If not, why?

8.

Hon. Imran Maharoof,— To ask the Minister of Home Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that, in Trincomalee District where majority is Muslims—
 - (i) there are no Muslim officers to serve on the responsible posts in the District Secretariat;
 - (ii) there are no Muslim officers on any post in the Kuchchaweli and Thambalagamam Divisional Secretariats; and
 - (iii) the Muslim officers left the District Secretariat owing to the last regime militarizing the Trincomalee District Secretariat and adopting a harsh approach in regard to Muslim officers?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether under good governance—
 - (i) steps will be taken to appoint at least one Muslim officer to any responsible post in the Trincomalee District Secretariat; and
 - (ii) steps will be taken to appoint a Muslim officer to any post with authority in Kuchchaweli and Thambalagamam Divisional Secretariats?
- (c) If not, why?

9.

Hon. Namal Rajapaksa,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of Mahindyodaya laboratories that had been planned to be constructed;
 - (ii) of the number of Mahindyodaya laboratories that have been constructed at present; and
 - (iii) out of the Mahindyodaya laboratories that have already been constructed, the number of those that have been vested with the students as of now; and
 in the Hambantota District under 1000 Mahindyodaya schools programme?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of Mahindyodaya Technological Laboratories that had been planned to be constructed;
 - (ii) of the number of Mahindyodaya Technological Laboratories that have been constructed at present; and
 - (iii) out of the Mahindyodaya Technological Laboratories that have already been constructed, the number of those that have been vested with the students as of now; and
 in the Hambantota District under the programme to construct Mahindyodaya Technological Laboratories (three-storey buildings) for the Technology Stream?
- (c) If not, why?

10.

Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether bids were called from Sales Promotion Institutions for the purpose of sales promotion of the National Lotteries Board and the Development Lotteries Board in 2014 and 2015;
 - (ii) if so, the number of institutions that submitted bids in relation to each Lotteries Board and Lottery, separately; and
 - (iii) the names of the institutions that submitted bids?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) the number of Sales Promotion Institutions which were called for interviews in relation to each Lotteries Board and Lottery, separately;
 - (ii) the number of Sales Promotion Institutions which were selected for the purpose of promotion of sales in relation to each Lotteries Board and Lottery, separately; and
 - (iii) the qualifications considered in selecting those institutions?
- (c) If not, why?

11.

Hon. Kanaka Herath,— To ask the Minister of Higher Education and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether the development work on the 26 kilometer-long road from the town of Mawanella to Gampola through Hemmathagama which was proposed to be carpeted and developed has been limited to reach only up to the location of the Al Azhar College of Hajaragama, i.e., only to 15k.m.;
 - (ii) whether the width of the aforesaid road which had been initially planned to be 40 feet, has been reduced to 34 feet;
 - (iii) whether changing the original plans of the aforesaid road in this manner would provide solutions to the traffic congestion which occurs daily at the turn to Hemmathagama from the Mawanella town (the junction near the S.O. Hotel) of the Colombo-Kandy road; and
 - (iv) If not, whether an alternative will be proposed to minimize traffic congestion at this location?
- (b) If not, why?

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12.

Hon. T. Ranjith De Zoysa,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the total number of State Ministers in the present government;
 - (ii) of the subjects assigned to those Ministers, separately;
 - (iii) whether they have separate Ministry offices; and
 - (iv) if so, of the permanent addresses of those offices?
- (b) If not, why?

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13.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Social Empowerment and Welfare,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the adult population in Sri Lanka is increasing; and
 - (ii) this situation will make a severe impact on the society in the future;
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the population above the age of 70 in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the aforesaid population as male and female, separately; and
 - (iii) the adult population as a percentage of the total population;
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of persons who are entitled to a pension out of the aforesaid population; and
 - (ii) the steps taken by the government for the welfare of the people who do not have a pension?
- (d) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether plans have been made to manage the living standard of the adult population, which is increasing; and
 - (ii) if so, the aforesaid plans?
- (e) If not, why?

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14.

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,— To ask the Minister of Sports,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the extent of the land belonging to the Mahinda Rajapaksa Stadium at Diyagama, Homagama;
 - (ii) the government institution to which the said land belonged to;
 - (iii) whether the said land has been acquired by the Ministry of Sports or another government institution;
 - (iv) if so, whether the relevant documents will be tabled; and
 - (v) as to who handles the administrative and maintenance activities of the stadium at present?

(8)

- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) the amount of money spent on the construction of this stadium;
 - (ii) separately, the amount spent by the government and the amount received as private donations;
 - (iii) the Ministries which allocated money for this purpose;
 - (iv) the names and addresses of private donors who donated money for the construction;
 - (v) separately, in respect of each year, the amount of money charged from the date the stadium was given for sports activities up to now; and
 - (vi) the account to which such money has been credited?
- (c) Will he further inform this House—
- (i) whether there is a “Sports Development Foundation” associated with this stadium; and
 - (ii) if so, the Minister who had obtained the cabinet approval and the date on which such approval was obtained?
- (d) If not, why?

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15.

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the number of motorcycles given to the public officers in the year 2014 on the basis that fifty thousand rupees is paid by the officer; and
 - (ii) the number of officers who paid money in the year 2014 and did not receive motorcycles as at 31.10.2015?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether the government has paid back the full amount of Rs. 50,000/- paid by the government officers for motorcycles or part of the aforesaid amount as promised in the Presidential Election period in 2015; and
 - (ii) if so, the departments in which the officers who have been given their money back are serving?
- (c) If not, why?
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AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament,— That notwithstanding the motion agreed to by Parliament on 06.10.2015, the hours of sitting this day, shall be 1.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.. At 2.00 p.m. Standing Order No. 7(5) of the Parliament shall operate.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

Resolution for the appointment of the Constitutional Assembly—Adjourned question (09th January 2016) — Motion made and question proposed that “ WHEREAS there is broad agreement among the People of Sri Lanka that it is necessary to enact a new Constitution for Sri Lanka;

AND WHEREAS the People have at the Presidential Election held on 08th January, 2015 given a clear mandate for establishing a political culture that respects the rule of law and strengthens democracy;

AND WHEREAS His Excellency Maithripala Sirisena, President of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka has clearly expressed his desire to give effect to the will of the People expressed at the aforesaid Presidential Election by enacting a new Constitution that, *inter alia*, abolishing the Executive Presidency;

AND WHEREAS it has become necessary to enact a new Constitution that, *inter alia*, abolishes the Executive Presidency, ensures a fair and representative Electoral System which eliminates preferential voting, strengthens the democratic rights of all citizens, provides a Constitutional Resolution of the national issue, promotes national reconciliation, establishes a political culture that respects the rule of law, guarantees to the People’s fundamental rights and freedom that assure human dignity and promotes responsible and accountable government.

That this Parliament Resolves that —

1. There shall be a Committee of Parliament hereinafter referred to as the 'Constitutional Assembly' which shall consist of all Members of Parliament, for the purpose of deliberating, and seeking the views and advice of the People, on a new Constitution for Sri Lanka, and preparing a draft of a Constitution Bill for the consideration of Parliament in the exercise of its powers under Article 75 of the Constitution.
2. The Hon. Speaker of Parliament shall be the Chairman of the Constitutional Assembly. There shall be seven (7) Deputy Chairmen of the Constitutional Assembly, who shall be elected by the Constitutional Assembly.

In the absence of the Hon. Speaker, the Constitutional Assembly shall elect one of the Deputy Chairmen to chair the sittings of the Assembly.

3. The quorum for meetings of the Constitutional Assembly shall be twenty (20).
4. There shall be—
 - (a) Constitutional Advisors to the Constitutional Assembly;
 - (b) A Legal Secretary to the Constitutional Assembly and assistants to such Legal Secretary;
 - (c) Staff for the purpose of recording the proceedings of the Constitutional Assembly and the Committees referred to in Clause 5; and

(d) Media (including Social Media) Staff of the Constitutional Assembly.

The Media Staff shall set up and maintain a website and use other appropriate media, towards giving due publicity to the process for the adoption of a new Constitution for Sri Lanka.

The Media Staff shall ensure that the proceedings of the Constitutional Assembly and its Committees, as well as public representations / submissions are documented and published on such website along with such other relevant expert or technical opinions.

5. There shall be the following Sub-Committees of the Constitutional Assembly:—

- (a) A Steering Committee consisting of the Prime Minister (Chairman), Leader of the House of Parliament, Leader of the Opposition, the Minister of Justice, and not more than seventeen (17) other Members of the Constitutional Assembly to be appointed by the Constitutional Assembly.

The Steering Committee shall be responsible for the business of the Constitutional Assembly and for preparing a Draft of a new Constitution for Sri Lanka.

- (b) Such other Sub-Committees, consisting of Members of the Constitutional Assembly, which may be appointed by the Constitutional Assembly.

Provided that each such Sub-Committee shall comprise of not more than eleven (11) Members.

The Chairman of each Sub-Committee shall be appointed by the Steering Committee.

6. The Constitutional Assembly shall at its first sitting—

- (a) elect the Deputy Chairmen;
(b) determine the Sub-Committees referred to in Clause 5(b); and
(c) elect Members to the Sub-Committees referred to in Clause 5.

7. The Prime Minister shall, at the first meeting of the Constitutional Assembly, present a Resolution for adoption by the Constitutional Assembly, calling upon the Steering Committee to present a Resolution proposing a Draft Constitution for the consideration of the Constitutional Assembly, prior to its submission to the Cabinet of Ministers and Parliament.

8. The Constitutional Assembly is hereby authorised to conduct its sittings in the Chamber of Parliament,

Provided that the Constitutional Assembly may resolve to sit at any other specified location outside the Western Province.

Provided further that the presentation of papers, moving of resolutions and voting on any matter shall only take place in the Chamber of Parliament.

9. The Steering Committee may seek the services of any institution which services are necessary for the carrying out of the objects of the Constitutional Assembly or any Committee thereof.

10. The Steering Committee may appoint other experts to aid and advise the Constitutional Assembly and / or its various Sub-Committees.
11. The proceedings of the Constitutional Assembly shall be open to the public. The proceedings of the Constitutional Assembly and its Sub-Committees shall be documented and published forthwith. Where appropriate, the Constitutional Assembly shall take steps to ensure the broadcast of the proceedings of the Constitutional Assembly and / or its Sub-Committees.

For the avoidance of doubt it is hereby specifically resolved that the special leave of Parliament is specifically granted in terms of Section 17 of Parliament (Powers and Privileges) Act for the publication of the aforesaid matters.

For the avoidance of doubt it is further resolved that the proceedings of the Constitutional Assembly and the Sub-Committees referred to in Clause 5 shall be deemed to have been reported to Parliament simultaneously, and that the publication of any such proceedings, which publication is hereby specifically authorized, shall not constitute an offence in terms of Parliament (Powers and Privileges) Act.

12. The Constitutional Assembly shall have the power to invite any person for consultation and / or to make submissions before the Constitutional Assembly.
13. The Constitutional Assembly shall also have the power to invite any member of the Public Representations Committee for consultation and / or to make submissions and / or to report on the findings of the Public Representations Committee.
14. Subject to the provisions hereof, the Constitutional Assembly is hereby authorized to determine the procedure and mechanisms to be adopted in the conduct of its business:

Provided that such determination shall be made pursuant to a Resolution moved by the Prime Minister with the concurrence of the Steering Committee.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Standing Orders of Parliament, the rules of procedure of the Constitutional Assembly and its Sub-Committees shall be as set out in this Resolution.

15. Notice of the business of the Constitutional Assembly shall be given by the Prime Minister, such other Minister of the Cabinet nominated from time to time for such purpose by the Prime Minister, upon approval thereof by the Steering Committee.
16. The Sub-Committees referred to in Clause 5(b) shall submit their reports to the Steering Committee within ten (10) weeks of the appointment of each such Sub-Committee.
17. Upon the consideration of the Reports of the Sub-Committees appointed under Clause 5(b), and the report of the Public Representations Committee, the Steering Committee shall submit a Report to the Constitutional Assembly. Such Report may be accompanied by a Draft Constitution.

18. The Constitutional Assembly shall thereafter debate the general merits and principles of the Report and the Draft Constitution (if applicable), and may also debate proposed amendments. At the end of such debate the question that “the Steering Committee be required to submit a final report and a Resolution on a Draft Constitution” shall be put to the Constitutional Assembly by the Chair.
19. The Steering Committee shall thereafter, considering the amendments, if any, proposed during the debate, submit a Final Report and a Resolution containing a Draft Constitution for the consideration of the Constitutional Assembly. The Prime Minister shall move that such Final Report and the Resolution containing the Draft Constitution be approved by the Constitutional Assembly.
20. The following procedure shall be adopted during the debate referred to in Clause 18:—

The Chairman or in his absence one of the Deputy Chairmen shall read the number of each Clause in succession.

 - (i) Any amendment may be made to a Clause, or Clauses may be deleted or new Clauses may be added.
 - (ii) The principle of the Draft Constitution shall not be discussed during this stage of the debate but only its details.
 - (iii) No amendment can be proposed inconsistent with any decision come to upon any previous part of the Draft Constitution.
 - (iv) After a Draft Constitution has been read through, and prior to the conclusion of the debate on the Draft, any Member may, with leave of the Chairman, move an amendment of any Clause already passed.
 - (v) A Clause may be postponed, unless upon an amendment thereto a question shall have been fully put from the Chair.
 - (vi) Postponed Clauses shall be considered after the remaining Clauses of the Draft Constitution have been considered and before new Clauses are brought in.
 - (vii) New Clauses may be offered before the Schedules to the Draft Constitution are considered and shall be deemed to have been read the first time. The questions which follow thereupon shall be “That the Clause be read a second time” and “That the Clause (or the Clause as amended) be added to the Draft”.
 - (viii) New Schedules may be offered after the Schedules to the Draft Constitution have been disposed of and shall be treated in the same manner as new Clauses.
 - (ix) When every Clause and Schedule and proposed new Clause or Schedule have been dealt with, the Preamble, if there be one, shall be considered and a question put “That this be the Preamble of the Draft ”.
 - (x) If any amendment be necessary to the title of the Draft Constitution, it shall be made at the conclusion of the proceedings detailed above.

21. The provisions of Standing Order Nos. 42, 43 and 44 of the Parliament shall *mutatis mutandis* apply to the proceedings of the Constitutional Assembly.
22. If two-thirds of the Constitutional Assembly does not approve the resolution on the Draft Constitution, the Constitutional Assembly and the Committees referred to in this Resolution shall stand dissolved.
23. If the Constitutional Assembly approves the Resolution on the Draft Constitution by a two-thirds majority, the Report and the Draft Constitution shall be submitted by the Steering Committee to the Cabinet of Ministers, and thereupon the Constitutional Assembly and the Sub-Committees referred to in this Resolution shall stand dissolved.
24. The Cabinet of Ministers shall certify the Bill contained in such Report as a Bill to repeal and replace the Constitution as a whole in terms of Article 75(b) and Article 120(b) of the Constitution and that such Bill is intended to be passed with the special majority required by Article 83 of the Constitution and submitted to the People by Referendum.
25. The Bill shall thereafter be published in the Gazette as required by Article 78(1) of the Constitution.
26. The President shall thereafter refer the Bill to every Provincial Council, for the expression of the views of every such Council, as required by Article 154G(2) of the Constitution.
27. The Prime Minister shall thereafter present such Bill to Parliament and such Bill shall be placed on the Order Paper of Parliament.
28. After the presentation of such Bill to Parliament as aforesaid the Prime Minister shall move that the Bill be passed by Parliament by a special majority required under Article 83 of the Constitution.

If not less than two-thirds of the whole number of the Members of Parliament vote in favour of the said Bill, the Speaker shall make an appropriate certification in terms of Article 79 of the Constitution, that the Bill has been duly passed by Parliament by a special majority, and that the Bill shall not become law until approved at a Referendum by the People in whom the sovereignty of Sri Lanka vests.
29. Thereafter the Bill shall be submitted by the President in terms of Article 85(1) of the Constitution, to the People by Referendum for their approval.
30. If the Bill is approved by the People at a Referendum, the Bill shall become law upon the President certifying the Bill in terms of Article 80(2) of the Constitution.
31. The expenses of the Constitutional Assembly, the Sub-Committees referred to in Clause 5, and the staff and advisors appointed in terms of this Resolution, shall be charged on the Consolidated Fund, and Parliament shall take appropriate steps in respect of same in terms of Article 150 of the Constitution.

32. For the avoidance of doubt, it is hereby declared that the adoption or rejection or adoption subject to amendment of such a Draft Constitution as proposed by the Constitutional Assembly, shall be the responsibility of Parliament.

33. For the avoidance of doubt, it is hereby further declared that a Constitution Bill shall only be enacted into law if it is passed in Parliament by a special majority of two-thirds of the whole number of the Members of Parliament, including those not present and subsequently approved by the people at a Referendum as required by Article 83 of the Constitution.”

*2.

National Minimum Wage of Workers Bill — Second Reading.

*3.

Budgetary Relief Allowance of Workers Bill — Second Reading.

*4.

Microfinance Bill — Second Reading.

*5.

Buddhist Temporalities (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*6.

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.)

*7.

Minister of Sports,— Regulations under the Sports Law,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Sports under Section 41 of the Sports Law No. 25 of 1973 read with Section 31 of that Law, amending the Sections 13 and 17 contained in the National Sports Association Regulations No. 01 of 2013 published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1793/3 of 15th January 2013, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1940/7 of 9th November 2015, which were presented on 26.01.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*8.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Excise (Special Provisions) Act (No.1),— 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.1941/29 of 20th November 2015, which was presented on 12.02.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*9.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Excise (Special Provisions) Act (No.2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 3C of the Excise (Special Provisions) Act, No. 13 of 1989 as last amended by Act, No. 17 of 2011 relating to Excise Duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1941/30 of 20th November 2015, which was presented on 12.02.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*10.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Excise (Special Provisions) Act (No.3),— 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. 1949/29 of 12th January 2016, which was presented on 12.02.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*11.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Excise Ordinance (No.1),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under sub-section (1) of Section 22 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) as amended from time to time relating to Excise Duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1941/31 of 20th November 2015, which was presented on 12.02.2016, be approved.

(Excise Notification Nos. 978, 979 and 980)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*12.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Excise Ordinance (No.2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under sub section (1) of Section 22 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) as amended from time to time relating to Excise Duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1943/16 of 04th December 2015, which was presented on 12.02.2016, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 981)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*13.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Excise Ordinance (No.3),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 25, read with Section 32 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) as amended from time to time relating to strength for liquor and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1945/8 of 15th December 2015, which was presented on 12.02.2016, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 982)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*14.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Excise Ordinance (No.4),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 25, read with Section 32 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) as amended from time to time relating to annual license fee on liquor and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1945/17 of 15th December 2015, which was presented on 12.02.2016, be approved.

(Excise Notification Nos. 983 and 984)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*15.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Excise Ordinance (No.5),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Sections 4 and 13 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) relating to sale and transportation of foreign liquor and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1947/41 of 31st December 2015, which was presented on 12.02.2016, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 985)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*16.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Excise Ordinance(No.6),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under Section 25 read with Section 32 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) relating to liquor authorization fee for hotels and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1947/42 of 31st December 2015, which was presented on 12.02.2016, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 986)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*17.

The Minister of Finance,— Order under the Excise Ordinance (No.7),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance under sub-section (1) of Section 22 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) as amended from time to time relating to Excise Duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1947/43 of 31st December 2015, which was presented on 12.02.2016, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 987)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*18.

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, relating to the International Telecommunications Operators Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1945/2 of 14th December 2015, which was presented on 12.02.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*19.

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, relating to Stamp Duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1947/45 of 01st January 2016, which was presented on 12.02.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*20.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Order under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act (No.1),— That the Order made by the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade under Section 14(1) of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979, relating to Cess and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1941/32 of 20th November 2015, which was presented on 10.02.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*21.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Order under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act (No.2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade under Section 14(1) of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979, relating to Cess and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1941/33 of 20th November 2015, which was presented on 10.02.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*22.

The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Order under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act (No.3),— That the Order made by the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade under Section 14(1) of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979, relating to Cess and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1944/54 of 11th December 2015, which was presented on 10.02.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*23.

Theravadi Bhikku Kathikawath (Registration) Bill — Second Reading.

*24.

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.)

*25.

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.)

*26.

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*
