

(Ninth Parliament - First Session)

No. 21.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Tuesday, November 03, 2020 at 10.00 a.m.

OUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

9/2020

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Industries,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately of the number of—
 - (i) industrial estates;
 - (ii) land units;
 - (iii) factories functioning in the industrial estates; and
 - (iv) employees employed in the industrial estates;

belonging to the Sri Lanka Industrial Development Board?

- (b) Will he also inform this House separately of the—
 - (i) programmes conducted with a view to promoting self–employment;
 - (ii) locations where the said programmes were conducted;
 - (iii) equipment provided;
 - (iv) basis on which the beneficiaries were selected; and
 - (v) the technological training programmes conducted;

by the Sri Lanka Industrial Development Board for the Central Province in the year 2017?

- (c) Will he further inform this House—
 - (i) will he admit that the people residing in the rural areas have not been provided with the required and sufficient knowledge, in spite of the possibility available for them to access business opportunities through internet facilities at present; and
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to provide the required knowledge in a methodical manner?
- (d) If not, why?

49/2020

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the total number of government schools situated in Badulla district;
 - (ii) of the names of those schools;
 - (iii) out of those schools, of the number of those that have the facilities at present for students to study in the Technology stream at the Advanced Level;
 - (iv) of the names of such schools; and
 - (v) the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to further extend the facilities for the students in Badulla district to study in the Technology stream at the Advanced Level?
- (b) If not, why?

3.

100/2020

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

- (a) Will he admit that the people who seek the service of Sri Lanka Police will be immensely benefitted through the appointment of at least one legal professional as a police prosecutor for one magistrate court division for obtaining legal advice and for solving the legal disputes of people expeditiously?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether there is possibility of taking necessary steps to establish the aforesaid new position; and
 - (ii) if so, what the aforesaid relevant actions are?
- (c) If not, why?

4.

149/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) there are 02 teacher vacancies each for the subjects of History, Civic Education, Drama and Theatre as well as a vacancy each for the subjects of Tamil, Art, Information Technology, Media, Physics, Agricultural Science, Bio System Technology, Accounting, Communication and Media, Buddhist Civilization and a vacancy each for the posts of student counselling and Teacher Librarian in the academic staff of Sri Rajasinghe Vidyalaya at Kudabuthgamuwa which is the only mixed National school in Kolonnawa Educational Division;

- (ii) there are 02 vacancies each in the posts of Sanitary Labourer, Garden Labourer and General Labourer as well as three vacancies each in the post of Laboratory Assistant and a vacancy in the post of Management Assistant coming under the Non-Academic staff?
- (b) Will he inform this House the plans the Ministry have to fill the aforesaid vacancies and the specific dates the vacancies will be filled?
- (c) If not, why?

190/2020

Hon. Sivagnanam Shritharan,— To ask the Minister of Youth & Sports,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the number or Cricket Associations in Sri Lanka?
- (b) Is he aware that—
 - (i) there are 25 Cricket Associations for the 25 administrative districts in Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) the approval required for the establishment of the Cricket Association for Kilinochchi district has not hitherto been granted?
- (c) Will he also inform this House of the reasons—
 - (i) for not granting the approval required to establish the Cricket Association for Kilinochchi district up to now;
 - (ii) for not registering the Cricket Association of Kilinochchi district up to now, in spite of the applications made for registration on several occasions?
- (d) Will he further inform this House of the assistance extended by the Ministry of Sports for the Cricket Association of Kilinochchi district after 2010?
- (e) If not, why?

6.

252/2020

Hon. Velu Kumar,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that Hanthana Estate situated in Kandy District is an estate belonging to the Janatha Estate Development Board?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of Divisions that belonged to the aforesaid Estate at the time the state owned estates were reformed in 1992;
 - (ii) the names of those Divisions;

- (iii) is there any Divisions that had been abandoned or closed in the aforesaid Estate by year 2015; and
- (iv) if so, the extent of land of the aforesaid Divisions?
- (c) Will he inform this House, separately—
 - (i) whether lands, the factory and other buildings belonging to the aforesaid Estate had been awarded to external/private parties during the period from 1992 to 2015; and
 - (ii) if so, of the details of such awarding: and
 - (iii) of the extent of land in the aforesaid Estate that has been cultivated and that has not been cultivated in relation to the land survey that was conducted last?
- (d) If not, why?

414/2020

- Hon. (Dr.) (Ms.) Harini Amarasuriya,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)
 - (a) Will he inform this House separately, of the number of children currently institutionalized in Remand Homes, Certified Schools, Receiving Homes and Detention Homes?
 - (b) Will he also inform this House in respect of each of the above institutions-
 - (i) average time duration of a child's stay;
 - (ii) money allocated by the Government per child;
 - (iii) categories and basic qualifications of the staff attached;
 - (iv) staff-child ratio;
 - (v) steps taken for reintegrating the children back into the community;
 - (vi) steps taken for ensuring the wellbeing of these children; and
 - (vii) the procedures adopted for monitoring of these institutions?
 - (c) Will he further inform this House in respect of the period from 2015 to 2019 of the number of children-
 - (i) entered and left each of the above institutions; and
 - (ii) left and are gainfully employed and living securely in the community?
 - (d) If not, Why?

419/2020

Hon. Waruna Liyanage,— To ask the Minister of Plantation,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of families who live in estates in Ratnapura district;
 - (ii) whether lands have been granted to them for the construction of houses;
 - (iii) if so, the number of families to whom lands have been granted;
 - (iv) the extent of land given to the said families; and
 - (v) the names of the plantation companies to which the families belong and such lands have been given?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether measures will be taken by the government to grant lands to landless estate families; and
 - (ii) if so, what such measures are?
- (c) If not, why?

9.

420 / 2020

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform the House—
 - (i) how many grama niladhari divisions out of those located in Divisional Secretariat Divisions of Galewela and Dambulla are to be provided with domestic water supply connections under the "Visal Dambulla" Water Project, which is near completion;
 - (ii) what the names of such grama niladhari divisions are?
- (b) Will he also inform the House
 - whether he is aware that there exist a number of grama niladhari divisions within the Divisional Secretariat Divisions of Galewela and Dambulla that are not covered in providing domestic water supply connections under the above-mentioned Project;
 - (ii) what the names of such grama niladhari divisions are;
 - (iii) how many villages within those grama niladhari divisions are not provided with domestic water supply connections;

- (iv) what the names of such villages are;
- (v) whether steps will be taken to under the above-mentioned Project to provide the villages referred to with domestic water supply connections;
- (vi) if not, whether alternative schemes will be implemented for the purpose; and
- (vii) if so, when?
- (c) If not, why?

428/2020

Hon. Shantha Bandara,—To ask the Minister of Power,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of Sri Lanka's daily power consumption approximately;
 - (ii) of the energy sources that generate power to fulfill the demand; and
 - (iii) the power generated from each source to the national grid as a percentage?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the power that will be generated by the year 2021 with the intervention of the government will be adequate till year 2025; and
 - (ii) if not, the measures that will be taken are?
- (c) If not, why?

11.

452/2020

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Lands,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the businessmen who are engaged in business activities for a long time in the Kekirawa town of Anuradhapura district and the people residing there, have faced with immense difficulties, as they have not received land deeds?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - if so, the measures hitherto taken with regard to offering deeds for the aforementioned lands;
 - (ii) of the current progress of the aforesaid measures; and
 - (iii) of the date on which deeds will be provided for the said lands?
- (c) If not, why?

484/2020

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform the House—
 - (i) how many irrigation works are in existence at present within the Kurunegala District;
 - (ii) what their names are; and
 - (iii) of the extent of contribution made to the national agro economy by each such irrigation work;
 - (iv) what steps will be taken by the Ministry to solve the problems of people who derive their livelihoods associated with the irrigation works concerned?
- (b) If not, why?

13.

492/2020

Hon. Niroshan Perera,— To ask the Minister of Wildlife & Forest Conservation,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that media have reported that a forest has been torched, cleared and destroyed in Eluwankulama area in Wanathawilluwa in the Puttalam district?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the extent of land that had been so destroyed;
 - (ii) whether these lands belong to the Government;
 - (iii) if not, the parties to which those lands belong;
 - (iv) whether the persons who destroyed the aforesaid forest had been identified; and
 - (v) the steps that have been taken against those persons?
- (c) If not, why?

14.

507/2020

Hon. Jagath Kumara,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he admits that Samurdhi assistance was provided by the former Government on political grounds;
 - (ii) whether he admits that a large number of eligible people did not receive that assistance as a result;
 - (iii) whether action will be taken in line with 'Vistas of Prosperity and Splendour' manifesto to provide Samurdhi assistance to those who did not receive it;

- (iv) if so, the date by which it will be done;
- (v) whether steps will be taken to increase the value of the Samurdhi assistance; and
- (vi) if so, the date by which it will be done?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether he admits that Samurdhi Development Officers have not been granted any promotion even though nearly 25 years have lapsed from the founding of the Samurdhi movement;
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to grant promotions to those officers; and
 - (iii) if so, the date by which it will be done?
- (c) Will he further inform this House—
 - whether he is aware of the fact that several Cabinet papers have been submitted by the incumbent Government to solve the problems of the Samurdhi movement and Samurdhi officers;
 - (ii) what the issues submitted through those Cabinet papers are; and
 - (iii) the steps taken in that regard by now?
- (d) If not, why?

524/2020

Hon. Rohana Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of government schools located in the Anuradhapura district;
 - (ii) the number of schools, out of those schools which have permanent Principals; and
 - (iii) the number of schools which have acting Principals at present?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the steps to be taken by the Ministry to appoint permanent Principals to the Government schools located in the Anuradhapura district?

(c`) If not	, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament (No. 1),— That notwithstanding the provisions of the Standing Order 8 of the Parliament and the motion agreed to by Parliament on 06th October 2020, the hours of Sitting of Parliament on this day shall be 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon. At 12.00 noon Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the Parliament without question put.

2

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament (No. 2),— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 8 of the Parliament, the Parliament shall sit on Thursday, November 12th, 2020 and the hours of sitting on that day shall be 10.00 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.. At 4.30 p.m. Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the Parliament without question put.

3.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament (No. 3),— That this Parliament at its rising this day do adjourn until 10.00 a.m. on Thursday, November 12th, 2020.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

The Minister of Health,— Regulations under the Medical Ordinance (No. 1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine under Section 72 read with Section 19(e) of the Medical Ordinance (Chapter 105) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2055/54 of 26th January 2018, which were presented on 23.09.2020, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*2.

The Minister of Health,— Regulations under the Medical Ordinance (No. 2),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Health and Indigenous Medical Services under Section 72 read with Section 19(e) of the Medical Ordinance (Chapter 105) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2155/15 of 26th December 2019, which were presented on 23.09.2020, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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*3.
  Appropriation (2020) Bill—Second Reading.
                           (Cabinet approval signified.)
*4.
  Appropriation (2021) Bill—Second Reading.
                           (Cabinet approval signified.)
*5.
  Shop and Office Employees (Regulation of Employment and Remuneration)
(Amendment) Bill—Second Reading.
                           (Cabinet approval signified.)
*6.
  Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children (Amendment) Bill-Second
Reading.
                           (Cabinet approval signified.)
*7.
  Minimum Wages (Indian Labour) (Amendment) Bill —Second Reading.
                           (Cabinet approval signified.)
*8.
  Factories (Amendment) Bill —Second Reading.
                           (Cabinet approval signified.)
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Indicates Government Business.