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FOR

Tuesday, December 08, 2020 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

22/2020

Hon. Heshu Withanage,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of financial institutions registered under Central Bank of Sri Lanka by 31.08.2020; and
 - (ii) of the names of aforesaid financial institutions and the names of the members of the director boards?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of financial institutions led to financial crisis since the previous Good governance government came into power until 31.08.2020;
 - (ii) separately, of the number of depositors who maintained deposits in each financial institution; and
 - (iii) of the measures that have been taken and will be taken to do the justice to the depositors of aforesaid financial institutions?
- (c) If not, why?

2.

108/2020

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

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the Thriposha supplement given for the children in Sri Lanka is not sufficient and it is not distributed properly;
 - (ii) owing to the aforesaid reason malnutrition among children is at a significant level; and
 - (iii) low income families face various difficulties due to that?

(2)

- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the annual Thripasha production capacity in kilograms;
 - (ii) whether the amount of Thripasha needed for annual consumption has been calculated; and
 - (iii) if so, what that amount is?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to provide Thripasha to meet the demand of the country; and
 - (ii) if so, how?
- (d) If not, why?

3.

434/2020

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

- (a) Whether she admits that the dengue disease has shown an increase on various occasions in Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will she inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of lives lost in year 2019 due to dengue disease;
 - (ii) whether a programme will be carried out at national and divisional level to eradicate dengue disease;
 - (iii) whether she admits that a group of labourers had been recruited for the divisional dengue eradication programme; and
 - (iv) if so, whether there is a plan to obtain their service continuously?
- (c) If not, why?

4.

455/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the residents of Grama Niladari Divisions bearing numbers 225, 226 and 227 respective of the Medawachchiya Divisional Secretariat Division in the Anuradhapura district have been faced with a situation where they are induced to migrate to other places, leaving their lands behind, owing to the threat created by the elephants; and
 - (ii) a solution has not hitherto been given to this situation by the authorities, in spite of the requests made by the residents of the said divisions regarding the need for constructing an electric fence for elephants?

(3)

- (b) If so, will he inform this House of the steps to be taken by the Ministry in this regard?
- (c) If not, why?

5.

546/2020

Hon. Chandima Weerakkody,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that people living in the electorates of Baddegama, Ambalanthota, Benthara-Elpitiya, Karadeniya and Balapitiya are facing a severe shortage of drinking water?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether allocations will be made from the upcoming budget for the second phase of Baddegama Water supply scheme as a solution for the aforesaid matter;
 - (ii) if so, the amount is; and
 - (iii) the date of which, a solution will be provided for the shortage of drinking water experienced by aforesaid areas?
- (c) If not, why?

6.

591/2020

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

- (a) Is he aware that the Pothuvil sub education zone is the only sub education zone in Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the reasons for not assigning administrative responsibilities to the two officers of the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service who serve in that zonal office;
 - (ii) whether disregarding officers in this manner can be accepted though the powers have been delegated to the said sub education zone formally; and
 - (iii) since teachers of the Pothuvil Division have to visit the Akkaraipattu zonal office even for a minor issue due to this situation, the measures to be taken to address this problem?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to establish a separate education zone for the Pothuvil area by integrating all schools in Pothuvil; and
 - (ii) if so, the date on which it will be established?
- (d) Is he aware that the Muslim schools have been separately integrated with the Akkaraipattu zone, Tamil Schools with Thirukkivil zone and Sinhala schools with the Ampara zone, though the objective of the government is to unite different ethnic groups?
- (e) If not, why?

(4)

7.

711/2020

Hon. B. Y. G. Rathnasekara,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of Pre-schools functioning in Sri Lanka at present;
 - (ii) of the number of Pre-schools that have been closed to date; and
 - (iii) of the measures the government expect to take to develop facilities of pre-schools?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether there is a proper method in place to pay salaries or allowance to Pre-school teachers;
 - (ii) whether a programme is in place to absorb Pre-school teachers to Sri Lanka Teacher Service or to any other combined service at equal level;
 - (iii) whether a certain regulatory method is in place with regard to determining the recruitment and qualifications of Pre-school teachers; and
 - (iv) whether there is a mechanism in place to regulate fees charged from children studying in Pre-schools?
- (c) Will he further inform this House the new proposals expected to be implemented to streamline Pre-school education?
- (d) If not, why?

8.

727/2020

Hon. Premitha Bandara Tennakoon,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the appointment of Mr. Mohan Peiris, who was appointed by the President of the time as the Chief Justice on the date of 15th January 2013, was cancelled and nullified?
 - (b) Will he inform this House of the person who cancelled and nullified Mr. Mohan Peiris's appointment as the Chief Justice?
 - (c) If not, why?
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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*a1.

Appropriation (2021) Bill — (Eighteenth Allotted Day) — Committee (Progress 07th December).

*2.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,— Regulations under the Regulation of Insurance Industry Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance under Section 112 of the Regulation of Insurance Industry Act, No. 43 of 2000 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2118/1 of 08th April 2019, which were presented on 13.11.2020, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*3.

Shop and Office Employees (Regulation of Employment and Remuneration) (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*4.

Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*5.

Minimum Wages (Indian Labour) (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*6.

Factories (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*7.

Penal Code (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*8.

Intellectual Property (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*9.

Evidence (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

(6)

*10.

Bail (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

* *Indicates Government Business.*

NOTICES OF AMENDMENTS RELATING TO ORDERS OF THE DAY

a1.

For amendments in Committee on the Appropriation (2021) Bill —See separate Paper “Supplement to the Orders of the Day”.
