



*(Ninth Parliament - First Session)*

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## ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Friday, October 22, 2021 at 10.00 a.m.

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### QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

80/2020

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Public Services, Provincial Councils & Local Government,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the number of weekly fairs that have been developed in the Rathnapura district under the grants allocated by the Ministry of Provincial Councils and Local Government from the year 2010 to date;
- (ii) of the names of the weekly fairs developed thus;
- (iii) separately of the amount of money spent on the development of each of the said fairs; and
- (iv) separately of the name and address of the person who undertook the contract to develop each of the aforesaid weekly fairs?

(b) If not, why?

2.

321/2020

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Youth and Sports,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the amount of money allocated to develop table tennis in Sri Lanka in 2019;
- (ii) the amount, out of that amount, that has been allocated for government schools; and
- (iii) the amount, out of the amount allocated in above (i), to develop table tennis skills among school dropouts?

(2)

(b) Will he also inform this House—

- (i) whether steps have been taken to prepare plans to train school children to get international victories in table tennis;
- (ii) if so, what those steps are?

(c) Will he further inform this House—

- (i) whether the government is involved in administration and development activities of the Sri Lanka Table Tennis Association and other affiliated organizations; and
- (ii) if so, the nature of the government's involvement?

(d) If not, why?

3.

464/2020

Hon. Mohomad Muzammil,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Policies & Plan Implementation, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the financial value of the weapons that were destroyed at the explosion at the Salawa Army camp in 2016;
- (ii) the financial value of the damage caused to that Army camp owing to the explosion;
- (iii) the financial value of the damage caused to the shops and houses close to the Army camp owing to the explosion, separately?

(b) Will he also inform this House—

- (i) whether a formal investigation was conducted on that explosion;
- (ii) if so, the reason for that explosion according to that investigation;
- (iii) whether legal action has been initiated against the perpetrators of that explosion, if they have been identified?

(c) If not, why?

4.

510/2020

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the quantity of Yellow berried Nightshades that have been imported to Sri Lanka in 2015;
- (ii) the amount of money spent for that;

(3)

- (iii) the quantity of Yellow berried Nightshades produced in Sri Lanka during the aforesaid period; and
- (iv) the courses of action that will be taken to promote the Yellow berried Nightshade cultivation in Sri Lanka?

(b) If not, why?

5.

806/2020

Hon. Sivagnanam Shritharan,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of principals who have been appointed to the schools island wide on the super numeracy basis; and
- (ii) out of the above principals, of the number of principals who serve in the Northern and Eastern provinces?

(b) Will he also inform this House, with regard to the principals referred in (a) (i) above—

- (i) the date on which the appointments have been given;
- (ii) the reasons for not granting the salary increments, promotions and transfers; and
- (iii) the dates on which the salary increments, promotions and transfers will be given?

(c) Will he further inform this House—

- (i) the reasons for not absorbing the aforesaid principals to the permanent service; and
- (ii) the dates on which they will be absorbed to the permanent service?

(d) If not, why?

6.

825/2020

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

(a) Will he admit that—

- (i) a hospital dedicated to treatment of kidney diseases has been built at Siyambalangamuwa area of Polpithigama divisional secretariat in Kurunegala district;
- (ii) a large number of persons living in Galgamuwa and Polpithigama areas are suffering from kidney diseases; and
- (iii) whereas, the aforesaid hospital has been closed down for more than 03 years?

(b) Will he inform this House whether measures will be taken to open the aforesaid hospital and treat the persons suffering from kidney diseases?

(c) If not, why?

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7.

945/2020

Hon. Mayantha Dissanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Policies & Plan Implementation, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that a fund named “Itukama COVID-19 Health and Social Security Fund” has been established?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) the objectives of launching the said Fund;
  - (ii) the name of the institution which manages the said Fund;
  - (iii) whether a government officer has been appointed to administer the said Fund; and
  - (iv) if so, the name and post of the said officer?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
  - (i) the balance of the said Fund as of now;
  - (ii) the benefits provided from the aforementioned Fund to the people affected by the COVID-19 pandemic; and
  - (iii) the amount spent for that purpose?
- (d) If not, why?

8.

1080/2020

Hon. Kins Nelson,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) the number of kidney patients reported from Polonnaruwa district during the last five years;
  - (ii) the number of kidney patients in Polonnaruwa district that died during aforesaid period of time; and
  - (iii) the courses of action that have been taken by now to prevent the kidney disease?
- (b) Is he aware that—
  - (i) the newly identified kidney patients have not been included into the programme of providing financial aid to kidney patients on a monthly basis, which has been implemented by the government; and
  - (ii) the programme of constructing houses for kidney patients with a lower income is not functioning at present?
- (c) Will he also inform this House of the courses action that will be taken to implement the programmes mentioned in (b) (i) and (ii) above in a systematic manner?
- (d) If not, why?

9.

1108/2020

Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) the date on which the work of the Galagedara, Mawathagama (Mallawapitiya ) water supply project was commenced;
  - (ii) the estimated amount of the aforesaid project;
  - (iii) the number of institutions and houses to which it is expected to provide water through the aforesaid water supply project;
  - (iv) the current situation of the aforesaid project; and
  - (v) the date on which the aforesaid project will be opened having completed its work?
- (b) If not, why?

10.

1200/2020

Hon. K.P.S. Kumarasiri,— To ask the Minister of Health,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
    - (i) the basis on which the director of the Anuradhapura General Hospital appointed;
    - (ii) the number of doctors serving in the said hospital as of now;
    - (iii) the number of vacancies exist at present in the post of Medical Officer;
    - (iv) the number of members currently serving in the nursing staff; and
    - (v) the number of vacancies in the nursing staff?
  - (b) Will he also inform this House—
    - (i) the present situation with regard to the cardiac disease operation theatre;
    - (ii) the building complex for children and maternity clinics;
    - (iii) the emergency treatment unit;planned to be constructed under Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) aid?
  - (c) If not, why?
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(6)

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

**Notice of Presentation of Bills**

1.

The Minister of Labour,— Minimum Retirement Age of Workers,— Bill to provide for the minimum retirement age at which an employer may retire any worker and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

2.

The Minister of Labour,— Termination of Employment of Workmen (Special Provisions) (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Termination of Employment of Workmen (Special Provisions) Act, No. 45 of 1971.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

**Notice of Motions**

3.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament (No. 1),— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 8 of the Parliament, the Parliament shall sit on Monday, November 08<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

4.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament (No. 2),— That notwithstanding the provisions of the Standing Order 8 of the Parliament and the motion agreed to by Parliament on October 06<sup>th</sup>, 2020, the hours of Sitting of Parliament on Monday, November 08<sup>th</sup>, 2021 shall be 10.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.. At 5.30 p.m. Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the Parliament without question put.

5.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Business of the Parliament,— That the proceedings on Questions for Oral Answers appearing on the Order Paper be exempted at the Sitting of Parliament on Monday, November 08<sup>th</sup>, 2021 from the provisions of the Standing Order 35 of the Parliament.

6.

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 Monday, November 08<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

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## NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

\*1.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Policies & Plan Implementation, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,— Order under the Strategic Development Projects Act (No.1),— That the Order made by the Minister of Economic Policies and Plan Implementation under Section 3(4) of the Strategic Development Projects Act, No. 14 of 2008 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2238/40 of 30<sup>th</sup> July 2021, which was presented on 05.10.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*2.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Policies & Plan Implementation, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,— Order under the Strategic Development Projects Act (No.2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Economic Policies and Plan Implementation under Section 3(4) of the Strategic Development Projects Act, No. 14 of 2008 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2244/3 of 06<sup>th</sup> September 2021, which were presented on 05.10.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*3.

Minister of Industries,— Regulations under the National Gem and Jewellery Authority Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Industries and Supply Chain Management under Section 53 read with Section 14(1)(f) and 15 of the National Gem and Jewellery Authority Act, No. 50 of 1993, relating to Gem and Jewellery License Fee and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2165/1 of 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2020 and the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2221/49 of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 made by the Minister of Industries under Section 53 of the National Gem and Jewellery Authority Act, No. 50 of 1993 for correcting the typographical errors in the said first Gazette, which were presented on 23.06.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*4.

The Minister of Labour,— Order under the Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Labour under Section 31, read with Section 20A of the Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children Act, No. 47 of 1956, which was presented on 04.10.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*5.

The Minister of Wildlife & Forest Conservation,— Order under the Fauna and Flora Protection Ordinance,— That the Order made by the State Minister of Wildlife Protection, Adoption of Safety Measures including the Construction of Electrical Fences and Trenches and Reforestation and Forest Resource Development under Section 2(2) of the Fauna and Flora Protection Ordinance (Chapter 469) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2222/62 of 09<sup>th</sup> April 2021, which was presented on 07.10.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*6.

The Minister of Lands,— Regulations under the Land Acquisition Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Lands under Section 63(2)(f) of the Land Acquisition Act (Chapter 460) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2244/13 of 08<sup>th</sup> September 2021, which were presented on 08.10.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*7.

The Minister of Tourism,— Regulations under the Civil Aviation Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Tourism under Section 117(2)(q) of the Civil Aviation Act, No. 14 of 2010 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2192/21 of 08<sup>th</sup> September 2020, which were presented on 08.10.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*8.

Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*9.

Immigrants and Emigrants (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*10.

Appropriation Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*11.

General Sir John Kotelawala National Defence University Bill— Adjourned debate on question (08<sup>th</sup> July 2021) [1].

\*12.

The Minister of Finance,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance under Section 20 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 amended by Acts, No. 48 of 1985 and No. 28 of 1987 read with Sections 4(1) and 14 of the aforesaid Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2226/48 of 06<sup>th</sup> May 2021, which were presented on 23.06.2021, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*13.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Policies & Plan Implementation, Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs and Minister of Urban Development & Housing,— Implementation of Decisions and Recommendations of the Presidential Commission of Inquiry to Investigate and Inquire into and obtain information in relation to alleged political victimizations of Public Officers, Employees of Public Corporations, and Members of Armed Forces and Police Service, who were holding posts during the period commencing from 08<sup>th</sup> January 2015 and ending on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2019,—



Approval of the Cabinet of Ministers has been granted with regard to the matters mentioned below, as per the Cabinet Decision අමප/21/0105/301/003 and dated 15.02.2021 referred to the Cabinet Memorandum dated 15.01.2021 submitted to the Cabinet of Ministers by H.E. the President regarding the above matter:—

- (a) To submit the Final Report of the Presidential Commission of Inquiry (Contained in the First, Second and Third Volumes and the Addendum correcting the typographical and printing errors of the said report) through a Resolution in Parliament;
- (b) To implement of the decisions and recommendations made by the said Commission in relation to the Anti-Corruption Committee referred to in Item No. 08 of the First Volume of the said Final Report;
- (c) To make arrangements for the appointment of a Special Presidential Commission of Inquiry or for the creation of any other appropriate mechanism as determined by Parliament for the implementation of the decision No. 1 and recommendation No. 1 of the said Item No. 08;
- (d) To refer the decisions and recommendations made by the above Presidential Commission of Inquiry pertaining to Item No. 08 and to the complaints from I to LXI in Item No. 09 in the First, Second and Third Volumes and the Addendum correcting typographical and printing errors in the said Final Report, to the relevant authorities, including the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption, the Public Service Commission, the Inspector General of Police, the Minister in-charge of the relevant Ministries and the Secretaries to the Ministries, for implementation; and
- (e) To implement the decisions and recommendations made by the said Presidential Commission of Inquiry, pertaining to the complaints referred to under Item No. 10 in the Third Volume of the said Final Report.

Accordingly, since a Special Presidential Commission of Inquiry has been appointed by H.E. the President through the Extraordinary Gazette Notification No. 2221/54 and 01.04.2021 as mentioned in (c) above; subject to consideration on the implementation of the decisions and recommendations of Item No. 08 contained in the Final Report of the Presidential Commission of Inquiry mentioned in the aforesaid Cabinet Decision, after receiving the report of the Special Presidential Commission of Inquiry, that this Parliament resolves that the decisions and recommendations mentioned in the Item No. 09 and 10, omitting Item No. 08, in the said Final Report of the Presidential Commission of Inquiry (Containing the First, Second and Third Volume and the Addendum correcting the typographical and printing errors) which obtained information on the political victimizations mentioned in those Cabinet Decisions, be implemented as mentioned in (d) and (e) above.

14.

Declaration of Assets and Liabilities (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

15.

Tobacco Tax (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

16.

White Rose Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

\* *Indicates Government Business.*

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[1].

Motion made and question proposed “That the Bill be now read a second time.”

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