

(Ninth Parliament - Second Session)

No. 29.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Wednesday, May 04, 2022 at 10.00 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

11/2022

Hon. Gayantha Karunatilleka,— 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—
 - (i) payment of compensation and other administrative expenses for the lands that are acquired for statutory bodies of the government under the Land Acquisition Act should be borne by the relevant institution; and
 - (ii) whereas, the allocations made by the treasury for the aforesaid institutions are being utilized for the purpose?
- (b) Will he state—
 - the method followed to transfer the private lands to the aforesaid institutions that are acquired for statutory bodies utilizing the allocations of the treasury; and
 - (ii) the relevant law in this regard?
- (c) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the Ministry of Lands has instructed the Divisional Secretaries to transfer the private lands, that are acquired for statutory bodies utilizing the allocations of the treasury to the aforementioned institutions, from a transfer certificate in terms of the provisions of the Land Acquisition Act; and
 - (ii) Giving such advice is against the provisions of the aforesaid Act, Land Acquisition Orders and the Circulars?
- (d) If so, will he also state the measures that will be taken to rectify this situation?
- (e) If not, why?

37/2022

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,—To ask the Minister of Youth & Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - the sum of money allocated for improving the game of Carrom in Sri Lanka for the year 2019;
 - (ii) the amount allotted for schools out of the sum referred to in (i) above; and
 - (iii) the amount allocated for improving Carrom skills of children who have left school out of the sum referred to in (i) above?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - whether steps have been taken to guide school players to achieve international achievements in Carrom; and
 - (ii) if so, the said steps?
- (c) Will he further inform this House—
 - (i) whether the government is involved in administration and development activities of the Carrom Federation of Sri Lanka and its affiliated associations; and
 - (ii) if so, the manner that involvement takes place?
- (d) If not, why?

3.

252/2022

Hon. Hesha Withanage,— 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 date on which the 'Lotus Tower' project was commenced;
 - (ii) the date on which the work of that project was completed;
 - (iii) the cost incurred on that project;
 - (iv) the purpose of that project; and
 - (v) the date when the 'Lotus Tower' would be opened for public view?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - the number of investments that have been made in the 'Lotus Tower' project at present;
 - (ii) the said investments; and
 - (iii) the manner in which it is expected to use that project for the economic development of Sri Lanka?
- (c) If not, why?

572/2022

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the objectives of establishing Dedicated Economic Centers;
 - (ii) whether he is aware that the businessmen engaged in business activities and farmers who provide their products to the Dedicated Economic Centers are currently in a desperate situation; and
 - (iii) if so, the measures that will be taken to support the farmers who provide their products to the aforesaid Economic Centers?
- (b) If not, why?

5.

1182/2022

Hon. Jagath Kumara Sumithraarachchi,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of Agriculture Research and Production Assistants serving in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the manner which those officers have been attached to the Grama Niladhari Divisions;
 - (iii) the number of vacancies existing on that post at present;
 - (iv) the steps that have been taken to fill those vacancies;
 - (v) whether he is aware that such officers have not been appointed for the Northern Province; and
 - (vi) the steps that have been taken to appoint those officers for the Northern Province?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) whether he is aware that the above officers do not have a service minute;
 - (ii) if so, whether arrangements would be made to prepare a service minute; and
 - (iii) if so, the date and manner in which it would be prepared?
- (c) Will he further state—
 - whether he is aware that, when calculating the pension of some of the Agriculture Research and Production Assistants, their period of service as Samurdhi Animators and Agrarian Service Animators has not been taken into consideration;
 - (ii) if so, the number of such officers; and
 - (iii) the date and manner in which such service of those officers would be calculated?
- (d) If not, why?

1194/2022

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— 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 extent of land given to build the tyre factory started in Wagawatta area, Horana;
 - (ii) the amount of money charged when the aforesaid land is given;
 - (iii) the name of the party who had the ownership of those lands; and
 - (iv) the date of the Gazette Notification which the said lands were vested for constructing the above mentioned factory?
- (b) If not, why?

7.

1315/2022

Hon. Mohomad Muzammil,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether permission had been granted to a financial institution known as Central Investments and Finance PLC (CIFL), by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka to engage in business activities;
 - (ii) the money of the depositors has not been paid back to their depositors by that institution;
 - (iii) whether the Central Bank of Sri Lanka conducted an investigation over the bankruptcy of that institution;
 - (iv) the measures that have been taken in relation to the recommendations of the report of that investigation; and
 - (v) whether steps would be taken to pay back the money of the above depositors?
- (b) If not, why?

8.

1472/2022

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the extent of paddy land cultivated with paddy in Anuradhapura district in the Yala season of 2021;
 - (ii) the extent of paddy land cultivated with paddy using organic fertilizer, out of the aforesaid extent;
 - (iii) the relief provided to the farmers who cultivated paddy using organic fertilizer; and
 - (iv) the measures taken to promote organic paddy cultivation in Anuradhapura district?
- (b) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament,— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 8 of the Parliament and the motion agreed to by Parliament on 19th January 2022, the hours of sitting of Parliament on this day 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.

2.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,—Ministerial Consultative Committees (No.1),— That in terms of the provisions of Standing Order 112 (1) of Parliament and the decision taken on 28thApril, 2022 by the Committee of Selection, Ministerial Consultative Committee on Samurdhi Development be appointed to be designated, in addition to the thirty-two (32) Ministerial Consultative Committees approved by the Parliament on 21st January 2022.

Above Ministerial Consultative Committee shall consists of the Cabinet Minister in charge of the relevant subject as the Chair, State Minister, Deputy Minister and Five (5) other Members of Parliament to be nominated by the Committee of Selection to discuss and report upon such matters as are referred to it.

The quorum of the above Ministerial Consultative Committee shall be three (3) Members.

3.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Ministerial Consultative Committees (No.2),— That notwithstanding the Resolution adopted by Parliament on 21st January 2022, the designation of the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Plantation shall be re-designated as "Ministerial Consultative Committee on Plantation Industries" as per the decision taken by the Committee of Selection on 28th April 2022.

4.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Ministerial Consultative Committees (No.3),— That notwithstanding the Resolution adopted by Parliament on 21st January 2022, the designation of the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Public Services, Provincial Councils & Local Government shall be re-designated as "Ministerial Consultative Committee on Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils & Local Government" as per the decision taken by the Committee of Selection on 28th April 2022.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

The Minister of Energy,— Regulations under the Petroleum Resources Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Energy under Section 48 read with Sections 5(3)(b) and 30(3) of the Petroleum Resources Act, No. 21 of 2021 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2249/32 of 15th October 2021, which were presented on 20.01.2022, be approved.

*2.

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

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*3.

Animal Welfare Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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Civil Procedure Code (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*****5.

Industrial Disputes (Special Provisions) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

6.

Sri Shakyasinharama Viharastha Karyasadhaka Sanvidanaya (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

7.

 $\label{limited Lions Clubs International District 306A - National Development Foundation Trust (Incorporation) (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.$

8.

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

9.

Tobacco Tax (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

10.

White Rose Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

11.

Roshan Ranasinghe Janasahana Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

12.

Human Rights Organization (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

Civil Procedure Code (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

14.

Institute of Sport for Peace, Education, Empowerment and Development (SPEED) (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

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Chartered Institute of Transport of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

^{*} Indicates Government Business.