

(Ninth Parliament - Fifth Session)

No. 8.1

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Wednesday, March 06, 2024 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

509/2024

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

- (a) Will he inform this House, separately of—
 - the number of officers recruited to the Sri Lanka Education Administration Service under the open and limited competitive examinations in relation to each year from 2010 up to date;
 - (ii) the name, address and current place of work of each such officer;
 - (iii) the above officers, the number of officers who have furnished applications for transfers from 2018 up to date, the name, address and current place of work of each such officer; and
 - (iv) the officers mentioned in (iii) above, the number of officers who have received and not received transfers up to date, the name, address and place of work of each such officer?
- (b) Will he also inform this house of the measures that will be taken to implement a fair transfer policy for the Sri Lanka Education Administration Service as are found in the services such as the Sri Lanka Principals' Service and the Sri Lanka Teachers' Service?
- (c) If not, why?

2.

539/2024

Hon. (Mrs.) Kokila Gunawardene,— To ask the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of-
 - (i) the number of vehicles in usage in public institutes in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the number of vehicles owned by Corporations and Statutory Bodies out the above vehicles;

- (iii) the number of vehicles acquired by public institutes on rental basis; and;
- (iv) the annual rental amount paid on vehicles that have been acquired on rental basis?
- (b) If not, why?

3.

562/2024

Hon. Sanjeewa Edirimanna, - To ask the Minister of Buddhasasna, Religious and Cultural Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) of the number of traditional fine arts academies (kalayathana) found in Sri Lanka by now;
 - (ii) whether those institutions have been classified; and
 - (iii) if so, the classification?
- (b) Will he also inform this House,—
 - (i) whether a monthly allowance is paid for the aforesaid fine arts academies;
 - (ii) if so, how much that allowance is; and
 - (iii) of the number of traditional fine arts academies that receive the said allowance by now?
- (c) If not, why?

4.

587/2024

Hon. Jagath Kumara Sumithraarachchi,— To ask the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the income and expenditure of Sri Lanka in relation to each source of income and each source of expenditure;
 - (ii) the export income in relation to each head of exportation and import expenditure in relation to each head of importation;
 - (iii) the income earned through tourism; and
 - (iv) the loans, aid and remittances received by Sri Lanka;

from 2019 to the first quarter of 2022, in relation to each year in US Dollar Billions, separately?

(b) If not, why?

5.

609/2024

Hon. Upul Mahendra Rajapaksha,— To ask the Minister of Health,— (1)

- (a) Separately, will he inform this House according to each year—
 - (i) of the number of persons who have received treatments from government hospitals due to dog bites; and
 - (ii) of the number of persons who have died after being infected with rabies;

during last 3 years?

- (b) Will he also inform this House
 - (i) whether it has been revealed that rabies can be contracted from stray dogs as well as from domestic dogs;
 - (ii) if so, of the measures taken to minimize the spread of rabies;
 - (iii) whether laws/regulations are in place with regard to having pets or a mechanism is available to register pets; and
 - (iv) if not, whether measures will be taken to introduce such laws/ regulations or a mechanism to register pets?
- (c) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Business of the Parliament,— That the proceedings on Item No. 10 of Public Business appearing on the Order Paper be exempted at this day's sitting from the provisions of Standing Order 27 of the Parliament.

2.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Implementation of the recommendations of the Committee on Ethics and Privileges,— That this Parliament resolves that the parliamentary service of the Hon. Ali Sabri Raheem should be suspended for a period of one month from today i.e. 6th of March 2024, in terms of the recommendations of the report which was presented to the Parliament on 24th of January 2024 by the Chairman of the Committee on Ethics and Privileges, the Hon. Chamal Rajapaksha, after consideration of the matter, raised in the Parliament on 25.08.2023 that the privileges of the Parliament and the Members of the Parliament have been violated due to the misconduct of the Hon. Ali Sabri Raheem, the Member of Parliament, which was referred to the Committee on Ethics and Privileges in terms of the Standing Order 118 as per the resolution passed by the Parliament on 06.09.2023.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

Secured Transactions Bill—Adjourned debate on question (20th February 2024) [1].

*2.

Trust Receipts (Amendment) Bill— Adjourned debate on question (20th February 2024) [1].

*3.

Mortgage (Amendment) Bill— Adjourned debate on question (20th February 2024) [1].

*4.

Finance Leasing (Amendment) Bill— Adjourned debate on question (20th February 2024) [1].

*5.

Inland Trust Receipts (Amendment) Bill— Adjourned debate on question (20th February 2024) [1].

*6.

Companies (Amendment) Bill— Adjourned debate on question (20th February 2024) [1].

*7.

Registration of Documents (Amendment) Bill—Adjourned debate on question (20th February 2024) [1].

*****8.

Social Security Contribution Levy (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*****9.

Value Added Tax (Amendment) Bill—Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*10.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Resolution under the Essential Public Services Act,— That this Parliament resolves that the Proclamation made and Published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2373/59 of 03rd March 2024 and Schedule thereto, by virtue of the powers vested with the president in terms of Section 2 of the Essential Public Services Act, No. 61 of 1979, which was presented on 05.03.2024, be approved.

*11.

Microfinance and Credit Regulatory Authority Bill— Second Reading. (Cabinet approval signified.)

*12.

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

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*13.

Anti Terrorism Bill-Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*14.

Animal Welfare Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*15.

Partition (Amendment) Bill—Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*16.

Sri Lanka National Commission for UNESCO Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*17.

Banking (Amendment) Bill—Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*18.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Regulations under the Colombo Port City Economic Commission Act (No. 1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Investment Promotion in consultation with the Colombo Port City Economic Commission under Section 71 read with Section 52(5) of the Colombo Port City Economic Commission Act, No. 11 of 2021 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2355/30 of 25th October 2023, which were presented on 02.12.2023, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*19.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No. 1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies 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. 2324/45 of 24th March 2023, which were presented on 25.04.2023, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*20.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No. 2),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies 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. 2296/30 of 09th September 2022, which were presented on 06.10.2022, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*21.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Regulations under the Colombo Port City Economic Commission Act (No. 2),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Investment Promotion in consultation with the Colombo Port City Economic Commission and relevant Regulatory Authorities under Section 71 of the Colombo Port City Economic Commission Act, No. 11 of 2021 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2358/70 of 17th November 2023, which were presented on 20.02.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*22.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Order under the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act,— That the Order made by the Acting Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 3(3) of the Ports and Airports Development Levy Act, No. 18 of 2011 relating to Ports and Airports Development Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2350/45 of 21st September 2023, which was presented on 22.02.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*23.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government,— Order under the Value Added Tax Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies under Section 2A of the Value Added Tax Act, No. 14 of 2002 as amended by Act, No. 6 of 2005 relating to Value Added Tax and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2363/22 of 19th December 2023, which was presented on 22.02.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*24.

The Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs,— Regulations under the Antiquities Ordinance,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs on 25th May 2023 under Section 47(1) read with Section 46 of the Antiquities Ordinance No. 9 of 1940 (Chapter 188) and which were presented on 05.07.2023, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*25.

The Minister of Justice, Prisons Affairs and Constitutional Reforms,— Rules under the Incorporated Council of Legal Education Ordinance,— That the Rules made by the incorporated Council of Legal Education with the concurrence of the Minister of Justice, Prisons Affairs and Constitutional Reforms under Section 7 of the Incorporated Council of Legal Education Ordinance (Chapter 276) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2332/02 of 15th May 2023, which was presented on 18.07.2023, be approved.

*26.

The Minister of Justice, Prisons Affairs and Constitutional Reforms,— Regulations under the Poison, Opium and Dangerous Drugs Ordinance,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Justice, Prisons Affairs and Constitutional Reforms under Section 80 read with Section 77A(6) of the Poison, Opium and Dangerous Drugs Ordinance (Chapter 218) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2360/21 of 27th November 2023, which was presented on 08.02.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*27.

The Minister of Transport and Highways and Minister of Mass Media,—Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act (No. 1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Transport and Highways under Section 237 read with Part VII of the Motor Traffic Act, No. 38 of 2005 (Chapter 203), and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2338/39 of 28th June 2023, which was presented on 24.01.2024, be approved.

*28.

The Minister of Transport and Highways and Minister of Mass Media,—Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act (No. 2),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Transport and Highways under Section 237 read with Sections 21, 22, 23, 24 and 24A of the Motor Traffic Act, No. 38 of 2005 (Chapter 203), and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2352/29 of 05th October 2023, which was presented on 24.01.2024, be approved.

*29.

The Minister of Tourism and Lands and Minister of Sports and Youth Affairs,—Order under the Tourism Act (No. 1),— That the Order made by the Minister of Tourism and Lands under Section 26(1) of the Tourism Act, No. 38 of 2005, on the recommendation of the Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2348/38 of 07th September 2023, which was presented on 23.01.2024, be approved.

*30.

The Minister of Tourism and Lands and Minister of Sports and Youth Affairs,—Order under the Tourism Act (No. 2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Tourism and Lands under Section 26(1) of the Tourism Act, No. 38 of 2005 on the recommendations of the Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority with regard to the declaration of a tourist development area and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2352/47 of 06th October 2023, which was presented on 20.02.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*31.

The Minister of Tourism and Lands and Minister of Sports and Youth Affairs,—Order under the Tourism Act (No. 3),— That the Order made by the Minister of Tourism and Lands under Section 26(1) of the Tourism Act, No. 38 of 2005 on the recommendations of the Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority with regard to the declaration of a tourist development area and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2352/48 of 06th October 2023, which was presented on 20.02.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*32.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs,— Order under the Diplomatic Privileges Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Foreign Affairs under Sections 4 and 5 of the Diplomatic Privileges Act, No. 9 of 1996 regarding the Host Country Agreement between the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the International Centre for Research in Agroforestry (ICRAF) to give effect to the terms of Articles IV, V, VI, IX, X, XI, XII, XIII, XIV, XV and XVI and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2348/48 of 08th September 2023, which was presented on 20.02.2024, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

33.

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

34.

Tobacco Tax (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

35.

Roshan Ranasinghe Janasahana Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading. 36.

Civil Procedure Code (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

37.

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

38.

Public Health Emergency Bill — Second Reading.

39.

Sri Lanka Insurance Institute (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

40.

Marriages (General) (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

41.

Muslim Marriage and Divorce (Repeal) Bill — Second Reading.

42.

Plastics and Rubber Institute of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

43.

Marriage Registration (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

44.

Minimum Age of Marriage Bill — Second Reading.

45.

Community Association of Professionals (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

46

Sathya Sri Ghanapathi Bhakthi Jana Sewa Foundation (Incorporation) Bill— Second Reading.

47.

Arundika Fernando Relief Services and Godfrey Fernando Memorial Foundation Bill— Second Reading.

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Institute of Drafting Technologists Sri Lanka (Incorporation) Bill— Second Reading.

* Indicates Government Business.

[1].

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