



(Tenth Parliament - First Session)

No. 106.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Thursday, November 20, 2025 at 9.00 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

680/2025

Hon. Hector Appuhamy,—To ask the Minister of Environment,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether he is aware that because of the burning of coal at the Norochcholai Coal Power plant, the residents living in the surrounding villages are facing numerous environmental issues; and
 - (ii) of the measures that will be taken to resolve such environmental issues?
- (b) If not, why?

2.

740/2025

Hon. (Dr.) Kavinda Heshan Jayawardhana,— To ask the Minister of Energy,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the date on which the Sapugaskanda Oil Refinery Expansion and Modernization (SOREM) Project was commenced;
 - (ii) of the objectives of the project concerned;
 - (iii) of the expenditure that has been incurred on the acquisition of land and the feasibility study of the project as of now, separately;
 - (iv) whether he is aware that the said project is not in operation at present; and
 - (v) if so, of the future plans regarding the project referred to above?
- (b) If not, why?

3.

812/2025

Hon. Mujibur Rahman,— To ask the Minister of Justice and National Integration,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
 - (i) date on which a committee was last appointed to study the issue of overcrowding in prisons in Sri Lanka;

(2)

- (ii) names of the members of that committee;
 - (iii) recommendations made by that committee to reduce overcrowding in prisons; and
 - (iv) measures that will be taken to implement those recommendations?
- (b) If not, why?

4.

1011/2025

Hon. Rajeevan Jeyachandramoorthy,— To ask the Minister of Public Security and Parliamentary Affairs,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the —
- (i) total number of financial cybercrime complaints reported to the Sri Lanka Police in each year from 2020 to date, separately;
 - (ii) total number of financial cybercrime complaints reported to the Sri Lanka Police from the Northern Province in each year since 2020 to date, separately;
 - (iii) number of complaints specifically related to financial frauds such as online banking scams, phishing, and unauthorized electronic fund transfers received through official cybercrime reporting platforms or police cybercrime units in each district of the Northern Province, separately; and
 - (iv) measures taken to enhance public access to reporting financial cybercrimes in rural and underserved areas, particularly in the Northern Province?
- (b) If not, why?

5.

1300/2025

Hon. M.S. Uthumalebbe,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— (1)

- (a) Will she inform this House of the —
- (i) names of the committee members appointed by the Ministry of Education to look into the proposed Education Council that is to be established under the new educational reforms; and
 - (ii) details regarding the functioning of that committee?
- (b) If not, why?
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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*a1.

Appropriation Bill— (Eleventh Allotted Day) — Committee. (Progress, 19th November).

*2.

The Minister of Energy,— Regulations under the Sri Lanka Electricity Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Energy regarding the Terms and Conditions of Voluntary Retirement Scheme under Section 50 read with paragraph (f) of Section 18(3) of the Sri Lanka Electricity Act, No. 36 of 2024 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2451/11 of 26th August 2025, which were presented on 23.10.2025, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*3.

The Minister of Health and Mass Media,— Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Rupavahini Corporation (2021),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Rupavahini Corporation 2021 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2021 and presented on 01.12.2023 under Section 14 of the Finance Act No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health, Media and Women's Empowerment on 09.07.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 09.09.2025)

*4.

The Minister of Health and Mass Media,— Annual Report of the Independent Television Network Ltd (2022),— That the Annual Report of the Independent Television Network Ltd 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 05.03.2024 under Section 14 of the Finance Act No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health, Media and Women's Empowerment on 09.07.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 09.09.2025)

*5.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Annual Report of the University of Ruhuna (2022),— That the Annual Report of the University of Ruhuna 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 17.12.2024 under Section 110 of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education on 07.03.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 17.03.2025)

*6.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Annual Report of the Eastern University of Sri Lanka (2022),— That the Annual Report of the Eastern University of Sri Lanka 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 07.01.2025 under Section 12 of the National Audit Act, No. 19 of 2018, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education on 07.03.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 17.03.2025)

*7.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Annual Report of the Rajarata University of Sri Lanka (2022),— That the Annual Report of the Rajarata University of Sri Lanka 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 18.02.2025 under Section 110 of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education on 06.08.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 09.09.2025)

*8.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Annual Report of the Postgraduate Institute of Agriculture of the University of Peradeniya (2023),— That the Annual Report of the Postgraduate Institute of Agriculture of the University of Peradeniya 2023 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2023 and presented on 07.01.2025 under Section 110 of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education on 07.03.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 17.03.2025)

*9.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Annual Report of the University of Peradeniya (2023),— That the Annual Report of the University of Peradeniya 2023 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2023 and presented on 22.02.2025 under Section 110 of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978 and Section II of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education on 06.08.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 09.09.2025)

*10.

The Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— Annual Report of the Paddy Marketing Board (2017),— That the Annual Report of the Paddy Marketing Board 2017 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2017 and presented on 20.01.2022 under Section 14 of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Agriculture on 22.02.2022 and presented its report to Parliament on 24.02.2022)

*11.

The Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— Annual Report of the Paddy Marketing Board (2018),— That the Annual Report of the Paddy Marketing Board 2018 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2018 and presented on 20.01.2023 under Section 14 of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Agriculture on 20.06.2023 and presented its report to Parliament on 05.07.2023)

*12.

The Minister of Plantation and Community Infrastructure,— Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Cashew Corporation (2019),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Cashew Corporation 2019 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2019 and presented on 07.01.2025 under Section 23 of the State Agricultural Corporations Act, No. 11 of 1972, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Plantation and Community Infrastructure on 05.03.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 10.03.2025)

*13.

The Minister of Plantation and Community Infrastructure,— Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Cashew Corporation (2020),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Cashew Corporation 2020 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2020 and presented on 07.01.2025 under Section 23 of the State Agricultural Corporations Act, No. 11 of 1972, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Plantation and Community Infrastructure on 05.03.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 10.03.2025)

*14.

The Minister of Plantation and Community Infrastructure,— Annual Report of the Kalubowitiyana Tea Factory Ltd (2022/2023),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Kalubowitiyana Tea Factory Ltd 2022/2023 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.03.2023 and presented on 20.02.2025 under Section 14 of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Plantation and Community Infrastructure on 05.03.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 10.03.2025)

*15.

The Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports,— Annual Report of the National Youth Services Council (2022),— That the Annual Report of the National Youth Services Council 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 18.12.2024 under Section 31 of the National Youth Services Act, No. 69 of 1979, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Youth Affairs and Sports on 13.06.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 17.06.2025)

*16.

The Minister of Women and Child Affairs,— Annual Report of the National Child Protection Authority (2022),— That the Annual Report of the National Child Protection Authority 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 23.07.2024 under Section 32 of the National Child Protection Authority Act, No. 50 of 1998, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health, Media and Women's Empowerment on 18.06.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 08.07.2025)

*17.

The Minister of Women and Child Affairs,— Annual Report of the National Child Protection Authority (2023),— That the Annual Report of the National Child Protection Authority 2023 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2023 and presented on 09.04.2025 under Section 32 of the National Child Protection Authority Act, No. 50 of 1998, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health, Media and Women's Empowerment on 18.06.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 08.07.2025)

*18.

The Minister of Trade, Commerce, Food Security and Cooperative Development,— Annual Report of the National Institute of Cooperative Development (2023),— That the Annual Report of the National Institute of Cooperative Development 2023 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2023 and presented on 09.05.2025 under Section 29 of Part VI of the National Institute of Cooperative Development (Incorporation) Act, No. 1 of 2001, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Environment, Agriculture and Resource Sustainability on 11.07.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 06.08.2025)

*19.

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

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*20.

Betting and Gaming Levy (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*21.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Regulations under the Colombo Port City Economic Commission Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development regarding the Guidelines on the Grant of Exemptions or Incentives to Businesses of Strategic Importance under Section 71 read with Section 52 of the Colombo Port City Economic Commission Act, No. 11 of 2021 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2454/62 of 20th September 2025, which were presented on 22.10.2025, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*22.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Rules under the Excise Ordinance,— That the Rules made by the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development on 04th October 2025 under Section 32 read with Section 25 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) regarding Excise License Fees, which were presented on 08.11.2025, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*23.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Regulation under the Finance Act,— That the Regulation made by the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development under Section 22 read with Section 26 of the Finance Act, No. 11 of 2004 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2430/14 of 01st April 2025, which was presented on 08.11.2025, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*24.

Mediation (Civil and Commercial Disputes) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*25.

Penal Code (Amendment) Bill — Adjourned debate on question (24th September 2025) [1].

*26.

Report of the Commission of Inquiry into the establishment and maintenance of places of unlawful detention and torture chambers at the Batalanda Housing Scheme,— Adjourned debate on question (10th April 2025) Motion made and question proposed,— “Report of the Commission of Inquiry into the establishment and maintenance of places of unlawful detention and torture chambers at the Batalanda Housing Scheme, which was tabled in Parliament on 14th March 2025, be considered by Parliament.”

27.

Provincial Councils Elections (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

* *Indicates Government Business.*

NOTICES OF AMENDMENTS RELATING TO ORDERS OF THE DAY

a1.

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

[1].

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