



[Sixth Parliament - Second Session]

No. 37.]

**ORDER PAPER
OF
PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Wednesday, June 21, 2006 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0290/'06

1.

Hon. Ramalingam Chandrasekar,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—

- (a) Will he submit to this House, separately and in detail—
 - (i) the amounts of funds provided to the Hatton - Dickoya Urban Council by the Central Government and the financial institutions during the period from 02.04.2004 to 31.12.2005;
 - (ii) the revenue earned by this Urban Council during the aforesaid period;
 - (iii) the number of projects carried out; and
 - (iv) the expenditure incurred on them?
- (b) Will he state whether these projects were carried out in accordance with the accepted rules and regulations?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the officers of the said Urban Council including the Chairman have obtained money for their personal use in addition to the above projects;
 - (ii) if so, the actions taken against the said Chairman and the officers?
- (d) If not, why?

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2.

Hon. Ramalingam Chandrasekar,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—

- (a) Will he submit to this House, separately and in detail—

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- (i) the amounts of funds provided to the Thalawakale Urban Council by the Central Government and the financial institutions during the period from 02.04.2004 to 31.12.2005;
 - (ii) the revenue earned by this Urban Council during the aforesaid period;
 - (iii) the number of projects carried out; and
 - (iv) the expenditure incurred on them?
- (b) Will he state whether these projects were carried out in accordance with the accepted rules and regulations?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether the officers of the said Urban Council including the Chairman have obtained money for their personal use in addition to the above projects;
 - (ii) if so, the actions taken against the said Chairman and the officers?
- (d) If not, why?

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3.

Hon. Ramalingam Chandrasekar,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—

- (a) Will he submit to this House, separately and in detail—
- (i) the amounts of funds provided to the Kotmale Pradeshiya Sabha by the Central Government and the financial institutions during the period from 02.04.2004 to 31.12.2005;
 - (ii) the revenue earned by this Pradeshiya Sabha during the aforesaid period;
 - (iii) the number of projects carried out; and
 - (iv) the expenditure incurred on them?
- (b) Will he state whether these projects were carried out in accordance with the accepted rules and regulations?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether the officers of the said Pradeshiya Sabha including the Chairman have obtained money for their personal use in addition to the above projects;
 - (ii) if so, the actions taken against the said Chairman and the officers?
- (d) If not, why?

0248/'06

4.

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development—

- (a) Will he inform this House of the extent of land belonging to the Ministry of Lands of the Neluwa Divisional Secretariat Division and to the Divisional Secretary of the said Division in the Galle District on the basis of the respective Grama Niladhari Divisions?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether eligible persons have been selected for the distribution of the aforesaid lands after conducting land kachcheris;
 - (ii) the qualifications required for it;
 - (iii) whether the Grama Niladharis have publicized the names of the recipients of such lands and called for objections;
 - (iv) the dates on which the objections were called and inquiries were conducted, separately; and
 - (v) the lists of names selected after the conclusion of such inquiries?
- (c) Will he inform this house—
 - (i) what course of action will be taken against the officers concerned in the event that the names of ineligible persons have been included in the said list; and:
 - (ii) whether he is going to take action to grant lands only to those who are eligible?
- (d) If not, why?

0249/'06

5.

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development—

- (a) Will he inform this House of the extent of land belonging to the Ministry of Lands of the Thawalama Divisional Secretariat Division and to the Divisional Secretary of the said Division in the Galle District on the basis of the respective Grama Niladhari Divisions?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether eligible persons have been selected for the distribution of the aforesaid lands after conducting land kachcheris;
 - (ii) the qualifications required for it;

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- (iii) whether the Grama Niladharis have publicized the names of the recipients of such lands and called for objections;
- (iv) the dates on which the objections were called and inquiries were conducted, separately; and
- (v) the lists of names selected after the conclusion of such inquiries?
- (c) Will he inform this house—
 - (i) what course of action will be taken against the officers concerned in the event that the names of ineligible persons have been included in the said list; and:
 - (ii) whether he is going to take action to grant lands only to those who are eligible?
- (d) If not, why?

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6.

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development—

- (a) Will he inform this House of the extent of land belonging to the Ministry of Lands of the Nagoda Divisional Secretariat Division and to the Divisional Secretary of the said Division in the Galle District on the basis of the respective Grama Niladhari Divisions?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether eligible persons have been selected for the distribution of the aforesaid lands after conducting land kachcheris;
 - (ii) the qualifications required for it;
 - (iii) whether the Grama Niladharis have publicized the names of the recipients of such lands and called for objections;
 - (iv) the dates on which the objections were called and inquiries were conducted, separately; and
 - (v) the lists of names selected after the conclusion of such inquiries?
- (c) Will he inform this house—
 - (i) what course of action will be taken against the officers concerned in the event that the names of ineligible persons have been included in the said list; and:
 - (ii) whether he is going to take action to grant lands only to those who are eligible?
- (d) If not, why?

0191/'06

7.

Hon. Anura Dissanayake,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of Ports and Aviation,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Lanka Marine Services (Private) Limited (LMS), which is a company engaged in the business of supplying fuel to ships in the Colombo Port, had belonged to the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation;
 - (ii) whether 90% of shares of the aforesaid company was sold to John Keels Holdings (Private) Limited on 20.08.2002; and
 - (iii) the amount of money paid by the said John Keells Holdings (Private) Limited to the government for this purpose?
- (b) Will he state whether—
 - (i) the bid forwarded by the Sri Lanka Shipping Limited was rejected by the Technical Advisory Committee on account of the fact that a monopoly for a period of 8 years had been requested.
 - (ii) a perpetual monopoly was granted to the Lanka Marine Services (Private) Limited in terms of the agreement signed by the Government at the time of selling 90% of its shares;
 - (iii) the cabinet approval was granted for this; and
 - (iv) this company was granted the BOI - approved status and a five-year tax waiver?
- (c) If not, why?

0192/'06

8.

Hon. Anura Disanayake,— To ask the Minister of Enterprise Development and Investment Promotion—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Ministry of Enterprise Development and Investment Promotion and the other institutions coming under it are housed in buildings which belong to the government;
 - (ii) if the aforesaid institutions are housed in buildings obtained on rent or lease, the names of those institutions and the names of the buildings in which they are housed?

- (iii) the square area of the aforesaid buildings, and
- (iv) the names of the owners of the aforesaid buildings?
- (b) Will he state separately, the rent or lease paid in respect of each of the aforesaid buildings annually?
- (c) If not, why?

0193/'06

9.

Hon. Anura Disanayake,— To ask the Minister of Enterprise Development and Investment Promotion—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of staff members that have been recruited for the SME bank;
 - (ii) their designations and salary scales;
 - (iii) the total amount of loans issued and the total amount of money paid in the year 2005 by the said bank;
 - (iv) the purpose of issuing the above mentioned loans?
- (b) Will he state separately the names of the loan recipients, their addresses and the loans obtained by them during the period starting from the inception of the above bank to 31st December, 2005?
- (c) If not, why?

0279/'06

10.

Hon. Selvarajah Kajendran,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence—

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) applications were called through newspaper advertisements in April last year for the post of Management Trainee in the Bank of Ceylon;
 - (ii) a competitive examination was held in Colombo in August 2005 for the applicants who had fulfilled the required qualifications; and
 - (iii) interviews were held in November 2005 for those who had passed the examination?
- (b) Will he submit to this House a list of names of those who were called for the interviews and their respective marks?

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- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of persons granted appointments out of those who were interviewed and;
 - (ii) the reasons, if appointments were not granted?
- (d) Will he take necessary steps to grant appointments to those who were selected from the interviews?
- (e) If not, why?

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11.

Hon. Selvarajah Kajendran,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Will he submit separately to this House—
 - (i) the total number of students that were selected at district level for the medical, dental, veterinary and engineering courses in the University of Sri Lanka from 1993 to 2005;
 - (ii) the number of students selected on the merit basis and the percentage;
 - (iii) the number of students selected under the district quota system and the percentage;
 - (iv) the number of students selected under the difficult district basis and the percentage?
- (b) Will he state the annual growth rate in respect of each of the above years in admitting students for each of the above courses?
- (c) Will he submit to this House, the district level growth rate in relation to the increase in the number of students, in selecting students for the aforesaid courses respectively?
- (d) If not, why?

0210/06

12.

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask the Minister of Samurdhi and Poverty Alleviation—

- (a) Will she submit to this House the names and addresses of the Samurdhi recipients in the Lunugamvehara Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, the number of members in each family unit, their monthly income before the receipt of Samurdhi Allowances, the value of the Samurdhi Allowances, the date on which they received the said allowance for the first time, separately in detail?

- (b) Will she state—
- (i) the number of families empowered in the years 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005 under the empowerment of Samurdhi recipients;
 - (ii) the name and address, Grama Niladhari Division, the year of empowerment, the name of the Samurdhi Officer of the relevant Division and any other important information regarding each Samurdhi recipient so empowered; and
 - (iii) the subjects under which they have been empowered?
- (c) If not, why?

0211/'06

13.

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask the Minister of Samurdhi and Poverty Alleviation—

- (a) Will she submit to this House the names and addresses of the Samurdhi recipients in the Thissamaharamaya Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, the number of members in each family unit, their monthly income before the receipt and the date on which they received the said allowance and the first time, separately in detail?
- (b) Will she state—
- (i) the number of families empowered in the years 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005 under the empowerment of Samurdhi recipients;
 - (ii) the name and address, Grama Niladhari Division, the year of empowerment, the name of the Samurdhi Officer of the empowerment, the name of the Samurdhi Officer of the relevant Division and any other important information regarding each Samurdhi recipient so empowered; and
 - (iii) the subjects under which they have been empowered?
- (c) If not, why?

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14.

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask the Minister of Samurdhi and Poverty Alleviation—

- (a) Will she submit to this House the names and addresses of the Samurdhi recipients in the Hambantota Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, the number of members in each family unit, their monthly income before the receipt and the date on which they received the said allowance and the first time, separately in detail ?
- (b) Will she state—
- (i) the number of families empowered in the years 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005 under the empowerment of Samurdhi recipients;

- (ii) the name and address, Grama Niladhari Division, the year of empowerment, the name of the Samurdhi Officer of the empowerment, the name of the Samurdhi Officer of the relevant Division and any other important information regarding each Samurdhi recipient so empowered; and
- (iii) the subjects under which they have been empowered?
- (c) If not, why?

0176/06

15.

Hon. Piyasiri Wijenayake,— To ask the Minister of Social Services and Social Welfare—

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the types of material received by NGOs on account of the Tsunami disaster; and
 - (ii) the material aid received by those organizations separately?
 - (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the NGOs had imported goods which are a threat to national security;
 - (ii) what those goods are;
 - (iii) whether those goods have been released now;
 - (iv) if so, to what organizations; and
 - (v) whether the unreleased goods are under his custody?
 - (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the value of foreign financial assistance received by the government on account of the above disaster;
 - (ii) the amounts of money received from various countries and organizations; and
 - (iii) the amounts of money made available as loans and grants, separately?
 - (d) Will he state in this House—
 - (i) the total amount of money received by the NGO;
 - (ii) the names of the institutes from whom it was received; and
 - (iii) the amounts of money received by the respective NGOs, separately ?
 - (e) If not why?
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AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Presentation of Bills

1.

The Minister of Education,— Sri Lanka Institute of Advanced Technical Education (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Sri Lanka Institute of Advanced Technical Education Act, No. 29 of 1995.

Notice of Motions

2.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Business of the Parliament,— That the proceedings on Items 1 and 2 of Public Business appearing on the Order Paper be exempted at this day's Sitting from the provisions of Standing Order 23.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

* 1.

Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,— Resolution under Customs Ordinance (No. 1)— That resolution under Section 10 of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to import duties which was presented on 20.06.2006 be approved.

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 1433/54 of 24.02.2006)

(Cabinet Approval signified.)

* 2.

Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,— Resolution under Customs Ordinance (No. 2)— That resolution under Section 10 of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to import duties which was presented on 20.06.2006 be approved.

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 1447/18 of 31.05.2006)

(Cabinet Approval signified.)

*3.

The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution (No. 1),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 36(4) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, that the Monthly Allowance payable to His Excellency the President be revised as follows :—

<i>Present Salary</i>	<i>Proposed Allowances</i>	
<i>Rs.</i>	<i>2006.01.01</i>	<i>2007.01.01</i>
	<i>Rs.</i>	<i>Rs.</i>
25,000	61,250/-	97,500/-

(11)

This Parliament further resolves that—

- (a) in terms of the P.A. Circular 6/2006, 50% of the difference of the salary of December 2005 and the proposed salary will be paid effective from 01.01.2006,
- (b) The balance 50% will be paid effective from 01.01.2007.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*4.

The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution (No. 2),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 68(1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, that the Monthly Allowance payable to Hon. Prime Minister, Hon. Speaker, Hon. Deputy Speaker, Hon. Deputy Chairman of Committees, Hon. Ministers, Hon. Leader of the Opposition, Hon. Deputy Ministers and Hon. Members of Parliament shall be revised as follows :

<i>Post</i>	<i>Present Salaries Rs.</i>	<i>Comparative Post and Number, Salary Code & Salary according to 6/2006</i>	<i>Proposed Allowances 2006.01.01 Rs.</i>	<i>2007.01.01 Rs.</i>
1. Hon. Prime Minister	34,000/-	Chief Justice SF4 - 70,000.00 + 1,500.00	52,500/- + 1,500/-	71,500/-
2. Hon. Speaker	31,800/-	Attorney General SF3 - 67,000.00 + 1,500.00	49,400/- + 1,500/-	68,500/-
3. Cabinet/Non Cabinet Ministers	29,815/-	Puisne Judges SF2 - 65,000/-	47,407.50	65,000/-
4. Hon. Leader of the Opposition	29,815/-	Puisne Judges SF2 - 65,000/-	47,407.50	65,000/-
5. Hon. Deputy Ministers	28,750/-	Appeal Court Judges SFI - 63,500/-	46,125/-	63,500/-
6. Hon. Deputy Speaker	28,750/-	Appeal Court Judges SF1 - 63,500/-	46,125/-	63,500/-
7. Hon. Deputy Chairman of Committees	28,750/-	Appeal Court Judges SF1 - 63,500/-	46,125/-	63,500/-
8. Hon. Members of Parliament	22,100/-	High Court Judges SL8 - 54,285/- (initial salary)	38,192.50	54,285/-

This Parliament further resolves that,—

- (a) In terms of the P.A. Circular 6/2006, 50% of the difference of the salary of December 2005 and the proposed salary will be paid effective from 01.01.2006.
- (b) The balance 50% will be paid effective from 01.01.2007.
- (c) Revisions of the allowances of parliamentarians will be made on par with the revisions of the salary structure of the Judiciary Service, whenever the salary structure undergoes a revision.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

* 5.

The Minister of Enterprise Development and Investment Promotion,— Order under Sri Lanka Export Development Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Enterprise Development and Investment Promotion under Section 14 of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act No. 40 of 1979, with the concurrence of the Minister in charge of the subject of Finance relating to Cess levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1436/20 of 17th March 2006, which was presented on 06.06.2006 be approved.

(Cabinet Approval Signified)

*6.

The Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,— Regulations under the Local Government Service Law (No.1),—That the “Local Government Service Pension (Amendment) Regulations 2005” made by the Minister of Provincial Councils and Local Government under Section 23 of the Local Government Service Law No. 16 of 1974 as amended by Act, No. 10 of 1985 and published in Gazette Extraordinary No.1416/8 of 25th October, 2005 which were presented on 07.03.2006 be approved.

*7.

The Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,— Regulations under the Local Government Service Law (No.2),—That the “Local Government Service Widowers and Orphans Pension Fund (Permission for Option) Regulations” made by the Minister of Provincial Councils and Local Government under Section 23 of the Local Government Service Law No.16 of 1974 as amended by Act, No. 10 of 1985, and published in Gazette Extraordinary No. 1416/9 of 25th October, 2005 which were presented on 07.03.2006 be approved.

*8.

National Authority on Tobacco and Alcohol Bill — Second Reading.

*9.

Anti-Dumping and Countervailing Duties Bill — Adjourned Debate on question — (04th April, 2006) [1]

*10.

Safeguard Measures Bill — Adjourned Debate on question — (04th April, 2006) [1]

* 11.

The Minister of Trade, Commerce, Consumer Affairs and Marketing Development and Minister of Highways,— Regulations under Imports and Exports (Control) Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Trade, Commerce, Consumer Affairs and Marketing Development under Section 4(3), 14 and 20 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 01 of 1969 as amended by the Act, No. 48 of 1985 and Act, No. 28 of 1987 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1444/15 of 10th May, 2006 which were presented on 24.05.2006 be approved.

*12.

Ceylon Electricity Board (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*13.

Electricity Reform (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*14.

Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution Bill — Adjourned Debate on question - (24th February, 2005) [1]

*15.

Sri Lanka Land Reclamation and Development Corporation (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*16.

Katikavat Registration Bill — Second Reading

*17.

The Minister of Agricultural Development,—Regulations under the Survey Act (No.1),— That the “Fees Regulations of 2005” made by the Minister of Lands and Indigenous Medicine under Section 65 of the Survey Act, No.17 of 2002 read with Section 42 of that Act, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1420/20 of 23rd November, 2005 which were presented on 07.03.2006 be approved.

*18.

The Minister of Agricultural Development,—Regulations under the Survey Act (No.2),— That the “Certificate of Accrediation Regulations of 2005” made by the Minister of Lands and Indigenous Medicine under Section 24 of the Survey Act, No.17 of 2002 read with sub-Section (2) of Section 11 of that Act, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1420/20 of 23rd November, 2005 which were presented on 07.03.2006 be approved.

*19.

The Minister of Agricultural Development,—Regulations under the Survey Act (No.3),— That the “Land Survey Council (Annual Practicing License) Regulations of 2005” made by the Minister of Lands and Indigenous Medicine under Section 65 of the Survey Act, No.17 of 2002 read with Section 41 of that Act, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1420/20 of 23rd November, 2005 which were presented on 07.03.2006 be approved.

*20.

The Minister of Agricultural Development,—Regulations under the Survey Act (No.4),— That the “Depositing of Plans and Maps Regulations of 2005” made by the Minister of Lands and Indigenous Medicine under Section 12 of the Survey Act, No.17 of 2002 read with Section 24 of that Act, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1420/20 of 23rd November, 2005 which were presented on 07.03.2006 be approved.

*21.

The Minister of Agricultural Development,—Regulations under the Survey Act (No.5),— That the “Land Survey Council (Regulation) Regulations of 2005” made by the Minister of Lands and Indigenous Medicine under Section 65 of the Survey Act, No.17 of 2002 read with Section 39 of that Act, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1420/20 of 23rd November, 2005 which were presented on 07.03.2006 be approved.

*22.

The Minister of Social Services and Social Welfare,— Regulations under the Protection of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act ,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Women’s Empowerment and Social Welfare under Section 25 read with Section 23 of the Protection of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act , No. 28 of 1996 as amended by Act, No. 33 of 2003 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1419/7 of 14th November, 2005 which were presented on 18. 01.2006 be approved.

*23.

Resolution under the Customs Ordinance,— Adjourned Debate on question (24th May, 2006), Motion made and question proposed,— “That the resolution under Section 10 of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to import duties which was presented on 09.05.2006 be approved.”

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 1430/7 of 31st January, 2006)

(Cabinet approval signified)

* 24.

Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,— Resolution under Appropriation Act,— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by section 7 of the above Appropriation Act, No. 15 of 2004 and specified in the order No. 38 hereto, be approved.

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 15 of 2004
Order No. 38 under Section 7

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 7 of the Appropriation Act, No. 15 of 2004, I, Ranjith Siyambalapitiya, Deputy Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the Activity Item No. 90102—“Railway Stores Advance Accounts” Department of Sri Lanka Railway of the second schedule to that Act.

(15)

(i) Maximum limit of Expenditure specified in Column II of the Second Schedule to that Act	From	Rs.	800,000,000
	To	Rs.	920,000,000
(ii) Minimum limit of Receipts specified in Column III of the Second Schedule to that Act	From	Rs.	800,000,000
	To	Rs.	575,000,000
(iii) Maximum limit of Debit Balance specified in Column IV of the Second Schedule to that Act	From	Rs.	3,200,000,000
	To	Rs.	3,483,000,000
(iv) Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in Column V of the Second Schedule to that Act	From	Rs.	—
	To	Rs.	—

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2005 only)

Sgd. RANJITH SIYAMBALAPITIYA
Deputy Minister of Finance and Planning.

16.05.2006
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*25.

The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution (No. 3),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 68(1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka that the Monthly Allowance payable to the Hon. Prime Minister shall be revised as follows :—

- (a) pay a sum of Rs. 46,400/- to the Hon. Prime Ministers with effect from 01.12.2004;
- (b) pay a sum of Rs. 37,400/- from 22.04.2004 to 30.11.2004 and a monthly salary of Rs. 46,400/- from 01.12.2004 to 18.11.2005 to His Excellency the President, the then Hon. Prime Minister;
- (c) pay a sum of Rs. 47,100/- to the present Prime Minister with effect from 24.11.2005; as ideally Prime Minister's salary should have been higher than that of the Chief Justice.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*26.

Governors' Pension Bill — Second Reading

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27.

Hon. Karu Jayasuriya,— Select Committee of Parliament on Electoral Reforms,— That a Select Committee of Parliament be appointed pursuant to the Committee appointed by Hon. Speaker during the Second Session of the Fifth Parliament which submitted its interim report on the 23rd of January, 2004 to further consider Reforms to the current system of Parliamentary and Local Authority Elections and other matters connected therewith and to make recommendations in respect of further changes considered necessary to the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the existing election laws and to report

together with their observations and recommendations on the amendments necessary to the said laws.

2. (a) That the Committee and its Chairman shall be nominated by Hon. Speaker.
(b) That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 95, the Committee shall consist of not more than twenty one (21) Members.
3. That the Committee shall have the power to :
 - (a) fix its quorum ;
 - (b) summon any person to appear before it, to require any person to procure any document or record, to procure and receive all such evidence, written or oral, as the Committee may think it necessary for the fullest consideration of the matters referred to above ;
 - (c) obtain the services of Specialist and Experts in the relevant fields to assist the Committee ;
 - (d) make interim reports from time to time and to sit notwithstanding any adjournment of Parliament.

28.

Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution Bill — Second Reading

29.

Association of Care for the Nature (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading

30.

Mental Development and Research Center (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

31.

Royal Asiatic Society of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

32.

Institute of Dharuth Thowheed Assalafiyya (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

33.

Serendib Educational Trust (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

34.

Muditha Social Service Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

35.

Pannipitiya Depanama Sri Devram Maha Viharastha Sasanarakshaka Sanwardhana Sabhawa (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

36.

Abolition of the Temporary Amalgamation of the Northern and Eastern Provinces
(Special Provisions) Bill — Second Reading.

**Indicates Government Business.*

[1] Motion made and Question proposed “That the Bill be now read a Second time.”
