



[Sixth Parliament - Second Session]

No. 39.]

**ORDER PAPER
OF
PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Friday, June 23, 2006 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0170/'06

1.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Irrigation and Mahaweli Development and Minister of Environment,—

- (a) Is he aware that Mr. L. A. Gunasinghe, Administrative Assistant, Mr. Dudley Jayalath Perera, Technical Officer and Mr. R. Akarawita, Driver of the Colombo Head Office of the Mahaweli Security Squad of the Sri Lanka Mahaweli Authority have been transferred to Welikanda, Dehiattakandiya and Udawalawa respectively with effect from December, 2005?
- (b) Will he state the reasons for the transfer of these employees?
- (c) Will he admit the fact that the families of these employees have to undergo severe hardships as a result of these transfers since they are permanent residents around Colombo?
- (d) Will he take steps to cancel these transfers with immediate effect and send them back to their previous places of work?
- (e) Will he admit the fact that in terms of subsection 5:8 of the Public Service Transfers General - 2004 Circulars dated 18th July, 2005, provisions have been made to the effect that officers who are above 53 years of age should not be transferred outside the district?
- (f) If not, why?

0172/'06

2.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of Ports and Aviation,—

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) malpractices do take place in the interviews conducted for recruitments to the Sri Lanka Foreign Service; and

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- (ii) some of those who were recruited recently had been given incredible marks such as 150, 148 and 145 at the interview?
- (b) Will he take action to hold an inquiry into the aforesaid matters?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the total approved cadre of the Sri Lanka Foreign Service;
 - (ii) the seniority order updated as at January, 2006?
 - (iii) the number of vacancies existing at present in the Foreign Service;
 - (iv) the number of officers recruited through the open competitive examinations held in 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004; and
 - (v) Who they are?
- (d) Will he present in this House in detail, the marks obtained by the aforesaid officers at the competitive examination and at the interview?
- (e) If not, why?

0173/'06

3.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of Ports and Aviation,—

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) Some injustices have been caused in posting officers of the Sri Lanka Foreign Service in the past; and
 - (ii) an inquiry should be held in that regard?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the Divisions and the Diplomatic Missions in which the present officers of the Sri Lanka Foreign Service have served;
 - (ii) the period of such service; and
 - (iii) if they have served in the same station on several occasions, the reasons for that?
- (c) Is he aware that—
 - (i) it is mandatory for all the officers in the Sri Lanka Foreign Service to serve in the Middle-Eastern and the African Regions at least once; and
 - (ii) some officers obtain transfers to convenient postings in Western countries using personal influences?
- (d) Will he take steps to formulate a suitable mechanism to grant transfers in a reasonable manner?

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- (e) Will he state—
 - (i) which officers have received cross posting at the same time since 1994 and who have given service extensions to such officers;
 - (ii) the reasons for that?
- (f) If not, why?

0364/06

4.

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of complaints received by the Negombo Police Station in Gampaha District on the day of the Local Government Elections held on 30.03.2006; and
 - (ii) separately, the time taken by the said police station to take relevant action with regard to each of such complaints?
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) out of the aforesaid complaints, the number of those referred to the courts and to the Mediation Board;
 - (ii) the reasons for such reference; and
 - (iii) as to what action has been taken in respect of each of the aforesaid complaints by 01.05.2006?
- (c) Is he aware that complaints were recorded in the ordinary complaints register at the investigation of powerful politicians of the area, despite there being a separate book for recording election related complaints?
- (d) Will he inform this House as to what measures would be taken against the Officers in Charge of police stations who inquired into the complaints according to the needs of politicians, without conducting a fair investigation?
- (e) If not, why?

0365/06

5.

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of complaints received by the Pamunugama Police Station in Gampaha District on the day of the Local Government Elections held on 30.03.2006; and

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- (ii) separately, the time taken by the said police station to take relevant action with regard to each of such complaints?
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) out of the aforesaid complaints, the number of those referred to the courts and to the Mediation Board;
 - (ii) the reasons for such reference; and
 - (iii) as to what action has been taken in respect of each of the aforesaid complaints by 01.05.2006?
- (c) Is he aware that complaints were recorded in the ordinary complaints register at the investigation of powerful politicians of the area, despite there being a separate book for recording election related complaints?
- (d) Will he inform this House as to what measures would be taken against the Officers in Charge of police stations who inquired into the complaints according to the needs of politicians, without conducting a fair investigation?
- (e) If not, why?

0366/'06

6.

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of complaints received by the Kochchikade Police Station in Gampaha District on the day of the Local Government Elections held on 30.03.2006; and
 - (ii) separately, the time taken by the said police station to take relevant action with regard to each of such complaints?
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) out of the aforesaid complaints, the number of those referred to the courts and to the Mediation Board;
 - (ii) the reasons for such reference; and
 - (iii) as to what action has been taken in respect of each of the aforesaid complaints by 01.05.2006?
- (c) Is he aware that complaints were recorded in the ordinary complaints register at the investigation of powerful politicians of the area, despite there being a separate book for recording election related complaints?
- (d) Will he inform this House as to what measures would be taken against the Officers in Charge of police stations who inquired into the complaints according to the needs of politicians, without conducting a fair investigation?
- (e) If not, why?

0324/06

7.

Hon. T. Maheswaran,— To ask the Minister of Infrastructure Development and Fisheries Housing,—

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the names, private and official addresses of the Private Secretary, Co-ordinating Secretary, Parliamentary Co-ordinating Secretary, Media Officer, Media Secretary, Consultant, Clerk, Drivers, Karyala Karya Sahayakas and other employees of the Minister of Infrastructure Development and Fisheries Housing;
- (ii) the details of their previous places of work;
- (iii) their Internet and e-mail addresses; and
- (iv) the other perks they presently enjoy?

(b) Will he disclose to this House—

- (i) whether the vehicles given to them belong to the state;
- (ii) whether they have been obtained on rent;
- (iii) if so, the system adopted for calling of quotations to obtain those vehicles; and
- (iv) basis on which the fuel and maintenance costs of those vehicles are disbursed?

(c) Will he submit full information to this House—

- (i) that the said officers and workers have not been involved in any illegal, criminal act or defrauding of State funds; and
- (ii) whether there is a case before any Court of Law or a complaint at a Police Station against them?

(d) If not, why?

0325/06

8.

Hon. T. Maheswaran,—To ask the Minister of Infrastructure Development and Fisheries Housing,—

- (a) Will he state whether there are any vehicles or buildings obtained on the basis of rent or lease for various purposes of the Ministry of Infrastructure Development and Fisheries Housing and other Institutions belonging to the aforesaid Ministry including Boards, Corporations and Departments?

- (b) Will he present to this House separately in detail—
- (i) the make and the registration number of each of the aforesaid vehicles;
 - (ii) the names of the persons for whom those vehicles have been allocated;
 - (iii) the monthly rent for the aforesaid vehicles and the fuel expenditure incurred on them;
 - (iv) the purposes for which the buildings obtained as mentioned in above (a) are used;
 - (v) the address of each of the aforesaid buildings; and
 - (vi) the monthly rent or the lease paid for the aforesaid buildings?
- (c) Will he present to this House with proof the basis on which tenders were called regarding the rent or lease of the buildings and vehicles and payments made?
- (d) If not, why?

0326/'06

9.

Hon. T. Maheswaran,—To ask the Minister of Infrastructure Development and Fisheries Housing,—

- (a) Will he state separately whether officers who held high positions or other officers or employees attached to the Ministry of Infrastructure Development and Fisheries Housing and Boards, Departments, Corporations and Institutions that come under it, have been subjected to transfer, removal from service or demotion after the present Government assumed office?
- (b) Will he inform this House of—
- (i) the reasons, if so; and
 - (ii) the particulars of these persons thus rendered helpless including their names, the posts held and the places of work separately?
- (c) If not, why?

0291/'06

10.

Hon. Ramalingam Chandrasekar,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence—

- (a) Will he inform this house the number of complaints of various kinds received by the Bogowanthalawa Police Station in Nuwara Eliya District from 02.04.2004 to 31.01.2006?

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- (b) Will he state separately, the number of such complaints which have been inquired into and decisions have been given out of the aforesaid complaints and the number of those remaining uninquired?
- (c) Will he submit to this House, separately, in respect of each such uninquired complaints received,—
 - (i) the date on which the complaint was received;
 - (ii) the officer who accepted it;
 - (iii) the nature of the complaint; and the reason for not inquiring the same?
- (d) Will he inform this House the measures that are to be taken with regard to the said complaints not being inquired into?
- (e) If not, why?

0292/06

11.

Hon. Ramalingam Chandrasekar,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence—

- (a) Will he inform this house the number of complaints of various kinds received by the Norwood Police Station in Nuwara Eliya District from 02.04.2004 to 31.01.2006?
- (b) Will he state separately, the number of such complaints which have been inquired into and decisions have been given out of the aforesaid complaints and the number of those remaining uninquired?
- (c) Will he submit to this House, separately, in respect of each such uninquired complaints received,—
 - (i) the date on which the complaint was received;
 - (ii) the officer who accepted it;
 - (iii) the nature of the complaint; and the reason for not inquiring the same?
- (d) Will he inform this House the measures that are to be taken with regard to the said complaints not being inquired into?
- (e) If not, why?

0293/'06

12.

Hon. Ramalingam Chandrasekar,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence—

- (a) Will he inform this house the number of complaints of various kinds received by the Maskeliya Police Station in Nuwara Eliya District from 02.04.2004 to 31.01.2006?
- (b) Will he state separately, the number of such complaints which have been inquired into and decisions have been given out of the aforesaid complaints and the number of those remaining uninquired?
- (c) Will he submit to this House, separately, in respect of each such uninquired complaints received,—
 - (i) the date on which the complaint was received;
 - (ii) the officer who accepted it;
 - (iii) the nature of the complaint; and the reason for not inquiring the same?
- (d) Will he inform this House the measures that are to be taken with regard to the said complaints not being inquired into?
- (e) If not, why?

0087/'05

13.

Hon. Hasen Ali,— To ask the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,—

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) eighty registered Medical practitioners were selected to follow a course of study leading to Doctor of Medicine (MD) in St. Petersburg in Russia in 1997;
 - (ii) study leave and other assistances were obtained from the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Public Administration following the approval of a Cabinet Sub-Committee;
 - (iii) Sri Lanka Medical Council (SLMC) had recognized a Medical Academy in Russia for RMOs to follow the MD Degree offered by the said Academy and later de-recognized their MD Degree; and
 - (iv) the Court of Appeal judgement held in favour of RMO was affirmed by the Supreme court in their judgement SC (Spl) LA 97/2004?

- (b) Will he admit the facts that—
 - (i) an order was issued to suspend the recognition of MD degree and a Committee had been appointed to investigate the matter; and
 - (ii) if so, it is not violation of the Supreme Court decision?
- (c) Will he take necessary actions to issue letters of recognition to these R.M.Os?
- (d) If not, why?

0313/06

14.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Will he state in this House—
 - (i) the details of radio broadcasting Licences issued from January, 1995 to-date along with names and addresses of Licencees;
 - (ii) the radio spectrum allocated; and
 - (iii) the amounts charged for issuing of such Licences and radio spectrum separately?
- (b) Will he provide the details of public tender procedure to be followed as per the government rules when issuing the aforesaid Licences and radio spectrum as they are considered public property?
- (c) If not, why?

0314/06

15.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—

- (a) Will he state in this House—
 - (i) the details of mobile telephones and CDMA Licences issued from January, 1995 to-date with names and addresses of licencees;
 - (ii) the frequency spectrum allocated; and
 - (iii) the amounts charged for issuing of such Licences and frequency spectrum separately?
 - (b) Will he provide the details of public tender procedure to be followed as per the government rules when issuing the aforesaid Licences and frequency spectrum as they are considered public property?
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(c) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Presentation of Bills

1.

The Minister of Labour Relations and Foreign Employment,— Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children Act, No. 47 of 1956.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

National Authority on Tobacco and Alcohol Bill — Second Reading.

* 2.

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)

*3.

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.

*4.

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.

*5.

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

*6.

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

* 7.

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.

*8.

Ceylon Electricity Board (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*9.

Electricity Reform (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*10.

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

*11.

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

*12.

Katikavat Registration Bill — Second Reading

*13.

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.

*14.

The Minister of Agricultural Development,— Regulations under the Survey Act (No.2),— That the “Certificate of Accreditation 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.

*15.

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.

*16.

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.

*17.

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.

*18.

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.

*19.

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 :—

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

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)

*20.

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 Oppostion	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/-	38,192.50	54,285/-

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(initial salary)

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.)

* 21.

The 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.

(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)

*22.

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)

*23.

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)

*24.

Governors’ Pension Bill — Second Reading

P.6/04

25.

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.

26.

Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution Bill — Second Reading

27.

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

28.

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

29.

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

30.

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

31.

Serendib Educational Trust (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

32.

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

33.

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

34.

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.
