



[Sixth Parliament - Second Session]

No. 40.]

**ORDER PAPER
OF
PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Tuesday, July 04, 2006 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0294/'06

1.

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 Ginigathhena 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 given and the number of those remaining uninquired?
- (c) Will he submit to this House, separately in respect of each such uninquired complaints,—
 - (i) the date that the complaint was received;
 - (ii) the officer who accepted it;
 - (iii) the nature of the complaint and the reason for not being inquired.
- (d) Will he inform this house the measures that are to be taken with regard to the aforesaid complaints for not being inquired?
- (e) If not, why?

0295/06

2.

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 Hatton 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 given and the number of those remaining uninquired?
- (c) Will he submit to this House, separately in respect of each such uninquired complaints,—
 - (i) the date that the complaint was received;
 - (ii) the officer who accepted it;
 - (iii) the nature of the complaint and the reason for not being inquired.
- (d) Will he inform this house the measures that are to be taken with regard to the aforesaid complaints for not being inquired?
- (e) If not, why?

0296/'06

3.

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 Talawakelle 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 given and the number of those remaining uninquired?
- (c) Will he submit to this House, separately in respect of each such uninquired complaints,—
 - (i) the date that the complaint was received;
 - (ii) the officer who accepted it;
 - (iii) the nature of the complaint and the reason for not being inquired.
- (d) Will he inform this house the measures that are to be taken with regard to the aforesaid complaints for not being inquired?
- (e) If not, why?

0161/'06

4.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Samurdhi and Poverty Alleviation—

- (a) Will she state this House separately—

- (i) the number of vehicles made available to the Minister of Samurdhi and Poverty Alleviation and her security divisions and her personal staff;
 - (ii) out of those vehicles, the number of those that have been obtained on rent or on contract basis;
 - (iii) the names, ages and the dates of recruitment to service of the drivers assigned to those vehicles;
 - (iv) if they are attached from the public service, the institutions from which they have been so attached;
 - (v) whether drivers have been newly recruited on contract basis;
- (b) If not, why?

0162/'06

5.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Coconut Development and Deputy Minister of Science and Technology—

- (a) Will he state this House separately—
- (i) the number of vehicles made available to the Minister of Coconut Development and his security divisions and his personal staff;
 - (ii) out of those vehicles, the number of those that have been obtained on rent or on contract basis;
 - (iii) the names, ages and the dates of recruitment to service of the drivers assigned to those vehicles;
 - (iv) if they are attached from the public service, the institutions from which they have been so attached;
 - (v) whether drivers have been newly recruited on contract basis;
- (b) If not, why?

0163/'06

6.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Rural Livelihood Development and Deputy Minister of Social Services and Social Welfare—

- (a) Will he state this House separately—
- (i) the number of vehicles made available to the Minister of Rural Livelihood Development and his security divisions and his personal staff;

- (ii) out of those vehicles, the number of those that have been obtained on rent or on contract basis;
 - (iii) the names, ages and the dates of recruitment to service of the drivers assigned to those vehicles;
 - (iv) if they are attached from the public service, the institutions from which they have been so attached;
 - (v) whether drivers have been newly recruited on contract basis;
- (b) If not, why?.

0312/'06

7.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the details of Telecasting Station Licences issued from January, 1995 to-date along with names and addresses of Licensees;
 - (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 Licenses and frequency spectrum as they are considered public property?
- (c) If not, why?

0375/'06

8.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House
- (i) the number of commercial banks operating in Sri Lanka as at date;
 - (ii) whether they are government controlled or privately owned;
 - (iii) if so, Government controlled, the names of the Government controlled stakeholders?

(b) Will he state —

- (i) the amount of direct and indirect taxes collected from each bank under different categories for the last 10 years as a percentage of the total taxes collected;
- (ii) a comparison of the total taxes against the turnover of each bank as a percentage;
- (iii) whether the taxes were increased recently;
- (iv) if so, what taxes had been increased and by what percentage;
- (v) whether it has contributed to increase in the lending rate and to push up the borrowing rate?

(c) If not, why?

0376/06

9.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development,-

- (a) Is he aware that the Government pledged to give fertilizer for Rs. 350/- in the Presidential Manifesto in 2005?
- (b) Will he state in this House whether a bag of fertilizer is sold at present for the said price?
- (c) Will he state per year basis separately—
 - (i) the amount of money utilized by the Government for fertilizer from 01.01.2000 to 31.12.2005 and 01.01.2006 to-date;
 - (ii) the total fertilizer tonnage distributed during the above period;
 - (iii) the amount of money due to the private Companies for import of fertilizer and selling it to the farmers and private sector on behalf of the Government?
- (d) If not, why?

0252/06

10.

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Samurdhi and Poverty Alleviation,—

- (a) Will she inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Samurdhi recipients in the Nagoda Divisional Secretariat Division in the Galle District;

- (ii) separately, the number of Samurdhi recipients receiving allowances to the values of Rs. 300/-, 500/- and 700/-;
- (iii) separately, the number of aforesaid recipients following the increase of the Samurdhi allowance by 50% after the Presidential Elections, 2005?
- (b) Will she state whether the lists of Samurdhi recipients have been amended after the Presidential Elections 2005?
- (c) If so, will she present this House, the amended lists of Samurdhi recipients along with their respective allowances?
- (d) Will she state as to what steps would be taken, if the aforesaid Samurdhi recipients possess assets and income in excess of those expected to be possessed by Samurdhi recipients?
- (e) If not, why?

0253/'06

11.

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Samurdhi and Poverty Alleviation,—

- (a) Will she inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Samurdhi recipients in the Niyagama Divisional Secretariat Division in the Galle District;
 - (ii) separately, the number of Samurdhi recipients receiving allowances to the values of Rs. 300/-, 500/- and 700/-;
 - (iii) separately, the number of aforesaid recipients following the increase of the Samurdhi allowance by 50% after the Presidential Elections, 2005?
- (b) Will she state whether the lists of Samurdhi recipients have been amended after the Presidential Elections 2005?
- (c) If so, will she present this House, the amended lists of Samurdhi recipients along with their respective allowances?
- (d) Will she state as to what steps would be taken, if the aforesaid Samurdhi recipients possess assets and income in excess of those expected to be possessed by Samurdhi recipients?
- (e) If not, why?

0254/'06

12.

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Samurdhi and Poverty Alleviation,—

- (a) Will she inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Samurdhi recipients in the Neluwa Divisional Secretariat Division in the Galle District;
 - (ii) separately, the number of Samurdhi recipients receiving allowances to the values of Rs. 300/-, 500/- and 700/-;
 - (iii) separately, the number of aforesaid recipients following the increase of the Samurdhi allowance by 50% after the Presidential Elections, 2005?
- (b) Will she state whether the lists of Samurdhi recipients have been amended after the Presidential Elections 2005?
- (c) If so, will she present this House, the amended lists of Samurdhi recipients along with their respective allowances?
- (d) Will she state as to what steps would be taken, if the aforesaid Samurdhi recipients possess assets and income in excess of those expected to be possessed by Samurdhi recipients?
- (e) If not, why?

0171/'06

13.

Hon. T. Maheswaran,— To ask the Minister of Trade, Commerce, Consumer Affairs and Marketing Development and Minister of Highways,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) there is an arrangement for the maintenance and protection of Road reservations belonging to the Road Development Authority;
 - (ii) the old road which is not being used at present near the old Palam Thuna (three bridges) on the Battaramulla - Pannipitiya Road exists as a reservation;
 - (iii) that Reservation is depicted in the relevant plan?
- (b) Will he state whether—
 - (i) another Reservation has been created after the acquisition of land for the widening of the road on that site; and

- (ii) the aforesaid reservation is depicted in the Survey Plan No. 6534 dated 08.02.1989 made by the Survey Department and also in the plan of the said highway?
- (c) Is he aware that—
 - (i) a plan has been made in a fraudulent manner in respect of the said blocks of land by Mr. C. de S. Gunathilaka, Surveyor, in January, 2002 under No. 2999;
 - (ii) that plan has been approved under B/BA/29/02 on 05.02.2002 by the Kaduwela Pradeshiya Sabha; and
 - (iii) a forged deed has been made in respect of that block of land on 19.01.2002 under No. 9599 by Mr. Wadugedara Sunil Premawardhana, Notary Public?
- (d) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) what action will be taken regarding these fraudulent activities; and
 - (ii) whether the aforesaid road belonging to the Road Development Authority will be reconstructed for the benefit of the public?
- (e) If not, why?

0190/06

14.

Hon. Anura Dissanayake,— To ask the Minister of Railways and Transport and Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development,—

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a state land in the Colombo Port, 8 acres - 2 roods - 21.44 perches (3.4966 hectare) in extent, was sold to Lanka Marine Services Limited (LMS) for Rs. 1,199,362,500.00 on or around 01.02.2005; and
 - (ii) on which date the said amount of Rs. 1,199,362,500.00 was paid to the Government in respect of the aforesaid land?
- (b) Will he table the copy of the receipt pertaining to this transaction?
- (c) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the said land should have been given to the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation; and
 - (ii) this land was transferred to the said company on the recommendations made by Mr. P. Weerahennedi, the then Secretary to the Ministry, by his letter dated 2004.11.03?

- (d) Will he state whether the Cabinet approval was granted for the aforesaid transfer?
- (e) Will he inform this House of the assessed value determined by the Chief Valuer for the said state-owned land and the date of its assessment?
- (f) If not, why?

0310/06

15.

Hon. Hasen Ali,— To ask the Minister of Education,—

- (a) Is he aware that an SLEAS officer holding a responsible position in the Ministry is not entitled under Chapter XLVII Clause 6.8 of the Establishments Code to hold any other positions in another institution without obtaining prior approval from the Secretary to the Ministry—
- (b) Will he state separately—
 - (i) whether an SLEAS officer could serve as a correspondent of any newspaper in his/her private capacity and obtain payments for such services;
 - (ii) whether an SLEAS Officer as a correspondent in his/her private capacity as a correspondent of a media could opt for foreign scholarships, exclusively meant for personnel in the media sector to enhance their knowledge in the relevant field?
- (c) Will he state whether the Ministry of Education could grant leave for such officers to proceed on such type of a study tour under the pretext of “Employment Purpose/Study abroad” under Establishment Circular No. 344 of 24.03.1980?
- (d) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Presentation of Bills

1.

The Minister of Mass Media and Information,— Social Security Benefit Scheme for Media Personnel,— Bill to establish and maintain a Social Security Benefit Scheme for Media Personnel, to provide for the operation and control of the Social Security Benefit Scheme by the Social Security Board; and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

2.

The Minister of Plantation Industries and Deputy Minister of Rural Economic Development,— Tea Research Board (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Tea Research Board Act, No. 52 of 1993.

3.

The Minister of Plantation Industries and Deputy Minister of Rural Economic Development,— Sri Lanka Tea Board (Amendment),- Bill to amend the Sri Lanka Tea Board Law, No. 14 of 1975.

4.

The Minister of Plantation Industries and Deputy Minister of Rural Economic Development,— Tea Small Holdings Development (Amendment),- Bill to amend the Tea Small Holdings Development Law, No. 35 of 1975.

Notice of Motions

5.

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera, Leave to introduce Bill : That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill :

“Bill to incorporate the Institute for Research and Development”

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

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)

*2.

The Minister of Plantation Industries and Deputy Minister of Rural Economic Development,— Order under Sri Lanka Tea Board Law,— That the Order made by the Minister of Plantation Industries under Section 13(1) (b) of the Sri Lanka Tea Board Law, No. 14 of 1975 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1441/03 of 17th April, 2006 which was presented on 20.06.2006 be approved.

(Cabinet Approval signified.)

*3.

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

*4.

National Authority on Tobacco and Alcohol Bill — Second Reading.

*5.

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

*6.

The Minister of Railways and Transport, and Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development.— Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act (No. 1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Railways and Transport, and Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development under Section 19 and 237 of the Motor Traffic Act (Chapter 203) as amended by Act, No. 21 of 1981 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1446/31 of 25th May, 2006 which were presented on 20.06.2006 be approved.

*7.

The Minister of Railways and Transport, and Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development,— Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act (No. 2),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Railways and Minister of Transport, and Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development under Section 237 of the Motor Traffic Act (Chapter 203) as amended by Act, No. 21 of 1981 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1446/31 of 25th May, 2006 which were presented on 20.06.2006 be approved.

*8.

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.

*9.

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.

*10.

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

*11.

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

* 12.

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.

*13.

The Minister of Trade, Commerce, Consumer Affairs and Marketing Development and Minister of Highways,— Regulations under Imports and Exports (Control) Act,— That the “Imports (Standardization and Quality Control) Regulations 2006” made by the Minister of Trade, Commerce, Consumer Affairs and Marketing Development by virtue of the powers vested in him under Section 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 of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, No. 1447/28 of 01st June, 2006 which were presented on 23.06.2006 be approved.

*14.

Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*15.

The Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,— Regulations under Quarantine and Prevention of Diseases Ordinance,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition by virtue of the powers vested in him by Section 2 read with Paragraph (p) of sub-section (1) of Section 3 of the Quarantine and Prevention of Diseases Ordinance (Chapter 222) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1443/21 of 06th May, 2006 which were presented on 20.06.2006 be approved.

*16.

Sri Lanka Institute of Advanced Technical Education (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*17.

Ceylon Electricity Board (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*18.

Electricity Reform (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

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19.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,— Resolution under Appropriation Act (No. 1).— That this Parliament resolves that the orders 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 Appropriation Act, No. 15 of 2004 and specified in the schedule hereto, be approved.

These orders are valid only up to 31.12.2005.

SCHEDULE

SCHEDULE OF VARIATION OF LIMITS OF ADVANCE ACCOUNTS PERTAINING TO ADVANCES TO
PUBLIC OFFICERS AUTHORISED BY THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND PLANNING UNDER SECTION 7 OF THE APPROPRIATION ACT, No. 15 OF 2004 IN RESPECT OF
FINANCE YEAR 2005

Sri No.	Ministry/Department	Item No.	Maximum Limit of Expenditure in Column II		Minimum Limit of Receipts in Column III		Maximum Limit of Debit Balance in Column IV		Order No.
			From	To	From	To	From	To	
1	Minister of Industry and Investment Promotion	22401	14,000,000	11,000,000	5,900,000	4,500,000	—	—	1
2	Minister of Tourism	57401	1,000,000	4,000,000	100,000	1,100,000	5,000,000	10,000,000	2
3	Department of Foreign Aid and Budget Monitoring	84801	200,000	4,000,000	10,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	15,000,000	3
4	Courts Administration	75701	115,000,000	135,000,000	80,600,000	81,600,000	—	—	4
5	Her Excellency the President	10101	21,000,000	17,000,000	7,600,000	6,000,000	—	—	5
6	Sri Lanka Air Force	75301	128,000,000	138,000,000	20,800,000	120,000,000	846,200,000	750,000,000	6
7	Minister of Housing and Construction Industry Eastern Province Education and Irrigation Development	29401	—	—	—	—	9,300,000	30,000,000	7
8	Minister of Highways	18401	1,500,000	2,000,000	—	—	—	—	10

9	Department of Irrigation	85301	80,000,000	85,000,000	—	—	—	11
10	Minister of Urban Development and Water Supply	28401	—	—	5,500,000	2,000,000	—	12
11	Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources	85901	22,000,000	19,000,000	—	—	—	14
12	Department of Coast Conservation	86501	5,000,000	8,000,000	—	—	33,300,000	15
13	Minister of Regional Infrastructure Development	41401	—	—	—	—	58,600,000	16
14	District Secretariat/Kachcheri, Jafna	82701	23,000,000	32,000,000	20,000,000	14,000,000	44,000,000	17
15	District Secretariat/Kachcheri, Mullativu	83101	3,500,000	6,000,000	—	—	—	18
16	District Secretariat/Kachcheri, Kilinochchi	83201	4,500,000	14,500,000	—	—	—	19
17	District Secretariat/Kachcheri, Batticaloa	83301	10,000,000	30,000,000	—	—	70,200,000	20
18	District Secretariat/Kachcheri, Ampara	83401	34,000,000	54,000,000	22,200,000	21,500,000	—	21
19	Minister of Provincial Councils and Local Government	36401	—	—	3,200,000	2,900,000	10,950,000	22
20	Minister of Small and Rural Industries	43401	—	—	2,000,000	1,834,000	—	23
21	Minister of Finance and Planning	19401	—	—	—	—	58,375,000	25
22	Department of Police	75401	650,000,000	670,000,000	628,900,000	590,000,000	—	26 and 37

23	Department of Agrarian Development	85201	—	—	72,500,000	64,886,000	—	—	27
24	District Secretariat - Gampaha	81801	—	—	72,400,000	37,000,000	—	—	28
25	District Secretariat - Badulla	84101	—	—	19,000,000	17,000,000	—	—	29
26	District Secretariat - Kegalle	84401	—	—	22,600,000	20,500,000	—	—	30
27	Minister of Power and Energy	16401	—	—	3,700,000	2,200,000	—	—	31
28	Minister of Education	45401	—	—	473,000,000	430,000,000	—	—	32
29	Sri Lanka Army	75101	—	—	779,000,000	745,000,000	—	—	33
30	Minister of Transport	17401	—	—	—	—	9,180,000	16,000,000	36

Sgd. Mahinda Rajapaksa
Minister of Finance and Planning

Colombo 01.
17 April, 2006

(Cabinet Approval signified.)

*20.

Katikavat Registration Bill — Second Reading

*21.

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.

*22.

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.

*23.

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.

*24.

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.

*25.

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.

*26.

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.

*27.

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/-

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)

*28.

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</i>	<i>Comparative Post and Number, Salary Code & Salary according to 6/2006</i>	<i>Proposed Allowances 2006.01.01</i>	<i>2007.01.01</i>
	<i>Rs.</i>		<i>Rs.</i>	<i>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.)

* 29.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,— Resolution under Appropriation Act (No. 2),— 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 To	Rs. Rs.	800,000,000 920,000,000
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(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)

*30.

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)

*31

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)

*32.

Governors’ Pension Bill — Second Reading

33.

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.

34.

Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution Bill — Second Reading

35.

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

36.

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

37.

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

38.

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

39.

Serendib Educational Trust (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

40.

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

41.

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

42.

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

43.

Lanka Children's and Youth Theatre Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

**Indicates Government Business.*

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

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWER

0351/'06

1.

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 Veyangoda 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?

0352/'06

2.

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 Veeragula 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 instigation 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?

0353/'06

3.

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 Kadawatha 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?

0354/06

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 Biyagama 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?

0355/'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 Sapugaskanda 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?

0356/'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 Meegahawatta 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?

0357/'06

7.

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 Ragama 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?

0358/'06

8.

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 Ja-Ela 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?

0359/'06

9.

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 Kandana 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?

0360/06

10.

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 Peliyagoda 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?

0361/'06

11.

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 Kelaniya 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?

0362/'06

12.

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 Wattala 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?

0367/'06

13.

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 Divulapitiya 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 instigation 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?

0368/'06

14.

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 Kotadeniyawa 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 instigation 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?

0369/'06

15.

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 Seeduwa 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 instigation 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?

0370/06

16.

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 Katunayaka 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 instigation 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?

17.

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 Raddolugama 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?
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