



[Sixth Parliament - Second Session]

No. 51.]

**ORDER PAPER
OF
PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Tuesday, August 22 , 2006 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0403/'06

1.

Hon. R. M. Padma Udayashantha Gunasekera,— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House the extent of land belonging to the Ministry of Lands and to the relevant Divisional Secretary of the Medagama Divisional Secretariat Division in the Monaragala District, on the basis of the respective Grama Niladhari Division?
- (b) Will he state this House—
 - (i) whether eligible persons have been selected for the distribution of the aforesaid lands after conducting land kachcheries;
 - (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 the relevant inquiries were conducted, separately, and
 - (v) the names of the land recipients selected after the conclusion of such inquiries?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) what 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 will take action to grant lands only to those who are eligible?
- (d) If not, why?

0404/06

2.

Hon. R. M. Padma Udayashantha Gunasekera,,— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House the extent of land belonging to the Ministry of Lands and to the relevant Divisional Secretary of the Madulla Divisional Secretariat Division in the Monaragala District, on the basis of the respective Grama Niladhari Division?
- (b) Will he state this House—
 - (i) whether eligible persons have been selected for the distribution of the aforesaid lands after conducting land kachcheries;
 - (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 the relevant inquiries were conducted, separately, and
 - (v) the names of the land recipients selected after the conclusion of such inquiries?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) what 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 will take action to grant lands only to those who are eligible?
- (d) If not, why?

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3.

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 - (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 the relevant inquiries were conducted, separately, and

- (v) the names of the land recipients selected after the conclusion of such inquiries?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) what 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 will take action to grant lands only to those who are eligible?
- (d) If not, why?

0377/06

4.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvhihare— To ask the Minister of Education,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the present salary structure of officers belonging to Grades I, II and III respectively in the Sri Lanka Educational Administrative Service; and
 - (ii) of the separate salary structures of these same Grades which existed before 31.12.1996?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether he will take steps to eliminate the loss of salary caused to the retired officers due to the anomaly which prevails in these services according to those salary structures;
 - (ii) if so, when; and
 - (iii) if not, the reasons for it?
- (c) If not, why?

0378/06

5.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvhihare— To ask the Minister of Railways and Transport and Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the number of vehicles which were registered from 01st November, 2005 to 01st May, 2006 on Divisional Secretariat Division basis, separately?
- (b) Will he state, separately, out of those vehicles so registered—
 - (i) the number of heavy vehicles;
 - (ii) the number of light vehicles;
 - (iii) the number of three-wheelers;
 - (iv) the number of tractors; and
 - (v) the number of motorcycles?
- (c) If not, why?

0380/06

6.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvhihare,— To ask the Minister of Samurdhi and Poverty Alleviation,—(1)

- (a) Will she inform this House the number of pregnant mothers selected at Divisional Secretariat Divisions level to be given a nutritious bag of food items under the “Mahinda Chinthana” Programme?
- (b) Will she state, at the respective Divisional Secretariat Divisions level—
 - (i) the type of nutritious food contained in this bag of food; and
 - (ii) the amount of money to be spent on it?
- (c) If not, why?

0312/06

7.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,— (2)

- (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?

0313/06

8.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,— (2)

- (a) Will he state this House—
 - (i) the details of radio broadcasting Licences issued from January, 1995 to-date along with names and addresses of Licensees;

- (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

9.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,— (2)

- (a) Will he state this House—
 - (i) the details of mobile telephones and CDMA Licences issued from January, 1995 to-date 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 Licences and frequency spectrum as they are considered public property?
- (c) If not, why?

0190/06

10.

Hon. Anura Dissanayake,— To ask the Minister of Railways and Transport and Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development,— (3)

- (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?

0184/06

11.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Railways and Transport and Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether the government has granted the right to any public or private foreign institute to conduct explorations or studies regarding oil resources and gas deposits within the territorial waters of the country;
 - (ii) if so, to which institute and in which year;
 - (iii) whether any traces of such oil or gas deposits have been observed by now;
 - (iv) if so, in which area; and
 - (v) the quantity of resources contained in the respective deposits, approximately ?
- (b) Will he state -
- (i) whether any course of action has been initiated to extract such resources;
 - (ii) if so, in which year ?
- (c) If not, why ?

185/06

12.

Hon. R. P. A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the number of consumer families who have been provided with electricity supply in the Anuradhapura District by the distribution system (the National Grid) of the Ceylon Electricity Board;
 - (ii) the number of houses that have been provided with electricity supply in the Anuradhapura District as a percentage of the total number of houses in that district;
 - (iii) the number of power distribution projects launched in this district from year 2000 to year 2005;
 - (iv) the amount of money spent for the aforesaid purpose in each year;
 - (v) the names of institutions through which the aforesaid amounts of money were spent?
- (b) Will he state,—
 - (i) the number of villages that have not been provided with electricity supply in the Anuradhapura District; and
 - (ii) whether any programme will be introduced to provide electricity to the aforesaid villages?
- (c) If not, why?

0436/06

13.

Hon. (Ven.) Ellawala Medhananda Thero,— To ask the Minister of Cultural Affairs and National Heritage,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) even toilets have been erected on archaeological ruins at certain places in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) no action whatsoever has been taken by the Department of Archaeology in this regard; and
 - (iii) only when a monk settles in a deserted archaeological site that various restrictions are imposed and protests made?
- (b) Will he admit the fact that the Buddhist monks have a right to such archaeological sites since 99% of them are Buddhist places?

- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether he approves this situation; and
 - (ii) if not, the steps taken in this regard?
- (d) If not, why ?

0206/06

14.

Hon. Y.M. Navaratne Banda,—To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that a long period has elapsed since posts of Directors in the Non Administrative Service of the Ministry of Agriculture have fallen vacant?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the courses of action that have been followed so far regarding the calling of applications for filling the aforesaid vacancies in year 2004, according to the approval and regulations of the Public Service Commission?
 - (ii) what action will be taken in future to fill those vacancies?
- (c) Will he state the courses of action that will be followed with regard to the officers who have not been promoted to the posts of Directors but have been serving as Deputy Directors for a long time?
- (d) If not, why?

0300/06

15.

Hon. Ramalingam Chandrasekar,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House the number of complaints of various kinds received by the Ragala Police Station in Nuwara Eliya District from 02.04.2004 to 31.01.2006?
- (b) Will he state separately, the number of such complaints 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? _____

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Presentation of Bills

1.

Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,— Marriage Registration (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Marriage Registration Ordinance.

2.

Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,— Births and Deaths Registration (Amendment),— Bill to amend Births and Deaths Registration Act (Chapter 110)

3.

Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,— Marriage Registration (Amendment),— Bill to amend Marriage Registration Ordinance(Chapter 112)

4.

Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,— Kandyan Marriage and Divorce (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Kandyan Marriage and Divorce Act (Chapter 113)

5.

Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,— Muslim Marriage and Divorce (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Muslim Marriage and Divorce Act (Chapter 115)

Notice of Motions

6.

Hon. Indika Bandaranayake,—Leave to introduce Bill,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill :—

“Bill to incorporate the Lak Wijaya People’s Development Centre ”

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

Immigrants and Emigrants (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*2.

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.

*3.

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.

*4.

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.

*5.

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.

*6.

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.

*7.

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.

*8.

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.

9.

The Minister of Agricultural Development,— Regulations under the Land Development Ordinance,— That the “Land Development Regulations 2005” made by the Minister of Land and Indigenous Medicine under Sections 155 and 156 of the Land Development Ordinance as amended by the Act, No. 16 of 1969, Act, No. 27 of 1981, Act, No. 22 of 1993, Act, No. 9 of 1995 and Act, No. 20 of 1996 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1416/23 of 27th October 2005 which were presented on 07.07.2006 be approved.

*10.

Tea Research Board (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*11.

Sri Lanka Tea Board (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*12.

Tea Small Holdings Development (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*13.

Recovery of Loans by Banks (Special Provisions) (Amendment) Bill — Adjourned Debate on question — (18 July, 2006) [1]

*14.

Banking (Amendment) Bill — Adjourned Debate on question — (18 July, 2006) [1]

*15.

Non-performing Assets (Recovery) Bill — Adjourned Debate on question — (18 July, 2006) [1]

*16.

Gaming (Special Provisions) Bill — Adjourned Debate on question — (18 July, 2006) [1]

*17.

Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,— Order under the Stamp Duty (Special Provisions) Act — (No. 1), — That the Orders made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 3 of the Stamp Duty (Special Provisions) Act, No. 12 of 2006 read with Article 44(2) of the Constitution and published in the Gazettes Extraordinary Nos. 1439/1 dated 03rd April, 2006 and 1441/17 of 20th April, 2006, which were presented on 21.07.2006 be approved.

*18.

Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,— Order under the Stamp Duty (Special Provisions) Act — (No. 2), — That the Orders made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 5 of the Stamp Duty (Special Provisions) Act, No. 12 of 2006 read with Article 44(2) of the Constitution and published in the Gazettes Extraordinary Nos. 1439/2 dated 03rd April, 2006 and 1441/18 of 20th April, 2006, which were presented on 21.07.2006 be approved.

*19.

Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,— Order under the Stamp duty Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 69 of the Stamp Duty Act, No. 43 of 1982 read with Section 2 of that Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1439/3 of 03rd April, 2006 which were presented on 21.07.2006, be approved.

*20.

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.

*21.

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.

*22.

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.

*23.

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.

*24.

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

*25.

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

*26.

Companies Bill - Second Reading

* 27.

The Minister of Trade, Commerce, Consumer Affairs and Marketing Development and Minister of Highways,— Regulations under Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No. 1), — 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.

*28.

The Minister of Trade, Commerce, Consumer Affairs and Marketing Development and Minister of Highways,— Regulations under Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No. 2),— 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.

*29.

The Minister of Trade, Commerce, Consumer Affairs and Marketing Development and Minister of Highways,— Regulations under Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No. 3),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Trade, Commerce, Consumer Affairs and Marketing Development under Sections 4(3), 14 and 20 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 01 of 1969 as amended by Act, No. 48 of 1985 and Act, No. 28 of 1987, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1454/30 of 21st July 2006 which were presented on 08.08.2006 be approved.

*30.

The Minister of Agriculture, Irrigation and Mahaweli Development and Minister of Environment,— Notification under the Forest Ordinance,— That the Notification made by the Minister of Environment under Section 24 of the Forest Ordinance (Chapter 451) and published in Gazette Extraordinary No. 1447/19 of 31st May, 2006 which was presented on 19.07.2006 be approved.

*31.

The Minister of Housing and Construction,— Annual Report of the State Engineering Corporation of Sri Lanka - 2000,— That the Annual Report, Balance Sheet, Final Accounts and Auditor General's Report of the State Engineering Corporation of Sri Lanka for the year 2000 presented on 20.01.2004 under Section 14 (3) of the Finance Act No. 38 of 1971 be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Housing and Construction)

*32.

The Minister of Housing and Construction,— Annual Report of the State Engineering Corporation of Sri Lanka - 2001,— That the Annual Report, Balance Sheet, Final Accounts and Auditor General's Report of the State Engineering Corporation of Sri Lanka for the year 2001 presented on 20.01.2004 under Section 14 (3) of the Finance Act No. 38 of 1971 be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Housing and Construction)

*33.

The Minister of Housing and Construction,— Annual Report of the Institute of Construction Training and Development - 2003,—That the Annual Report, Balance Sheet, Final Accounts and Auditor General's Report of the Institute of Construction Training and Development (ICTAD) for the year 2003 presented on 04.01.2005 under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act No. 38 of 1971 be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Housing and Construction)

*34.

The Minister of Housing and Construction,— Annual Report of the Institute of Construction Training and Development - 2004,—That the Annual Report, Balance Sheet, Final Accounts and Auditor General's Report of the Institute of Construction Training and Development (ICTAD) for the year 2004 presented on 21.12.2005 under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act No. 38 of 1971 be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Housing and Construction)

*35.

The Minister of Industrial Development,—Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Cement Corporation - 2002,— That in terms of Section 30(1) of the State Industrial Corporations Act, No. 49 of 1957 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act No. 38 of 1971, the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Cement Corporation (2002) with the observations of Auditor-General which was presented on 14.02.2006 be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Science and Technology)

*36.

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

*37.

Ceylon Electricity Board (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*38.

Electricity Reform (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*39.

Katikavat Registration Bill — Second Reading

*40.

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)

*41.

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</i>	
	<i>Rs.</i>		<i>2006.01.01</i>	<i>2007.01.01</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.)

*42.

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)

*43.

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)

*44.

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)

*45.

Governors’ Pension Bill — Second Reading

46.

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.

47.

Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution Bill — Second Reading

48.

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

49.

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

50.

Serendib Educational Trust (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

51.

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

52.

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

53.
Abolition of the Temporary Amalgamation of the Northern and Eastern Provinces (Special Provisions) Bill — Second Reading.
54.
Bibliomania Educational Books for the Nation Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.
55.
General Consistory of the Dutch Reformed Church of Ceylon (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
56.
Our Kids Organization (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading
57.
Nawalapitiya Dharul Uloom Al Hashimiya Arabic College (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

**Indicates Government Business.*

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