



[ Sixth Parliament - Second Session ]

No. 53.]

**ORDER PAPER  
OF  
PARLIAMENT  
FOR**

**Thursday, August 24, 2006 at 9.30 a.m.**

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**QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS**

0389/06

1.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the Government pledged to provide a mid-day meal to all the school children in the country as stated in the Presidential Manifesto in 2005?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether the above pledge has been fulfilled by the Government ?
- (c) Will he state separately—
  - (i) the number of schools and children enjoying the mid-day meal;
  - (ii) the total cost incurred in this regard in the entire country to date per district, yearly and monthly basis;
  - (iii) the bearers of the cost?
- (d) Will he admit that there are a lot of allegations as most of the schools have not been provided with the mid-day meal?
- (e) If not, will he also state—
  - (i) as to what action could be taken to extend the same facility to all schools;
  - (ii) the persons responsible for this lapse?
- (f) If not, why?

0334/06

2.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) the number of part-time labourers who work in the School Dental Clinics in Sri Lanka; and

(iii) the names and addresses of them, separately?

(b) Will he take action to absorb these part-time labourers into the permanent service since they have already worked for more than 190 days?

(c) If not, why?

0335/06

3.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Plantation Industries and Deputy Minister of Rural Economic Promotion,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that unauthorized gem mining is taking place in the stretch of paddy field adjoining the Godakumbura estate No. 16 of the Endana Estate belonging to the Kahawatta Plantations Company, Ratnapura?

(b) Will he submit in this House, the particulars of the persons who are engaged in the unauthorized gem mining in this manner?

(c) Will he state the action that will be taken against such persons engaged in unauthorized gem mining?

(d) If not, why?

0336/06

4.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Housing and Construction,—(1)

(a) Will she state in this House,—

(i) the charges against the person called B.M. Luxman de Silva, Manager, Badulla Office of the National Housing Development Authority;

(ii) the actions that have been taken in that regard;

(iii) the punishment given, if he had been proved guilty for these offences?

(b) Will she accept that Mr. Luxman de Silva has been given a transfer to the Head Office, Colombo and promoted to the post of Assistant General Manager?

(c) If not, why?

0409/06

5.

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

(a) Will he inform this House of the extent of land belonging to the Ministry of Lands and to the relevant Divisional Secretary of the Thanamalwila Divisional Secretariat Division in the Monaragala District, on the basis of the respective Grama Niladhari Division?

- (b) Will he state in 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?

0410/06

6.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of the extent of land belonging to the Ministry of Lands and to the relevant Divisional Secretary of the Kataragama Divisional Secretariat Division in the Monaragala District, on the basis of the respective Grama Niladhari Division?
- (b) Will he state in 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?

0328/06

7.

Hon. T. Maheswaran,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of Ports and Aviation,—(4)

- (a) Will he give details of Institutions, Department, Corporations, Boards and Companies that come under the Ministry of Ports and Aviation?
- (b) Will he disclose the following information separately with details—
  - (i) the full names and addresses of the newly appointed officers including Chairman and Directors of all these Establishments;
  - (ii) the telephone numbers of their offices and official quarters and the mobile telephones;
  - (iii) their web-site addresses and E-mail addresses;
  - (iv) the details of their previous service and educational qualifications;
  - (v) the particulars of their personal staff;
  - (vi) the benefits that have already been given and are to be given;
  - (vii) their monthly wages;
  - (viii) the vehicles that have been assigned to them; and
  - (ix) the rent for those vehicles and their fuel and maintenance cost?
- (c) Will he submit the following information to this House separately in detail—
  - (i) whether the said newly appointed Chairman or Directors of such Institutions, Departments, Corporations and Boards have committed any crime or misappropriated State funds; and
  - (ii) whether there are cases pending in any court of law in Sri Lanka or any complaints lodged at police stations against them?
- (d) If not, why?

0205/06

8.

Hon. Y.M. Navaratne Banda,— To ask the Minister of Enterprise Development and Investment Promotion,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
  - (i) the number of foreign official tours that the Minister had made since the day he assumed duties as the Minister of Enterprise Development and Investment Promotion;

- (ii) separately, the number and designations of others who had participated on such foreign tours other than the Minister;
  - (iii) the air fares, accommodation charges and other expenditure incurred for the Minister and other persons on each such foreign tours;
  - (iv) under which vote and by which institution the said expenditure was incurred?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) the objectives of each of such foreign tour;
  - (ii) if such objectives have been achieved, the progress of it?
- (c) If not, why?

0492/06

9.

Hon. Dimuthum Bandara Abayakoon, —To ask the Minister of Resettlement,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware of the fact that there are large numbers of Sinhala, Tamil and Muslim families throughout the country who have been displaced as a result of the Noth East conflict, but have not yet been resettled?
- (b) Will he state —
- (i) separately, on Divisional Secretariat Division basis the number of Sinhala, Tamil and Muslim families that have not been resettled or not been provided with relief;
  - (ii) the total amount of money allocated in 2005 for the purpose of the Integrated Relief Aid Programme under the Resettlement Programme;
  - (iii) separately the number of Sinhala, Tamil and Muslim families that have been paid out of that money;
  - (iv) the institutions that carried out the resettlement programme; and
  - (v) separately and on the basis of ethnicity the amount of money paid under the resettlement programme by each such institution?
- (c) If not, why?

0493/06

10.

Hon. Dimuthu Bandara Abayakoon,— To ask the Minister of Railways and Transport and Minsiter of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether Ceypetco and the Ceylon Petroleum Storage Terminal Limited have obtained vehicles on rent or lease;and

- (ii) if so, their registration numbers and the sum of money spent monthly on each vehicle?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) whether vehicles owned by Ceypetco and the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation have been assigned for the use of outside persons;
  - (ii) if so, for whom;
  - (iii) on what basis?
- (c) If not, why?

0494/06

11.

Hon. Dimuthu Bandara Abayakoon,— To ask the Minister of Railways and Transport and Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) the total number of dual purpose and light vehicles owned by Ceypetco and the Ceylon Petroleum Storage Terminal Limited;
  - (ii) their registration numbers and the officials who use them?
- (b) Will he state —
  - (i) the number of vehicles that have been allocated officially to the Chairman of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation;
  - (ii) their make and registration numbers?
- (c) Will he submit to this House —
  - (i) the number of vehicles purchased by the aforesaid institutions from December 2005 upto now;
  - (ii) their registration numbers and prices?
- (d) If not, why ?

0488/06

12.

Hon. Anura Dissanayake— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House whether the ownership of the land, on which the Hilton Hotel was located in terms of the special Grants Allocations Register No. 673 of 26.07.1999 under the Land Ordinance, is vested with the government at present?
- (b) Will he state —
  - (i) the amount of money paid by the Hilton Hotel to the Government in lieu of its possession;

- (ii) if no such payment has been made, the steps taken in that regard;
  - (iii) whether the chief assessor assessed this land at Rs. 4018 million in August 2005; and
  - (iv) if not, what his assessed value is?
- (c) Will he state in this House —
- (i) whether the Government intends conferring the ownership of this land to the Hotel Developers (Lanka) Ltd. on the 99 years lease basis;
  - (ii) on what basis it is;and
  - (iii) the assessed value that will be levied in this regard?
- (d) If not, why?

0489/06

13.

Hon. Anura Dissanayake— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the payment of compensation, to Public Servants and civilians who die and become disabled as a result of the conflict in the North and East, are getting delayed for as long as 3 - 4 years?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) the reason for the said delays in providing relief;
  - (ii) the number of persons to whom compensation has been paid in 2005;and
  - (iii) the amount of money spent for this purpose?
- (c) Will he state by which institution under which Ministry the task of payment of compensation is performed following the new Cabinet reshuffle?
- (d) If not, why?

0490/06

14.

Hon. Anura Dissanayake— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware of the fact that a maximum of Rs. 100,000 in respect of a person from the Northern Province and a maximum of Rs. 50,000 in respect of a person from the other areas including the Eastern Province, have been paid when deaths occur as a result of the North East conflict?
- (b) Will he admit the fact that it is illegal for a government to treat the people of the country in two different ways?

- (c) Will he inform this House —
  - (i) whether it is not a violation of human rights; and
  - (ii) if so, who is responsible for such acts?
- (d) If not, why?

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## AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

### Notice of Motions

1.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sitting of the Parliament,— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 7 and the motion agreed to by Parliament on 17.01.2006, the hours of sitting this day shall be 9.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. At 4.30 p.m. Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the Parliament without question put.

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## NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

\*1.

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.

\*2.

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.

\*3.

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 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2005 which were presented on 07.03.2006 be approved.

\*4.

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 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2005 which were presented on 07.03.2006 be approved.

\*5.

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 teh 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 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2005 which were presented on 07.03.2006 be approved.

\*6.

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 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2005 which were presented on 07.03.2006 be approved.

\*7.

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 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2005 which were presented on 07.03.2006 be approved.

\*8.

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 Ocotber 2005 which were presented on 07.07.2006 be approved.

\*9.

Tea Research Board (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

\*10.

Sri Lanka Tea Board (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

\*11.

Tea Small Hodlings Development (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

\*12.

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

\*13.

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

\*14.

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

\*15.

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

\*16.

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.

\*17.

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.

\*18.

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.

\*19.

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.

\*20.

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.

\*21.

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.

\*22.

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

\*23.

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

\*24.

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

\*25.

Companies Bill - Second Reading

\* 26.

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.

\*27.

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.

\*28.

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.

\*29.

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.

\*30.

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 13 (1) of the Finance Act No. 38 of 1971 be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Housing and Construction)

\*31.

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 13 (1) 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 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 13(1) 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 - 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 13(1) of the Finance Act No. 38 of 1971 be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Housing and Construction)

\*34.

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)

\*35.

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

\*36.

Ceylon Electricity Board (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

\*37.

Electricity Reform (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

\*38.

Katikavat Registration Bill — Second Reading

\*39.

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

This Parliament further resolves that—

- 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,
- The balance 50% will be paid effective from 01.01.2007.

(Cabinet approval signified)

\*40.

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 &amp; 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<br>SF4 - 70,000.00 + 1,500.00                                      | 52,500/-<br>+ 1,500/-                     | 71,500/-              |
| 2. Hon. Speaker                       | 31,800/-                    | Attorney General<br>SF3 - 67,000.00 + 1,500.00                                   | 49,400/-<br>+ 1,500/-                     | 68,500/-              |
| 3. Cabinet/Non Cabinet Ministers      | 29,815/-                    | Puisne Judges<br>SF2 - 65,000/-                                                  | 47,407.50                                 | 65,000/-              |
| 4. Hon. Leader of the Opposition      | 29,815/-                    | Puisne Judges<br>SF2 - 65,000/-                                                  | 47,407.50                                 | 65,000/-              |
| 5. Hon. Deputy Ministers              | 28,750/-                    | Appeal Court Judges<br>SFI - 63,500/-                                            | 46,125/-                                  | 63,500/-              |
| 6. Hon. Deputy Speaker                | 28,750/-                    | Appeal Court Judges<br>SF1 - 63,500/-                                            | 46,125/-                                  | 63,500/-              |
| 7. Hon. Deputy Chairman of Committees | 28,750/-                    | Appeal Court Judges<br>SF1 - 63,500/-                                            | 46,125/-                                  | 63,500/-              |
| 8. Hon. Members of Parliament         | 22,100/-                    | High Court Judges<br>SL8 - 54,285/-<br>(initial salary)                          | 38,192.50                                 | 54,285/-              |

This Parliament further resolves that,—

- 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.
- The balance 50% will be paid effective from 01.01.2007.
- 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.)

\*41.

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.

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|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|---------------|
| (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)

\*42.

Resolution under the Customs Ordinance,— Adjourned Debate on question (24<sup>th</sup> 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 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2006)

(Cabinet approval signified)

\*43.

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)

\*44.

Governors' Pension Bill — Second Reading

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45.

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.

46.

Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution Bill — Second Reading

47.

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

48.

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

49.

Serendib Educational Trust (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

50.

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

51.

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

52.

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

53.

Bibliomania Educational Books for the Nation Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

54.

General Consistory of the Dutch Reformed Church of Ceylon (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

55.

Our Kids Organization (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading

56.

Nawalapitiya Dharul Uloom Al Hashimiya Arabic College (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

57.

National Kidney Foundation of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

*\*Indicates Government Business.*

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

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