



[Sixth Parliament - Second Session]

No. 56.]

**ORDER PAPER
OF
PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Wednesday, September 06, 2006 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTION FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0273/'06

1.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Railways and Transport and Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development,—(2)

- (a) Will he state this House separately,—
 - (i) the number of vehicles made available to the Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources 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?

0330/'06

2.

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

- (a) Is he aware that,—
 - (i) applications were called for teaching foreign languages namely French, German, Japanese and Russian, when graduates were recruited to the Teacher's Service;
 - (ii) the persons who were recruited after calling for applications as mentioned above have been given posts of Development Assistant without giving them the opportunity to teach the relevant languages?

(2)

- (b) Will he inform this House the steps that will be taken to rectify the injustice caused to these persons who have been recruited as mentioned above, when vacancies exist for the relevant teaching appointments?
- (c) If not, why?

0331/'06

3.

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

- (a) Is he aware that an injustice has been caused to students during the assessment of answer scripts of the last General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level) examination?
- (b) Will he state separately, the courses of action that will be followed in order to,
 - (i) neutralize the impact of this on the Z-score of the final result of the students, and
 - (ii) to prevent the delay that will be caused in enrolling students to the universities as a result of the above mentioned reason?
- (c) If not, why?

0453/'06

4.

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the Grama Niladhari Divisions with their respective Divisional Secretariat Divisions, which come under the jurisdiction of the Consumer Services Centre of the Ceylon Electricity Board of Walasmulla?
- (b) Will he state separately the number of transformers stationed in the area of this Consumer Services Centre as at June 01, 2006 and where they are stationed?
- (c) Will he state in this House separately,—
 - (i) the number of consumers who have obtained connections from each such transformer for purposes such as religious, domestic, commercial etc.;
 - (ii) the number of transformers in the entire area covered with three phase electricity lines; and
 - (iii) will he state, with reference to the electrical transformer concerned, the areas identified by the Ceylon Electricity Board as those which do not get the proper voltage in the above Consumer Services centre area?
- (d) If not, why?

0455/'06

5.

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the Grama Niladhari Divisions with their respective Divisional Secretariat Divisions, which come under the jurisdiction of the Consumer Services Centre of the Ceylon Electricity Board of Beliatta?
- (b) Will he state separately the number of transformers stationed in the area of this Consumer Services Centre as at June 01, 2006 where they are stationed?
- (c) Will he state in this House separately —
 - (i) the number of consumers who have obtained connections from each such transformer for purposes such as religious, domestic, commercial etc.;
 - (ii) the number of transformers in the entire area covered with three phase electricity lines; and
 - (iii) will he state, with reference to the electrical transformer concerned, the areas identified by the Ceylon Electricity Board as those which do not get the proper voltage in the above Consumer Services centre area?
- (d) If not, why?

0461/'06

6.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the number of pensioners in Sri Lanka per district basis;
 - (ii) the total cost of pensions to-date per year basis for the last five years;
 - (iii) the aforesaid pensions against total revenue of the Government and against Gross Domestic Product (GDP); and
 - (iv) the envisaged cost for pensioners for the next five years per year basis?
- (b) Will he state,—
 - (i) the increases given to the pensioners for the last 10 years to-date;
 - (ii) whether they were implemented; and
 - (iii) if so, when?
- (c) If not, why?

0463/'06

7.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Trade, Commerce, Consumer Affairs and Marketing Development and Minister of Highways,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the number of “Lak Sathosa” stores opened to-date;
 - (ii) the capital invested for the same;
 - (iii) if no capital used, the way that the stores were rented, purchased or aquired and goods bought;
 - (iv) the totoal turnover of “Lak Sathosa” per month to-date;
 - (v) the total cost of sales, cost of finance and total net profit or loss to-date?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of staff and personnel working in all these outlets; and
 - (ii) the total salary and the average salary per person?
- (c) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the way that aforesaid staff and personnel were recruited;
 - (ii) whether a competitive interview was held; and
 - (iii) other basis adopted to recruit them?
- (d) If not, why?

0464/'06

8.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Trade, Commerce, Consumer Affairs and Marketing Development and Minister of Highways,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the Minister of Finance in a Cabinet Paper of 11 April 2006 has mentioned that the CWE had imported rice and flour from 2004 to-date?
- (b) Will he state,—
 - (i) whether the outstanding amounts referred to in the Cabinet Paper as US Dollars 15 million and SL Rupees 275 million which makes a total of SL Rupees 1820 million are correct; and
 - (ii) if not what was the correct outstanding amount?
- (c) Will he inform this House, —
 - (i) the amount of money repaid to the Treasury and the dates;
 - (ii) if not, the reasons for not repaying the money borrowed from the Treasury; and

(5)

- (iii) the total debts to the Treasury from CWE for 2004, 2005 and 2006 to date separately?
- (d) If not, why?

0477/'06

9.

Hon. Abdul Bais Kamardeen,— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) whether one or more lands belonging to the Government or Government Departments, Corporations and associated Institutions in the Puttalam, and Munthal Divisional Secretariat Divisions of Puttalam District were encroached by private individuals;
 - (ii) if so, name such lands separately;
 - (iii) the extent and locations of those lands;
 - (iv) the actions taken against such encroachments; and
 - (v) the present situation in relation to this matter?
- (b) If not, why?

0478/'06

10.

Hon. Abdul Bais Kamardeen,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(1)

- (a) Will he state separately,—
 - (i) the Ministries in the Northwestern Provincial Council and Ministers in charge of these Ministries;
 - (ii) the details of financial allocations to these Ministries during the present regime of the above Provincial Council;
 - (iii) the amount allocated to Kurunegala and Puttalam District out of these allocations; and
 - (iv) the amount spent on the Puttalam Electorate out of the allocation for Puttalam District?
- (b) If not, why?

0485/'06

11.

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Minister Fisheries and Aquatic Resources,—

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) out of the employees working in the National Aquatic Resources Research and Development Agency (NARA), the number of employees who have obtained leave for foreign visit and have gone abroad from 01 January 2004 upto date;
 - (ii) the name, addresses, designation and the date of departure of those who went abroad and the duration of leaves taken by them; and
 - (iii) whether they have gone abroad according to the formal procedure of the institute?
- (b) Will he state,—
 - (i) out of those who went abroad the number of people who did not return to the country;
 - (ii) the steps that have been taken agaisnt those who did not return;
 - (iii) if any disciplinary action has not been taken, the reason for it?
- (c) If not, why?

0486/'06

12.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) when the provision of public funds to the Hotel Developers (Lanka) Company Ltd. commenced as loans along with such amounts;
 - (ii) separately, the amount of loans provided so by the State; and
 - (iii) the interest payable on such loans?
- (b) Will he state,—
 - (i) if there is an evasion in the payment of outstanding loans and interest payable to the government, the amount so unsettled;
 - (ii) the steps that will be taken by the Government to recover such dues;
 - (iii) whether the Cabinet of Ministers has taken any decision to issue shares of the said Hotel Developers (Lanka) Ltd. in order to settle the loans;
 - (iv) whether action has been taken according to such decision; and
 - (v) if not, from when it will be implemented?
- (c) If not, why?

0487/'06

13.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House whether the Supreme Court has given a ruling that there has been a massive fraud in the construction of the Hilton Hotel and who should be held responsible for such fraud?
- (b) Will he state,—
 - (i) the names of the officers who were served with charge sheet following investigations conducted by the Presidential Commission in 1995;
 - (ii) the positions held by such officers at that time;
 - (iii) whether an investigation was commenced by the Criminal Investigation Department in March 2004 as instructed by the Attorney-General after the term of the Presidential Commission was over; and
 - (iv) if so, its progress?
- (c) Will he state in this House,—
 - (i) whether a new plan with correct measurements has been drawn by the UDA having accepted that the plans of the Hilton Hotel are irregular and fraudulent; and
 - (ii) if any fraud has been committed, the steps taken by the government regarding it?
- (d) If not, why?

0496/'06

14.

Hon. Dimuthu Bandara Abayakoon,— To ask the Minister of Estate Infrastructure and Livestock Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the salary, over time allowances and consolidated allowances paid for the month of October 2005, to Mr. S.B.M.K. Lal who is employed as a driver in the Milco Company;
 - (ii) the basis on which the money has been paid; and
 - (iii) the reason for keeping this Driver, Mr. Lal attached to the Colombo office from the Digana Branch with full consolidated allowances when there are about 35 drivers in the Head Office?
- (b) Will he state,—
 - (i) the number of vehicles officially allocated to the Vice Chairman of the Milco Company; and
 - (ii) the names and the addresses of the drivers of those vehicles?
- (c) If not, why?

15.

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

- (a) Is she aware that,—
 - (i) the family of Mr. M.A. Gemunu Chandana Kumara of School Junction, Bataatha, Hungama in the Ambalanthota Divisional Secretariat Division is a low income earning family which received Samurdhi benefits; and
 - (ii) the Samurdhi benefits given to Mr. Gemunu Chandana Kumara have been stopped since his wife has done a temporary job in a garment factory for maintaining their family, and the male child of their family, who is under 18 years of age, has taken part in Samurdhi Sharmadana Companies?
- (b) Does she admit that this family has fallen into a very miserable situation as a result of being deprived of the Samurdhi benefits even after the above mentioned temporary job done in the garment factory was given up?
- (c) Will she direct the relevant parties to restore the aforesaid Samurdhi benefits immediately?
- (d) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Business of the Parliament,— That the proceedings on Item 01 of Public Business appearing on the Paper be exempted at this day's sitting from the provisions of Standing Order 23.

2.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sitting of the Parliament (No. 1),— 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.

3.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sitting of the Parliament (No. 2),— That this Parliament do meet on Wednesday 27th, Thursday 28th and Friday 29th, September, 2006 and that the hours of sitting on Wednesday and Thursday of the aforesaid days

shall be 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. and the hours of Sitting on Friday, 29th September 2006 shall be 9.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. At 3.30 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday and at 12.00 noon on Friday Standing Order 7(5) shall operate.

4.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sitting of the Parliament (No. 3),— That this Parliament at its rising this day, do adjourn until 9.30 a.m. on Wednesday 27th, September 2006.

5.

Hon. Jinadasa Kitulagoda,— Leave to introduce Bill,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill :—

“Bill to incorporate the K.R.G. Wijesundara National and Employees Welfare Foundation (Incorporation)”

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,— Resolution under the Public Security Ordinance,— That the Proclamation made by the President under Section 2 of the Public Security Ordinance (Chapter 40), as amended by Act, No. 8 of 1959, Law No. 6 of 1978, and Act, No. 28 of 1988, bringing into operation the provisions of Part II of the aforesaid Ordinance throughout Sri Lanka with effect from 02nd September, 2006 be approved.

*2.

Tea Research Board (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*3.

Sri Lanka Tea Board (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*4.

Tea Small Holdings Development (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*5.

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

*6..

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

*7.

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

*8.

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

*9.

Marriage Registration (Amendment) Bill (No. 190) — Second Reading

*10.

Births and Deaths Registration (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*11.

Marriage Registration (Amendment) Bill (No. 192) — Second Reading

*12.

Kandyan Marriage and Divorce (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*13.

Muslim Marriage and Divorce (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*14.

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.

*15.

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.

*16.

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 1443/21 of 06th May, 2006 which were presented on 20.06.2006 be approved.

*17.

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.

*18.

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

*19.

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

*20.

Companies Bill - Second Reading

*21.

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.

*22.

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.

*23.

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.

*24.

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.

*25.

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)

*26.

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)

*27.

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)

*28.

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)

*29.

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)

*30.

The Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources,—Annual Report of the Ceylon Fisheries Corporation - 2004,— That the Annual Report of the Ceylon Fisheries Corporation - 2004 presented on 26.05.2006 under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971 be approved.
(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Infrastructure Development and Fisheries Housing)

*31.

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

*32.

Ceylon Electricity Board (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*33.

Electricity Reform (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*34.

Katikavat Registration Bill — Second Reading

*35.

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—

- 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)

*36.

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 :

(14)

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

This Parliament further resolves that,—

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

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*37.

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 Appropriation Act, No. 15 of 2004 and specified in the order No. 38 hereto, be approved.

(15)

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

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(Cabinet approval signified)

*38.

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)

*39.

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)

*40.

Governors' Pension Bill — Second Reading

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41.

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.

42.

Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution Bill — Second Reading

43.

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

44.

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

45.

Serendib Educational Trust (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

46.

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

47.

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

48.

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

49.

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

50.

Our Kids Organization (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading

51.

Social Development Institute of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading

52.

Thai-Sri Lanka Buddhist Cultural Centre (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading

53.

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

54.

Royal Asiatic Society of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) (Amendment) Bill — Consideration

**Indicates Government Business.*

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