



No. 58.]

**ORDER PAPER
OF
PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Thursday, September 28, 2006 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0381/'06

1.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Agrarian Services and Development of Farmer Communities,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the quantities and the varieties of fertilizer issued on the basis of Divisional Secretariat Divisions from September 01, 2005 to May 01, 2006;
 - (ii) the value of the said quantities?
- (b) If not, why?

0427/'06

2.

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

- (a) Is he aware that the monthly season tickets provided to the Bhikku-students for travelling from the temple to the Pirivena for their studies have been abolished?
- (b) Will he state the reason why they were deprived of their monthly season tickets?
- (c) Will he take steps to extend to Bhikkus the privilege which the school students have been granted to travel in buses belonging to Sri Lanka Transport Board free of charge?
- (d) If not, will he take steps to issue monthly season tickets as was done earlier?
- (e) If not, why?

0429/06

3.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Irrigation and Mahaweli Development and Minister of Environment,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Mr. Nimal Dissanayaka residing at Pansalwatta, Mangalagama, Molagoda in the constituency of Rambukkana has been working as a Chainsaw Operator at the Warehouse of the State Timber Corporation in Palkelele, Kandy; and
 - (ii) two weeks' salary has been deducted from his pay on a false charge that he tore off an election campaign poster of His Excellency the President which had been pasted on the door of the store room of the said institution?
- (b) Will he take necessary steps to repay him his two weeks' salary which was deducted indiscriminately as an act of political victimization?
- (c) If not, why?

0466/06

4.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Textile Industry Development and Deputy Minister of Mahaweli Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he state this House —
 - (i) the date on which the Salusala Limited was established;
 - (ii) the number of Staff-members working there?
- (b) Will he inform this House per year basis the turnover of the Salusala Limited for the last 05 years?
- (c) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the number of outlets and manufacturing points of Salusala as at 1st June 2004;
 - (ii) the reason for closing Salusala units now;
 - (iii) the action taken regarding the additional idling staff; and
 - (iv) whether the staff are entitled to any compensation;
 - (v) the total debt of the Institution as at date; and
 - (vi) the net asset value of this Institution?
- (d) If not, why?

0469/06

5.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the paddy production of Sri Lanka for “Yala” and “Maha” seasons to date separately for the last five years;
 - (ii) the average cost of production per kilogram?
- (b) Will he state separately for the last five years,—
 - (i) the rice consumption in Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) the average retail price of rice?
- (c) Will he submit to this House —
 - (i) the number of metric tons of rice exported to Maldives, India or any other country; and
 - (ii) the price at which it was exported?
- (d) If not, why?

0508/06

6.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the date on which the GST was introduced in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) tax revenue collected separately for the last 08 years per year and per district basis;
 - (iii) the date on which the VAT was introduced;
 - (iv) the tax percentage; and
 - (v) the amount of input and output credit collected and paid out for the last 08 years per year basis?
- (b) Will he state per year basis for the last 08 years —
 - (i) the date of VAT payable to exporters, deemed exporters and other VAT refundable people;
 - (ii) the total outstanding;
 - (iii) tax revenue to be collected on behalf of the Government;
 - (iv) the action taken to collect such revenues; and
 - (v) the percentages applicable for VAT as of to-date?
- (c) If not, why?

0399/06

7.

Hon. R. M. Padma Udayashantha Gunasekara,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the funds allocated annually for each electricity scheme in the Monaragala District during the period 01.01.2000 to 08.05.2006, on the basis of Divisional Secretariat Divisions?
 - (ii) the funds allocated for electricity schemes with transformers, separately;
 - (iii) the number of beneficiary families;
 - (iv) if electricity extensions have been made out of these schemes, the names of such projects and the amounts of money that have been spent on the said schemes?
- (b) Will he state separately, the amounts of money estimated for the supply of electricity through the Electricity Board and the relevant projects in each Divisional Secretariat Division in the Monaragala District?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the projects that have transformers;
 - (ii) the estimated amount of money for such schemes and the number of beneficiary families, separately;
 - (iii) the details of the schemes concerned in the event that estimates have been prepared for electricity extensions out of the above schemes;
 - (iv) the amount of money so estimated and the number of beneficiary families separately?
- (d) If not, why?

0414/06

8.

Hon. R. M. Padma Udayashantha Gunasekera,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House the number of various complaints received by the Moneragala Police Station in the Moneragala District from 01.05.2005 to 08.05.2006?
- (b) Will he state separately,—
 - (i) out of the said complaints, the number of election complaints received during the election period;
 - (ii) the number of complaints inquired into and adjudicated;
 - (iii) the number of complaints which have not been inquired into?

- (c) Will he state separately, the number of complaints which have not been inquired into and the number of complaints which were not election related and yet have been inquired into and adjudicated?
- (d) Will he submit to this house separately, in respect of each complaint received,-
 - (i) the dates on which the uninquired complaints were received and the names of the officers who recorded those complaints;
 - (ii) the nature of the complaints and the reason for not inquiring into it?
- (e) Will he state the measures that will be taken for not inquiring into the said complaints?
- (f) If not, why?

0422/06

9.

Hon. L. G. Wasantha Piyatissa,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Will he state in this House the number of teachers recruited to the permanent teaching service out of those who were serving as volunteer teachers from 1994 to 01.08.2005 at the respective Provincial level?
- (b) Will he state,—
 - (i) the criteria on which recruitments were done;
 - (ii) the names of the Education Officers concerned who are responsible for giving appointments since appointments have been given to those who were not qualified while those who were qualified have not been given appointments;
 - (iii) whether disciplinary action will be taken against them?
- (c) Will he take necessary action to give permanent appointments to those who are qualified and yet have not been given appointments so far?
- (d) If not, why?

0423/06

10.

Hon. L. G. Wasantha Piyatissa,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Will he state separately the number of volunteer teachers who teach Tamil in Sinhala schools and the number of volunteer teachers who teach Sinhala in Tamil schools, in the North-East Province?
- (b) Will he take action to give permanent appointments to those teachers?
- (c) If not, why?

0504/06

11.

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

- (a) Is he aware of the fact that two private Television and Radio Licences have been issued in the name of two Institutions called Voice of Asian Network (Pvt.) Limited and Lanka T.V. Network Private Limited?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) if so, the dates on which the licences were issued;
 - (ii) separately, the names of the owners or the Board of Directors of these two institutions; and
 - (iii) whether the Telecommunication Regulatory Commission has allocated frequency ranges for the above?
- (c) If not, why?

0543/06

12.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Labour Relations and Foreign Employment,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that even though a sum of Rs. 35,000 is levied by foreign agencies in our country from each Sri Lankan expatriate worker to Malaysia to pay as tax to the Malaysian government, that sum has not been paid to the Malaysian government?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether the relevant Malaysian Employment Agencies recover that money monthly from the salaries from expatriate workers;
 - (ii) if so, the salaries that are paid to them at present;
 - (iii) the difference between the agreed salary and the present salary;
 - (iv) the number of Sri Lankan expatriate workers stranded in that country as a result of these reasons;
 - (v) whether an arrangement has been made to bring them back; and
 - (vi) if so, what it is?
- (c) Will he take action to pay compensation to those stranded in this manner?
- (d) If not, why?

0209/06

13.

Hon. Y. M. Navaratne Banda,— To ask the Minister of Railways and Transport and Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House the minimum period of service that a member of the staff should serve in each post in order to become eligible for a promotion according to the Recruitment and promotion procedures of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation?
- (b) Is he aware that promotions have been granted unfairly to 1010 persons under the pretext of political victimization allegedly taken place in the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation during the previous regime in 2002?
- (c) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the criteria which were considered for awarding the said promotions;
 - (ii) the name, the post held before the promotion, the basic qualifications required, the post of which the promotion has been effected; and
 - (iii) the nature of the act of political victimization?
- (d) Will he state—
 - (i) the criteria which were taken into consideration for granting promotions in accordance with the report of the committee on Political Victimization appointed by the present Government in 2004;
 - (ii) the basic qualifications, period of service, previous position and the post promoted to, separately, in respect of the persons who have been granted promotions and
 - (iii) the number of those who have been promoted as recommended as recommended; and whether there have been any instances where more than one promotion had been given to the same person?
- (e) If not, why?

0441/06

14.

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) students who scored over 69 cut-off marks were enrolled to the Law College in January, 2006;
 - (ii) eleven (11) students who had scored below 69 cut-off marks have been enrolled in March, 2006?

- (b) Will he admit that an injustice has been caused to Miss Chamanthi Devika Wijayasekara of 89/2, Pieries Mawatha, Kalubowila, Dehiwala by enrolling students who had scored 9 marks less than her whereas she had scored 67 marks?
- (c) Will he take necessary steps to rectify this injustice and grant an opportunity to Miss Chamanthi Devika Wijayasekara to get admission to the Law College?
- (d) If not, why?

0520/06

15.

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of approved teachers on the staff of the 'Maha Manthinda Vidyayathana Pirivena', Matara, in the Matara Education Zone;
 - (ii) whether the school teachers, and the Pirivena teachers serving in this pirivena have been absorbed into the Teachers' Service and Pirivena Teacher Service respectively and placed on the relevant salary scales;
 - (iii) whether a selected number of teachers have been placed on the Pirivena Teachers' Service and arrears paid with personal benefits; and
 - (iv) if so, the names of those teachers and the amount of money paid as arrears?
 - (b) Will he admit the facts that —
 - (i) the officers in-charge of the relevant subject at the Zonal Education office, Matara, have been evading the duties in relation to the above problems;
 - (ii) about 125 teachers have been deprived of the salaries and arrears of the 'Pirivena Teacher Service' for 3 years as a result of this?
 - (c) Will he state in detail —
 - (i) the date on which the increased salaries and allowances were paid to these teachers in terms of the new policy of the government; and
 - (ii) the steps that have been taken by now against these errant officers who have been neglecting their duties?
 - (d) If not, why?
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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

- *1.
Marriage Registration (Amendment) Bill (No. 190) — Second Reading
- *2.
Births and Deaths Registration (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading
- *3.
Marriage Registration (Amendment) Bill (No. 192) — Second Reading
- *4.
Kandyan Marriage and Divorce (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading
- *5.
Muslim Marriage and Divorce (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading
- *6.
Recovery of Loans by Banks (Special Provisions) (Amendment) Bill — Adjourned Debate on question — (18 July, 2006) [1]
- *7.
Banking (Amendment) Bill — Adjourned Debate on question — (18 July, 2006) [1]
- *8.
Non-performing Assets (Recovery) Bill — Adjourned Debate on question — (18 July, 2006) [1]
- *9.
Gaming (Special Provisions) Bill — Adjourned Debate on question — (18 July, 2006) [1]
- *10.
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. 42 hereto, be approved.

ORDER

Appropriation Act, No. 15 of 2004
Order No. 42 under Section 7

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 7 of the Appropriation Act, No. 15 of 2004, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the Activity Item No. 37402—"Purchase of Medical Surgical and Laboratory requisites Advance Accounts" Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition of the of the second schedule to that Act.

(i) Maximum limit of Expenditure specified in	From	Rs. 6,500,000,000
Column II of the Second Schedule to that Act	To	Rs 6,640,977,181
(ii) Minimum limit of Receipts specified in Column III	From	Rs. —
of the Second Schedule to that Act	To	Rs. —
(iii) Maximum limit of Debit Balance specified in	From	Rs. —
Column IV of the Second Schedule to that Act	To	Rs —
(iv) Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in	From	Rs. —
Column V of the Second Schedule to that Act	To	Rs —

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2005 only)

Sgd. MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA

Minister of Finance and Planning.

17.08.2006

Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*11.

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.

*12.

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.

*13.

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.

*14.

The Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,— Regulations under the Medical Ordinance,— Regulations made by the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition under Section 19 read with Section 72 of the Medical Ordinance (Chapter 105) in consultation with the Sri Lanka Medical Council and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1458/16 of 17th August, 2006 which was presented on 05.09.2006.

*15.

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.

*16.

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

*17.

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

*18.

Companies Bill - Second Reading

*19.

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.

*20.

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.

*21.

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.

*22.

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.

*23.

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)

*24.

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)

*25.

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)

*26.

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)

*27.

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)

*28.

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)

*29.

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

*30.

Ceylon Electricity Board (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*31.

Electricity Reform (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*32.

Katikavat Registration Bill — Second Reading

*33.

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)

*34.

The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution (No. 2),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 68(1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, that the Monthly Allowance payable to Hon. Prime Minister, Hon. Speaker, Hon. Deputy Speaker, Hon. Deputy Chairman of Committees, Hon. Ministers, Hon. Leader of the Opposition, Hon. Deputy Ministers and Hon. Members of Parliament shall be revised as follows :

<i>Post</i>	<i>Present Salaries Rs.</i>	<i>Comparative Post and Number, Salary Code & Salary according to 6/2006</i>	<i>Proposed Allowances 2006.01.01 Rs.</i>	<i>2007.01.01 Rs.</i>
1. Hon. Prime Minister	34,000/-	Chief Justice SF4 - 70,000.00 + 1,500.00	52,500/- + 1,500/-	71,500/-
2. Hon. Speaker	31,800/-	Attorney General SF3 - 67,000.00 + 1,500.00	49,400/- + 1,500/-	68,500/-
3. Cabinet/Non Cabinet Ministers	29,815/-	Puisne Judges SF2 - 65,000/-	47,407.50	65,000/-
4. Hon. Leader of the 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,—

- 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.)

*35.

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.

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	From	Rs.	800,000,000
Column II of the Second Schedule to that Act	To	Rs.	920,000,000
(ii) Minimum limit of Receipts specified in Column III	From	Rs.	800,000,000
of the Second Schedule to that Act	To	Rs.	575,000,000
(iii) Maximum limit of Debit Balance specified in	From	Rs.	3,200,000,000
Column IV of the Second Schedule to that Act	To	Rs.	3,483,000,000
(iv) Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in	From	Rs.	—
Column V of the Second Schedule to that Act	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)

*36.

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)

*37.

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)

*38.

Governors' Pension Bill — Second Reading

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39.

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.

40.

Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution Bill — Second Reading

41.

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

42.

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

43.

Serendib Educational Trust (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

44.

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

45.

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

46.

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

47.

Our Kids Organization (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading

48.

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

49.

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

50.

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

51.

Japan-Sri Lanka Educational and Cultural Association (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration

**Indicates Government Business.*

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