



No. 61.]

**ORDER PAPER
OF
PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Wednesday, October 04, 2006 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0172/06

1.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of Ports and Aviation,—(3)

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) malpractices do take place in the interviews conducted for recruitments to the Sri Lanka Foreign Service; and
 - (ii) some of those who were recruited recently had been given incredible marks such as 150, 148 and 145 at the interview?
- (b) Will he take action to hold an inquiry into the aforesaid matters?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the total approved cadre of the Sri Lanka Foreign Service;
 - (ii) the seniority order updated as at January, 2006?
 - (iii) the number of vacancies existing at present in the Foreign Service;
 - (iv) the number of officers recruited through the open competitive examinations held in 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004; and
 - (v) Who they are?
- (d) Will he present in this House in detail, the marks obtained by the aforesaid officers at the competitive examination and at the interview?
- (e) If not, why?

0334/06

2.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,—(2)

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

- (ii) 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?

0428/06

3.

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

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) Mr. N.C.S.P. Mendis who served as an Executive Officer, Grade IV in the Puttalam Depot of the Sri Lanka Transport Board has been transferred to Alawwa Depot situated around 100 kilometres away from his home town following the 2004 General Election;
 - (ii) salaries have not been paid to him from December 2005 to March 2006;
 - (iii) a complaint had been made by Mr. Mendis to Human Rights Commission in this regard?
- (b) Will he state in this House —
 - (i) the reasons for subjecting him to this type of inhuman treatment and illegal revenge who is acting as the Puttalam District Secretary and North West Provincial Organizer of the Jathika Sevaka Sangamaya; and
 - (ii) whether steps will be taken to transfer Mr. Mendis back to the Puttalam Depot, reinstate him in the previously held position and pay due salaries with arrears?
- (c) If not, why?

0510/06

4.

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

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) roads which come under Norwood Region of RDA have no pedestrian crossings and this causes road accidents; and

- (ii) many schools are situated near main roads in areas which come under the above authority?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the actions taken to control the situation; and
 - (ii) the reasons for not constructing pedestrian crossings on these roads?
- (c) If not, why?

0511/06

5.

Hon. T. Maheswaran,— To ask the Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) there are no medicine in estate hospitals;
 - (ii) hospitals with ambulance facilities, provide such facilities to patients after holding lengthy inquiries;
 - (iii) pregnant ladies in this area are transported in lorries to obtain treatment in town hospitals;
 - (iv) Thripasha is prepared unhygienically at creches in estates; and
 - (v) as a result of this unhygienic preparation, children often fall sick?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the reason for not educating people about hygienic practices; and
 - (ii) the action taken to improve the poor state of the health sector?
- (c) If not, why?

0514/06

6.

Hon. T. Maheswaran,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the date that the applications were called to fill the vacancy for the post of Principal at Karainagar Thiyagaraja Maha Vidyalyaya;
 - (ii) the particulars of those who applied for the above post;
 - (iii) the reason why the above vacancy was not filled for the last one year;
 - (iv) the actions that have been taken in this regard; and
 - (v) how long it would take to give this appointment?
- (b) If not, why?

0386/06

7.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that the Government pledged to grant 50% salary increase to the Public Servants?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether the above pledge has been fulfilled?
- (c) Will he state separately,—
 - (i) the cost of salaries of all Public Servants per year;
 - (ii) the expected salary increase like; and
 - (iii) the number of Public Servants as at date?
- (d) Will he mention who is responsible for breach of any promise given to the Public Servants?
- (e) If not, why?

0480/06

8.

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 total number of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) generated into Sri Lanka as at date for the last 10 years per year basis; and
 - (ii) the FDI for infrastructure development separately?
- (b) Will he state separately for the last 10 years per year basis that —
 - (i) the FDI came in and moved out of the Stock Exchange;
 - (ii) the FDI that has come to the country in respect of the service industry?
- (c) Will he inform this House the FDI as a percentage of GDP?
- (d) If not, why?

0476/'06

9.

Hon. Abdul Bais Kamardeen,— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
 - (i) the details of lands owned by Government, Government Departments or Corporations and Institutions affiliated to Corporations within the Puttalam, Kalpitiya and Mundhall Divisional Secretariat Divisions of Puttalam District separately;
 - (ii) the extent of those lands and whether they are cultivated or barren lands;
 - (iii) whether all these lands or some of them have been handed over to individuals or organizations; and
 - (iv) if so, the extent of lands so handed over and the procedures followed?
- (b) If not, why?

0477/'06

10.

Hon. Abdul Bais Kamardeen,— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development,—(2)

- (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, Kalpitiya 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

11.

Hon. Abdul Bais Kamardeen,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(2)

- (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 Puttalma 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?

0487/06

12.

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

- (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?

0482/06

13.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the number of foreign employment agencies which have been registered under the Ministry of Labour Relations and Foreign Employment; and

- (ii) the dates on which they were registered, separately?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the complaints or charges of corruption, fraud or other malpractices that have been received in respect of the said agencies; and
 - (ii) the actions which have been taken regarding those complaints?
- (c) If not, why?

0483/'06

14.

Hon. Mussammil Mohamed,— To ask the Minister of Indigenous Medicine and Deputy Minister of Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the sum of money which has been allocated by the Ministry of Religious Affairs for Muslim cultural and religious affairs in 2006;
 - (ii) the projects which are being implemented by the Ministry for developing Muslim cultural and religious affairs;
 - (iii) the projects which are being contemplated as per the above subject in due course; and
 - (iv) the sums of money which have already been allocated and the sums which are intended for allocation, separately in respect of each project?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) whether acts of fraud, corruption or irregularities have been reported in respect of the projects under implementation at present; and
 - (ii) if so, what measures have been taken regarding them?
- (c) If not, why?

0484/'06

15.

Hon. Mussammil Mohamed,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he state separately in respect of each school—
 - (i) the number of schools which are termed “Muslim National Schools”;
 - (ii) the number of students studying in them;
 - (iii) the number of teachers currently attached to them; and

- (iv) the number of teachers that should have been assigned to them?
- (b) Will he submit to this House separately in respect of each school —
 - (i) the subjects for which there exists a shortage of teachers; and
 - (ii) the measures which have been taken to remedy it?
- (c) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

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

*2.

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

*3.

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

*4.

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

*5.

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

Minister of Finance and Planning.

17.08.2006

Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*6.

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

*7.

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

*8.

Companies Bill - Second Reading

*9.

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.

*10.

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.

*11.

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.

*12.

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.

*13.

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.

*14.

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.

*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.

Regulations under the Medical Ordinance,— Adjourned Debate on Question (03rd October, 2006),— Motion made and question proposed,— “That the 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.”

*17.

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)

*18.

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)

*19.

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)

*20.

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)

*21.

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)

*22.

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)

*23.

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

*24.

Ceylon Electricity Board (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*25.

Electricity Reform (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*26.

Katikavat Registration Bill — Second Reading

*27.

The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution (No. 1),—
That this Parliament resolves under Article 36(4) of the Constitution of the Democratic
Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, that the Monthly Allowance payable to His Excellency the
President be revised as follows :—

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

This Parliament further resolves that—

- (a) in terms of the P.A. Circular 6/2006, 50% of the difference of the salary of December 2005 and the proposed salary will be paid effective from 01.01.2006,
 - (b) The balance 50% will be paid effective from 01.01.2007.
- (Cabinet approval signified)

*28.

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

<i>Post</i>	<i>Present Salaries</i>	<i>Comparative Post and Number, Salary Code & Salary according to 6/2006</i>	<i>Proposed Allowances</i>	
	<i>Rs.</i>		<i>2006.01.01</i>	<i>2007.01.01</i>
			<i>Rs.</i>	<i>Rs.</i>
1. Hon. Prime Minister	34,000/-	Chief Justice SF4 - 70,000.00 + 1,500.00	52,500/- + 1,500/-	71,500/-

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

This Parliament further resolves that,—

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

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*29.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence,— Resolution under Appropriation Act : 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 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)

*30.

Resolution under the Customs Ordinance,— Adjourned Debate on question (24th May, 2006), Motion made and question proposed,— “That the resolution under Section 10 of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to import duties which was presented on 09.05.2006 be approved.”

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 1430/7 of 31st January, 2006)

(Cabinet approval signified)

*31.

The Minister of Parliamentary Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution (No. 3),— That this Parliament resolves under Article 68(1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka that the Monthly Allowance payable to the Hon. Prime Minister shall be revised as follows :—

- (a) pay a sum of Rs. 46,400/- to the Hon. Prime Ministers with effect from 01.12.2004;
- (b) pay a sum of Rs. 37,400/- from 22.04.2004 to 30.11.2004 and a monthly salary of Rs. 46,400/- from 01.12.2004 to 18.11.2005 to His Excellency the President, the then Hon. Prime Minister;
- (c) pay a sum of Rs. 47,100/- to the present Prime Minister with effect from 24.11.2005; as ideally Prime Minister’s salary should have been higher than that of the Chief Justice.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*32.

Governors’ Pension Bill — Second Reading

33.

Hon. Karu Jayasuriya,— Select Committee of Parliament on Electoral Reforms,— That a Select Committee of Parliament be appointed pursuant to the Committee appointed by Hon. Speaker during the Second Session of the Fifth Parliament which submitted its interim report on the 23rd of January, 2004 to further consider Reforms to the current system of Parliamentary and Local Authority Elections and other matters connected therewith and to make recommendations in respect of further changes considered necessary to the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the existing election laws and to report together with their observations and recommendations on the amendments necessary to the said laws.

2. (a) That the Committee and its Chairman shall be nominated by Hon. Speaker.
- (b) That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 95, the Committee shall consist of not more than twenty one (21) Members.
3. That the Committee shall have the power to :
 - (a) fix its quorum ;
 - (b) summon any person to appear before it, to require any person to procure any document or record, to procure and receive all such evidence, written or oral, as the Committee may think it necessary for the fullest consideration of the matters referred to above ;
 - (c) obtain the services of Specialist and Experts in the relevant fields to assist the Committee ;
 - (d) make interim reports from time to time and to sit notwithstanding any adjournment of Parliament.

34.

Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution Bill — Second Reading

35.

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

36.

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

37.

Serendib Educational Trust (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

38.

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

39.

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

40.

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

41.

Our Kids Organization (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading

42.

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

43.

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

44.

Anuradhapura Jaya Sri Maha Bodhi Ranveta Fund (Incorporation) Bill —Consideration

**Indicates Government Business.*

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