



[Sixth Parliament - Second Session]

No. 111.]

**ORDER PAPER
OF
PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Tuesday, May 22, 2007 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0468/06

1.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Disaster Management and Human Rights,—(2)

- (a) Will he state the names of the Political Parties which received money on account of the Tsunami disaster and the amounts received separately?
- (b) Will he state the names of the twenty biggest Non-Government Organizations that received funds on account of Tsunami disaster?
- (c) Will he also state the places where the moneys have been spent and the amount of VAT paid?
- (d) if not, why?

0814/06

2.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the total direct tax supposed to be collected on a per year basis;
 - (ii) the amount collected and remain uncollected separately;
 - (iii) the steps taken with regard to uncollected amounts;
 - (iv) the amounts of rewards paid to the relevant authorities; and,
 - (v) the number of tax files?
 - (vi) the amount of GST/VAT, excise duty, due as at 31st December, of each year;

- (vii) the amount collected and remain uncollected separately;
- (viii) the steps taken with regard to uncollected amounts?
for the last 10 years
- (b) if not, why?

0819/06

3.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the total borrowing limit for Treasury Bills;
 - (ii) the total amount borrowed to-date; and,
 - (iii) the total amount borrowed on per year basis for the last 05 years as at 31st December, 2006;
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the interest charges paid for Treasury Bills for the last 10 years;
 - (ii) the average cost paid on per year basis;
- (c) Will he also state—
 - (i) the steps that are being taken to reduce this liability;
 - (ii) the reason for not allowing the foreigners to purchase Treasury Bills in Sri Lanka Market;
 - (iii) the disadvantages if they are permitted;
 - (iv) the Treasury Bill rate on a per year basis and per month basis, separately, for the last 3 years to-date; and,
 - (v) whether the Treasury Bonds are being sold to foreigners?
- (d) if not, why?

1085/07

4.

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—(1)

- (a) Will he state in this House separately, the responsibilities of the portfolio of Plantation Industries, portfolio of Supplementary Plantation Crops Development and portfolio of Public Estate Management and Development?

- (b) Will he state—
- (i) the institutions that are relevant to the responsibilities of the said Ministerial portfolios separately; and,
 - (ii) whether the Ministry of Coconut Development comes under the scope of the said Cabinet Ministry?
- (c) if not, why?

0549/06

5.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) a group of persons who joined the Home Guard Service voluntarily during the period in which violent acts committed by the separatist terrorists were started in the border villages of Medawachchiya, were transferred to distant areas in the year 1994;
 - (ii) they lost their jobs as they were not able to report for duty due to the above mentioned reason?
- (b) Will he take action to reinstate the following Home Guards, who lost their jobs in the year 1994, without any political difference since action is being taken to recruit new persons to the Home Guard Service with the escalation of terrorist activities at present?

01. C24609 Mr. G. Upali Weerasinghe	Periyakulama - Medawachchiya
02. C21226 Mr. M. Jayathilake	-----do-----
03. C24649 Mr. B. Kumarasinghe	-----do-----
04. C21222 Mr. G. Premadasa	-----do-----
05. C24285 Mr. M. Rathnayake	-----do-----
06. T29628 Mr. D. B. Samarasinghe	-----do-----
07. T29829 Mr. J. Jayasena	-----do-----
08. T61378 Mr. G. Nimal Kumarasinghe	-----do-----

- (c) if not, why?

0855/07

6.

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

- (a) Is he aware that His Excellency the President, while presenting the Budget proposals for 2007 stated that 8000 unemployed graduates would be appointed as government teachers?
- (b) Will he state in this House whether it is necessary for the Candidates to forward their applications to those schools where vacancies exist, when applying for such posts, in view of a statement made by him over the television?
- (c) If so, will he admit that one party will be subjected to injustice due to the introduction of such a procedure never followed in the past?
- (d) Will he take steps to follow the hither to accepted practice and appoint graduates who are from the same areas, to the schools where vacancies exist, by calling for applications through the Ministry of Education?
- (e) if not, why?

0710/06

7.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources,—(3)

- (a) Is he aware that the Secretary of the Ministry of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources is a Pensioner who draws a pension at present?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the basis on which the Secretary concerned is working in the Ministry;
 - (ii) his birthday and the age at present;
 - (iii) the period during which his extension of service will be operative; and,
 - (iv) on what basis that would be?
- (c) Will he submit to this House separately—
 - (i) the number of foreign tours undertaken by the said Secretary since the day on which the Minister assumed duties;
 - (ii) such dates and the countries;
 - (iii) the reason for granting opportunity for those foreign tours and the benefits acquired to the Ministry out of such visits;
 - (iv) the expenses on his foreign tours in detail?

- (d) Will he inform this House;
 - (i) whether, it was out of state funds that money was spent on his New Zealand tour;
 - (ii) whether, expenses have been requested for out of Asian Development Fund for this tour?
 - (iii) whether, the Minister has approved the expenditure of funds for that;
 - (iv) if so, how much?
- (e) If not, why?

0883/07

8.

Hon. R. P. A. Ranaweera Pathirana ,— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development and Agrarian Services,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of vehicles obtained for the Minister of Agricultural Development and Agrarian Services and the Deputy Minister of Agrarian Services and their personal staff;
 - (ii) the basis on which these vehicles have been obtained;
 - (iii) out of them, the number of vehicles obtained on hire or contract basis?
- (b) Will he state in this House from which institutions or individuals the said vehicles have been obtained, along with their names and addresses?
- (c) Will he state separately in respect of each vehicle—
 - (i) the types of such vehicles;
 - (ii) the amount of money spent on those vehicles and the amount of the money allocated for fuel, monthly and annually?
- (d) Will he state—
 - (i) if drivers had been recruited for these vehicles, the basis on which they were recruited;
 - (ii) their salaries and allowances?
- (e) if not, why?

0885/07

9.

Hon. R. P. A. Ranaweera Pathirana ,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of vehicles obtained for the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs and his personal staff;
 - (ii) the basis on which these vehicles have been obtained;
 - (iii) out of them, the number of vehicles obtained on hire or contract basis?
- (b) Will he state in this House from which institutions or individuals the said vehicles have been obtained, along with their names and addresses?
- (c) Will he state separately in respect of each vehicle—
 - (i) the types of such vehicles;
 - (ii) the amount of money spent on those vehicles and the amount of the money allocated for fuel, monthly and annually?
- (d) Will he state—
 - (i) if drivers had been recruited for these vehicles, the basis on which they were recruited;
 - (ii) their salaries and allowances?
- (e) if not, why?

0886/07

10.

Hon. R. P. A. Ranaweera Pathirana ,— To ask the Minister of Youth Empowerment and Socio Economic Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of vehicles obtained for the Minister of Youth Empowerment and Socio Economic Development and his personal staff;
 - (ii) the basis on which these vehicles have been obtained;
 - (iii) out of them, the number of vehicles obtained on hire or contract basis?
- (b) Will he state in this House from which institutions or individuals the said vehicles have been obtained, along with their names and addresses?
- (c) Will he state separately in respect of each vehicle—
 - (i) the types of such vehicles;

- (ii) the amount of money spent on those vehicles and the amount of the money allocated for fuel, monthly and annually?
- (d) Will he state—
 - (i) if drivers had been recruited for these vehicles, the basis on which they were recruited;
 - (ii) their salaries and allowances?
- (e) if not, why?

0860/07

11.

Hon. Gamini Jayawickrama Perera,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that the Group Estate located in Nelly Group 1049 of Dolosbage of the Ganga Ihala Korale of the Nawalapitiya Electorate in the Kandy District has been distributed under village expansion?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of acres received by each person of that estate;
 - (ii) how many acres have been allocated for public utility purposes in blocking out of land;
 - (iii) whether the land so allocated is being used for public utility purposes at present;
 - (iv) whether this land has been illegally occupied by unauthorized squatters or cultivators?
- (c) If so, will he take action to evict those illegal occupants?
- (d) If not, why?

0796/06

12.

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House in detail, the procedure followed by the Road Passenger Transport Authority of Uva Province when issuing licences for buses for passenger transport services?
- (b) Will he submit to this House separately, the number of passenger transport service licences issued by the said Authority since the year 2000 up to now along with the names of the licensees, their addresses, the registered numbers of those buses, the relevant routes, the dates of application for licence and the dates on which licences were issued?

- (c) Will he state separately—
 - (i) if routes have been revised out of those the names of the licensees concerned, their addresses and the registered numbers of the buses;
 - (ii) the former routes and the revised routes; and,
 - (iii) the dates of application for revision and the dates revisions were issued?
- (d) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of those who have applied for route revisions but not granted so far;
 - (ii) their names, addresses and the dates of application for licences;
 - (iii) the reasons for not granting the said revisions;
 - (iv) whether approval will be granted for those in future; and,
 - (v) for which licences?
- (e) If not, why?

0797/06

13.

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House in detail, the procedure followed by the Road Passenger Transport Authority of Sabaragamuwa Province when issuing licences for buses for passenger transport services?
- (b) Will he submit to this House separately, the number of passenger transport service licences issued by the said Authority since the year 2000 up to now along with the names of the licensees, their addresses, the registered numbers of those buses, the relevant routes, the dates of application for licence and the dates on which licences were issued?
- (c) Will he state separately—
 - (i) if routes have been revised out of those the names of the licensees concerned, their addresses and the registered numbers of the buses;
 - (ii) the former routes and the revised routes; and,
 - (iii) the dates of application for revision and the dates revisions were issued?
- (d) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of those who have applied for route revisions but not granted so far;
 - (ii) their names, addresses and the dates of application for licences;
 - (iii) the reasons for not granting the said revisions;

- (iv) whether approval will be granted for those in future; and,
- (v) for which licences?
- (e) If not, why?

0798/06

14.

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House in detail, the procedure followed by the Road Passenger Transport Authority of North Western Province when issuing licences for buses for passenger transport services?
- (b) Will he submit to this House separately, the number of passenger transport service licences issued by the said Authority since the year 2000 up to now along with the names of the licensees, their addresses, the registered numbers of those buses, the relevant routes, the dates of application for licence and the dates on which licences were issued?
- (c) Will he state separately—
 - (i) if routes have been revised out of those the names of the licensees concerned, their addresses and the registered numbers of the buses;
 - (ii) the former routes and the revised routes; and,
 - (iii) the dates of application for revision and the dates revisions were issued?
- (d) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of those who have applied for route revisions but not granted so far;
 - (ii) their names, addresses and the dates of application for licences;
 - (iii) the reasons for not granting the said revisions;
 - (iv) whether approval will be granted for those in future; and,
 - (v) for which licences?
- (e) If not, why?

0445/06

15.

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Land and Land Development,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the extent of land cultivated with Tea and Rubber that has been vested with the Nagoda Pradeshiya Sabha from a land by the name of Apathowaththa which comes under the Nagoda Divisional Secretary in Galle;
 - (ii) of the year in which the aforesaid vesting was done;
 - (iii) whether the relevant land has subsequently been vested with some other company by the Nagoda Pradeshiya Sabha;
 - (iv) if so, the name and the registration number of the company, the conditions pertaining to the vesting and the basis on which it has been registered and;
 - (v) the legal provisions under which it was done?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) separately, the amount of money given to the Pradeshiya Sabha monthly or annually up to now after the aforesaid vesting;
 - (ii) the steps that will be taken if this land has not been vested with relevant company by the Pradeshiya Sabha, according to the law?
- (c) Will he take steps to hand over this land to the Pradeshiya Sabha again and maintain it as a source of income of the Sabha?
- (d) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Presentation of Bills

1.

The Minister of Power and Energy,—Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority,— Bill to provide for the establishment of the Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority; Develop Renewable Energy Resources; declare Energy Development areas; implement energy efficiency measures and conservation programmes; promote Energy Security, Reliability and cost effectiveness in energy delivery and information management; repeal the Energy Conservation Fund Act, No.2 of 1985 and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

Notice of Motions

2.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Business of the Parliament,—That the proceedings on Item 3 of Public Business appearing on the Order Paper be exempted at this day's sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order 23.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

The Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,— Supplementary Sum— Head 130—Programme 1, That a Supplementary sum not exceeding Rupees one hundred and twenty six million (Rs. 126,000,000) be payable out of the Consolidated Fund of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka or any other Fund or moneys of, or at the disposal of, the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka or from the proceeds of any loans obtained by the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka for the service of the financial year beginning on 1st January, 2007 and ending on 31st December, 2007 and that the said sum may be expended as specified in the schedule hereto:-

Schedule

Head 130	-	Ministry of Local Government & Provincial Councils
Programme 1	-	Ministry of Local Government & Provincial Councils
Project 2	-	Ministry Administration
		Recurrent Expenditure Nil
		Capital Expenditure Rs. 126,000,000/-
		Total Expenditure Rs. 126,000,000/-

(Cabinet approval signified)

†Vide Supplementary Estimate No.1 of 2007 presented on 11th May, 2007

*2.

The Minister of Higher Education,— Supplementary Sum Head 171 — programme 1,— †That a Supplementary sum not exceeding Rupees fifty six million thirty seven thousand two hundred and forty (Rs. 56,037,240) be payable out of the Consolidated Fund of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka or any other Fund or moneys of, or at the disposal of, the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka or from the proceeds of any loans obtained by the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka for the service of the financial year beginning on 1st January, 2007 and ending on 31st December, 2007 and the said sum may be expended as specified in the schedule schedule I and II hereto:-

Annexure I

Head No: 171 — Ministry of Higher Education

Programme 01 — Operational Activities

Project 01 — Minister's Office

Recurrent Expenditure Rs. 33,273,740

Capital Expenditure Rs. 8,000,000

Project 02 — Administration & Establishment Services (General

Administration)

Recurrent Expenditure Rs. 6,103,500

Capital Expenditure Rs. 6,660,000

Total Rs. 54,037,240

Annexure II

Advance Account No:- 17101

Limits of Advance Account

Maximum Debit limit - Rs. 2,000,000

Maximum Credit limit - Rs. 300,000

Maximum Debit limit - Rs. 20,000,000

For pay loans to the Public Servants Rs. 2,000,000**Total Expenditure Rs. 56,037,240**

(Cabinet approval signified)

†Vide Supplementary Estimate No.02 of 2007 presented on 11th May, 2007 total of
Supplementary Estimate No.1— Rs. 126,000,000

*3.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,—Select Committee of Parliament to look into the alarming increase in traffic accidents,— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 95 and the motion agreed to by Parliament on 09.03.2007 the “Select Committee of Parliament to look into the alarming increase in traffic accidents” shall consist of not more than twenty-three (23) members..

*4

National Institute of Language Education and Training Bill— Second Reading.

*5

Finance Leasing (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

*6

National Insurance Trust Fund (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

*7

Regulation of Insurance Industry (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

*8.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Resolution under Appropriation Act (No. 1),— 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 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.39 of 2005 and specified in the order No.14 hereto, be approved.

ORDER

Appropriation Act. No.39 of 2005

Order No.14 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.39 of 2005, 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: 85103 “Maintenance of Agricultural Farms and Seed Sales Department of Agriculture” 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.	—	—
	To	Rs.	—	—
(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Second Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	—	321,000,000
	To	Rs.	—	206,000,000
(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 upto 31.12.2006 only)

Sgd. MAHINDA RAJAPAKSHA

Minister of Finance and Planning.

31.01.2007

Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*9

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Resolution under Appropriation Act (No. 2),— 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 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.39 of 2005 and specified in the order No.32 hereto, be approved.

ORDER

Appropriation Act. No.39 of 2005 Order No. 32 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.39 of 2005, 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: 90102 “Railway Stores Advance Account” 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	.	Not Revised
		To		
(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Second Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. —	1,700,000,000
		To	Rs. —	600,000,000
(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. —	3,660,000,000
(iv)	Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in Column V of the Second Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	Not Revised
		To	Rs.	

(This Order is valid upto 31.12.2006 only)

Sgd. MAHINDA RAJAPAKSHA
Minister of Finance and Planning.

29.03.2007

Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*10

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Resolution under Appropriation Act (No. 3),— 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 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.39 of 2005 and specified in the order No.36 hereto, be approved.

ORDER

Appropriation Act. No.39 of 2005

Order No.36 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.39 of 2005, 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: 90602 “Government Factory Stores Advance Accounts” Government Factory of the second schedule to that Act.

(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Second Schedule to that Act.	From	.	40,000,000
		To		55,000,000
(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Second Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. —	3,000,000
		To	Rs. —	4,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Second Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	Not Revised
		To	Rs.	
(iv)	Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in Column V of the Second Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	Not Revised
		To	Rs.	

(This Order is valid upto 31.12.2006 only)

Sgd. MAHINDA RAJAPAKSHA

Minister of Finance and Planning.

29.03 .2007

Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*11

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Resolution under Appropriation Act (No. 4),— 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 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.39 of 2005 and specified in the order No.40 hereto, be approved.

ORDER

Appropriation Act. No.39 of 2005

Order No. 40 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.39 of 2005, 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: 85103 “Maintenance of Agricultural Farms and Seed Sales” Department of Agriculture of the second schedule to that Act.

(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Second Schedule to that Act.	From	.	Not Revised
		To		
(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Second Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. —	206,000,000
		To	Rs. —	198,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Second Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	Not Revised
		To	Rs.	
(iv)	Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in Column V of the Second Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	Not Revised
		To	Rs.	

(This Order is valid upto 31.12.2006 only)

Sgd. MAHINDA RAJAPAKSHA

Minister of Finance and Planning.

29.03.2007

Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*12

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Resolution under Appropriation Act (No. 5),— 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 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.39 of 2005 and specified in the order No.37 hereto, be approved.

ORDER

Appropriation Act. No.39 of 2005

Order No.37 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.39 of 2005, 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: 90603 “Government Factory Stores Advance Accounts” Government Factory of the second schedule to that Act.

(i)	Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Second Schedule to that Act.	From	.	140,000,000
		To		166,000,000
(ii)	Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Second Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. —	145,000,000
		To	Rs. —	168,000,000
(iii)	Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Second Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	Not Revised
		To	Rs.	
(iv)	Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in Column V of the Second Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs.	Not Revised
		To	Rs.	

(This Order is valid upto 31.12.2006 only)

Sgd. MAHINDA RAJAPAKSHA

Minister of Finance and Planning.

29.03.2007

Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*13.

Gampaha Wickramarachchi Ayurveda Teaching Hospital (Transfer) Bill— Second Reading

*14.

Governors' Pension Bill—Second Reading.

*15.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Determination under the Commission to investigate Bribery or Corruption Act,— That this Parliament hereby determines under Section 2(7) of the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption Act, No.19 of 1994, that the salary and allowances payable to the Chairman and the Members of the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption shall be as follows with effect from 01.01.2006.

Chairman (Full time)

Salary	Rs. 66,000.00 Monthly
Fuel Allowance	<u>Rs. 14,400.00 Monthly</u>
Total	<u>Rs. 80,400.00</u>

Members

Salary	Rs. 65,000.00 Monthly
Fuel Allowance	<u>Rs. 12,000.00 Monthly</u>
Total	<u>Rs. 77,000.00</u>

The Parliament further resolves that 50% of the increased salary (excluding allowances) should be paid with effect from 01.01.2006 and the full salary inclusive of the balance 50% with effect from 01.01.2007 and that the salaries and allowances to be determined by Parliament by this resolution should be substituted for the salaries and allowances determined by resolutions previously passed in Parliament in respect of Chairman and Members of the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*16.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Resolution under the Constitution (No.1),— It is determined by this Parliament that the remuneration and the Allowances of the Chairman and the Members of the Public Service Commission established under Article 54 (1) of the Constitution shall be as set out below with effect from 01.01.2006:

Chairman (Full time)

Remuneration	Rs. 65,000.00 per month
Fuel Allowance	<u>Rs. 14,400.00</u> per month
Total	<u>Rs. 79,400.00</u>

Members

Remuneration	Rs. 30,000.00 per month
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It is further determined by this Parliament that while 50% of the increased remuneration (excluding allowances) of the Chairman and Members of the Public Service Commission shall be payable with effect from 01.01.2006 and the balance with effect from 01.01.2007. The remuneration and the allowances previously determined and adopted by Parliament as payable to the said Chairman and Members of the Commission shall be substituted by the remuneration and allowances determined by this resolution.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*17.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Resolution under the Constitution (No.2),— It is determined by this Parliament that the allowances of the Chairman and Members of the National Police Commission established under Article 155a (1) of the Constitution shall be as set out below with effect from 01.01.2006:

Chairman (Full time)

Allowance	Rs. 65,000.00 per month
Fuel Allowance	<u>Rs. 14,400.00</u> per month
Total	<u>Rs. 79,400.00</u>

Members

Allowance	Rs. 30,000.00 per month
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It is further determined by this Parliament that while 50% of the increased allowances (excluding fuel allowances) in respect of the Chairman and Members of the National Police Commission shall be payable with effect from 01.01.2006 and the full amount from 01.01.2007. The allowances previously determined and adopted by Parliament as payable to the Chairman and the Members of the said Commission shall be substituted by allowances determined by this resolution.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*18.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Resolution under the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka Act,— That this Parliament determines that the Salaries and Allowances of the Chairman and Members of the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka established under the Section 8 of the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka Act, No.21 of 1996, be as follows with effect from 01.01.2006:

Chairman (Full time)

Salary	Rs. 65,000.00 Monthly
Fuel Allowance	<u>Rs. 14,400.00 Monthly</u>
Total	Rs. 79,400.00
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Members

Salary	Rs. 30,000.00 Monthly
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This Parliament further resolves that 50% of the enhanced salary (excluding the Allowances) be paid with effect from 01.01.2006 and the full salary with the balance 50% with from 01.01.2007 and such Salaries and Allowances as were determined by this Resolution be substituted for the salaries and allowances previously determined by Parliament.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*19.

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

*20.

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

*21.

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

*22.

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

*23.

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

*24.

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

*25.

Ceylon Electricity Board (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*26.

Electricity Reform (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading

*27.

Katikavat Registration Bill — Second Reading

*28.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Notification under Excise Ordinance,—That the Notification made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 25 read with Section 32 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52), read with Article 44 (2) of the Constitution relating to Excise Duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1456/24 of 03rd August 2006 which was presented 05.10.2006, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 888)

*29.

The Minister of Export Development and International Trade,— Order under Sri Lanka Export Development Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Enterprise Development and Investment Promotion under Section 14(1) of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979 relating to Cess levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1462/27 of 15th September 2006 which was presented on 20.10.2006, be approved.

*30.

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.

*31.

Regulations under the Medical Ordinance,— Adjourned Debate on Question (3rd 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 were presented on 05.09.2006.”

32.

Hon. Bandula Gunawardane

Hon. P. Dayaratne

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekera

Hon. W. B. Ekanayake

Hon. Lakshman Seneviratne

Hon. Dunesh Gankanda

Hon. Johnston Fernando

Hon. P. Radhakrishnan

Hon. R. M. Dharmadasa Banda

Hon. Sarathchandra Rajakaruna

Hon. Neomal Perera,— Select Committee of Parliament to inquire into the resignation of Mr. Sunil Mendis and the appointment of Mr. Ajith Niward Cabral as the Governor of the Central Bank,—

- (1) Whereas the Central Bank is one of the most important financial institutions of a country responsible for managing its economy.
- (2) Whereas the Governor of the Central Bank Mr. Sunil Mendis abruptly resigned under mysterious circumstances and
- (3) Whereas it is reported that Mr. Ajith Niward Cabral, who
 - (a) was a Member of the Western Provincial Council.
 - (b) formerly contested Colombo District Parliamentary Elections and,
 - (c) was a one time political organizer.
- (4) And whereas several reports in newspapers indicate that he has been involved in unsavory financial transactions more particularly Pyramid Schemes.
- (5) This House resolves that a Select Committee of Parliament be appointed to inquire into:
 - (a) the circumstances under which Mr. Sunil Mendis resigned
 - (b) the suitability of Mr. Ajith Niward Cabral to hold the position of the Governor of the Central Bank.
 - (c) whether the appointment of an individual such as Mr. Ajith Niward Cabral will seriously affect the creditability of the Central Bank and have disastrous effects on the country's economy.

- (6) (a) That the Committee and its Chairman shall be nominated by Mr. Speaker.
- (b) That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 95, the Committee shall consist of not more than twenty one (21) Members.
- (7) 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 Commission may think it necessary for the fullest consideration of the matters referred to above;
 - (c) obtain the services of Specialists 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.

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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.

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

* *Indicates Government Business*

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