



No. 144.]

**ORDER PAPER
OF
PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Wednesday, September 19, 2007 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0755/'06

1.

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—(5)

- (a) Will he inform this House the extent of the lands that have been distributed under the distribution of lands to the middle class people from the lands which belong to the Land Reform Commission and the government in the Galle district?
- (b) Will he submit this House—
 - (i) the names and the addresses of the owners of the aforesaid lands and the number of acres that have been given to them at Divisional Secretariat Division level;
 - (ii) the basis on which the aforesaid lands have been given and the relevant conditions;
 - (iii) whether the government has charged any money for the lands given to the middle class people; and
 - (iv) if any money has been charged, the amount of it?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the lands given to the middle class people have been transferred to other persons by them;
 - (ii) the names of transferrors and transferees of the aforesaid lands and the names of the relevant lands; and,
 - (iii) out of the distributed lands, the lands that have not brought under Cultivation and their extents?

- (d) Will he take action to take over the lands that have not been brought under cultivation and are covered with jungle and keep them as reserves or distribute such lands among the landless, if they are barren lands?
- (e) If not, why?

0779/06

2.

Hon. Thilakarathne Vithanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Construction and Engineering Services,—(2)

- (a) Will he present this House separately—
 - (i) the names of the projects that have been implemented and the projects that are being implemented by the State Development and Construction Corporation from 1995 to October 2006; and
 - (ii) the agreed value of each of the aforesaid projects?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the names of the projects which were started in the year 1995 and completed by November 2006;
 - (ii) the dividends earned by the institution out of the projects completed as mentioned above;
 - (iii) whether any arrears are due to the institution out of the aforesaid projects;
 - (iv) if so, the amount of arrears; and
 - (v) the actions taken so far to recover them?
- (c) Is he aware that it is this Corporation that has undertaken the contracts of building bridges which are being built across the Ging river in place of the bridges that were destroyed in the floods in 2003?
- (d) Will he state—
 - (i) whether monies allocated for these bridges are used to offset financial delays in other projects;
 - (ii) if so, whether he would take action to prevent it; and
 - (iii) whether he would take steps to complete these bridges by the dates agreed?
- (e) if not, why?

1194/07

3.

Hon. Thilakarathna Vithanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the total annual revenue of the Imaduwa Pradeshiya Sabha in Galle District; and,
 - (ii) the sources of such revenue separately?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the sum of money spent on the monthly allowances for the Chairman and the Members of this Pradeshiya Sabha;
 - (ii) the sums of money spent every month on the fuel allowance, telephone charges and other expenses of the chairman; and,
 - (iii) the sum of money spent every month on the allowances and the salaries of the permanent and non-permanent employees of the said Pradeshiya Sabha?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the sum of money which is left for development activities after money is allocated for salaries and maintenance of the Pradeshiya Sabha out of its total annual revenue; and,
 - (ii) if any act has been done contravening the relevant Circulars or without the approval of the Pradeshiya Sabha in spending public funds, the steps that would be taken in that regard?
- (d) If not, why?

1214/07

4.

Hon. L.G. Wasantha Piyatissa,— To ask the Minister of Housing and Common Amenities,—(1)

- (a) Will she inform this House—
 - (i) the number of roofing sheets set apart for distribution in each district under the National Housing Authority since 2nd April 2004 upto now; and,
 - (ii) the number of families which have been provided with roofing sheets or housing aids in Digamadulla district?
- (b) Will she submit this House the list of names of the families to which the aforesaid aids have been provided?

- (c) Will she state—
 - (i) whether she can give an assurance that the list consists of suitable persons selected in a proper manner; and
 - (ii) the criteria used to select the recipients of Housing aids?
- (d) If not, why?

1215/07

5.

Hon. L.G. Wasantha Piyatissa,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of houses that belong to the Digamadulla District Secretariat;
 - (ii) out of the aforesaid houses, the number of houses that have been provided to the public servants; and
 - (iii) the number of unused houses?
- (b) Will he present this House—
 - (i) the number of Houses provided to the members of Parliament and Ministers and who they are;
 - (ii) the number of houses provided to other persons or institutions other than Public Servants and Members of Parliament; and
 - (iii) the names of those persons or institutions?
- (c) Will he state the number of public servants who have made requests for houses from the District Secretary and have not yet received a house?
- (d) If not, why?

1216/07

6.

Hon. L.G. Wasantha Piyatissa,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately, the total income of Dehiattakandiya, Padiyathalawa, Maha Oya, Uhana, Namal Oya, Damana and Lahugala Pradesheeya Sabhas in the Ampara District and the Ampara Urban Council from 30th March 2006 to 31st March 2007?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the amount of money that has been allocated for the development activities of the area; and

- (ii) the amount of money that has been utilized for the welfare activities of the people, out of the aforesaid income?

- (c) If not, why?

1229/07

7.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Mass Media and Information,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of radio stations operating along with their broadcasting frequencies; and
- (ii) the amount of money paid by each station to the Government?

- (b) Will he state—

- (i) the names of repeating stations that have been provided to each radio station;
- (ii) their broadcasting frequencies; and,
- (iii) the locations of their towers or repeating stations?

- (c) If not, why?

1235/07

8.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of bullet proof vehicles imported after the 13th Parliament was elected;
- (ii) the total cost paid for CIF and Duty;
- (iii) if not so, the value of duty exempted;
- (iv) to whom these cars were allocated; and,
- (v) to whom they are allocated now?

- (b) Will he state—

- (i) whether these cars were imported after tenders;
- (ii) from where they were imported;

- (iii) where the money was paid; and,
- (iv) the budget head that the money had been allocated?
- (c) If not, why?

1278/07

9.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Land and Land Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that N.M. Dayawathie, N.M. Amarasinghe, and the members of the sub families who are in lawful possession of the lands no.68 and 69 at Walgamkale, Veediyagoda, Bandaragama in the Kalutara district since 1952, have not been given permission to use a lawful access road to those lands?
- (b) Will he take necessary steps to allocate a lawful access road to those lands?
- (c) If not, why?

1287/07

10.

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— 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 parties that lost their vehicles due to the Tsunami disaster were permitted to import vehicles on duty concessions?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the basis on which permissions were granted to import vehicles as mentioned above;
 - (ii) names of persons who granted the aforesaid permissions;
 - (iii) if so, since when the aforesaid permission was granted;
 - (iv) the vehicles which had been permitted to be imported in the aforesaid manner; and
 - (v) the make and value of each of the vehicle imported?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the names and addresses of the importers who imported those vehicles; and
 - (ii) the names and addresses of the present owners of the aforesaid vehicles?
- (d) If not, why?

1288/07

11.

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he state in this House whether vehicles were provided by the relevant Ministry or any other party to the Regional Electricity Depots of the Ceylon Electricity Board that were affected by Tsunami?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the basis on which such vehicles were provided;
 - (ii) the number of vehicles distributed and their makes; and
 - (iii) the date on which those vehicles were distributed?
- (c) Will he state in this House the names of the Electricity Depots among which those vehicles were distributed?
- (d) If not, why?

1289/07

12.

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask the Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware of the Pananwela-Kebalipola road in the Hakmana Divisional Secretariat Division in Matara District?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the amount of money that has been allocated for developing this road;
 - (ii) the length and the width of the aforesaid road; and
 - (iii) the names, addresses and designations of the parties who prepared the estimates pertaining to this road?
- (c) If not, why?

1291/07

13.

Hon. Anuruddha Polgampola,— 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) at the level of Grama Niladhari Division, the proposals have been selected for the development plan proposed for years 2006 and 2007 under the “Gama Neguma” development programme in each Divisional Secretariat division in Kegalle District; and

- (ii) separately, the amounts of money allocated for each proposal?
- (b) Will he submit this House—
 - (i) the proposals that have been completed by now;
 - (ii) the proposals that have not been implemented; and
 - (iii) the reasons for the non-implementation of the aforesaid proposals?
- (c) If not, why?

1295/07

14.

Hon. Lakshman Nipunarachchi,—To ask the Minister of Transport,—(1)

- (a) Will he submit this House—
 - (i) the number of buses which are in running condition at the S.L.T.B. depot at Kesbewa;
 - (ii) the number of buses, which are not in running condition and not used for operation, at the aforesaid depot;
 - (iii) the number of buses that are being operated on each route;
 - (iv) the routes on which buses were operated under the depot previously but are not operated at present; and
 - (v) the reasons on which buses are not being operated on those routes?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of buses which were received by the Kesbewa depot after the present government came to power;
 - (ii) the number of the aforesaid new buses which were received as mentioned above but are not operated at present;
 - (iii) whether requests have been received from the public for new bus routes;
 - (iv) what those requests are;
 - (v) the routes for which the aforesaid requests could not be granted; and
 - (vi) the reasons for not granting the aforesaid requests?
- (c) If not, why?

1296/07

15.

Hon. Lakshman Nipunarachchi,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Piliyandala Zonal Education Office is housed in a building which belongs to Piliyandala Central College;
 - (ii) there is a need to develop the said school as the only National School in the area;
 - (iii) there is a possibility of using the Zonal Education office premises for that purpose; and
 - (iv) representations have been made in this respect by the past pupils associations of the school?
- (b) Will he admit that—
 - (i) there is also a problem of protecting the files of the office as the zonal office building has become very old and dilapidated;
 - (ii) the said building is in such a condition that it should be demolished and removed; and
 - (iii) the said premises should be made available for the development of the school after providing new premises for the zonal office?
- (c) Will he state the steps that would be taken in this regard?
- (d) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Order under Excise (Special Provisions) Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 3 of the Excise (Special Provisions) Act, No.13 of 1989, relating to Excise Duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1500/21 of 06th June, 2007 which was presented on 07.08.2007 be approved.

*2.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Order under Value Added Tax Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 2A of the Value Added Tax Act, No.14 of 2002 as amended by Act, No.6 of 2005, relating to Value Added Tax and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1500/20 of 06th June, 2007 which was presented on 07.08.2007 be approved.

*3.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Regulations under Economic Service Charge Act,—That the Regulations made by the President under Section 12 of the Economic Service Charge Act, No.13 of 2006 as amended by the Amendment Act, No.15 of 2007, read with Article 44(2) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, relating to Economic Service Charge, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1502/10 of 20th June, 2007 and amended by the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1506/6 of 18th July, 2007 which was presented on 07.08.2007 be approved.

*4.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Regulations Under Inland Revenue Act (No.1),— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 212 read with Section 17 of the Inland Revenue Act, No. 10 of 2006, relating to Income Tax and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1487/7 of 05th March, 2007, which were presented on 07.08.2007 be approved.

*5.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Regulations Under Inland Revenue Act (No.2),— That the Regulations made by the Acting Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 212 read with Section 26 of the Inland Revenue Act, No. 10 of 2006, relating to Income Tax and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1487/6 of 05th March, 2007, which were presented on 07.08.2007 be approved.

*6.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Regulations Under Inland Revenue Act (No.3),— That the Regulations made by the Acting Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 212 read with Section 217 of the Inland Revenue Act, No. 10 of 2006, relating to Income Tax and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1487/3 of 05th March, 2007, which were presented on 07.08.2007 be approved.

*7

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Order under Inland Revenue Act,— That the Order made by the Acting Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 18 of the Inland Revenue Act, No. 10 of 2006, relating to Income Tax and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1487/8 of 05th March, 2007, which was presented on 07.08.2007 be approved.

*8.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Notice under Inland Revenue Act (No.1),— That the Notice issued by the Acting Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 7 (b) (xvii) of the Inland Revenue Act, No. 10 of 2006, relating to Income Tax and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1487/4 of 05th March, 2007, which was presented on 07.08.2007 be approved.

*9

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Notice under Inland Revenue Act (No.2),— That the Notice issued by the Acting Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 108 (1) (b) of the Inland Revenue Act, No. 10 of 2006, relating to Income Tax and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1487/5 of 05th March, 2007, which was presented on 07.08.2007 be approved.

*10.

The Minister of Posts and Telecommunication ,— Rule under the Post Office Ordinance,— That the rule made by the Minister of Posts and Telecommunication with the concurrence of the Minister of Finance under Sections 12, 21, 25, 27, 81, 62, 06, 39, 49, 44, 68, 67, 40, 24, 59, 60, 35, 59, 67 and 64 of the Post Office Ordinance (Chapter 190) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1494/10 of 25th April 2007 which was presented on 17.07.2007 be approved.

*11.

The Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,— Annual Report and Accounts of the State Pharmaceuticals Manufacturing Corporation 2005,— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the State Pharmaceuticals Manufacturing Corporation together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ended 31.12.2005 and presented on 03.04.2007 under Section 30 (2) of the State Industrial Corporation Act, No.49 of 1957 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Healthcare and Nutrition)

*12.

The Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,— Annual Report and Accounts of the State Pharmaceuticals Corporation 2005,— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the State Pharmaceuticals Corporation together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ended 31.12.2005 and presented on 12.01.2007 under Section 30 (2) of the State Industrial Corporation Act, No.49 of 1957, and Section 14 (3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Healthcare and Nutrition)

*13.

The Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Jayawardenapura General Hospital 2005,— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Jayawardenapura General Hospital together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ended 31.12.2005 and presented on 11.05.2007 under Section 30 (2) of the State Industrial Corporation Act, No.49 of 1957, and Section 14 (3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Healthcare and Nutrition)

*14.

The Minister of Science and Technology,— Annual Report of the National Engineering Research and Development Centre of Sri Lanka 2004,— That the Annual Report of the National Engineering Research and Development Centre of Sri Lanka with the observations of Auditor General for the year 1st January 2004 to 31st December 2004, and presented on 08.02.2007, under Section 40 (3) of Science and Technology Development Act, No.11 of 1994 and Section 14 (3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Science and Technology)

*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	Rs. 80,400.00
	=====

Members

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

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	Rs. 79,400.00

Members

Remuneration	Rs. 30,000.00 per month
--------------	-------------------------

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	Rs. 79,400.00

Members

Allowance	Rs. 30,000.00 per month
-----------	-------------------------

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</u> Monthly
Total	Rs. 79,400.00

Members

Salary Rs. 30,000.00 Monthly

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.

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, be approved.

*20.

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

*21.

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

*22.

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

*23.

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

*24.

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

*25.

Governors' Pension Bill—Second Reading.

26.

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. Ajit 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 produce 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 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.

P.6/'04

27.

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 produce 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.

28.

Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution Bill — Second Reading

29.

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

30.

Methsith Dharmadutha Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading

31.

Sri Rathanaiothi Community Development and Social Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

32.

Green Movement of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

33.

Sri Saranankara Development Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

34.

Bambalapitiya Flats Buddhist Society (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

* *Indicates Government Business*

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