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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1136/'07

1.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development and Agrarian Services,—(2)

(a) Will he state in this House—

- (i) whether the feasibility study on the construction of Moragahakanda reservoir has been completed;
- (ii) if so, the date on which the construction work will be started and the date on which the construction work will be terminated;
- (iii) the maximum capacity of the Moragahakanda reservoir; and
- (iv) the capacity of water that is expected to be received in the reservoir in each year?

(b) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) the amount of water that is released for agricultural purposes from this reservoir and the names of the Districts which receive water from it;
- (ii) whether water will be provided to the farmers who engage in cultivation activities in Anuradhapura, Polonnaruwa, Trincomalee, Puttlam and Kurunegala Districts; and
- (iii) if so, the amount of water provided to each District and the names of the reservoirs and canals through which the aforesaid amount of water is provided to each of the aforesaid Districts?

(2)

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether water will be provided to the farmers in Anuradhapura, Padaviya Sripura area; and
- (ii) if so, the name of the area and the number of acres in that area for which water is provided as mentioned above?

(d) If not, why?

1222/'07

2.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development and Agrarian Services,—(2)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of blocks of commercial lands that have been given to the people in Thambuttegama and Galnewa towns in the Mahaweli “H” zone;
- (ii) if commercial lands have been given as mentioned above, the year in which it was done and the basis on which they were given; and
- (iii) out of the blocks of lands given in the aforesaid manner, the number of blocks of lands that have been given deeds under Jaya Bhoomi, Swarna Bhoomi or any other basis?

(b) Will he present to this House—

- (i) the names and the addresses of the persons who have been given deeds as mentioned above;
- (ii) the number of people who are to be given deeds for the aforesaid lands in these two towns; and
- (iii) the names and the addresses of the persons who are to be given deeds as mentioned above?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) the course of action that will be followed to provide deeds for these commercial lands; and
- (ii) whether necessary action will be taken to provide the deeds immediately to the businessmen who have faced difficulties without being able to develop their business?

(d) If not, why?

1223/'07

3.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) on the basis of each year, the total amount of loans, exceeding one million that have been granted to the borrowers by the Bank of Ceylon from year 1996 to year 2006;
 - (ii) the amount of money that has been recovered along with the interest from the aforesaid loans in each year; and
 - (iii) the amount of money that was considered as bad debts in each year?
- (b) Will he present to this House the names and addresses of the borrowers and the institutions who have obtained the loans that cannot be recovered as mentioned above and the amount of loans that have been obtained by them?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) out of the amount of loans that have been granted as mentioned above, the amount of loans that has been written off as bad debts; and
 - (ii) if loans have been written off as mentioned above the names and addresses of the persons and institutions whose loans have been written off?
- (d) Will he submit in this House the courses of action that have been followed in order to recover the loans that couldn't be recovered and considered as bad debts?
- (e) if not, why?

1418/'07

4.

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 outstanding from Inland Revenue to VAT refundable creditors on per year basis from 2004 to-date;

(4)

- (ii) the names of the entities that owed by the State, which is over Rupees ten million; and
- (iii) whether the amounts mentioned above have been checked and confirmed?
- (b) Will he state,—
 - (i) the reason for not been refunded;
 - (ii) whether the Government is paying interest to the creditors; and
 - (iii) if so, the percentage and the date it was paid?
- (c) will he also state—
 - (i) the situation on the VAT Scam;
 - (ii) the progress of the investigation; and
 - (iii) the date on which the investigation going to be concluded?
- (d) If not, why?

1436/'07

5.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Labour Relations and Manpower,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the total value of EPF as of today;
 - (ii) the value of the fund separately as at 31st of December 2004, 2005 and 2006;
 - (iii) the number of individual EPF member files that are maintained at this Particular moment; and
 - (iv) the interest rates paid during the last two years?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) as to where the money collected from EPF is being invested separately;
 - (ii) whether any investment have been made in Government Companies, Government Institutions or Government related entities; and

- (iii) whether a feasibility study has been done?
- (c) Will he table a report for the investments done within the last year?
- (d) Will he also state—
 - (i) whether any investment has been made in companies that are not quoted in the stock exchange; and
 - (ii) the dividends obtained for the investments made in institutions except the investments in Treasury Bonds and Treasury Bills?
- (e) If not, why?

1437/'07

6.

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 value of ETF as of today;
 - (ii) the value of the fund separately as at 31st of December 2004, 2005 and 2006;
 - (iii) the number of individual ETF member files that are maintained at this Particular moment; and
 - (iv) the interest rates paid during the last two years?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) where the money collected from ETF is being invested separately;
 - (ii) whether any investment have been made in Government Companies, Government Institutions or Government related entities; and
 - (iii) whether a feasibility study has been done?
- (c) Will he table a report for the investments done within the last year?
- (d) Will he also state—
 - (i) whether any investment has been made in companies that are not quoted in the stock exchange; and
 - (ii) the dividends obtained for the investments made in institutions except the investments in Treasury Bonds and Treasury Bills?
- (e) If not, why?

1427/'07

7.

Hon. Anura Dissanayake,— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development and Agrarian Services,—(2)

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the towns where the exhibition called “Govijana Pola” was held in the year 2006; and
 - (ii) the objectives of the aforesaid exhibition?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether lottery tickets were printed for the aforesaid exhibition called “Govijana Pola” or for any other purpose;
 - (ii) if so, the total number of tickets printed;
 - (iii) the number of tickets sold and the amounts of money received in each district, separately; and
 - (iv) the manner in which those monies were spent?
- (c) If not, why?

1434/'07

8.

Hon. R.M. Padma Udaya Shantha Gunasekara,— To ask the Minister of Environment and Natural Resources,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the Circular under which it was decided to transfer all residual jungles belonging to the government to the Department of Forest Conservation; and
 - (ii) of the Circular under which it was decided that those residual jungles which were transferred to the Department of Forest Conservation under the aforesaid Circular be transferred back to the Divisional Secretaries?
- (b) Will he submit to this House the Methodology and criteria employed in identifying the lands to be released to the Divisional Secretaries in terms of the Ministry Circular No. 02/2006?

- (c) Will he present to this House a comprehensive report of the lands so identified in each Divisional Secretariat Division in Moneragala District alone?
- (d) Will he state whether proposals have been submitted to make use of the lands so identified for the development activities of the public or private sector?
- (e) If there are any projects submitted as mentioned above, will he submit to this House a comprehensive report about them?
- (f) If not, why?

1445/'07

9.

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Employment Promotion and Welfare,—(2)

- (a) Will he submit to this House the objectives of establishing the self-employment fund, the Emigrant Workers' Compensation Fund and the Emigrant Workers' Children's Fund which were started by the Foreign Employment Bureau?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the reason for keeping them as dormant funds without acting in accordance with the said objectives; and
 - (ii) the names of the responsible persons who engaged in a malpractice by implying that those funds were dormant in spite of the fact that there are numerous problems to be solved by using those funds?
- (c) If not, why?

1468/'07

10.

Hon. M. Joseph Michael Perera,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) under Section 33(3) of part 5 of Sri Lanka Transport Board Act, No.27 of 2005, the cluster bus companies which were scattered all over the Island by then were legally converted into SLTB by a Gazette Extraordinary dated 19.10.2005; and

- (ii) under Section No.2 of Act, No.23 of 1987 for Conversion of Government Corporations or Government owned Undertakings into public companies, 49% of the shares of the aforesaid company were given to the employees and the remaining 51% of the shares are being kept under the government?
- (b) Will he admit that under Section No.2 of the aforesaid Act, those employees are entitled to the ownership of the 49% of the shares which were owned by the former share holders and the present share holders?
- (c) The aforesaid cluster bus companies were amalgamated as Sri Lanka Transport Board under Sri Lanka Transport Board Act, No.27 of 2005 and will he take measures to repay the value of the shares that were given to the employees when converting it to a public company?
- (d) if so, when?
- (e) If not, why?

1470/07

11.

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of ice plants that were owned by the Ceylon Fisheries Corporation;
 - (ii) the places where the aforesaid ice plants were stationed;
 - (iii) the number of ice plants owned by the Fisheries Corporation at present; and
 - (iv) the places where they are?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether a leasing out or a sale of the ice plants that were owned by the Fisheries Corporation has been done;
 - (ii) if so, the names of the persons to whom they have been leased out or sold or the name of the institution to which they have been leased out or sold; and
 - (iii) whether it has been decided to sell ice plants in the future?
- (c) If not, why?

1501/'07

12.

Hon. Gamini Jayawickrama Perera,— To ask the Minister of Industrial Development,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that 102 local factories have been closed down according to the report appeared in the 'Lankadeepa' newspaper on 17.03.2007 under the headline "Deshiya Rasa Kevili" nipayum kamhal 102 (ekasiya deka) wesei"?
- (b) Will he take action to impose a higher tax on foreign products in order to encourage the local manufacturers through the tax procedure which is adopted when various types of confectioneries are imported to the country?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the local confectionery production will be protected through such a procedure;
 - (ii) whether imported confectioneries are tested to ascertain if they are beneficial to the health of the people; and
 - (iii) as to what steps should be taken to market the products of high quality, since low quality imported confectioneries injurious to health are being sold in the local market?
- (d) Will he state as to what relief will be granted to reopen local confectioners which have been closed down as a result of imported confectioneries?
- (e) Will he take necessary steps to make available the required technology to test whether foreign and local products are of high quality and to manufacture high quality products?
- (f) If not, why?

1584/'07

13.

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

- (a) Will he state in this House—
 - (i) whether the Ministry of Urban Development and Sacred Area Development is housed in a Government-owned building, or else in a building belonging to a private owner;

- (ii) if it is a building belonging to a private owner, the name of the owner; and
- (iii) the square area of the building and its monthly rent?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the names of the other institutions which are under the said Ministry;
 - (ii) of the places in which the aforesaid institutions are situated; and
 - (iii) whether the building in which the aforesaid institutions are housed belong to the Government or private owners?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the names of such institutions that are operated in buildings belonging to the private owners as aforesaid;
 - (ii) the names of the owners of such building; and
 - (iii) the square area and the monthly rent in respect of each of the aforesaid building separately?
- (d) If not, why?

1587/07

14.

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

- (a) Will he state in this House—
 - (i) whether the Ministry of Public Administration and Home Affairs is housed in a Government-owned building, or else in a building belonging to a private owner;
 - (ii) if it is a building belonging to a private owner, the name of the owner; and
 - (iii) the square area of the building and its monthly rent?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the names of the other institutions which are under the said Ministry;
 - (ii) of the places in which the aforesaid institutions are situated; and

- (iii) whether the building in which the aforesaid institutions are housed belong to the Government or private owners?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the names of such institutions that are operated in buildings belonging to the private owners as aforesaid;
 - (ii) the names of the owners of such building; and
 - (iii) the square area and the monthly rent in respect of each of the aforesaid building separately?
- (d) If not, why?

1588/'07

15.

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

- (a) Will he state in this House—
 - (i) whether the Ministry of Education is housed in a Government-owned building, or else in a building belonging to a private owner;
 - (ii) if it is a building belonging to a private owner, the name of the owner; and
 - (iii) the square area of the building and its monthly rent?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the names of the other institutions which are under the said Ministry;
 - (ii) of the places in which the aforesaid institutions are situated; and
 - (iii) whether the building in which the aforesaid institutions are housed belong to the Government or private owners?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the names of such institutions that are operated in buildings belonging to the private owners as aforesaid;
 - (ii) the names of the owners of such building; and
 - (iii) the square area and the monthly rent in respect of each of the aforesaid building separately?
- (d) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Presentation of Bills

1.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Credit Information Bureau of Sri Lanka (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Credit Information Bureau of Sri Lanka Act, No.18 of 1990.

Notice of Motions

2.

Hon. Wijeyadasa Rajapakshe,— Leave to introduce Bill,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“Bill to incorporate the Council of Muslims of Sri Lanka ”

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

Termination of Employment of Workmen (Special Provisions) (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*2.

Industrial Disputes (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*3.

The Minister of Labour Relations and Manpower,— Regulations under the Industrial Disputes Act,— That the regulations made by the Minister of Labour Relations and Manpower under Section 39 of the Industrial Disputes Act, No.43 of 1950 (Chapter 131) and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1522/10 of November 06, 2007 which were presented on 08.01.2008 be approved.

*4.

Commissions of Inquiry (Amendment) Bill,— Adjourned Debate on question — (09th January, 2008) [1]

*5.

University of Vocational Technology Bill — Second Reading.

*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.

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

*9.

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

*10.

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

*11.

Governors' Pension Bill—Second Reading.

*12.

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.

*13.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— 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.

*14.

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</u> Monthly
Total	<u>Rs. 80,400.00</u>

Members

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

*15.

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)

*16.

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 per month</u>
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)

*17.

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	<u>Rs. 79,400.00</u>

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)

*18.

The Minister of Export Development and International Trade,— Order under Sri Lanka Export Development Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Export Development and International Trade under Section 14(1) of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No.40 of 1979, with the concurrence of the Minister of Finance and Planning relating to Cess levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1525/1 of 26th November, 2007, which was presented on 11.12.2007, be approved.

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19.

Hon. Bandula Gunawardane

Hon. P. Dayaratne

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekera

Hon. W. B. Ekanayake

Hon. Lakshman Seneviratne

Hon. Dunes 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 Niwad 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.

20.

Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution Bill — Second Reading

21.

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

22.

Wadduwa Vivekarama Community Development Foundation (Incorporation) Bill,—
Consideration.

23.

Sri Rathanaiothi Community Development and Social Foundation (Incorporation)
Bill,—Consideration.

24.

Methsith Dharmadutha Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

* Indicates Government Business

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

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1355/’07

1.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Constitutional Affairs and
National Integration,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House whether the offices of the Deputy Minister of
National Integration are housed in a government building?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the address of the place, the address of the owner of the place and the
date on which it was obtained if the relevant office is housed in a
private institution or in a land or a building owned by a private
individual; and
 - (ii) separately, the number of square feet of the office and the amount of
money that is being paid monthly and annually for it, if the space for
the office has been obtained on rent, lease or any other basis?
- (c) Will he state separately—
 - (i) whether a deposit has been made to obtain the space for the office on
rent, lease or any other basis; and
 - (ii) if so, the amount of money that has been deposited as mentioned
above?

- (d) Will he take necessary action to house the aforesaid office in a government building?
- (e) If not, why?

1356/'07

2.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Management and Ports and Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House whether the office of the Deputy Minister of Aviation is housed in a government building?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the address of the place, the address of the owner of the place and the date on which it was obtained if the relevant office is housed in a private institution or in a land or a building owned by a private individual; and
 - (ii) separately, the number of square feet of the office and the amount of money that is being paid monthly and annually for it, if the space for the office has been obtained on rent, lease or any other basis?
- (c) Will he state separately—
 - (i) whether a deposit has been made to obtain the space for the office on rent, lease or any other basis; and
 - (ii) if so, the amount of money that has been deposited as mentioned above?
- (d) Will he take necessary action to house the aforesaid office in a government building?
- (e) If not, why?

1357/'07

3.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Science and Technology,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House whether the office of the Deputy Minister of Science is housed in a government building?

- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the address of the place, the address of the owner of the place and the date on which it was obtained if the relevant office is housed in a private institution or in a land or a building owned by a private individual; and
 - (ii) separately, the number of square feet of the office and the amount of money that is being paid monthly and annually for it, if the space for the office has been obtained on rent, lease or any other basis?
- (c) Will he state separately—
 - (i) whether a deposit has been made to obtain the space for the office on rent, lease or any other basis; and
 - (ii) if so, the amount of money that has been deposited as mentioned above?
- (d) Will he take necessary action to house the aforesaid office in a government building?
- (e) If not, why?

1358/'07

4.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Plantation Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House whether the office of the Minister of Coconut Development (Non-cabinet) is housed in a government building?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the address of the place, the address of the owner of the place and the date on which it was obtained if the relevant office is housed in a private institution or in a land or a building owned by a private individual; and
 - (ii) separately, the number of square feet of the office and the amount of money that is being paid monthly and annually for it, if the space for the office has been obtained on rent, lease or any other basis?
- (c) Will he state separately—
 - (i) whether a deposit has been made to obtain the space for the office on rent, lease or any other basis; and

- (ii) if so, the amount of money that has been deposited as mentioned above?
- (d) Will he take necessary action to house the aforesaid office in a government building?
- (e) If not, why?

1359/07

5.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Mass Media and Information,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House whether the office of the Minister of Mass Media (Non-cabinet) is housed in a government building?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the address of the place, the address of the owner of the place and the date on which it was obtained if the relevant office is housed in a private institution or in a land or a building owned by a private individual; and
 - (ii) separately, the number of square feet of the office and the amount of money that is being paid monthly and annually for it, if the space for the office has been obtained on rent, lease or any other basis?
- (c) Will he state separately—
 - (i) whether a deposit has been made to obtain the space for the office on rent, lease or any other basis; and
 - (ii) if so, the amount of money that has been deposited as mentioned above?
- (d) Will he take necessary action to house the aforesaid office in a government building?
- (e) If not, why?

1360/07

6.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House whether the office of the Minister of Home Affairs (Non-cabinet) is housed in a government building?

- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the address of the place, the address of the owner of the place and the date on which it was obtained if the relevant office is housed in a private institution or in a land or a building owned by a private individual; and
 - (ii) separately, the number of square feet of the office and the amount of money that is being paid monthly and annually for it, if the space for the office has been obtained on rent, lease or any other basis?
- (c) Will he state separately—
 - (i) whether a deposit has been made to obtain the space for the office on rent, lease or any other basis; and
 - (ii) if so, the amount of money that has been deposited as mentioned above?
- (d) Will he take necessary action to house the aforesaid office in a government building?
- (e) If not, why?

1361/'07

7.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— 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 separately, whether the offices of each Minister of Nation Building (Non-cabinet) are housed in a government building?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the address of the place, the address of the owner of the place and the date on which it was obtained if the relevant office is housed in a private institution or in a land or a building owned by a private individual; and
 - (ii) separately, the number of square feet of the office and the amount of money that is being paid monthly and annually for it, if the space for the office has been obtained on rent, lease or any other basis?
- (c) Will he state separately—
 - (i) whether a deposit has been made to obtain the space for the office on rent, lease or any other basis; and

- (ii) if so, the amount of money that has been deposited as mentioned above?
- (d) Will he take necessary action to house the aforesaid office in a government building?
- (e) If not, why?

1362/07

8.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— 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 whether the office of the Minister of Religious Affairs (Non-cabinet) is housed in a government building?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the address of the place, the address of the owner of the place and the date on which it was obtained if the relevant office is housed in a private institution or in a land or a building owned by a private individual; and
 - (ii) separately, the number of square feet of the office and the amount of money that is being paid monthly and annually for it, if the space for the office has been obtained on rent, lease or any other basis?
- (c) Will he state separately—
 - (i) whether a deposit has been made to obtain the space for the office on rent, lease or any other basis; and
 - (ii) if so, the amount of money that has been deposited as mentioned above?
- (d) Will he take necessary action to house the aforesaid office in a government building?
- (e) If not, why?

1363/07

9.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House whether the office of the Minister of Power (Non-cabinet) is housed in a government building?

- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the address of the place, the address of the owner of the place and the date on which it was obtained if the relevant office is housed in a private institution or in a land or a building owned by a private individual; and
 - (ii) separately, the number of square feet of the office and the amount of money that is being paid monthly and annually for it, if the space for the office has been obtained on rent, lease or any other basis?
- (c) Will he state separately—
 - (i) whether a deposit has been made to obtain the space for the office on rent, lease or any other basis; and
 - (ii) if so, the amount of money that has been deposited as mentioned above?
- (d) Will he take necessary action to house the aforesaid office in a government building?
- (e) If not, why?

1364/'07

10.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House whether the office of the Minister of Petroleum Resources (Non-cabinet) is housed in a government building?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the address of the place, the address of the owner of the place and the date on which it was obtained if the relevant office is housed in a private institution or in a land or a building owned by a private individual; and
 - (ii) separately, the number of square feet of the office and the amount of money that is being paid monthly and annually for it, if the space for the office has been obtained on rent, lease or any other basis?
- (c) Will he state separately—
 - (i) whether a deposit has been made to obtain the space for the office on rent, lease or any other basis; and

- (ii) if so, the amount of money that has been deposited as mentioned above?
- (d) Will he take necessary action to house the aforesaid office in a government building?
- (e) If not, why?

1365/'07

11.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Urban Development and Sacred Area Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House whether the office of the Minister of Urban Development (Non-cabinet) is housed in a government building?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the address of the place, the address of the owner of the place and the date on which it was obtained if the relevant office is housed in a private institution or in a land or a building owned by a private individual; and
 - (ii) separately, the number of square feet of the office and the amount of money that is being paid monthly and annually for it, if the space for the office has been obtained on rent, lease or any other basis?
- (c) Will he state separately—
 - (i) whether a deposit has been made to obtain the space for the office on rent, lease or any other basis; and
 - (ii) if so, the amount of money that has been deposited as mentioned above?
- (d) Will he take necessary action to house the aforesaid office in a government building?
- (e) If not, why?

1366/'07

12.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Disaster Management and Human Rights,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House whether the office of the Minister of Disaster Management and Human Rights is housed in a government building?

- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the address of the place, the address of the owner of the place and the date on which it was obtained if the relevant office is housed in a private institution or in a land or a building owned by a private individual; and
 - (ii) separately, the number of square feet of the office and the amount of money that is being paid monthly and annually for it, if the space for the office has been obtained on rent, lease or any other basis?
 - (c) Will he state separately—
 - (i) whether a deposit has been made to obtain the space for the office on rent, lease or any other basis; and
 - (ii) if so, the amount of money that has been deposited as mentioned above?
 - (d) Will he take necessary action to house the aforesaid office in a government building?
 - (e) If not, why?
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