



[Sixth Parliament — Third Session]

No. 17.]

**ORDER PAPER
OF
PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Friday, August 08, 2008 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0050/'08

1.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of countries that the Minister and his Secretary visited since they assumed office as Minister of Foreign Affairs;
 - (ii) the names and the designations of the persons they had met during their visits; and
 - (iii) the reasons for such visits?
- (b) Will he table a report on achievements of such visits?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the cost incurred for each visit;
 - (ii) the names of the persons accompanied with them;
 - (iii) the cost incurred on them along with the reasons for such accompany;
 - (iv) whether the President had ordered that the Minister and his Secretary should not be out of the country at the same time; and
 - (v) whether this had not been flouted many times over?
- (d) Will he also state—
 - (i) the name of the Minister of Foreign Affairs prior to the present Minister; and

(2)

- (ii) the date he had assumed office and the number of overseas visits he had made along with the cost related to them?

(e) If not, why?

0052/'08

2.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of overseas trips that the Minister of Foreign Affairs had undertaken for the last three years;
- (ii) the countries visited; and
- (iii) the total cost of each trip along with the tickets and hotel charges separately?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the number of persons accompanied;
- (ii) their names and the cost incurred on them separately; and
- (iii) the main reason for each overseas trip?

(c) Will he also state—

- (i) the budgeted allowance; and
- (ii) the supplementary expenditure provided for such trips?

(d) If not, why?

0054/'08

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 number of internally displaced people (IDP) in the country for the last two years to-date on District basis separately;
- (ii) the cost incurred by the Government for these internally displaced people on district basis;

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- (iii) the reason for being internally displaced; and
 - (iv) the date that they would be sent to their homes?
- (b) If not, why?

0137/'08

4.

Hon. Lakshman Nipunaarachchi,— 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 of—

- (i) the number of foreign liquor shops;
- (ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor was available; and
- (iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor was available;

which had been in the Moratuwa Divisional Secretariat Division before the present government came to power at the General Election held in year 2004?

(b) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) the number of foreign liquor shops;
- (ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor is available; and
- (iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor is available;

which are in the Moratuwa Divisional Secretariat Division at present after the present government came to power at the General Election held in year 2004?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) the number of foreign liquor shops and holiday resorts that are situated in the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division and which have been issued with liquor licences after present government came to power; and
- (ii) the names and addresses of the owners of them?

(d) If not, why?

0138/'08

5.

Hon. Lakshman Nipunaarachchi,— 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 of—

- (i) the number of foreign liquor shops;
- (ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor was available; and
- (iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor was available;

which had been in the Kaduwela Divisional Secretariat Division before the present government came to power at the General Election held in year 2004?

(b) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) the number of foreign liquor shops;
- (ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor is available; and
- (iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor is available;

which are in the Kaduwela Divisional Secretariat Division at present after the present government came to power at the General Election held in year 2004?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) the number of foreign liquor shops and holiday resorts that are situated in the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division and which have been issued with liquor licences after present government came to power; and
- (ii) the names and addresses of the owners of them?

(d) If not, why?

0139/'08

6.

Hon. Lakshman Nipunaarachchi,— 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 of—

- (i) the number of foreign liquor shops;

(5)

(ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor was available;
and

(iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor was available;

which had been in the Kolonnawa Divisional Secretariat Division before the present government came to power at the General Election held in year 2004?

(b) Will he submit to this House—

(i) the number of foreign liquor shops;

(ii) the number of holiday resorts where foreign liquor is available;
and

(iii) the number of tourist resorts where foreign liquor is available;

which are in the Kolonnawa Divisional Secretariat Division at present after the present government came to power at the General Election held in year 2004?

(c) Will he state—

(i) the number of foreign liquor shops and holiday resorts that are situated in the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division and which have been issued with liquor licences after present government came to power; and

(ii) the names and addresses of the owners of them?

(d) If not, why?

0175/'08

7.

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

(a) Will he inform this House separately, the date on which the Padaviya Tank and Irrigation system that provided water to the Padaviya colony in the Anuradhapura district was reconstructed and the date on which the colony was established?

(b) Will he inform this House—

(i) the capacity of the relevant tank that provides water to the aforesaid colony;

(ii) the amount of paddy lands which are cultivated by using that facility; and

(6)

- (iii) separately, the extent of lands that have been cultivated under the Padaviya Scheme during Yala and Maha seasons in 2005, 2006 and 2007?
- (c) Is he aware that the farm lands do not get sufficient water as a result of the poor irrigation system of this tank?
- (d) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to repair the irrigation system of the tank; and
 - (ii) if so, the date on which the aforesaid repair work will be started?
- (e) If not, why?

0176/'08

8.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately, the date on which the Kanadarawa Tank and Irrigation system that provided water to the Kanadarawa colony in the Anuradhapura district was reconstructed and the date on which the colony was established?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the capacity of the relevant tank that provides water to the aforesaid colony;
 - (ii) the amount of paddy lands which are cultivated by using that facility; and
 - (iii) separately, the extent of lands that have been cultivated under the Kanadarawa Scheme during Yala and Maha seasons in 2005, 2006 and 2007?
- (c) Is he aware that the farm lands do not get sufficient water as a result of the poor irrigation system of this tank?
- (d) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to repair the irrigation system of the tank; and
 - (ii) if so, the date on which the aforesaid repair work will be started?
- (e) If not, why?

0177/'08

9.

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of kidney patients identified from Anuradhapura District; and
- (ii) out of the number mentioned in the answer (a) (i) above, the number of patients who come to government hospitals for treatment?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of kidney patients that have been identified in Kebithigollewa, Weli Oya, Medawachchiya areas;
- (ii) the reasons for the increase in the number of kidney patients in these areas; and
- (iii) the courses of action that have been followed in order to control the increase of kidney patients?

(c) If not, why?

0303/'08

10.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House, whether it has been mentioned in the answer given by the then Minister of Textiles in response to a question asked by Hon. Tissa Attanayake, M.P. in 1999 that the employees of the ten power loom textile industries except for such industries at Galle and Anuradhapura are not entitled to pension rights?
- (b) Is he aware that 800 employees of the power loom textile sector who were treated as persons who did not have pension rights up to year 2003, received pension rights from 01.01.2003?
- (c) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) whether Directress (textiles), had been advised to the effect that any employee in the power loom textile industry who has not completed 10 years service should not be sent on retirement by the letter of the Attorney General bearing No. E 423/2002 and dated 07.02.2003; and

(8)

- (ii) the reasons for not making use of the directive bearing No ආ/iv/2/1/66 and dated 10.03.2003 and the letter bearing the same number and dated 19.05.2003 issued by the Director General Establishments for sending the remaining employees on retirement?
- (d) Will he take necessary steps to grant the employees of the ten power loom textile industries including Lewella and Polgolla with the entitlements that were violated by not sending them on retirement in the same way in which the persons who had not completed ten year service at Galle and Anuradhapura textile industries were sent on retirement?
- (e) If not, why?

0304/'08

11.

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

- (a) Is he aware that the settlers who obtained lands from the estate by the name of Abakotewatta which belongs to the Victoria Zone of the Sri Lanka Mahaweli Authority, under the basis of providing alternative lands, have been ordered to pay annual taxes for their lands?
- (b) Will he admit that—
 - (i) they lost their employment since they were given lands in the aforesaid estate considering them as the occupants who lived in the lands that were submerged by Victoria reservoir although they had served as estate labours in Ambakotewatta estate up to 1983; and
 - (ii) they have lost their extra income avenues such as rearing cattle and engage in poultry farming?
- (c) Will he take steps to stop the collection of taxes from the Mahaweli lands given to them and provide them with some kind of relief?
- (d) If not, why?

0305/'08

12.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Justice and Law Reforms,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Mr. H.L. Karunasena of No.618B 3/9, Second Step, Anuradhapura was Grade II Court Clerk in the District Court, Anuradhapura; and
 - (ii) he has been interdicted with effect from 31.08.2004?

(9)

- (b) Will he admit that this interdiction is not in accordance with the law under the Section 31:1 of Chapter XLVIII of the Establishment Code, as the B Reports Submitted in connection with this interdiction are those of a person who had been in service between 2001 and 2004 the year in which the case pertaining to Mr. Karunasena was filed?
- (c) As his innocence has been proved by the steps taken to pay him half pay from September 2005 after an inquiry connected to this interdiction was conducted by the Judicial Service Commission on 29-06-2005 will he take steps to reinstate him with salary arrears?
- (d) If not, why?

0448/'08

13.

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

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the name of the company (the contractor) that constructed the Mahanama Bridge in Matara;
 - (ii) the name of the person who opened the aforesaid bridge;
 - (iii) the date on which the aforesaid bridge was opened?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of digital hoardings that were put up for the opening of the aforesaid bridge; and
 - (ii) separately, the places where they were put up and the amounts of money spent on the aforesaid hoardings?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) if palmyra trees were planted in the city of Matara to mark the ceremony held for the opening of the aforesaid bridge, the number of trees that were planted;
 - (ii) the amount of money that was spent on planting one palmyra tree; and
 - (iii) the date on which they were planted?
- (d) If not, why?

0449/'08

14.

Hon. Y.M. Navaratne Banda,— To ask the Minister of Rural Industries and Self-employment Promotion,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the total extent of lands that belongs to the Palkeleke Industrial Estate in the Kandy District;
 - (ii) the number of factories in the Palkeleke Industrial Estate; and
 - (iii) the products of the aforesaid factories?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether the land adjoining this Industrial Estate has been distributed to people at a personal level?
- (c) Will he submit to this House, a list of the names of the recipients of the lands distributed as mentioned above?
- (d) Will he state whether—
 - (i) it has been verified that the above mentioned recipients of lands do not possess lands from anywhere else in the country;
 - (ii) the distribution of the land has been done lawfully; and
 - (iii) the granting of lands for personal use in the aforesaid manner will have a bad effect on the factories of this Industrial Estate?
- (e) Will he take necessary action to reacquire the above mentioned lands?
- (f) If not, why?

0456/'08

15.

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— To ask the Minister of Environment and Natural Resources,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House, the number of National Wildlife Parks in Sri Lanka and their names?
- (b) Will he submit to this House the information regarding the District, Provincial Council area, Local Government area and Divisional Secretariat area in which each Wildlife Park is situated?
- (c) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the annual income earned from each of the aforesaid Wildlife Parks from year 2000 to year 2006;
 - (ii) the amount of money given by each of those Wildlife Parks to the respective Provincial Councils and Local Government Authorities in each of the aforesaid years;

- (iii) the amount of money paid as taxes out of the annual income of the Wildlife Parks;
 - (iv) if there are any payments other than the taxes, what those payments are; and
 - (v) the names of the institutions to which those payments are made by each of the aforesaid Wildlife Parks in each of the aforesaid years?
- (d) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of motions

1.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,—Sittings of the Parliament,—That this Parliament at its rising this day, do adjourn until 09.30 a.m. on Friday 22nd August, 2008.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

1.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Prevention of the President and the Prime Minister from holding Cabinet Portfolios,—Adjourned debate on question (06th July 2007)

Motion made and question proposed,—“That this Parliament is of the opinion that the President and the Prime Minister be prevented from holding any cabinet portfolio in order to have a very effective administration and to critically review performances of their ministers” [P.3/’05]

P.1/’08

2.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Registration of weapons,—That this Parliament is of the opinion that all weapons in Sri Lanka should be registered and thereafter, if anyone is found with an unlicensed weapon, he should be charged with breach of criminal law and a mandatory imprisonment of 20 years be enforced.

P.2/’08

3.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Extension of Banking hours,—That this Parliament is of the opinion that Banking hours should be extended from 9:00 hours till 16:00 hours in order to increase the economic activities in the country.

P.3/'08

4.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Closing down of all taverns in the Kotte electorate,—That this Parliament is of the opinion that legislation be made to close down all taverns in Kotte electorate because sale of liquor very freely has certainly degraded the moral values in the country.

P.4/'08

5.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Granting permission to journalists to attend all meetings held under Committee on Public Enterprises (COPE), Public Accounts Committee (PAC) and Consultative Committees,—That this Parliament is of the opinion that journalists must be permitted to attend all meetings held under the Committee on Public Enterprises, Public Accounts Committee and Consultative Committees as this will make the discussions more effective, meaningful and transparent.

P.5/'08

6.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Granting Agricultural Loans to farmers who are self employed in Agriculture,—That this Parliament is of the opinion that farmers who are self employed in agriculture be granted Agricultural loans to a maximum of Rs. 25,000 at a reduced Interest Rate of 5%.

P.6/'08

7.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Implementation of an Island wide programme to educate the masses in destroying waste material such as polythene, plastic etc.,— Since the usage of Polythene and Plastic material has rapidly increased in the island and large scale environmental pollution is taking place due to the indiscriminate disposal of such material, that this Parliament is of the opinion that an island wide programme to educate the masses in destroying waste material such as polythene, plastic etc, be implemented.

P.7/'08

8.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Publishing the names of defaulters of loans taken from State Banks,— That this Parliament resolves that legal provisions be introduced in Parliament to publish names of defaulters who have borrowed over Rs.100 million from state banks.

P.8/08

9.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Implementation of Private Members Motions,— That this Parliament is of the opinion that Private Members Motions moved in Parliament shall be debated within one year and, if approved by Parliament, the Cabinet of Ministers shall sanction them within six months, so that the Private Members Motions would be an effective contribution by Parliamentarians.

P.9/08

10.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Playing National Anthem in Parliament,—That this Parliament is of the opinion that National Anthem be played in Parliament before the commencement and the conclusion of Parliament Sitting in order to develop national spiritedness in the country.

P.10/'08

11.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Developing a Strong Sri Lankan Identity,— That since the requirement to state one's race and religion in government documents is an impediment and an inhiabition to develop a strong national identity' this Parliament is of the opinion that this requirement be dispensed with.

P.11/'08

12.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Prevention of using images of Religious leaders for commercial purposes,— That this Parliament resolves that all religions must equally be respected and that images of Lord Buddha, Jesus Christ, Lord Shiva or Prophet Mohammed should not be used on any Commercial advertisement or any other form of non religious items.

P.12/'08

13.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Making new laws to regulate contempt of court proceedings ,— That this Parliament is of the opinion that new laws should be brought into regulate contempt of court proceedings as to strengthen democracy and to maintain a vibrant free media ensuring equal justice to all.

P.13/'08

14.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Introducing of Laws relating to Public Interest Litigation,— That this Parliament resolves that Laws be introduced in Parliament for the Public Interest Litigation in respect of violation of basic Human Rights of the poor, content or conduct of Government policy, compe Municipal Authorities to perform a public duty, violation of religious rights or other basic fundamental rights, and corruption which Leads to Higher Public Debt and additional Liability to the Citizen.

P.14/'08

15.

Hon.Ravi Karunanayake,— Presenting a Financial Audit Report to The Election Commission by Political Parties,— That this Parliament resolves that all income and expenditure earned and incurred by recognized Political Parties must be audited and presented to the Election Commission annually.

P.15/'08

16.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Punishments for Government Officials,—That this Parliament resolves that, High Ranking Government Officials who misuse and politicize their independent positions be punished and fined as soon as they are found guilty.

P.16/'08

17.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Extension of Retirement Age,—That this Parliament is of the opinion that the government officers' retirement age must be extended up to 65 years and for those who have special aptitude it can be extended up to 70 years, if the Legislature recommends.

P.17/'08

18.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Establishment of Quality Assurance Council to protect Education,— That this Parliament resolves that a "Quality Assurance Council" be established by law with an immediate effect to protect the education for the future generation, since there are many educational institutions mushrooming in Sri Lanka using university names without any accountability.

P.18/'08

19.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Creation of a Position named "Special Prosecutor",— That this Parliament resolves that in order to ensure the Government Service is free from political interferences, a position named "Special Prosecutor" that directly reporting to this Parliament be created to institute prosecutions as soon as Independent Commissions Committee on Public Accounts and Committee on Public Enterprises report the cases of misuse, corruption or inefficiency, affecting the efficiency of the Institutions.

P.19/'08

20.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Pre Budget Debate prior to passing of the Budget,— That this Parliament resolves that, like in India and United Kingdom, there must be a pre Budget debate on estimates provided, three months before passing of the Budget in order to mitigate and rectify any adverse or unfavorable impacts.

P.20/'08

21.

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Establishment of a Museum in the Kegalle District,— This Parliament resolves that steps be taken to establish a museum for archeological monuments and for the purpose of obtaining information regarding places which have archaeological, cultural and social values.

P.21/'08

22.

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Appointment of a National Policy Formulation Board to determine National Policies,— This Parliament resolves that a national policy formulation board having specific powers to function notwithstanding changes of government and consisting of politicians and professionals in this field be appointed with a view to formulating systematic national policies and plans.

P.22/'08

23.

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Setting up of a unit with legal powers to solve the problems faced by the migrant employees,— That this Parliament is of the opinion that a unit with legal powers be set up to look into problems faced by migrant employees such as assaults, abduction, rape, sexual abuse, killings, financial frauds and to get them down to this country and to look into their safety.

P.23/'08

24.

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Formulation of a National Programme to introduce New Inventors to the World,— That this Parliament resolves that a national programme be formulated to introduce the new inventors and citizens who are endowed with various skills to the world and to improve their skills and creations.

P.24/'08

25.

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Tax Concession to Industrialists who utilize Indigenous Raw Materials,— That this Parliament resolves that a 02 year tax concession be granted to local industrialists who produce goods for the international market utilizing more than 75% indigenous raw materials.

P.25/'08

26.

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Appointment of a Presidential Commission combining the Judiciary, the Police and the Prison,— That this Parliament resolves that a Presidential Commission be appointed the Judiciary, the Police and the Prison with the objective of minimizing crimes spreading in the society, to improve criminals laws be minimizing shortcomings, to dispose of backlog of cases including land matters piled up in courts and to provide a speedy service by modernizing the Judiciary, the Police and the Prison.

P.26/'08

27.

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Granting Citizenship to Estate Community,— That this Parliament resolves that the estate sector community who do not have Sri Lankan citizenship should be granted same upon their willingness.

P.27/'08

28.

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Providing a free glass of milk to the pupils in primary schools in the Island,— That this Parliament resolves that arrangements should be made to give a free glass of milk in the morning to all the pupils in the primary schools in the Island.

P.28/'08

29.

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Refund of Employee's Provident Fund and Employees Trust Fund benefits to the applicants within a week,— That this Parliament resolves that there should be a procedure to refund Employees' Provident Fund and Employees' Trust Fund benefits to the applicants within a week.

P.29/'08

30.

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Appointment of Chairmen and Board of Directors in the Statutory Institutions including State Corporations, Boards and Authorities,— That this Parliament resolves that only persons who have professional qualifications and experience should be selected to appoint as Chairmen and Board of Directors in Statutory Institutions including State Corporation, Boards and Authorities.

P.30/'08

31.

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Re-demarcation of boundaries of Grama Niladhari Division, Divisional Secretariats, Districts and Administrative areas on a scientific basis,— That this Parliament resolves that boundaries of Grama Niladhari Divisions, Divisional Secretariats, Districts and Administrative areas should be re-demarcated on a scientific basis after conducting a survey all over the island.

P.31/'08

32.

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Recruitment of officers for the Sri Lanka Overseas Service only on marks of Limited Competitive Examinations,— That this Parliament resolves that recruitment of officers for the Sri Lanka Overseas Service should be decided only on marks of limited competitive examinations and that only basic qualifications should be checked at the interview.

P.32/'08

33.

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Punishment to criminals and compensation to the victims,— That this Parliament resolves that laws should be made to enable the same court to impose punishment to criminals and give compensation to the victims.

P.33/'08

34.

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Issuing free season tickets to students,— That this Parliament resolves that a system should be introduced to issue free season tickets to students to travel in buses of the Road Passenger Transport Authorities.

P.34/'08

35.

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Presidential Commission on Political victimization,— That this Parliament resolves that a fully pledge Presidential Commission should be appointed to inquire into the complaints made by people who have been affected by political victimization due to their political ideas, from past until now, and to give them relief.

P.35/'08

36.

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Establishment of Sports Schools and formulating a National Sports Policy,— That this Parliament resolves that a National Sports Policy with long term objectives should be formulated and high standard Sports Schools with pavilions, play grounds, sports Instruments and sports instructors should be established basically covering all the districts.

P.36/'08

37.

Hon. R. M. Gamini Rathnayake,— Establishment of a Faculty of National Languages,— That this Parliament resolves that a Faculty of National Languages should be established in order to teach Sinhala, Tamil and English to teachers.

P 37/'08

38.

Hon. Lakshman Nipunaarachchi,— Payment of Pension Gratuity without delay,— This Parliament resolves that measures be adopted to pay Pension Gratuity without delay to the Pensioners who have not yet received the same.

P38/'08

39.

Hon. Vijitha Ranaweera,— Conservation of the Ussangoda Mountain Site,—Since the Ussangoda mountain range area on the coastal belt in the south belonging to the Ambalantota Divisional Secretariat Division, popularly known as the Horton Plains of the South and identified as a site belonging to Middle Paleolithic has inherited an immense importance as an open settlement site from which twenty eight thousand years old geometrical tools and rocks have been discovered and also as a site extremely rich in marine and land bio-diversity and an ideal turtle habitat and as a wall that protected people from the Tsunami waves, this House resolves that it be declared an eco-system to be protected by immediately putting a stop to the project proposed to be launched there.

*40.

The Minister of Cultural Affairs and National Heritage,— Supplementary Sum— Head 142 — Programme 02,— †That a supplementary sum not exceeding Rupees Eighteen Million (Rs. 18,000,000) be payable out of the Consolidated Fund of the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka or any other fund or monies 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 services of the Financial year beginning on 1st January, 2008 and ending on 31st December 2008 and that the said sum may be expended as specified in the schedule hereto:

Schedule

Head 142	—	Ministry of Cultural Affairs and National Heritage
Programme 02	—	Development Activities
Project 03	—	Social - Cultural Integration

Recurrent Expenditure	= Rs.	<u>18,000,000</u>
Total Expenditure	= Rs.	18,000,000

(Cabinet approval signified)

†Vide Supplementary Estimate No.04 of 2008 presented on 08th July,2008. Total of Supplementary Estimates Nos.1-3 Rs. 3,198,180,332/-

*41.

National Housing Development Authority (Special Provisions) Bill—Second Reading.

*42.

Grant of Citizenship to Persons of Chinese Origin (Special Provisions) Bill—Second Reading.

*43.

Civil Aviation Bill— Second Reading.

*44.

Assistance and Protection to Victims of Crime and Witnesses Bill,— Adjourned debate on question (17th June, 2008) [1].

*45.

Sri Lanka Electricity Bill—Second Reading.

*46.

Credit Information Bureau of Sri Lanka (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

*47.

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

*48.

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

*49.

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

*50.

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

*51.

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

*52.

Governors' Pension Bill—Second Reading.

*53.

Urban Settlement Development Authority Bill— Second Reading

*54.

The Minister of Urban Development and Sacred Area Development,— Regulations under the Urban Development Authority Law,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Urban Development and Sacred Area Development, under the Sub Section (I) of Section 21 of the Urban Development Authority Law, No.41 of 1978 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1555/32 of 27th June, 2008, which were presented on 25.07.2008, be approved.

*55.

The Minister of Environment and Natural Resources,— Order under the National Environmental Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Environment and Natural Resources, under the Section 23A of the National Environmental Act, No.47 of 1980 as amended by the Acts, No.56 of 1988 and No.53 of 2000 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1533/16 of 25th January, 2008, which were presented on 25.07.2008 be approved.

*56.

The Minister of Environment and Natural Resources,— Regulations under the National Environmental Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Environment and Natural Resources, under the Section 32 read with Section 23A and 23B of the National Environmental Act, No.47 of 1980 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1534/18 of 01st February, 2008, which were presented on 25.07.2008, be approved.

*57.

The Minister of Plantation Industries,—Regulations under the Sri Lanka Tea Board Law,—That the “Sri Lanka Tea Board (Tea Factories Construction and Operation) Minimum Standards Regulations No.01 of 2008” made by the Sri Lanka Tea Board under Paragraph (g) of Section 25 of the Sri Lanka Tea Board Law No.14 of 1975 and approved by the Minister of Plantation Industries and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1531/17 of 10th January, 2008 which was presented on 09.04.2008, be approved.

*58.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Rules under Excise Ordinance,—That the Rules made by His Excellency President under Section 32 of Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52), relating to Excise Tax and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1544/17 of 10th April, 2008 which was presented on 19.06.2008, be approved.

*59.

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.

*60.

The Minister of Posts and Telecommunications,— 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.

*61.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—Determination under the Constitution (No.1),— That this Parliament hereby determines that the monthly allowance paid to the Chairman and Members of the Judicial Service Commission shall be an amount equivalent to 1/3rd of their monthly salary of their substantial position and such allowance be payable from January 01, 2007. It is further determined by this Parliament that the Allowance determined earlier by Parliament as payable to the Members of the Judicial Service Commission shall be substituted by the Allowance determined by this Resolution.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*62.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Determination under the Constitution (No.2),— That Mr. Dayananda Dissanayake, who retired from Government Service with effect from 28-01-2002 was re-appointed to that post on 29-01-2002 under Section 27(2) of the Seventeenth Amendment to the Constitution and subsequently, the salary of the Commissioner of Elections was determined by Parliament on 23-11-2006 in keeping with the salary revisions effected in the Public Service, but, since on that occasion a determination has not been made on the payment of Annual Salary Increments that fell due to this post in terms of the Minute of Secretaries to Ministries, this Parliament determines that Mr. Dayananda Dissanayake, Commissioner of Elections be paid his salary with the amount of the Salary Increments he became entitled to from 29-01-2002, the date he was re-appointed to the post of Commissioner of Elections, until such time he remains in that post.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*63.

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)

*64.

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)

*65.

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)

*66.

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

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 effect 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)

*67.

The Minister of Construction and Engineering Services,—Annual Report of the State Engineering Corporation of Sri Lanka 2004,— That the Annual Report and the final Accounts of the State Engineering Corporation of Sri Lanka together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year 2004 and presented on 21.07.2006 under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by Consultative Committee on Housing and Construction)

*68.

The Minister of Construction and Engineering Services,—Annual Report of the Institute of Construction Training and Development 2005,— That the Annual Report and the final Accounts of the Institute of Construction, Training and Development together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year 2005 and presented on 24.11.2006 under Section 13(1) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by Consultative Committee on Construction and Engineering Services)

69.

Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution Bill — Second Reading

70.

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."