



[Sixth Parliament — Third Session]

No. 44.]

**ORDER PAPER
OF
PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Tuesday, November 18, 2008 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0005/'08

1.

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 the action taken on COPE reports presented by former Chairmen Hon. John Amaratunga, Hon. Jeyaraj Fernandopulle, Hon. Rohitha Bogollagama and the report presented by Hon. Wijeyadasa Rajapakshe on the 12th January, 2007?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the action taken on the report dated 20th July, 2006, submitted by Mr. Mayadunne, the former Auditor-General and the report No. PS12 submitted by Hon. Rauff Hakeem, Chairman PAC on 29th November, 2007;
 - (ii) the Institutions investigated as per above; and
 - (iii) the action that has been initiated with the directions of the Committee Report?
- (c) If not, why?

0051/'08

2.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the total local and foreign loans taken by the Government from the year 2001 to-date on per year basis;
 - (ii) the percentage of interest and the repayable period;

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- (iii) the reason that these loans were taken;
 - (iv) the total local and foreign debt of the nation as of today;
 - (v) the date that these loans have to be repaid;
 - (vi) the total interest payable along with the dates that the interest has to be paid; and
 - (vii) the cost of interest from the year 2001 to-date on per year basis?
- (b) Will he submit to this House a full schedule of—
- (i) the total debt amortized (capital and interest) as above; and
 - (ii) the total payable per year?
- (c) Will he state that from what earnings the debt amortization going to be paid?
- (d) If not, why?

0062/'08

3.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(2)

- (a) Will he admit that—
- (i) the Appropriation Bill of 2005 and 2006 introduced a clause No.6 permitting the Secretary to the Treasury to allocate funds through the Department of National Budget without taking it through supplementary estimates to Parliament; and
 - (ii) it is stealthily taking away and eroding of Parliamentary supremacy on Public Finance?
- (b) Will he submit to this House the amount of money allocated using this clause by the Secretary to the Treasury separately in the year 2006 and 2007?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) the purpose they were used; and
 - (ii) the Head number and specific project code along with narration?
- (d) If not, why?

0192/'08

4.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Nation Building and Estate Infrastructure Development,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately, whether the offices of each Minister of Nation Building (Non-cabinet) are housed in Government buildings?

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- (b) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the addresses of the places, the addresses of the owners of the places and the date on which they were obtained, if the relevant offices are housed in private institutions or in lands or buildings owned by private individuals; and
 - (ii) separately, the number of square feet of the offices and the amounts of monies that are being paid monthly and annually for them, if the spaces for the offices have been obtained on rent, lease or any other basis?
- (c) Will he state separately—
- (i) whether deposits have been made to obtain the spaces for the offices on rent, lease or any other basis; and
 - (ii) if so, the amounts of monies that have been deposited as mentioned above?
- (d) Will he take necessary action to house the aforesaid offices in Government buildings?
- (e) If not, why?

0251/08

5.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether an official residence has been provided for the Minister of Education Services (non Cabinet);
 - (ii) if so, whether it is a property owned by the State; and
 - (iii) if it is not owned by the State, the basis on which it has been allocated?
- (b) Will he submit to this House separately—
- (i) if an official residence has been allocated, whether it has been repaired or upgraded during the years 2005, 2006 and 2007;
 - (ii) if it has been repaired, the amount of money spent in each year for that purpose;
 - (iii) whether furniture or any other equipment for the use of the aforesaid official residence, has been purchased at Government expense during the years 2005, 2006 and 2007; and
 - (iv) if so, the amount spent on them?

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(c) Will he state—

- (i) separately, the number of units of electricity and water that have been used at this official residence during each month of the years 2005, 2006 and 2007; and
- (ii) the amount of money spent by the relevant Ministry for electricity and water used at the above mentioned official residence in each month of the aforesaid years?

(d) If not, why?

0252/08

6.

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether an official residence has been provided for the Minister of Home Affairs (non Cabinet);
- (ii) if so, whether it is a property owned by the State; and
- (iii) if it is not owned by the State, the basis on which it has been allocated?

(b) Will he submit to this House separately—

- (i) if an official residence has been allocated, whether it has been repaired or upgraded during the years 2005, 2006 and 2007;
- (ii) if it has been repaired, the amount of money spent in each year for that purpose;
- (iii) whether furniture or any other equipment for the use of the aforesaid official residence, has been purchased at Government expense during the years 2005, 2006 and 2007; and
- (iv) if so, the amount spent on them?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) separately, the number of units of electricity and water that have been used at this official residence during each month of the years 2005, 2006 and 2007; and
- (ii) the amount of money spent by the relevant Ministry for electricity and water used at the above mentioned official residence in each month of the aforesaid years?

(d) If not, why?

0345/'08

7.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the names of the foreign countries which the Deputy Minister visited since the new Government came to power in the year 2004 up to now; and
 - (ii) the official and personal foreign visits made by him separately?
- (b) Will he submit to this House separately in respect of each visit—
 - (i) the names and designations of the officials who accompanied him;
 - (ii) if any officers of his personal staff accompanied him, their names and designations; and
 - (iii) the name of the airline and the class in which the Deputy Minister and the officers of his personal staff travelled?
- (c) Will he state separately, in respect of each visit, the foreign aid, foreign loans, projects or other benefits received by the country as a result of these visits?
- (d) If not, why?

0399/'08

8.

Hon. Achala Jagodage,— To ask the Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House whether a new batch of employees has been recruited, for his Ministry or Departments, Corporations or other institutions that come under it in the year 2007?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) separately, the number that has been recruited for each institution if such a batch has been recruited;
 - (ii) separately, the number that has been recruited for each post; and
 - (iii) separately, the number that has been confirmed in service and the number of graduates out of the aforesaid batch of employees?
- (c) If not, why?

0435/'08

9.

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask the Minister of Export Development and International Trades,—(2)

- (a) Will he submit to this House separately—
 - (i) the amounts of vegetables, fruits, grain and spices and the amounts of their sub-categories that were exported and imported within the year 2006;
 - (ii) the expenditure and the income earned with respect to (i) above in American Dollars and Rupees separately;
 - (iii) the importers and exporters who were involved in the process; and
 - (iv) the names, addresses and telephone numbers of their institutions?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the names, relevant institutions, addresses and telephone numbers of the producers who produce the aforesaid types of food locally;
 - (ii) whether the Government possesses a systematic programme to produce those types of food locally and save foreign exchange; and
 - (iii) if so, what it is?
- (c) If not, why?

0612/'08

10.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether financial allocations were provided to each Member of the Southern Provincial Council for the years 2007 and 2008;
 - (ii) if the financial allocations were provided, the amount of money that was provided;
 - (iii) whether Members of the Southern Provincial Council have gone on foreign tours by using the aforesaid financial allocations; and
 - (iv) if so, the number of Members who have gone on foreign tours in the above mentioned manner?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the names and political parties of the Members of the Provincial Council who have gone on foreign tours in the above mentioned manner; and

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- (ii) the names of the countries which they toured and the amount of money spent on those tours?
- (c) If not, why?

0489/'08

11.

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

- (a) Will he state in this House—
 - (i) the total amount of money which was allocated to the Reconstruction and Development Agency (RADA) in the years 2006 and 2007;
 - (ii) whether these monies were allocated only from the Treasury; and
 - (iii) if monies were obtained from any other institution the name of the institution from which the monies were obtained?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately, the names and designations of the officers who granted permission to allocate the public funds to the aforesaid Reconstruction and Development Agency (RADA);
 - (ii) if the powers have been delegated to the Treasury or to any other Government institution to issue public funds to the aforesaid institution, the name of the person who is responsible for delegating the powers in that manner?
- (c) Will he submit to this House the documents pertaining to the delegation of above mentioned legal power?
- (d) If not, why?

0617/'08

12.

Hon. Vijitha Herath,— 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) of the number of posts that currently exist in the Sri Lanka Planning Service, which belongs to the Public Service;
 - (ii) of the number of posts that have fallen vacant, out of the number of posts mentioned above;
 - (iii) whether the recruitment of persons to the Sri Lanka Planning Service for filling the vacancies in Grade II/II, out of the number of vacancies mentioned above, will be done on the results of the open and limited competitive examinations; and

- (iv) of the number of persons who will be recruited in that manner?
- (b) If so, will he state the date on which the recruitments will be made and the procedure for the recruitment?
- (c) If not, why?

0510/'08

13.

Hon. Gamini Jayawickrama Perera,— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development and Agrarian Services,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House the reason for not conducting the election of office bearers of Bowatta Parakumba Farmers Organization which comes under the Yakwila Agrarian Services Centre in the Katugampola electorate, on 11.10.2007, even though nearly 40 members of the aforesaid farmers organization had been present?
- (b) Is he aware that, subsequently the election of office bearers was conducted with the participation of 10-15 members and a Member of Pannala Pradeshiya Sabha as the presiding officer?
- (c) Will he inform this House whether he will start an inquiry with regard to the election of a person who has misappropriated an amount of money exceeding Rs. 35,000/= which belonged to the Farmers Organization as the secretary in the aforesaid election of office bearers?
- (d) Will he admit that the election of a person who was not present at the election of office bearers, as the Treasurer, is illegal?
- (e) Will he take necessary action to cancel the aforesaid election of office bearers and conduct a new election by considering the facts mentioned above?
- (f) If not, why?

0521/'08

14.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the total amount of money estimated for the Moragahakanda reservoir construction project;
 - (ii) the amount of money allocated for the year 2007;
 - (iii) whether foreign loans or grants are given for this project;
 - (iv) the number of years in which this project is due to be completed; and

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- (v) the amount of money expected to be allocated for each year?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of families that will be displaced due to this project;
 - (ii) the location of the lands that are proposed to be given to them and the extent of land given for each family;
 - (iii) the other facilities that will be given to the displaced persons other than the lands?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether an Environmental Impact Assessment Report has been prepared for this project;
 - (ii) if so, when; and
 - (iii) the recommendations of the aforesaid report?
- (d) Will he state—
 - (i) the total amount of money that has been spent for the inaugural ceremony of this project; and
 - (ii) the name of the company which was in charge of the publicity activities of that ceremony?
- (e) Will he submit to this House, the amounts of money paid to the aforesaid company in respect of television advertisements, posters, newspaper advertisements, hoardings, and other publicity activities separately?
- (f) If not, why?

0614/'08

15.

Hon. Y.M. Navaratne Banda,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether there are any schools where all the students who sat for the General Certificate of Education (G.C.E.) Ordinary Level Examination held in December 2007, have failed;
 - (ii) if so, the number of such schools; and
 - (iii) the number of students who sat for the above mentioned examination from each school?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether the teachers required to teach the subjects that are prescribed for the General Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level) Examination, were there at the aforesaid schools; and
- (ii) if not, what those subjects are?

(c) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*a1.

Appropriation Bill (2009),— (Ninth Allotted Day) — Committee — (Progress 17th November)

*2.

The Minister of Education,— Supplementary Sum— Head 126 — Programme 02,—
†That a supplementary sum not exceeding Rupees one thousand seven hundred and thirty six million (Rs. 1,736,000,000) 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 126	—	Ministry of Education
Programme 02	—	Welfare

Recurrent Expenditure	= Rs.	1,736,000,000
Capital Expenditure	= Rs.	—
Total Expenditure	= Rs.	<u>1,736,000,000</u>

(Cabinet approval signified)

†Vide Supplementary Estimate No.08 of 2008 presented on 04th November, 2008.
Total of Supplementary Estimates Nos.1-7 Rs. 25,303,980,332/-

*3.

The Minister of Transport,— Supplementary Sum— Head 306 — Programme 02,—
†That a supplementary sum not exceeding Rupees one thousand and fifty million (Rs. 1,050,000,000) 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 306	—	Department of Sri Lanka Railway
Programme 02	—	Development activities

Recurrent Expenditure	= Rs.	186,000,000
Capital Expenditure	= Rs.	<u>864,000,000.</u>
Total Expenditure	= Rs.	<u>1050,000,000</u>

(Cabinet approval signified)

†Vide Supplementary Estimate No.09 of 2008 presented on 08th November, 2008.
Total of Supplementary Estimates Nos.1-8 Rs. 27,039,980,332/-

*4.

The Minister of Science and Technology,— Order under the Sri Lanka Standards Institution Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Science and Technology, in terms of subsection 2 of Section 48 of the Sri Lanka Standards Institution Act, No.06 of 1984 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1552/28 of 06th June, 2008, which was presented on 04.11.2008, be approved.

*5.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Determination under the Constitution (No.1),— That Mr. Dayananda Dissanayake, Commissioner of Elections 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 Minutes 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)

*6.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Determination under the Constitution (No.2),— Mr. S. Swarnajothi was appointed to the post of Auditor-General with effect from 04.01.2008 in terms of Article 153 (1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka. Subsequently it was decided that he be placed on the salary step of Rs. 58,915/- of the salary scale SL - 4 - Rs.47,515 - 12 × 1,425 - 64,615/- attached to the post. It was decided by the Cabinet of Ministers on 06.08.2008 that Mr. Swarnajothi be paid annual increments of salary so long as he holds the post of Auditor-General. This Parliament, therefore, determines that Mr. S. Swarnajothi, Auditor-General shall be paid a monthly salary of Rs. 58,915/- with effect from 04.01.2008. And that he shall be paid the annual increments of salary attached to the post so long as he holds the post of Auditor-General.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*7.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—Determination under the Constitution (No.3),— 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)

*8.

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 remunerations 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 remunerations 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 remunerations and allowances determined by this resolution.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*9.

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)

*10.

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 salaries and allowances payable to the Chairman and the Members of the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption shall be as follows with effect from 01.01.2006.

Chairman (Full time)

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

Members

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

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

(Cabinet approval signified)

*11.

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, shall 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 effect from 01.01.2007 and such salaries and allowances as determined by this resolution should be substituted for the salaries and allowances previously determined by Parliament.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*12.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Resolution under National Education Commission Act,— It is determined by this Parliament that the salaries of the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the National Education Commission shall be as follows with effect from 01.01.2006 in terms of Section 4(8) of the National Education Commission Act, No.19 of 1991:

Chairman (on a full time basis)

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

Vice Chairman

Salary	Rs. 50,000.00	per month
Fuel allowances	<u>Rs. 12,000.00</u>	per month
Total	<u>Rs. 62,000.00</u>	

It is further decided by this Parliament that 50% of the salary increase (excluding the allowances) shall be paid with effect from 01.01.2006 and the remuneration in full together with the balance 50% with effect from 01.01.2007 and that this salary increase shall also be applicable to Prof. Lal Perera who has been functioning as Vice Chairman of the Commission since 2006 to date and to Dr. G.D. Gunawardena who currently holds the said post and that the salaries and allowances determined by this resolution shall be substituted for the salaries and allowances determined by the resolution that was previously adopted by Parliament in relation to the salaries and allowances payable to the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the National Education Commission.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*13.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act,— That this Parliament resolves that the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in him by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.47 of 2006 and specified in the Order No.37 hereto, be approved.

ORDER
Appropriation Act. No.47 of 2006
Order No. 37 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.47 of 2006, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No: 30602 “Railway Stores Advance Account” Department of Sri Lanka Railway of the Second schedule to that Act.

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| (i) | Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the Second Schedule to that Act. | | | | | Not Revised |
| (ii) | Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Second Schedule to that Act. | From | Rs. | — | 1,000,000,000 | |
| | | To | Rs. | — | 680,000,000 | |
| (iii) | Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Second Schedule to that Act. | From | Rs. | — | 3,800,000,000 | |
| | | To | Rs. | — | 3,900,000,000 | |
| (iv) | Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in Column V of the Second Schedule to that Act. | From | Rs. | — | 400,000,000 | |
| | | To | Rs. | — | 550,000,000 | |

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2007 only)

Sgd. MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA
Minister of Finance and Planning.

28.08.2008
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*14.

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 were presented on 09.04.2008, be approved.

*15.

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 were presented on 19.06.2008, be approved.

*16.

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.

*17.

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.

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Housing Development Finance Corporation Bank of Sri Lanka (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

*19.

Public Enterprises Reform Commission of Sri Lanka (Repeal) Bill—Second Reading.

*20.

National Institute of Textile and Clothing Bill— Second Reading.

*21.

Civil Aviation Bill— Second Reading.

*22.

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

*23.

Sri Lanka Electricity Bill—Second Reading.

*24.

Governors' Pension Bill—Second Reading.

*25.

Grant of Citizenship to Persons of Indian Origin (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

*26.

Grant of Citizenship to Stateless Persons (Special Provisions) (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

*27.

Land Development Ordinance (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

*28.

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

*29

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

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

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

*32.

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

33.

Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution Bill — Second Reading

34.

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

35.

Adam's Peak Kalpawaruksha Development Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

36.

Thaliyawaka Sri Ananda Bodhi Cultural Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

37.

Eksath Janaisuru Padanama (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

38.

Rev. Moonamale Dhammarathana Memorial Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

39.

World Fellowship of Buddhists — Sri Lanka Regional Centre Establishment Bill — Consideration.

* Indicates Government Business

NOTICE OF AMENDMENTS RELATING TO ORDERS OF THE DAY

a1.

For amendments in Committee on Appropriation Bill (2009)— See separate Paper "Supplement to the Orders of the Day".

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