



[ Sixth Parliament — Third Session ]

No. 50.]

**ORDER PAPER  
OF  
PARLIAMENT  
FOR**

**Wednesday, November 26, 2008 at 9.30 a.m.**

**QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS**

0028/'08

1.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) the dates that the prices of petrol, diesel, kerosene oil, furnace oil and aviation fuel were increased from 2<sup>nd</sup> April, 2004 to date;
  - (ii) the VAT percentage for Petrol; and
  - (iii) the above value per liter?
- (b) Will he state—
  - (i) the total taxes for each petroleum product for the year 2006;
  - (ii) the purpose that this revenue has been used for; and
  - (iii) if all taxes are eliminated, what would be the price of petrol, diesel kerosene oil, furnace oil and aviation fuel?
- (c) Will he admit—
  - (i) that increase in taxes were supposed to be uplifted the roads; and
  - (ii) after the taxes had been imposed the roads have got worse?
- (d) if it is so, what is the purpose of such taxes?
- (e) If not, why?

0085/'08

2.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House from 2004 to-date—
  - (i) the total amount of new currency issued to the market on per month basis;

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- (ii) the amount of forged currency or counterfeit notes withdrawn from the market;
- (iii) the cost of printing of the money notes; and
- (iv) the cost of money being printed on per year basis?
- (b) Will he state the economic basis (e.g. Assets+Next Year's Growth) in how the money been released to the market?
- (c) If not, why?

0087/'08

3.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House the main functions of the Central Bank?
- (b) Will he state—
  - (i) whether the Central Bank is a politically free institution;
  - (ii) the total local and foreign debt of the country as of today, separately; and
  - (iii) the capital and interest component separately, and the total payable for the years 1948, 1955, 1956, 1977, 2001, 2004 and 2007?
- (c) Will he also state—
  - (i) the amount of money been printed by the Central Bank and put into the market to meet the Government outstanding; and
  - (ii) the Treasury account outstanding with People's Bank and Bank of Ceylon from 1995 to-date as at 30<sup>th</sup> September of each year?
- (d) If not, why?

0242/'08

4.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Construction and Engineering Services,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether an official residence has been provided for the Minister of Construction and Engineering Services (Cabinet);
  - (ii) if so, whether it is a property owned by the State; and

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- (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?

0263/'08

5.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Sports and Public Recreation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether an official residence has been provided for the Minister of Sports (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;

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- (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?

0264/'08

6.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Trade, Marketing Development, Co-operatives and Consumer Services,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether an official residence has been provided for the Minister of Co-operatives (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?

0303/'08

7.

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,— To ask the Minister of Industrial Development,—(2)

- (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 the 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
  - (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 years service at Galle and Anuradhapura textile industries were sent on retirement?
- (e) If not, why?

0407/'08

8.

Hon. Achala Jagodage,— To ask the Minister of Nation Building and Estate Infrastructure Development,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House whether a new batch of employees has been recruited, for the Ministry of Nation Building and Estate Infrastructure Development 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;

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- (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?

0472/'08

9.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the number of acres of paddy lands in the Walasmulla Agrarian Service Centre area in the Hambantota District as at 31.12.2007; and
  - (ii) separately, the extent of land identified as falling into the categories of major irrigated, minor irrigated and rain fed, out of the number of acres of paddy lands mentioned in the answer for (a) (i) above?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of tenant farmers engaged in paddy farming in the relevant area as at 31.12.2007 and the number of acres of paddy lands cultivated by them;
  - (ii) the number of farmers who have their own paddy lands and the number of acres of paddy lands cultivated by them; and
  - (iii) if there are any other types of farmers other than the two types of farmers mentioned above, their number and the number of acres of paddy lands cultivated by them?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) the number of disputes that have arisen between the land owner and the successor owing to the death of the tenant farmer during the period up to 31.12.2007, since implementation of the Agrarian Development Act in the year 2000;
  - (ii) the number of disputes of tenant farmers that have been reported to the Assistant Commissioner of Agrarian Services from the relevant area; and
  - (iii) the number of successors who have been accorded the rights of tenant farmers?
- (d) If not, why?

0525/'08

10.

Hon. Anura Dissanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
- (i) whether Prima Company has been granted any subsidy for wheat flour by the Government;
  - (ii) if so, the subsidy granted for one kilogram of wheat flour;
  - (iii) the date from which arrangements were made to grant the aforesaid subsidy;
  - (iv) the date on which it was suspended; and
  - (v) separately, the amount of money given as subsidy in each year during that period?
- (b) Will he submit to this House the dates on which due subsidy was made available to Prima Company in relation to each year?
- (c) If not, why?

0637/'08

11.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the extent of lands that belong to the Land Reform Commission and which have been taken over by the Government including the areas of “Division No.2” and ‘80 acres’ at Kotalapaddalagama, Kothalawala in Nagoda Divisional Secretariat Division in Galle;
  - (ii) the extent of lands that have been distributed by December 2007, out of the aforesaid lands; and
  - (iii) the names and addresses of the recipients of these lands and the extent of lands given to each of them?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) whether the aforesaid recipients are residing in the aforesaid lands or whether they are in possession of those lands;
  - (ii) if the portion of land received by any person, has been transferred or sold in an illegal manner to some other person, the names and addresses of persons who have done so; and

- (iii) if so, the steps that have been taken in this regard?
- (c) Will he state the period of time within which the necessary steps will be taken to protect the Government lands by demarcating their boundaries as the selling of lands received free of charge from the Government and acquiring the Government lands in an unauthorized manner subsequently takes place in these areas frequently?
- (d) If not, why?

0650/'08

12.

Hon. M.D. Namal Karunaratne,— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development and Agrarian Services,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House the nature of the 'Jathika Govijana Pola' (National Agrarian Fair) and Exhibition which was held as a project to upgrade the farming community?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) the places where the aforesaid 'Jathika Govijana Pola' and Exhibition were held;
  - (ii) the amount of money spent on holding each Govijana Pola and Exhibition; and;
  - (iii) the profit or loss made from each Govijana Pola and Exhibition?
- (c) Will he state—
  - (i) whether a lottery under the name of 'Govijana Wasana' was printed and sold concurrently with the aforesaid Govijana Pola and Exhibition;
  - (ii) the income received from the sale of the aforesaid lotteries;
  - (iii) separately, the value of the prizes that were offered by the aforesaid lottery with their corresponding places in the order in which, they were offered;
  - (iv) whether these prizes or prize money have been given to the relevant winners; and
  - (v) if they have not been given, the steps that will be taken to give the aforesaid prizes or prize money?
- (d) If not, why?

0667/'08

13.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) the period of service in the Navy of Mr. R.P. Wijerathne of Mellawagara, Madampe;



(9)

- (ii) the reasons for removing him from service;
  - (iii) whether any disciplinary inquiry has been held against him, prior or subsequent to his removal from service;
  - (iv) if a disciplinary inquiry has been held, the date on which it was held and the names of the officials who conducted it;
  - (v) the matters or allegations that were leveled against him at the disciplinary inquiry; and
  - (vi) whether action has been taken to provide him with the reports and documents pertaining to the aforesaid inquiry, after it was held?
- (b) Will he take the necessary steps to reinstate Mr. R.P. Wijerathne in service?
- (c) If not, why?

0703/'08

14.

Hon. Gamini Jayawickrama Perera,— To ask the Minister of Livestock Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the local milk production has dropped and the cattle have faced with the threat of extinction as a result of mass scale slaughtering of cattle?
- (b) Will he admit the fact that in early 1990's a herd in the North Central Province and the dry zone of the North Western Province consisted of two or three hundred cattle and as a result of selling those cattle for meat the milk production has dropped drastically?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether steps have been taken to prevent or minimize slaughtering of cattle;
  - (ii) if steps have been taken what they are;
  - (iii) whether action will be taken to adopt rigid measures on a National Scale to prevent this massive destruction which has resulted in the destruction of the livestock industry; and
  - (iv) whether steps will be taken to prevent slaughtering of cattle legally after obtaining a report of a Committee appointed by the Parliament?
- (d) If not, why?

15.

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask the Minister of Posts and Telecommunication,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the judgments given by three courts of law at the hearings of cases regarding the land where Kottegoda post office is located?
- (b) Will he state—
  - (i) whether the wall which had been built around the post office premises was demolished on Sunday the 29<sup>th</sup> of June 2008 and a portion of the land has been given to a certain person;
  - (ii) the name, address and the post of the person mentioned above;
  - (iii) if that person has not been granted proper approval, whether a complaint has been lodged with the police by the relevant department with regard to damaging the property of the post office;
  - (iv) if so, the police station where the complaint has been lodged;
  - (v) the name of the person who has lodged the relevant complaint; and
  - (vi) the date on which the aforesaid complaint was lodged, the time at which it was lodged and the number of the complaint?
- (c) Will he state—
  - (i) whether necessary legal action will be taken with regard to the act of taking possession of the aforesaid public property after causing damage to it; and
  - (ii) if so, the time frame it will be done?
- (d) If not, why?

#### NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

\*a1.

Appropriation Bill (2009),— (Fifteenth Allotted Day) — Committee — (Progress 25<sup>th</sup> November)

\*2.

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 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2008 and ending on 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2008 and that the said sum may be expended as specified in the schedule hereto:

**Schedule**

|                     |   |                                 |
|---------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| <b>Head 306</b>     | — | Department of Sri Lanka Railway |
| <b>Programme 02</b> | — | 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 08<sup>th</sup> November, 2008.  
Total of Supplementary Estimates Nos.1-8 Rs. 27,039,980,332/-

\*3.

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 06<sup>th</sup> June, 2008, which was presented on 04.11.2008, be approved.

\*4.

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)

\*5.

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)

\*6.

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  $\frac{1}{3}^{\text{rd}}$  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)

\*7.

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 |
|--------------|-------------------------|

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)

\*8.

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)

\*9.

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</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)

\*10.

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)

\*11.

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 |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b><u>Rs. 79,400.00</u></b> |           |

**Vice Chairman**

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

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)

\*12.

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.

- |       |                                                                                              |      |     |   |               |             |
|-------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|-----|---|---------------|-------------|
| (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)

\*13.

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 10<sup>th</sup> January, 2008 which were presented on 09.04.2008, be approved.

\*14.

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 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2008 which were presented on 19.06.2008, be approved.

\*15.

Regulations under the Medical Ordinance,— Adjourned Debate on Question (3<sup>rd</sup> 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 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2006 which were presented on 05.09.2006, be approved.

\*16.

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 25<sup>th</sup> April 2007 which was presented on 17.07.2007, be approved.

\*17

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

\*18.

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

\*19.

National Institute of Textile and Clothing Bill— Second Reading.

\*20.

Civil Aviation Bill— Second Reading.

\*21.

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

\*22.

Sri Lanka Electricity Bill—Second Reading.

\*23.

Governors' Pension Bill—Second Reading.

\*24.

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

\*25.

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

\*26.

Land Development Ordinance (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.



\*27.

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

\*28

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

\*29

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

\*30

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

\*31.

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

32.

Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution Bill — Second Reading

33.

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

34.

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

35.

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

36.

Eksath Janaisuru Padanama (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

37.

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

38.

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

\* Indicates Government Business

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#### 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. "

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