



[Sixth Parliament — Third Session]

No. 51.]

**ORDER PAPER
OF
PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Thursday, November 27, 2008 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0040/'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—
 - (i) the total cost incurred by the Government for the helicopters used by His Excellency the President, the Hon. Prime Minister, Advisors to His Excellency the President and the Ministers separately, during 1st January, 2006 to 30th June 2007; and
 - (ii) a detailed break-up in respect of the advisors to His Excellency the President and the Ministers?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the Air Force helicopters have been used without any bill to the Government;
 - (ii) the number of times and the persons who used the helicopters except His Excellency the President and the Prime Minister;
 - (iii) whether the private company helicopters have been used for the above persons; and
 - (iv) if so, the cost and the name of the person?
- (c) If not, why?

0089/'08

2.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House, the amount of foreign currency in the Government Institutions that have not been en-cashed owing to the lack of proper directions from the Government?

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- (b) Will he submit to this House separately, a full list of above information for Ceylon Petroleum Corporation, People's Bank and Bank of Ceylon?
- (c) Will he also state—
 - (i) the action going to be taken to rectify this error; and
 - (ii) the reason for not been taken this contingent liability into National accounts?
- (d) If not, why?

0090/'08

3.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the date that Sri Lankan Government borrowed from external agencies and countries for the first time after the independence;
 - (ii) names of the then Prime Minister, the then President and the respective year;
 - (iii) the date that the first US Dollar Treasury Bond was issued;
 - (iv) names of the then President, Prime Minister and the Minister of Finance;
 - (v) the date of the first commercial borrowing in US Dollars was resorted to by a Government; and
 - (vi) names of the then President, Prime Minister and Minister of Finance?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the total debt and the local and foreign debt separately as of today; and
 - (ii) the per capita debt as of today?
- (c) If not, why?

0164/'08

4.

Hon. Lakshman Nipunaarachchi,— To ask the Minister of Tourism,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that the second interview for the Post of Customer Relations Officer of Sri Lanka Tourist Board was held on 11.01.2007?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of persons called for the interview and the number of posts existed as at 11.01.2007;

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- (ii) if the approval of the Management Services Department was requested to increase the number of posts, the relevant number and the date;
 - (iii) separately, the names, addresses and the marks scored by those who faced the interview on 11.01.2007;
 - (iv) the reason for not giving appointments to those who were selected on merit basis at the second interview;
 - (v) the reason for holding another second interview on the 07th of May;
 - (vi) if persons who were not called on 11.01.2007 were called for this interview, the reason for doing so; and
 - (vii) their names, addresses and the marks scored?
- (c) Will he admit that—
- (i) M.N. de Alwis, the daughter of the former Chairman of Jathika Sevaka Sangamaya of the Tourist Board, who was below the 5th position at the interview held on 11.01.2007, has been brought forward at the interview held on 07.05.2007 and given an appointment; and
 - (ii) an injustice has been caused to those who were qualified, by removing the person named Jayapriya Adihetti on this occasion?
- (d) Will he state whether steps will be taken to rectify this situation?
- (e) If not, why?

0243/'08

5.

Hon. R.P.A. Ranaweera Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Nation Building and Estate Infrastructure Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether an official residence has been provided for the each Minister of Nation Building (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 for each of the aforesaid residences—
- (i) if an official residence has been allocated, whether it has been repaired or upgraded during the years 2005, 2006 and 2007;

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- (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 each of the aforesaid official residences during each month of the years 2005, 2006 and 2007 separately, for each of the aforesaid official residences; and
 - (ii) the amount of money spent by the relevant Ministry for electricity and water used at the above mentioned official residences in each month of the aforesaid years?
- (d) If not, why?

0265/08

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 Consumer 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

(5)

- (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?

0266/'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—
 - (i) whether an official residence has been provided for the Minister of Irrigation (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?

0304/'08

8.

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

- (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?

0409/'08

9.

Hon. Achala Jagodage,— To ask the Minister of Youth Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will she inform this House whether a new batch of employees has been recruited, for her Ministry or Departments, Corporations or other institutions that come under it in the year 2007?
- (b) Will she 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?

0473/'08

10.

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 Katuwana 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?

0512/'08

11.

Hon. Gamini Jayawickrama Perera,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that eco-friendly, battery operated motor cars are imported to Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the names of the countries from where the aforesaid vehicles are imported to Sri Lanka and the names of the local agents who import them?
- (c) Will he admit that these battery operated motor cars are highly suitable for putting an end to the destructions caused to the environment in Sri Lanka by vehicles?
- (d) Will he state—
 - (i) whether measures will be taken to grant import tax relief in importing these eco-friendly motor cars; and
 - (ii) whether opportunity will be provided to establish factories that assemble the aforesaid vehicles in Sri Lanka?
- (e) If not, why?

0638/'08

12.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the acreage of lands identified as 'No.2' and '80 acres' in the Upper Homadola Estate which had belonged to the Government, at the time of the handing over them to the Watawala Plantations Limited on the basis of lease;
 - (ii) the extent of lands given under the extension of villages or the regularization of unauthorized occupation by December 2007 after the aforesaid lands were leased out to Watawala Plantation Company;
 - (iii) whether boundaries of the remaining lands have been maintained without any dispute after giving them to the Government as mentioned above; and
 - (iv) the steps that will be taken to prevent the unauthorized occupation which is the result of not maintaining the boundaries of those lands without any dispute?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether there are private estates adjoining the Homadola Estate, in the aforesaid area and what they are;
 - (ii) whether the aforesaid private land owners have acquired the lands in the aforesaid estate; and
 - (iii) if so, the period of time within which the aforesaid lands will be acquired by the plantation company, again?
- (c) If not, why?

0714/'08

13.

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the rules and regulations that are being implemented by the Government with regard to the fishermen of Trincomalee District engaging in their occupation?
- (b) Will he admit that—
 - (i) fishermen have fallen into a severe difficulty due to the aforesaid rules and regulations; and

- (ii) the Government should provide some relief to the fishermen as they cannot engage in their occupation properly?
- (c) If so, will he state the timeframe within which steps will be taken to provide the aforesaid relief?
- (d) If not, why?

0715/'08

14.

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the income generated by the Sri Lanka Central Transport Board and the Department of Railways from transporting passengers on 09.07.2008; and
 - (ii) the amount of money expended by the Sri Lanka Central Transport Board and the Department of Railways for transporting passengers on that day?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the income generated by the Sri Lanka Central Transport Board and the Department of Railways from transporting passengers on 10.07.2008; and
 - (ii) the amount of money expended by the Sri Lanka Central Transport Board and the Department of Railways for transporting passengers on that day?
- (c) If not, why?

0736/'08

15.

Hon. R.M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that an examination was conducted in the year 2006 to recruit persons to the grade 2 (II) of the Sri Lanka Administrative Service on merit basis?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of persons who have been selected for the recruitment to the aforesaid service by now;
 - (ii) of the relevant cut off mark; and
 - (iii) the merit point on which these appointments have been made?

- (c) Will he admit that—
- (i) Mrs. D.M. Pemawathie of No.17, Pilisarana Mawatha, Hulandawa, Moneragala bearing index number - 0019305 has scored more than the relevant cut-off mark; and
 - (ii) she has not been called for the recruitment to the relevant post?
- (d) if so, will he state whether he will take necessary steps to recruit her to the relevant service?
- (e) Will he submit to this House the names of those who have been recruited along with marks obtained by them?
- (f) If not, why?
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AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Business of the Parliament,— That Monday 01st, Tuesday 02nd, Wednesday 03rd, Thursday 04th, Friday 05th and Monday 08th, December 2008 be allotted days for the consideration of the ‘Appropriation Bill (2009)’.

2.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament (No.1),— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 70 (2), the hours of Sitting on allotted days for the consideration of ‘Appropriation Bill (2009)’ from 01st to 05th December, 2008 shall be 09.30 a.m. to 05.30 p.m.. At 05.00 p.m. paragraphs (5) and (6) of Standing Order 7 shall operate.

3.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament (No.2),— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 70 (2), the hours of Sitting for the consideration of ‘Appropriation Bill (2009)’ on Monday 08th, December, 2008 shall be 09.30 a.m. to 03.00 p.m.. At 3.00 p.m., the Speaker shall adjourn the Parliament without question put

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*a1.

Appropriation Bill (2009),— (Sixteenth Allotted Day) — Committee — (Progress 26th 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 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/-

*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 06th 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 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)

*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
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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)

*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
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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 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
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)

*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 10th 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 10th April, 2008 which were presented on 19.06.2008, be approved.

*15.

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.

*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 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.

*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 (17th 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 — (04th April, 2006) [1]

*28

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

*29

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

*30

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

*31.

Safeguard Measures Bill — Adjourned Debate on question — (04th 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

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. ”
