



No. 63.]

**ORDER PAPER
OF
PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Tuesday, January 20, 2009 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0608/'08

1.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately, the amount of loans taken from state banks by the Government which was in power prior to the dissolution of Parliament in the year 2001; and
 - (ii) separately, the years in which the aforesaid loans were taken?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the Government which came to power at the general election held in the year 2001, completed the repayment of the aforesaid loans which were taken from state banks;
 - (ii) if the payment was not completed, the outstanding amount of bank loans with relevance to the tenure of the aforesaid Government; and
 - (iii) separately, with reference to each year during the period from the year 2004 up to now, the amount of loans obtained from state banks by the Government which came to power at the general election that was held in the year 2004?
- (c) If not, why?

0644/'08

2.

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Indigenous Medicine,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of doctors who practice the indigenous Siddha system of medicine which is a system of medicine specific to the Tamil people, and are serving in Government hospitals (including the Provincial Health Service) at present; and

(2)

- (ii) the names of those hospitals?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of the aforesaid Siddha doctors that are required for the Government hospitals (including the Provincial Health Service) as identified by the surveys;
 - (ii) whether the required number of Siddha doctors have been appointed to identified Divisional Secretariat Divisions with a high population of Tamil people; and
 - (iii) the period of time within which the steps would be taken to appoint Siddha doctors for all areas including the areas liberated by the security forces?
- (c) If not, why?

0645/'08

3.

Hon. Thilakaratne Withanachchi,— To ask the Minister of Indigenous Medicine,—
(3)

- (a) Will he submit to this House together with the names of the relevant hospitals, the number of Yunani Doctors who follow an indigenous system of medicine which is unique to the Muslim Community and are serving at Government hospitals (including the Provincial Health Service) at present?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the number of Yunani doctors required, as identified by surveys?
- (c) Will he admit that—
 - (i) if 23 Divisional Secretariat Divisions have been identified as areas where a large population of Muslims live, the number of Yunani doctors required is also 23;
 - (ii) three separate Ayurveda, Siddha and Yunani doctors, are required for certain Divisional Secretariat Divisions with approximately equal populations of Sinhala, Tamil and Muslim communities; and
 - (iii) Yunani doctors have not been appointed even for medical centres in certain areas with a Muslim majority (for example Batticaloa)?
- (d) Will he state the period of time within which steps will be taken to provide employment for the Yunani doctors who pass out from Medical Colleges annually and make the necessary treatment available for Muslim patients?
- (e) If not, why?

0837/'08

4.

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

- (a) Will he state in this House—
 - (i) the number of Pre-schools situated in the Bope-Poddala Pradeshiya Sabha area in Galle;
 - (ii) of the names and addresses of those Pre-schools and the names and addresses of the teachers attached to them; and
 - (iii) the number of children studying in each Pre-school?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the number of Pre-schools managed by the aforesaid Pradeshiya Sabha;
 - (ii) the names of those Pre-schools;
 - (iii) the monthly expenses borne by the Pradeshiya Sabha on each such Pre-school; and
 - (iv) whether there is any arrangement to bring those Pre-schools which do not come under the management of the said Pradeshiya Sabha under its control?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether a survey has been conducted to ascertain whether the teachers of the private Pre-schools have undergone a training recommended by the Government;
 - (ii) the period within which steps will be taken to train those teachers through a formal training programme; and
 - (iii) the period within which those Pre-schools will be brought under the control of the Pradeshiya Sabha, so that they can obtain external allocations if the Pradeshiya Sabha is unable to provide physical resources required by such private Pre-schools?
- (d) If not, why?

0692/'08

5.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House for the last 05 years to date—
 - (i) the total population of the country;
 - (ii) the religions composition of the above population; and

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- (iii) the racial composition of the above population?
- (b) Will he submit a breakdown of the age groups of the population for the last 04 years as,
 - 0 to 20 years
 - 20 to 40 years
 - 40 to 60 years
 - 60 years and above, separately?
- (c) If not, why?

0693/'08

6.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House for the last 10 years per year basis—
 - (i) the total work force of the country;
 - (ii) the private sector and public sector work force separately;
 - (iii) the public sector work force participation as armed forces, police, auxiliary forces and the rest, separately; and
 - (iv) the cost to the country (total salaries) as per questions (i) and (ii) above?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the total cost for pension as 'a (i)' and 'a (ii)' above along with the total pensions for the next 15 years; and
 - (ii) the number of casual or not confirmed employees as 'a (iii)' above separately?
- (c) If not, why?

0694/'08

7.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House, for the last 05 years per year basis, the profit of the Bank of Ceylon and People's Bank separately?
- (b) Will he state for the last 04 years per year basis—
 - (i) the net asset value of each bank;
 - (ii) the amount that has been provided doubtful debt and written off as bad debts by each bank; and

(5)

- (iii) the names of bad debt clients?
- (c) Will he also state for the last 05 years for each bank on yearly basis—
 - (i) the net cost of borrowings; and
 - (ii) cost to earnings and the number of staff members?
- (d) If not, why?

0715/'08

8.

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—(2)

- (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?

0733/'08

9.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of cool rooms that were possessed by Fisheries Corporation of Sri Lanka by the year 1994;
 - (ii) of the number of functioning cool rooms that were possessed by the Fisheries Corporation of Sri Lanka by June 2008;
 - (iii) whether cool rooms have been leased out; and

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- (iv) if so, the number of cool rooms that have been leased out as mentioned above?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the names and addresses of the persons to whom cool rooms have been leased out; and
 - (ii) the number of cool rooms maintained by the private sector?
- (c) If not, why?

0734/'08

10.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the amount for which the ship named 'Sayuri' which belonged to the NARA Institute and the hydrographic equipment fitted to it had been insured;
 - (ii) the amount received as indemnity after the ship 'Sayuri' and its hydrographic equipment were destroyed in the Tsunami;
 - (iii) the percentage of value of the ship as against the assets of the NARA Institution; and
 - (iv) whether an investigation has been conducted by the Ministry regarding the process that was followed from insuring the ship up to the receiving indemnity for the loss?
- (b) If not, why?

0747/'08

11.

Hon. M Joseph Michael Perera,— To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development and Agrarian Services,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that the Chena farmer has fallen into an utterly helpless state, which is suicidal, as he finds it difficult to live?
- (b) Will he admit that at present the Chena farmer has to buy a bag of fertilizer at Rs. 6000/- and that the prices of all agro chemicals used for vegetable cultivation have gone up to an exorbitant level?

(7)

- (c) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether steps will be taken to provide a 50 kg bag of fertilizer at Rs.350 and the other agro chemicals at a similar price, to the Chena farmers too as they provide nearly 60% of the current vegetable requirement of the country; and
 - (ii) if so, the date from which it will be done?
- (d) If not, why?

0772/'08

12.

Hon. R.M Ranjith Madduma Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) Mrs. S.A. Sumithra Kumari Surasena of No. 26, Pemaduwa, Anuradhapura faced the interview that was held on 27.04.2007 at the Anuradhapura Zonal Education office for the recruitment of voluntary teachers - 2007; and
 - (ii) she served as a voluntary teacher at Anu/Kimbulwewa Ananda Vidyalaya, Tantirimale from the year 2000 to the year 2005?
- (b) Will he admit that Mrs. Surasena has fulfilled the basic educational qualifications required for this post?
- (c) Will he take the necessary steps to grant her an appointment as a voluntary teacher?
- (d) If not, why?

0892/'08

13.

Hon. Lakshman Nipunaarachchi,— To ask the Minister of Highways and Road Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that even though the construction work was started to widen and develop the Maharagama - Piliyandala Road bearing Route No. 341, construction work has been stopped at the place where Maharagama electorate ends?
- (b) Will he admit that the road needs to be widened and developed, from the place where the construction work has been stopped, up to Piliyandala?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) the date on which the development of this road was started;

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- (ii) the date on which the construction work of this road was stopped half way;
 - (iii) the remaining length of the road to be developed; and
 - (iv) the reasons for not taking steps to develop that length of the road?
- (d) If not, why?

0895/'08

14.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House,—
- (i) the total extent of the land that was called “Simondale Estate” in Wewala, Thumbowila, which had been under the Public Trustee;
 - (ii) out of the aforesaid extent of land, the extent that had been given to any person for any purpose on any basis;
 - (iii) the person to whom it has been given, the purpose for which it has been given and the basis on which it was done;
 - (iv) the date on which it was given and the period for which it has been given; and
 - (v) the remaining extent of land after the above mentioned extent of land was given?
- (b) Will he state whether it is possible for any party to sell these crown lands held under the Public Trustee?
- (c) If not, why?

0899/'08

15.

Hon. Lakshman Nipunaarachchi,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that ‘Divaina’ Newspaper of 03rd September 2008 reported that the relevant Minister has mentioned that large scale corruption and frauds have taken place in purchasing spare parts to the Sri Lanka Central Transport Board (SLCTB)?
- (b) Will he admit that,—
- (i) it has been stated that certain Depot Managers and Regional Managers have had deals with spare parts dealers; and
 - (ii) the above mentioned newspaper had reported that documents that indicate a purchase of goods worth Rs. 82 million, had been found whereas Sri Lanka Central Transport Board (SLCTB) had purchased a stock of goods worth Rs. 1.4 million from a certain supplier?

- (c) Will he inform this House the names of the Depot Managers and Regional Managers connected with the aforesaid corruption and frauds?
- (d) Will he state the legal action that has been taken with regard to the aforesaid Depot Managers and Regional Managers?
- (e) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

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)

*2.

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)

*3.

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)

*4.

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)

*5.

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)

*6.

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.61 of 2007 and specified in the Order No.02 hereto, be approved.

ORDER
Appropriation Act. No.61 of 2007
Order No. 02 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.61 of 2007, 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: 22302 “Stores (Explosive Items) Advance Account” Sri Lanka Navy 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. | From
To | Rs.
Rs. | —
— | 345,000,000
420,000,000 |
| (ii) | Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the Second Schedule to that Act. | | | | Not Revised |
| (iii) | Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the Second Schedule to that Act. | From
To | Rs.
Rs. | —
— | 200,000,000
275,000,000 |
| (iv) | Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in Column V of the Second Schedule to that Act. | | | | Not Revised |

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2008 only)

Sgd. MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA
Minister of Finance and Planning.

05.11.2008
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*7.

Land Development Ordinance (Amendment) Bill— Second Reading.

*8.

Fauna and Flora Protection (Amendment) Bill — Consideration.

*9.

Ranaviru Seva Authority (Amendment) Bill,—Second Reading.

*10.

National Institute of Textile and Clothing Bill— Second Reading.

*11.

Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*12.

Local Authorities (Special Provisions) Bill — Second Reading.

*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.

Animals (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*15

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

*16.

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

*17.

Civil Aviation Bill— Second Reading.

*18.

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

*19.

Sri Lanka Electricity Bill—Second Reading.

*20.

Governors’ Pension Bill—Second Reading.

*21.

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

*22.

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

*23.

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

*24.

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

*25.

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

*26.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—Determination under the Constitution (No.1),— That this Parliament hereby determines under Article 108(1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka that the monthly salaries payable to the Hon. Chief Justice, the Judges of the Supreme Court, the President of the Court of Appeal and the Judges of the Court of Appeal, with effect from 01.01.2006, shall subject to the provisions of the Public Administration Circular No.6/2006 dated 25.04.2006, be as follows:

Hon. Chief Justice	Rs. 70,000.00
	Rs. 1,500.00
Judges of the Supreme Court and the President of the Court of Appeal	Rs. 65,000.00
Judges of the Court of Appeal	Rs. 63,500.00

And this Parliament further resolves that the salaries determined by this resolution, replace the salaries determined by the resolution moved in Parliament on September 09, 2004, relating to the salaries payable to the judges of the Supreme Court and of the Court of Appeal.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*27.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—Determination under the Constitution (No.2),— That this Parliament hereby determines under Article 108(1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka that the monthly personal allowance payable to the Hon. Chief Justice, the Judges of the Supreme Court, the President of the Court of Appeal and the Judges of the Court of Appeal shall be an amount equivalent to 25% of their respective salaries, with effect from 01.07.2008.

And this Parliament further resolves that the personal allowance determined by this resolution, replaces the personal allowances determined by resolution moved in Parliament on March 17th, 1998, relating to the personal allowances payable to the Judges of the Supreme Court and of the Court of Appeal.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*28.

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 under Article 108(1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka that the monthly rent allowance payable to the Hon. Chief Justice, Judges of the Supreme Court, the President of the Court of Appeal and the Judges of the Court of Appeal with effect from 01.08.2007, be as follows:

Hon. Chief Justice	Rs. 27,500.00
Judges of the Supreme Court and the President of the Court of Appeal	Rs. 25,000.00
Judges of the Court of Appeal	Rs. 22,500.00

And this Parliament further resolves that the rent allowances determined by this resolution, replaces the rent allowances determined by Parliament on September 09, 2004, as payable to the judges of the Supreme Court and of the Court of Appeal.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*29.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,—Determination under the Constitution (No.4),— That this Parliament hereby determines under Article 108(1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka that the Hon. Chief Justice shall be paid a monthly allowance of Rs. 3,500/- as an entertainment allowance with effect from 01.07.2008.

And this Parliament further resolves that the entertainment allowance determined by this resolution, replaces the entertainment allowance determined earlier by the resolution moved in Parliament, relating to the entertainment allowance payable to the Hon. Chief Justice.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*30.

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.

*31.

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.

*32.

The Minister of Post 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.

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.

Sri Lanka Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

37.

Young Men's Buddhist Association, Kolonnawa (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

38.

Free Nursery and Welfare Complex (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

39.

Prohibition of Forcible Conversion of Religion Bill — Consideration.

40.

Ranga Art Institute (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

* Indicates Government Business

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

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0838/'08

1.

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

(a) Will he state in this House—

- (i) the number of Pre-schools situated in the Akmeemana Pradeshiya Sabha area in Galle;
- (ii) of the names and addresses of those Pre-schools and the names and addresses of the teachers attached to them; and
- (iii) the number of children studying in each Pre-school?

(b) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) the number of Pre-schools managed by the aforesaid Pradeshiya Sabha;
- (ii) the names of those Pre-schools;

- (iii) the monthly expenses borne by the Pradeshiya Sabha on each such Pre-school; and
 - (iv) whether there is any arrangement to bring those Pre-schools which do not come under the management of the said Pradeshiya Sabha under its control?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) whether a survey has been conducted to ascertain whether the teachers of the private Pre-schools have undergone a training recommended by the Government;
 - (ii) the period within which steps will be taken to train those teachers through a formal training programme; and
 - (iii) the period within which those Pre-schools will be brought under the control of the Pradeshiya Sabha, so that they can obtain external allocations if the Pradeshiya Sabha is unable to provide physical resources required by such private Pre-schools?
- (d) If not, why?

0839/'08

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

- (a) Will he state in this House—
- (i) the number of Pre-schools situated in the Welivitiya-Divitura Pradeshiya Sabha area in Galle;
 - (ii) of the names and addresses of those Pre-schools and the names and addresses of the teachers attached to them; and
 - (iii) the number of children studying in each Pre-school?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of Pre-schools managed by the aforesaid Pradeshiya Sabha;
 - (ii) the names of those Pre-schools;
 - (iii) the monthly expenses borne by the Pradeshiya Sabha on each such Pre-school; and
 - (iv) whether there is any arrangement to bring those Pre-schools which do not come under the management of the said Pradeshiya Sabha under its control?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) whether a survey has been conducted to ascertain whether the teachers of the private Pre-schools have undergone a training recommended by the Government;

- (ii) the period within which steps will be taken to train those teachers through a formal training programme; and
 - (iii) the period within which those Pre-schools will be brought under the control of the Pradeshiya Sabha, so that they can obtain external allocations if the Pradeshiya Sabha is unable to provide physical resources required by such private Pre-schools?
- (d) If not, why?

0840/08

3.

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

- (a) Will he state in this House—
- (i) the number of Pre-schools situated in the Karadeniya Pradeshiya Sabha area in Galle;
 - (ii) of the names and addresses of those Pre-schools and the names and addresses of the teachers attached to them; and
 - (iii) the number of children studying in each Pre-school?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of Pre-schools managed by the aforesaid Pradeshiya Sabha;
 - (ii) the names of those Pre-schools;
 - (iii) the monthly expenses borne by the Pradeshiya Sabha on each such Pre-school; and
 - (iv) whether there is any arrangement to bring those Pre-schools which do not come under the management of the said Pradeshiya Sabha under its control?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) whether a survey has been conducted to ascertain whether the teachers of the private Pre-schools have undergone a training recommended by the Government;
 - (ii) the period within which steps will be taken to train those teachers through a formal training programme; and
 - (iii) the period within which those Pre-schools will be brought under the control of the Pradeshiya Sabha, so that they can obtain external allocations if the Pradeshiya Sabha is unable to provide physical resources required by such private Pre-schools?
- (d) If not, why?

0841/'08

4.

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

- (a) Will he state in this House—
 - (i) the number of Pre-schools situated in the Elpitiya Pradeshiya Sabha area in Galle;
 - (ii) of the names and addresses of those Pre-schools and the names and addresses of the teachers attached to them; and
 - (iii) the number of children studying in each Pre-school?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the number of Pre-schools managed by the aforesaid Pradeshiya Sabha;
 - (ii) the names of those Pre-schools;
 - (iii) the monthly expenses borne by the Pradeshiya Sabha on each such Pre-school; and
 - (iv) whether there is any arrangement to bring those Pre-schools which do not come under the management of the said Pradeshiya Sabha under its control?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether a survey has been conducted to ascertain whether the teachers of the private Pre-schools have undergone a training recommended by the Government;
 - (ii) the period within which steps will be taken to train those teachers through a formal training programme; and
 - (iii) the period within which those Pre-schools will be brought under the control of the Pradeshiya Sabha, so that they can obtain external allocations if the Pradeshiya Sabha is unable to provide physical resources required by such private Pre-schools?
- (d) If not, why?

0842/'08

5.

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

- (a) Will he state in this House—
 - (i) the number of Pre-schools situated in the Bentota Pradeshiya Sabha area in Galle;

- (ii) of the names and addresses of those Pre-schools and the names and addresses of the teachers attached to them; and
- (iii) the number of children studying in each Pre-school?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the number of Pre-schools managed by the aforesaid Pradeshiya Sabha;
 - (ii) the names of those Pre-schools;
 - (iii) the monthly expenses borne by the Pradeshiya Sabha on each such Pre-school; and
 - (iv) whether there is any arrangement to bring those Pre-schools which do not come under the management of the said Pradeshiya Sabha under its control?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether a survey has been conducted to ascertain whether the teachers of the private Pre-schools have undergone a training recommended by the Government;
 - (ii) the period within which steps will be taken to train those teachers through a formal training programme; and
 - (iii) the period within which those Pre-schools will be brought under the control of the Pradeshiya Sabha, so that they can obtain external allocations if the Pradeshiya Sabha is unable to provide physical resources required by such private Pre-schools?
- (d) If not, why?

0843/'08

6.

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

- (a) Will he state in this House—
 - (i) the number of Pre-schools situated in the Ambalangoda Pradeshiya Sabha area in Galle;
 - (ii) of the names and addresses of those Pre-schools and the names and addresses of the teachers attached to them; and
 - (iii) the number of children studying in each Pre-school?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the number of Pre-schools managed by the aforesaid Pradeshiya Sabha;

- (ii) the names of those Pre-schools;
 - (iii) the monthly expenses borne by the Pradeshiya Sabha on each such Pre-school; and
 - (iv) whether there is any arrangement to bring those Pre-schools which do not come under the management of the said Pradeshiya Sabha under its control?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) whether a survey has been conducted to ascertain whether the teachers of the private Pre-schools have undergone a training recommended by the Government;
 - (ii) the period within which steps will be taken to train those teachers through a formal training programme; and
 - (iii) the period within which those Pre-schools will be brought under the control of the Pradeshiya Sabha, so that they can obtain external allocations if the Pradeshiya Sabha is unable to provide physical resources required by such private Pre-schools?
- (d) If not, why?

0844/'08

7.

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

- (a) Will he state in this House—
- (i) the number of Pre-schools situated in the Ambalangoda Urban Council area in Galle;
 - (ii) of the names and addresses of those Pre-schools and the names and addresses of the teachers attached to them; and
 - (iii) the number of children studying in each Pre-school?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of Pre-schools managed by the aforesaid Urban Council;
 - (ii) the names of those Pre-schools;
 - (iii) the monthly expenses borne by the Urban Council on each such Pre-school; and
 - (iv) whether there is any arrangement to bring those Pre-schools which do not come under the management of the said Urban Council under its control?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether a survey has been conducted to ascertain whether the teachers of the private Pre-schools have undergone a training recommended by the Government;
- (ii) the period within which steps will be taken to train those teachers through a formal training programme; and
- (iii) the period within which those Pre-schools will be brought under the control of the Urban Council, so that they can obtain external allocations if the Urban Council is unable to provide physical resources required by such private Pre-schools?

(d) If not, why?

0845/'08

8.

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

(a) Will he state in this House—

- (i) the number of Pre-schools situated in the Balapitiya Pradeshiya Sabha area in Galle;
- (ii) of the names and addresses of those Pre-schools and the names and addresses of the teachers attached to them; and
- (iii) the number of children studying in each Pre-school?

(b) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) the number of Pre-schools managed by the aforesaid Pradeshiya Sabha;
- (ii) the names of those Pre-schools;
- (iii) the monthly expenses borne by the Pradeshiya Sabha on each such Pre-school; and
- (iv) whether there is any arrangement to bring those Pre-schools which do not come under the management of the said Pradeshiya Sabha under its control?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether a survey has been conducted to ascertain whether the teachers of the private Pre-schools have undergone a training recommended by the Government;
- (ii) the period within which steps will be taken to train those teachers through a formal training programme; and

- (iii) the period within which those Pre-schools will be brought under the control of the Pradeshiya Sabha, so that they can obtain external allocations if the Pradeshiya Sabha is unable to provide physical resources required by such private Pre-schools?

(d) If not, why?

0846/'08

9.

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

(a) Will he state in this House—

- (i) the number of Pre-schools situated in the Hikkaduwa Pradeshiya Sabha area in Galle;
- (ii) of the names and addresses of those Pre-schools and the names and addresses of the teachers attached to them; and
- (iii) the number of children studying in each Pre-school?

(b) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) the number of Pre-schools managed by the aforesaid Pradeshiya Sabha;
- (ii) the names of those Pre-schools;
- (iii) the monthly expenses borne by the Pradeshiya Sabha on each such Pre-school; and
- (iv) whether there is any arrangement to bring those Pre-schools which do not come under the management of the said Pradeshiya Sabha under its control?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether a survey has been conducted to ascertain whether the teachers of the private Pre-schools have undergone a training recommended by the Government;
- (ii) the period within which steps will be taken to train those teachers through a formal training programme; and
- (iii) the period within which those Pre-schools will be brought under the control of the Pradeshiya Sabha, so that they can obtain external allocations if the Pradeshiya Sabha is unable to provide physical resources required by such private Pre-schools?

(d) If not, why?

10.

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

- (a) Will he state in this House—
 - (i) the number of Pre-schools situated in the Hikkaduwa Urban Council area in Galle;
 - (ii) of the names and addresses of those Pre-schools and the names and addresses of the teachers attached to them; and
 - (iii) the number of children studying in each Pre-school?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the number of Pre-schools managed by the aforesaid Urban Council;
 - (ii) the names of those Pre-schools;
 - (iii) the monthly expenses borne by the Urban Council on each such Pre-school; and
 - (iv) whether there is any arrangement to bring those Pre-schools which do not come under the management of the said Urban Council under its control?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether a survey has been conducted to ascertain whether the teachers of the private Pre-schools have undergone a training recommended by the Government;
 - (ii) the period within which steps will be taken to train those teachers through a formal training programme; and
 - (iii) the period within which those Pre-schools will be brought under the control of the Urban Council, so that they can obtain external allocations if the Urban Council is unable to provide physical resources required by such private Pre-schools?
- (d) If not, why?

11.

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

- (a) Will he state in this House—
 - (i) the number of Pre-schools situated in the Galle Urban Council area;

- (ii) of the names and addresses of those Pre-schools and the names and addresses of the teachers attached to them; and
 - (iii) the number of children studying in each Pre-school?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of Pre-schools managed by the aforesaid Urban Council;
 - (ii) the names of those Pre-schools;
 - (iii) the monthly expenses borne by the Urban Council on each such Pre-school; and
 - (iv) whether there is any arrangement to bring those Pre-schools which do not come under the management of the said Urban Council under its control?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) whether a survey has been conducted to ascertain whether the teachers of the private Pre-schools have undergone a training recommended by the Government;
 - (ii) the period within which steps will be taken to train those teachers through a formal training programme; and
 - (iii) the period within which those Pre-schools will be brought under the control of the Urban Council, so that they can obtain external allocations if the Urban Council is unable to provide physical resources required by such private Pre-schools?
- (d) If not, why?

0849/'08

12.

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

- (a) Will he state in this House—
- (i) the number of Pre-schools situated in the Habaraduwa Pradeshiya Sabha area in Galle;
 - (ii) of the names and addresses of those Pre-schools and the names and addresses of the teachers attached to them; and
 - (iii) the number of children studying in each Pre-school?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of Pre-schools managed by the aforesaid Pradeshiya Sabha;

- (ii) the names of those Pre-schools;
 - (iii) the monthly expenses borne by the Pradeshiya Sabha on each such Pre-school; and
 - (iv) whether there is any arrangement to bring those Pre-schools which do not come under the management of the said Pradeshiya Sabha under its control?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) whether a survey has been conducted to ascertain whether the teachers of the private Pre-schools have undergone a training recommended by the Government;
 - (ii) the period within which steps will be taken to train those teachers through a formal training programme; and
 - (iii) the period within which those Pre-schools will be brought under the control of the Pradeshiya Sabha, so that they can obtain external allocations if the Pradeshiya Sabha is unable to provide physical resources required by such private Pre-schools?
- (d) If not, why?

0850/08

13.

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

- (a) Will he state in this House—
- (i) the number of Pre-schools situated in the Imaduwa Pradeshiya Sabha area in Galle;
 - (ii) of the names and addresses of those Pre-schools and the names and addresses of the teachers attached to them; and
 - (iii) the number of children studying in each Pre-school?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of Pre-schools managed by the aforesaid Pradeshiya Sabha;
 - (ii) the names of those Pre-schools;
 - (iii) the monthly expenses borne by the Pradeshiya Sabha on each such Pre-school; and
 - (iv) whether there is any arrangement to bring those Pre-schools which do not come under the management of the said Pradeshiya Sabha under its control?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether a survey has been conducted to ascertain whether the teachers of the private Pre-schools have undergone a training recommended by the Government;
- (ii) the period within which steps will be taken to train those teachers through a formal training programme; and
- (iii) the period within which those Pre-schools will be brought under the control of the Pradeshiya Sabha, so that they can obtain external allocations if the Pradeshiya Sabha is unable to provide physical resources required by such private Pre-schools?

(d) If not, why?

0851/'08

14.

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

(a) Will he state in this House—

- (i) the number of Pre-schools situated in the Baddegama Pradeshiya Sabha area in Galle;
- (ii) of the names and addresses of those Pre-schools and the names and addresses of the teachers attached to them; and
- (iii) the number of children studying in each Pre-school?

(b) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) the number of Pre-schools managed by the aforesaid Pradeshiya Sabha;
- (ii) the names of those Pre-schools;
- (iii) the monthly expenses borne by the Pradeshiya Sabha on each such Pre-school; and
- (iv) whether there is any arrangement to bring those Pre-schools which do not come under the management of the said Pradeshiya Sabha under its control?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether a survey has been conducted to ascertain whether the teachers of the private Pre-schools have undergone a training recommended by the Government;
- (ii) the period within which steps will be taken to train those teachers through a formal training programme; and

- (iii) the period within which those Pre-schools will be brought under the control of the Pradeshiya Sabha, so that they can obtain external allocations if the Pradeshiya Sabha is unable to provide physical resources required by such private Pre-schools?

(d) If not, why?

0852/'08

15.

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

(a) Will he state in this House—

- (i) the number of Pre-schools situated in the Yakkalamulla Pradeshiya Sabha area in Galle;
- (ii) of the names and addresses of those Pre-schools and the names and addresses of the teachers attached to them; and
- (iii) the number of children studying in each Pre-school?

(b) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) the number of Pre-schools managed by the aforesaid Pradeshiya Sabha;
- (ii) the names of those Pre-schools;
- (iii) the monthly expenses borne by the Pradeshiya Sabha on each such Pre-school; and
- (iv) whether there is any arrangement to bring those Pre-schools which do not come under the management of the said Pradeshiya Sabha under its control?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether a survey has been conducted to ascertain whether the teachers of the private Pre-schools have undergone a training recommended by the Government;
- (ii) the period within which steps will be taken to train those teachers through a formal training programme; and
- (iii) the period within which those Pre-schools will be brought under the control of the Pradeshiya Sabha, so that they can obtain external allocations if the Pradeshiya Sabha is unable to provide physical resources required by such private Pre-schools?

(d) If not, why?

0853/'08

16.

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

- (a) Will he state in this House—
 - (i) the number of Pre-schools situated in the Neluwa Pradeshiya Sabha area in Galle;
 - (ii) of the names and addresses of those Pre-schools and the names and addresses of the teachers attached to them; and
 - (iii) the number of children studying in each Pre-school?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the number of Pre-schools managed by the aforesaid Pradeshiya Sabha;
 - (ii) the names of those Pre-schools;
 - (iii) the monthly expenses borne by the Pradeshiya Sabha on each such Pre-school; and
 - (iv) whether there is any arrangement to bring those Pre-schools which do not come under the management of the said Pradeshiya Sabha under its control?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether a survey has been conducted to ascertain whether the teachers of the private Pre-schools have undergone a training recommended by the Government;
 - (ii) the period within which steps will be taken to train those teachers through a formal training programme; and
 - (iii) the period within which those Pre-schools will be brought under the control of the Pradeshiya Sabha, so that they can obtain external allocations if the Pradeshiya Sabha is unable to provide physical resources required by such private Pre-schools?
- (d) If not, why?

0854/'08

17.

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

- (a) Will he state in this House—
 - (i) the number of Pre-schools situated in the Thawalama Pradeshiya Sabha area in Galle;

- (ii) of the names and addresses of those Pre-schools and the names and addresses of the teachers attached to them; and
- (iii) the number of children studying in each Pre-school?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the number of Pre-schools managed by the aforesaid Pradeshiya Sabha;
 - (ii) the names of those Pre-schools;
 - (iii) the monthly expenses borne by the Pradeshiya Sabha on each such Pre-school; and
 - (iv) whether there is any arrangement to bring those Pre-schools which do not come under the management of the said Pradeshiya Sabha under its control?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether a survey has been conducted to ascertain whether the teachers of the private Pre-schools have undergone a training recommended by the Government;
 - (ii) the period within which steps will be taken to train those teachers through a formal training programme; and
 - (iii) the period within which those Pre-schools will be brought under the control of the Pradeshiya Sabha, so that they can obtain external allocations if the Pradeshiya Sabha is unable to provide physical resources required by such private Pre-schools?
- (d) If not, why?

0856/'08

18.

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

- (a) Will he state in this House—
 - (i) the number of Pre-schools situated in the Nagoda Pradeshiya Sabha area in Galle;
 - (ii) of the names and addresses of those Pre-schools and the names and addresses of the teachers attached to them; and
 - (iii) the number of children studying in each Pre-school?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the number of Pre-schools managed by the aforesaid Pradeshiya Sabha;

- (ii) the names of those Pre-schools;
 - (iii) the monthly expenses borne by the Pradeshiya Sabha on each such Pre-school; and
 - (iv) whether there is any arrangement to bring those Pre-schools which do not come under the management of the said Pradeshiya Sabha under its control?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) whether a survey has been conducted to ascertain whether the teachers of the private Pre-schools have undergone a training recommended by the Government;
 - (ii) the period within which steps will be taken to train those teachers through a formal training programme; and
 - (iii) the period within which those Pre-schools will be brought under the control of the Pradeshiya Sabha, so that they can obtain external allocations if the Pradeshiya Sabha is unable to provide physical resources required by such private Pre-schools?
- (d) If not, why?
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