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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0080/'08

1.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House, from 25th April 1994 to-date—
- (i) the per capita debt;
 - (ii) total debt along with interest payable;
 - (iii) SLR to US DLR equivalent;
 - (iv) reserves against imports ratio;
 - (v) poverty level;
 - (vi) families earning less than Rs. 1000/= per month;
 - (vii) balance of payment; and
 - (viii) number of families receiving subsidies?
- (b) Will he state with proof whether the country has progressed or retarded according to the above (i) - (viii)?
- (c) If not, why?

0081/'08

2.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(3)

- (a) Is he aware that a sovereign guarantee was given and 500 million Dollar bond was taken on or about 23rd October 2007, through the mediation of the HSBC?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the total money taken;
 - (ii) the interest rate tabled, conditions agreed to and the date that the guarantee is over;

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- (iii) the cost for borrowing of this 500 million US Dollar; and
- (iv) whether it is a fixed or flexed rate?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether a sinking fund has been set up to provide for 60 months;
 - (ii) if so the amount allocated per month;
 - (iii) the London Inter-Bank Rate (LIBOR) and Federal Reserve (FedEx) rate in United State of America as of today;
 - (iv) the above rates at the time that the loan was given; and
 - (v) how the money was utilized?
- (d) If not, why?

0082/'08

3.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the total outstanding from one Government institution to another as at 31st December 2007;
 - (ii) the institutions where the outstanding creates a huge problem for the survival of the institution such as Ceylon Electricity Board, Ceylon Petroleum Corporation and Colombo Municipal Council; and
 - (iii) a five year age analysis breakdown for the above?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the reasons for the outstanding of Ceylon Electricity Board, Ceylon Petroleum Corporation, Colombo Municipal Council, Department of Health, Mihin Air Limited, Department of Education and Fertilizer Corporation separately; and
 - (ii) the dates that will be paid?
- (c) If not, why?

1009/'08

4.

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

- (a) Is he aware that the Devinuwara Pradeshiya Sabha is in possession of a stadium?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the extent of the aforesaid stadium;

(3)

- (ii) whether the stalls of the fair connected to the “Devinuwara Perahera” held in this year, were put up at the aforesaid stadium; and
- (iii) the number of stalls that were put up there?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the income earned from the stalls of the fair connected to the aforesaid “Perahera”; and
 - (ii) the activities done by using that income?
- (d) If not, why?

1011/'08

5.

Hon. Pemasiri Manage,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the computers of the Banks and Finance Division of the Inland Revenue Department went missing in October 2008 or a month close to it?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the courses of action that have been followed by now with regard to the aforesaid missing computers?
- (c) Will he state the type of data that had been stored in the aforesaid computers?
- (d) If not, why?

1012/'08

6.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Sri Lankan fishermen who were taken into custody in foreign countries from the year 2000 up to now; and
 - (ii) the number of persons who are still in prisons out of the number of persons mentioned in (i) above?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) names and address of the fishermen who have been imprisoned by now; and
 - (ii) names of the countries in which they have been imprisoned?

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(c) Will he state—

- (i) the action that has been taken by the Government up to now for the release of the fishermen who have been imprisoned; and
- (ii) the types of relief that has been provided by the Government to the families of the fishermen who have been imprisoned?

(d) If not, why?

1052/'08

7.

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

(a) Will he inform this House separately—

- (i) the amount of financial allocation that has been made for the home garden cultivation projects in Nagoda Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District from the year 2006 to 2008, under the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;
- (ii) the amounts allocated for the above mentioned projects by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture, the decentralized fund and the Provincial Council Members' Fund; and
- (iii) the number of cultivators who carried out home garden cultivations in the years 2006 and 2008 and the relevant extent of land with relevance to each year?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the programme that has been planned for the year 2009 to provide more encouragement to home garden cultivators than in the year 2008; and
- (ii) the amount of money expected to be allocated to the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division for this purpose?

(c) If not, why?

1058/'08

8.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House in detail, the number of routes for which the route permits (time tables) of the Koggala Depot of the Sri Lanka Central Transport Board (SLCTB) had been given by the year 2005?

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(b) Will he submit to this House,—

- (i) the number of routes on which buses were operated according to the aforesaid old time tables by October 2008;
- (ii) the number of routes on which operation of buses according to the aforesaid old time tables has been stopped by now; and
- (iii) the reasons for it?

(c) Will he state,—

- (i) the number of Colombo bound trips by 31st December 2008;
- (ii) whether that number has been reduced by now;
- (iii) whether the buses that have been plying to Galle via Koggala, Happawana and Kombala to Mayakaduwa are operated at present; and
- (iv) whether the trips which have been scheduled to provide transport facilities to the school children are maintained without any reduction?

(d) If not, why?

1059/'08

9.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,—To ask the Minister of Transport,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of buses belonging to the Koggala Depot of the Sri Lanka Central Transport Board (SLCTB) in the Galle District and the number of buses required for the transport requirements in the area coming under that Depot;
- (ii) out of the above mentioned number of buses, the number of buses suitable for running and the number of buses that cannot be used for running;
- (iii) the number of buses that can be put to use after minor repairs; and
- (iv) if there is a program in place to provide new buses to meet the requirement, the time frame within which they will be provided?

(b) Is he aware that—

- (i) accommodation facilities required for the staff including drivers and conductors and the mechanics who work at the night shift are at an unsatisfactory level; and

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- (ii) they have not been provided with pure drinking water and proper canteen facilities?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the measures that will be taken to fulfill the above mentioned requirements of employees; and
 - (ii) the period of time that will be taken to fulfill those requirements?
- (d) Will he inform this House of the date on which the monthly salaries should be paid to the employees of the Depot?
- (e) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the payment of salaries is delayed every month; and
 - (ii) an injustice is caused to the employees as a result?
- (f) If so, will he state the reasons for the delay in the payment of salaries?
- (g) If not, why?

1062/'08

10.

Hon. Ajith Kumara- To ask the Minister of Transport,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of buses belonging to the Elpitiya Depot of the Sri Lanka Central Transport Board (SLCTB) in the Galle District and the number of buses required for the transport requirements in the area coming under that Depot; and
 - (ii) out of the above mentioned number of buses, the number of buses suitable for running and the number of buses that cannot be used for running;
 - (iii) the number of buses that can be put to use after minor repairs; and
 - (iv) if there is a program in place to provide new buses to meet the requirement, the time frame within which they will be provided?
- (b) Is he aware that—
 - (i) accommodation facilities required for the staff including drivers and conductors and the mechanics who work at the night shift are at an unsatisfactory level; and
 - (ii) they have not been provided with pure drinking water and proper canteen facilities?

(7)

- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the measures that will be taken to fulfill the above mentioned requirements of employees; and
 - (ii) the period of time that will be taken to fulfill those requirements?
- (d) Will he inform this House of the date on which the monthly salaries should be paid to the employees of the Depot?
- (e) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the payment of salaries is delayed every month; and
 - (ii) an injustice is caused to the employees as a result?
- (f) If so, will he state the reasons for the delay in the payment of salaries?
- (g) If not, why?

1075/'08

11.

Hon. Jinadasa Kitulagoda,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House whether there are private institutions and companies who have defaulted the payment of loans obtained from the People's Bank?
- (b) If there are such institutions and companies, will he submit to this House separately, a list of the names of the aforesaid private institutions and companies and the balance of the loans that should be settled by them?
- (c) Will he state the courses of action that have been taken and the courses of action that will be taken in the future to recover the balances of the loans that have been defaulted?
- (d) If not, why?

1077/'08

12.

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

- (a) Is he aware that the ownership of the lands belonging to the Land Reforms Commission has been transferred to various persons in an unlawful manner without entering into agreements?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the basis on which the aforesaid lands have been transferred, the names of the transferees and the extent of the lands that have been given; and

- (ii) whether action will be taken to initiate disciplinary action against the officers who transferred those lands in this manner without following the legal procedure?
- (c) If not, why?

1078/'08

13.

Hon. Jinadasa Kitulagoda,— To ask the Minister of Mass Media and Information and Minister of Enterprise Development and Investment Promotion,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the building located on Sir Baron Jayatilake Mawatha, that belongs to the Board of Investment of Sri Lanka, is being used at present;
 - (ii) if not, the date from which it was abandoned; and
 - (iii) of the reason to abandon the aforesaid building in that manner?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the monthly rent paid on the office premises rented in the World Trade Centre instead of the aforesaid building; and
 - (ii) the amount of money the Government has lost as a result of paying rent for the new office premises from the above mentioned date up to now?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the course of action to be taken with regard to the building located on Sir Baron Jayatilake Mawatha; and
 - (ii) the period of time within which that course of action will be taken?
- (d) If not, why?

1087/'08

14.

Hon. Lakshman Senewiratne,— To ask the Minister of Urban Development and Sacred Area Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that a decision has been taken at the Consultative Committee on Urban Development and Sacred Area Development to the effect that any type of construction should not be done within Mahiyangana town until the development plan of Mahiyangana town is submitted?
- (b) Is he aware that unauthorized constructions are being carried out at Mahiyangana town, violating the decisions taken at the Consultative Committee on Urban Development and Sacred Area Development?

- (c) Will he inform this House,-
- (i) of the basis on which those unauthorized constructions are being carried out; and
 - (ii) whether political protection is provided for the aforesaid persons?
- (d) Will he submit to this House a list of names of the persons who are carrying out the aforesaid unauthorized constructions?
- (e) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1

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

*2.

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

*3.

Civil Aviation Bill— Second Reading.

*4.

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

*5.

Sri Lanka Electricity Bill—Second Reading.

*6.

Governors' Pension Bill—Second Reading.

*7.

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

*8.

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

*9.

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

*10.

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

*11.

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

*12.

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)

*13.

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)

*14.

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	Rs. 25,000.00

President of the Court of Appeal

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)

*15.

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)

*16.

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.

*17.

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.

*18.

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.

19.

Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution Bill — Second Reading.

20.

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

21.

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

22.

Prohibition of Forcible Conversion of Religion Bill — Consideration.

23.

Mahaweli Cultural Foundation Trust (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

1034/'08

1.

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

(a) Will he inform this House separately—

- (i) the amount of financial allocation that has been made for the home garden cultivation projects in Baddegama Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District from the year 2006 to 2008, under the ‘Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu’ programme;
- (ii) the amounts allocated for the above mentioned projects by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture, the decentralized fund and the Provincial Council Members’ Fund; and
- (iii) the number of cultivators who carried out home garden cultivations in the years 2006 and 2008 and the relevant extent of land with relevance to each year?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the programme that has been planned for the year 2009 to provide more encouragement to home garden cultivators than in the year 2008; and
- (ii) the amount of money expected to be allocated to the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division for this purpose?

(c) If not, why?

1035/'08

2.

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

(a) Will he inform this House separately—

- (i) the amount of financial allocation that has been made for the home garden cultivation projects in Yakkalamulla Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District from the year 2006 to 2008, under the ‘Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu’ programme;

- (ii) the amounts allocated for the above mentioned projects by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture, the decentralized fund and the Provincial Council Members' Fund; and
 - (iii) the number of cultivators who carried out home garden cultivations in the years 2006 and 2008 and the relevant extent of land with relevance to each year?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) the programme that has been planned for the year 2009 to provide more encouragement to home garden cultivators than in the year 2008; and
 - (ii) the amount of money expected to be allocated to the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division for this purpose?
- (c) If not, why?

1036/'08

3.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately—
- (i) the amount of financial allocation that has been made for the home garden cultivation projects in Imaduwa Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District from the year 2006 to 2008, under the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;
 - (ii) the amounts allocated for the above mentioned projects by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture, the decentralized fund and the Provincial Council Members' Fund; and
 - (iii) the number of cultivators who carried out home garden cultivations in the years 2006 and 2008 and the relevant extent of land with relevance to each year?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) the programme that has been planned for the year 2009 to provide more encouragement to home garden cultivators than in the year 2008; and
 - (ii) the amount of money expected to be allocated to the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division for this purpose?
- (c) If not, why?

1037/'08

4.

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

(a) Will he inform this House separately—

- (i) the amount of financial allocation that has been made for the home garden cultivation projects in Habaraduwa Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District from the year 2006 to 2008, under the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;
- (ii) the amounts allocated for the above mentioned projects by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture, the decentralized fund and the Provincial Council Members' Fund; and
- (iii) the number of cultivators who carried out home garden cultivations in the years 2006 and 2008 and the relevant extent of land with relevance to each year?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the programme that has been planned for the year 2009 to provide more encouragement to home garden cultivators than in the year 2008; and
- (ii) the amount of money expected to be allocated to the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division for this purpose?

(c) If not, why?

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5.

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

(a) Will he inform this House separately—

- (i) the amount of financial allocation that has been made for the home garden cultivation projects in Akmeemana Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District from the year 2006 to 2008, under the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;
- (ii) the amounts allocated for the above mentioned projects by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture, the decentralized fund and the Provincial Council Members' Fund; and
- (iii) the number of cultivators who carried out home garden cultivations in the years 2006 and 2008 and the relevant extent of land with relevance to each year?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the programme that has been planned for the year 2009 to provide more encouragement to home garden cultivators than in the year 2008; and
- (ii) the amount of money expected to be allocated to the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division for this purpose?

(c) If not, why?

1039/'08

6.

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

(a) Will he inform this House separately—

- (i) the amount of financial allocation that has been made for the home garden cultivation projects in Bope - Poddala Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District from the year 2006 to 2008, under the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;
- (ii) the amounts allocated for the above mentioned projects by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture, the decentralized fund and the Provincial Council Members' Fund; and
- (iii) the number of cultivators who carried out home garden cultivations in the years 2006 and 2008 and the relevant extent of land with relevance to each year?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the programme that has been planned for the year 2009 to provide more encouragement to home garden cultivators than in the year 2008; and
- (ii) the amount of money expected to be allocated to the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division for this purpose?

(c) If not, why?

1040/'08

7.

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

(a) Will he inform this House separately—

- (i) the amount of financial allocation that has been made for the home garden cultivation projects in Kadawathsathara Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District from the year 2006 to 2008, under the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;

- (ii) the amounts allocated for the above mentioned projects by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture, the decentralized fund and the Provincial Council Members' Fund; and
 - (iii) the number of cultivators who carried out home garden cultivations in the years 2006 and 2008 and the relevant extent of land with relevance to each year?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) the programme that has been planned for the year 2009 to provide more encouragement to home garden cultivators than in the year 2008; and
 - (ii) the amount of money expected to be allocated to the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division for this purpose?
- (c) If not, why?

1041/'08

8.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately—
- (i) the amount of financial allocation that has been made for the home garden cultivation projects in Hikkaduwa Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District from the year 2006 to 2008, under the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;
 - (ii) the amounts allocated for the above mentioned projects by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture, the decentralized fund and the Provincial Council Members' Fund; and
 - (iii) the number of cultivators who carried out home garden cultivations in the years 2006 and 2008 and the relevant extent of land with relevance to each year?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) the programme that has been planned for the year 2009 to provide more encouragement to home garden cultivators than in the year 2008; and
 - (ii) the amount of money expected to be allocated to the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division for this purpose?
- (c) If not, why?

1042/'08

9.

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

(a) Will he inform this House separately—

- (i) the amount of financial allocation that has been made for the home garden cultivation projects in Goonapinuwala Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District from the year 2006 to 2008, under the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;
- (ii) the amounts allocated for the above mentioned projects by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture, the decentralized fund and the Provincial Council Members' Fund; and
- (iii) the number of cultivators who carried out home garden cultivations in the years 2006 and 2008 and the relevant extent of land with relevance to each year?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the programme that has been planned for the year 2009 to provide more encouragement to home garden cultivators than in the year 2008; and
- (ii) the amount of money expected to be allocated to the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division for this purpose?

(c) If not, why?

1043/'08

10.

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

(a) Will he inform this House separately—

- (i) the amount of financial allocation that has been made for the home garden cultivation projects in Ambalangoda Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District from the year 2006 to 2008, under the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;
- (ii) the amounts allocated for the above mentioned projects by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture, the decentralized fund and the Provincial Council Members' Fund; and
- (iii) the number of cultivators who carried out home garden cultivations in the years 2006 and 2008 and the relevant extent of land with relevance to each year?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the programme that has been planned for the year 2009 to provide more encouragement to home garden cultivators than in the year 2008; and
- (ii) the amount of money expected to be allocated to the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division for this purpose?

(c) If not, why?

1044/'08

11.

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

(a) Will he inform this House separately—

- (i) the amount of financial allocation that has been made for the home garden cultivation projects in Balapitiya Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District from the year 2006 to 2008, under the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;
- (ii) the amounts allocated for the above mentioned projects by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture, the decentralized fund and the Provincial Council Members' Fund; and
- (iii) the number of cultivators who carried out home garden cultivations in the years 2006 and 2008 and the relevant extent of land with relevance to each year?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the programme that has been planned for the year 2009 to provide more encouragement to home garden cultivators than in the year 2008; and
- (ii) the amount of money expected to be allocated to the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division for this purpose?

(c) If not, why?

1045/'08

12.

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

(a) Will he inform this House separately—

- (i) the amount of financial allocation that has been made for the home garden cultivation projects in Karandeniya Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District from the year 2006 to 2008, under the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;

- (ii) the amounts allocated for the above mentioned projects by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture, the decentralized fund and the Provincial Council Members' Fund; and
 - (iii) the number of cultivators who carried out home garden cultivations in the years 2006 and 2008 and the relevant extent of land with relevance to each year?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) the programme that has been planned for the year 2009 to provide more encouragement to home garden cultivators than in the year 2008; and
 - (ii) the amount of money expected to be allocated to the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division for this purpose?
- (c) If not, why?

1046/'08

13.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately—
- (i) the amount of financial allocation that has been made for the home garden cultivation projects in Welivitiya - Divitura Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District from the year 2006 to 2008, under the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;
 - (ii) the amounts allocated for the above mentioned projects by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture, the decentralized fund and the Provincial Council Members' Fund; and
 - (iii) the number of cultivators who carried out home garden cultivations in the years 2006 and 2008 and the relevant extent of land with relevance to each year?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) the programme that has been planned for the year 2009 to provide more encouragement to home garden cultivators than in the year 2008; and
 - (ii) the amount of money expected to be allocated to the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division for this purpose?
- (c) If not, why?

1047/'08

14.

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

(a) Will he inform this House separately—

- (i) the amount of financial allocation that has been made for the home garden cultivation projects in Bentara Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District from the year 2006 to 2008, under the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;
- (ii) the amounts allocated for the above mentioned projects by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture, the decentralized fund and the Provincial Council Members' Fund; and
- (iii) the number of cultivators who carried out home garden cultivations in the years 2006 and 2008 and the relevant extent of land with relevance to each year?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the programme that has been planned for the year 2009 to provide more encouragement to home garden cultivators than in the year 2008; and
- (ii) the amount of money expected to be allocated to the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division for this purpose?

(c) If not, why?

1048/'08

15.

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

(a) Will he inform this House separately—

- (i) the amount of financial allocation that has been made for the home garden cultivation projects in Elpitiya Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District from the year 2006 to 2008, under the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;
- (ii) the amounts allocated for the above mentioned projects by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture, the decentralized fund and the Provincial Council Members' Fund; and
- (iii) the number of cultivators who carried out home garden cultivations in the years 2006 and 2008 and the relevant extent of land with relevance to each year?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the programme that has been planned for the year 2009 to provide more encouragement to home garden cultivators than in the year 2008; and
- (ii) the amount of money expected to be allocated to the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division for this purpose?

(c) If not, why?

1049/'08

16.

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

(a) Will he inform this House separately—

- (i) the amount of financial allocation that has been made for the home garden cultivation projects in Thawalama Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District from the year 2006 to 2008, under the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;
- (ii) the amounts allocated for the above mentioned projects by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture, the decentralized fund and the Provincial Council Members' Fund; and
- (iii) the number of cultivators who carried out home garden cultivations in the years 2006 and 2008 and the relevant extent of land with relevance to each year?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the programme that has been planned for the year 2009 to provide more encouragement to home garden cultivators than in the year 2008; and
- (ii) the amount of money expected to be allocated to the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division for this purpose?

(c) If not, why?

1050/'08

17.

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

(a) Will he inform this House separately—

- (i) the amount of financial allocation that has been made for the home garden cultivation projects in Niyagama Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District from the year 2006 to 2008, under the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;

- (ii) the amounts allocated for the above mentioned projects by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture, the decentralized fund and the Provincial Council Members' Fund; and
 - (iii) the number of cultivators who carried out home garden cultivations in the years 2006 and 2008 and the relevant extent of land with relevance to each year?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) the programme that has been planned for the year 2009 to provide more encouragement to home garden cultivators than in the year 2008; and
 - (ii) the amount of money expected to be allocated to the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division for this purpose?
- (c) If not, why?

1051/'08

18.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House separately—
- (i) the amount of financial allocation that has been made for the home garden cultivation projects in Neluwa Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District from the year 2006 to 2008, under the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;
 - (ii) the amounts allocated for the above mentioned projects by the Ministry of Agriculture, the Provincial Ministry of Agriculture, the decentralized fund and the Provincial Council Members' Fund; and
 - (iii) the number of cultivators who carried out home garden cultivations in the years 2006 and 2008 and the relevant extent of land with relevance to each year?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) the programme that has been planned for the year 2009 to provide more encouragement to home garden cultivators than in the year 2008; and
 - (ii) the amount of money expected to be allocated to the aforesaid Divisional Secretariat Division for this purpose?
- (c) If not, why?

19.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,—To ask the Minister of Transport,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of buses belonging to the Galle Depot of the Sri Lanka Central Transport Board (SLCTB) in the Galle District and the number of buses required for the transport requirements in the area coming under that Depot;
 - (ii) out of the above mentioned number of buses, the number of buses suitable for running and the number of buses that cannot be used for running;
 - (iii) the number of buses that can be put to use after minor repairs; and
 - (iv) if there is a program in place to provide new buses to meet the requirement, the time frame within which they will be provided?
 - (b) Is he aware that—
 - (i) accommodation facilities required for the staff including drivers and conductors and the mechanics who work at the night shift are at an unsatisfactory level; and
 - (ii) they have not been provided with pure drinking water and proper canteen facilities?
 - (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the measures that will be taken to fulfill the above mentioned requirements of employees; and
 - (ii) the period of time that will be taken to fulfill those requirements?
 - (d) Will he inform this House of the date on which the monthly salaries should be paid to the employees of the Depot?
 - (e) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the payment of salaries is delayed every month; and
 - (ii) an injustice is caused to the employees as a result?
 - (f) If so, will he state the reasons for the delay in the payment of salaries?
 - (g) If not, why?
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