



[Sixth Parliament — Fourth Session]

No. 13.]

**ORDER PAPER
OF
PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Thursday, July 09, 2009 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0015/'09

1.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Management and Minister of Ports and Aviation,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of Air Crafts leased out, bought or hired for Mihin Air from the inception to-date;
- (ii) the amount being paid or amount paid, per month basis;
- (iii) the load factor required to break even;
- (iv) the load factor from the origin of the airline per month basis; and
- (v) the total cargo lift capacity and data capacity lifted to-date per month basis?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the total outstanding as of today with age analysis for fuel, airport aviation office space and warehouse space, taxes, aircraft dues, bank loans and any other obligation of significance;
- (ii) the total staff recruited along with the total remittance payable per month basis with perks included for all staff drawing over Rs. 200,000/- in total per month; and
- (iii) the additional cost that they pay for Aircraft Crew Maintenance Insurance (ACMI) even though the agreements cover the same?

(c) If not, why?

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0076/'09

2.

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

- (a) Is he aware that Olupattawa tank which had been a private tank with an extent of 16 acres, at Siyambalagoda, in Homagama was acquired in the year 1968 on the survey order issued by the then Government Agent of Colombo on the requests made by the farmers' organization?
- (b) Will he admit that—
 - (i) according to the section 880 of the preliminary plan, the acquired portion has been mapped as an area with an extent of 12 acres 00 roods 38.6 perches;
 - (ii) the farmers' organizations have informed the relevant institutions on various occasions that it would change the existing conditions and cause pollution of the tank if construction of houses or other development work was allowed within the 4 acres that had not been acquired; and
 - (iii) there is a need for a tank reservation?
- (c) Will he, therefore, inform this House of the steps that will be taken to protect the tank reservation?
- (d) If not, why?

0091/'09

3.

Hon. R. P. A. Ranaweera Pathirana,—To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development and Agrarian Services,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that Malwanegama Farm at Talawa, which belonged to the Department of Agriculture has been handed over to a private company?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) if it has been handed over, the basis on which it was handed over and the name of the institution or the person that has been vested with it;
 - (ii) the amount of money obtained per acre annually in handing over the relevant farm;
 - (iii) the amount of money that has been obtained as rent since the date on which it was leased out up to the year 2007; and
 - (iv) if a fixed amount has been obtained the amount of money so obtained?
- (c) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the value of the immovable and movable property owned by the farm at the time the aforesaid farm was leased out; and

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(ii) the purpose for which the said property was utilized?

(d) Will he state—

(i) the purpose for which the aforesaid farm was established; and

(ii) whether the aforesaid farm is being used for the above mentioned purpose by the current administration?

(e) If not, why?

0132/’09

4.

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

(a) Will he inform this House of the number of unauthorized settlers living in the reservation of the Suriyawewa tank which provides drinking water to the Suriyawewa Divisional Secretariat Division and comes under the area of the Mahaweli Development Authority?

(b) Will he admit that the reservoir which provides drinking water gets polluted by the waste dumped in to it by these unauthorized settlers?

(c) Will he inform this House—

(i) separately and in relation to each family the name, address, and the number of family members of those unauthorized settlers living in reservation of the aforesaid tank and the period of unauthorized settlement by each of them up to now;

(ii) whether the plots of land of the Mahaweli Authority which were to be given to those who were to lose their lands owing to the construction of the Weerawila Airport, are given to the unauthorized settlers on the reservation of the tank, since the relevant Airport is not constructed in that venue; and

(iii) if not so, the place where irrigated land and lands for settlement are to be given and the extents of the relevant land for settlement and the irrigated land?

(d) Will he state whether arrangements will be made to pay these unauthorized settlers with compensation based on the current commercial value in relation to the properties they have acquired during a long period, since they will lose them with their removal?

(e) If not, why?

0219/'09

5.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of railway carriages and restaurant cars brought down to Sri Lanka from January 2006 up to now;
 - (ii) the dates on which the said railway carriages and restaurant cars were brought down to the country and the number remaining unused so far; and
 - (iii) their financial value?
- (b) If not, why?

0263/'09

6.

Hon. Bimal Ratnayake,— To ask the Minister of Environment and Natural Resources,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether a project named 'Gaja Mithuro' has been launched by the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources;
 - (ii) of the objective of that project; and
 - (iii) of the amount of money allocated for the construction of electric fences under the 'Gaja Mithuro' project?
- (b) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the number of other projects that have been initiated under this project;
 - (ii) the names of such projects, separately;
 - (iii) the number of projects that have been completed so far and their names;
 - (iv) the number of projects that have been successful and their names; and
 - (v) the amount of money spent on these projects?
- (c) If not, why?

0017/'09

7.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Embassies we have got throughout the world;

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- (ii) the names of the Ambassadors along with their professional and career experience; and
- (iii) whether each of them is a career diplomat or a political appointee separately?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of staff members in each Embassy;
 - (ii) their names separately, along with the salaries and all other emoluments being paid to them; and
 - (iii) the total cost of running each Embassy separately, for the last four years?
- (c) Will he also state—
 - (i) the number of Sri Lanka friendship organizations, societies, caucuses or special interest groups which have been formed in overseas; and
 - (ii) the countries they have been formed in?
- (d) If not, why?

0159/'09

8.

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) conflicts and disputes have occurred after the implementation of the Agrarian Development Act No. 46 of 2000; and
 - (ii) tenant farmers have been legally deprived of their rights?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to abolish the Agrarian Development Act No. 46 of 2000 and present a new Bill so as to ensure the rights of tenant farmers; and
 - (ii) if not, whether the above Agrarian Development Act will be submitted after amendment?
- (c) Will he state the measures that will be taken with regard to those who lost their tenant rights after the implementation of the Agrarian Development Act No. 46 of 2000?
- (d) If not, why?

0220/'09

9.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) whether a National Independence day function was held in the Eastern Province on 4th February 2009;
 - (ii) of the venue, if it was held;
 - (iii) of the names of the Ministers who took part in this function; and
 - (iv) of the cost incurred on this function?
- (b) If not, why?

0264/'09

10.

Hon. Bimal Ratnayake,— To ask the Minister of Environment and Natural Resources,—(1)

- (a) Will he submit to this House a report on the projects for the construction of electric fences, which were launched from the year 2000 by the Wildlife Conservation Department?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the reasons as to why the 'Gaja Mithuro' project was not assigned to the Wildlife Conservation Department;
 - (ii) whether action has been planned under the 'Gaja Mithuro' project to fulfil the needs of elephants such as food, water and salt;
 - (iii) if so, whether the construction of small tanks has been identified by the relevant project to meet the above needs; and
 - (iv) of the details pertaining to the amount of money allocated for this purpose and the number of small tanks constructed up to now?
- (c) If not, why?

0071/'09

11.

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 the details of all radio frequencies (Spectrum) issued by the Telecommunications Regulatory Commission of Sri Lanka (TRCSL) in the past 02 years?

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(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether these radio frequencies (Spectrum) were issued according to the Government Tender Procedures stipulated for issuing of public property; and
- (ii) the revenue raised from each award of radio frequency (Spectrum)?

(c) If not, why?

0221/'09

12.

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the number of divers who are engaged in fishing as an occupation in our country; and
- (ii) the number of licensed divers in each district?

(b) Will he inform this House whether he stated in a debate in Parliament on 18.02.2009 that the licenses of divers will be cancelled?

(c) If he has stated so, will he state whether the licences of divers will be cancelled after paying them compensation?

(d) If not, why?

0265/'09

13.

Hon. Bimal Ratnayake,— To ask the Minister of Transport,—(1)

(a) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) the names of the institutions which carry out the issuing of Vehicle Emission Inspection Certificate that have been operative within the Western Province since the year 2009;
- (ii) whether those institutions are private institutions or public institutions;
- (iii) the reason for assigning that task to private institutions in that manner, if they are private institutions; and
- (iv) the basis on which those institutions were selected?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the legal and administrative capacity of the relevant Ministry to provide necessary relief for people's rights on occasions when irregularities take place and customers face inconveniences as a result of assigning this task to private institutions in the aforesaid manner;

- (ii) the amount of money that has been paid by the Government to those institutions in this respect, from 1st January 2009 up to 31st March 2009; and
 - (iii) whether the basis on which payments have been made in the aforesaid manner, has been submitted to this House?
- (c) Will he state—
- (i) the rates charged for vehicles in issuing Vehicle Emission Inspection Certificates;
 - (ii) the amount of money received by the Government through it; and
 - (iii) the amount of money that has been provided to the treasury, out of the said amount?
- (d) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

- 1.
- The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament (No.1),— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 7 and the motion agreed to by Parliament on 26.05.2009, the hours of sitting this day shall be 9.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.. At 3.30 p.m. Standing Order 7(5) shall operate.
- 2.
- The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament (No.2),— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 7 and the motion agreed to by Parliament on 26.05.2009, the hours of sitting on Friday, July 10, 2009 shall be 9.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.. At 12.30 p.m. Standing Order 7(5) shall operate.
- 3.
- Hon. Edward Gunasekara,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.1),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—
- “Bill to incorporate the Ranjith Aluvihare Foundation ”
- 4.
- Hon. Sarathchandra Rajakaruna,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.2),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—
- “Bill to incorporate the Sri Lanka Semata Setha Foundation ”

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

- *1.
- Department of Coast Guard Bill — Second Reading.

*2.

The Minister of Transport,—Supplementary Sum—Head 114— Programme 2,—
†That a supplementary sum not exceeding Rupees two thousand two hundred and ninety nine point eight three million (Rs. 2299.83 million) be payable out of the Consolidated Fund of the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka or any other fund or monies of, or at the disposal of, the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka or from the proceeds of any loans obtained by the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka for the services of the Financial year beginning on 1st January, 2009 and ending on 31st December, 2009 and that the said sum may be expended as specified in the schedule hereto:

Schedule

Head 114	—	Ministry of Transport	
Programme 2	—	Development Activities	
		Recurrent Expenditure	= Rs. <u>2,299.83 million</u>
			Rs. <u>2,299.83 million</u>

(Cabinet approval signified)

†Vide Supplementary Estimate No.2 of 2009 presented on 12th June, 2009; total of Supplementary Estimate No.1, Rs. 450,000,000.

*3.

Employees’ Provident Fund (Special Provisions) (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*4.

Indian Immigrant Labour (Repeal) Bill — Second Reading.

*5.

Regulation of Asset Backed Securitization Bill — Second Reading.

*6.

Secured Transactions Bill — Second Reading.

*7.

Regulation of Insurance Industry (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*8.

Default Taxes (Special Provisions) Bill — Second Reading.

*9.

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

*10.

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

*11.

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

*12.

Governors’ Pension Bill—Second Reading.

- *13.

Anti-Dumping and Countervailing Duties Bill — Adjourned Debate on question — (04th April, 2006) [1]
- *14.

Recovery of Loans by Banks (Special Provisions) (Amendment) Bill — Adjourned Debate on question — (18th July, 2006) [1]
- *15.

Non-performing Assets (Recovery) Bill — Adjourned Debate on question — (18th July, 2006) [1]
- *16.

Gaming (Special Provisions) Bill — Adjourned Debate on question — (18th July, 2006) [1]
- *17.

Safeguard Measures Bill — Adjourned Debate on question — (04th April, 2006) [1]
- *18.

Civil Aviation Bill— Second Reading.
- *19.

Ambuluwawa Dissanayake Mudiyansele Jayaratne Religious Centre and Bio-diversity Complex Trust Fund Bill — Second Reading.
- *20.

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)

*21.

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)

*22.

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)

*23.

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)

*24.

The Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Administration, and Deputy Minister of Defence, Public Security, Law and Order,— Rules under the Excise Ordinance,— That the Rules made by the 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.

*25.

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.

*26.

The Minister of Healthcare and Nutrition,—Regulations under the Medical Ordinance,— 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.1590/13 of 25th February, 2009 which were presented on 21.04.2009, be approved.

27.

Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution Bill — Second Reading.

28.

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

29.

Prohibition of Forcible Conversion of Religion Bill — Consideration.

30.

Rev. Moonamale Dhammarathana Memorial Foundation (Incorporation) Bill — Consideration.

31.

Sri Lanka Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (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

0313/’09

1.

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

(a) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) the number of acres of paddy land that had been cultivated in the Imaduva Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District in each year during the period from the year 2000 to 2008;

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- (ii) out of the recorded number of acres of paddy land by the year 2008, the number of acres of paddy land that had not been brought under cultivation;
 - (iii) the amount of fertilizer that has been given in each year within this Divisional Secretariat Division, at the subsidized price of Rs. 350.00; and
 - (iv) separately, the amount allocated from the year 2004 to 2008 for the reconstruction of canals, dams and anicuts within this Division, with relevance to each project?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) separately, the amount that has been spent each year, to construct the canals, dams and anicuts within the said Division to encourage the farmers to cultivate the paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation, subsequent to initiating the ‘Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu’ programme;
 - (ii) the percentage of paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation during the period from the year 2004 to 2008; and
 - (iii) the period of time within which steps would be taken to bring all the paddy lands under cultivation?
- (c) If not, why?

0314/’09

2.

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

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of acres of paddy land that had been cultivated in the Bope - Poddala Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District in each year during the period from the year 2000 to 2008;
 - (ii) out of the recorded number of acres of paddy land by the year 2008, the number of acres of paddy land that had not been brought under cultivation;
 - (iii) the amount of fertilizer that has been given in each year within this Divisional Secretariat Division, at the subsidized price of Rs. 350.00; and
 - (iv) separately, the amount allocated from the year 2004 to 2008 for the reconstruction of canals, dams and anicuts within this Division, with relevance to each project?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) separately, the amount that has been spent each year, to construct the canals, dams and anicuts within the said Division to encourage the farmers to cultivate the paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation, subsequent to initiating the ‘Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu’ programme;

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- (ii) the percentage of paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation during the period from the year 2004 to 2008; and
 - (iii) the period of time within which steps would be taken to bring all the paddy lands under cultivation?
- (c) If not, why?

0315/'09

3.

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

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of acres of paddy land that had been cultivated in the Akmeemana Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District in each year during the period from the year 2000 to 2008;
 - (ii) out of the recorded number of acres of paddy land by the year 2008, the number of acres of paddy land that had not been brought under cultivation;
 - (iii) the amount of fertilizer that has been given in each year within this Divisional Secretariat Division, at the subsidized price of Rs. 350.00; and
 - (iv) separately, the amount allocated from the year 2004 to 2008 for the reconstruction of canals, dams and anicuts within this Division, with relevance to each project?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) separately, the amount that has been spent each year, to construct the canals, dams and anicuts within the said Division to encourage the farmers to cultivate the paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation, subsequent to initiating the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;
 - (ii) the percentage of paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation during the period from the year 2004 to 2008; and
 - (iii) the period of time within which steps would be taken to bring all the paddy lands under cultivation?
- (c) If not, why?

0316/'09

4.

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

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of acres of paddy land that had been cultivated in the Baddegama Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District in each year during the period from the year 2000 to 2008;

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- (ii) out of the recorded number of acres of paddy land by the year 2008, the number of acres of paddy land that had not been brought under cultivation;
 - (iii) the amount of fertilizer that has been given in each year within this Divisional Secretariat Division, at the subsidized price of Rs. 350.00; and
 - (iv) separately, the amount allocated from the year 2004 to 2008 for the reconstruction of canals, dams and anicuts within this Division, with relevance to each project?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) separately, the amount that has been spent each year, to construct the canals, dams and anicuts within the said Division to encourage the farmers to cultivate the paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation, subsequent to initiating the ‘Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu’ programme;
 - (ii) the percentage of paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation during the period from the year 2004 to 2008; and
 - (iii) the period of time within which steps would be taken to bring all the paddy lands under cultivation?
- (c) If not, why?

0317/’08

5.

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

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of acres of paddy land that had been cultivated in the Yakkalamulla Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District in each year during the period from the year 2000 to 2008;
 - (ii) out of the recorded number of acres of paddy land by the year 2008, the number of acres of paddy land that had not been brought under cultivation;
 - (iii) the amount of fertilizer that has been given in each year within this Divisional Secretariat Division, at the subsidized price of Rs. 350.00; and
 - (iv) separately, the amount allocated from the year 2004 to 2008 for the reconstruction of canals, dams and anicuts within this Division, with relevance to each project?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) separately, the amount that has been spent each year, to construct the canals, dams and anicuts within the said Division to encourage the farmers to cultivate the paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation, subsequent to initiating the ‘Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu’ programme;

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- (ii) the percentage of paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation during the period from the year 2004 to 2008; and
 - (iii) the period of time within which steps would be taken to bring all the paddy lands under cultivation?
- (c) If not, why?

0318/'09

6.

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

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of acres of paddy land that had been cultivated in the Hikkaduwa Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District in each year during the period from the year 2000 to 2008;
 - (ii) out of the recorded number of acres of paddy land by the year 2008, the number of acres of paddy land that had not been brought under cultivation;
 - (iii) the amount of fertilizer that has been given in each year within this Divisional Secretariat Division, at the subsidized price of Rs. 350.00; and
 - (iv) separately, the amount allocated from the year 2004 to 2008 for the reconstruction of canals, dams and anicuts within this Division, with relevance to each project?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) separately, the amount that has been spent each year, to construct the canals, dams and anicuts within the said Division to encourage the farmers to cultivate the paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation, subsequent to initiating the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;
 - (ii) the percentage of paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation during the period from the year 2004 to 2008; and
 - (iii) the period of time within which steps would be taken to bring all the paddy lands under cultivation?
- (c) If not, why?

0319/'09

7.

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

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of acres of paddy land that had been cultivated in the Goonapinuwala Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District in each year during the period from the year 2000 to 2008;

(17)

- (ii) out of the recorded number of acres of paddy land by the year 2008, the number of acres of paddy land that had not been brought under cultivation;
 - (iii) the amount of fertilizer that has been given in each year within this Divisional Secretariat Division, at the subsidized price of Rs. 350.00; and
 - (iv) separately, the amount allocated from the year 2004 to 2008 for the reconstruction of canals, dams and anicuts within this Division, with relevance to each project?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) separately, the amount that has been spent each year, to construct the canals, dams and anicuts within the said Division to encourage the farmers to cultivate the paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation, subsequent to initiating the ‘Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu’ programme;
 - (ii) the percentage of paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation during the period from the year 2004 to 2008; and
 - (iii) the period of time within which steps would be taken to bring all the paddy lands under cultivation?
- (c) If not, why?

0320/09

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

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of acres of paddy land that had been cultivated in the Ambalangoda Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District in each year during the period from the year 2000 to 2008;
 - (ii) out of the recorded number of acres of paddy land by the year 2008, the number of acres of paddy land that had not been brought under cultivation;
 - (iii) the amount of fertilizer that has been given in each year within this Divisional Secretariat Division, at the subsidized price of Rs. 350.00; and
 - (iv) separately, the amount allocated from the year 2004 to 2008 for the reconstruction of canals, dams and anicuts within this Division, with relevance to each project?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) separately, the amount that has been spent each year, to construct the canals, dams and anicuts within the said Division to encourage the farmers to cultivate the paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation, subsequent to initiating the ‘Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu’ programme;

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- (ii) the percentage of paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation during the period from the year 2004 to 2008; and
 - (iii) the period of time within which steps would be taken to bring all the paddy lands under cultivation?
- (c) If not, why?

0321/'09

9.

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

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of acres of paddy land that had been cultivated in the Balapitiya Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District in each year during the period from the year 2000 to 2008;
 - (ii) out of the recorded number of acres of paddy land by the year 2008, the number of acres of paddy land that had not been brought under cultivation;
 - (iii) the amount of fertilizer that has been given in each year within this Divisional Secretariat Division, at the subsidized price of Rs. 350.00; and
 - (iv) separately, the amount allocated from the year 2004 to 2008 for the reconstruction of canals, dams and anicuts within this Division, with relevance to each project?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) separately, the amount that has been spent each year, to construct the canals, dams and anicuts within the said Division to encourage the farmers to cultivate the paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation, subsequent to initiating the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;
 - (ii) the percentage of paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation during the period from the year 2004 to 2008; and
 - (iii) the period of time within which steps would be taken to bring all the paddy lands under cultivation?
- (c) If not, why?

0322/'09

10.

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

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of acres of paddy land that had been cultivated in the Karandeniya Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District in each year during the period from the year 2000 to 2008;

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- (ii) out of the recorded number of acres of paddy land by the year 2008, the number of acres of paddy land that had not been brought under cultivation;
 - (iii) the amount of fertilizer that has been given in each year within this Divisional Secretariat Division, at the subsidized price of Rs. 350.00; and
 - (iv) separately, the amount allocated from the year 2004 to 2008 for the reconstruction of canals, dams and anicuts within this Division, with relevance to each project?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) separately, the amount that has been spent each year, to construct the canals, dams and anicuts within the said Division to encourage the farmers to cultivate the paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation, subsequent to initiating the ‘Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu’ programme;
 - (ii) the percentage of paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation during the period from the year 2004 to 2008; and
 - (iii) the period of time within which steps would be taken to bring all the paddy lands under cultivation?
- (c) If not, why?

0323/’09

11.

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

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of acres of paddy land that had been cultivated in the Welivitiya - Divitura Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District in each year during the period from the year 2000 to 2008;
 - (ii) out of the recorded number of acres of paddy land by the year 2008, the number of acres of paddy land that had not been brought under cultivation;
 - (iii) the amount of fertilizer that has been given in each year within this Divisional Secretariat Division, at the subsidized price of Rs. 350.00; and
 - (iv) separately, the amount allocated from the year 2004 to 2008 for the reconstruction of canals, dams and anicuts within this Division, with relevance to each project?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) separately, the amount that has been spent each year, to construct the canals, dams and anicuts within the said Division to encourage the farmers to cultivate the paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation, subsequent to initiating the ‘Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu’ programme;

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- (ii) the percentage of paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation during the period from the year 2004 to 2008; and
 - (iii) the period of time within which steps would be taken to bring all the paddy lands under cultivation?
- (c) If not, why?

0324/'09

12.

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

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of acres of paddy land that had been cultivated in the Bentara Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District in each year during the period from the year 2000 to 2008;
 - (ii) out of the recorded number of acres of paddy land by the year 2008, the number of acres of paddy land that had not been brought under cultivation;
 - (iii) the amount of fertilizer that has been given in each year within this Divisional Secretariat Division, at the subsidized price of Rs. 350.00; and
 - (iv) separately, the amount allocated from the year 2004 to 2008 for the reconstruction of canals, dams and anicuts within this Division, with relevance to each project?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) separately, the amount that has been spent each year, to construct the canals, dams and anicuts within the said Division to encourage the farmers to cultivate the paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation, subsequent to initiating the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;
 - (ii) the percentage of paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation during the period from the year 2004 to 2008; and
 - (iii) the period of time within which steps would be taken to bring all the paddy lands under cultivation?
- (c) If not, why?

0325/'09

13.

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

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of acres of paddy land that had been cultivated in the Elpitiya Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District in each year during the period from the year 2000 to 2008;

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- (ii) out of the recorded number of acres of paddy land by the year 2008, the number of acres of paddy land that had not been brought under cultivation;
 - (iii) the amount of fertilizer that has been given in each year within this Divisional Secretariat Division, at the subsidized price of Rs. 350.00; and
 - (iv) separately, the amount allocated from the year 2004 to 2008 for the reconstruction of canals, dams and anicuts within this Division, with relevance to each project?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) separately, the amount that has been spent each year, to construct the canals, dams and anicuts within the said Division to encourage the farmers to cultivate the paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation, subsequent to initiating the ‘Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu’ programme;
 - (ii) the percentage of paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation during the period from the year 2004 to 2008; and
 - (iii) the period of time within which steps would be taken to bring all the paddy lands under cultivation?
- (c) If not, why?

0326/’09

14.

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

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of acres of paddy land that had been cultivated in the Thawalama Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District in each year during the period from the year 2000 to 2008;
 - (ii) out of the recorded number of acres of paddy land by the year 2008, the number of acres of paddy land that had not been brought under cultivation;
 - (iii) the amount of fertilizer that has been given in each year within this Divisional Secretariat Division, at the subsidized price of Rs. 350.00; and
 - (iv) separately, the amount allocated from the year 2004 to 2008 for the reconstruction of canals, dams and anicuts within this Division, with relevance to each project?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) separately, the amount that has been spent each year, to construct the canals, dams and anicuts within the said Division to encourage the farmers to cultivate the paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation, subsequent to initiating the ‘Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu’ programme;

(22)

- (ii) the percentage of paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation during the period from the year 2004 to 2008; and
 - (iii) the period of time within which steps would be taken to bring all the paddy lands under cultivation?
- (c) If not, why?

0327/'09

15.

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

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of acres of paddy land that had been cultivated in the Nagoda Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District in each year during the period from the year 2000 to 2008;
 - (ii) out of the recorded number of acres of paddy land by the year 2008, the number of acres of paddy land that had not been brought under cultivation;
 - (iii) the amount of fertilizer that has been given in each year within this Divisional Secretariat Division, at the subsidized price of Rs. 350.00; and
 - (iv) separately, the amount allocated from the year 2004 to 2008 for the reconstruction of canals, dams and anicuts within this Division, with relevance to each project?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) separately, the amount that has been spent each year, to construct the canals, dams and anicuts within the said Division to encourage the farmers to cultivate the paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation, subsequent to initiating the 'Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu' programme;
 - (ii) the percentage of paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation during the period from the year 2004 to 2008; and
 - (iii) the period of time within which steps would be taken to bring all the paddy lands under cultivation?
- (c) If not, why?

0328/'09

16.

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

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of acres of paddy land that had been cultivated in the Niyagama Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District in each year during the period from the year 2000 to 2008;

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- (ii) out of the recorded number of acres of paddy land by the year 2008, the number of acres of paddy land that had not been brought under cultivation;
 - (iii) the amount of fertilizer that has been given in each year within this Divisional Secretariat Division, at the subsidized price of Rs. 350.00; and
 - (iv) separately, the amount allocated from the year 2004 to 2008 for the reconstruction of canals, dams and anicuts within this Division, with relevance to each project?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) separately, the amount that has been spent each year, to construct the canals, dams and anicuts within the said Division to encourage the farmers to cultivate the paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation, subsequent to initiating the ‘Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu’ programme;
 - (ii) the percentage of paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation during the period from the year 2004 to 2008; and
 - (iii) the period of time within which steps would be taken to bring all the paddy lands under cultivation?
- (c) If not, why?

0329/09

17.

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

- (a) Will he submit to this House—
- (i) the number of acres of paddy land that had been cultivated in the Neluwa Divisional Secretariat Division of Galle District in each year during the period from the year 2000 to 2008;
 - (ii) out of the recorded number of acres of paddy land by the year 2008, the number of acres of paddy land that had not been brought under cultivation;
 - (iii) the amount of fertilizer that has been given in each year within this Divisional Secretariat Division, at the subsidized price of Rs. 350.00; and
 - (iv) separately, the amount allocated from the year 2004 to 2008 for the reconstruction of canals, dams and anicuts within this Division, with relevance to each project?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) separately, the amount that has been spent each year, to construct the canals, dams and anicuts within the said Division to encourage the farmers to cultivate the paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation, subsequent to initiating the ‘Api Wawamu - Rata Nagamu’ programme;

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- (ii) the percentage of paddy lands that had not been brought under cultivation during the period from the year 2004 to 2008; and
 - (iii) the period of time within which steps would be taken to bring all the paddy lands under cultivation?
- (c) If not, why?
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