



[Seventh Parliament -First Session]

No. 14.]

**ORDER PAPER
OF
PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Wednesday, June 30, 2010 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0033/'10

1.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Co-operatives and Internal Trade,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the total consumption of wheat in the country as of today;
 - (ii) the quantity locally produced and quantity imported separately;
 - (iii) the retail price of wheat over the last 20 year on per year basis
 - (iv) whether any subsidy is given to reduce the burden of the consumer; and
 - (v) If so, the amounts that has been given as of today?
- (b) Will he state separately as at today, all the taxes imposed on wheat, if imported or locally produced, until it reaches the consumer?
- (c) If not, why?

0067/'10

2.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Highways,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that in a one kilometer stretch of the road of Thalawa junction-Dambaralla in the Thalawa Grama Niladhari Division of the Angunukolapelessa Divisional Secretariat Division of Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying concrete about 01 year ago, and is in a dilapidated condition with cracks appeared all over by now?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the financial provisions allocated for the development of the said road,
 - (ii) whether recommendations of Technical Officers have been obtained to the effect that the work had been completed as per the standards in releasing money for the constructions;

(2)

(iii) from what other institutions were recommendations obtained in making payments for the constructions of the said road?

- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry into the constructions of this road and to restore it?
(d) If not, why?

0102/'10

3.

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

- (a) Is he aware that an audit query was carried out in the Ruhuna University in the years 2007–2008 by a group including the chief internal auditor of the University Grants Commission?
(b) Will he admit that the audit report dated 29.01.2008 pertaining to this audit has been handed over to the University Grants Commission?
(c) Will he state as per the above report —
(i) the names and posts of persons against whom allegations have been made;
(ii) the action taken against them?
(d) If not, why?

0119/'10

4.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Health,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
(i) the amount of saline imported to Sri Lanka from the year 2005 up to 31st March 2010;
(ii) the types imported; and
(iii) the amount spent on importation?
(b) Will he state —
(i) the reasons for the shortage of saline, as all kinds of information regarding such a shortage was published in newspapers recently; and
(ii) the steps that will be taken against such a person, if any official is responsible for causing such a situation?
(c) If not, why?

0120/'10

5.

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Health,— (1)

- (a) Will he admit the media reports published in May 2010 to the effect that a shortage of drugs has occurred in Sri Lanka?
(b) Will he state the reasons for that shortage of drugs?
(c) Will he admit that essential items like drugs should be stocked in stores sufficiently?
(d) Will he inform this House of —
(i) the number of types of drugs produced by the State Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Corporation;

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- (ii) the number of types of drugs imported to Sri Lanka;
- (iii) the amount of loss incurred or debts to be paid by the State Pharmaceutical Corporation?
- (e) If not, why?

0130/'10

6.

Hon. Roshan Ranasinghe,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the names of the Rural Electrification schemes that were in operation in the country by the year 2005 in relation to each district ;
 - (ii) of the names of the Rural Electrification schemes initiated from the year 2005 up to date in relation to each district ;
 - (iii) separately of the funds incurred on each scheme ;
 - (iv) of the Rural Electrification schemes to be initiated in future ;
 - (v) of the cost to be incurred on them?
- (b) If not, why?

0132/'10

7.

Hon. Janaka Bandara,— To ask the Minister of State Resources and Enterprise Development,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware of the fact that the 810.31 hectre land of the Woodside Estate in Meda Dumbara, Kandy that belongs to the Sri Lanka State Plantations Corporation, has been given to Maruti Private Limited at Simon Hewawitharana road, Colombo 03 on an annual lease of Rs. 167,470/=?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether the government valuation and the approval of the Cabinet Ministers have been obtained with regard to this lease agreement;
 - (ii) whether this lease agreement is legal;
 - (iii) whether the lessee has acted in keeping with the lease agreement; and
 - (iv) if not, the course of action taken by the corporation against it?
- (c) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether action will be taken to cancel the lease agreement concerned and the particular land being taken over by the Corporation, if the lessee has not acted lawfully ;
 - (ii) the names of those responsible, if the lessee has not acted lawfully so far ; and
 - (iii) the course of action to be taken against them?
- (d) If not, why?

0134/'10

8.

Hon. Arundika Fernando,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Aviation,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the total amount of money spent for the construction of the Hambanthota port;
 - (ii) of the period of time taken for the aforesaid construction;
 - (iii) of the objectives of the construction of the aforesaid port;
 - (iv) of the date on which the aforesaid construction will be completed; and
 - (v) of the facilities and commercial benefits that will be made available after the construction has been completed?
- (b) If not, why?

0138/'10

9.

Hon. Udith Lokubandara,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that fresh water fingerlings were released into 24 selected tanks under the “Nagenahira Novodaya” programme?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the monetary value of the fingerlings released into tanks as mentioned above;
 - (ii) the species of fresh water fish released into the above mentioned tanks; and
 - (iii) the annual fresh water fish harvest expected from it?
- (c) Is he aware that fresh water fingerlings were released into 97 selected tanks under “Uthuru Wasanthaya” programme?
- (d) Will he state —
 - (i) the monetary value of the fingerlings released into tanks as mentioned above;
 - (ii) the species of fresh water fish released into the above mentioned tanks; and
 - (iii) the annual fresh water fish harvest expected from it?
- (e) If not, why?

0139/'10

10.

Hon. Duleep Wijesekera,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the number of tanks and reservoirs selected for launching the five year programme to develop fresh water fish and aqua culture production capacity; and
 - (ii) the chosen varieties of fresh water fish due to be released to the said reservoirs?

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- (b) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the number of fresh water fish and prawns due to be released, separately;
 - (ii) the value of the said fish and prawns; and
 - (iii) the annual expected harvest of fresh water fish and prawns, after releasing the said aqua culture stock?
- (c) If not, why?

0034/'10

11.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Co-operatives and Internal Trade,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the number of “Lak Sathosa” stores opened to-date;
 - (ii) the capital invested for the same;
 - (iii) if no capital used, the way that the stores were rented, purchased or acquired and goods bought;
 - (iv) the total turnover of “Lak Sathosa” per month to-date;
 - (v) the total cost of sales, cost of finance and total net profit or loss to-date?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the number of staff and personnel working in all these outlets?
 - (ii) the total salary and the average salary per person?
- (c) Will he submit to this House, profit and loss per year for the last 5 years on per year basis?
- (d) If not, why?

0068/'10

12.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Highways,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that in a five kilometer stretch of the road of Karagahawala Madaara Heenara in the Karagahawala Binkama Madaara Grama Niladhari Division of the Angunukolapelessa Divisional Secretariat Division of Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying concrete about 01 year ago, and is in a dilapidated condition with cracks appeared all over by now?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the financial provisions allocated for the development of the said road;
 - (ii) whether recommendations of Technical Officers have been obtained to the effect that the work had been completed as per the standards in releasing money for the constructions;

(6)

- (iii) from what other institutions were recommendations obtained in making payments for the constructions of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry into the constructions of this road and to restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0116/'10

13.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the date on which the “Api Wenuwen Api” fund was started and what its objectives are?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the total amount of money donated;
 - (ii) the amount of money granted by the government;
 - (iii) institutions and persons which donated money other than the government; and
 - (iv) separately the grants made by the above institutions and persons; to the said fund?
- (c) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the projects implemented by this fund;
 - (ii) separately, the amount of money spent on them;
 - (iii) the balance left in the fund; and
 - (iv) the names and posts of the members of the Management Committee which manage and control the administration of the fund?
- (d) If not, why?

0035/'10

14.

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

- (a) Will he state the total amount of loans (including the Treasury Bills) that should be paid by the government as at 30th April 2010 indicating local and foreign loans separately?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the total amount of loans (including Treasury Bills) that has been borrowed by the government in each of the years during the period from 2005 to 2009; and
 - (ii) separately, the amount that was paid by the government as interest and loan installments for local and foreign loans in each of the aforesaid years?
- (c) If not, why?

15.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Highways,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that in a three hundred meters stretch of the road of Kolongahahena in the Wathukanda Grama Niladhari Division of the Katuwana Divisional Secretariat Division of Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying concrete about 08 months ago, and is in a dilapidated condition with cracks appeared all over by now?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the financial provisions allocated for the development of the said road;
 - (ii) whether recommendations of Technical Officers have been obtained to the effect that the work had been completed as per the standards in releasing money for the constructions;
 - (iii) from what other institutions were recommendations obtained in making payments for the constructions of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry into the constructions of this road and to restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1. Hon.Tissa Attanayake,— Leave to introduce a Bill (No.1),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—
“Bill to incorporate the Pina Organisation.”
2. Hon.Janaka Bandara,— Leave to introduce a Bill (No.2),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—
“Bill to incorporate the Red Lotus (International) Sri Lanka Organization.”
3. Hon.Roshan Ranasinghe,— Leave to introduce a Bill (No.3),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—
“Bill to incorporate the Rohitha Abeygunawardhane Foundation.”

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

Appropriation Bill (2010) — (First Allotted Day)—Adjourned Debate on question (29th June 2010)[1].

*2.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No.1),— That this Parliament resolves 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. 43 of 2008 and specified in the Order No. 6 hereto, be approved.

**Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008
Order No. 6 under Section 8**

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.43 of 2008, 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. 28502 “Maintenance of Agricultural Farms and Seed Sales Advance Account-Department of Agriculture” of the third Schedule to that Act.

(i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 321,000,000
	To	Rs. 260,000,000
(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 321,000,000
	To	Rs. 210,000,000
(iii) Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the third Schedule to that Act.		Not Revised
(iv) Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in Column V of the third Schedule to that Act.		Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2009 only)

Sgd. MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA
Minister of Finance and Planning.

01.01 .2010
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*3.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 2),— That this Parliament resolves 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. 43 of 2008 and specified in the Order No. 7 hereto, be approved.

**Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008
Order No. 7 under Section 8**

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008, I, Mahinda Rajapaksa, Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 30602 “Stores Advance Account - Department of Sri Lanka Railways” of the third Schedule to that Act.

(i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 1,200,000,000
	To	Rs. 1,800,000,000
(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 1,200,000,000
	To	Rs. 700,000,000
(iii) Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the third Schedule to that Act.		Not Revised
(iv) Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in Column V of the third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 500,000,000
	To	Rs. 850,000,000

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2009 only)

Sgd. MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA
Minister of Finance and Planning.

01.01.2010
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*4.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 3),— That this Parliament resolves 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. 43 of 2008 and specified in the Order No. 20 hereto, be approved.

Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008
Order No. 20 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008, 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. 25002 “Advances for Payments on behalf of other Government Advance Account - Department of State Accounts” of the third Schedule to that Act.

(i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the third Schedule to that Act.		Not Revised
(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the third Schedule to that Act.	From To	Rs. 5,300,000 Rs. 4,300,000
(iii) Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the third Schedule to that Act.		Not Revised
(iv) Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in Column V of the third Schedule to that Act.		Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2009 only)

Sgd. MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA
Minister of Finance and Planning.

22.04.2010
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*5.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No.4),— That this Parliament resolves 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. 43 of 2008 and specified in the Order No. 21 hereto, be approved.

Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008
Order No. 21 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008, 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. 25003 “Miscellaneous Advance Account - Department of State Accounts” of the third Schedule to that Act.

(i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 200,000,000
	To	Rs. 20,000,000
(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 560,000,000
	To	Rs. 44,700,000
(iii) Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the third Schedule to that Act.	From	Rs. 400,000,000
	To	Rs. 588,000,000
(iv) Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in Column V of the third Schedule to that Act.		Not Revised

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2009 only)

Sgd. MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA
Minister of Finance and Planning.

22.04.2010
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*6.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No.5),— That this Parliament resolves 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. 43 of 2008 and specified in the Order No. 23 hereto, be approved.

**Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008
Order No. 23 under Section 8**

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008, 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. 01602 “Advancing monies to be used in Bribery detection as Bribes Advance Account - Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption” of the third Schedule to that Act.

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| (i) Maximum limit of expenditure specified in Column II of the third Schedule to that Act. | Not Revised | | | | |
| (ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the third Schedule to that Act. | Not Revised | | | | |
| (iii) Maximum limit of debit balance specified in Column IV of the third Schedule to that Act. | <table border="0"> <tr> <td style="padding-right: 10px;">From</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Rs. 6,000,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-right: 10px;">To</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Rs. 10,700,000</td> </tr> </table> | From | Rs. 6,000,000 | To | Rs. 10,700,000 |
| From | Rs. 6,000,000 | | | | |
| To | Rs. 10,700,000 | | | | |
| (iv) Maximum limit of debit liabilities specified in Column V of the third Schedule to that Act. | Not Revised | | | | |

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2009 only)

Sgd. MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA
Minister of Finance and Planning.

22.04.2010
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*7.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act (No. 6),— That this Parliament resolves that the Orders 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. 43 of 2008 and specified in the schedule hereto, be approved.

(These Orders are valid only up to 31.12.2009)

SCHEDULE

Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008 Order under Section 8

Schedule of variation of limits of Advance Accounts pertaining to Advances to public officers Authorized by the Minister of Finance and Planning under section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008 in respect of Finance year 2009

S. No.	Ministry/Department	Item No.	Maximum Limit of Expenditure in Column II		Minimum Limit of Receipts in Column III		Maximum Limit of Debit Balance in Column IV		Order No.
			From Rs.	To Rs.	From Rs.	To Rs.	From Rs.	To Rs.	
1	Minister of Housing and Common Amenities	12501	-	-	-	-	20,000,000	30,000,000	1
2	Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources	29001	-	-	-	-	90,000,000	97,000,000	2
3	Minister of Justice and Law Reforms	11001	-	-	-	-	50,000,000	55,000,000	3
4	Minister of Export Development and International Trade	16701	-	-	-	-	9,000,000	13,000,000	4
5	Department of Technical Education and Training	21501	-	-	-	-	130,000,000	247,000,000	5
6	Minister of Resettlement and Disaster Management	14501	-	-	-	-	15,000,000	21,000,000	8
7	Minister of Trade, Marketing Development, Co-operatives and Consumer Services	11601	-	-	-	-	21,000,000	25,000,000	9

8	Department of Government Printer	21101	-	-	-	-	175,000,000	245,000,000	10
9	District Secretariat, Monaragala	27701	-	-	23,500,000	18,000,000	-	-	11
10	District Secretariat, Kandy	25801	-	-	-	-	155,000,000	172,000,000	12
11	District Secretariat, Matara	26201	-	-	-	-	165,000,000	169,000,000	13
12	District Secretariat, Puttalam	27301	-	-	-	-	120,000,000	142,000,000	14
13	District Secretariat, Ampara	27001	-	-	29,500,000	27,000,000	72,000,000	170,000,000	15
14	District Secretariat, Kachcheri, Kilinochchi	26801	-	-	-	-	26,000,000	29,000,000	16
15	District Secretariat, Ratnapura	27801	-	-	35,400,000	26,000,000	115,000,000	132,000,000	17
16	District Secretariat, Polonnaruwa	27501	-	-	-	-	73,000,000	74,000,000	18
17	Minister of Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development	11501	-	-	-	-	6,500,000	8,200,000	19
18	Sri Lanka Navy	22301	-	-	-	-	600,000,000	677,000,000	22
19	Department of Up Country Peasantry Rehabilitation	30501	-	-	-	-	5,000,000	6,000,000	24
20	Department of Legal Affairs	32301	-	-	-	-	1,185,000	1,300,000	25
21	Department of Management Audit	32401	-	-	-	-	1,900,000	8,500,000	26

Sgd: MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA
Minister of Finance and Planning

06. April 2010
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*8.

The Minister of Lands and Land Development,— Regulations under the Registration of Title Act,— That the Regulations made by Minister of Lands and Land Development under section 67 of the Registration of Title Act, No 21 of 1998 read with Section 60 and 62 of that Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No 1616/23 of 24, August 2009, which was presented on 06.05.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*9.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Resolution under the Constitution,— That this Parliament hereby resolves that the salary of Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration (Ombudsman) should be as follows with effect from 01.01.2009, in terms of the Article 156(3) of the Constitution of Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration (Ombudsman) Rs. 65,000.00

And this Parliament further resolves that Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration (Ombudsman) is not entitled to any other allowances in addition to monthly salary of Rs. 65,000/=, with effect from 01.01.2009 since the aforesaid monthly salary is also inclusive of the rent allowance that was previously approved by Parliament.

(Cabinet approval signified)

* *Indicates Government Business*

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