



[Seventh Parliament -First Session]

No. 20.]

**ORDER PAPER
OF
PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Wednesday, July 07, 2010 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0038/'10

1.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— (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;
 - (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?

0065/'10

2.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Highways,— (2)

- (a) Is he aware that in a hundred meters stretch of the road of Welelinda in the Debokkawa south Grama Niladhari Division of the Angunukolapelessa Divisional Secretariat Division of Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying concrete about 01 year ago, concrete has scaled off and pot holes have made and become unusable 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 constructions;
 - (iii) from what other institutions were recommendations obtained in making payments for the constructions of the said road?

(2)

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

0273/'10

3.

Hon. Rajiva Wijesinha,— to ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware of an organization called the International Crises Group?
- (b) Will he inform —
 - (i) whether this organisation has its representatives at present or had then in Sri Lanka during the last ten years ?
 - (ii) the provisions under which it functioned in Sri Lanka; and
 - (iii) as to how the visas were provided for its international functionaries?
- (c) Will he state —
 - (i) the names of the Sri Lankans, employed by the organisation in Sri Lanka ;
 - (ii) the academic or other qualifications they possess; and
 - (iii) the amount paid to each of them by ICG and the basis of payments?
- (d) Will he state —
 - (i) whether this organization or any of its employees is liable for tax in Sri Lanka; and
 - (ii) If so, whether they have met their liabilities?
- (e) If not, why?

0297/'10

4.

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

- (a) Will he admit that no measures have been taken to prevent accidents that may happen at unguarded level crossings ?
- (b) Will he inform this House of the reasons for neglecting the aforesaid matter connected with the protection of human resources ?
- (c) If not, why?

0303/'10

5.

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

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) the estimated amount allocated to the Ministry of Health for the purpose of purchasing drugs in years 2008 and 2009 ;
 - (ii) out of the aforesaid amount the actual amount received by the Ministry for the above mentioned years ;
 - (iii) the names of the members of the Committee that appointed for the purpose of purchasing drugs in each of the aforesaid years ;
- (b) Will he admit that the reason for the shortage of drugs that occurred recently was the inadequacy of the money allocated for that purpose?
- (c) If not, why?

0044/'10

6.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House for the last 05 years, separately —
 - (i) the total quantity of imported or locally produced commodities such as rice, sugar, wheat, dhal, milk powder, onion and chilli;
 - (ii) the Duty, VAT, Excise Duty imposed on the above items; and
 - (iii) the total revenue earned by the duties and taxes as per (ii) above ?
- (b) If not, why?

0066/'10

7.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Highways,— (2)

- (a) Is he aware that in a two hundred meters stretch of the road of Kerankokuara in the Debokkawa north Grama Niladhari Division of the Angunukolapelessa Divisional Secretariat Division of Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying concrete about 01 year ago, concrete has scaled off and pot holes have made and become unusable 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?

(4)

(c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry into the constructions of this road and to restore it?

(d) If not, why?

0275/'10

8.

Hon. Rajiva Wijesinha,— To ask the Minister of Justice,— (1)

(a) What are the figures of those under the age of 25 now held under judicial restraint, and what proportion is this of all those currently under judicial restraint?

(b) Will he state whether the current remanding and sentencing policy with regard to suspected offenders under the age of 25, is in accordance with current social needs and the need to pursue reform rather than retribution?

(c) Will he also state —

(i) whether the Judges Training Institute conducts programs for magistrates and others that will encourage different approaches to those now in operation with regard to the remanding and sentencing of those under the age of 25;

(ii) if not, as to why such programs are not conducted;

(iii) whether the remedial action would be initiated in this regard?

(d) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notices of Presentation of Bills

1.

The Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,— Widows' and Orphans' Pension Fund (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Fund Ordinance.

2.

The Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,— Widowers' and Orphans' Pension (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Widowers' and Orphans' Pension Act, No.24 of 1983 .

Notice of Motions

3.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,—Business of the Parliament,— That the proceedings on Item 11 of Public Business appearing on the Order Paper be exempted at this day's sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order No.23.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*a1.

Appropriation Bill (2010)— (Seventh Allotted Day)—Committee (Progress 6th July)

*2.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Excise (Special Provisions) Act, (No.1),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 3 of the Excise (Special Provisions) Act, No 13 of 1989, relating to Excise Duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1659/17 of 23rd June 2010, which was presented on 05.07.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*3.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Excise (Special Provisions) Act, (No.2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 3C of the Excise (Special Provisions) Act, No 13 of 1989, relating to Excise Duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1656/25 of 02nd June 2010, which was presented on 05.07.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*4.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Excise (Special Provisions) Act, (No.3),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 3 of the Excise (Special Provisions) Act, No 13 of 1989, relating to Excise Duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1656/3 of 31st May 2010, which was presented on 05.07.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*5.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Excise Ordinance (No.1),— That the Order made by the President under Section 22(1) of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) read with Paragraph (2) of Article 44 of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1656/02 of 31st May 2010, which was presented on 05.07.2010, be approved.

(Excise Notification No 915)

(Cabinet approval signified)

*6.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Excise Ordinance (No.2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 22 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52), by rescinding the rules published in the Excise Notifications Nos. 907, 908 and 909 of Gazette Extraordinary No. 1594/24 of 26th March 2009 and Excise Notification No. 906 of Gazette Extraordinary No. 1570/8 of 07th October 2008, published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1659/18 of 23rd June 2010, which was presented on 05.07.2010, be approved. (Excise Notification Nos. 916,917,918 & 919)

(Cabinet approval signified)

*7.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Industry and Commerce under Section 14 of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979, relating to Cess and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1656/4 of 31st May 2010, which was presented on 05.07.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*8.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Customs Ordinance,— That the Order under Section 10(A) of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to import duties. (Gazette Extraordinary No. 1656/8 of 31st May 2010.), which was presented on 05.07.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*9.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Customs (Amendments) Act,— That the Order under Article 10 of Schedule “E” of the Customs (Amendments) Act, No. 2 of 2003 relating to value the used Motor Vehicle.(Gazette Extraordinary No. 1656/23 of 01st June 2010.), which was presented on 05.07.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*10.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act,— That the Order made by the President under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 read with Article 44(2) of the Constitution, relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1652/59 of 07th May 2010, which was presented on 05.07.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*11.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Revenue Protection Act,— That the Order made by the President, under Section 2 of the Revenue Protection Act, No. 19 of 1962, read with Article 44(2) of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No 1656/9 of 31st May 2010, which was presented on 06.07.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*12.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Regulations under the Payment and Settlement Systems Act,— That the Regulations made by the President under Section 43 of the Payment and Settlement Systems Act, No. 28 of 2005, read with Sections 11,17 and 20(2) of the aforesaid Act and paragraph (2) of Article 44 of the Constitution and published in the Gazzette Extraordinary No. 1612/32 of 31st July 2009, which were presented on 03.07.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*13.

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

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| (ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified in Column III of the third Schedule to that Act. | From
To | Rs. 321,000,000
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)

*14.

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.

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

(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)

*15.

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.

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| (i) Maximum limit of expenditure | Not Revised |
| specified in Column II of the | |
| third Schedule to that Act. | |

(ii) Minimum limit of receipts specified	From	Rs. 5,300,000
in Column III of the third	To	Rs. 4,300,000
Schedule to that Act.		

(iii) Maximum limit of debit balance		
specified in Column IV of the		Not Revised
third Schedule to that Act.		

(iv) Maximum limit of debit liabilities		Not Revised
specified in Column V of the		
third Schedule to that Act.		

(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)

*16.

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	From	Rs. 200,000,000
specified in Column II of the	To	Rs. 20,000,000
third Schedule to that Act.		

(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)

*17.

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.

- (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. 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)

*18.

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

(14)

Sgd: MAHINDA RAJAPAKSA,
Minister of Finance and Planning.

06, April 2010
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*19.

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 were presented on 06.05.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*20.

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*

NOTICES OF AMENDMENTS RELATING TO ORDERS OF THE DAY

a1.

For amendments in Committee on Appropriation Bill (2010)— See separate Paper (Supplement to the Orders of the Day).
