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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0252/'10

1.

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

(a) Will he inform this House of —

- (i) the number of schools without sanitary facilities and their names; and
- (ii) the names of schools in need of buildings and the number of buildings required;

in the government schools administered by the Lunugamvehera Divisional Education Office belonging to the Hambantota Zonal Education Office in the Hambantota district?

(b) Will he state —

- (i) that there will be a reawakening in education as a result of fulfilling the above requirements;
- (ii) if so, whether action will be taken to provide financial provisions required to fulfill the aforesaid requirements;
- (iii) if so, the time frame for that?

(c) If not, why?

0314/'10

2.

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of English Teachers in Government and Government allied schools of the country;
- (ii) the amount paid to them per month;
- (iii) the other benefits entitled to them;
- (iv) the requirement of English teachers in Sri Lanka per district basis ; and
- (v) the steps that are being taken to overcome the shortage of English teachers?

(2)

- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) as to why he made a statement or suggestion that 2000 Sri Lankan English teachers be sent to Korea; and
 - (ii) the benefit that Sri Lanka will achieve by doing so?
- (c) If not, why?

0363/'10

3.

Hon. R. Yogarajan,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that supply of fabrics for school uniforms was done on two methods;
 - (i) “weave and process locally”
 - (ii) “Import grey fabric and process locally” during the last few years?
- (b) Is he also aware that—
 - (i) the fabrics supplied on method (i) were imported in finished form;
 - (ii) the companies who supplied fabrics, do not have the capacity and employees to weave or process a large quantity;
 - (iii) they have failed to submit import invoices and customs declarations for importing yarn as per the letter dated 24.11.2009 of Ministry of Industrial Development;
 - (iv) they have exploited the higher price granted to them as a support to sustain the local industry; and
 - (v) the government would have saved 1.5 billion and utilize the same on other expenditure of Education, if the government had imported the fabric directly?
- (c) Will he state the relevant parties involved and action taken against them?
- (d) If not, why?

0364/'10

4.

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

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) the number of persons in the institutions that come under the Ministry of Transport, who have been subjected to political victimization from 2005 up to now; and
 - (ii) their names and addresses?

(3)

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the amount of money required to pay compensation to the aforesaid persons;
- (ii) the amount of money allocated by the government for the payment of compensation by now; and
- (iii) the amount of money that has been paid as compensation by now, out of the aforesaid amount so allocated?

(c) If not, why?

0443/'10

5.

Hon. M. T. Hasen Ali,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,— (1)

(a) Is he aware that the Samurdhi benefits granted in the past to Mr. M.F.M. Gaffor and his family members residing at No. 97/46B, Jemeel Mawatha, Kanampitiya Road, Galle have been stopped as a result of the overestimation of their income by the Samurdhi Development Officer of the area?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the reason for not granting Samurdhi benefits thus far to Mr. Gaffor and his family members including a sick child who are living in poverty without a fixed source of income ; and
- (ii) whether action will be taken to grant Samurdhi benefits to Mr. Gaffor without delay?

(c) If not, why?

0492/'10

6.

Hon. R. M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the percentage of the population of Sri Lanka that has been provided with drinking water facilities ;
- (ii) the percentage of the people in Moneragala district who have been provided with drinking water facilities ; and
- (iii) the percentage of the people who have been provided with drinking water facilities in Hambantota district which adjoins Moneragala district ?

(4)

(b) Will he admit that—

- (i) people in some of the areas that have been provided with water facilities at present do not get water during the dry season ;
- (ii) the poor people in areas where needs for drinking water have not been fulfilled become victims of diseases rapidly ; and
- (iii) special water supply projects were not implemented in the Moneragala district during the recent past when compared with the other districts?

(c) If so, will he state whether a proper programme has been prepared to provide water to the areas where water facilities have not been provided?

(d) If not, why?

0493/'10

7.

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

- (a) Is he aware that the Alawwa Pradeshiya Sabha is Largest local government body in the North-Western Province?
- (b) How many Divisional Secretariat divisions are there within that Pradeshiya Sabha area?
- (c) Is he aware that a request has been made to establish a new Local Government body under the name of Narammala Pradeshiya Sabha?
- (d) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the measures that have been taken by the Ministry by now in respect of that proposal ; and
 - (ii) whether the implementation of that proposal will be expedited?
- (e) If not, why?

0337/'10

8.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,— (1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) about 150 families live in the village named Vaakandawala Dimbulgoda in the Dimbulgoda Grama Niladhari Division, in the Angunakolassa Divisional Secretariat Division in Hambantota District ;
- (ii) electricity lines have been constructed on all the other roads other than the road leading to the house of Mr. K.K. Kirigoris, who lives at the address bearing No. 70 of the same village, and the road leading to another house ; and
- (iii) electricity lines have to be constructed for a distance of 4 electricity posts in order to provide electricity supply to the two houses mentioned above ?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether action will be taken to construct the electricity lines required to provide electricity supply to these two houses under Ranweliwata Project, which is functioning at present ; and
- (ii) if so, when?

(c) If not, why?

0439/'10

9.

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) whether R.M.N.S. Rathnayaka, Airman bearing II-TA 26125, who has been serving at the Puliyanikulama Air Force Camp has fallen ill by now ;
- (ii) if so, the reasons for his illness ; and
- (iii) whether he has been subjected to an assault made as an act of revenge?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the weight group of the other boxer who boxed with him, if this accident occurred while he was boxing ;
- (ii) whether the other boxer who boxed with him belongs to his weight group ?

(6)

- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the privileges granted by the Air Force for a sick airman are granted to Mr. Rathnayaka ; and
 - (ii) his age when he fell ill?
- (d) If not, why?

0459/'10

10.

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

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) the total number of IDPs still in camps as of today;
 - (ii) the number of re-settled IDPs;
 - (iii) the amount paid for a family;and
 - (iv) the manner in which they are, at present, earning a living income?
- (b) Is he aware that a lot of gold was found during the final period of military victory according to reports?
- (c) Will he inform—
 - (i) how many kilograms of gold were found;
 - (ii) what has happened to them now;
 - (iii) who is in-charge of its safety;
 - (iv) whether any family has been returned with the gold items; and
 - (v) if so, their names?
- (d) If not, why?

0563/'10

11.

Hon. R. Yogarajan,— To ask the Minister of Health,— (1)

- (a) Will he state this House—
 - (i) the number of estate hospitals that were planned to be taken over in 2009 ;
 - (ii) the number of estate hospitals that have been taken over up to date;
 - (iii) the improvements in infrastructure done in each of the hospitals taken over ;
 - (iv) the staff recruited for the aforesaid hospitals ;
 - (v) whether actions will be taken to absorb the present staff in those hospitals to the new cadre ?
- (b) If not, why?

0339/'10

12.

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

(a) Is he aware that —

- (i) Mr. W.M. Somipala residing at S/Ranakeliya, Yodhakandiya, Tissamaharama of S/Ranakeliya Grama Niladhari Division of Hambanthota district had been registered as a Jana Saviya recipient and later in 2001, received a Samurdhi allowance of Rs.375/= as a Samurdhi recipient, under No. H.T-15-85;
- (ii) he is a permanent resident of a “Jana Savi” house; and
- (iii) he supports his family of wife and 7 children by working as a casual labourer?

(b) Will he admit that —

- (i) his Samurdhi stamp was cancelled as a result of his failure to pay the fine of Rs.100/= imposed for not attending the Samurdhi meeting in 2001, and
- (ii) as a result, he has been deprived of the privileges received by Samurdhi recipients from the government, from that date up to now?

(c) Will he state —

- (i) whether action will be taken to re-validate his Samurdhi stamp from 2010; and
- (ii) if so, the date from which it will be validated?

(d) If not, why?

0472/'10

13.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Petroleum Industries,— (1)

(a) Will he state —

- (i) who introduced Hedging to Ceylon Petroleum Corporation;
- (ii) its intention;
- (iii) whether any tenders were called for;
- (iv) the names of the tenderers; and
- (v) if not, the reasons?

(b) Will he inform —

- (i) the total cost for Hedging deals to date;
- (ii) the number of Public Litigation Actions instituted;
- (iii) such litigation by whom and when; and
- (iv) the outcome?

(c) Will he also state —

- (i) whether the CPC has been taken by any Banks for internal arbitration;
- (ii) if so, for how much and where;
- (iii) the total cost for legal defending to date;
- (iv) how much to be paid as legal cost; and
- (v) the contingent liability value for the above cases?

(d) If not, why?

0491/'10

14.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Labour Relations and Productivity Improvement,— (1)

(a) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) the number of unemployed graduates in Sri Lanka as at year 2010 ;
- (ii) separately, the number of unemployed graduates coming under each field of study according to the degrees obtained by them ?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether the government will launch a new programme to provide employment for them ; and
- (ii) if not, whether the programme implemented by the government at present for providing employment will be submitted to this House?

(c) If not, why?

0564/'10

15.

Hon. R. Yogarajan,— To ask the Minister of Health,— (1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) the estate hospital in protoft Estate Pussellawa was taken over by the Government in 2009 ;
- (ii) a new building was put up and was completed about a year ago; and
- (iii) the building remains closed and has not been commissioned for use of the public ?

(b) Will he state in this House—

- (i) whether action will be taken to open this facility for use of the public ;and
- (ii) if so, as to when it will be opened?

(c) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

P.1/'10

1. Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Holding of Cabinet Portfolios by the President and the Prime Minister is not appropriate,— That this Parliament resolves that holding of Cabinet Portfolios by the President and the Prime Minister is not appropriate in order to have a very effective administration and to critically review performance of the Ministers.

P.4/'10

2. Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Granting Permission to Journalists to attend all Meetings held under Committee on Public Enterprises (COPE), Public Accounts Committee (PAC) and Consultative Committees,—That this Parliament resolves that journalists must be permitted to attend all meetings held under the Committee on Public Enterprises, Public Accounts Committee and Consultative Committees as this will make the discussions more effective, meaningful and transparent.

P.5/'10

3. Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Granting Agricultural Loans to farmers who are self employed in Agriculture,—That this Parliament is resolves that farmers who are self employed in agriculture be granted Agricultural loans to a maximum of Rs. 2,50,000 at a reduced Interest Rate of 5%.

P.6/'10

4. Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Implementation of an Island wide programme to educate the masses in destroying waste material such as polythene, plastic etc.,— That this Parliament resolves that an island wide programme to educate the masses in destroying waste material such as polythene, plastic etc, be implemented since the usage of Polythene and Plastic material has rapidly increased in the island and large scale environmental pollution is taking place due to the indiscriminate disposal of such material.

P.7/'10

5. Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Publishing the names of defaulters of loans taken from State Banks,— That this Parliament resolves that legal provisions be introduced in Parliament to publish names of defaulters who have borrowed over Rs.100 million from state banks.

P.8/'10

6. Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Implementation of Private Members Motions,— That this Parliament resolves that Private Members Motions moved in Parliament shall be debated within one year and, if approved by Parliament, the Cabinet of Ministers shall sanction them within six months, so that the Private Members Motions would be an effective contribution by Parliamentarians.

P.9/'10

7. Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Playing National Anthem in Parliament,—That this Parliament resolves that National Anthem be played in Parliament before the commencement and the conclusion of Parliament Sitting in order to develop national spiritedness in the country.

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8.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Developing a Strong Sri Lankan Identity,— That this Parliament resolves that the requirement to state one's race and religion in government documents is an impediment and an inhibition to develop a strong national identity be dispensed with.

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9.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Prevention of using images of Religious leaders for commercial purposes,— That this Parliament resolves that all religions must equally be respected and that images of Lord Buddha, Jesus Christ, Lord Shiva or Prophet Mohammed should not be used on any Commercial advertisement or any other form of non religious items.

P.12/'10

10.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Making new laws to regulate contempt of court proceedings,— That this Parliament resolves that new laws should be brought into regulate contempt of court proceedings as to strengthen democracy and to maintain a vibrant free media ensuring equal justice to all.

P.13/'10

11.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Introducing of Laws relating to Public Interest Litigation,— That this Parliament resolves that Laws be introduced in Parliament for the Public Interest Litigation in respect of violation of basic Human Rights of the poor, content or conduct of Government policy, compel Municipal Authorities to perform a public duty, violation of religious rights or other basic fundamental rights, and corruption which Leads to Higher Public Debt and additional Liability to the Citizen.

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12.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Presenting a Financial Audit Report to The Election Commission by Political Parties,— That this Parliament resolves that all income and expenditure earned and incurred by recognized Political Parties must be audited and presented to the Election Commission annually.

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13.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Punishments for Government Officials,—That this Parliament resolves that, High Ranking Government Officials who misuse and politicize their independent positions be punished and fined as soon as they are found guilty.

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14.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Extension of Retirement Age,—That this Parliament resolves that the Government officers' retirement age must be extended up to 65 years and for those who have special aptitude it can be extended up to 70 years, if the Legislature recommends.

P.17/'10

15.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Establishment of Quality Assurance Council to protect Education,— That this Parliament resolves that a "Quality Assurance Council" be established by law with an immediate effect to protect the education for the future generation, since there are many educational institutions mushrooming in Sri Lanka using university names without any accountability.

P.18/'10

16.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Creation of a Position named “Special Prosecutor”,— That this Parliament resolves that in order to ensure the Government Service is free from political interferences, a position named “Special Prosecutor” that directly reporting to this Parliament be created to institute prosecutions as soon as Independent Commissions Committee on Public Accounts and Committee on Public Enterprises report the cases of misuse, corruption or inefficiency, affecting the efficiency of the Institutions.

P.19/'10

17.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Pre Budget Debate prior to passing of the Budget,— That this Parliament resolves that, like in India and United Kingdom, there must be a pre Budget debate on estimates provided, three months before passing of the Budget in order to mitigate and rectify any adverse or unfavorable impacts.

P.20/'10

18.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Payment of 1% Return for Employees in relation to Inflation,— That this Parliament resolves that the Employee Provident Fund and Employees Trust Fund which are administered by the Government Institutions should ensure that the employees get a return of 1% higher than the inflation of each year.

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19.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Provision of Free Traveling Facilities to Senior Citizens,— That this Parliament resolves that all senior citizens be provided with free of charge traveling facilities in public transport services.

P.22/'10

20.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Establishment of a Conflict Resolution Centre,— That this Parliament resolves that a Conflict Resolution Centre which can go into problems in Sri Lanka, in the region, and the world as a whole, be created, utilizing the strengths in all religions namely Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism and Islam that since Sri Lanka is a multi ethnic and multi religious country which has a national problem such as aberration of peace.

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21.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Payment of Pension Gratuity without delay,— That this Parliament resolves that measures be adopted to pay Pension Gratuity without delay to the Pensioners who have not yet received the same.

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22.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Appointment of a National Policy Formulation Board to determine National Policies,— That this Parliament resolves that a national policy formulation board having specific powers to function notwithstanding changes of Government and consisting of politicians and professionals in this field be appointed with a view to formulating systematic national policies and plans.

P.25/'10

23.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Setting up of a unit with legal powers to solve the problems faced by the migrant employees,— That this Parliament is of the opinion that a unit with legal powers be set up to look into problems faced by migrant employees such as assaults, abduction, rape, sexual abuse, killings, financial frauds and to get them down to this country and to look into their safety.

P.26/'10

24.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Formulation of a National Programme to introduce New Inventors to the World,— That this Parliament resolves that a national programme be formulated to introduce the new inventors and citizens who are endowed with various skills to the world and to improve their skills and creations.

P.27/'10

25.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Tax Concession to Industrialists who utilize Indigenous Raw Materials,— That this Parliament resolves that a 02 year tax concession be granted to local industrialists who produce goods for the international market utilizing more than 75% indigenous raw materials

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26.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Granting Citizenship to Estate Community,— That this Parliament resolves that the estate sector community who do not have Sri Lankan citizenship should be granted same upon their willingness

P.29/'10

27.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Providing a free glass of milk to the pupils in primary schools in the Island,— That this Parliament resolves that arrangements should be made to give a free glass of milk in the morning to all the pupils in the primary schools in the Island.

P.30/'10

28.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Refund of Employee's Provident Fund and Employees Trust Fund benefits to the applicants within a week,— That this Parliament resolves that there should be a procedure to refund Employees' Provident Fund and Employees' Trust Fund benefits to the applicants within a week.

P.31/'10

29.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Issuing free season tickets to students,— That this Parliament resolves that a system should be introduced to issue free season tickets to students to travel in buses of the Road Passenger Transport Authorities.

P.32/'10

30.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Establishment of Sports Schools and formulating a National Sports Policy,— That this Parliament resolves that a National Sports Policy with long term objectives should be formulated and high standard Sports Schools with pavilions, play grounds, sports Instruments and sports instructors should be established basically covering all the districts.

P.33/'10

31.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Establishment of a Faculty of National Languages,— That this Parliament resolves that a Faculty of National Languages should be established in order to teach Sinhala, Tamil and English to teachers.

P.34/'10

32.

Hon. (Alhaj) A.H.M. Azwer,—Establishment of Industrial Estates in the Puttalam District,—That this Parliament resolves that Industrial Estates be established at suitable locations in the Puttalam District with a view to boosting up industries in the District and to provide employment opportunities to the youth.

P.35/'10

33.

Hon. (Alhaj) A.H.M. Azwer,—Developing the Sathernkerny Public Play Ground in the Kalmunai Town,—That this Parliament resolves that the Sathernkerny Public Play Ground be developed in all aspects as an International Sports Ground with a view to providing advanced facilities for the youth of Digamadulla District to improve their skills and ability in the various aspects of sports.

P.39/'10

34.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— Establishment of a Museum in the Kegalle District,— That this Parliament resolves that steps be taken to establish a museum for archeological monuments and for the purpose of obtaining information regarding places which have archaeological, cultural and social values.

P.40/'10

35.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— Appointment of a Presidential Commission combining the Judiciary, the Police and the Prison,— That this Parliament resolves that a Presidential Commission be appointed the Judiciary, the Police and the Prison with the objective of minimizing crimes spreading in the society, to improve criminals laws be minimizing shortcomings, to dispose of backlog of cases including land matters piled up in courts and to provide a speedy service by modernizing the Judiciary, the Police and the Prison

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36.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— Presidential Commission on Political victimization,— That this Parliament resolves that a fully pledge Presidential Commission should be appointed to inquire into the complaints made by people who have been affected by political victimization due to their political ideas, from past until now, and to give them relief.

P.42/'10

37.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— Amendment to Agricultural Development Act, No.46 of 2000,— That this Parliament resolves that the Agricultural Development Act, No.46 of 2000 be amended in order to remedy the great injustice caused to the tenant cultivators, mostly engaged in cultivation since their land ownership comes under various titles and whereas the tenant cultivation was abolished by the above Act, which resulted that the tenant cultivators had been deprived of their lands and numerous disputes have arisen due to lack of legal protection.

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38.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— Conservation of the Ussangoda Mountain Site,—That this Parliament resolves since the Ussangoda mountain range area on the coastal belt in the south belonging to the Ambalantota Divisional Secretariat Division, popularly known as the Horton Plains of the South and identified as a site belonging to Middle Paleolithic has inherited an immense importance as an open settlement site from which twenty eight thousand years old geometrical tools and rocks have been discovered and also as a site extremely rich in marine and land bio-diversity and an ideal turtle habitat and as a wall that protected people from the Tsunami waves, hence it be declared an eco-system to be protected by immediately putting a stop to the project proposed to be launched there.

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39.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Enacting Laws for free access to Government information,— That this Parliament resolves that laws be enacted in Parliament for the right of people to have free access to all the information of the Government whereby their transparency would be maintained.

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40.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Sri Lankans be afforded Better Opportunities for Health,— That this Parliament resolves that all Sri Lankans be afforded better health opportunities as most of them are subject to open heart surgeries and for that purpose Employees of the Private Sector must be provided with free facilities through Employees Provident Fund and Employees Trust Fund and in case of Public Servants or Non Employees by the Government through the President Fund with full cost.

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41.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Protection of the World Environment,— That this Parliament resolves that Sri Lanka must pay more attention to the Protection of the World Environment and specially take action to prevent global warming.

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42.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Telecasting of Parliamentary Proceedings,— That this Parliament resolves that live or censored Parliamentary Proceedings should be telecasted through the Television or Internet.

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43.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Granting Permission to Vote for Sri Lankans living overseas,— That this Parliament resolves that Sri Lankans who are living overseas must be permitted to vote at future elections.

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44.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Introduction of a Electronic Voting System,— That this Parliament resolves that a Electronic Voting System must be introduced for the present archaic Voting System.

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45.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— Implementation of a proper scientific plan for the protection of valuable natural resources of Sri Lanka and their surrounding areas,—That this Parliament resolves that a proper scientific plan be implemented to protect and promote the Sinharaja Forest, Kanneliya Forest Reserve, Roomassala Hill, the islands and the mangrove system of Koggala Oya and Madu Ganga, a Ramsar Wetland, which are considered as valuable natural resources not only of Sri Lanka but the whole world, and their surrounding areas.

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46.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— Taking action for the protection, promotion and proper utilization of the historical and archeological heritages of the Galle fort and its surroundings,— That this Parliament resolves that action be taken to protect and promote historical and archaeological heritages of the Galle rampart, inside the Galle fort and in the surroundings of the Galle fort which are an important centre of the tourism industry, have a historical and archaeological value and are considered as a world heritage site and to make the best use of this world heritage for the country by implementing a systematic plan with the participation of the community and the public sector institutions connected with it.

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47.

Hon. Thilanga Sumathipala,— Implementing a practical programme to address the housing issues of the owners of houses lacking in facilities living in Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that a practical programme be formulated for addressing the peoples' housing issues by constructing flats and cluster flats Schemes in Colombo and other cities in its neighbourhood under the vision of Mahinda Chinthana for ensuring the right of each and every family living in Sri Lanka to live in a house that consists of their basic requirements, drinking water, electricity, toilet facilities and a kitchen.

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48.

Hon. Thilanga Sumathipala,— Regulating the drainage of rainy water in the city of Colombo,— That this Parliament resolves since a situation has been created where the entire city of Colombo is submerged in a continuous rainfall of about half an hour as the drain system of the city of Colombo is more than 100 years old and is not functioning properly, whereas damages are caused to environment from houses, building and unauthorized structures constructed haphazardly, hence the relevant drain system shall be modernized, cleaned and properly maintained so as to enable the efficient draining of rainy water to mitigate the flood disaster situation caused within the Colombo Municipal Council area during torrential rains.

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49.

Hon. Thilanga Sumathipala,— Protecting the Professional dignity of the Medical field,— That this Parliament resolves since the Ordinary Patients are faced with grave problems and have become immensely helpless owing to doctors without necessary Professional Qualifications and experience practicing in the local and international medical field, and whereas the professionally qualified doctors in the medical field sustain disgrace in society as a result of it, that it is imperative to act properly, efficiently and lawfully in order to protect the professional dignity of the Medical field.

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50.

Hon. Thilanga Sumathipala,— Ensuring media freedom and right to information,— That this Parliament resolves that all citizens of a democratic country be granted the opportunity to gain knowledge and understanding through free media, whereas right to information and expression has been established within the Constitution itself and there is no opportunity to hide or conceal the truth in a world where technology is developing,

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51.

Hon. Thilanga Sumathipala,— Creating a healthy society through sports,— That this Parliament resolves that a fair system devoid of racism and class divisions shall be drawn up at the government level so as to create a healthy society by encouraging children to take up sports in their childhood itself, to guide children with innate talents to the international level and to bring glory to the country by creating world renowned players.

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52.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Frequent update of the Register of Electors,— That this Parliament resolves that the Register of Electors must be an open list with frequent update rather than list that gets updated only for 30 days of a month in the year.

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53.

Hon Ravi Karunanayake,—Granting a Pension Scheme for the overseas work force,— That this Parliament resolves that a pension scheme should be devised to reward the overseas work force who sends their hard earned money to increase the wealth of Sri Lanka.

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54.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Awarding pensions for the armed personnel who served before 19th of May, 2009- That this Parliament resolves that as the members of the Parliament are entitled to a pension in five years, the armed personnel who had been engaged in activities before the 19th of May, 2009 but have not completed the period of 22 years should also be entitled to a pension.

P.62/'10

55.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—Introducing a special design to help people with restricted ability and mobility—That this Parliament resolves that all new public buildings must have design features ensuring accessibility as specified by the law for the persons with restricted ability and mobility in order to optimize their remaining productivity and to minimize the unwanted dependency.

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56.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Enabling the right to vote— This Parliament resolves that every individual above the age of eighteen must be allowed to vote as there is a big number of registered voters that have been deprived of voting and if an individual does not vote after the name appears on the register they should be fined

P.64/'10

57.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake, — Ensuring a corruption free world— That this Parliament is of the opinion that Sri Lankan Parliamentarians get together and join global organizations of parliaments in eradicating corruption.

P.65/'10

58.

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— Granting a higher position to the Quaziz Court System,—That this Parliament is of the opinion that the Quaziz Court System that was established in Sri Lanka under the Muslim marriage and Divorce Ordinance of 1929 and subsequently amended under the Muslim marriage and Divorce Act in 1951 must be upgraded with powers vested with the Quaziz judges to adjudicate upon all matters concerned with disputes arising in Muslim families and also the status of the Quaziz Court System must be upgraded in such a manner where sittings be held in premises congenial to the dignity of the system and as the Quaziz judges are appointed by the Judicial Service Commission they should be placed on a respectable and an acceptable salary structure payable to other judicial officers.

P.69/'10

59.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake, —Repayment of funds of the dipositor who are duped, — That this Parliament resolves that as there are many dipositors who have been duped with the funds that have been deposited in the finance companies and these dipositors or the delinquent companies have been promised by the government during the political campaign of 2009/2010 elections that they will be paid their outstandings, hence the Central Bank that is the custodian of these institutions should have been more diligent and the government must step in paying the dipositors.

P.70/'10

60.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana, — Providing Vocational training for disabled children and children with special needs, — That this Parliament resolves that the disabled children and the children with special needs be provided with vocational training at district and provincial levels and a programme should be implemented to direct them in proper manner to employment opportunities.

P.71/'10

61.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana, — Granting Justice of the Peace appointments to indigenous Ayurvedic doctors, — That this Parliament resolves that all the indigenous Ayurvedic doctors who have got themselves registered with the Ayurvedic Medical Council should be granted justice of the Peace appointments as a token of respect to that service, as they render a great service, specially to the rural people, considering it as meeting their social obligation, without expecting money or privilege.

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62.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana, — Formulating a proper methodology for granting Justice of the Peace appointments, — That this Parliament resolves that a proper methodology for granting Justice of the Peace appointments as the dignity and recognition bestowed upon this office deteriorate as a result of granting Justice of the Peace appointments that are recognised by society and provide an immense service to society without accepted criteria.

*63.

Civil Aviation Bill— Adjourned debate on question (06th October, 2010) [1].

*64.

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)

*65.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Resolution under the Appropriation Act,— That this Parliament resolves the Order made by the Acting Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, by virtue of powers vested in the Minister of Finance and Planning by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008 and specified in the Order No. 27 hereto, be approved.

Appropriation Act, No. 43 of 2008

Order No. 27 under Section 8

By virtue of the powers vested in me by Section 8 of the Appropriation Act, No.43 of 2008, I, Sarath Amunugama, Acting Minister of Finance and Planning with the approval of the Government, do by this Order, vary the limits specified against the activity Item No. 21302 “Printing Publicity and Sales of Books - Department of Education Publications” 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. | From | Rs. 2,400,000,000 |
| | To | Rs. 2,162,000,000 |
| (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. 100,000,000 |
| | To | Rs. 960,000,000 |

(This Order is valid up to 31.12.2009 only)

Sgd. DR. SARATH AMUNUGAMA,
Acting Minister of Finance and Planning.

03.07.2010
Colombo 01.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*66.

The Minister of Health,—Annual Report and Accounts of the State Pharmaceuticals Manufacturing Corporation of Sri Lanka - 2007,— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the State Pharmaceuticals Manufacturing Corporation of Sri Lanka together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ended by 31.12.2007 and presented on 08.07.2009 under the Section 30(2) of State Industrial Corporation Act, No.49 of 1957 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Healthcare and Nutrition on 05.05.2009)

*67.

The Minister of Health,—Annual Report and Accounts of the Wijaya Kumarathunga Memorial Hospital - 2007,— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Wijaya Kumarathunga Memorial Hospital together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ended by 31.12.2007 and presented on 08.07.2009 under the Section 30(2) of State Industrial Corporation Act, No.49 of 1957 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Healthcare and Nutrition on 05.05.2009)

*68.

The Minister of Health,—Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Jayewardenepura General Hospital - 2006,— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Jayewardenepura General Hospital together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year ended by 31.12.2006 and presented on 08.07.2009 under the Section 30(2) of State Industrial Corporation Act, No.49 of 1957 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Healthcare and Nutrition on 05.05.2009)

*69.

The Minister of Technology and Research,—Annual Report of Sri Lanka Standard Institution, 2007,— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Standard Institution together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year from 01st January, 2007 to 31st December, 2007 and presented on 09.09.2009 under Sri Lanka Standard Institution Act, No.06 of 1984 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Science and Technology on 06.08.2009)

*70.

The Minister of Technology and Research,—Annual Report of Sri Lanka Industrial Technology Institute - 2006,— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Industrial Technology Institute together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year from 01st January, 2006 to 31st December, 2006 and presented on 06.09.2009 under the Section 40(3) of Science and Technology Development Act, No.11 of 1994 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Science and Technology on 06.08.2009)

*71.

The Minister of Technology and Research,—Annual Report of Sri Lanka Accreditation Board for Conformity Assessment - 2006,— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Accreditation Board for Conformity Assessment together with the Auditor General's observations prepared for the year from 01st January, 2006 to 31st December, 2006 and presented on 09.09.2009 under the Section 29(5) of Sri Lanka Accreditation Board for Conformity Assessment Act, No.32 of 2005 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No.38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Consultative Committee on Science and Technology on 06.08.2009)

* *Indicates Government Business*

[1].

Motion made and question proposed "That the Bill be now read a Second time."
