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**ORDER PAPER  
OF  
PARLIAMENT  
FOR**

**Wednesday, November 10, 2010 at 1.00 p.m.**

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0039/'10

1.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) the amount of income received by the Sri Lanka Central Transport Board (SLCTB) from the monthly season tickets during the months of January – December in 2009 respectively; and
  - (ii) the aforesaid income as a percentage of the total income received by the S.L.C.T.B. from passenger transport during the aforesaid months?
- (b) Will he state—
  - (i) whether the relevant department earns an extra interest by depositing the income received at the beginning of each month in a bank;
  - (ii) if so, the amount so earned with regard to the aforesaid months?
- (c) If not, why?

0076/'10

2.

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

- (a) Is he aware that in the 200 metres stretch of the Tharaperiya-Pottewela lake road in the Tharaperiya East Grama Niladhari Division in the Beliatta Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying concrete about one year ago, concrete has scaled off and it is in a dilapidated condition 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 construction;
  - (iii) from what other institutions recommendations were obtained in making payments for the construction of the said road?

(2)

(c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry in this respect and restore it?

(d) If not, why?

0528/'10

3.

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

(a) Will he inform—

(i) whether the inner circular road in the Eastern Province is a road proposed for development ;

(ii) if so, whether this road is being developed by now?

(b) If this road is being developed, will he inform this House of—

(i) its length in Kilometers ;

(ii) the proposed date for the completion of its work ; and

(iii) the amount of money estimated for this purpose?

(c) Will he state—

(i) whether tenders were called for the construction of this road ;

(ii) if so, the names of institutions that submitted tenders ;

(iii) the bids forwarded by the respective institutions ; and

(iv) the institution for which the tender was awarded and the price of bid?

(d) Will he inform this House—

(i) whether the total amount of estimated money for the construction of this road was obtained from local funds ;

(ii) if not, whether it was obtained through foreign aid ; and

(iii) if foreign aid was obtained, the name of the donor country?

(e) If not, why?

0607/'10

4.

Hon. T. Ranjith De Soysa,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

(i) of the number of hectares of abandoned paddy lands in Jaffna, Kilinochchi and Mulativu districts ;

(ii) whether farmers are given incentives to cultivate those paddy lands again ;

(iii) if so, what those incentives are?

(3)

(b) Will he inform this House of the number of metric tones of paddy which is expected to be harvested through cultivating those paddy lands?

(c) If not, why?

0613/'10

5.

Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Sudarshini Fernandopulle,— To ask the Minister of Petroleum Industries,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

(i) of the estimated cost for the expansion project of the Sapugaskanda oil refinery ;

(ii) whether that project is carried out under credit facilities or grants; and

(iii) the year in which the project is expected to be concluded; and

(iv) the expected increase in the daily oil refining capacity in crude oil barrels at the conclusion of the above mentioned project?

(b) Will he inform this House—

(i) whether it has been proposed to commence a new oil refinery in the Hambantota district ;

(ii) if so, the year in which the said project is expected to commence?

(c) If not, why?

0621/'10

6.

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

(a) Will he admit that the collection of money from school children and parents by past pupils associations and various other associations citing various reasons has been banned through circular No. 2008/41 of the Secretary of the Ministry of Education?

(b) Despite it being so, is he aware that the Old Boy's Association of Royal College, Colombo has distributed collection cards titled '2010 Royal Parade' to the value of Rs. 600/- among children and collected money through them?

(c) Will he inform this House of the measures that will be taken, if money has been collected in violation of the above circular?

(d) If not, why?

0040/'10

7.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) the names of the countries, International Financing Institutions or Banks and Private entities that have lent money to the Government of Sri Lanka per year basis for the last 10 years ;
  - (ii) the total outstanding of loans as of today;
  - (iii) the total outstanding of loans at the end of the year 1999;
  - (iv) the amount lent by the countries or institutions from 1999 to-date on yearly basis; and
  - (v) the interest rates and the pay back period ?
- (b) Will he state—
  - (i) the total debt amortization (capital and interest payments) on yearly basis from the year 2000 to the year 2015 along with the loans taken to date;
  - (ii) the above information in US Dollars and Special Drawing Rights (SDR)?
- (c) If not, why?

0077/'10

8.

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

- (a) Is he aware that in the 200 metres stretch of the Galkema temple road in the Tharaperiya West Grama Niladhari Division in the Beliatta Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying concrete about one year ago, concrete has scaled off and it is in a dilapidated condition 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 construction;
  - (iii) from what other institutions recommendations were obtained in making payments for the construction of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry in this respect and restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0529/'10

9.

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

- (a) Will he inform—
  - (i) whether the Thirikkonduyadumadu Jayanthipura road in the Eastern Province is a road proposed for development ;
  - (ii) if so, whether this road is being developed by now?
- (b) If this road is being developed, will he inform this House of—
  - (i) its length in Kilometers ;
  - (ii) the proposed date for the completion of its work ; and
  - (iii) the amount of money estimated for this purpose?
- (c) Will he state—
  - (i) whether tenders were called for the construction of this road ;
  - (ii) if so, the names of institutions that submitted tenders ;
  - (iii) the bids forwarded by the respective institutions ; and
  - (iv) the institution for which the tender was awarded and the price of bid?
- (d) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether the total amount of estimated money for the construction of this road was obtained from local funds ;
  - (ii) if not, whether it was obtained through foreign aid ;
  - (iii) if foreign aid was obtained, the name of the donor country?
- (e) If not, why?

0608/'10

10.

Hon. T. Ranjith De Soysa,— To ask the Minister of Plantation Industries,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of —
  - (i) the amount of approximate annual coconut harvest of this country in the years 2007, 2008 and 2009 ; and
  - (ii) the total income generated from the export of coconuts in the above mentioned years ;
- (b) Will he state—
  - (i) the steps that have been taken so far to control the dry-leaf disease which is spreading rapidly in coconut plantations in the Southern Province ; and
  - (ii) the steps that have been taken to prevent its spread to other areas?
- (c) If not, why?

0622/'10

11.

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

- (a) Will he state the total number of students studying at Royal College, Colombo?
- (b) Will he admit that a sum of Rs. 3300/= has been charged as school fees from each student of the aforesaid school for the year 2008?
- (c) Will he state—
  - (i) the amount of money charged as school fees from each student of the aforesaid school for the year 2009 ;
  - (ii) the amount of money allocated by the government to Royal College, Colombo for the year 2009?
- (d) If not, why?

0041/'10

12.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House the actions taken on COPE reports presented by former Chairmen of the Committee on Public Enterprises, Hon. John Amaratunga, Hon. Jeyaraj Fernandopulle, Hon. Rohitha Bogollagama and the report presented by the Hon. Wijayadasa Rajapakshe on the 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2007?
- (b) Will he State,-
  - (i) the action taken on the report dated 20<sup>th</sup> July 2006, submitted by Mr. Mayadunne, the former Auditor-General and the report No.PS12 submitted by the Hon. Rauff Hakeem, Chairman PAC on 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2007;
  - (ii) the names of the institutions investigated as per the above reports; and
  - (iii) the actions that have been initiated with the directions of the Committee Report?
- (c) If not, why?

0080/'10

13

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

- (a) Is he aware that in the 200 metres stretch of the Morayaya junction to Bogamuwa road in the Gajanayakagama Grama Niladhari Division in the Beliatta Divisional Secretariat Division of the Hambantota District, which was constructed by laying concrete about one year ago, concrete has scaled off and it is in a dilapidated condition 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 construction;
  - (iii) from what other institutions recommendations were obtained in making payments for the construction of the said road?
- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry in this respect and restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0530/'10

14.

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

- (a) Will he inform—
  - (i) whether the Mahaoya-Chenkaladi road in the Eastern Province is a road proposed for development ;
  - (ii) if so, whether this road is being developed by now?
- (b) If this road is being developed, will he inform this House of—
  - (i) its length in Kilometers ;
  - (ii) the proposed date for the completion of its work ; and
  - (iii) the amount of money estimated for this purpose?
- (c) Will he state—
  - (i) whether tenders were called for the construction of this road ;
  - (ii) if so, the names of institutions that submitted tenders ;
  - (iii) the bids forwarded by the respective institutions ; and
  - (iv) the institution for which the tender was awarded and the price of bid?
- (d) Will he inform this House—
  - (i) whether the total amount of estimated money for the construction of this road was obtained from local funds ;
  - (ii) if not, whether it was obtained through foreign aid ;
  - (iii) if foreign aid was obtained, the name of the donor country?
- (e) If not, why?

15.

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the number of service stations which have been established throughout the island for checking vehicle emissions;
- (ii) the income earned so far by the government from conducting tests to check vehicle emissions;
- (iii) the measures taken for the protection of the environment by using the monies collected from this tax which is considered as an environmental protection tax;
- (iv) the requirements that have been fulfilled by those institutions, which conduct the above mentioned test, for issuing a quality certificate after conducting tests to check vehicle emissions?

(b) If not, why?

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#### AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

##### **Notice of Motions**

1.

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 23.

2.

Hon. T. Ranjith de Soysa,— Leave to introduce Bill,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the John Seneviratne Foundation.”

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#### NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

\*1.

Secretary to the Treasury (Nomination of Representative) Bill — Second Reading.

\*2.

Gaming (Special Provisions) Bill— Second Reading.

\*3.

Default Taxes (Special Provisions) Bill — Second Reading.

\*4.

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



\*5.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Regulations under the Finance Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance and Planning under Section 26 read with Section 22 of the Finance Act, No. 11 of 2004, relating to International Telecommunication Operators Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1662/1 of 12<sup>th</sup> July 2010, which were presented on 20.10.2010, be approved.

( Cabinet approval signified)

\*6.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.1),— 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. 1658/31 of 17<sup>th</sup> June 2010, which was presented on 20.10.2010, be approved.

( Cabinet approval signified)

\*7.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.2),— 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. 1666/1 of 09<sup>th</sup> August 2010, which was presented on 20.10.2010, be approved.

( Cabinet approval signified)

\*8.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.3),— 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. 1670/20 of 09<sup>th</sup> September 2010, which was presented on 20.10.2010, be approved.

( Cabinet approval signified)

\*9.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Order under the Excise (Special Provisions) Act,— 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. 1669/1 of 30<sup>th</sup> August 2010, which was presented on 20.10.2010, be approved.

( Cabinet approval signified)

\*10.

The Minister of Industry and Commerce,— Order under the Sri Lanka Export Development Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Industry and Commerce under Section 14(1) of the Sri Lanka Export Development Act, No. 40 of 1979, relating to Cess and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1661/36 of 09<sup>th</sup> July 2010, which was presented on 20.10.2010, be approved.

( Cabinet approval signified)

\*11.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,—  
Supplementary Sum—Head 240— Programme 2,— †That a sum not exceeding Rupees  
fifteen billion (Rs. 15,000,000,000) be provided out of the Consolidated Fund 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, by the  
Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka for the service of the  
Financial year beginning on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2010 and ending on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2010, not  
exceeding the expenditure limits approved by the Parliament of the Democratic  
Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, according to transfer the anticipated savings to the  
“Budgetary Support Services and Contingent Liabilities Project” of National Budget  
Department’s Expenditure Head under its several Expenditure Heads, to transfer as  
supplementary provisions to relevant ministries, giving priority for the expedition of  
the Development Projects under Foreign Financings by the Sections 6 (1) and 6 (2) of  
the Appropriation Act No. 7 of 2010, may be provided as specified in the Schedule  
hereto:

### Schedule

|                    |   |                               |                             |
|--------------------|---|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Head 240</b>    | — | Department of National Budget |                             |
| <b>Programme 2</b> | — | Development Programme         |                             |
|                    |   | Recurrent Expenditure         | = Rs. 3,000,000,000         |
|                    |   | Capital Expenditure           | = Rs. <u>12,000,000,000</u> |
|                    |   | Total Expenditure             | = Rs. <u>15,000,000,000</u> |
|                    |   | (Rupees fifteen billion only) |                             |
|                    |   | (Cabinet approval signified)  |                             |

†Vide Supplementary Estimate No.1 of 2010 presented on 09<sup>th</sup> November, 2010

\*12.

Recovery of Loans by Banks (Special Provisions) (Amendment) Bill—Second  
Reading.

\*13.

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

\*14.

Appropriation Bill (2011) — Second Reading.

\*15.

Local Authorities (Special Provisions) Bill — Second Reading.

\*16.

Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

\*17.

The Minister of Lands and Land Development,— Notification under the Survey Act,— That the Notification published in the Gazette No. 1633 of 18<sup>th</sup> December 2009 to amend the 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph of the “Land Survey Council-2005 (Annual Practising Licenses) Regulation” approved by the Minister of Lands under Section 65 of the Survey Act, No. 17 of 2002 read with Section 41 of the said Act, and published in the Gazette No. 1420/20 of 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2005, which was presented on 19.10.2010, be approved.

\*18.

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)

\*19.

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       |

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|-----------------------------------------|------|-----------------|
| (iv) Maximum limit of debit liabilities | From | Rs. 100,000,000 |
| specified in Column V of the            | To   | Rs. 960,000,000 |
| third Schedule to that Act.             |      |                 |

(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)

\*20.

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)

\*21.

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)

\*22.

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)

\*23.

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 01<sup>st</sup> January, 2007 to 31<sup>st</sup> 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)

\*24.

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 01<sup>st</sup> January, 2006 to 31<sup>st</sup> 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)

\*25.

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 01<sup>st</sup> January, 2006 to 31<sup>st</sup> 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*

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