



No. 46.]

**ORDER PAPER
OF
PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Thursday, November 11, 2010 at 1.00 p.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0042/'10

1.

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of Government owned universities ;
- (ii) the location of each university indicating Province, District and Electorate;
- (iii) whether there are private universities operating in Sri Lanka;
- (iv) If so, their names and number of students in each; and
- (v) whether they are awarding local or foreign degrees?

(b) Will he state on faculty basis—

- (i) the number of academic days of each university, for the last 06 years;
- (ii) a comparison with the days, if functioned without any strikes for the last 06 years; and
- (iii) the general attendance of students in each university on year basis for the last 05 years;

(c) Will he inform this house—

- (i) the number of universities where severe ragging has been reported; and
- (ii) the number of concluded and pending court cases in this regard for the last 02 years, separately?

(d) If not, why?

0053/'10

2.

Hon. Rajiva Wijesinha,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (4)

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) the mechanisms exist to monitor the inflow of foreign funds for Non-Governmental Organizations, and institutions incorporated by Act of Parliament that engage in Social Service;
- (ii) the mechanisms exist to monitor the inflow of foreign funds for companies registered with the Registrar of Companies that engage in social service or research or advocacy; and
- (iii) whether such companies submit returns as required, and maintain tax files; and pay taxes on any endowments such companies might have?

(b) Will he state —

- (i) the funds from external sources have been received by the International Centre for Ethnic Studies in the period between 1999 and 2010 inclusive, and of the purposes these funds have been used;
- (ii) whether the purposes for which such funds obtained were approved by the Department of External Resources; and
- (iii) whether the use of these funds was monitored by any Government agency?

(c) If not, why?

0081/'10

3.

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

(a) Is he aware that in the 200 metres stretch of the Thorana junction to Water Supply Board road in the Wakamulla Grama Niladhari Division in the Angunukolapelessa 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?

(3)

- (c) Will he take action to conduct a proper inquiry in this respect and restore it?
- (d) If not, why?

0294/'10

4.

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti,— To ask the Minister of Transport,— (3)

- (a) Will he admit that the S.L.T.B. is bound to pay gratuity to the employees who retired since the Privatisation of the C.T.B. on 25.08.1991 up to 2002, with effect from their date of first appointment?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the S.L.T.B. sought a Court Order to the effect that gratuity cannot be paid to them from the date of first appointment ; and
 - (ii) what the Court Order is ?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Commissioner of Labour has instructed that gratuity be paid to those pensioners ;
 - (ii) if so, the number of pensioners to whom gratuity be paid; and
 - (iii) the total amount to be paid ?
- (d) Will he state—
 - (i) as to why action is not taken to pay gratuity to those pensioners; and
 - (ii) the steps to be taken to pay such gratuity expeditiously?
- (e) If not, why?

0342/'10

5.

Hon. Gamini Jayawickrama Perera,—To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (3)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the types of products that are exported from our country under the GSP+ concession ;
 - (ii) the names of the countries to which the above mentioned products are exported ;
 - (iii) the amount of tax concession granted when exporting those products ;
 - (iv) the number of jobs that may be lost if this concession is withdrawn ; and
 - (v) the number of businesses that may affect as a result of the withdrawal of the above mentioned concession?

(4)

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) of the steps that would be taken by the government for earning foreign exchange ; and
- (ii) of the amount of the loss that will be incurred when products are exported to the European countries which did not grant the GSP+ concession?

(c) If not, why?

0531/'10

6.

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

(a) Will he inform—

- (i) whether the Akkaraipattu-Batticaloa-Thirikkondiyadumadu 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?

0566/'10

7.

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

- (a) Is he aware that the Sri Lanka Human Resources Development Banking Society Limited, which was registered by the Central Bank under the Co-operative Act has liquidated and closed all its branches by now?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the number of branches belonged to the aforesaid bank; and
 - (ii) the number of depositors and the total amount of money that had been deposited?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether an interim committee was appointed in 2007 to repay the deposits;
 - (ii) if so, the outcome of the aforesaid interim committee?
- (d) Will he submit to this House —
 - (i) the total amount of money that should be repaid to the depositors of the aforesaid bank;
 - (ii) whether action has been taken to repay the aforesaid amount of money; and
 - (iii) if not, the date on which the payment of the aforesaid amount of money will be completed?
- (e) If not, why?

0573/'10

8.

Hon. Rauf Hakeem,— To ask the Minister of Child Development and Women's Affairs,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of children admitted to government or private orphanages, out of the children who were orphaned as a result of their parents' death or disappearance due to the Tsunami that occurred on 26th December 2004 ;
 - (ii) the ages of those children at that time and their names or the names given to them later by the orphanages for identification ;
 - (iii) the names of the Police Stations, hospitals or persons who assisted bringing each of those children under government probation ; and
 - (iv) the names of the government or private orphanages where those children are kept at present?

(6)

(b) Will he state on district basis,—

- (i) the number of children out of the children whose parents or guardians have already been identified and who have been given back to their custody ; and
- (ii) their names, ages, the date of assigning custody, names and addresses of the parents or guardians who came forward and the Court where assigning took place ;

(c) If not, why?

0047/'10

9.

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

(a) Is he aware that the price of a barrel of oil came down in the world market?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the manner in which the price fluctuation of a barrel of oil during the period from January 2010 to-date;
- (ii) the selling price of a litre of diesel sold to the foreign ships that come to this country and the price of the same sold to the local consumers;
- (iii) the prices of fuel sold for the use of aircrafts; and
- (iv) the price of a litre of diesel sold to the local fishing vessels?

(c) Will he state the reasons as to why the concession on fuel provided for the foreign ships is not granted to the local fishing vessels?

(d) If not, why?

0335/'10

10.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources Management,— (1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) the irrigated land No. 07 at UD 06, Maha Ara, Nambadagaswewa that was granted to Mrs. S.G. Kusumawathie residing at “Priyashani”, Nambadagaswewa, Sooriyawewa of Sooriyawewa Divisional Secretariat Division in Hambantota district, has not been settle yet ;
- (ii) her husband has died as a result of a wild elephant attack and she supports 04 children amidst great difficulties ;

(7)

- (iii) another person has encroached upon this land No. 07 belonging to Mrs. Kusumawathie and he has encroached upon another land, bearing No. UD 08, other than that ;
 - (iv) Mrs. Kusumawathie has gone to the Land office at Mayurapura and submitted her requests to get this land settled ; and
 - (v) the officials have not paid attention to this matter so far?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) whether action will be taken to allow Mrs. Kusumawathie to have undisturbed possession of land No. 07 that she has received ;
 - (ii) if not, whether she will be provided with an alternative land ;
 - (iii) if so, the time frame within which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

0532/'10

11.

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

- (a) Will he inform—
- (i) whether the Ambilanturai-Weeramunai 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?

0048/'10

12.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the date of completion of the construction of the Upper Kotmale Hydro Power Project ;
 - (ii) the estimated cost at the start of the project and the cost as of today, separately ;
 - (iii) the country or institution that the money for this project would be received from; and
 - (iv) the terms of lending?
- (b) Will he state the cost per power unit including the depreciation?
- (c) If not, why?

0336/'10

13.

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the approved number of teachers for M.R. Thasim Muslim College supervised by Lunugamvehera Divisional Education Office which is under the Zonal Education Office of Hambanthota in Hambanthota district; and
 - (ii) the number of subjects for which there is a shortage of teachers at this school?
- (b) Is he aware that—
 - (i) teaching vacancies for English have existed since 2006; and
 - (ii) Mr. Tuan Sulfikar Ali residing at May Street, Hambanthota volunteered to teach this subject?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether necessary measures will be taken to obtain his service for the school again;
 - (ii) if so, the date from which it will be done?
- (d) If not, why?

0533/'10

14.

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

- (a) Will he inform—
 - (i) whether the Siyambalanduwa-Ampara-Karativu 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?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Business of the Parliament,— That November 23rd Tuesday, 24th Wednesday, 25th Thursday, 26th Friday, 27th Saturday and 29th Monday, 2010 be allotted days for the consideration of the “Appropriation Bill (2011)”.

2.

Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament (No.1) ,— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 70(2) the hours of sitting on allotted days for the consideration of “Appropriation Bill 2011” from 23rd November to 27th November, 2010 shall be 9.30 a.m. to 7.00 p.m.. At 6.30 p.m. paragraph (5) and (6) Standing Order 7 shall operate.

3.

Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament (No.2) ,— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order 70(2) the hours of sitting on allotted days for the consideration of “Appropriation Bill (2011)” on Monday 29th November, 2010 shall be 9.30 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.. At 6.00 p.m. Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the Parliament without question put.

4.

Hon.(Ven.)Athuraliye Rathana Thero,— Leave to introduce Bill,— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Samanalagiri Satharanga (Nadi) Medical Council.”

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

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 12th July 2010, which were presented on 20.10.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*2.

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 17th June 2010, which was presented on 20.10.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*3.

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 09th August 2010, which was presented on 20.10.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*4.

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 09th September 2010, which was presented on 20.10.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*5.

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 30th August 2010, which was presented on 20.10.2010, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*6.

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 09th July 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,— 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 1st January 2010 and ending on 31st 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

Head 240 — Department of National Budget

Programme 2 — Development Programme

Recurrent Expenditure = Rs. 3,000,000,000

Capital Expenditure = Rs. 12,000,000,000

Total Expenditure = Rs. 15,000,000,000

(Rupees fifteen billion only)

(Cabinet approval signified)

†Vide Supplementary Estimate No.1 of 2010 presented on 09th November, 2010

*8.

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

*9.

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

*10.

Appropriation Bill (2011) — Second Reading.

*11.

Local Authorities (Special Provisions) Bill — Second Reading.

*12.

Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*13.

The Minister of Lands and Land Development,— Notification under the Survey Act,— That the Notification published in the Gazette No. 1633 of 18th December 2009 to amend the 3rd 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 23rd November 2005, which was presented on 19.10.2010, be approved.

*14.

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)

*15.

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.

- (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)

*16.

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)

*17.

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)

*18.

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)

*19.

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)

*20.

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)

*21.

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)

22.

Tharunyata Hetak Organization (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

* *Indicates Government Business*
