



No. 49.]

**ORDER PAPER
OF
PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Tuesday, November 23, 2010 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0256/'10

1.

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

- (a) Is he aware that the percentage of passing of examinations of students who study in the government schools administered by the Suriyawewa Divisional Education Office belonging to the Hambantota Zonal Education Office in the Hambantota district is on the decline?
- (b) Will he inform this House separately of the number of students who gained qualifications for university education having passed the G.C.E. Advanced Level in the years 2007, 2008 and 2009 from the aforesaid educational zone and the names of schools to which they belong?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether he admits that the non-receipt of text books and syllabi of teachers in time at the beginning of the year has resulted in the decline of students' education ;
 - (ii) if so, whether action will be taken to provide text books in time, which are required for uplifting education and developing skills of these students ;
- (d) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to deploy the relevant officers for the proper supervision of these schools ;
 - (ii) if so, the measures that will be taken in this regard?
- (e) If not, why?

0437/'10

2.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of National and Provincial schools functioning as of today in the Northern and Eastern Provinces; and
 - (ii) the number of students in aforesaid schools.?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of teachers in aforesaid schools on per school basis; and
 - (ii) the teacher to student ratio that should have to run a school properly?
- (c) Will he also state—
 - (i) the cost incurred for education in the last 2 years on per year basis; and
 - (ii) the amount of money allocated for next year ?
- (d) If not, why?

0537/'10

3.

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

- (a) Will he inform—
 - (i) whether the Trincomalee-Habarana 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 ;
 - (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 ;
 - (iv) the institution for which the tender was awarded and the price of bid?

(3)

(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?

0567 /'10

4.

Hon. Noordeen Mashoor,— To ask the Minister of Posts and Telecommunication,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the residents of Thilleiyadi area in Puttalam district have to face numerous difficulties as there is not a post office or a sub post office in that area?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether immediate steps will be taken to establish a sub post office covering the Thilleiyadi area in order to enable the people of the aforesaid area to have easy access to postal services?
- (c) If not, why?

0569/'10

5.

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Health,— (1)

- (a) Will he state separately, the number of people who have contracted the dengue fever and the number of patients who have died of the dengue fever in each of the Divisional Secretariat Division in the Kalutara District in the years 2008, 2009 and 2010?
- (b) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the areas in the Kalutara District which are faced with the danger of the rapid spread of the dengue fever ;
 - (ii) the specific measures that have been taken by now to combat the dengue fever in those areas ; and
 - (iii) of other specific measures that will be taken in the future in this connection?
- (c) If not, why?

0570/'10

6.

Hon. Karu Jayasuriya ,— To ask the Minister of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities,— (1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) a plan implement by the Housing Development Authority to sell the remaining plots of land of the Raddolugama Housing Scheme has been suspended on a complaint made to His Excellency the President by its residents ;
- (ii) the recommendation made in this connection by the Presidential Investigation Unit has been conveyed to the then Chairman of the Housing Development Authority and the Secretary of the Ministry of Housing and Construction through the letter Ref: No. SP/4/2/4/2/1 dated 28.02.2006 ; and
- (iii) in the aforesaid letter it has been stated (briefly) “Since the residents have enjoyed the remaining small plots of land for nearly 23 years, His Excellency the President has drawn his attention to transfer them by sale to the residents. It is hereby informed that it is advisable to allot the road surrounding the Raddolugama Housing Scheme from plot 1820 and to transfer by sale plot 1819 to adjacent neighbours” ?

(b) Will he take action to execute the above order of the President without delay?

(c) If not, why?

0571/'10

7.

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

(a) Will he state —

- (i) the number of persons receiving pensions currently after having been sent on retirement on disability from the service of the three armed forces and the Police;
- (ii) the minimum pension that they receive; and
- (iii) the classification under which persons like E.M.D. Kirthisinghe Ekanayaka, residing at No. 215/B, Pitawala Road, Nedagamuwa, Kotugoda, who has been sent on retirement on disability on 30/10/1985 from the service of engineering mechanic of the Navy under service No. B 6511 and receives a pension of Rs. 6561.20 from the Divisional Secretariat of Minuwangoda under pension No. 3971, come?

(5)

(b) Will he inform this House of the steps that have been taken either to increase the pension of persons like Mr. Kirthisinghe or to provide sufficient relief to engage in some kind of livelihood as the pension received by them is not sufficient in terms of the current cost of living?

(c) If not, why?

0637/'10

8.

Hon. (Al-Haj) A.H.M. Azwer,— To ask the Minister of Traditional Industries and Small Enterprise Development,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of craftsmen who were engaged in various fields connected to handicrafts and had registered at the National Crafts Council by the end of the year 2009 ; and
- (ii) the steps that have been taken as remedial measures for the difficulties face by the craftsmen engaged in handicrafts in finding raw materials ;

(b) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) whether a programme is being implemented in order to preserve the knowledge of the craftsmen engaged in handicrafts and transfer it to the future generations?
- (ii) if so, what that programme is?

(c) If not , why?

0257/'10

9.

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

(a) Is he aware that the percentage of passing of examinations of students who study in the government schools administered by the Ambalantota Divisional Education Office belonging to the Hambantota Zonal Education Office in the Hambantota district is on the decline?

(b) Will he inform this House separately of the number of students who gained qualifications for university education having passed the G.C.E. Advanced Level in the years 2007, 2008 and 2009 from the aforesaid educational zone and the names of schools to which they belong?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether he admits that the non-receipt of text books and syllabi of teachers in time at the beginning of the year has resulted in the decline of students' education ;
- (ii) if so, whether action will be taken to provide text books in time, which are required for uplifting education and developing skills of these students ;

(6)

- (d) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to deploy the relevant officers for the proper supervision of these schools ;
 - (ii) if so, the measures that will be taken in this regard?
- (e) If not, why?

0438/'10

10.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration and Home Affairs,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform—
 - (i) the number of “Grama Niladaries “ in the country on per province and per district basis ;
 - (ii) the amount they are paid monthly ;and
 - (iii) the scope of their work?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the number of new Grama Niladaries appointed in North and East Provinces ;
 - (ii) the criteria followed in respect of those appointments; and
 - (iii) as to how the selections were made?
- (c) If not, why?

0538/'10

11.

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

- (a) Will he inform—
 - (i) whether the Trincomalee-Pulmudai 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 ;
 - (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 ;
 - (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?

0568/'10

12.

Hon. Noordeen Mashoor,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Aviation,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that the coastal area named Perumkadal in kandakkuliya in the Puttalam district is seriously affected by sea-erosion from time to time and this situation causes much damage to the fishing “wadiyas”, which provide lodging to the fishermen in the area and the nearby buildings in which stalls are housed?
- (b) Will he state whether action will be taken through the Coast Conservation Department for the speedy implementation of the immediate courses of action which should be followed to prevent serious sea-erosion that occurs in the aforesaid area?
- (c) If not, why?

0258/'10

13.

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

- (a) Is he aware that the percentage of passing of examinations of students who study in the government schools administered by the Tangalle Divisional Education Office belonging to the Tangalle Zonal Education Office in the Hambantota district is on the decline?
- (b) Will he inform this House separately of the number of students who gained qualifications for university education having passed the G.C.E. Advanced Level in the years 2007, 2008 and 2009 from the aforesaid educational zone and the names of schools to which they belong?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether he admits that the non-receipt of text books and syllabi of teachers in time at the beginning of the year has resulted in the decline of students' education ;
 - (ii) if so, whether action will be taken to provide text books in time, which are required for uplifting education and developing skills of these students ;

(d) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether action will be taken to deploy the relevant officers for the proper supervision of these schools ;
- (ii) if so, the measures that will be taken in this regard?

(e) If not, why?

0474/'10

14.

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the names of the members of Consumer Affairs Authority;
- (ii) the number of raids done by the Consumer Affairs Authority on per month per year basis for the last 3 years ;
- (iii) the 10 most important and valuable raids carried out in the last 3 years;
- (iv) the values of the offences found out per District; and
- (v) the number of officers work in the Consumer Affairs Authority?

(b) If not, why?

0539/'10

15.

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

(a) Will he inform—

- (i) whether the Bogahawewa-Pulmudai 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 ;
- (iii) the amount of money estimated for this purpose?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether tenders were called for the construction of this road ;
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 - (iii) if foreign aid was obtained, the name of the donor country?
- (e) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

1. Election of Deputy Speaker and Chairman of Committees:
[Standing Order No. 6(2)]

Notice of Motions

2.
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.
Appropriation Bill (2011) — (First Allotted Day)—Adjourned Debate on question (22nd November 2010)[1].

- *2.
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.

- *3.
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)

*4.

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)

*5.

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)

*6.

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)

*7.

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)

*8.

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)

*9.

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)

*10.

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)

*11.

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

*12.

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

*13.

Local Authorities (Special Provisions) Bill — Second Reading.

*14.

Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*15.

Offensive Weapons (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*16.

Mediation Boards (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

17.

Tharunyata Hetak Organization (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

* *Indicates Government Business*

[1].

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