



[Seventh Parliament -First Session]

No. 54.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT FOR

Monday, November 29, 2010 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0376/'10

1.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Co-operatives and Internal Trade,— (2)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately—
 - (i) the amounts of Duty and all other forms of Taxes imposed on the imported items namely Milk Powder, Gas, Sugar, Dhal, Onions, Potatoes, Rice, Canned Fish and Petroleum;
 - (ii) the quantities of the aforesaid items imported for the last 10 years;
 - (iii) the revenue earned through imposition of Taxes for the last 5 years;
 - (iv) the quantities of them produced locally, if any, for last 5 years on per year basis; and
 - (v) the annual consumption of those items for last 5 years?
- (b) If not, why?

0506/'10

2.

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

- (a) Will he state —
 - (i) separately, the number of houses constructed by the government in the Hambantota district in the year 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009 ;
 - (ii) the total amount of money spent for the construction of the aforesaid houses ; and
 - (iii) whether the number of houses constructed in the Hambantota district is sufficient ?
- (b) If not, why?

0619/'10

3.

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

- (a) Is he aware that action is being taken to construct a crematorium in the centre of the village of Bathigama coming under the area of the Dickwella Pradeshiya Sabha?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether a notice had been given earlier by the Consultative Committee on Local Government and Provincial Councils to halt this construction and to construct it in an unpopulated area ;
 - (ii) if so, whether the Chairman of the relevant Pradeshiya Sabha has acted in compliance with the aforesaid notice ;
 - (iii) if not, whether the chairman of the aforesaid Pradeshiya Sabha is acting according to his discretion disregarding this August Assembly by going against the rulings given by it ;
 - (iv) if so, what action will be taken against him in respect of this ; and
 - (v) whether action will be taken to remove the aforesaid construction ?
- (c) If not, why?

0624/'10

4.

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

- (a) Is he aware that a serious shortage of teachers prevails in the Hameed Al- Hussainiyya College at No. 45, Hussainiyya Street, Colombo 12 ?
- (b) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the approved cadre of teachers of aforesaid school in Sinhala and Tamil medium on subject wise ;
 - (ii) the number of teachers available in each medium on subject wise;
 - (iii) the shortage of teachers in each medium on subject wise;
 - (iv) the action that will be taken to address the above shortage of teachers; and
 - (v) as to when such action is taken?
- (c) Is he aware that an excess of teachers prevails at Royal, Ananda and Nalanda College?

(d) Will he state—

- (i) the number of teachers excess in the schools mentioned in part (c) on medium wise and subject wise; and
- (ii) whether actions will be taken to transfer those excess teachers to Hameed Al- Hussainiyya college to fill the existing vacancies?

(e) If not, why?

0680/'10

5.

Hon. A. Vinayagamoorthy,— To ask the Minister of Resettlement,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that nearly 450 fishing families from Myliddy are being housed in temporary houses at Vaalvaham Maruthanamadam from 1990?
- (b) Will he state as to when they the fishermen will be allowed to go and resettle in Myliddy?
- (c) If not, why?

0708/'10

6.

Hon. Dunes Gankanda,— To ask Minister of External Affairs,— (1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) separately, the number of foreign jobs given to Sri Lanka by the government of Korea each year during the period from the year 2005 to August 2010;
- (ii) the procedure that should be followed by a person to obtain such an employment opportunity;
- (iii) separately, at district level, the number of persons who left for such jobs;
- (iv) separately, for each year, the number of persons registered by now in the Bureau of Foreign Employment having fulfilled the basic requirements for a Korean job?

(b) Will he inform this House —

- (i) the period of validity of the registration of a Korean job candidate registered in the Bureau of Foreign Employment;
- (ii) the procedure to be followed again by a job candidate whose aforesaid registration has lapsed, to obtain a job in Korea;
- (iii) whether priority is given for job candidates registered in the Bureau of Foreign Employment in selecting people for this purpose in the future?

(c) If not, why?

0731/'10

7.

Hon. M. Joseph Michael Perera,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that —

- (i) the open competitive examination to recruit Tax Officers of Grade II of Class III of Sri Lanka Inland Revenue Service was held in year 2006;
- (ii) out of the 16,000 candidates who sat for the aforesaid examination, about 1000 were called for interviews;
- (iii) 550 out of them were granted appointments with effect from 1st April 2007;
- (iv) among the recipients of those appointments, there are persons who had not graduated by the date given in the gazette notification issued in 2006 with relevance to this examination ?

(b) Will he inform this House of —

- (i) the name, address and marks scored with relevance to each of the candidates who received appointments as Tax Officers, separately ;
- (ii) the marks scored at the examination and the interview by Mrs. W.A.S.M. Sovis who resides at No. 76/C, Tudella, Ja_Ela East and faced the interview at 9.30 a.m. on 08.12.2006 ?

(c) If not , why?

0380/'10

8.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Justice,— (2)

(a) Will he inform—

- (i) the Names and the Dates of Birth of all the Judges serving in Supreme Court, Court of Appeal, High Court and Magistrate Court;
- (ii) their qualifications and experience in the present post;
- (iii) the number of learned Judges of all categories who have been provided quarters ;
- (iv) the reason as to why all Judges have not been provided quarters;
- (v) whether they are paid a housing allowance, if they don't get quarters; and
- (vi) if so, the amount paid and how long have they been paid?

(b) If not, why?

0507/'10

9.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Labour and Labour Relations,— (1)

(a) Will he state —

- (i) the percentage of unemployed persons in Sri Lanka at present ;
- (ii) the measures taken by the government to minimize the percentage of unemployed persons ;
- (iii) the amount of money spent by the government for taking the aforesaid measures ; and
- (iv) whether the aforesaid measures taken by the government are sufficient to reduce unemployment?

(b) If not, why?

0714/'10

10.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Highways,— (1)

(a) Will he state—

- (i) the full name and the age of the present Chairman of the Port Authority ;
- (ii) the authority who has appointed him to that post ;
- (iii) the previous place of work of the aforesaid Chairman and his position at that place ;
- (iv) the educational qualifications and professional experience of the aforesaid Chairman ; and
- (v) his monthly salary and other allowances paid to him ;

(b) If not, why?

0527/'10

11.

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

- (a) Will he state whether the Zonal Education Office of Tangalle has informed the relevant authorities about the problems faced by the teaching staff and the students of Ha/Vigamuwa Vidyalaya which comes under the purview of Tangalle Divisional Education Office in Tangalle Educational Zone of Hambantota district?

(6)

(b) Is he aware that—

- (i) nearly 110 students study in that school ;
- (ii) only five teachers are there to cover all the subjects ;
- (iii) only two school buildings of 50 x 20 sq.ft. and 40 x 20 sq.ft. to hold all the classes and a single toilet in dilapidated condition for the use of teachers and students are available ; and
- (iv) electricity supply to the school has been disconnected due to non-payment of electricity bills?

(c) Will he state—

- (i) whether the infrastructure facilities of that school are adequate ;
- (ii) if not, whether measures will be taken to provide the infrastructure facilities required and to improve the level of education of the school and the students ; and
- (iii) if so, the date on which taking such measures will be started?

(d) If not, why?

0586/'10

12.

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

(a) Will he state—

- (i) whether the Government of Sri Lanka has gifted lands to other countries since attaining independence;
- (ii) if so, the number of perches or acres given;
- (iii) the purpose of giving such lands;
- (iv) whether Sri Lanka has received similar lands in reciprocity in the countries to which the local lands were given; and
- (v) if so, the country, the date and extent of land received?

(b) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

Appropriation Bill (2011) — (Sixth 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 Minister of Lands and Land Development,— Notification under the Survey Act,— That the Notification published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1649/3 of 12th April 2010 to amend the paragraph 2(2) of the “Land Survey Council (Registration) Regulation of 2005” approved by the Minister of Land and Land Development, Settlement and Ranaviru Welfare under Section 65 of the Survey Act No.17 of 2002 read with Section 39 of the said Act, and published in the Gazette No. 1420/20 of 23rd November 2005, which was presented on 09.11.2010, be approved.

*5.

The Labour and Labour Relations,— Notification under the Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children Act,— Regulations made by the Minister of Labour Relations and Productivity Improvement under Section 31 read with Section 20A of the Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children Act, No. 47 of 1956, in accordance with the guidelines specified in Section 20A of that Act, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1667/41 of 20th August 2010, which was presented on 09.11.2010, be approved.

*6.

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
To | Rs. 2,400,000,000
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
To | Rs. 100,000,000
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)

*7.

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)

*8.

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)

*9.

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)

*10.

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)

*11.

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)

*12.

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)

*13.

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

*14.

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

*15.

Local Authorities (Special Provisions) Bill — Second Reading.

*16.

Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*17.

Offensive Weapons (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*18.

Mediation Boards (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

19.

Tharunyata Hetak Organization (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

20.

Red Lotus (International) Sri Lanka Organization (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

* *Indicates Government Business*

[1].

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