



[Seventh Parliament -First Session]

No. 63.]

**ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Thursday, December 09, 2010 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0120/'10

1.

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

- (a) Will he admit the media reports published in May 2010 to the effect that a shortage of drugs has occurred in Sri Lanka?
- (b) Will he state the reasons for that shortage of drugs?
- (c) Will he admit that essential items like drugs should be stocked in stores sufficiently?
- (d) Will he inform this House of —
 - (i) the number of types of drugs produced by the State Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Corporation;
 - (ii) the number of types of drugs imported to Sri Lanka; and
 - (iii) the amount of loss incurred or debts to be paid by the State Pharmaceutical Corporation?
- (e) If not, why?

0235/'10

2.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (2)

- (a) Is he aware that there is a shortage of infrastructure and common amenities in the government schools coming under the purview of the Angunukolapelessa Divisional Education office belonging to the Tangalle Zonal Education office of the Hambantota District?

(2)

- (b) Will he submit to this House —
- (i) the number of school without electricity in the aforesaid school system;
 - (ii) the names of those schools;
 - (iii) the number of teachers' quarters without electricity in the aforesaid school system;
 - (iv) the names of schools to which they belong to;
 - (v) the number of schools with furniture requirements;
 - (vi) what those requirements are;
 - (vii) the number of schools without laboratories and libraries; and
 - (viii) the names of those schools?
- (c) Will he state —
- (i) whether action will be taken to make financial allocations required for those schools to fulfill the above mentioned requirements; and
 - (ii) if so, the period of time during which it will be done?
- (d) If not, why?

0542/'10

3.

Hon. M. T. Hasen Ali,— To ask the Minister of Health,— (2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) recently, an unidentified group of persons destroyed the ambulance belonging to Karativu hospital of Ampara district by setting it on fire ; and
 - (ii) as a result, there is a difficulty of transporting patients in critical condition and pregnant mothers from the hospitals to another hospital for emergency treatment?
- (b) Will he admit that eventhough the relevant authorities have been informed of the necessity of providing Karativu hospital an ambulance through the District Development and Co-ordinating Committee of Ampara, steps have not been taken so far to provide an ambulance to that hospital?
- (c) If so, will he inform this House whether steps will be taken to provide an ambulance to that hospital immediately?
- (d) If not, why?

0559/'10

4.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (2)

- (a) Is he aware that under “Vishramika Diviyata Athwelak” (Support for retired life) in Mahinda Chinthana Vision that was presented at the last Presidential Election, a pledge was made as a relief measure for pensioners, to the effect that the pensions of those who had retired prior to 2006 would be rectified in line with the 2006 salary scheme and implemented from the following budget (2010)?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether measures have been taken through the 2010 budget to pay the pensions of those who had retired prior to 2006 in line with the 2006 salary scheme accordingly ;
 - (ii) of the amount allocated for the aforesaid purpose ;
 - (iii) of the relevant reasons, if that relief has not been granted through the 2010 budget ; and
 - (iv) of the date on which the aforesaid pension hike would be granted?
- (c) If not, why?

0580/'10

5.

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the ten main paddy cultivating districts of Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the acreage of above districts coming under paddy cultivation; and
 - (iii) the yield obtained from those areas in the seasons of Yala and Maha separately for the last 5 years ?
- (b) Is he aware that lot of paddy farmers are unable to get the fertilizer subsidy and if they get it, the quality of fertilizer is of sub standard?
- (c) Will he inform—
 - (i) as to why the Ministry is not opening the fertilizer subsidy to be bought in the open market, with a minimum quality control as a benchmark;
 - (ii) the tonnage of subsidized fertilizer distributed among the districts referred to in question (a) (i) above for the last 3 years separately on per year basis?
- (d) If not, why?

0618/'10

6.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the papaw cultivation in Sekeradariswatta, maintained by Mr. H.M. Wasantha Anura Kumara of Mahawa Divisional Secretariat Division has been destroyed by some person or a group of persons ; and
 - (ii) if so, the damage caused to him as a result ?
- (b) Will he admit that the complaints made by Mr. Wasantha with regard to this incident has not been accepted by the Mahawa Police Station and an investigation has been started in this regard with the intervention of a media institution?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) the progress of the aforesaid investigation at present ;
 - (ii) whether those investigations are not carried out effectively on the influence of some person or a group of persons ; and
 - (iii) whether government will take action to pay a compensation for the damage caused to Mr. Wasantha?
- (d) If not, why?

0236/'10

7.

Hon. Sajith Premadasa,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (2)

- (a) Is he aware that there is a shortage of infrastructure and common amenities in the government schools coming under the purview of the Beliatta Divisional Education office belonging to the Tangalle Zonal Education office of the Hambantota District?
- (b) Will he submit to this House —
 - (i) the number of schools without electricity in the aforesaid school system;
 - (ii) the names of those schools;
 - (iii) the number of teachers' quarters without electricity in the aforesaid school system;
 - (iv) the names of schools to which they belong to;
 - (v) the number of schools with furniture requirements;
 - (vi) what those requirements are;
 - (vii) the number of schools without laboratories and libraries;and
 - (viii) the names of those schools?

(c) Will he state —

- (i) whether action will be taken to make financial allocations required for those schools to fulfill the above mentioned requirements; and
- (ii) if so, the period of time during which it will be done?

(d) If not, why?

0581/'10

8.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Culture and the Arts,— (1)

(a) Will she state—

- (i) the number of tourists visited the Cultural Triangle for the last 5 years, on per year basis;
- (ii) the amount of foreign exchange earned from the historical sites of Cultural Triangle;
- (iii) as to why we are not making use of Cultural Triangle for promoting Buddhism and attracting a tourist market; and
- (iv) if already done so, the steps that have been taken in this regard?

(b) Will she also state—

- (i) five other historical sites which draw such enthusiasm from a Buddhist Tourist's point of view in Sri Lanka;
- (ii) whether the Government gives the money to temples, earned from the above process for upgrading and protecting the historically vital sites; and
- (iii) If so, the names of temples or other places and the amounts of money received as above for the last year?

(c) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*a1.

Appropriation Bill (2011)— (Fifteenth Allotted Day)— Committee (Progress 8th December).

*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,— 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.

*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 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)

*6.

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

*7.

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

*8.

Local Authorities (Special Provisions) Bill — Second Reading.

*9.

Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*10.

Offensive Weapons (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*11.

Mediation Boards (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

12.

Pina Organisation (Incorporation) Bill— Second Reading.

13.

Sri Lanka Semata Setha Foundation (Incorporation) Bill— Second Reading.

14.

Maheswary Foundation (Incorporation) Bill— Second Reading.

* *Indicates Government Business*

NOTICES OF AMENDMENTS RELATING TO ORDERS OF THE DAY

a1.

For amendments in Committee on the Appropriation Bill (2011)— See separate Paper “ Supplement to the Orders of the Day ”.
