



[Seventh Parliament -First Session]

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ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT FOR

Wednesday, January 05, 2011 at 1.00 p.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0049/'10

1.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of District Base Hospitals in each district of the Southern Province, separately ;
 - (ii) the minimum number of posts which should exist in a District Base Hospital ;
 - (iii) the number of posts that exist in each of the above mentioned hospitals at present ; and
 - (iv) the number of vacancies that exist in each of the above mentioned hospitals, separately?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the date on which each of the above mentioned hospitals was upgraded to the level of a District Hospital; and
 - (ii) who did so?
- (c) Will he state the period within which the shortage of human and physical resources that exist at present in each of the above mentioned District Base Hospitals will be accomplished?
- (d) If not, why?

0253/'10

2.

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 Lunugamvehera 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?

(2)

(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?

0543/'10

3.

Hon. M. T. Hasen Ali,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,— (1)

(a) Is he aware that —

- (i) Mr. Mohamed Basheer, of no.151/A/8, Maligawatta Place, Colombo 10 is a 48 year old person suffering from a kidney disease;
- (ii) the Samurdhi Development Officer of the relevant area has not taken action so far to give Mr. Basheer, a person without a permanent source of income the samurdhi assistance to which he is entitled ?

(b) Will he take action to grant the samurdhi assistance to Mr. Basheer and the members of his family immediately ?

(c) If not, why ?

0565/'10

4.

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (1)

(a) Is he aware that —

- (i) the teachers in the four educational zones in the Matara district were given promotions according to circular bearing no. 2004/14 on granting benefits to persons stagnating on the maximum steps salary scales, circular bearing no. 2005/04 on promotions, and the circular bearing no. 2008/45 on granting promotions to the graduate teachers who do not have post graduate qualifications; and
- (ii) the salary arrears relevant to the above mentioned have not yet been paid?

(3)

(b) Will he inform this House —

- (i) separately of the number of teachers who have been given promotions according to the circulars bearing nos. 2004/14,2005/04 and 2008/45 and the number of teachers to whom the salary arrears have been paid accordingly;
- (ii) of the number of teachers who should be paid salary arrears by now;
- (iii) of the total amount of money that should be paid to them as salary arrears;
- (iv) of the reason for not paying the salary arrears up to now; and
- (v) of the date on which the payment of salary arrears will be completed?

(c) If not, why?

0576/'10

5.

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

(a) Is he aware that —

- (i) the former General Manager of the Housing Development Authority planned to provide an access road across the border canal of the Raddolugama Housing Scheme for the person by the name of Wanigasinghe who resides on an auctioned plot of land;
- (ii) on the complaints made to His Excellency the President by the recipients of houses an order has been issued to close down the aforesaid road by the letter dated 31.01.2006 sent from the President's Office to the Secretary to the then Ministry of Housing and Constructions; and
- (iii) the former General Manager has planned to provide that road by making a false submission to the Parliamentary Consultative Committee through the person named Wanigasinghe?

(b) Will he admit that —

- (i) there is a wide road in front of the house of the person called Wanigasinghe;
- (ii) it has been planned to provide a deed by obtaining money on a promissory note for the purpose of providing a road at the back of the house as well; and
- (iii) this is the first instance in the history of Parliament that the Consultative Committee has been misled?

(4)

(c) Will he state whether steps will be taken to close the aforesaid road according to the recommendation of the letter of His Excellency the President dated 31.01.2006 as all the relevant reports have been handed over to the Chairman of the Authority?

(d) If not, why?

0635/'10

6.

Hon. Hemal Gunasekera,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (1)

(a) Will he submit to this House, separately —

- (i) the number of schools where only primary classes were conducted;
- (ii) the number of schools where classes up to Ordinary Level were conducted; and
- (iii) the number of schools where classes up to Advanced Level were conducted;

out of the schools which had to be closed down in the year 2009?

(b) Will he inform this House of —

- (i) the main reasons which contributed to the closure of the above mentioned schools;
- (ii) whether there is a proposed course of action to prevent the closure of schools as mentioned above; and
- (iii) if so, what it is?

(c) If not, why?

0638/'10

7.

Hon. Arundika Fernando,—To ask the Minister of Agrarian Services and Wildlife,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) the conservation and development measures that are being taken under the Wilpattu Wild Life Park Conservation and Development Project ;
- (ii) the total estimated cost for the aforesaid project ; and
- (iii) the year in which the project is expected to be completed?

(5)

- (b) Will he inform the annual income expected to be earned from the Wild Life Park after the completion of the aforesaid project?
- (c) If not, why?

0639/'10

8.

Hon. (Dr.) Ramesh Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Civil Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the total estimated amount of money for the construction of the Mattala International Airport in the Hambantota district ; and
 - (ii) the extent of the land that has been allocated for the aforesaid construction in hectares?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of families that have to be evacuated from the aforesaid area to carry out the aforesaid constructions ;
 - (ii) separately, of the number of lawful and unlawful occupants out of the aforesaid number of families ;
 - (iii) whether there is a programme to provide the aforesaid families with alternative lands ; and
 - (iv) if so, what that programme is?
- (c) Will he submit to this House—
 - (i) the year in which the construction of the aforesaid airport is expected to be completed ; and
 - (ii) the approximate number of airline passengers who are expected to use the new airport per year when the construction of the new airport has been completed?
- (d) If not, why?

0706/'10

9.

Hon. Gayantha Karunatileka,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) separately of the number of Samurdhi recipients who have been entitled to Samurdhi benefits as at 30th June every year from 2005 to 2009 in each divisional Secretariat division in the Galle district ;
 - (ii) the amount of money paid to those who were entitled to it, their names and addresses ; and
 - (iii) separately, the total amount of money paid to Samurdhi recipients annually in the years 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) the number of persons who were Samurdhi recipients earlier but were removed later in each of the above years, their names and addresses ;
- (ii) the basis on which they were removed ; and
- (iii) Separately and on yearly basis, the number of new Samurdhi recipients added to the list during that period ; if there are any and their addresses?

(c) If not, why?

0707/'10

10.

Hon. Dunesh Gankanda,— To ask Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether an Organization named North East Rehabilitation and Development Organization (NERDO) has been registered in Sri Lanka ;
- (ii) if so, the date on which the aforesaid Organization was registered ; and
- (iii) the objectives of establishing the aforesaid Organization?

(b) Will he state the place where the office of the aforesaid Organization is situated, the names of the Heads of the Organizations the number of staff and their names and addresses?

(c) If not, why?

0877/'10

11.

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) separately, of the amount of money spent in the years 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010 for the construction of the Veerawila International Airport, with respect to each of the above mentioned years ;
- (ii) whether that project will be implemented further ;
- (iii) if not, the reasons for it ;
- (iv) the loss incurred by the government of Sri Lanka as a result of abandoning the aforesaid project ;
- (v) the name of the person or persons responsible for causing aforesaid loss ; and
- (vi) the courses of action that will be followed against them?

(b) If not, why?

12.

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

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) all the products manufactured or imported by Ceylon Petroleum Corporation (CPC); and
- (ii) the cost(selling price less profit) and a break-up of cost composition in each different item?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) all the taxes at all stages in costing as given below:

Selling Price		xxxxx
Production cost	xxx	
Administration cost	xxx	
Marketing cost	xxx	
Finance cost	xxx	
Advertising cost	xxx	<u>xxxxx</u>
Gross Profit		xxxxx
Less Taxes	xxx	
(All types be stated separately)		<u>xxxxx</u>
Net Profit		<u>xxxxx</u>

- (ii) the annual profit of Ceylon Petroleum Corporation (CPC) and its subsidiaries for the last 15 years?

(c) Will he also state—

- (i) the total debt to Banks on un-encashed Dollars yet to be converted to Rupees;
- (ii) who bears the exchange loss; and
- (iii) the total quantity sold as per a (i) along with the total monetary value?

(d) If not, why?

0254/'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 Tissamaharama 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?

0436/'10

14.

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Universities functioning in Northern, Eastern and North Central provinces ;
 - (ii) the number of students allocated to the Universities in (i) above;
 - (iii) the cost per student per faculty of the university basis; and
 - (iv) the number of Lecturers working in those Universities?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of academic days of each University per year; and
 - (ii) the number of functional days those universities achieved in practical terms during the last 3 years on per year basis?
- (c) If not, why?

15.

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 Hambantota 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?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Presentation of Bills

1.

The Minister of Social Services,— Protection of the Rights of Elders (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Protection of the Rights of Elders Act, No. 9 of 2000.

Notice of Motions

2.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Business of the Parliament,— That the proceedings on Item 2 of Public Business appearing on the Order Paper be exempted at this day's sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order No. 23.

3.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament,— That notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 7 and the motion agreed to by Parliament on 09.07.2010, the hours of sitting this day shall be 1.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.. At 7.00 p.m. Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the Parliament without question put.

4.

Hon. (Mrs.) Sriyani Wijewickrama,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.1),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Kudabuthgamuwa Sri Piyadassinarama Viharasthana Performance Society (Incorporation)”

5.

Hon. (Mrs.) Malani Fonseka,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.2),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Leaster James Peries and Sumitra Peries Foundation.”

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

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

*2.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Resolution under the Public Security Ordinance,— That the Proclamation made by the President under Section 2 of the Public Security Ordinance (Chapter 40), as amended by Act, No. 8 of 1959, Law No. 6 of 1978, and Act, No. 28 of 1988, bringing into operation the provisions of Part II of the aforesaid Ordinance throughout Sri Lanka with effect from December 29th, 2010, be approved.

*3.

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

*4.

Offensive Weapons (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*5.

Mediation Boards (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

*6.

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)

*7.

Local Authorities (Special Provisions) Bill — Adjourned Debate on question (4th January 2011)[1].

*8.

Local Authorities Elections (Amendment) Bill — Adjourned Debate on question (4th January 2011)[1].

* *Indicates Government Business*

[1].

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

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0219/'10

1.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) of the water supply projects operated in each Divisional Secretariat Division of Hambantota district at present;
- (ii) the number of divisions covered by each of those projects and the number of families whose water requirements are met by each of them;
- (iii) whether water supplied by each of the foresaid projects is sufficient;
- (iv) if the water capacity of the projects is not sufficient, the measures that will be taken in that respect?

(b) Will he state —

- (i) the new areas identified within Hambantota district as areas where there is a grave need for drinking water;
- (ii) whether plans have been prepared to supply water to those areas;
- (iii) if so, what those projects are;
- (iv) the water source from which water is expected to be obtained for each project;
- (v) the number of families expected to be provided drinking water facilities with those projects;
- (vi) the future programme relevant for the implementation of the planned projects?

(c) If not, why ?

0220/'10

2.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the water supply projects operated in each Divisional Secretariat Division of Matara district at present;
 - (ii) the number of divisions covered by each of those projects and the number of families whose water requirements are met by each of them;
 - (iii) whether water supplied by each of the foresaid projects is sufficient;
 - (iv) if the water capacity of the projects is not sufficient, the measures that will be taken in that respect?
- (b) Will he state —
 - (i) the new areas identified within Matara district as areas where there is a grave need for drinking water;
 - (ii) whether plans have been prepared to supply water to those areas;
 - (iii) if so, what those projects are;
 - (iv) the water source from which water is expected to be obtained for each project;
 - (v) the number of families expected to be provided drinking water facilities with those projects;
 - (vi) the future programme relevant for the implementation of the planned projects?
- (c) If not, why ?

0221/'10

3.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Water Supply and Drainage,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the water supply projects operated in each Divisional Secretariat Division of Kalutara district at present;
 - (ii) the number of divisions covered by each of those projects and the number of families whose water requirements are met by each of them;
 - (iii) whether water supplied by each of the foresaid projects is sufficient;
 - (iv) if the water capacity of the projects is not sufficient, the measures that will be taken in that respect?

(b) Will he state —

- (i) the new areas identified within Kalutara district as areas where there is a grave need for drinking water;
- (ii) whether plans have been prepared to supply water to those areas;
- (iii) if so, what those projects are;
- (iv) the water source from which water is expected to be obtained for each project;
- (v) the number of families expected to be provided drinking water facilities with those projects;
- (vi) the future programme relevant for the implementation of the planned projects?

(c) If not, why ?

0222/'10

4.

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

(a) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) whether there are lands belonging to Land Reforms Commission, within the district of Hambanthota;
- (ii) if so, the name, extent, Grama Niladhari Division where it is located and the nature of land, with respect to each of the aforesaid lands;
- (iii) the annual income from each land;
- (iv) whether the ownership of those lands have been transferred legally to individuals or institutions;
- (v) if so, the purpose for which the lands were transferred and the basis on which it was done;
- (vi) the name and address of the persons or institutions that received lands, the date of transfer, extent of the land and the relevant period of time;
- (vii) the income received by the Commission from each land ?

(b) Will he state —

- (i) whether lands of the Commission are occupied illegally by individuals or institutions;
- (ii) if so, their names the extent of land occupied and the period for which it has been occupied;
- (iii) the measures taken and the current situation in that respect;
- (iv) the extent of land in possession of the Commission at its inception and at present;
- (v) the extent of land that was alienated out of the extent that was there at the inception;
- (vi) the names and addresses of the persons to whom lands were alienated and the extent of land ?

(c) If not, why?
