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**ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT
FOR**

Tuesday, February 08, 2011 at 1.00 p.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

0053/'10

1.

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?

0344/'10

2.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,— (3)

- (a) Will he inform this House, the number of Samurdhi recipients in each Divisional Secretariat Division of Kurunegala district who had been receiving the benefit by the 30th June of each year from 2005 to 2009, separately ?
- (b) Will he further inform this House—
 - (i) the amounts allocated annually for Samurdhi recipients of each Divisional Secretariat Division of Kurunegala district from 2005 to 2009, separately ;
 - (ii) the names and addresses of those who had been Samurdhi recipients but cut off from the lists later, with respect to Panduwasnuwara East and West Divisional Secretariat Divisions from 2005 to 2009 ;
 - (iii) the basis on which those persons were deprived of the benefit ; and
 - (iv) the names and addresses of those who have been newly added as Samurdhi recipients with respect to the aforesaid two Divisional Secretariat Divisions?
- (c) If not, why?

0430/'10

3.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (2)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) the names of all Government owned Institutions with the capital invested to date per Institution;
 - (ii) the number of persons working in such Institutions for the last three years;
 - (iii) the amount of share ownership of the Institutions by the Government; and
 - (iv) the profit or loss per Institution for the last year as per (a)(i) above?
- (b) Will he also state —
 - (i) the number of Institutions out of the total number as per (a)- i which do not report to COPE or PAC;
 - (ii) the reasons for not reporting; and
 - (iii) whether it is a violation of Section 148 of the Constitution?
- (c) If not, why ?

0572/'10

4.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Health,— (2)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) even though the Director (Biomedical Engineering Services) has informed the Sri Jayawardanapura Hospital through his letter No. BES/PL/MIS 99 1 dated 25.08.2009 to pay salary relevant to the salary code No. MN-7-2006A for the posts of Electronic Medical Technologist and Foreman (Special) in terms of Public Administration Circular No. 06/2006 (iv) dated 24.08.2007, the above staff of the aforesaid hospital is being paid according to the lower salary scale of MT-2-2006A ; and
- (ii) a salary anomaly has been created as a result of the salary of code NO. MN-7-2006A being paid to the post of Civil (Electrical, Building) Foreman which was at a salary scale lower than that of the aforesaid staff?

(b) Will he state whether action will be taken to place the Electronic Medical Technologist staff, who carry out such essential duties as maintaining all medical equipment and X-Ray machines of the above hospital, on the recommended salary scale and pay them salary arrears, too?

(c) If not, why?

0787/'10

5.

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Social Services,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House separately—

- (i) of the number of elderly persons staying in the Homes for Elders situated in each district of the Eastern Province ;
- (ii) of the facilities and services provided by the government for those elderly persons ; and
- (iii) the amount of money spent by the government annually for the provision of facilities to the aforesaid Homes?

(b) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) the programme that is expected to be implemented by the government to enhance the facilities and services at the Homes for Elders situated in each of the aforesaid districts ; and
- (ii) the amount of money expected to be spent on it?

(c) If not, why?

0873/'10

6.

Hon. Shantha Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that there are samurdhi recipients in the Kurunegala district?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) the number of families in the Kurunegala district that were empowered by the samurdhi programme from its inception up to year 2004 and in the year 2010 ;
 - (ii) the amount of money allocated for the Kurunegala district for year 2010 to provide Samurdhi assistance ; and
 - (iii) whether that amount of money has been given to the samurdhi recipients in time?
- (c) If not, why?

0876/'10

7.

Hon. Mohamed Aslam,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that eventhough Mr. M.J.M. Uvais residing at No. 569/49B, Bandaranayake Place, Thihariya in the Attanagalla Divisional Secretariat Division of Gampaha district and A.C. Noor Naima (75 years of age) an elderly dependent on him are members of a low income family, they have not yet been provided with the Samurdhi assistance?
- (b) Will he state whether steps will be taken to provide the Samurdhi assistance without delay to Mr. Uvais and his dependents who live amidst various difficulties as he does not have a permanent job?
- (c) If not, why?

0484/'10

8.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, — To ask the Minister of Power and Energy,— (2)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether a programme has been prepared to generate electricity by using wind power in the area from Puttlam to Mannar ;
 - (ii) if so, the total estimated cost of the aforesaid project ;
 - (iii) the amount of electricity expected to be generated from the aforesaid project in megawatts ;

(5)

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether there are any interested parties who are willing to implement the aforesaid project at present ;
- (ii) if so, the names of those institutions and the countries they belong to?

(c) If not, why?

0579/'10

9.

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

(a) Will he state whether the subject of Tourism is under the purview of the Ministry of Economic Development?

(b) Will he inform this House—

- (i) the number of Tourist Hotels operating in Anuradhapura, Jaffna, Trincomalee, Matara, Batticaloa, Puttalam and Kurunegala districts separately on star class basis; and
- (ii) the number of rooms available in aforesaid hotels per year;

(c) Will he state—

- (i) as to how a Sustainable Tourist Promotion drive would be developed in those areas; and
- (ii) the total budget to promote the tourism sector in Sri Lanka for the year 2010/2011?

(d) If not, why?

0788/'10

10.

Hon. (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Child Development and Women's Affairs,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House separately—

- (i) of the number of children staying in the Homes for Children situated in each district of the Eastern Province ;
- (ii) of the facilities and services provided by the government for those children ; and
- (iii) the amount of money spent by the government annually for the provision of facilities to the aforesaid Homes?

(6)

(b) Will he submit to this House—

- (i) the programme that is expected to be implemented by the government to enhance the facilities and services at the Homes for Children situated in each of the aforesaid districts ; and
- (ii) the amount of money expected to be spent on it?

(c) If not, why?

0857/'10

11.

Hon. Ajith Kumara,— To ask the Minister of Education,— (1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether the provincial ministry of education has conducted a study regarding the salary arrears to be paid to teachers of the Southern Province coming under the purview of the provincial council and the central government ;
- (ii) if so, whether salary arrears are to be paid to teachers of the Southern Province as per the aforesaid study ; and
- (iii) separately, of the amount of salary arrears to be paid to teachers of the Southern Province at each education zone level as at 01.01.2010, if salary arrears are to be paid as mentioned above?

(b) Will he state—

- (i) whether allocations have been made by the government for the payment of aforesaid arrears ;
- (ii) the reasons, if allocations were not so made?

(c) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether he admits that an injustice has been caused to these teachers as a result of not paying salary arrears;
- (ii) if so, the date on which the aforesaid teachers will be paid their salary arrears?

(d) If not, why?

0538/'10

12.

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara,— To ask the Minister of Economic Development,— (2)

- (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?

0596/'10

13.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Planning,— (1)

- (a) Will he state for the last 10 years per year basis—
 - (i) the total Actual Expenditure (Net Economic Outturn) of the government ;
 - (ii) the revenue of the government earned by direct and indirect taxes separately;
 - (iii) the Capital and Recurrent expenditure of the government ;
 - (iv) the GDP of the country ; and
 - (v) the budget deficit of the Government?

- (b) Will he also state—
- (i) as to how it is financed and give the interest cost for the loans taken to bridge the budget deficit; and
 - (ii) whether it is possible to afford this lifestyle and the country is heading for a debt trap?
- (c) If not, why?
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AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Presentation of Bills

1.

The Minister of Health,— Food (Amendment),— Bill to amend the Food Act, No. 26 of 1980.

Notice of Motions

2.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Business of the Parliament,— That the proceedings on Item 1 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 8.30 p.m.. At 6.30 p.m. Standing Order 7(5) shall operate.

4.

Hon. Wijeyadasa Rajapakshe,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.1),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the Mahamewnawa Sadaham Sevawa. ”

5.

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.2),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to provide access to Free Education to all Children in Sri Lanka ”

6.

Hon. Tharanath Basnayaka,— Leave to introduce Bill (No.3),— That leave be granted to introduce the following Bill:—

“ Bill to incorporate the S.B. Nawinna Foundation”

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

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 February 03rd, 2011, be approved.

*2.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Regulations under the Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.1),— That the Regulations made by the President, under Sections 4(3), 14 and 20 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 as amended by Act, No. 48 of 1985 and Act, No. 28 of 1987 read with paragraph (2) of Article 44 of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1681/12 of 22nd November 2010, which were presented on 04.01.2011, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*3.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Buddha Sasana and Religious Affairs,— Regulations under Imports and Exports (Control) Act (No.2),— That the Regulations made by the President, under Sections 4(3), 14 and 20 of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, No. 1 of 1969 as amended by Act, No. 48 of 1985 and Act, No. 28 of 1987 read with paragraph (2) of Article 44 of the Constitution and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1685/25 of 24th December 2010, which were presented on 20.01.2011, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified)

*4.

The Minister of Plantation Industries,— Regulations under the Sri Lanka Tea Board Law,— That the Regulations made by the Sri Lanka Tea Board under Section 25 of the Sri Lanka Tea Board Law, No. 14 of 1975 read with Sections 5B and 5C of this Act, and approved by the Minister of Plantation Industries, and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1677/14 of 27th October 2010, which were presented on 04.01.2011, be approved.

*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.

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

*7.

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”.