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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Office on Missing Persons (Establishment, Administration and Discharge of Functions)(Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Industry and Commerce,— Regulations under the Companies Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Industry and Commerce including the new sub-section (ix) published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1998/11 of 20th December 2016, amending the Section 2(i)(b) relating to the Companies (Secretaries) Regulations under Section 527 of the Companies Act, No. 7 of 2007 published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 471/6 of 14th September 1987, which were presented on 24.03.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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The Minister of Sports,— Regulations under the Convention against Doping in Sports Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Sports under Section 34(1) of the Convention against Doping in Sports Act, No. 33 of 2013 relating to the Prohibited List (2017) published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.2006/15 of 14th February 2017, which were presented on 21.03.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

* *Indicates Government Business.*

Friday, May 05, 2017

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

807/16

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Shipping,—(1)

(a) Is he aware that—

- (i) blasts carried out for the construction of the Hambantota Port had caused severe damages to the house in which Mrs. A.W. Ummu Saleema of No. 24/5 Magam Road, Hambantota and her elderly husband lived;

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- (ii) having informed the Sri Lanka Ports Authority and the Hambantota Divisional Secretary of it, they moved out of the house and settled in a rented house as per the statement of the Divisional Secretary assuring that compensation would be paid for the damaged house and land, instructing the immediate evacuation of their house, and promising payment of rent for house until compensation would be made available; and
 - (iii) a one-off payment equivalent to six months' rent was paid after numerous requests but no more monthly payments were made by now, contrary to what was promised?
- (b) Will he inform the House of—
- (i) the date on which the agreed monthly rent will be made available with arrears; and
 - (ii) the date on which compensation will be paid for the lost house and land?
- (c) If not, why?

854/16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) foreigners enter the Patna forest belonging to Deniyaya range in the Matara district in an unauthorized manner from the point near the waterway through Viharahena road;
 - (ii) the Pitadeniya Entrance Point opened by the Forest Conservation Department to visit Sinharaja forest is not utilized by them when visiting the forest;
 - (iii) it is the tourists who get accommodated in star level hotels in the close proximity of Sinharaja forest located in Matara district, who enter the forest in that manner;
 - (iv) there is a possibility to damage the bio diversity of Singharaja forest and genetic ravaging as a result of entering the forest through this access route; and
 - (v) a huge loss is incurred on the part of the government owing to this situation?
- (b) Will he state—
- (i) whether a proper programme will be formulated to enter tourists to Sinharaja forest; and
 - (ii) if so, from which date will it be?

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- (c) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether it has been discovered that the star rated hotels in the proximity of the Sinharaja forest, in the Matara district have made routes or constructions within the forest; and
 - (ii) if so, of the measures that have been taken against the aforesaid institutions?
- (d) If not, why?

1344/'16

Hon. Seyed Ali Zahir Moulana,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the number of appointments of additional temporary employees made outside the cadre provision approved by the Ministry of Finance, since the dissolution of elected local bodies in Eravur Urban Council, Kattankudy Urban Council and Koralaipattu West Pradeshiya Sabha, on 15/5/2015 separately;
 - (ii) the number of such appointments made with the recommendations of the present Chief Minister of the Eastern Province;
 - (iii) whether each of the local authorities have sufficient funds to remunerate such appointments; and
 - (iv) the nature of services of such temporary employees?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether such appointments were in accordance with the requirements of each local authority;
 - (ii) whether it has result in over-staffing and financial constraints, and if so why;
 - (iii) any such temporary employees presently under-paid or unpaid, and if so why; and
 - (iv) whether action will be taken to increase the cadre provision to absorb these temporary employees?
- (c) If not, why?

1370/'16

Hon. Bandula Gunawardana,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether a “regulatory authority” required for regulating the small and medium scale enterprise sector was established as per the budget proposals for year 2016;
 - (ii) if so, of the date on which such authority was established;
 - (iii) whether a fee of Rs.25,000/- should be paid when registering a microfinance company in Sri Lanka;

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- (iv) whether an advisory committee was established for the purpose of studying the difficulties experienced by the small and medium scale enterprise sector;
 - (v) if so, of the names of the members of the aforesaid committee;
 - (vi) whether an initial fund of Rs.500 million was provided by the government for the implementation of a credit guarantee scheme for small and medium scale enterprises in the year of 2016;
 - (vii) whether a credit facility of Rs.100 million was received from the Asian Development Bank to assist the programme for providing financial facilities to the small and medium scale enterprise sector under concessionary interest rates; and
 - (viii) whether a list containing the names and addresses of the small and medium scale entrepreneurs who were provided with loans that were granted under the credit facility of the Asian Development Bank would be presented to this House?
- (b) If not, why?
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Tuesday, May 23, 2017
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

855/16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) the Polgahawewa tank (Ihalagama) in Ihalagama village in the 181F Ketagewatta Grama Niladhari Division in the Ja-ela Divisional Secretary's Division is faced with the risk of deterioration owing to lack of proper maintenance; and
 - (ii) some organised groups are planning to fill the tank and take possession of the lands in the reservation of the tank?
- (b) Will he state—
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to renovate the Ihalagama tank;
 - (ii) if so, the date it will be done;
 - (iii) whether funds had been allocated by the 2016 budget to renovate the tank; and
 - (iv) If so, the amount of money so allocated?

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- (c) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether steps have been taken against the illegal filling of the tank and acquiring lands belonging to the tank;
 - (ii) if so, the names of persons involved in those illegal activities;
 - (iii) the steps taken against them;
 - (iv) whether arrangements will be made to acquire back the lands of the tank which have been filled and cultivated with Kohila; and
 - (v) of the steps to be taken against those persons who have cultivated Kohila?
- (d) If not, why?

1007/16

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,—To ask the Minister of Megapolis and Western Development,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) an extent of about 30 acres from the land known as ‘Osu Uyana’ located in the security zone of the Katharagama sacred city was cleared using the Army causing the destruction of medicinal plants in July 2016;
 - (ii) people of the area and by Buddhist clergy have expressed their protest regarding this matter; and
 - (iii) the President has transferred the aforesaid land to the National Physical Planning Department through the Letter No. SEI/289/465 dated 30.01.1990?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) who are responsible for the destruction mentioned in (a) (i) above;
 - (ii) what steps have been taken against such persons;
 - (iii) whether the aforesaid destruction was caused to build a branch of the Thirupathi shrine of India; and
 - (iv) whether approval of any institution under the purview of the Ministry has been granted for the construction mentioned in (iii) above?
- (c) If not, why?

1102/16

Hon. Seyed Ali Zahir Moulana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) Mrs. Nalinagandi Vimalendran, teacher at Bt/Navatkerny Kannaki Vidyalaya completed her training from Batticaloa Teachers College in 2008 and posted to Kaiveli Ganesha Vidyalaya in Mullaithivu district;

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- (ii) she was asked to sit for the final examination in April 2009 which was held at Batticaloa Teachers College;
 - (iii) as war was at its climax during that period and nobody was allowed to leave out of Mullaithivu;
 - (iv) she sat for the examination with her junior batch and the effective date of her certificate is given as 01.01.2011; whereas juniors were given as 01.08.2009; and
 - (v) she has appealed to the President about this injustice and the Coordinating Secretary to the President has sent a letter No. SL/EDU/APP/0043 dated 05.08.2016 to then, Secretary, Ministry of Education to rectify this irregularity?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether instructions be given to change the effective date of her certificate as 01.08.2009?
- (c) If not why?

1128/16

Hon. S.M. Marikkar,—To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
- (i) the number of overseas trips made by the present Chief Minister of the Western Provincial Council, after his appointment to the said post;
 - (ii) the countries visited and the amount spent on those trips separately;
 - (iii) the objects of each of those visits separately; and
 - (iv) the progress achieved in relation to the expected objects of the said overseas trips?
- (b) If not, why?

1132/16

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,—To ask the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether Dr. Neville Fernando Investment Pvt. Ltd. has been granted permission by the Board of Investment of Sri Lanka to start a Higher Education Institute;
 - (ii) if so, of the degrees awarded by it;
 - (iii) of the date of entering into the agreement with that institution;
 - (iv) whether that agreement would be tabled;
 - (v) whether that company has met the condition of getting prior approval of the Ministry of Health in granting approval to award the Nursing Degree and Health Science Degree within Sri Lanka;
 - (vi) if so, whether the letter issued by the Ministry of Health granting approval would be tabled; and
 - (vii) if not, of the measures taken against that company which had breached the agreement with the Board of Investment of Sri Lanka?
- (b) If not, why?

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1147/'16

Hon. M.H.M. Salman,—To ask the Minister of Home Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the date on which the Kattankudy Divisional Secretariat Division in the Batticaloa District was established;
 - (ii) whether he will table a copy of the Gazette Notification issued in this regard;
 - (iii) what total extent of land area is covered by that Divisional Secretariat Division;
 - (iv) how many Grama Niladhari Divisions are located in the Division concerned; and
 - (v) what the names and official codes of such Grama Niladhari Divisions are?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether an official delimitation mission has taken place in establishing that Divisional Secretariat Division; and
 - (ii) if so, what its details are?
- (c) Will he state this House —
 - (i) whether administration or other operations of any of the Grama Niladhari Divisions falling under the Divisional Secretariat Division concerned are currently handled by some other Divisional Secretariats; and
 - (ii) if so, whether he will submit the names and official codes of such Grama Niladhari Divisions?
- (d) If not, why?

1375/'16

Hon. Bandula Gunawardana,—To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform the House—
 - (i) whether he accepts that, according to Budget Proposal No. 129 for 2016, 1,000 million rupees had been allocated for encouraging healthy co-operation between the private and public sectors;
 - (ii) of the manner in which this 1,000 million rupees, which had been allocated for development of agriculture, was utilized;
 - (iii) whether he will submit a list of beneficiaries of the financial resources flowing from this 1,000 million rupees allocated from the Budget Proposals; and
- (b) If not, why?

1538/17

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of teaching appointments that have been given for the schools of Uva provincial council to date, since the incumbent Chief Minister assumed the office;
 - (ii) of the names and addresses of aforesaid appointees and the names of the schools that they were assigned to; and
 - (iii) of the methodology adopted in providing aforesaid appointments?
- (b) If not, why?

1558/17

Hon. Kanaka Herath,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the total amount allocated in 2016 for the payment of distress loans to the teachers of the national schools in Sabaragamuwa Province;
 - (ii) whether that total amount has been provided to the provincial council within the relevant year;
 - (iii) were made to provide the total allocation for Kegalle district to Kegalle, Mawanella and Dehiowita education zones;
 - (iv) if so, of the amount provided to each zone?
- (b) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the number of teachers of national schools who have applied for loans;
 - (ii) the number of teachers who have been paid distress loans;
 - (iii) the value of the loans provided;
separately with relevance to Kegalle, Mawanella and Dehiowita education zones?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether action would be taken to provide the distress loan to teachers who were not provided that loan despite applying for it;
 - (ii) whether imprest would be released to the offices for that purpose;
 - (iii) if so, the date on which it would be done?
- (d) If not, why?

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) an irregularity has taken place in admitting students to grade 6 of the Godapitiya National School in Akuressa in Matara district in the year 2016; and
 - (ii) a group of students have been faced with an injustice owing to that?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of students who were admitted to grade 6 of Godapitiya National School from other schools in the year 2016;
 - (ii) the methodology adopted in admitting students in relation to each student, separately; and
 - (iii) whether a list of selected students has been submitted to the Ministry of Education by the principal; and
 - (iv) if so, whether the Ministry has given its recommendation to that list?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to conduct an inquiry in that regard;
 - (ii) if so, the date it will be done; and
 - (iii) the steps to be taken for the students who faced injustice?
- (d) If not, why?

Hon. Bandula Gunawardana,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he would table a detailed list that contains the names of the villages among which the provision of Rs.21,000 million that had been allocated for the year 2016 was distributed under the programme to provide Rs.1.5 million per village for the development of rural economy as per proposal No.171 of the budget proposals for the year 2016 and details of the projects that have been completed in each of those villages;
 - (ii) whether he would table a list that contains separately the names of authoritative institutes which implemented the aforesaid budget proposal in the said 14,022 Grama Niladhari Divisions and the amounts of money that have been obtained by those authorities during the year 2016 for the purpose of implementing the aforesaid projects;

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- (iii) whether he would table a list that contains the names of Grama Niladhari Divisions which have not received the financial provision of Rs.1.5 million that is allocated per village as per the aforesaid proposal or those which have received only a part of that provision; and
 - (b) If not, why?
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Wednesday, May 24, 2017
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

860/16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(2)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the officer named, Dick-Ella Lekamge Chamith Anjula Kumara Lekamge, who serves in 06th Artillery Regiment in Sri Lanka Army under the number 65954, has contravened the discipline of the Army;
 - (ii) the investigations on him were not conducted in a proper manner;
 - (iii) an injustice has been caused to his wife, Sri Mali Lasanthika Nawaratne, who has been prejudiced by this?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether an investigation has been carried out on the aforesaid officer;
 - (ii) if so, since when;
 - (iii) whether the Army makes an intervention to provide some relief in regard to the injustice caused to Sri Mali Lasanthika Nawaratne; and
 - (iv) if so, the manner in which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

1163/16

Hon. Douglas Devananda,—To ask Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the government is taking action to increase the height of the Minipe dam of Mahaweli River by 12 feet;
 - (ii) as a result of this, around 22,500 acres of lands in Seruvila, Muttur and Werugal areas will be affected and about 80,000 farmers will suffer due to the unavailability of water;
 - (iii) the farmers in Seruvila, Muttur, Vijithapura and Verugal areas are not in a position to cultivate the two seasons as the height of this dam was increased by 3 meters previously;

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- (iv) there will be a shortage of drinking water for the people in this area if the height of this dame is increased by 12 feet;
- (v) 42 farmer organizations have conducted a press conference on 04.09.2016 at the Town Hall – Trincomalee on the above matter?
- (b) Will he inform this House the steps that will be taken by the government to provide relief if the farmers are suffered in this manner?
- (c) If not, why?

1314/'16

Hon. M.H.M. Salman,—To ask the Minister of Lands,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the extent of land which belongs to the public institutions located in Eravur Divisional Secretariat Division in Batticaloa District;
 - (ii) whether the occupants in that Divisional Secretariat Division have applied to obtain state lands on grants or permits;
 - (iii) if so, the number of applications received for it;
 - (iv) the extent of land provided to the aforesaid applicants on grants/permits by now?
- (b) If not, why ?

1338/'16

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether action will be taken to grow the natural forest in Kahalla forest reserve by removing the invasive plants in it and also to renovate the ancient tanks there;
 - (ii) if so , when it will be done;
 - (iii) the period of time that will be taken to complete those activities;
 - (iv) whether the voluntary organizations in the area have agreed to contribute their labor for this task;
 - (v) whether a programme of work will be prepared for this?
- (b) If not, why?

1372/16

Hon. Bandula Gunawardana,— To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether a ‘fund of funds’ has been established with the view to providing business capital to small and medium scale entrepreneurs as per proposal No.124 of the budget proposals for year 2016;
 - (ii) whether requests were made to the International Finance Corporation and Asian Development Bank seeking their contributions to the aforesaid ‘fund of funds’;
 - (iii) if so, of the nature of the responses received from those institutes;
 - (iv) whether the Inland Revenue Act was amended in relation to reduction of corporate income tax for venture capital companies by 50%;
- (b) If not, why?

1559/17

Hon. Kanaka Herath,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the total amount allocated to provide uniforms to school children for 2017;
 - (ii) the amount provided to a student in the primary grades (Grade1-5) for uniforms;
 - (iii) the amount provided to a student in the secondary grades (Grade6-13) for uniforms;
- (b) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the amount provided is not sufficient to purchase uniform material;
 - (ii) the parents have to bear an additional expenditure as a result of providing a coupon instead of providing uniform material at school level;
 - (iii) owing to the said situation, a different methodology has to be followed to provide uniform material?
- (c) If not, why?

1570/17

Hon. Seyed Ali Zahir Moulana,— To ask the Minister of Minister of Public Administration and Management,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the names of Divisional Secretary Divisions functioning administratively as Tamil and Sinhala separately;
 - (ii) the names of officers in Sri Lanka Planning Service functioning as Assistant Directors of Planning; and
 - (iii) the names of officers functioning under supernumerary basis, divisional secretariat wise in terms of Ministry of Finance Circular No. MF13/cc/Absorb dated 28.6.2009 and Public Service Commission Circular No. A4/6/24/2007 dated 23.5.2007; in the Ampara District?

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- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) Whether the offices where supernumerary officers are functioning be considered for vacancies in these posts; and
 - (ii) If so, whether such vacancies be filled by transferring officers from Sinhala medium divisional secretaries offices in Ampara District?
- (c) If not, why?

1608/17

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,—To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he admit that—
- (i) on or around 21.11.2016 at a TV interview he said that a circular has been sent to all banks to give 15% interest to senior citizens for their fixed deposits up to Rs.1.5 million; and
 - (ii) in the alternative, he said that he sent the circulars to the Central Bank of Sri Lanka with the necessary instructions and that the Central Bank of Sri Lanka has failed to carry out the said directive?
- (b) Is he aware that—
- (i) all banks including state banks have not effected such circular up to 31.01.2017; and
 - (ii) the loss caused thereby to senior citizens is in Rupees hundreds of thousands?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the reason and on what basis the Minister's circulars disregarded by the banks;
 - (ii) from what date should this arrangement has been given effect according to the Hon. Minister's budget proposal made in November 2015; and
 - (iii) will the Hon. Minister indemnify the senior citizens, from the date the said directive of the Hon. Minister was issued?
- (d) If not, why?

1050/16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,—To ask the Minister of Megapolis and Western Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he state —
- (i) the Ministries that run their offices in state owned buildings, within the limits of Colombo Municipal Council area;
 - (ii) the state owned buildings, in which aforesaid offices of the ministries have been located;
 - (iii) separately, in terms of each building, the ministries that pay lease and do not pay lease;

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- (iv) separately, in terms of each building, amounts of lease and service charges, paid per one square feet, by aforesaid ministries;
- (v) whether a fee is charged for the parking spaces of this buildings;
- (vi) if so, aforesaid amount;
- (vii) the method of payments that is calculated in terms of the number of vehicles?

(b) If not, why?

1315/16

Hon. M.H.M. Salman,—To ask the Minister of Lands,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House —

- (i) the extent of land which belongs to the public institutions located in Koralaipattu, Valaichchenai Divisional Secretariat Division in Batticaloa District ;
- (ii) whether the occupants in that Divisional Secretarial Division has applied to obtain state lands on grants permits;
- (iii) if so , the number of applications received for it;
- (iv) the extent of land provided to the aforesaid applicants on grants/ permits by now ?

(b) If not, why ?

1379/16

Hon. Bandula Gunawardana,—To ask the Minister of Social Empowerment and Welfare,—(1)

(a) Will he inform the House—

- (i) whether 44,000 metric tons of rice was purchased for distribution among Samurdhi Beneficiaries as per Proposal No. 134 of the Budget 2016;
- (ii) if so, at what prices and from which parties;
- (iii) of the total expenditure borne for the implementation of the proposal referred to above;
- (iv) of the ratio at which the 44,000 metric tons of rice was distributed among Samurdhi Beneficiaries; and
- (v) of the time of distribution?

(b) If not, why?

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1051/16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,—To ask the Minister of Megapolis and Western Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he state —
- (i) the Ministries that run their offices within the limits of Sri Jayawardhanapura Kotte Municipal Council area;
 - (ii) the state owned buildings, in which aforesaid offices of the ministries have been located;
 - (iii) separately, in terms of each building, the ministries that pay lease and do not pay lease;
 - (iv) separately, in terms of each building, amounts of lease and service charges, paid per one square feet, by aforesaid ministries;
 - (v) whether a fee is charged for the parking spaces of these buildings;
 - (vi) if so, the aforesaid amount;
 - (vii) the method of payment that is calculated in terms of the number of vehicles?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the Ministries that run their offices in private buildings within the limit of Sri Jayawardhanapura Kotte Municipal Council area;
 - (ii) the buildings, in which aforesaid offices of the ministries have been located;
 - (iii) separately, in terms of each building, of the amounts of lease and service charges, paid per one square feet, of aforesaid buildings;
 - (iv) whether a fee is charged for the parking spaces of these buildings?
- (c) If not, why?

1235/16

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,—To ask the Minister of Higher Education and Highways,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the total number of roads in the Batticaloa district as at 1983;
 - (ii) the number of tarred roads and the extent of those roads in kilometres;
 - (iii) the amount of money spent by the previous governments to construct the roads in that district during the period from 1983 to the end of war in respect of each year separately;
 - (iv) the amount of money spent in each year to construct the roads in this district in the aftermath of the war; and
 - (v) whether a comprehensive report is submitted to this House in this regard?
- (b) If not, why?

1306/16

Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma,—To ask the Minister of Labour and Trade Unions Relations,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of private institutions in the Matara district that have been registered to subscribe for the Employees Provident Fund;
 - (ii) the names of the institutions in above (i);
 - (iii) the number of employees in the Matara district who have obtained the membership of the Employees Provident Fund in respect of each Divisional Secretary's Division separately; and
 - (iv) the minimum requirement needed to be registered in the Employees Provident Fund?
- (b) If not, why?

1316/16

Hon. M.H.M. Salman,—To ask the Minister of Lands,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the extent of land which belongs to the public institutions located in Koralaipattu, Kiran South Divisional Secretariat Division in Batticaloa District;
 - (ii) whether the occupants in that Divisional Secretariat Division have applied to obtain state lands on grants or permits;
 - (iii) if so, the number of applications received for it;
 - (iv) the extent of land provided to the aforesaid applicants on grants/permits by now?
- (b) If not, why?

1380/16

Hon. Bandula Gunawardana,—To ask the Minister of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the Rs. 100 million allocated to the National Aquaculture Development Authority (NAQDA) as per proposal 150 of the 2016 budget, the amount granted by the Treasury during the year;
 - (ii) whether the National Aquaculture Development Authority had drawn up specific projects to spend the said financial provision;
 - (iii) whether he will submit a programme description indicating as to how the aforesaid Rs. 100 million allocated for the year 2016 was spent?
- (b) If not, why?

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1707/'17

Hon. Vidura Wickramanayaka,— To ask the Minister Industry and Commerce,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) the loan scheme named SMILE III was implemented for the small and medium scale industries and micro industries on a concessionary interest rate and with a two years grace period in order to empower entrepreneurs;
 - (ii) the project director published newspaper advertisements on 10th July 2016 and gave publicity regarding granting loans;
 - (iii) eventhough ten commercial banks came forward to grant loans under this scheme and nearly five thousand applicants applied for those loans, granting of loans has now been stalled;
 - (iv) eventhough most entrepreneurs have completed the signing of deeds of security and deeds of mortgage by making the preliminary expenses, loans have not been granted; and
 - (v) this situation has resulted in improving businesses and emerging businesses being stalled while being a blow to the national economy?
- (b) Will he inform this House as to why people were inconvenienced by publishing newspaper advertisements on 10.07.2016, if granting of loans is not possible?
- (c) If not, why?

1052/'16

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

- (a) Will he accepts that —
- (i) issues have been surfaced in selling the products of the registered seed paddy farmers ;
 - (ii) a proper price is not given for aforesaid products ;
 - (iii) they have become discouraged due to aforesaid reason?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether a methodical program will be implemented in order to purchase the products of seed paddy farmers;
 - (ii) of so , of which manner ?
- (c) If not, why?

1259/16

Hon. Padma Udayashantha Gunasekera,—To ask the Minister of Law and Order and Southern Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform the House—
 - (i) how many Police Stations had been established within the Vavuniya District as at 1983;
 - (ii) how many Police officers had been serving at those Police Stations;
 - (iii) how many Police Stations were destroyed by the LTTE terrorists after the year 1983 until the end of the war in 2009;
 - (iv) how many Police officers were died due to terrorist attacks;
 - (v) whether an assessment has been done with regard to the destruction of properties referred to in (iii) above; and
 - (vi) whether he will Table a full report on all above?
- (b) If not, why?

1381/16

Hon. Bandula Gunawardana,—To ask the Minister of Primary Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he admits that Rs.100 million was allocated as per proposal No.149 of the 2016 budget proposals to set up agricultural, livestock and fish processing zones in the districts of Anuradhapura, Vavuniya and Kilinochchi;
 - (ii) of the persons who prepared the feasibility reports for these three projects;
 - (iii) of the total estimated cost for these three projects accordingly;
 - (iv) of the total financial allocations made by the General Treasury for the said projects by the end of 2016;
 - (v) of the total financial allocation that can be made available for the said projects for 2017?
 - (b) If not, why?
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1260/'16

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,—To ask the Minister of Law and Order and Southern Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform the House—
- (i) how many Police Stations had been established within the Jaffna District as at 1983;
 - (ii) how many Police officers had been serving at those Police Stations;
 - (iii) how many Police Stations were destroyed by the LTTE terrorists after the year 1983 until the end of the war in 2009;
 - (iv) how many Police officers were died due to terrorist attacks;
 - (v) whether an assessment has been done with regard to the destruction of properties referred to in (iii) above; and
 - (vi) whether he will Table a full report on all above?
- (b) If not, why?

1307/'16

Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma,—To ask the Minister of Higher Education and Highways,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the number of kilometers of the roads belong to the central government in the Matara district;
 - (ii) Separately the classifications of those roads according to the Road Development Authority;
 - (iii) the number of kilometers of the carpeted roads in the district of Matara from 2013 to 2016 in respect of each year separately; and
 - (iv) the amount of money allocated to develop and maintenance of the roads in the Matara district from 2013 to 2016 in respect of each year separately?
- (b) If not, why?

1317/'16

Hon. M.H.M. Salman,—To ask the Minister of Lands,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) the extent of land which belongs to the public institutions located in Koralaipattu, Central Divisional Secretariat Division in Batticaloa District;

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- (ii) whether the occupants in that Divisional Secretarial Division has applied to obtain state lands on grants or permits;
 - (iii) if so, the number of applications received for it;
 - (iv) the extent of land provided to the aforesaid applicants on grants/ permits by now ?
- (b) If not, why?

1326/16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Internal Affairs, Wayamba Development and Cultural Affairs,— (1)

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) the Sri Lankans who were named as traitors during the Dutch rule in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the reasons for naming the particular individuals as traitors?
- (b) Will he inform this House-
- (i) of the privileges that an individual is deprived of when named as a traitor;
 - (ii) whether the deprivation of such privileges has any effect on the family members of the particular individuals ;
 - (iii) if so, in which manner?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether action has been taken to remove the names of the Sri Lankans who have been named as traitors by the Dutch from the aforesaid registers;
 - (ii) whether action will be taken to name them as national heroes?
- (d) If not, why?

1383/16

Hon. Bandula Gunawardana,—To ask the Minister of Finance,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the contribution made to the government revenue by the increase of the special commodity levy on fish and fish products to Rs. 50/- as per proposal number 147 of the 2016 budget;
 - (ii) separately the quantities and import values of fish and fish products imported to Sri Lanka from 1977 up to now;
 - (iii) whether a list of importers who engage in importing fish and fish products will be submitted as per customs data;
 - (iv) whether the government has a plan for the reduction of fish importation to Sri Lanka;
 - (v) if so, of the aforementioned plan?
- (b) If not, why?

1261/'16

Hon. Padma Udayashantha Gunasekera,—To ask the Minister of Law and Order and Southern Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform the House—
- (i) how many Police Stations had been established within the Mullaitivu District as at 1983;
 - (ii) how many Police officers had been serving at those Police Stations;
 - (iii) how many Police Stations were destroyed by the LTTE terrorists after the year 1983 until the end of the war in 2009;
 - (iv) how many Police officers were died due to terrorist attacks;
 - (v) whether an assessment has been taken with regard to the destruction of properties referred to in (iii) above; and
 - (vi) whether he will table a full report on all above?
- (b) If not, why?

1328/'16

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,— (1)

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) the number of Windmills installed in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) The price at which a unit of electricity is obtained from those power plants by the Ceylon Electricity Board separately in relation to each power plant; and
 - (iii) out of those Windmills, the power plants that belong to the L.T.L. Holdings Private Limited
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the price at which a unit of electricity is supplied to the Ceylon Electricity Board by the new Windmills being erected at Elephant pass;
 - (ii) whether the government has taken steps to obtain a unit of electricity from Windmills at a lowest rate; and
 - (iii) if so, in what manner?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Bandula Gunawardana,—To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether a Rs.300 million allocation was provided to Lak Sathosa to promote domestic fish canning by the private sector as per proposal No.146 of the budget proposals for 2016;
 - (ii) of the canned fish producers who may be provided benefits through this promotion scheme;
 - (iii) of their annual canned fish production within the past few years;
 - (iv) of the quantity of canned fish imported annually to this country and the amount of foreign exchange spent on that from 1977 up to now, separately with respect to each year;
 - (v) whether he admits that the controlled price of Rs.125/= imposed on canned fish by the government is not fully implemented within the market?
- (b) If not, why?
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