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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Municipal Councils (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

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Urban Councils (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

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Pradeshiya Sabha (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.
(Cabinet approval signified.)

* *Indicates Government Business.*

Monday, December 04, 2017

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

135/15

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Mass Media,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the names of convicted persons of the 4 billion rupee VAT fraud;
 - (ii) the punishment given to each person separately;
 - (iii) whether those persons have paid the fine imposed on them?
- (b) Is he aware that—
- (i) there is a large number of persons connected to the aforesaid VAT fraud;
 - (ii) high officials of the Inland Revenue Department are connected to this fraud; and
 - (iii) certain groups have fled the country by now?

(2)

- (c) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether investigations are carried out on all the persons involved in the VAT fraud;
 - (ii) if so, names, addresses, telephone numbers and positions of persons revealed from the investigations; and
 - (iii) the measures taken against them?
- (d) If not, why?

1219/16

Hon. Padma Udayashantha Gunasekara,—To ask the Minister of Home Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the number of government institutions in the Mannar district;
 - (ii) the number of government institutions that were destroyed by the LTTE terrorists after 1983;
 - (iii) whether a government acceptable valuation has been done on the destroyed property;
 - (iv) if so, the total value of the said property;
 - (v) whether legal action has been taken against the terrorists who were responsible for the said destruction;
 - (vi) if so, what those steps are; and
 - (vii) whether a comprehensive report with regard to the facts that have been questioned in above (i) to (vi) will be submitted to this House?
- (b) If not, why?

1471/16

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of City Planning and Water Supply,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the number of water supply projects implemented in the Badulla District up to now since the present good governance government came to power in 2015;
 - (ii) separately of the name and number of beneficiaries of each of the aforesaid water supply projects along with the amount of money spent on each project; and
 - (iii) of the steps expected to be taken to remedy the drinking water issue of the people of Badulla?
- (b) If not, why?

(3)

1624/17

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

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) the traditional gem miners in Rathnapura district, the leading district in the gem industry that provides a significant contribution to the national income, are losing that industry; and
 - (ii) the reason for this situation is that the traditional miner has fallen into the state of a labourer among the businessmen who have engaged in large scale businesses within this industry?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether licenses have been issued to use back- hoes in the large scale mining industry;
 - (ii) if so, the names and addresses of the license holders;
 - (iii) whether he admits that using of back- hoes for the traditional mining causes an injustice to the traditional miners as well as severe environmental damages; and
 - (iv) the measures that can be taken to prevent this situation?
- (c) If not, why?

1710/17

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that a subsidy called “ Kapruk Purawara” was provided to coconut farmers as Rs.52/= per tree from 8 trees up to 5 acres and that the said subsidy is not provided at present; and
 - (ii) whether he admits that eventhough the coconut cultivators who did not receive the subsidy handed over applications to the Office of the Coconut Cultivation Board at Ratnapura in December 2016 requesting that subsidy , no response has been received up to now?
- (b) Will he also inform this House whether immediate action would be taken after looking into this matter, to provide that subsidy to the coconut farmers?
- (c) If not, why?

(4)

1754/'17

Hon. Lucky Jayawardana,—To ask the Minister of Tourism Development and Christian Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he accepts that the Gadaladeniya, Lankatilaka and Ambakke Temples located in the Udunuwara Divisional Secretariat Division are very important world famous ancient places;
 - (ii) whether he is aware that thousands of local and foreign tourists arrive each day to visit these sites; and
 - (iii) local and foreign tourists face severe embarrassment due to lack of common amenities in these places?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether he will quickly adopt a course of action under his Ministry to provide common amenities that are lacking in these places expeditiously; and
 - (ii) if so, in what manner?
- (c) If not, why?

1799/'17

Hon. T. Ranjith De Soyza,— To ask the Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether a programme called 'Bimsawiya' is implemented with the objective of settling land issues;
 - (ii) whether the above programme is implemented in all districts of Sri Lanka at present; and
 - (iii) if not, of the names of the districts in which the aforementioned 'Bimsawiya' programme is implemented?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) whether a proposal to expedite the aforesaid 'Bimsawiya' programme has been submitted by now;
 - (ii) whether foreign aid is obtained to expedite the aforesaid programme;
 - (iii) if so, whether the said aid is provided as foreign assistance or a loan;
 - (iv) of the financial value of such aid; and
 - (v) of the total amount estimated for the 'Bimsawiya' programme?
- (c) If not, why?

(5)

2435/17

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the names of persons to whom payments were made by the Prime Minister's Office for drafting the Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution and for preparing concept papers and the amount of payment made to each such person separately?
 - (b) If not, why?
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