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NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of People's Bank (2016),— That the Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of People's Bank together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2016 and presented on 16.11.2017 under Section 35(3) of Monetary Law and under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 06.03.2018)

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The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of Sri Lanka Cashew Corporation (2015),— That the Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of Sri Lanka Cashew Corporation together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2015 and presented on 24.11.2017 under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 06.03.2018)

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The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of Bank of Ceylon (2016),— That the Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements of Bank of Ceylon together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2016 and presented on 04.12.2017 under Section 35(3) of Monetary Law and under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 06.03.2018)

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The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Financial Statements of Regional Development Bank (2015),— That the Annual Report and Financial Statements of Regional Development Bank together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2015 and presented on 07.11.2017 under Section 35(3) of Monetary Law Act and under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 06.03.2018)

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The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Financial Statements of State Mortgage & Investment Bank (2014),— That the Annual Report and Financial Statements of State Mortgage & Investment Bank together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 23.06.2017 under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 21.09.2017)

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The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Financial Statements of State Mortgage & Investment Bank (2015),— That the Annual Report and Financial Statements of State Mortgage & Investment Bank together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2015 and presented on 11.11.2017 under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 06.03.2018)

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The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development,— Annual Report and Financial Statements of Sri Lanka Savings Bank (2014),— That the Annual Report and Financial Statements of Sri Lanka Savings Bank together with the observations of the Independent Auditors for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 08.08.2017 under Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 21.09.2017)

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The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Annual Report and Accounts - Board of Investment of Sri Lanka (2012),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of Board of Investment of Sri Lanka together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2012 and presented on 19.10.2017 under Section 31 of the Greater Colombo Economic Commission Law No. 4 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 10.11.2017)

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The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Annual Report and Accounts - Board of Investment of Sri Lanka (2013),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of Board of Investment of Sri Lanka together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 07.12.2017 under Section 31 of the Greater Colombo Economic Commission Law No. 4 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 20.03.2018)

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The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Annual Report and Accounts - Board of Investment of Sri Lanka (2014),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of Board of Investment of Sri Lanka together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 07.12.2017 under Section 31 of the Greater Colombo Economic Commission Law No. 4 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 20.03.2018)

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The Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,— Annual Report and Accounts - Sri Lanka Export Development Board (2014),— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Lanka Export Development Board together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2014 and presented on 20.10.2017 under Section 16 of the Sri Lanka export Development Act No. 40 of 1979 and Section II of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development on 20.02.2018)

* *Indicates Government Business.*

Tuesday, June 05, 2018

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1/18

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,—To ask the Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House of—

- (i) the total quantity of the coal supplied to the Ceylon Electricity Board by the company named Noble Resources Limited from time to time;
- (ii) the total amount of money that has been paid to the said coal company in payment of these quantities;

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- (iii) the duration for which the operation of the Norochcholai Coal Power Station was interrupted for failure on the part of the said company to supply coal in time; and
 - (iv) the loss caused to the Ceylon Electricity Board due to interruption of generators in this manner?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of—
- (i) the local representatives separately in respect of tenders numbered LCC/09/T/02, LCC/01 and LCC/13T/01 obtained by the Noble Resources Limited; and
 - (ii) the reasons for awarding the supply of coal to the said company without following the procurement procedure?
- (c) If not, why?

6/18

Hon. Mohamed Navavi,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he state —
- (i) whether the Kalpitiya Pradeshiya Sabha in Puttalam District has given approval to set up a Children's Park in Norochcholai village in year 2013; and
 - (ii) if so, whether such a Children's Park has been set up?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the amount of funds received for the purpose; and
 - (ii) who has received that amount of funds?
- (c) If not, why?

9/18

Hon. Kanaka Herath,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources & Disaster Management,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether a reservoir will be built in the Holombuwa area of the Galigamuwa electorate;
 - (ii) of the number of ancient stupa, vihara and places of worship with historic significance that will be submerged in the waters of the said reservoir including Kotawehera of Dedigama and rock cave temple of Sthripura;
 - (iii) of the number and the names of villages of the Galigamuwa and Dedigama electorates that will be submerged in the waters of the said reservoir;

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- (iv) of the number of families that will lose their lands in the aforesaid villages;
 - (v) whether there is a programme to divert water to Ma-Oya by a tunnel from Holombuwa;
 - (vi) whether he admits that the construction of a reservoir in an area like the aforesaid area which is not prone to any natural disaster, will have immense detrimental effects on the people of the said area?
- (b) If not, why?

16/18

Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the number of preschools in the Kandy District administered by the Ministry of Provincial Councils and Local Government;
 - (ii) their names and addresses;
 - (iii) the amount of aid given by the Ministry for the development of physical and human resources of each of the said preschools; and
 - (iv) the measures that have been and will be taken by the Ministry for the development of preschool system of the Kandy District?
- (b) If not, why?

34/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) in terms of budget proposal No. 130 of budget 2016, whether a semi tax holiday has been provided to the companies that introduce seeds that produce high yields; and
 - (ii) whether a list of companies which were granted with aforesaid tax holiday, will be submitted?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether a list of machineries which were exempted from import taxes by 1st January 2015, will be submitted; and
 - (ii) whether a list of machineries which were exempted from import taxes by 1st January 2016 will be submitted; and
- as proposals have been made to raise the import taxes on agricultural machineries, in terms of aforesaid proposal?
- (c) If not, why?

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129/18

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) separately, in respect of each Grama Niladhari division, of the number of small tanks and weirs which are fed only by rain water presently, and which are situated in low elevation of the main canal in the downstream of 20 Kilometers through Dambulla and Galewela Divisional Secretariat Divisions and coming under the Wayamba Canal project operated by the Department of Irrigation under the “Mahaweli Suraksithatha” investment programme;
 - (ii) whether Wayamba canal feeds all aforesaid tanks and weirs systems;
 - (iii) whether plans have been made in that regard by now;
 - (iv) separately, of the names of the tanks that are fed and not fed by Wayamba Canal project;
 - (v) whether it doesn't cause an injustice on the farming communities of Dambulla and Galewela when water is provided to North Western province without feeding the tanks and weirs that are located in low elevations of the main canal;
 - (vi) as a remedial action whether plans will be prepared and implemented in order to supply water to the tanks that are not fed; and
 - (vii) if so, of aforesaid date?
- (b) If not, why?

156/18

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,—To ask the Minister of Public Administration & Management and Law & Order,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the date on which the Financial Crimes Investigation Division (FCID) was established;
 - (ii) of the total number of complaints that had been received by the FCID as at 01.08.2017;
 - (iii) out of those complaints, of the number of those that have been referred to the Attorney General's Department after completing investigations; and
 - (iv) separately of the details of each of those complaints and of the dates on which each of those complaints was referred to the Attorney General's Department?
- (b) If not, why?

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191/'18

Hon. Imran Maharroof,— To ask the Minister of Highways & Road Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Trincomalee – Batticaloa, A-15 road was renovated during the tenure of the previous government;
 - (ii) the culvert which should have been constructed in Murinjaru area which is situated adjacent to Upparu area was not constructed when this road was renovated; and
 - (iii) due to that reason Kinniya area goes under water as water does not drain off?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to construct a culvert in this place; and
 - (ii) if so, the period of time that will be take to construct this culvert?
- (c) If not, why?

193/'18

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,—To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources & Disaster Management,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House in respect of the deluge caused by flooding and rain water in the Colombo District in May 2016—
 - (i) the number of persons died;
 - (ii) the number of persons disabled;
 - (iii) the total amount of compensation paid on behalf of the government to affected persons;
 - (iv) the amount of compensation paid the government for a deceased person;
 - (v) the maximum and minimum compensation paid to damaged houses;
 - (vi) whether permanent housing has been granted to all displaced persons; and
 - (vii) the nearest date on which a permanent house was granted to a displaced family?
- (b) If not, why?

Hon. S. M. Marikkar,—To ask the Minister of Megapolis and Western Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) houses were provided from “Laksanda Sevana” apartment complex in Salamulla on 01.12.2014 for 160 families that lost their houses as a result of expanding the garbage dump at Meethotamulla in 2012;
 - (ii) they were promised the provision of freehold title deeds by the Urban Development Authority within two months from the provision of those houses; and
 - (iii) those residents have not been provided with the title deeds up to now?
- (b) Will he inform this House of—
 - (i) the reasons for not providing the freehold title deeds; and
 - (ii) the exact date by which freehold title deeds for these houses could be provided by resolving any problems that prevail, if there are any?
- (c) If not, why?

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) it is admitted that there is a issue when providing title deeds for plots of land for commercial purposes within rapidly developing Embilipitiya town in Ratnapura district; and
 - (ii) if so, the measures taken to provide title deeds properly?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) that he is aware businessmen do not construct buildings in their business premises since a Buddhist temple claims right for the lands of this city;
 - (ii) the actual right pertaining to these lands by the temple; and
 - (iii) whether measures will be taken to grant the ownership of the relevant business premises in this city to the businessmen who had possessed them for many years and facilities will be provided to the business community to engage in their business activities?
- (c) If not, why?

307/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the date on which LTL Projects Company was established as a subsidiary of Lanka Transformers Limited (LTL);
 - (ii) whether LTL possesses 100% of the ownership of LTL Projects Company;
 - (iii) of the names of the present owners of the LTL Projects Company;
 - (iv) whether LTL possesses shares of LTL Projects Company at present; and
 - (v) of the names of the persons who granted the right to alienate or transfer the number of shares of LTL Projects Company that belonged to LTL Company?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that LTL Projects (Pvt) Ltd. the subsidiary of LTL Company, has not been included in the audit reports after 2006 due to which government has not received dividends from that company; and
 - (ii) whether an investigation will be carried out into this and whether action will be taken to recover from the aforesaid company the amount that government has lost since 2006 to date?
- (c) If not, why?

380/18

Hon. (Mrs.) Shanthi Sriskandarasa,—To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise & Kandy City Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that the tile factory located in the Oddusudan Divisional Secretariat Division in the Mullaitivu District is no longer functioning;
 - (ii) what provision was allocated from the Budget 2016 for this factory;
 - (iii) through whom those funds were spent; and
 - (iv) of the details of the activities carried out using these funds?
- (b) If not, why?

381/18

Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise & Kandy City Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the Employees' Provident Fund contributions, Employees' Trust Fund contributions and Gratuity Payments deducted from the salaries of the workers of the estates belonging to the Janatha Estate Development Board and state Plantation Corporation had not been paid to the workers even at the end of 2016;
 - (ii) the number of workers employed in these estates and the outstanding amounts to be paid to them separately;
 - (iii) whether he admits that a grave injustice has been caused to the family members of some of the workers who were to receive the payments and are now dead as a result of not making those payments; and
 - (iv) whether steps would be taken to make those payments to the workers immediately; and
 - (v) if so, when?
- (b) If not, why?

475/18

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the Auditor General has sent to the Chief Secretary of the Uva Province the inquiry report No.SIN/B/AG/KI/2017/02 dated 20.04.2017 in respect of the irregularities that have taken place and are taking place in the Uva Provincial Council?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether he would present to this House the facts contained in the paragraphs from 2(a)(i) to (x) of the aforesaid report which disclose information regarding the appointment of advisers of the Chief Minister of the Uva Province;
 - (ii) whether observations that have been presented in paragraphs from 2(a) (i) to (xiii) in regard to the aforesaid disclosures will be presented to this House?
- (c) If not, why?
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Wednesday, June 06, 2018
QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

35/18

Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Mass Media,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) in terms of Budget proposal No. 132 of budget 2016, whether he accepts the fact that Rs. 1000 Million has been allocated to construct three massive warehouses in Polonnaruwa, Kilinochchi and Rathnapura (Embilipitiya) districts and to complete the construction of a warehouse that is being constructed in Mannar district;
 - (ii) whether the original cost estimate and the current progress report on the warehouse that is being constructed in Mannar district, will be submitted;
 - (iii) of the progress made at the constructions of three warehouse complexes in Kilinochchi, Embilipitiya and Polonnaruwa; and
 - (iv) of the manner in which Rs. 1000 millions that was allocated for the proposal No. 132 of budget 2016, was spent?
- (b) If not, why?

239/18

Hon. Heshan Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Social Welfare and Primary Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) separately as per each Divisional Secretariat Division of the number of families living below the poverty line out of the families residing in the District of Rathnapura; and
 - (ii) of the steps that would be taken the Ministry to uplift the living standards of the aforesaid families?
- (b) If not, why?

308/18

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

- (a) Will he state —
- (i) the number of subsidiaries owned by LTL Holdings (Pvt.) Ltd and their names;
 - (ii) the methodology followed to establish those subsidiaries; and
 - (iii) duties carried out by each subsidiary separately?

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- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) percentage of the profit received by Ceylon Electricity Board from the revenue of aforesaid companies, as a breakdown of each company separately;
 - (ii) whether he accepts this profit share is not correct; and
 - (iii) if so, measure will be taken to rectify it?
- (c) If not, why?

386 / 18

Hon. K. Cader Masthan,—To ask the Minister of Resettlement, Rehabilitation, Northern Development & Hindu Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether he is aware that various forms of assistance was granted by local and international organizations to families in the Menic Farm transit camp in the Vavuniya District between years 2009 and 2012;
 - (ii) of the number of vehicles received from foreign countries and local and foreign organizations to handle matters pertaining to the aforementioned Menic Farm during the said time period;
 - (iii) of the make and registration numbers of the aforementioned vehicles;
 - (iv) of the names of persons who utilized the aforesaid vehicles during the said period; and
 - (v) of the names of persons who are currently using the said vehicles?
- (b) If not, why?

390 / 18

Hon. T. Ranjith De Soyza,— To ask the Minister of Social Empowerment,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the number of beneficiaries who get the samurdhi benefit in the country as at today;
 - (ii) the total amount of money allocated for that from the budget 2017;
 - (iii) whether an island wide survey was conducted with regard to those beneficiaries;
 - (iv) if an allowance was given to the officers who participated in this survey, the basis on which it was made;
 - (v) the objective of this survey; and
 - (vi) the amount of money spent for that survey?
- (b) If not, why?

407/18

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,— To ask the Minister of City Planning and Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) how many households within the Mannar District had been connected to the supply of clean drinking water by the National Water Supply and Drainage Board by 1983;
 - (ii) how many households are provided with clean drinking water by now;
 - (iii) what amount was allocated by the government in each year for providing drinking water until the end of the war situation after 1983;
 - (iv) what amounts had been allocated by the government for projects implemented for the supply of drinking water, separately in respect of each of the years following the war situation until the year 2015; and
 - (v) whether he will table a progress report on all above?
- (b) If not, why?

471/18

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the Auditor-General has sent to the Chief Secretary of the Uva Province the inquiry report No. SIN/B/AG/KI/2017/02 dated 20.04.2017 in respect of the irregularities that have taken place and are taking place in the Uva Provincial Council?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he would present to this House the facts contained in the paragraphs from 3(a)(i) to (x) of the aforesaid report which disclose information regarding the foreign study tours of the public representatives and staff-grade officers of the Uva Provincial Council;
 - (ii) whether observations of the report that have been presented in paragraphs from (b)(i) to (iii) in regard to the aforesaid disclosures will be presented to this House?
- (c) If not, why?

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491/18

Hon. Shehan Semasinghe,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration & Management and Law & Order,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the annual staff transfer policy of the Sri Lanka Police;
 - (ii) separately of the number and the names of Police OICs that received transfers from July to October, 2017 together with reasons for their transfers;
 - (iii) whether the aforesaid transfers are in violation of Circular 2017/01 of the National Police Commission;
 - (iv) if so, of the requirement that resulted in making the aforesaid transfers?
- (b) If not, why?

Thursday, June 07, 2018

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

2/18

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,—To ask the Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the total amount of electricity that was generated using solar power and was added to the national grid as at 06.09.2017;
 - (ii) whether he is aware that employees of Ceylon Electricity Board are taking measures to discourage installations that are made for generating electricity using solar power; and
 - (iii) of the nature of steps that have been taken by the Ministry to raise awareness among employees of Ceylon Electricity Board about “Surya Bala Sangramaya” project?
- (b) If not, why?

17/18

Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Lanka CWE branches in the Kandy District;
 - (ii) the addresses of those branches;
 - (iii) the names, addresses and posts of persons recruited from the year 2010 up to now for the said CWE branches;

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- (iv) the method adopted for the said recruitment; and
 - (v) the measures to be taken by the Ministry to expand the Lanka CWE network in the Kandy District?
- (b) If not, why?

36/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) in terms of the proposal No. 169 of the Budget 2016, whether an expenditure record will be submitted regarding the manner in which Rs. 5 Million allocated for the researches on cinnamon and related researches, was spent;
 - (ii) of the number of researches performed with state financial allocations in 2016, of the names of the researchers who conducted aforesaid researches and of a performance report on the output; and
 - (iii) of the amount of loss incurred in Sess tax revenue in 2016, by reason of the Sess tax removal on spice (Pepper, Clove and Nutmeg) Exports?
- (b) If not, why?

130/18

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,—To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the total number of schools functioning in the Matale District under the central provincial council;
 - (ii) of the names of the aforesaid schools;
 - (iii) out of those schools, of the number of those that are currently functioning under acting principals and of the names of such schools ;
 - (iv) separately, on per Education Region basis, of the total number of teacher vacancies currently existing in the District; and
 - (v) of the steps that will be taken by the Ministry to fill the vacancies existing for principals and teachers in the Matale District?
- (b) If not, why?

157/18

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,—To ask the Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House in respect of each district separately—
- (i) the number of students who sat for the G.C.E (Advanced Level) examination in the biology stream in 2015 from Puttalam and Kurunegala districts;
 - (ii) the number and the percentage of the students who were qualified for university entrance;
 - (iii) the number and the percentage of the students qualified for medical faculties; and
 - (iv) the minimum result of the students who were qualified for the medical faculty, Z score, the school in which each student studied and the medical faculty to which they got selected?
- (b) If not, why?

192/18

Hon. Imran Maharroof,— To ask the Minister of Highways & Road Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) the Kurinjakkerny bridge in Kinniya area got destroyed owing to severe floods which occurred in Trincomalee District in December, 2014; and
 - (ii) this bridge has not hitherto been completely reconstructed but was only subjected a temporary reconstruction?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the steps that were taken by the Ministry of Disaster Management for the reconstruction of this bridge which is utilized by a large number of people daily;
 - (ii) of the reasons for not reconstructing this bridge up to now; and
 - (iii) whether steps will be taken to reconstruct this bridge expeditiously?
- (c) If not, why?

194/18

Hon. Udaya Prabath Gammanpila,— To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise & Kandy City Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether Mr. Gotabhaya Rajapakse had functioned as a shareholder of the Lanka Hospitals Ltd. during the 2010 to 2015 period;
 - (ii) if so, salaries and allowances he received as Chairman of the Lanka Hospitals Private Limited during that period; and
 - (iii) what annual profits were recorded by the Lanka Hospitals (Pvt) Limited in each year during the 2010 to 2015 period?
- (b) If not, why?

215/18

Hon. Douglas Devananda,—To ask the Minister of Resettlement, Rehabilitation, Northern Development & Hindu Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) 150 families displaced due to the previous war situation have been living in Punthottam Welfare Camp in Vavuniya for 25 years; and
 - (ii) construction of Houses for these families is done in two areas as 68 houses in Sinna Adampan, Nedunkerni and 82 houses in Puliyankulama by “Lyca Gnanam Charity” while it has been informed by the District Secretariat Division of Vavuniya that these 150 families would be resettled in Sinna Adampan, Nedunkerni?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the said people have been resettled in the said 150 houses; and
 - (ii) if so, since when?
- (c) If not, why?

309/18

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

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether there was an institution called “Lanka Transformers” under the purview of the Ceylon Electricity Board;
 - (ii) whether its name has been changed;
 - (iii) if so, name of it at present;
 - (iv) as to how the shares of LTL Holdings (pvt) Ltd. have been distributed;
 - (v) as to who administers the shares of the shareholders of ESOT (Trust);
 - (vi) whether a document containing the names of its shareholders and the number of shares held by them is submitted; and
 - (vii) after its establishment, the period within which they were informed of their shares and that they were shareholders as per the Employee Trust Agreements?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the founder shareholders of ESOT Company and the amount of shares held by them;
 - (ii) whether there are employees of Ceylon Electricity Board amongst its shareholders; and
 - (iii) if so, whether he acknowledges that there is a conflict of interest?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that dividends amounting to Rs. 232 million had not been paid to the Ceylon Electricity Board by LTL Holdings (Pvt) Ltd. as mentioned in the COPE report; and
 - (ii) as to the action taken in that regard?
- (d) If not, why?

Hon. T. Ranjith De Soya,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Tamil medium schools in the Ratnapura District;
 - (ii) separately, the number of primary and secondary schools out of those schools ;
 - (iii) out of those schools, the number of schools that belongs to the central government;
 - (iv) the names of those schools; and
 - (v) the number of students who study in Tamil medium?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) separately, the number of students who passed the year 5 Scholarship Examination and the number of students who failed that examination from 2010 up to now;
 - (ii) separately, the number of students who passed the GCE (O/L) Examination and the GCE (A/L) Examination and the number of students who failed those examinations from 2010 up to now;
 - (iii) the number of students who qualified to study engineering and medicine in universities from 2010 up to now; and
 - (iv) the percentage of the students who passed and the percentage of the students who failed the examinations in Sinhala and Tamil medium?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Anura Sidney Jayarathne,—To ask the Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether surveying the lands that are coming under the Girihadu Seya sacred site in Thiriyaya of Trincomalee district, has been concluded;
 - (ii) if so, whether survey marks have been placed on the surveyed land;
 - (iii) of the extent of land that is coming under the sacred site; and
 - (iv) of the reasons led for the delay in handing over respective plans to the Ministry of Buddhasasana?
- (b) If not, why?

408/18

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,— To ask the Minister of City Planning and Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) how many households within the Trincomalee District had been connected to the supply of clean drinking water by the National Water Supply and Drainage Board by 1983;
 - (ii) how many households are supplied with clean drinking water at present;
 - (iii) what amount was allocated by the government in each year for the supply of drinking water until the end of the war situation after 1983;
 - (iv) what amounts had been allocated by the government for projects implemented for the supply drinking water, separately in respect of each of the years following the war situation up until the year 2015; and
 - (v) whether he will Table a progress report on all above?
- (b) If not, why?

422/18

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) about 100 acres of paddy land from the areas of Dhathusenapura, Kalawewa, Maha Akkaraya Watta and Kelaniwatta have been leased to a plantation company of Kurunegala; and
 - (ii) the Divisional Secretary of Ipalogama has informed the Ministry of Lands that the said lands must be freed from the aforementioned plantation company and handed over to the tenant farmers, giving them freehold ownership of these lands since the tenant farmers have been engaging in cultivation activities on land for a long period of time?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether action will be taken to grant freehold ownership of the said lands to the tenant farmers who have been cultivating them; and
 - (ii) if so, of the date on which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

438/18

Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera,— To ask the Minister of Telecommunication, Digital Infrastructure and Foreign Employment,—(1)

- (a) Will she inform this House —
- (i) of the number of trained and untrained Sri Lankans employed abroad as at 31.03.2017 on the basis of their country of employment, gender and on the classification of professions separately; and
 - (ii) the number of those trained and untrained employees in relation to each district and ethnicities such as Sinhala, Tamil, Muslim and others separately?
- (b) If not, why?

472/18

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether the disclosure about the distribution of school bags by the Ministry of education of Uva Province, given under paragraph number 04 (b) (i) to (vii) of the investigation report bearing number SIN/B/AG/KI/2017/02 and dated 2017.04.20 sent to the chief secretary of Uva Province by the Auditor general on the malpractices that have taken place and are taking place in the Uva provincial Council, will be submitted to the House ;
 - (ii) whether the observations made from (b) (i) to (v) pertaining to the aforesaid disclosures will be presented?
- (b) If not, why?

Friday, June 08, 2018

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

37/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) in terms of proposal No. 174 of the Budget 2016, whether he explains of the manner in which Rs. 2000 Million that was allocated for supplementary programmes under National Environmental conservation programme, was spent in year 2016 ;
 - (ii) of the “supplementary programmes” for which financial allocations were made, in terms of the aforesaid proposal; and
 - (iii) of the institutions which held the responsibility in aforesaid supplementary programmes?

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- (b) Will he also inform this House in terms of aforesaid budget proposals, separately, of the amount of money spent on—
- (i) protection of environmental equilibrium, sustainable land management;
 - (ii) conservation of biological resources;
 - (iii) environmental pollution control; and
 - (iv) protection of forest resources?
- (c) If not, why?

158/18

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the occasions when vehicles were purchased for Cabinet Ministers, State Ministers and Deputy Ministers from 08.01.2015;
 - (ii) the make and price of each vehicle; and
 - (iii) the total amount of money spent on those vehicles?
- (b) If not, why?

195/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House in regard to the explosion of the armory of the Army in Salawa , Kosgama in the year 2016—
- (i) the number of persons who lost their lives;
 - (ii) the number of persons who became disabled;
 - (iii) the total amount of compensation paid by the government to the persons who were affected by the explosion;
 - (iv) the amount of compensation paid by the government on behalf of a person who lost his life;
 - (v) the maximum and minimum amount of compensation paid for the houses that were affected by the explosion;
 - (vi) whether permanent houses will be provided to all those who were displaced; and
 - (vii) the nearest date on which a permanent house was provided to a family that was displaced?
- (b) If not, why?

216/18

Hon. Douglas Devananda,—To ask the Minister of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development and Rural Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) over 300 fishing families live in the village of Valaipadu in Poonarin Divisional Secretariat Division in the Killinochchi district;
 - (ii) out of those families, about hundred families are directly engaged in the fishing industry while the other families are employed in various other fields, but they are living without a sufficient income; and
 - (iii) every day, the aforesaid fishermen harvest over 1,000 kilograms of crabs and other seafood which are sent to other places where they are processed and then sent to other parts of the country?
- (b) Will he inform this house—
 - (i) whether steps will be taken to establish a seafood processing factory in this area taking into consideration the nature of the livelihood of these people; and
 - (ii) if so, of the date on which it will be done?
- (c) If not, why?

232/18

Hon. S. M. Marikkar,—To ask the Minister of Megapolis and Western Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of urban housing projects in the Colombo District scheduled to be initiated within the next three years;
 - (ii) of the number of housing units expected to be constructed in these projects;
 - (iii) whether specific lands have been identified for these housing projects; and
 - (iv) if so, what those lands are?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) of the total amount of money expected to be spent for these projects;
 - (ii) what the private sector investments are, if there are any in this regard;
 - (iii) how many houses were constructed by the government and private investments separately;
 - (iv) of the dates on which the projects are expected to be concluded;
 - (v) of the total value of a house in these housing projects; and
 - (vi) of the course of action for granting the houses to people?
- (c) If not, why?

240/18

Hon. Heshan Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of officers of the Sri Lanka Education Administrative Service, Sri Lanka Principals' Service and Sri Lanka Teachers' Service, approved for the Ratnapura district;
 - (ii) the number of officers in the above services in service at present, separately;
 - (iii) the number of vacancies in each of the above services in the Ratnapura district at present, separately; and
 - (iv) the steps the Ministry intends to take to fill those vacancies?
- (b) If not, why?

310/18

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he state—
 - (i) whether necessary action has been taken to educate people about the decision taken by local authorities not to collect unclassified garbage;
 - (ii) if so, the manner in which it was done;
 - (iii) whether people have been given the facilities which are required for collecting garbage after it is classified;
 - (iv) if so, the manner it has been done; and
 - (v) whether local authorities have been provided with the facilities required for collecting classified garbage?
- (b) Will he also state—
 - (i) the action has been taken against the persons who dispose garbage without classifying it;
 - (ii) whether the classified garbage is recycled;
 - (iii) if so, the place in which it is done;
 - (iv) the amount of money invested for it; and
 - (v) the purposes for which the recycled garbage can be used?
- (c) If not, why?

382/'18

Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that —
 - (i) the medical centre which is situated in Westhall Estate in Pasbage Korale Divisional Secretariat Division in Kandy district was acquired by the government and converted into a rural hospital;
 - (ii) this rural hospital provided services to 3500-4000 families in the area; and
 - (iii) this hospital was closed down one year ago due to the shortage of doctors and equipments?
- (b) If so, will he inform this House whether action will be taken to reopen this hospital and fulfill the health requirements of the estate people?
- (c) If not, why?

387/'18

Hon. K. Cader Masthan,—To ask the Minister of Resettlement, Rehabilitation, Northern Development & Hindu Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether he is aware that families which were evacuated during the last stages of war against terrorism were settled in the Menic Farm transit camp during 2009-2012 period;
 - (ii) if so, separately of the number of families residing in the said camp in each month during the aforesaid period;
 - (iii) of the total number of members in the aforementioned families;
 - (iv) of the amount allocated by the government to provide aforementioned persons with cooked meals on a daily basis; and
 - (v) the amount of money allocated per person a day to provide breakfast, lunch and dinner?
- (b) Will he inform this House-
 - (i) whether the meals mentioned above were of appropriate quality in comparison with the amount of money spent;
 - (ii) of the contribution made by local and foreign organizations in the provision of food to the aforementioned persons;
 - (iii) of the complaints received about the quality of the aforementioned food and of the steps taken regarding those complaints?
- (c) If not, why?

409/'18

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,—To ask the Minister of City Planning and Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) how many households within the Puttalam District had been connected to the supply of clean drinking water by the National Water Supply and Drainage Board by 1983;
 - (ii) how many households are supplied with clean drinking water at present;
 - (iii) what amount was allocated by the government in each year for the supply of drinking water until the end of the war situation after 1983;
 - (iv) what amounts had been allocated by the government for projects implemented for the supply of drinking water, separately in respect of each of the years following the war situation up until the year 2015; and
 - (v) whether he will Table a progress report on all above?
- (b) If not, why?

423/'18

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) approximately 2500 families live in Kalawewa village in Ipalogama Divisional Secretariat Division; and
 - (ii) it has become essential to construct the by roads and the drainage system of this village properly as it is a densely populated and rapidly urbanizing village in the district?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the necessary provisions to address these shortcomings will be provided; and
 - (ii) if so, by which date?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera,— To ask the Minister of Petroleum Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the import tax per litre of diesel charged by the government in importing diesel;
 - (ii) whether the government charges any taxes other than the import tax per litre of diesel;
 - (iii) if so, what those taxes are; and
 - (iv) of the amount charged as taxes per litre, as per each type of tax?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) of the total amount of taxes charged on diesel by the government as a percentage of the price of a litre of diesel; and
 - (ii) the retail price at which diesel could be provided to the customer if all taxes charged by the government on diesel were lifted?
- (c) Will he admit that—
 - (i) imposition of various taxes on diesel by the government has caused increase of prices of goods and services; and
 - (ii) it is possible to bring down the prices of goods and services if the all the taxes imposed on diesel by the government are lifted?
- (d) If not, why?

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately the name and designation of each officer who is attached to the private staff of the Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade and has been allocated a vehicle, along with details on the type of vehicle allocated to them, registration number and the name of the officer who authorized such allocation of a vehicle?
- (b) If not, why?

473/18

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether facts given under paragraph number 05 (a) (i) to (v) of the investigation report bearing number SIN/B/AG/KI/2017/02 and dated 2017.04.20 sent to the chief secretary of Uva Province by the Auditor general with pertinence to the malpractices that have taken place and are taking place in the Uva provincial Council, which has disclosed about obtaining financial sponsorship for the distribution of bags for pre-schools, will be submitted to the House ;
 - (ii) (whether the observations made from (b) (i) to (iii) pertaining to the aforesaid disclosures will be presented?
- (b) If not, why?

476/18

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

- (a) Is he aware that telecasting teledramas, films or advertisements with visuals of drinking alcohol or smoking is prohibited in terms of National Authority on Tobacco and Alcohol Act, No. 27 of 2006?
- (b) Will he admit that—
- (i) if so, on episode of the “Swetha Gantheera” teledrama telecast on Independent Television Network controlled by the Ministry of Mass Media between 7.30 p.m. and 8.00 p.m. on 11.02.2017 showed very clearly an actress was smoking;
 - (ii) such scenes, specially scenes of women smoking might be a stimulation for smoking; and
 - (iii) government controlled media institution has violated the provisions of an Act passed by Parliament?
- (c) Will he inform this House whether a formal investigation would be conducted on that episode of the teledrama and steps taken to prevent such things from happening in future?
- (d) If not, why?
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Tuesday, June 19, 2018

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

3/18

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,—To ask the Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether the land surveying has been completed for the proposed Wind and Solar Energy park with a capacity of 1040 Mw that is to be set up in Punarin;
 - (ii) whether aforesaid lands have been taken over by the government;
 - (iii) whether tenders have been called for power generation;
 - (iv) of the measures taken to establish the transmission system facilitating to add the power generated by the aforesaid power station to the national grid;
- (b) If not, why?

18/18

Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the number of Sri Lanka Transport Board depots in the Kandy District;
 - (ii) the names of those depots;
 - (iii) the number of buses currently operated by each of the said depots;
 - (iv) of these depots, separately those making profits and those incurring losses;
 - (v) the number of vacancies in each of the said depots;
 - (vi) the number of jobs provided in these depots and the names of persons who received those jobs, after the current 'Good Governance' government came to power;
 - (vii) the measures to be taken by the Ministry to improve the fleet of the CTB depots in the Kandy District?
- (b) If not, why?

38/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether a Primary Industry Council has been established as per proposal No.182 of the 2016 budget;
 - (ii) if so, the date on which it was established and its location;

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- (iii) whether he will briefly explain the objective of establishing a Primary Industry Council and the programme for same;
- (iv) whether a list of experts to be involved in the council is submitted;
- (v) whether a list of primary industries active in Sri Lanka at present as indicated in the above proposal is submitted; and
- (vi) the primary industries newly started in Sri Lanka including those in the North and East with the conclusion of the armed conflict in 2009?

(b) If not, why?

132/18

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House—

- (i) whether he is aware that steps have been taken to resettle the families of the Laggala electorate of Matale district who got displaced owing to the Moragahakanda project of Kalu Ganga, within the Laggala Electorate itself;
- (ii) if so, of the number of families that got displaced and the extents of land provided;
- (iii) if so, whether it is admitted that although the lands thus provided are adequate for the present generation, they do not suffice the next generations; and
- (iv) if so, of the steps that will be taken by the ministry to solve the land issues faced by the families resettled as a result of the Moragahakanda project and the land issues that will be encountered by their future generation?

(b) If not, why?

159/18

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,—To ask the Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,—(1)

(a) Will he inform this House of the number of degree awarding institutions in Sri Lanka at present?

(b) Will he also inform this House separately of —

- (i) the address;
 - (ii) the date on which approval has been obtained from the University Grants Commission to award degrees;
 - (iii) the degrees awarded;
 - (iv) the number of undergraduates in them; and
 - (v) the fee charged for each degree course;
- with respect to each of the said institutions?

(c) If not, why?

196/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of persons included in the delegation that joined the President to participate in the annual session of the General Assembly of the United Nations in 2016;
 - (ii) the names of the persons who joined the above tour and the basis on which they were included in the delegation separately; and
 - (iii) the total cost which the tour incurred on the Government, Public Corporations, Statutory Boards and Public Companies?
- (b) If not, why?

217/18

Hon. Douglas Devananda,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development and Rural Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) approximately, 750 families are engaging in fresh water fishing industry associated to 11 lakes in Kilinochchi district; and
 - (ii) aforesaid families have been completely deprived of their livelihood owing to recent drought situation?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether there is any possibility of providing them with some relief measure with respect to their livelihood;
 - (ii) if so, of aforesaid relief measure; and
 - (iii) of the date on which aforesaid relief can be granted?
- (c) If not, why?

233/18

Hon. S. M. Marikkar,—To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that –
 - (i) Kollonnawa Girls' School is the only Girls' National School available in Kolonnawa Education Division;
 - (ii) this school is faced with a number of shortages at present; and
 - (iii) currently there are 18 vacancies for teachers and 8 vacancies in the non-academic staff of this school?
- (b) Will he inform this House –
 - (i) whether he would admit that it is an obstacle and a damage for the future progress and the reputation of this school to have such vacancies in the staff;
 - (ii) of the nature of plans that are in place to fill these vacancies;

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- (iii) of the date on which steps will be taken to implement those plans;
 - (iv) separately of the provisions that have been allocated for the development of physical and human resources of this school in year 2017;
 - (v) of the progress of the programmes that have been implemented at present utilizing such provision;
 - (vi) whether it has been planned to allocate provisions for the development of physical and human resources of this school in year 2018; and
 - (vii) if so, of the value of such provisions?
- (c) If not, why?

241/18

Hon. Heshan Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Social Empowerment,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) separately on per electorate basis, of the number families that receive the Samurdhi assistance in the Ratnapura District; and
 - (ii) of the steps that would be taken by the Ministry to include new families for the Samurdhi Programme?
- (b) If not, why?

311/18

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,—To ask the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) the ransoms are taken from the buses at Colombo Central Bus terminal, Gunasinghepura Private Bus terminal and Bastian Mawatha private bus terminal;
 - (ii) these venues are used by the individuals connected with drug and other obscene for their business activities; and
 - (iii) there is no sufficient facilities for local and foreign passengers in these places?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether measures have been taken to suppress the individuals engaged in aforesaid malpractices;
 - (ii) if so, of the number of persons arrested and against whom the legal actions were instituted in year 2016; and
 - (iii) whether police have been deployed for the security of aforesaid places?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether measures have been taken to improve the infrastructure facilities including toilet facilities of aforesaid places; and
 - (ii) if so of aforesaid measures?
- (d) If not, why?

Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Hill Country New Villages, Infrastructure and Community Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether he admits that nearly 08 lakhs of Tamil workers residing in the estates have been living in 10x12 feet line rooms up to now;
 - (ii) of the number of houses that had been built by 31.12.2014 under the programme commenced by the previous government to provide housing for them;
 - (iii) of the estates and the districts where the houses mentioned in (ii) above have been built;
 - (iv) of the provisions allocated for this project in 2015, 2016 and 2017;
 - (v) of the number of houses constructed in 2015, 2016 and 2017 separately, as per each year and district;
 - (vi) of the number of houses provided to the people in the estate sector by the previous governments;
 - (vii) the time required to fully solve this housing problem; and
 - (viii) whether information on that arrangement will be submitted?
- (b) If not, why?

Hon. K. Cader Masthan,—To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources & Disaster Management,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether he is aware that the road from Weppamkulam to Silawathurai belonging to the Musali Divisional Secretariat Division in the Mannar District was built by the Ministry of Disaster Management in year 2010;
 - (ii) of the dates on which work on the said construction began and ended;
 - (iii) of the length of the said road; and
 - (iv) of the names of the villages located alongside the said road?
- (b) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the name of the company to which the contract was awarded to build the said road;
 - (ii) of the names of the then owners (shareholders) of the said company;
 - (iii) of the amount of money allocated for the said construction;
 - (iv) whether the said road is currently in use?
- (c) If not, why?

392/18

Hon. T. Ranjith De Soyza,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources & Disaster Management,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this house—
- (i) the number of emergency disaster situations that occurred in 2017;
 - (ii) the number of persons who got displaced owing to those disaster in relation to each district;
 - (iii) the number of instances of harm to property in relation to each district; and
 - (iv) the amount of money allocated to pay compensation to displaced people?
- (b) If not, why?

410/18

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,— To ask the Minister of Power and Renewable Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the number of houses in the Manner District that had been provided with electricity supply by the Ceylon Electricity Board by year 1983;
 - (ii) of the total number of houses which have been provided with electricity supply by now;
 - (iii) of the amount allocated annually from year 1984 to 2009 for the supply of electricity on per year basis;
 - (iv) of the number of houses that have been provided with electricity supply up to year 2015 after the end of war situation in year 2009 on per year basis; and
 - (v) of the amount of money allocated for the supply of electricity during the period mentioned in (iv) above on per year basis?
- (b) If not, why?

424/18

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Sustainable Development, Wildlife and Regional Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) “Vijayagama “ Ranaviru village of Palagala - Negampaha road of Palagala Divisional Secretariat division which was established in year 2012, has been commissioned to the public by the Housing Development Authority, in the year 2013;
 - (ii) as wild elephants roam in aforesaid village frequently, it is unsafe for the villagers to engage in their day to day activities; and
 - (iii) even if the proposals have been made to put up an electric fence nothing has been done yet?

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- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether speedy measures will be taken to put up an electric fence for the sake of the security of the villagers; and
 - (ii) if so, of aforesaid date?
- (c) If not, why?

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

39/18

Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana,— To ask the Minister of Petroleum Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the market for Tar was liberalized as per proposal No. 204 of Budget 2016;
 - (ii) if so, of the measures adopted for that purpose;
 - (iii) of the major suppliers who entered the tar market as per the above budget proposal;
 - (iv) of the tar production of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation from the year 2003 to 2016 and the stocks remained at the end of each year;
 - (v) of the price of tar in the world market and in the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation from the year 2009 to 2016 separately for each year; and
 - (vi) of Sri Lanka's tar requirement forecast from year 2015 to 2020?
- (b) If not, why?

242/18

Hon. Heshan Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that an industrial zone is established at Kuruwita, in Ratnapura District;
 - (ii) if so, of the date of commencement of the aforesaid industrial zone and its primary objectives;
 - (iii) of the factories that function in this industrial zone as at today and their names;
 - (iv) whether the number of the employees serving in each of these factories would be separately stated;
 - (v) of the names of the factories which were closed down during the aforesaid period, if any;
 - (vi) of the steps taken by the Ministry to further develop this industrial zone?
- (b) If not, why?

312/18

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,— (1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) most of the cafes situated at locations where long-distance busses stop for rest are in very unhygienic conditions;
 - (ii) proper toilet facilities are not available at such locations;
 - (iii) substandard food and beverages are sold at very high prices in those cafes; and
 - (iv) the conditions stated in (i) and (ii) above have an adverse effects on the health of the bus passengers.
- (b) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the methodology that is in place for monitoring the aforesaid cafes;
 - (ii) whether he admits that the aforesaid methodology should be revised; and
 - (iii) if so, of the manner in which such revision will be made?
- (c) If not, why?

411/18

Hon. Padma Udayashantha Gunasekera,—To ask the Minister of City Planning and Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) how many households within the Mullaitivu District had been connected to the supply of clean drinking water by the National Water Supply and Drainage Board by 1983;
 - (ii) how many households are provided with clean drinking water at present;
 - (iii) what amount in full was allocated by the government in each year for providing drinking water until the end of the war situation after 1983;
 - (iv) what amounts in full was allocated by the government for projects implemented for the supply of drinking water, separately in respect of each of the years following the war situation until the year 2015; and
 - (v) whether he will table a progress report on all above?
- (b) If not, why?

440/18

Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera,— To ask the Minister of Highways & Road Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the dates on which the project for the expansion and development of Wadduwa-Moronthuduwa road from Wadduwa junction to Moronthuduwa Junction is proposed to be commenced and completed;
 - (ii) of the total area of the said road and the width of the extent which has been tarred;
 - (iii) of the width of the extent which is expected to be carpeted and the total width of the road after completing the development; and
 - (iv) of the number of bridges and culverts that are developed?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the total estimate for the said road project ;
 - (ii) of the amount that has been allocated as compensation for lands and property, out of the above estimate;
 - (iii) of the amount of money allocated for the construction purpose; and
 - (iv) as to who has undertaken the construction activity?
- (c) If not, why?

447/18

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately the name and designation of each officer who is attached to the personal staff of the Minister of Industry and Commerce and those who have been allocated with official vehicles, along with details on the type of vehicle allocated to them, registration number and the name of the officer who authorized such allocation of a vehicle?
- (b) If not, why?

474/18

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,— (1)

- (a) Will he inform this house—
 - (i) whether he will submit to this House the matters incorporated in paragraph 6(a) (i) up to (iii), which makes revelations related to the distribution of school text books by local government bodies, in the investigation report No. SIN/B/AG/KI/2017/02 dated 20.04.2017 sent by the Auditor General to the Chief Secretary of Uva Province in regard to the malpractices that are occurring and have occurred in Uva Provincial Council ;
 - (ii) whether he will submit the observations made in (b) (i) to (vi) in regard to the aforesaid revelations?
- (c) If not , why ?

Hon. D.V. Chanaka,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Shipping,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether two companies had made proposals for the privatization of the Hambantota port;
 - (ii) if so, the basis on which one out of those two companies was selected;
 - (iii) of the recommendations made by the Technical Evaluation Committee and the Cabinet Appointed Procurement Committee to select that company;
 - (iv) of the two agreements signed with the selected company;
 - (v) the manner, the shares of the two companies establish in terms of that agreement get divided;
 - (vi) the tasks entrusted to those two companies, separately;
 - (vii) the sources of income of those companies;
 - (viii) the steps that are to be taken to ensure the security of employment of the persons employed at present;
 - (ix) the company that will be entrusted with the maintenance of the Port; and
 - (x) the sources of income for the government and the Ports Authority of Sri Lanka through this privatization?
- (b) If not, why?

Hon. Lucky Jayawardana,—To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether he is aware that the practice of permitting the people who do not possess dry lands to fill an extent of 10 perches of their paddy fields long time;
 - (ii) whether he admits that the opportunity that had been granted to people who do not possess dry lands to fill an extent of 10 perches of their paddy fields to build a house, has been denied to them; and
 - (iii) this has resulted in a large number of people in various parts of the country who do not possess dry lands becoming helpless?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) of the number of people who have forwarded applications to the Department of Agrarian Services seeking permission to fill an extent of 10 perches of their paddy fields, by now;
 - (ii) whether those people would be allowed to fill an extent of 10 perches of their paddy fields very soon; and
 - (iii) if so, from when?
- (c) If not, why?

486/18

Hon. I. Charles Nirmalanathan,— To ask the Minister of Highways & Road Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
- (i) transportation has been disrupted because 402 meters long Vattuwakal bridge, the main bridge situated in Kilinochchi–Mullaitivu A-50 main road that belongs to the Road Development Authority, is very narrow and can accommodate only single lane traffic and has not undergone any repair; and
 - (ii) I have submitted a written request dated 31.07.2017 with regard to the repairing of this Vattuwakal Bridge?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether steps will be taken to repair and widen the Vattuwakal Bridge to have two lanes of traffic within a specific period of time?
- (c) If not, why?

488/18

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

- (a) Will he state—
- (i) the steps that have been taken to construct the proposed wind shield for Norochcholai Lakvijaya Power Plant for minimizing the damage caused to the environment by the Power Plant;
 - (ii) whether he is aware that the farmers living in areas surrounding the Power Plant are facing severe difficulties as there is no wind shield for the Power Plant; and
 - (iii) the date on which construction of the wind shield will be commenced?
- (b) Will he further state—
- (i) the nature of the steps that will be taken to prevent accumulation of ash in the premises of the Power Plant; and
 - (ii) the amount of the compensation that has been paid to the farmers whose cultivations have been damaged due to the ash that is emitted from the Power Plant?
- (c) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether Norochcholai Plant has obtained a valid environmental protection licence;
 - (ii) if so, of the date on which the aforesaid licence was issued;
 - (iii) of the date on which that licence will expire; and
 - (iv) whether Ceylon Electricity Board will undertake the responsibility for the failure of the Power Plant to fulfill the conditions stipulated in that licence?
- (d) If not, why?

508/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) whether he considers it to be reasonable to purchase electricity at a per unit rate as high as Rs. 23.00 from companies which only obtained permits but failed to start work until year 2016 while solar power could be obtained at lower prices by calling for competitive tenders;
 - (ii) whether the Chairperson of the Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority has not drawn attention to the aforementioned fraudulent action in violation of your Ministry's policies;
 - (iii) whether the Chairperson of the Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority has taken action to go into a competitive tender procedure;
 - (iv) of the qualifications in the possession of the person currently occupying the post of Chairperson of the Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority to occupy the aforementioned post;
 - (v) of the names of the companies for which energy permits were issued by the Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority after 08-01-2015;
 - (vi) separately of the names of the directors and the capacity of permits issued to each company to which energy permits were issued;
 - (vii) whether Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority has acted in contravention to the policies of the government when issuing energy permits?
- (b) If not, why?

512/18

Hon. Mohan Priyadarshana De Silva,— To ask the Minister of Justice & Prison Reforms,—(1)

- (a) Will she inform this House—
- (i) of the defendants of case number H.C./4648/2009 (Attorney General's Number C.R.-2/26/2009) which was heard in the High Courts, Colombo;
 - (ii) of the charges raised in the Indictment paper; and
 - (iii) whether all the defendants have been acquitted from the aforesaid indictments?

- (b) Will she State—
- (i) whether it is stated in the determination that there is a possibility for the Attorney General to amend the accusations for a second time;
 - (ii) accordingly, whether the defendants are re-filed by the Attorney General having properly amended the accusations;
 - (iii) if so, the period within which re-filing is done; and
 - (iv) whether the reasons for the particular decision would be unveiled, if not re-filed thus?
- (c) If not, why?

513/18

Hon Premalal Jayasekara,—To ask the Minister of Highways & Road Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that —
- (i) work on 05 road projects in the Nivithigala electorate of the Ratnapura District commenced in December 2015 under the “iRoad” project;
 - (ii) work in 02 of the aforesaid projects has reached final stage while work has been suspended in 03 of the projects;
- (b) Will he inform this House —
- (i) of the date on which the suspended projects will re-commence;
 - (ii) of the deadlines set for these projects which are expected to be completed within year 2017?
- (c) If not, why?

515/18

Hon. Indika Anuruddha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Women and Child Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will she inform this House —
- (i) separately of the population of women, children, youths and the elderly living in this country respectively;
 - (ii) of the amount of money that was allocated from the budget for year 2017 for the functioning of the National Committee on women;
 - (iii) of the present state of the functioning of that Committee;
 - (iv) of the amount of money that was allocated from the budget for year 2017 for providing houses and other relief measures to women who are rendered destitute due to violence; and
 - (v) of the date from which provision of such relief measures would be commenced?
- (b) If not, why?
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Thursday, June 21, 2018

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

40/18

Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana,—To ask Minister of Plantation Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether a state-private joint Committee of Action was formed in order to solve the problems faced by the tea industry according to Proposal No. 157 of Budget 2016;
 - (ii) if so, the names of its members;
 - (iii) of the main problems identified by the said Committee in 2016 as those faced by the tea industry; and
 - (iv) of the measures adopted by the government in order to solve the problems in the tea industry in 2016?
- (b) If not, why?

243/18

Hon. Heshan Withanage,— To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether he is aware that there is a school named Dela Tamil Maha Vidyalaya in the Niwithigala education zone in the Ratnapura district;
 - (ii) the number of students studying in it at present;
 - (iii) whether he is aware that there is a shortage of teachers in that school at present; and
 - (iv) of the steps the Ministry intends to take to address that shortage of teachers?
- (b) If not, why?

313/18

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

- (a) Will he table —
- (i) the value of contraband cigarettes illegally imported to Sri Lanka during the period from 01.01.2014 to 30.06.2015;
 - (ii) names, addresses, telephone numbers and the country if the arrested and convicted person is a foreigner; and
 - (iii) the punishments given to persons mentioned in (ii) above separately?

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- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the contraband cigarettes are destroyed after following the legal procedures;
 - (ii) if so, the method of destroying them; and
 - (iii) if not, whether those cigarettes are issued to the market subject to government taxes?
- (c) If not, why?

412/18

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,—To ask the Minister of City Planning and Water Supply,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) how many households within the Jaffna District had been connected to the supply of cleaned drinking water by the National Water Supply and Drainage Board by 1983;
 - (ii) how many households are provided with cleaned drinking water at present;
 - (iii) what amount in full was allocated by the government in each year for providing drinking water until the end of the war situation after 1983;
 - (iv) what amount in full was allocated by the government for projects implemented for the supply of drinking water, separately in respect of each of the years following the war situation until the year 2015
 - (v) whether he will table a progress report on all above?
- (b) If not, why?

448/18

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 there is a programme to grant full or semi scholarships through the President's Fund to Sri Lankans for local or foreign academic purposes;
 - (ii) if so, the basis and the methodology for the selection of suitable persons for scholarships as per the said programme;
 - (iii) whether there is a system to award scholarships for students securing the highest marks at the G.C.E. (Advanced Level) examination;
 - (iv) whether there is a system to award scholarships to graduates for postgraduate studies;
 - (v) whether there is a system to award local or foreign scholarships except in (iii) and (iv) above;
 - (vi) if so, what that system is; and
 - (vii) separately the names of persons who received scholarships outside the systems indicated in (iii) and (iv) above, the amount of money, institution and if a foreign country the name of same in respect of each year from the year 2005 to year 2017?
- (b) If not, why?

481/'18

Hon. D.V. Chanaka,— To ask the Minister of Ports and Shipping,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the total extent of lands that would be awarded through the agreement to privatize the Hambantota Port and of the basis on which the lands would be awarded;
 - (ii) whether a rental will be charged for the lands that are leased for the operations terminal under this agreement;
 - (iii) whether either of the two companies with which the agreement has been entered into will be given the right to construct the third and the fourth phases of this port;
 - (iv) if so, of the basis on which such right will be given;
 - (v) whether the 110-acres island that was built at the second phase of the Hambantota Port will be given to either of these two companies;
 - (vi) if so, of the basis on which it will awarded;
 - (vii) whether a valuation has been obtained for this either from a local company or an international company; and
 - (viii) if not, of the basis on which the value of that island was determined?
- (b) If not, why?

483/'18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of radio channels in Sri Lanka at present;
 - (ii) the institutions that run those radio channels;
 - (iii) the names of the owners of those radio channels and the dates on which each radio channels have been started;
 - (iv) whether there are radio channels started in Sri Lanka that are not functioning by now; and
 - (v) if so, the names of those radio channels?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) the name of the institution that regulates the radio channels;
 - (ii) whether he admits that regulation of those radio channels are not done in a proper manner;
 - (iii) whether a proper procedure to regulate radio channels will be prepared to prevent certain radio channels broadcasting programmes harmful to the society; and
 - (iv) if so, how?
- (c) If not, why?

487/18

Hon. I. Charles Nirmalanathan,— To ask the Minister of Post, Postal Services and Muslim Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the district office of the Superintendent of Posts in the Mullaitivu district was closed during the period of armed conflict;
 - (ii) though all the other offices have been recommenced after the resettlement was started, this office has not been recommenced up to date;
 - (iii) this has caused great inconvenience to the people in the Mullaitivu district since they have to get the service of the district post office in Vavuniya, which was about 100 km away, to present their problems related to the post;
 - (iv) a written request dated 07.07.2007 was made by me to recommence this office; and
- (b) If so, will he inform this House whether action will be taken forthwith to recommence the district office of the Superintendent of Posts?
- (c) If not, why?

489/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) of the number of islands to which electricity has been supplied by Ceylon Electricity Board;
 - (ii) of the total number of electricity consumers in each of those islands;
 - (iii) of the level of efficiency in recovering electricity bills in those islands;
 - (iv) whether there is any possibility of utilizing solar power or wind power for generating electricity for those islands instead of using diesel power plants; and
 - (v) if so, of the names of islands in which such sources of energy are utilized?
- (b) If not, why?

492/18

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Petroleum Resources Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) whether oil tanks belonging to the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation are located at the Trincomalee harbor;
 - (ii) if so, of the number of such oil tanks;

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- (iii) whether oil tanks belonging to the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation have been leased out;
 - (iv) if so, of the names of the institutions and countries to which the abovementioned tanks have been leased; and
 - (v) whether information on the income earned by the Corporation by leasing the aforementioned oil tanks after the good governance government came to power will be submitted separately on per year basis?
- (b) If not, why?

509/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) whether a company in which a person known as Air Chief Marshall Oliver Ranasinghe is the Director, has been granted a license by Sri Lanka Sustainable Energy Authority to construct solar power plants;
 - (ii) if so, of the amount of electricity the said company should generate and supply to the national grid according to that license;
 - (iii) whether that license granted for Solar Thermal technology has been changed later as Solar PV technology in an illegal manner;
 - (iv) if so, who has ordered such change;
 - (v) whether several other applicants have been subjected to injustice as a result of changing the technology in that manner;
 - (vi) of the current situation of that project;
 - (vii) of the loss incurred to Ceylon Electricity Board by purchasing power generated through that project at Rs.23.10 per unit, over 20 years;
 - (viii) whether the purchase of a unit of electricity at a higher price while the same could be obtained at a lower price, will be justified;
 - (ix) whether steps will be taken to complain about the corrupt transaction that had occurred, to the Commission to Investigate Allegations of Bribery or Corruption?
- (b) If not, why?

516/18

Hon. Indika Anuruddha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Finance and Mass Media,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
- (i) separately of the contributions of the sectors of agriculture, industries and services, which are the key components of Sri Lanka's economy, to the gross domestic production of year 2016;
 - (ii) of the contributions of the aforesaid sectors as percentages;

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- (iii) of the contribution of the services sector to the gross domestic production in year 2016 in millions; and
- (iv) of the new components that have been added to the services sector?
- (b) Will he also inform this House —
 - (i) separately of the price index of the share market in each year from 2013 to 2016;
 - (ii) of the proposals that have been made for year 2017 to prevent the aforesaid indicator from dropping further;
 - (iii) of the value of the national consumer price index in the months of January, June and September in year 2016;
 - (iv) of the ratio of the labour force participation in the first half of the years 2015 and 2016;
 - (v) of the employment level in the agriculture sector; and
 - (vi) of the number of those who were employed in the state sector and in the self-employment sector in years 2015 and 2016?
- (c) If not, why?

526/18

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara,—To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources & Disaster Management,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the insurance payment promised to the families affected by the floods and landslides that occurred in 2017, has been received by those families;
 - (ii) whether he admits that no household in the areas of Kolonnawa, Angoda, Wellampitiya, Sedawaththa, Kelanimulla, Peliyagoda, Kaduwela and Pahala Bomiriya that were affected by the said flood has received any such payment of insurance, even though the Prime Minister stated in Parliament that a maximum of Rs. 25 lakhs could be obtained as insurance payment for a house damaged during the floods in 2016;
 - (iii) of the date by which steps would be taken to pay insurance payment or any other compensation after valuation of the damaged houses of the victims in 2016 and 2017;
 - (iv) of the number of families who received compensation, if any compensation has been paid for damaged houses by now; and
 - (v) of the Divisional Secretariat Divisions where such insurance has been paid?
- (b) If not, why?

551/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that a large number of people within the Puttalam District have faced with intense suffering due to scarcity of clean water to drink;
 - (ii) which villages and the Divisional Secretariat Divisions within the District do not have clean water to drink;
 - (iii) of the names of the water projects that have been implemented so far within the District and the number of families benefiting from each project, separately; and
 - (iv) of the steps will be taken by the Ministry in future in order to address the drinking water crisis in the Puttalam District?
- (b) If not, why?

571/18

Hon. Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena,— To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise & Kandy City Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he is aware that the aviation services carried out under Mihin Lanka Ltd. have been acquired by the Sri Lankan Airline Ltd. since 30.10.2016;
 - (ii) of the number of Mihin Lanka employees enrolled to Sri Lankan Airline Ltd. in parallel to it and their names and positions;
 - (iii) of the number of Mihin Lanka employees whose service was terminated and their names and positions;
 - (iv) of the amount paid as compensation to each employee separately, whose service was terminated;
 - (v) of the names and positions of the persons who have been employed after 31.12.2016;
 - (vi) of the number of persons who served as consultants till 31.12.2016;
 - (vii) of the group of persons mentioned in (vi) above, how many have been paid with salaries for the upcoming months, the compensations, wages or allowances paid to them;
 - (viii) of the number of employees who have appealed due to not receiving adequate compensation; and
 - (ix) whether they will be provided with outstanding compensation?
 - (b) If not, why?
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Friday, June 22, 2018

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

19/18

Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of—
- (i) the number of playgrounds in Kandy district;
 - (ii) the names of those playgrounds;
 - (iii) the number and names of those developed from 2010 up to now, out of the said playgrounds;
 - (iv) the amount spent to develop those playgrounds, separately;
 - (v) the names, addresses and contact numbers of the persons or institutions that obtained the contracts for developing the said playgrounds;
 - (vi) the steps taken by the Ministry to develop the remaining playgrounds in Kandy district?
- (a) If not, why?

41/18

Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana,—To ask Minister of Plantation Industries,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) the measures taken in the year 2016 in order to achieve the objective of making regional plantation companies registered companies in the Colombo stock market, as per the No. 156 proposal of the 2016 budget ;
 - (ii) whether he will submit a comprehensive report of the plantation companies established in the year 1992 along with the names of their owners;
 - (iii) the profits earned or the losses incurred by each of the plantation company mentioned above in each year during the period from the year 1992 up to 2016, separately;
 - (iv) the number of acres owned by each regional plantation company mentioned above along with their productivity, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

133/18

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,—To ask the Minister of Education,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House —
 - (i) the number of national schools in each electorate in the Matale district, separately;
 - (ii) the names of those schools; and
 - (iii) of the steps the Ministry intends to take to increase the number of national schools in the Matale District and further develop the existing national schools?
- (b) If not, why?

160/18

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,—To ask the Minister of Higher Education & Cultural Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House in respect of each district separately—
 - (i) the number of students who sat for the G.C.E (Advanced Level) examination in the biology stream in 2015 from Matale, Nuwara-Eliya and Kandy districts;
 - (ii) the number and the percentage of the students who were qualified for university entrance;
 - (iii) the number and the percentage of the students qualified for medical faculties; and
 - (iv) the minimum result of the students who were qualified for the medical faculty, Z-score, the school in which each student studied and the medical faculty to which they got selected?
- (b) If not, why?

197/18

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources & Disaster Management,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this house in regard to the floods caused by the river water and rain water in the wet zone in the year 2017—
 - (i) the number of persons who lost their lives;
 - (ii) the number of persons who became disabled;
 - (iii) the total amount of compensation paid by the government to the persons who were affected by the floods;
 - (iv) the amount of compensation paid by the government on behalf of a person who lost his life;
 - (v) the maximum and minimum amount of compensation paid for the houses that were affected by the floods;
 - (vi) whether permanent houses will be provided to all those who were displaced; and
 - (vii) the nearest date on which a permanent house was provided to a family that was displaced?
- (b) If not, why?

218/'18

Hon. Douglas Devananda,—To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the cadre in the post of Agriculture Research Production Assistant of the Department of Agrarian Development in the Jaffna district; and
 - (ii) the number of officers who are currently serving on this post and the number of vacancies available ;
 - (iii) of the date on which the vacancies existing in the above department would be filled; and
 - (iv) whether acting appointments are given or acting allowances paid to the officers who are acting on the above post?
- (b) If not, why?

314/'18

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the Sri Lankan School children suffer from various nutritional deficiencies;
 - (ii) the contributory factors for this situation are the failure to obtain food on time and the lack of nutrients in the food consumed; and
 - (iii) there is a tendency for the school children to contract various diseases owing to this situation?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether measures have been taken by the government to increase the nutritional level of the school children; and
 - (ii) if so, what those measures are?
- (c) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether action will be taken to provide a nutritious meal to the school children; and
 - (ii) if so, from which date it will be?
- (d) If not, why?

393/'18

Hon. T. Ranjith De Soyza,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this house—
 - (i) of the number of new portfolios created by the Central Government for provincial development in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) of those Ministries, separately; and
 - (iii) the amount of money allocated to those Ministries for the year 2017, separately?

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- (b) Will he also inform this House—
- (i) whether the Ministry of Sabaragamuwa Development has made allocations for project development;
 - (ii) if so, the amount so allocated; and
 - (iii) of those projects are?
- (c) If not, why?

413/18

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,— To ask the Minister of Social Empowerment,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
- (i) of the number of families beneficial by Samurdhi relief in the Moneragala district;
 - (ii) the number of such families, in terms of the value of the stamps they receive, separately;
 - (iii) whether any categorisation has been made on the information of the last Samurdhi survey;
 - (iv) the number of appeals received after that survey in relation to each Divisional Secretariat division separately; and
 - (v) the steps to be taken in future in regard to those appeals?
- (b) If not, why?

425/18

Hon. Ishak Rahuman,— To ask the Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that —
- (i) about 100 families have constructed permanent houses and are living in the “Diyawara” village (fishing village) established during the previous regime above the watershed of the Kala Weva tank within the Ipalogama Divisional Secretariat Division; and
 - (ii) those people have not received ownership to those lands so far?
- (b) If so, will he inform this House of the date on which action will be taken to grant them ownership of these lands?
- (c) If not, why?

449/18

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Sustainable Development, Wildlife and Regional Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House separately the name and designation of each officer who is attached to the personal staff of the Minister of Regional Development and has been allocated official vehicles, along with details of the type of vehicle allocated to them, registration number and the name of the officer who authorized such allocation of a vehicle?
- (b) If not, why?

493/18

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of Divineguma Community Based Banks (Samurdhi Banks) that operate within Badulla district;
 - (ii) of the locations of those banks; and
 - (iii) of the number of beneficiaries who benefit from each bank branch?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of employees serving at each of the banks mentioned in a (i) above and their names and designations separately;
 - (ii) whether any vacancies exist at those banks at present; and
 - (iii) if so, of the methodology adopted to recruit employees for those vacancies?
- (c) If not, why?

517/18

Hon. Indika Anuruddha Herath,— To ask the Minister of Buddhasasana,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of students who receive Dhamma School education in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) of the amount of money available in the fund set up for the development of Dhamma Schools;
 - (iii) of the allocations made in the budget 2017 to build up aforesaid fund;
 - (iv) of the promotions carried out by the government so as to complement and appreciate the services rendered by the teachers of Dhamma schools and to retain them in the service;
 - (v) of the new measures taken by the government to regulate and ban tuition classes held on Sunday morning hours as they stand in the way when the students are directed towards the Dhamma education?
- (b) If not, why?

527/18

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) Mr.R.Jayabal residing at No.25/14, Maradana Watta, Hendala, Wattala, depended on the interest income received by depositing one million rupees for three years with Ceylinco Reality and Consolidated Ltd., a company that was registered with the Central Bank of Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) the interest payable on the said amount has been paid intermittently in an irregular manner; and
 - (iii) even though the balance of Rs. 525, 000/- out of the amount initially deposited, has to be paid back on maturity, the company has failed to provide that amount despite repeated requests made?
- (b) Will he inform this House on the steps that will be taken regarding defrauding of depositors this manner done by several such companies including the aforesaid one?
- (c) If not, why?

552/18

Hon. Ashoka Priyantha,—To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the names of the ministers who hold ministerial portfolios in the North Western Provincial Council;
 - (ii) separately, the Ministries that come under them;
 - (iii) the institutions and other statutory bodies coming under each Minister;
 - (iv) the number of appointments that have been given by each Minister after the present government of good governance came into power;
 - (v) the names, addresses, educational qualifications and the posts of the persons to whom the appointments were given;
 - (vi) the procedure followed in giving those appointments; and
 - (vii) if any irregularity taken place when these appointments were given, the steps taken by the Ministry in this regard?
 - (b) If not, why?
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