

(Eighth Parliament - Second Session)

No. 22.]

## MINUTES OF PARLIAMENT

Wednesday, July 18, 2018 at 1.00 p.m.

### PRESENT:

Hon. Karu Jayasuriya, Speaker

Hon. Selvam Adaikkalanathan, Deputy Chairperson of Committees

**Hon. Ranil Wickremesinghe,** Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs

Hon. (Mrs.) Thalatha Atukorale, Minister of Justice & Prison Reforms

Hon. Mahinda Amaraweera, Minister of Agriculture

**Hon. Gayantha Karunatileka,** Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms and Chief Government Whip

**Hon.** Lakshman Kiriella, Minister of Public Enterprise & Kandy City Development and Leader of the House of Parliament

Hon. Nimal Siripala de Silva, Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation

**Hon. Palany Thigambaram,** Minister of Hill Country New Villages, Infrastructure and Community Development

Hon. S. B. Nawinne, Minister of Internal Affairs & Wayamba Development

Hon. Tilak Marapana, Minister of Foreign Affairs

**Hon. Sagala Ratnayaka,** Minister of Youth Affairs, Project Management and Southern Development

Hon. Arjuna Ranatunga, Minister of Petroleum Resources Development

Hon. Patali Champika Ranawaka, Minister of Megapolis and Western Development

**Hon. Malik Samarawickrama,** Minister of Development Strategies and International Trade

Hon. Rauff Hakeem, Minister of City Planning and Water Supply

Hon. Abdul Haleem, Minister of Post, Postal Services and Muslim Religious Affairs

Hon. Kabir Hashim, Minister of Highways & Road Development

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- Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala, State Minister of Home Affairs
- **Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare,** State Minister of Tourism Development and Christian Religious Affairs
- Hon. Wasantha Aluwihare, State Minister of Agriculture
- **Hon. Piyasena Gamage,** State Minister of Youth Affairs, Project Management and Southern Development
- Hon. Lucky Jayawardana, State Minister of City Planning and Water Supply
- Hon. (Dr.) Harsha De Silva, State Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs
- Hon. Weerakumara Dissanayake, State Minister of Mahaweli Development
- Hon. Ajith P. Perera, State Minister of Power and Renewable Energy
- Hon. Niroshan Perera, State Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs
- Hon. A. D. Premadasa, State Minister of Plantation Industries
- **Hon. Palitha Range Bandara**, State Minister of Irrigation and Water Resources & Disaster Management
- Hon. Eran Wickramaratne, State Minister of Finance
- Hon. Ruwan Wijewardene, State Minister of Defence
- **Hon. Dilip Wedaarachchi**, State Minister of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development and Rural Economic Affairs
- Hon. Sujeewa Senasinghe, State Minister of International Trade
- Hon. Vasantha Senanayake, State Minister of Foreign Affairs
- Hon. M. L. A. M. Hizbullah, State Minister of Highways & Road Development
- Hon. A. H. M. Fowzie, State Minister of National Unity and Co-existence
- Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe, Deputy Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation
- Hon. Faizal Cassim, Deputy Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine
- **Hon. Edward Gunasekara,** Deputy Minister of Internal Affairs & Wayamba Development
- **Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,** Deputy Minister of Public Administration & Management and Law & Order
- Hon. H. R. Sarathie Dushmantha, Deputy Minister of Justice & Prison Reforms
- Hon. Buddhika Pathirana, Deputy Minister of Industry and Commerce
- **Hon. Seyed Ali Zahir Moulana,** Deputy Minister of National Integration, Reconciliation and Official Languages
- **Hon. K. Kader Masthan**, Deputy Minister of Resettlement, Rehabilitation and Northern Development
- Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma, Deputy Minister of Environment

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Hon. Angajan Ramanathan, Deputy Minister of Agriculture

Hon. Ranjan Ramanayake, Deputy Minister of Social Empowerment

Hon. Muthu Sivalingam, Deputy Minister of Social Welfare & Primary Industries

**Hon. Ameer Ali Shihabdeen,** Deputy Minister of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Development and Rural Economic Affairs

Hon. Hector Appuhamy

Hon. Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena

Hon. Lakshman Yapa Abeywardena

Hon. Thushara Indunil Amarasena

Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma

Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage

Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage

Hon. (Dr.) S. M. Mohamed Ismail

Hon. T. B. Ekanayake

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake

Hon. A. Aravindh Kumar

Hon. Velu Kumar

Hon. Chandima Gamage

Hon. Nihal Galappaththi

Hon. Dinesh Gunawardena

Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardane

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera

Hon. S. M. Chandrasena

Hon. Sisira Jayakody

Hon. Malith Jayathilake

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa

Hon. Anura Sidney Jayarathne

Hon. Anuradha Jayaratne

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara

Hon. Premalal Jayasekara

Hon. (Mrs.) Sumedha G. Jayasena

Hon. M. S. Thowfeek

Hon. Sirinal de Mel

Hon. Piyal Nishantha De Silva

Hon. T. Ranjith De Zoysa

Hon. Anura Dissanayaka

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Hon. Mayantha Dissanayake

Hon. S. B. Dissanayake

Hon. Salinda Dissanayake

Hon. Douglas Devananda

Hon. Mohamadu Nazeer

Hon. Vasudeva Nanayakkara

Hon. I. Charles Nirmalanathan

Hon. (Dr.) Ramesh Pathirana

Hon. K. K. Piyadasa

Hon. Susantha Punchinilame

Hon. Dilan Perera

Hon. Sanath Nishantha Perera

Hon. Sujith Sanjaya Perera

Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Sudarshini Fernandopulle

Hon. Ashoka Priyantha

Hon. A. D. Susil Premajayantha

Hon. (Mrs.) Hirunika Premachandra

Hon. S. Premarathna

Hon. Bandula Lal Bandarigoda

Hon. Tharanath Basnayaka

Hon. Tharaka Balasuriya

Hon. Vijitha Berugoda

Hon. Muhammad Ibrahim Muhammad Mansoor

Hon. S. M. Marikkar

Hon. Imran Maharoof

Hon. Abdullah Mahrooff

Hon. (Prof.) Ashu Marasinghe

Hon. S. C. Mutukumarana

Hon. Anura Priyadharshana Yapa

Hon. Seeniththamby Yoheswaran

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake

Hon. Prasanna Ranatunga

Hon. Ishak Rahuman

Hon. Mujibur Rahuman

Hon. Harshana Rajakaruna

Hon. Gamini Lokuge

Hon. Janaka Wakkumbura

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Hon. Vidura Wickramanayaka

Hon. (Dr.) Jayampathy Wickramaratne

Hon. A. A. Wijethunga

Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Thusitha Wijemanna

Hon. Lakshman Ananda Wijemanne

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri

Hon. Duleep Wijesekera

Hon. Kanchana Wijesekara

Hon. Hesha Withanage

Hon. Chandima Weerakkody

Hon. Wimal Weerawansa

Hon. Kumara Welgama

Hon. S. Shritharan

Hon. Gnanamuthu Srineshan

Hon. (Mrs.) Shanthi Sriskandarasa

Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera

Hon. Rajavarothiam Sampanthan, Leader of the Opposition in Parliament

Hon. E. Saravanapavan

Hon. (Dr.) S. Sivamohan

Hon. Annamalai Nadesu Sivasakthi

Hon. M. A. Sumanthiran

Hon. Vadivel Suresh

Hon. W. D. J. Senewiratne

Hon. Shehan Semasinghe

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti

Hon. Wijepala Hettiarachchi

Hon. Indika Anuruddha Herath

Hon. Kanaka Herath

Hon. Vijitha Herath

Mr. Dhammika Dasanayake, Secretary-General of Parliament

Mr. Neil Iddawala, Chief of Staff and Deputy Secretary-General of Parliament

Mrs. Kushani Rohanadeera, Assistant Secretary-General

Mr. Tikiri K. Jayathilake, Assistant Secretary-General

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#### Parliament met pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker took the Chair.

## 1. Announcements by the Speaker: The Speaker made the following announcement:-

"I wish to inform this House that I table all the names of the Committee Members who were nominated by the Committee of Selection on Friday, July 06, 2018 relating to each Ministerial Consultative Committee separately, enabling to be published in the Hansard in three languages to serve in the 43 Ministerial Consultative Committees in terms of the provisions of the Standing Order No. 112 of Parliament and the resolutions adopted by Parliament on Wednesday, June 20, 2018 and Tuesday, July 17, 2018."

#### (1) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Defence

HE. Maithreepala Sirisena

Hon. Ruwan Wijewardene

Hon. Mahinda Samarasinghe

Hon. Douglas Devananda

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake

Hon. Lohan Ratwatte

Hon. M. A. Sumanthiran

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa

## (2) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Mahaweli Development and Environment

HE. Maithreepala Sirisena

Hon. Weerakumara Dissanayake

Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma

Hon. M. L. A. M. Hizbullah

Hon. Vijitha Herath

Hon. S. M. Chandrasena

Hon. Mavai S. Senathirajah

Hon. Nalaka Prasad Colonne

## (3) Ministerial Consultative Committee on National Policies and Economic Affairs

Hon. Ranil Wickremesinghe

Hon. Niroshan Perera

Hon. (Dr.) Harsha De Silva

Hon. Kabir Hashim

Hon. A. H. M. Fowzie

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti

Hon. Vidura Wickramanayaka

Hon. E. Saravanapavan

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# (4) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Tourism Development and Christian Religious Affairs

Hon. John Amaratunga

Hon. Ranjith Aluwihare

Hon. Nimal Siripala de Silva

Hon. Dilip Wedaarachchi

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake

Hon. Arundika Fernando

Hon. I. Charles Nirmalanathan

#### (5) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Buddhasasana

Hon. Gamini Jayawickrama Perera

Hon. Ajith P. Perera

Hon. Chamal Rajapaksa

Hon. Vijitha Herath

Hon. Hesha Withanage

Hon. S. Viyalanderan

### (6) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Transport and Civil Aviation

Hon. Nimal Siripala de Silva

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe

Hon. D. M. Swaminathan

Hon. Kumara Welgama

Hon. Sirinal de Mel

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa

Hon. I. Charles Nirmalanathan

#### (7) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Finance and Mass Media

Hon. Mangala Samaraweera

Hon. Eran Wickramaratne

Hon. Lasantha Alagiyawanna

Hon. Daya Gamage

Hon. Douglas Devananda

Hon. (Dr.) Bandula Gunawardana

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake

Hon. Mavai S. Senathirajah

Hon. Harshana Rajakaruna

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# (8) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Science, Technology, Research, Skills Development and Vocational Training and Kandyan Heritage

Hon. (Dr.) Sarath Amunugama

Hon. Lakshman Senewiratne

Hon. Karunarathna Paranawithana

Hon. Mohan Lal Grero

Hon. Keheliya Rambukwella

Hon. Nihal Galappaththi

Hon. Abdullah Mahrooff

Hon. Gnanamuthu Srineshan

### (9) Ministerial Consultative Committee on City Planning and Water Supply

Hon. Rauff Hakeem

Hon. Wasantha Aluwihare

Hon. Douglas Devananda

Hon. Nihal Galappaththi

Hon. Jayantha Samaraweera

Hon. S. M. Marikkar

Hon. Gnanamuthu Srineshan

# (10) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development

Hon. Lakshman Kiriella

Hon. H. M. M. Harees

Hon. Palany Thigambaram

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti

Hon. Dilum Amunugama

Hon. (Prof.) Ashu Marasinghe

Hon. (Mrs.) Shanthi Sriskandarasa

### (11) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Foreign Affairs

Hon. Tilak Marapana

Hon. Vasantha Senanayake

Hon. Harin Fernando

Hon. (Dr.) Harsha De Silva

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake

Hon. Namal Rakapaksa

Hon. M. A. Sumanthiran

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#### (12) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Ports and Shipping

Hon. Mahinda Samarasinghe

Hon. Nishantha Muthuhettigamage

Hon. Sagala Ratnayaka

Hon. Rohitha Abeygunawardana

Hon. Mavai S. Senathirajah

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa

Hon. Mohamadu Nazeer

## (13) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Home Affairs

Hon. Wajira Abeywardana

Hon. J. C. Alawathuwala

Hon. P. Harrison

Hon. Vijitha Herath

Hon. Anura Sidney Jayarathne

Hon. S. Shritharan

Hon. Kanaka Herath

# (14) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine

Hon. (Dr.) Rajitha Senaratne

Hon. Faizal Cassim

Hon. Lucky Jayawardana

Hon. Palitha Range Bandara

Hon. (Dr.) Ramesh Pathirana

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa

Hon. (Dr.) S. Sivamohan

### (15) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Internal Affairs and Wayamba Development

Hon. S. B. Nawinne

Hon. Edward Gunasekara

Hon. Ashok Abeysinghe

Hon. Nihal Galappaththi

Hon. Nimal Lanza

Hon. Mavai S. Senathirajah

Hon. Hector Appuhamy

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#### (16) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Industry and Commerce

Hon. Rishad Bathiudeen

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana

Hon. Lucky Jayawardana

Hon. Johnston Fernando

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti

Hon. K. K. Piyadasa

Hon. Seeniththamby Yoheswaran

## (17) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Megapolis and Western Development

Hon. Patali Champika Ranawaka

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti

Hon. K. Thurairetnasingam

Hon. (Mrs.) Hirunika Premachandra

Hon. Prasanna Ranatunga

Hon. Mujibur Rahuman

#### (18) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Agriculture

Hon. Mahinda Amaraweera

Hon. Wasantha Aluwihare

Hon. Angajan Ramanadan

Hon. Ranjith Aluvihare

Hon. Vijitha Herath

Hon. Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena

Hon. (Ven.) Athuraliye Rathana Thero

Hon. S. Shritharan

#### (19) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Plantation Industries

Hon. Navin Dissanayake

Hon. A. D. Premadasa

Hon. Piyasena Gamage

Hon. Vijitha Herath

Hon. Vadivel Suresh

Hon. Janaka Wakkumbura

Hon. S. Shritharan

#### (20) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Power and Renewable Energy

Hon. Ranjith Siyambalapitiya

Hon. Ajith P. Perera

Hon. Ajith Mannapperuma

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha

Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti

Hon. (Dr.) S. Sivamohan

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# (21) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Irrigation and Water Resources and Disaster Management

Hon. Duminda Dissanayake

Hon. Palitha Range Bandara

Hon. Vijitha Herath

Hon. Wimalaweera Dissanayaka

Hon. S. Shritharan

Hon. A. Aravindh Kumar

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna

## (22) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development and Rural Economic Affairs

Hon. Wijith Wijayamuni Zoysa

Hon. Dilip Wedaarachchi

Hon. Ameer Ali Shihabdeen

Hon. Mahinda Amaraweera

Hon. Niroshan Perera

Hon.Douglas Devananda

Hon. Nihal Galappaththi

Hon. I. Charles Nirmalanathan

Hon. Sanath Nishantha Perera

#### (23) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Social Empowerment

Hon. P. Harrison

Hon. Ranjan Ramanayake

Hon. Vadivel Suresh

Hon. Lakshman Ananda Wijemanne

Hon. Vijitha Berugoda

Hon. E. Saravanapavan

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa

#### (24) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Highways and Road Development

Hon. Kabir Hashim

Hon. M. L. A. M. Hizbullah

Hon. Palitha Range Bandara

Hon, H. R. Sarathie Dushmantha

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti

Hon. Dharmalingam Sithadthan

Hon. Roshan Ranasinghe

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# (25) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Public Administration & Management and Law & Order

Hon. R. M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha

Hon. Ranjan Ramanayake

Hon. Angajan Ramanathan

Hon. Nihal Galappaththi

Hon. T. Ranjith De Zoysa

Hon. I. Charles Nirmalanathan

## (26) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Higher Education and Cultural Affairs

Hon. (Dr.) Wijeyadasa Rajapakshe

Hon. Mohan Lal Grero

Hon. (Mrs.) Sriyani Wijewickrama

Hon. Buddhika Pathirana

Hon. Dharmalingam Sithadthan

Hon. Shehan Semasinghe

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa

#### (27) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Housing and Construction

Hon. Sajith Premadasa

Hon. Indika Bandaranayake

Hon. Seved Ali Zahir Moulana

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera

Hon. E. Saravanapavan

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa

Hon. (Dr.) Kavinda Heshan Jayawardana

#### (28) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Petroleum Resources Development

Hon. Arjuna Ranatunga

Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Anoma Gamage

Hon. Angajan Ramanathan

Hon. Salinda Dissanayake

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti

Hon. S. M. Marikkar

Hon. S. Viyalanderan

#### (29) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Hill Country New Villages, Infrastructure and Community Development

Hon. Palany Thigambaram

Hon. Lucky Jayawardana

Hon. Thenuka Vidanagamage

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa

Hon. Sujith Sanjaya Perera

Hon. Hesha Withanage

Hon. (Dr.) S. Sivamohan

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#### (30) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Lands and Parliamentary Reforms

Hon. Gayantha Karunatileka

Hon. Dunesh Gankanda

Hon. Douglas Devananda

Hon. Vijitha Herath

Hon. Siripala Gamalath

Hon. M. A. Sumanthiran

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri

### (31) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Women and Child Affairs

Hon. (Mrs.) Chandrani Bandara

Hon. Eran Wickramaratne

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake

Hon. Piyal Nishantha De Silva

Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Thusitha Wijemanna

Hon. (Mrs.) Shanthi Sriskandarasa

#### (32) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Justice and Prison Reforms

Hon. (Mrs.) Thalatha Atukorale

Hon. H. R. Sarathie Dushmantha

Hon. Tilak Marapana

Hon. Vijitha Herath

Hon. Mohan Priyadarshana De Silva

Hon. M. A. Sumanthiran

Hon. (Dr.) Jayampathy Wickramaratne

#### (33) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Education

Hon. Akila Viraj Kariyawasam

Hon. V. S. Radhakrishnan

Hon. Sisira Jayakody

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa

Hon. Imran Maharoof

Hon. Gnanamuthu Srineshan

Hon. Wijepala Hettiarachchi

## (34) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Resettlement, Rehabilitation, Northern Development and Hindu Religious Affairs

Hon. D. M. Swaminathan

Hon. K. Kader Masthan

Hon. Rishad Bathiudeen

Hon. Douglas Devananda

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake

Hon. S.C. Mutukumarana

Hon. S. Shritharan

Hon. Imran Maharoof

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# (35) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Post, Postal Services and Muslim Religious Affairs

Hon. Abdul Haleem

Hon. Faizal Cassim

Hon. Nihal Galappaththi

Hon. Duleep Wijesekera

Hon. Mylvaganam Thilakarajah

Hon. I. Charles Nirmalanathan

### (36) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Youth Affairs, Project Management and Southern Development

Hon. Sagala Ratnayaka

Hon. Piyasena Gamage

Hon. Manusha Nanayakkara

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake

Hon. D. V. Chanaka

Hon. Bandula Lal Bandarigoda

Hon. S. Viyalanderan

### (37) Ministerial Consultative Committee on National Integration, Reconciliation and Official Languages

Hon. Mano Ganesan

Hon. A. H. M. Fowzie

Hon. Seyed Ali Zahir Moulana

Hon. Kabir Hashim

Hon. K. Kader Masthan

Hon. Douglas Devananda

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake

Hon. Mavai S. Senathirajah

Hon. Indika Anuruddha Herath

# (38) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Telecommunication, Digital Infrastructure and Foreign Employment

Hon. Harin Fernando

Hon. Manusha Nanayakkara

Hon. R. M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti

Hon. A. A. Wijethunga

Hon. E. Saravanapavan

Hon. Kanchana Wijesekera

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## (39) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Social Welfare and Primary Industries

Hon. Daya Gamage

Hon. Muthu Sivalingam

Hon. P. Harrison

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake

Hon. Kaveendiran Kodeeswaran

Hon. Bandula Lal Bandarigoda

Hon. Prasanna Ranaweera

# (40) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Provincial Councils, Local Government and Sports

Hon. Faiszer Musthapha

Hon. (Mrs.) Sriyani Wijewickrama

Hon. Piyankara Jayaratne

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake

Hon. Abdullah Mahrooff

Hon. Seeniththamby Yoheswaran

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri

## (41) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Development Strategies and International Trade

Hon. Malik Samarawickrama

Hon. Sujeewa Senasinghe

Hon. (Dr.) Sarath Amunugama

Hon. Sunil Handunnetti

Hon. M. A. Sumanthiran

Hon. Tharaka Balasuriya

Hon. Wijepala Hettiarachchi

# (42) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Sustainable Development, Wildlife and Regional Development

Hon. Field Marshal Sarath Fonseka

Hon. Palitha Kumara Thewarapperuma

Hon. A. D. Premadasa

Hon. (Mrs.) Sriyani Wijewickrama

Hon. Douglas Devananda

Hon. Nihal Galappaththi

Hon. Kaveendiran Kodeeswaran

Hon. S. Premarathna

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## (43) Ministerial Consultative Committee on Labour and Trade Union Relations

Hon. Ravindra Samaraweera

Hon. Premalal Jayasekara

Hon. Sirinal de Mel

Hon. K. Thurairetnasingam

Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa

Hon. Mylvaganam Thilakarajah"

#### 2. Presentation of Papers: (1) The Speaker presented —

- (i) The Second Instalment Part XXV and Third Instalment Part IX of the Report of the Auditor–General for the Financial Year 2013;
- (ii) The Second Instalment Part XXVI and Third Instalment Part XI of the Report of the Auditor–General for the Financial Year 2014; and
- (iii) The Ninth Instalment Part V of the Report of the Auditor–General for the Financial Year 2016

in terms of Article 154(6) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

Ordered that the said Report do lie upon the Table and to be printed.

(2) The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms presented the Performance Report and Accounts of the District Secretariat - Kurunegala for the year 2017 and moved that this Report be referred to the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Internal Administration and Public Management.

Question put, and agreed to.

- (3) The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms presented the
  - (i) Thirty Eighth Annual Report of the University Grants Commission for the year 2016;
  - (ii) Annual Report and Accounts of the Wayamba University of Sri Lanka for the year 2016;
  - (iii) Annual Report of the Buddhist and Pali University of Sri Lanka for the year 2016;
  - (iv) Annual Report and Accounts of the Bhiksu University of Sri Lanka for the year 2016;
  - (v) Annual Report of the Institute of Biochemistry, Molecular Biology and Biotechnology - University of Colombo for the year 2016;
  - (vi) Annual Report and Annual Accounts of the Institute of Technology -University of Moratuwa for the year 2016;
  - (vii) Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Institute of Advanced Technological Education for the year 2016;
  - (viii) Annual Reports and Accounts of the Postgraduate Institute of Science University of Peradeniya for the years 2015 and 2016; and
  - (ix) Annual Reports of the Postgraduate Institute of Agriculture University of Peradeniya for the years 2015 and 2016

and moved that these Reports be referred to the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Education and Human Resources Development.

Question put, and agreed to.

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(4) The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms presented the Performance Reports of the Ministry of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing & Common Amenities for the years 2012, 2013 and 2014 and moved that these Reports be referred to the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health and Human Welfare, Social Empowerment.

Question put, and agreed to.

- **3. Presentation of Reports from Committees :** Hon. Bimal Rathnayake, Member of the Committee on behalf of Hon. M. A. Sumanthiran, the Chairman of the Committee on Public Finance presented the Report of the Committee on Public Finance on.
  - (i) Nation Building Tax (Amendment) Bill; and
  - (ii) Land (Restrictions on Alienation) (Amendment) Bill

which were referred to the said Committee.

Ordered that the said Report do lie upon the Table.

#### 4. Presentation of Public Petitions:

- Hon. Lucky Jayawardana presented a petition dated 20.05.2018 from Ms. H. M. Aruni Herath of No. 35, Dawulagedara Watta, Wattappola, Pilimathalawa.
- (2) Hon. (Mrs.) Sumedha G. Jayasena presented a petition dated 29.06.2018 from Mr. W. A. Amith Kumara Perera of No. 49/A, Ananda Balika Mawatha, Pagoda Road, Pitakotte.
- (3) Hon. Nihal Galappaththi presented a petition dated 30.05.2018 from Mr. S. Ananda Premakumara of Office of the Deputy Director Agriculture (Inter Provincial), Anuradhapura.

The Petitions stood referred under Standing Order No. 30(10) of the Parliament, to the Committee on Public Petitions.

**5.** Amaradeva Aesthetic and Research Centre: The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms on behalf of the Minister of Finance and Mass Media presented the Bill to provide for the establishment of an aesthetic and research centre called the "Amaradeva Aesthetic and Research Centre" in gratitude of the legendary musiceicon in Sri Lanka, late Pandith Wannakuwattawaduge Don Amaradeva; to specify its objects and powers and to provide for the matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

The Bill was ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday, August 07, 2018 and to be printed and to be referred to the relevant Sectoral Oversight Committee.

**6.** New Villages Development Authority for Plantation Region: The Minister of Hill Country New Villages, Infrastructure and Community Development presented the Bill to provide for the establishment of an authority to be called and known as the New Villages Development Authority for Plantation Region to develop new villages in the plantation region of Sri Lanka; and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

The Bill was ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday, August 07, 2018 and to be printed and to be referred to the relevant Sectoral Oversight Committee.

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#### 7. Nation Building Tax (Amendment) Bill: Order for Second Reading read.

The Minister of Public Enterprise and Kandy City Development on behalf of the Minister of Finance and Mass Media moved,— That the Bill be now read a second time.

(At 2.08 p.m. the Deputy Chairman of Committees took the Chair.)

The Deputy Minister of National Integration, Reconciliation and Official Languages moved,— That Hon. Hesha Withanage do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 3.18 p.m. Hon. Hesha Withanage took the Chair.)

The Deputy Minister of Resettlement, Rehabilitation and Northern Development moved,— That Hon. Mujibur Rahuman do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 4.20 p.m. Hon. Mujibur Rahuman took the Chair.)

The Deputy Minister of Social Welfare and Primary Industries moved,— That Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Thusitha Wijemanna do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 5.06 p.m. Hon. (Dr.) (Mrs.) Thusitha Wijemanna took the Chair.)

The State Minister of Finance moved,— That Hon. Wijepala Hettiarachchi do take the Chair.

Question put, and agreed to.

(At 6.07 p.m. Hon. Wijepala Hettiarachchi took the Chair.)

Question put, and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read a second time.

The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms on behalf of the Minister of Finance and Mass Media moved,— That the Bill be referred to a Committee of the whole Parliament.

Question put, and agreed to.

Parliament immediately resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee)

The Presiding Member took the Chair.

Clauses 1 and 2 were agreed to.

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Clause 3

The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms on behalf of the Minister of Finance and Mass Media proposed an amendment to leave out line 9 in page 2 and substitute the following:—

"this (Amendment) Act, liquor identified under";

Question that the amendment be agreed to, put, and agreed to.

The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms on behalf of the Minister of Finance and Mass Media proposed another amendment to leave out lines 10 and 11 in page 3 and substitute the following:—

"the purpose of re-export upon being cut and polished; and".

Question that the amendment be agreed to, put, and agreed to.

The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms on behalf of the Minister of Finance and Mass Media proposed another amendment to leave out line 30 in page 3 and substitute the following:—

"supply of electricity;

(b) in paragraph (c) of item (vii) thereof, by the substitution for the words "a construction sub-contractor," of the words and figures "a construction sub-contractor or if such service is provided under a contract agreement executed prior to August 1, 2017, a construction contractor,"; and."

Question that the amendment be agreed to, put, and agreed to.

Question that the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill, put and agreed to.

Clause 4 was agreed to.

**Enacting Clause and Title** 

Question that the Enacting Clause and Title stand part of the Bill, put, and agreed to.

Bill reported with Amendments.

The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms on behalf of the Minister of Finance and Mass Media moved,— That the Bill as amended, be now read the third time.

Question put, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended accordingly read the third time and passed.

**8.** Land (Restrictions on Alienation) (Amendment) Bill: Order for Second Reading read.

The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms on behalf of the Minister of Finance and Mass Media moved,— That the Bill be now read a second time.

Question put, and agreed to.

Bill accordingly read a second time.

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The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms on behalf of the Minister of Finance and Mass Media moved,— That the Bill be referred to a Committee of the whole Parliament.

Question put, and agreed to.

Parliament immediately resolved itself into Committee.

(In the Committee)

The Presiding Member took the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 4 were agreed to.

**Enacting Clause and Title** 

Question that the Enacting Clause and Title stand part of the Bill, put, and agreed to.

Bill reported without Amendments.

The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms on behalf of the Minister of Finance and Mass Media moved,— That the Bill, be now read the third time.

Question put, and agreed to.

Bill, accordingly read the third time and passed.

**9. Adjournment (Absorption of Police Security Assistants into Regular Service) :** The Minister of Lands and Parliamentary Reforms moved,— That this Parliament do now adjourn.

Question proposed and debated.

Question put, and agreed to; the Parliament was at 7.15 p.m. adjourned until 10.00 a.m. on Thursday, July 19, 2018.