

[Eighth Parliament - First Session]

No. 158.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Tuesday, April 04, 2017 at 1.00 p.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

918/'16

- Hon. (Dr.) Nalinda Jayathissa,— To ask the Minister of Public Enterprise Development,—(2)
 - (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) of the date on which Canwill Holdings (Pvt.) Ltd., was founded;
 - (ii) the names of the shareholders of the aforesaid company;
 - (iii) the amount of money invested by each shareholder mentioned above at the beginning of the aforesaid company;
 - (iv) the names of the members of the founding Board of Directors of the aforesaid company; and
 - (v) of the salaries and allowances received by the founding Board of Directors?
 - (b) Will he also inform this House
 - (i) whether companies which are affiliated to the company mentioned in above (a)(i) have been founded;
 - (ii) if so, of the names of the Board of Directors of such affiliated companies; and
 - (iii) of the salaries and allowances paid to such persons?
 - (c) If not, why?

2.

959/'16

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,—To ask the Minister of Higher Education and Highways,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of faculties functioning in the University of Jaffna at present;
 - (ii) the number of departments functioning in it;
 - (iii) the permanent academic staff that should be there in each department and faculty, separately;
 - (iv) whether there are vacancies in permanent academic staff; and
 - (v) if so, the number of vacancies prevalent in each faculty and department, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

1000/'16

Hon. Udaya Prabhath Gammanpila,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) the number of Army, Navy and Air force camps in the Northern province and their extents of land as at 19th May 2009 separately;
 - (ii) the number of Army, Navy and Air force camps in the Northern province and their extents of land as at 08th January 2015 separately;
 - (iii) the number of Army, Navy and Air force camps in the Northern province and their extents of land as at 30th September 2016 separately?
- (b) If not, why?

4.

1111/'16

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - whether he admits that the people of the Badulla District have been severely inconvenienced as a result of the Uma Oya Development Project;
 - (ii) if so, separately, the number of families inconvenienced and the Divisional Secretary's Divisions to which they belong to;
 - (iii) whether an environment feasibility study report has been obtained before the commencement of this development project; and
 - (iv) if so, the amount of money spent on same?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Ministry will initiate action to grant relief in terms of the determination of the Supreme Court in this regard; and
 - (ii) if not, why?
- (c) If not, why?

5.

1140/'16

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - of the date on which the Eravur Divisional Secretariat Division in Batticaloa district was established;
 - (ii) whether a copy of the Gazette Notification issued in that regard be tabled:
 - (iii) of the total extent of land area covered by the Eravur Divisional Secretariat Division;
 - (iv) of the number of Grama Niladhari Divisions available in it; and
 - (v) of the official numbers and names of the aforesaid Grama Niladhari Divisions?

- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether an official delimitation has been conducted with regard to the establishment of the Eravur Divisional Secretariat Division; and
 - (ii) if so, of the details regarding such delimitation?
- (c) Will he state—
 - (i) whether the administrative activities or operations of a certain Grama Niladhari Division or divisions coming under the purview of the Eravur Divisional Secretariat Division are undertaken by any other divisional secretariat divisions; and
 - (ii) if so, whether the details including the names and official numbers of the said Grama Niladhari Divisions will be submitted?
- (d) If not, why?

1164/'16

Hon. Douglas Devananda,—To ask the Minister of Prisons Reforms, Rehabilitation, Resettlement and Hindu Religious Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - the people in Katpahapuram village in Sampaimadu Grama Niladhari Division in Vavuniya Divisional Secretariat Division were displaced in 1990 due to the war;
 - (ii) out of those families who were displaced, 130 families were resettled in the year 2009, without any basic facilities; and
 - (iii) they have not received Government relief or Housing scheme yet?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - whether necessary action will be taken to provide these people with a housing scheme and other necessary assistance for the persons who have been resettled; and
 - (ii) if so, what those actions are?
- (c) If not, why?

7.

1168/'16

Hon. Mahindananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - of the amount of money that had been allocated by the previous government for the establishment of the industrial zone in Ulapane in Nawalapitiya Electorate;
 - (ii) of the number of factories that were started and run in the aforesaid industrial zone; and
 - (iii) of the number of factories that have been closed down by now?

- (b) Will he also inform this House whether a new programme has been prepared to upgrade the industrial zone mentioned in (a) (i) above?
- (c) If not, why?

1178/'16

Hon. Padma Udhayashantha Gunasekera,—To ask the Minister of Industry and Commerce,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of small, medium and large-scale businesses that were in existence within the Jaffna town by 1983;
 - (ii) how many of them were belonged to Tamil businessmen;
 - (iii) how many were belonged to persons of Sinhalese or some other race; and
 - (iv) whether he will table a full report in this regard?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) whether the businesses that had been run by Tamil and Sinhalese businessman in the year 1983 still continue;
 - (ii) if not, whether the persons who had been running those businesses or their heirs still live within the Jaffna District; and
 - (iii) if so, whether he will table a full report in this regard?
- (c) If not, why?

9.

1218/16

Hon. Dullas Alahapperuma,—To ask the Minister of Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(3)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he admits that the time lapsed without holding local government elections from the dissolution of the Local Authorities up to now has exceeded 1 ½ years; and
 - (ii) of the date on which the previous government appointed the Delimitation Commission according to the new Local Government Elections Act, the date on which the time allotted to the Commission expired and the date on which the divisions as demarcated after considering the Commission's recommendations were gazetted?
- (b) Will he also inform this House—
 - (i) of the date on which the Delimitation Commission was appointed by the present Government;
 - (ii) of the number of amendments received by them;
 - (iii) of the dates on which the amendments concerned were received, and the persons and the institutions who presented the amendments;

- (iv) of the number of local authorities which have been accepted to have been delimited correctly and on which there are no amendments;
- (v) of the names of the local authorities referred to in (iv) above; and
- (vi) whether arrangements would be made to hold elections for local authority areas concerned?
- (c) If not, why?

1382/'16

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether he admits that a sum of Rs.750 million was allocated to develop 6 fisheries harbours, i.e. the fisheries harbours of Chilaw, Mirissa, Kalmunai, Valvetithurai, Karainagar and Puranawella from the budget as per proposal number 148 of the 2016 budget;
 - (ii) whether tenders were called for the projects to develop each of the aforementioned harbours;
 - (iii) if so, separately the names of institutions which offered bids and the names of which were awarded the tenders;
 - (iv) of the amount of money released to the Ministry of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development by the General Treasury by 31.12.2016 for the development of the aforesaid 6 harbours; and
 - (v) of the extent of financial provisions that can be granted in the year 2017 for the development of the aforesaid harbours?
- (b) If not, why?

11.

1393/'16

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

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the farmers belonging to Kalutara and Walallawita Divisional Secretariat Divisions have been asked by the relevant officer to produce a photo-copy of the National Identity Card along with the application for fertilizer when they came to obtain the fertilizer subsidy; and
 - (ii) they have been informed that a circular to this effect has been sent, when it was explained that the majority of the farmers do not possess National Identity Cards?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether steps will be taken to instruct the Officers to accept the Elders' Identity Cards, Passports and Driving Licenses owned by the farmers of the area in place of National Identity Cards?
- (c) If not, why?

960/'16

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,—To ask the Minister of Higher Education and Highways,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of faculties functioning in the University of Sabaragamuwa at present;
 - (ii) the number of departments functioning in it;
 - (iii) the permanent academic staff that should be there in each department and faculty, separately;
 - (iv) whether there are vacancies in permanent academic staff; and
 - (v) if so, the number of vacancies prevalent in each faculty and department, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Notice of Motions

1.

The Leader of the House of Parliament,— Sittings of the Parliament,—That notwithstanding the provisions of the Standing Order No.7 of the Parliament and the motion agreed to by Parliament on 08.03.2016, the hours of sitting of Parliament on this day shall be 1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. At 4.00 p.m. Standing Order No. 7(5) of the Parliament shall operate. At 5.00 p.m. Mr. Speaker shall adjourn the Parliament without question put.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*1.

National Transport Commission (Amendment) Bill—Second Reading. (Cabinet approval signified.)

*2.

The Prime Minister and Minister of National Policies and Economic Affairs,—Resolution under Article 108(1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka for the revision of Salaries for the Chief Justice, Puisne Judges and President and Judges of the Court of Appeal,—The monthly salaries of the Chief Justice, Puisne Judges, President and Judges of the Court of Appeal have to be determined by the Parliament as per the Article 108(1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as amended by the Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution.

Accordingly, it has been proposed that salaries of the Chief Justice, Puisne Judges, President and Judges of the Court of Appeal be revised to be implemented in 05 phases during the period from 01.01.2016 to 01.01.2020.

Relevant salary scales for each posts are as follows (Schedule I)

Group of Service	Salary Code	Salary Scale (Rs.)
Chief Justice	JS 5 - 2016	145,000-5x7,250-181,250
Puisne Judges / President of the Court of Appeal	JS 4 - 2016	135,000-5x6,750-168,750
Judges of the Court of Appeal	JS 3 - 2016	131,500-5x6,575-164,375

Conversion tables relevant to the new salary scales to be implemented under each phase and guidelines for the implementation of salary scales are attached as Schedule II and schedule III respectively and it is resolved by this Parliament under Article 108(1) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka that salaries for the Chief Justice, Puisne Judges, President and the Judges of the Court of Appeal as determined by this resolution shall be implemented.

(Cabinet approval signified)

Schedule I

Salary structure for the Chief Justice, Puisne Judges and President and Judges of the Court of Appeal under Article 108(1) of the Constitution – 2016

	Service Category	Salary Code	Initial Step	Years	1st Slab	Maximum
1	Judges of the Court of Appeal	JS 3-2016	131,500	5	6,575	164,375
2	Puisne Judges/President Court of Appeal	JS 4-2016	135,000	5	6,750	168,750
3	Chief Justice	JS 5-2016	145,000	5	7,250	181,250

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National Salaries and Cadre Commission

Salary Scales

Information mentioned in each column of salary scales are as follows:—

Column 1 - Number of Years
Column 2 - Service Period

Column 3 - Grade

Column 4 - Salary Steps on appointment and with Promotion

Serv	ervice Category Judges of the Court of Appeal Pu		Puisne Judges/ President CA	Chief Justice	
Sa	alary Co	ode	JS 3-2016	JS 4-2016	JS 5-2016
1	2	3	4	4	4
			6,575	6,750	7,250
			5	5	5
1			131,500	135,000	145,000
2			138,075	141,750	152,250
3			144,650	148,500	159,500
4			151,225	155,250	166,750
5			157,800	162,000	174,000
6			164,375	168,750	181,250

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Schedule II

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.01.01	Adjust- ment Allow- ance (Rs.)	-	-	-	-	-	1
As at 2020.01.01	Basic Salary (Rs.)	131,500	138,075	144,650	151,225	157,800	164,375
9.01.01	Ad- justme nt Allow- ance (Rs.)	-	-	-	-	-	1
As at 2019.01.01	Basic Salary (Rs.)	117,900	123,795	129,690	135,585	141,480	147,375
18.01.01	Adjust- ment Allow- ance (Rs.)	ı	ı	ı	ı	1	1
As at 2018.01.01	Basic Salary (Rs.)	104,300	109,515	114,730	119,945	125,160	130,375
.01.01	Adjust- ment Allow- ance (Rs.)	-	-	-	-	-	1
As at 2017.01.01	Basic Salary (Rs.)	90,700	95,235	99,770	104,305	108,840	113,375
5.01.01	Adjust- ment Allow- ance (Rs.)	8,425	8,221	8,018	7,814	7,610	7,406
As at 2016.01.01	Basic Salary (Rs.)	77,100	80,955	84,810	88,665	92,520	96,375
5.12.31	Gross salary (Rs)	85,525	89,176	92,828	96,479	100,130	103,781
As at 2015.12.31	Basic Salary (Rs.)	63,500	66,675	69,850	73,025	76,200	79,375
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JS 3-2016

Salary Conversion Tables

10.10	Adjustm ent Allowa nce (Rs.)	-	-	-	1		ı
As at 2020.01.01	Basic Salary (Rs.)	135,000	141,750	148,500	155,250	162,000	168,750
9.01.01	Ad- justme nt Allow- ance (Rs.)	1	1	1	1	ı	ı
As at 2019.01.01	Basic Salary (Rs.)	121,000	127,050	133,100	139,150	145,200	151,250
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8.01.01	Ad- justme nt Allow- ance (Rs.)	1	1	1	1	1	•
As at 2018.01.01	Basic Salary (Rs.)	107,000	112,350	117,700	123,050	128,400	133,750
1.01	Ad- justme nt Allow- ance (Rs.)	1	1	1	1	1	ı
As at 2017.01.01	Basic Salary (Rs.)	93,000	97,650	102,300	106,950	111,600	116,250
5.01.01	Ad- justme nt Allow- ance (Rs.)	8,250	8,038	7,825	7,613	7,400	7,188
As at 2016.01.01	Basic Salary (Rs.)	79,000	82,950	86,900	90,850	94,800	98,750
5.12.31	Gross Salary (Rs)	87,250	90,988	94,725	98,463	102,200	105,938
As at 2015.12.31	Basic Salary (Rs.)	65,000	68,250	71,500	74,750	78,000	81,250
Salary	Step	1	2	3	4	5	9

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Adjust- ment Allow- ance (Rs.)	-		-	-	-	ı
Basic Salary (Rs.)	145,000	152,250	159,500	166,750	174,000	181,250
Ad- justme nt Allow- ance (Rs.)	1		1	1	ı	ı
Basic Salary (Rs.)	130,000	136,500	143,000	149,500	156,000	162,500
Adjust- ment Allow- ance (Rs.)			-	-	ı	ı
Basic Salary (Rs.)	115,000	120,750	126,500	132,250	138,000	143,750
Adjustment Allowance (Rs.)	1	1	1	1	-	1
Basic Salary (Rs.)	100,000	105,000	110,000	115,000	120,000	125,000
	0	2	0	2	0	8
Adjust- ment Allow- ance (Rs.)	8,00	7,77:	7,55	7,32:	7,10	6,875
Basic Salary (Rs.)	85,000	89,250	93,500	97,750	102,000	106,250
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Gross Salary (Rs)	93,00		101,05	105,07	01'601	87,500 113,125
Basic Salary (Rs.)	70,000	73,500	77,000	80,500	84,000	87,500
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		Specim	en letter of Salar	y Conversion
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	<u>C</u>	onversion of Salary in	terms of Manage	ement Services Circular
		as at 01.01.2016		
Your sala	ry is cor	nverted as follows in to	erms of the above	e circular as at 01.01.2016.
1.	Classi	fication in terms of Pu	blic Administration	on Circular 6/2006 as at 31.12.2015
	(a) S	ervice Category	:	
	(b) S	alary Code	:	
	(c) S	alary Scale	:	
	(d) S	alary Step	:	
	(e) S	alary Point	: Rs.	
	(f) D	ate of last Salary Incre	ement earned:	
2.		01.01.2016 in terms of of schedule I:	classification of	Management Services Circularin
	(a) S	ervice Category	:	
	(b) S	alary Code	:	
	(c) S	alary Scale	:	
	(d) S	alary Step	:	
	(e) S	alary Point	: Rs.	
3.	Salary	payable as at 01.01.20	016 in terms of Se	chedule II:
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	(b) A	adjustment allowance	: Rs.	
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Annex II

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	Specimen letter of	f Salary Co	nversion
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	Conversion of Salary in terms of M	Managemer	nt Services Circular
	as at 01.01.2017		
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1.	Classification in terms of Management	Services C	Sircular as at 31.12.2016
	(a) Service Category	:	
	(b) Salary Code	:	
	(c) Salary Scale	:	
	(d) Corresponding salary		
	in terms of Schedule I	:	
	(e) Salary step in terms of Schedule II	:	
	(f) Salary point in terms of Schedule II	: Rs.	
	(g) Date of last Salary Increment earn	ned:	
2.	Salary payable as at 01.01.2017 in terms	of Schedul	le II : Rs.
3.	This conversion is subject to the recover classification or error in calculation or ar	y of any ov ny other err	er payment due to the incorrect or.
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		Specimen letter	of Salary Co.	
				My No.
				Date:
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Designat	ion:			
		Conversion of Salary in terms of	Managemer	at Services Circular
		as at 01.01.2018		
Your salaı	ry is c	converted as follows in terms of the	ne above circ	cular as at 01.01.2018.
1.	Clas	sification in terms of Managemen	t Services C	ircular as at 31.12.2017
	(a)	Service Category	:	
	(b)	Salary Code	:	
	(c)	Salary Scale	:	
	(d)	Corresponding salary		
		in terms of Schedule I	:	
	(e)	Salary step in terms of Schedule II	:	
	(f)	Salary point in terms of Schedule II	: Rs.	
	(g)	Date of last Salary Increment ear	med:	
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Specimen letter of Salary Conversion

			My No.
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	Conversion of Salary in terms of I	Managemer	nt Services Circular
	as at 01.01.2019		
Your sala	ry is converted as follows in terms of th	e above cir	cular as at 01.01.2019.
1.	Classification in terms of Management	Services C	Fircular as at 31.12.2018
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	(b) Salary Code	:	
	(c) Salary Scale	:	
	(d) Corresponding salary		
	in terms of Schedule I	:	
	(e) Salary step in terms of Schedule II	:	
	(f) Salary point in terms of Schedule II	: Rs.	
	(g) Date of last Salary Increment earn	ned:	
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Annex. V

Specimen letter of Salary Conver	ersion
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	Conversion of Salary in terms of I	Managemer	t Services Circular
	as at 01.01.2020		
	<u>as at 01.01.2020</u>		
Your sala	ry is converted as follows in terms of th	e above circ	cular as at 01.01.2020.
1.	Classification in terms of Management	Services C	ircular as at 31.12.2019
	(a) Service Category	:	
	(b) Salary Code	:	
	(c) Salary Scale	:	
	(d) Corresponding salary		
	in terms of Schedule I	:	
	(e) Salary step in terms of Schedule II	:	
	(f) Salary point in terms of Schedule II	: Rs.	
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Salary Structure for the Chief Justice, Puisne Judges and President and Judges of the Court of Appeal under Article 108(1) of the Constitution - 2016

The Government has decided to make effective in 5 stages commencing 01.01.2016 the new salary scales given in schedule - I of this Circular as indicated in schedule -II in place of the salary scales now operative in respect of the Chief Justice, Puisne Judges, the President and the Judges of the Court of Appeal under the provisions of the Public Administration Circular 06/2006 dated 25.04.2006 as amended by the PA Circulars subsequently issued.

02. The below-mentioned allowances are incorporated in the new salary structure.

- (i) The special non-pensionable allowance paid in terms of the PA Circular Nos.31/2011 dated 12.12.2011 and 18/2012 dated 31.12.2012.
- (ii) The interim allowance of Rs.10,000/- paid monthly in terms of the PA Circular Nos. 24/2014 dated 12.11.2014, 24/2014(1) dated 31.12.2014 and 05/2015 dated 11.02.2015.

03. Conversion of Salary

- 03.1 The conversion of salary from the existing salary scales to the new salary scales should be effected on step by step basis. However, the conversion of salaries shall be made in accordance with the conversion tables given in schedule II since this revision of salaries is to be made in 5 stages.
- 03.2 Conversion tables are given in schedule II separately for each salary scale mentioned in schedule I in order to facilitate the conversion of salary.
- 03.3 In the conversion of salaries, the salary code under the salary structure operative as at 31.12.2015 shall firstly be identified. Accordingly, the corresponding salary code indicated in schedule I of this Circular and the conversion table applicable as mentioned in schedule -II should be selected. The new salary codes applicable under this Circular corresponding to the salary codes mentioned in the PA Circular 06/2006 are as follows:

Salary Code as per PA Circular 06/2006	New Salary Code
SF 4-2006	JS 5-2016
SF 2-2006	JS 4-2016
SF 1-2006	JS 3-2016

- O3.4 Placement on the salary point applicable should be made in accordance with the prescribed conversion table based on the due salary step as at 01.01.2016 corresponding to the salary step applicable as at 31.12.2015. For this purpose the salary conversion format marked Annex 1 of the Circular should be utilized.
- O3.5 The salary conversion falling due on 01.01.2017, 01.01.2018, 01.01.2019 and 01.01.2020 shall also be affected by adoption of the same methodology that was followed at 03.4 above. For this purpose the salary points indicated under each year in the schedule II should be made applicable. In the conversion of salaries, salary conversion formats marked Annex II,III, IV and V for each year shall be utilized.

04. Calculation of the increment of salary

O4.1 Calculation of the number of increments falling due within the salary scale.

When an increment is earned during the period 01.01.2016 to 31.12.2016 placement should be made on the salary point immediately above the salary point on which placement was made at 03.4 above. Accordingly, the difference between the two salary points should be treated as the value of the increment falling due for the year 2016.

- 04.2 Granting increments beyond the maximum of the salary scale.
 - (a) In order to determine the salary point applicable from 01.01.2016 when the maximum of a salary scale is reached, the salary steps should be calculated treating as the increment of salary, the difference between the two applicable salary points given at the end of the salary scale as indicated in the appropriate column of the relevant salary conversion table in the schedule-II.
 - (b) Even when increments are earned beyond the maximum of a salary scale after 01.01.2016, the salary step should be calculated as indicated at (a) above.

05. Adjustment allowance of the gross salary

- 05.1 In addition to the basic salary, the difference between the gross salaries together with allowances mentioned in paragraph 02 above received as in 31.12.2015 and the basic salary applicable to each year as mentioned in schedule- II of this Circular were computed as an adjustment allowance and incorporated in the salary. Accordingly, in addition to the basic salary prescribed for each year, the corresponding adjustment allowance should also be paid. This adjustment allowance shall not be considered part and parcel of the salary for any purpose other than those specified at 16 below.
- Whenever salary step is calculated beyond the maximum of the salary scale as at 04.2 above, the adjustment allowance of the gross salary applicable to the said salary step shall also be paid. For this purpose the gross salary which is comprised only of the salary point received as at 31.12.2015 under the PA Circular No.06/2006 as amended by Circulars subsequently issued and the allowances entitled under the Circulars mentioned in paragraph 02 of this circular should be firstly calculated. In the event there is a monetary loss between the said salary and the salary point calculated under 04.2 above, the said monetary value should be paid together with the salary point as an adjustment allowance of the gross salary.

06. Conversion of Salary on promotion to a higher post

On promotion to a higher post during the period from 01.01.2016 to 01.01.2020 when salary conversion is made on this phase basis scheme, the salary points indicated in the Column relevant to the year of promotion as given in schedule - II should be made applicable in the salary conversion related to such promotions.

07. Any other allowances

- O7.1 As the new salary structure has been formulated incorporating allowances granted by the PA Circulars referred to in paragraph O2 of this Circular, the payment of such allowances shall be discontinued effective from 01.01.2016.
- 07.2 The payment of the cost of living allowance of the Rs.7,800/- per month being paid in terms of the PA Circular No.37/2013 dated 31.12.2013 should be further continued.

08. Pensions

08.1 In the calculation of pensions in respect of those officers who have retired after 01.01.2016 on the salary structure given in this Circular, the salary step last received as indicated in schedule- II should be made applicable.

- 08.2 With the total implementation of salary scales given in schedule I effective from 01.01.2020, the pensions of those public officers who were in service on 01.01.2016 and have subsequently retired will also be revised accordingly and instructions in this regard will be issued in due course. No revisions of pensions shall be effected during the period from 01.01.2016 to 31.12.2019.
- 08.3 The interim allowance of Rs. 3,500/- per month being provided in terms of the PA Circular No.05/2015 dated 11.02.2015 shall not be paid to those who have retired from service after 01.01.2016 under the provisions of this Circular. The cost of living allowances of Rs. 3,525/- per-month being provided to pensioners in terms of the PA Circular No.37/2013 dated 31.12. 2013 should, however, be paid.

09. Allowances paid as a percentage of the salary

Allowances paid as a percentage of the salary shall be limited to the monetary value that prevailed as at 31.12.2015. Whenever appointment is made to a post that comes within the ambit of this Circular after 01.01.2016, the computation of this allowance should be based on the salary attached to the said post as at 31.12.2015.

10. Indication of the salary scale in the letters of appointment issued

The salary scale mentioned in schedule-I, shall be made applicable in indicating the salary scale in the letters of appointment issued on recruitment/promotions made during the period up to 01.01.2020 when the salary structure specified in this Circular will be fully implemented. As payments will have to be made as stated in schedule-II, this fact should also be indicated in the letters of appointment issued.

11. Categorization of posts/services.

The Judicial officers are on par with the senior level and treated as staff officers in terms of the categorization of posts in schedule - III of the PA Circular No. 03/2016 dated 25.02.2016.

12. Contributions to W.&.O.P.

The percentage of deduction of contributions to the W & O P shall continue to be operative 7% unaltered and the initial salary given under each year in schedule II should be made applicable in this regard.

13. Date of increment

There will be no change in the date of increment following this salary revision.

14. Payment of increments beyond the maximum of the salary scale

The officers who have reached the maximum of a salary scale may be granted further increments of salary until the date of their retirement or until they are appointed/promoted to another post to which another salary scale is applicable.

15. Combined Allowance

The combined allowance will be Rs. 500/-.

16. Limit of the aggregate of monthly deductions in granting loans / advances

The relevant basic salary as at the date as indicated in schedule—II and the adjustment allowance should also be made applicable in the computation of the 40% limit which is to be taken into consideration in granting loans/advances.

17. General Instructions

In determining the salary an officer is entitled to as at 01.01.2016 in terms of this Circular, the relevant authorities should confirm that the salary adjustments and the relevant salary conversions have been correctly effected, as per salary revisions made on 01.01.2006 or thereafter.

18. Overpayments

If an overpayment has been made to any officer due to a misinterpretation of these instructions or through a clerical error or errors in computation or any other errors, the officer concerned is liable to refund the amount so overpaid.

19. Clarifications and further Instructions

If clarifications with regard to the provisions of this Circular and further instructions are sought, such requests shall be addressed to the Secretary to the Treasury, General Treasury, Ministry of Finance, Colombo 01.

*3.

The Minister of Finance,— Notification under the Excise Ordinance (No.1),— That the Notification made by the Minister of Finance under Section 32 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) on rules governing Distilleries/Warehouses and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1996/52 of 09th December 2016, which was presented on 07.03.2017, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 991)

*4

The Minister of Finance,— Notification under the Excise Ordinance (No.2),— That the Notification made by the Minister of Finance under Section 22(1) of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) relating to duty on bottled toddy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1998/6 of 20th December 2016, which was presented on 07.03.2017, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 993)

*5

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

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*6.

The Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,—Regulations under the National Authority on Tobacco and Alcohol Act,—That the Regulations made by the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine under Section 30 read with Section 33 of the of the National Authority on Tobacco and Alcohol Act No. 27 of 2006 relating to prohibition of the manufacture or sale of tobacco products which are prescribed and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1982/33 of 01st September 2016 and amended by Gazette Extraordinary No. 1997/22 of 15th December 2016, which were presented on 07.02.2017 be approved.

*7.

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

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*8.

Sri Lanka Sustainable Development Bill — Adjourned debate on question. (8th March 2017) [1].

*9

International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*10.

Civil Procedure Code (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading. (Cabinet approval signified.)

*11

Buddhist Temporalities (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading. (Cabinet approval signified.)

*12.

Theravadi Bhikku Kathikawath (Registration) Bill — Second Reading. (Cabinet approval signified.)

*13.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs,— Order under the Diplomatic Privileges Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Foreign Affairs under Section 4 of the Diplomatic Privileges Act, No. 9 of 1996 and Published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1987/23 of 05th October 2016, which was presented on 19.11.2016, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*14.

The Minister of Industry and Commerce,—Regulations under the Companies Act and the Societies Ordinance—That the Regulations made by the Minister of Industry and Commerce under Section 527 of the Companies Act, No. 7 of 2007 read with Section 477 of the said Act and Regulations made under Section 19 of the Societies Ordinance (Chapter 123) No. 16 of 1891 read with the Societies Ordinance (Amendment) Act, No.11 of 2005 relating to the Companies (Fees) and Societies (Fees) and published in the Extraordinary Gazette No. 1990/12 of 25th October 2016, which were presented on 24.01.2017 be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*15.

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

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*16.

The Minister of Ports and Shipping,—Regulations under the Merchant Shipping Act,—That the Regulations made by the Minister of Ports and Shipping under Section 321 read with Section 139 of the Merchant Shipping Act, No. 52 of 1971 relating to Verification of Container Gross Mass and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No.1979/30 dated 11th August 2016, which were presented on 21.02.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*17.

Resolution under the Constitution,—Adjourned Debate on Question (22nd June, 2016) Motion made and question proposed,—"Media guidelines to be followed/ Policies to be observed by the Electronic and Print Media during Referenda and Elections published by the Election Commission in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 1955/19 of 25th February 2016 in terms of the provisions of Article 104B (5)(a) of the Constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, which were presented on 06.05.2016, be approved."

18.

Institute of Personnel Management, Sri Lanka (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

19.

Child Rehabilitation Centre (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

20.

United Christian Fellowship of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading. 21.

Sri Lanka Women's Conference (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

22.

Moneragala District Kantha Maha Sangamaya (Incorporation) Bill — Second Reading.

* Indicates Government Business.

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Motion made and question proposed "That the Bill be now read a second time."