

[Eighth Parliament - First Session]

No. 226.]

ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

FOR

Thursday, November 30, 2017 at 9.30 a.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

688/'16

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

- (a) Will he admit that—
 - (i) beer companies sponsor the annual cricket matches (big matches) held between popular schools;
 - (ii) beer companies carry out their publicity work during the aforesaid matches; and
 - (iii) school students are tempted to use narcotics through this?
- (b) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether the Ministry has recommended the methodologies and criteria to be followed in selecting sponsors for annual cricket matches (big matches) held between schools;
 - (ii) if so, what the aforesaid methodologies and criteria are; and
 - (iii) if not, whether action will be taken to recommend methodologies and criteria for that?
- (c) Will he also inform this house—
 - (i) whether he will take measures to stop propaganda on narcotics associated with matches; and
 - (ii) if so, what the aforesaid measures are?
- (d) If not, why?

2.

1982/'17

Hon. Kanaka Herath,— To ask the Minister of Skills Development and Vocational Training,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the number of apprentices trained during the past two years;
 - (ii) of the number of apprentices who have been trained in the sector of Construction and Industry

- (iii) of the number who have been provided with employment out of the aforesaid number;
- (iv) whether the number that has been trained in the sector of Construction and Industry during the past two years is adequate to address the demand of the labour force; and
- (v) if not, whether steps will be taken to increase the number of apprentices recruited?
- (b) If not, why?

3.

1999/'17

Hon. Bimal Rathnayake,— To ask the Minister of Labour, Trade Union Relations and Sabaragamu Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - the addresses of ministerial offices of the Minister of Labour, Trade Union Relations and Sabaragamuwa Development;
 - (ii) if rent or lease is paid for the said offices, the monthly rental/lease; and
 - (iii) the total rent/lease paid from the year 2015 up to now in 2017?
- (b) Will he also inform this House, separately in respect of each Ministry—
 - (i) the number of officials in the personal staff of the Minister;
 - (ii) the number of vehicles allocated for the said personal staff; and
 - (iii) the number of vehicles allocated to the Minister?
- (c) If not, why?
- 4.

2075/'17

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

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) whether plans had been made to implement a garbage disposal project within Jaffna Municipal Council area under the programmes of the Ministry of City Planning and Water Supply;
 - (ii) whether plans for the said project have been developed and the tender procedure has been followed;
 - (iii) whether a French agency has come forward to fund this project accordingly; and
 - (iv) of the current status of this project?
- (b) If not, why?

2119/'17

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

- (a) Will he inform this House as at 09.01.2015 and as at 30. 06. 2017—
 - (i) the number of Air Force camps established in Jaffna district;
 - (ii) the number of officers and soldiers who were deployed in those camps; and
 - (iii) the name of each camp, the name of the Divisional Secretariat Division in which the camps were established, the officers and the soldiers attached to those camps separately?
- (b) Will he state that as at 09.01.2015 and as at 30.06.2017 in the Jaffna district
 - (i) the number of Air Force camps that have been removed; and
 - (ii) the number of officers and soldiers who have been removed from the service in those Air Force camps?
- (c) Will he also inform this House whether he admits that the removal of Air Force camps and the officers and the soldiers who are serving in those camps in Jaffna district is a great threat to the national security?
- (d) If not, why?

6.

2124/'17

Hon. Mayantha Dissanayake, To ask the Minister of Agriculture, (1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - whether he is aware that abandonment of paddy fields in the wet zone has caused reduction in food production as well as environmental issues;
 - (ii) what proposals are being implemented for asvaddumizing abandoned paddy fields;
 - (iii) what reasons underlie for the quit of farmers from paddy cultivation;
 - (iv) what solutions are given for it;
 - (v) how many officers are available at regional and rural level under the Ministry to perform the task of getting paddy cultivation implemented;

- (vi) who those officers are;
- (vii) whether the objective of cultivating of abandoned paddy lands through the recently-established women farmers' organization comprising twenty women from each village is being achieved;
- (viii) whether there is a course of action in the new agricultural policy to cultivate abandoned paddy fields;
- (ix) whether the objective intended by the recruitment of four graduates per Agrarian Development Centre for making the agricultural policy successful at local level has been achieved; and
- (x) what duties have been assigned to the graduates?
- (b) If not, why?

7.

2126/'17

Hon. Ananda Aluthgamage,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that
 - a private road has been constructed by reclaiming the paddy field named Jambugahamuladeniya belonging to the Giriulla Temple within the Ganga Ihala Agrarian Division in the Kandy District without obtaining proper permission;
 - (ii) government's funds have been spent for forging false documents for this purpose;
 - (iii) the above-mentioned road has been constructed as an access road to a house of an Agricultural Research Production Assistant;
 - (iv) even the initial part of the said road has been constructed without permission; and
 - (v) not even a footpath had existed in this place and neither does it belong to the Pradeshiya Sabha?
- (b) Will he inform this House what steps will be taken against such officers who misuse public funds?
- (c) If not, why?

8.

2168/'17

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

(a) Will he inform this House whether permission has been granted to start a stone crushing plant at the Nawakkulama village in the Prabodagama Grama Niadhari Division No. 43 in the Medawachchiya Divisional Secretariat Division of the Anuradhapura District?

- (b) Will he also inform this House, if so-
 - (i) the permit number of the stone crusher and the date on which it was issued;
 - (ii) the name of the applicant and the date of application; and
 - (iii) whether an environmental report has been obtained to issue the said permit?
- (c) Will he further inform this House whether—
 - (i) comments of the people have been obtained before starting this stone crushing plant;
 - (ii) he is aware that people have protested against the said stone crushing plant; and
 - (iii) action will be taken to address the health and environmental issues that may arise as a result of starting this stone crushing plant?
- (d) If not, why?

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

*a1.

Appropriation Bill (2018) — (Eighteenth Allotted Day) — Committee (Progress 29th November).

*2.

The Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,— Regulations under the National Medicines Regulatory Authority Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine under Section 142 read with the Section 118 of the National Medicines Regulatory Authority Act, No. 5 of 2015 relating to Medical Devices Pricing and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2030/47 of 04th August 2017, which were presented on 13.11.2017, be approved.

*3.

The Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,— Annual Report and Accounts of the State Pharmaceutical Corporation - 2013,— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the State Pharmaceutical Corporation together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 08.07.2016 Under Section 30(2) of the State Industrial Act, No. 49 of 1957 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health and Human Welfare, Social Empowerment on 04.07.2017)

*4.

The Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Jayewardenapura Genaral Hospital - 2013,— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Sri Jayewardenapura General Hospital together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 21.07.2016 Under Section 30(2) of the Sri Jayewardenapura Genaral Hospital Board Act, No. 54 of 1983 and Section 14(2) C of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health and Human Welfare, Social Empowerment on 04.07.2017)

The Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,— Annual Report and Accounts of the State Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Corporation - 2013,— That the Annual Reports and Accounts of the State Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Corporation together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 11.08.2016 Under Section 30(2) of the State Industrial Corporation Act, No. 49 of 1957 and Section 14(3) of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health and Human Welfare, Social Empowerment on 04.07.2017)

*6.

The Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,— Annual Report and Accounts of Wijaya Kumaratunga Memorial Hospital - 2013,— That the Annual Report and Accounts of Wijaya Kumaratunga Memorial Hospital together with the observations of the Auditor General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 12.08.2016 under Section 30(2) of the Wijaya Kumaratunga Memorial Hospital Board Act, No. 38 of 1999 and Section 14(2) C of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health and Human Welfare, Social Empowerment on 04.07.2017)

*7.

The Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,— Annual Report and Accounts of Sri Lanka Ayurvedic Drugs Corporation - 2013,— That the Annual Report and Accounts of Sri Lanka Ayurvedic Drugs Corporation together with the observations of the Auditor General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 09.01.2017 under Section 30 of State Industrial Corporations Act, No. 49 of 1957, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health and Human Welfare, Social Empowerment on 04.07.2017)

*8.

The Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine,— Annual Report and Accounts of Homoeopathy Medical Council - 2011,— That the Annual Report and Accounts of Homoeopathy Medical Council together with the observations of the Auditor General for the year ended 31.12.2011 and presented on 25.01.2017 under Section 40 of Homoeopathy Act, No. 07 of 1970, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health and Human Welfare, Social Empowerment on 04.07.2017)

*9.

The Minister of Housing and Construction,— Annual Report and Accounts of National Housing Development Authority - 2012,— That the Annual Report and Accounts of National Housing Development Authority together with the observations of the Auditor General for the year ended 31.12.2012 and presented on 25.10.2016 under National Housing Development Authority Act, No. 17 of 1979, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health and Human Welfare, Social Empowerment on 09.08.2017)

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*10.

The Minister of Housing and Construction,— Annual Report and Accounts of the Institution for Construction Training and Development - 2013,— That the Annual Report and Accounts of the Institution for Construction Training and Development together with the observations of the Auditor General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 25.10.2016 under sub Section 1 of Section 2 of the State Industrial Corporation Act, No. 49 of 1957 and Gazette Extraordinary No. 718/15 of 10th June 1992, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health and Human Welfare, Social Empowerment on 09.08.2017)

*11.

The Minister of Housing and Construction,— Annual Report and Accounts of State Development and Construction Corporation - 2012,— That the Annual Report and Accounts of State Development and Construction Corporation together with the observations of the Auditor General for the year ended 31.12.2012 and presented on 24.01.2017 under sub Section 1 of Section 2 of the State Industrial Corporation Act, No. 49 of 1957, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health and Human Welfare, Social Empowerment on 09.08.2017)

*12.

The Minister of Petroleum Resources Development,— Annual Report and Accounts of Ceylon Petroleum Corporation - 2013,— That the Annual Report and Accounts of Ceylon Petroleum Corporation together with the observations of the Auditor General for the year ended 31.12.2013 and presented on 05.04.2016 under Section 32(3) of Ceylon Petroleum Corporation Act, No. 28 of 1961, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Energy on 07.10.2016) *13

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Notification under the Excise Ordinance,— That the Notification made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 32 of the Excise Ordinance (Chapter 52) read with Sections 12, 14 and 22 regarding Excise duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2029/51 of 28th July 2017, which was presented on 09.10.2017, be approved.

(Excise Notification No. 996)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*14.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Excise (Special Provisions) Act,— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 3 of the Excise (Special Provisions) Act, No. 13 of 1989, relating to Excise Duty and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2032/31 of 17th August 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*15.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.1),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2021/7 of 30th May 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*16.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.2),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2022/7 of 06th June 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*17.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.3),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 5 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2022/8 of 06th June 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*18.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.4),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2025/44 of 30th June 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*19.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.5),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2028/44 of 19th July 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*20.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.6),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2029/25 of 26th July 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

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*21.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.7),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2030/10 of 31st July 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*22.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.8),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2030/20 of 01st August 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*23.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.9),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2032/11 of 15th August 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*24.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.10),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2032/24 of 16th August 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*25.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.11),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2033/31 of 23rd August 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*26.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.12),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2035/28 of 08th September 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*27.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Order under the Special Commodity Levy Act (No.13),— That the Order made by the Minister of Finance and Mass Media under Section 2 of the Special Commodity Levy Act, No. 48 of 2007 relating to Special Commodity Levy and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2039/2 of 02nd October 2017, which was presented on 07.11.2017, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*28.

The Minister of Finance and Mass Media,— Resolution under the Customs Ordinance,— That the Resolution under Section 10 of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 235) relating to Import Duties, which was presented on 18.11.2017, be approved.

(Gazette Extraordinary No. 2031/49 of 11th August 2017)

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*29.

Commercial Mediation Centre of Sri Lanka (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading (Cabinet approval signified.)

*30.

Revised Draft Standing Orders of Parliament,— Report of the Committee on Standing Orders in relation to the revised Draft of the Standing Orders of Parliament presented on Tuesday, 07th November 2017,— Consideration.

*31.

Twentieth Amendment to the Constitution Bill-Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*32.

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

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*33.

Buddhist Temporalities (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*34.

Theravadi Bhikku Kathikawath (Registration) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

*35.

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 was presented on 06.05.2016, be approved."

36.

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

37.

Child Rehabilitation Centre (Incorporation) Bill - Second Reading.

38.

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

39.

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

40.

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

41.

Lasallian Community Education Services (Incorporation) Bill - Second Reading.

42.

International Women's and Children's Rights (IWCRC) (Incorporation) Bill-Second Reading.

43.

Aloka Social Service Foundation (Incorporation) Bill - Second Reading.

44.

Institute of Certified Public Accountants (Incorporation) Bill - Second Reading.

* Indicates Government Business.

NOTICES OF AMENDMENTS RELATING TO ORDERS OF THE DAY

a1.

For amendments in Committee on the Appropriation Bill (2018)—See separate Paper "Supplement to the Orders of the Day".