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Tuesday, October 21, 2025

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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The Minister of Health and Mass Media,— Regulations under the National Medicines Regulatory Authority Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Health and Mass Media under Section 142 read with Section 118(4) of the National Medicines Regulatory Authority Act, No. 5 of 2015 in consultation with the Pricing Committee of National Medicines Regulatory Authority established under the aforementioned Act, Consumer Affairs Authority established under the provisions of the Consumer Affairs Authority Act, No. 9 of 2003 and all stakeholders and taking into consideration all other relevant factors including the provisions of the Consumer Affairs Authority Act, No. 9 of 2003 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2446/34 of 21st July 2025, which were presented on 07.10.2025, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

* Indicates Government Business.

Thursday, October 23, 2025

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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Social Security Contribution Levy (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

* Indicates Government Business.

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWERS

(Thursday, October 23, 2025)

1460/2025

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) of the number employees of the Ceylon Electricity Board who have requested for voluntary retirement as part of the restructuring process of the Ceylon Electricity Board in terms of the provisions of the Sri Lanka Electricity Act, No. 36 of 2024 read with the Sri Lanka Electricity (Amendment) Act, No. 14 of 2025, separately for each post;
 - (ii) if voluntary retirement has not been applied for, of the reasons for that;
 - (iii) of the sum allocated to compensate the employees who are to retire voluntarily; and
 - (iv) of the proposed sources from which the said funds will be raised?
- (b) If not, why?

1461/2025

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Health and Mass Media,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the
 - amounts of money that has been allocated from the year 2016 to the present to ensure the rights granted to the citizens of Sri Lanka under the Right to Information Act No. 12 of 2016 separately for each year;
 - (ii) steps that will be taken in future to strengthen the said Act; and
 - (iii) legal reforms that will be made in future to further strengthen the rights granted to the citizens of Sri Lanka by the said Act?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the
 - number of appeals received by the Right to Information Commission of Sri Lanka from the year 2017 to the present and the number of appeals resolved by the Commission in each year during that period separately; and
 - (ii) number of appeals that have not been heard and concluded so far out of the said number of appeals?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,— To ask the Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) whether there is a plan for the maintenance and renovation of the Kalutara District Sports Complex (formerly known as Raja Samaranayake Stadium) located in Bandaragama;
 - (ii) if so, of the maintenance and renovation works to be carried out at the said sports complex;
 - (iii) of the estimated cost thereof;
 - (iv) of the amount of money that has been spent on the maintenance and renovation of the said sports complex during the year 2025;
 - (v) whether he is aware that the grass of the turf has died resulting in the exposure of the underlying gravel on a section of about 100 meters along the 400-metre track of the stadium and in several places in the middle of the stadium;
 - (vi) if so, of the steps that will be taken to resolve this issue; and
 - (vii) of the steps that will be taken to prevent rainwater from accumulating in the stadium?
- (b) If not, why?

Saturday, November 08, 2025

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

739/2025

- Hon. (Dr.) Kavinda Heshan Jayawardhana,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration, Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(1)
 - (a) Will he inform this House—
 - (i) of the amount that has been granted by the Asian Development Bank to the Colombo Municipal Council for the improvement of the sewerage system in the city of Colombo, and the amount that has been utilized out of the said grant by now, separately;
 - (ii) whether he is aware that a portion of the funds granted by the Asian Development Bank has not been utilized and has instead been deposited in an account by the Colombo Municipal Council;
 - (iii) if so, of the said amount; and
 - (iv) of the measures that will be taken in this regard?
 - (b) If not, why?

Hon. Rajeevan Jeyachandramoorthy,— To ask the Minister of Public Security and Parliamentary Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) of the total number of mob violence or mob-lynching incidents reported to the Sri Lanka Police and the number of cases prosecuted under the Penal Code or Prevention of Terrorism or Public Security related laws in each year since 2020 to date, separately in provincial wise;
 - (ii) of the steps taken to ensure uniform implementation of laws and legal procedures concerning mob violence across all provinces, including any directives issued to the Sri Lanka Police and local administration;
 - (iii) whether the Ministry has identified any high-risk districts or areas vulnerable to mob violence; and
 - (iv) if so, of the interventions under taken in such districts/areas to prevent future incidents of mob violance?
- (b) If not, why?

1212/2025

Hon. M.S. Uthumalebbe,— To ask the Minister of Transport, Highways, Ports and Civil Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that—
 - (i) the project to construct a bridge across the Bryanthurai Kandam river in the Pottuvil Divisional Secretariat Division of the Ampara District as well as the project to construct the Heda Oya Bridge were initiated by the previous government; and
 - (ii) construction work of the projects of constructing those bridges has been stopped halfway by now?
- (b) Will he inform this House whether steps—
 - have been taken to resume the construction work of the aforesaid two bridges;
 - (ii) will be taken to include the project of constructing the aforesaid two bridges in the Special Development Programme?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Chanaka Madugoda,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the
 - (i) criteria used to measure the production and productivity of field crops other than paddy;
 - (ii) provision that was allocated in the budget for the year 2025 for increasing the production of grains and yams;
 - (iii) specific grains and yams for which the production is expected to increase with these provisions; and
 - (iv) expected production quantities for each of the above grain and yam variety in 2025, 2026 and 2027, compared to the year 2024, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

1492/2025

Hon. Sunil Rathnasiri,— To ask the Minister of Rural Development, Social Security and Community Empowerment,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - of the total value of financial assistance provided to the public during the COVID-19 pandemic in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) whether the Samurdhi Development Fund was utilized to provide the said financial assistance;
 - (iii) if so, of the said amount; and
 - (iv) whether the sum mentioned above has been settled?
- (b) If not, why?

Monday, November 10, 2025

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1085/2025

Hon. (Dr.) Pathmanathan Sathiyalingam,—To ask the Minister of Transport, Highways, Ports and Civil Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Will he admit that
 - the railway crossings on the section from Vavuniya to Killinochchi of the Northern Railway Line have become so dilapidated that they have become almost unusable;

- (ii) the railway crossings in the Puliyankulam area in Vavuniya in particular are the most severely dilapidated; and
- (iii) as many railway crossings have become unsafe, it is the responsibility of the Ministry to ensure the safety of the people who pass through such railway crossings?
- (b) If so, will he inform this House of the solutions that will be provided in this regard?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Roshan Akmeemana,— To ask the Minister of Defence,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the
 - (i) number of officers currently serving in the Civil Security Department, separately in each district;
 - (ii) total annual expenditure incurred by the Civil Security Department; and
 - (iii) annual income earned from the special projects implemented by the Department concerned?
- (b) If not, why?

1221/2025

Hon. Suranga Rathnayaka,—To ask the Minister of Transport, Highways, Ports and Civil Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that
 - (i) the Kalawewa Railway Station is one of the oldest railway stations in Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) a large number of both local and foreign tourists visiting famous destinations such as the Kalawewa Tank, Awukana Buddha Statue, Kadawara Dewala, Vijithapura Rajamaha Vihara Temple, Dutugemunu Maha Vihara, and Chamaragala Rajamaha Vihara use the railway station concerned; and
 - (iii) nevertheless, train seat reservation facilities are not available there?
- (b) Will he inform this House
 - (i) if so, whether arrangements could be made to provide seat reservation facilities at that railway station;
 - (ii) if so, of the date on which those facilities will be made available; and
 - (iii) whether arrangements could be made to install an Automated Teller Machine (ATM) at that railway station?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Thurairasa Ravikaran,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,—(1)

- (a) Will she inform this House
 - (i) whether she is aware that there are buildings in government schools, which have been partially constructed and subsequently abandoned;
 - (ii) of the number of such buildings existing in each province, separately;
 - (iii) of the main reasons that have contributed to the delay in the construction work of the aforesaid buildings;
 - (iv) out of the aforesaid buildings, of the number of buildings in each province for which budgetary allocations have been made in the budget for the year 2025 for the purpose of completing the construction work, separately;
 - (v) of the time frame within which the construction work of the aforesaid buildings will be completed;
 - (vi) of the precautionary measures taken to prevent any accidents that may occur due to the partially constructed buildings, affecting students and school staff; and
 - (vii) of the methodology followed to complete the construction work of the aforesaid buildings expeditiously and safely;
- (b) If not, why?

1304/2025

Hon. (Prof.) L.M. Abeywickrama,—To ask the Minister of Transport, Highways, Ports and Civil Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - of the number of rural roads in the Matara District of which development has been initiated under the i-Road Project of the Road Development Authority and the distance of the said roads in kilometers separately;
 - (ii) out of the said roads, of the number of those of which development work has been completed by now and the number of those of which development work has been commenced, but stopped halfway separately; and
 - (iii) of the steps that will be taken to complete the development work of the roads on which transportation has become very difficult as the development work has been stopped halfway?
- (b) If not, why?

Tuesday, November 11, 2025

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1119/2025

Hon. Lieutenant Commander (Rtd.) Prageeth Madhuranga,— To ask the Minister of Defence,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) of the number of personnel who have been recruited to the Tri
 Forces for professional duties under direct entry by now for each
 Force, separately;
 - (ii) of the professions into which they have been recruited;
 - (iii) of the reasons for recruiting them under that classification;
 - (iv) whether there are differences between military personnel recruited under the above classification and other military personnel in deploying to perform duties;
 - (v) if so, of those differences; and
 - (vi) whether military personnel recruited under the above classification are given the same ranks and promotions as other military personnel?
- (b) Will he also inform this House
 - whether the personnel recruited under the said classification will be removed, if the Tri Forces are reorganized;
 - (ii) whether a count has been taken regarding it;
 - (iii) if so, of that count;
 - (iv) whether a discussion has occurred regarding a programme about the military personnel who would be removed, scheduled to be removed and sent on retirement during such reorganization; and
 - (v) if so, of such programme?
- (c) If not, why?

1182/2025

Hon. Sivagnanam Shritharan,— To ask the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he state the
 - (i) number of state and private sector banks, insurance companies, microfinance and other financial institutions in the Northern Province and their names, separately in each district; and

- (ii) interest rates charged by state and private sector banks and microfinance institutions separately in providing loans?
- (b) Will he also state
 - (i) whether he is aware that some individuals have committed suicide due to the inhumane practices of the microfinance institutions in the Northern and Eastern Provinces;
 - (ii) if so, the number of individuals who have committed suicide in each district, separately;
 - (iii) the names of the parties who are responsible for the deaths of those individuals; and
 - (iv) whether steps will be taken to monitor the functions of the microfinance institutions in future to stop the inhumane practices carried out by those institutions?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. K. Kader Masthan,— To ask the Minister of Industry and Entrepreneurship Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that
 - (i) there is an industrial park registered under No. 1458 in the Poonthottam area of Vavuniya; and
 - (ii) some plots of land of it are in a derelict condition?
- (b) Will he inform this House
 - (i) of the total number of plots of land in the said industrial park;
 - (ii) of the number of plots of land that have been granted to entrepreneurs and the number that remain unallocated, separately out of the plots of lands referred to above;
 - (iii) whether the lands that have been granted to entrepreneurs so far are being utilized for their intended purposes;
 - (iv) whether the plots of land that remain unutilized, despite being granted to entrepreneurs, can be granted to other entrepreneurs;
 - (v) if so, of the number of plots of land that can be granted as such;
 - (vi) of the last development programme implemented by the said industrial park using its own funds; and
 - (vii) whether the said industrial park is operating at maximum capacity?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Manjula Suraweera Arachchi,— To ask the Minister of Energy,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - of the year the construction of the Broadland Hydroelectric Power Plant was commenced;
 - (ii) whether the construction of the said Hydroelectric Power Plant has been completed by now; and
 - (iii) if not, of the reasons for it?
- (b) Will he also inform this House
 - (i) of the number of persons to be given compensations due to the construction of the said power plant;
 - (ii) out of them, of the number of persons to whom the total compensation has been paid by now and the amount of compensation paid to each of them separately;
 - (iii) of the remaining number of persons who are to be given compensations;
 - (iv) of the names of each such person and the amount of compensation to be paid separately for each; and
 - (v) of the date by which the compensation payments to individuals will be completed?
- (c) If not, why?

1428/2025

Hon. Thilina Samarakoon,— To ask the Minister of Transport, Highways, Ports and Civil Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) of the methodology under which spare part stocks required for the buses of the Sri Lanka Transport Board are purchased;
 - (ii) whether he will admit that there are flaws in the said methodology;
 - (iii) if so, of such flaws;
 - (iv) whether there is a possibility to introduce a flawless methodology for that;
 - (v) of the stock management methodology that is adopted in relation to spare parts;
 - (vi) of the duration for which the said methodology has been in use; and
 - (vii) whether a computer system will be developed for stock management?
- (b) If not, why?

Wednesday, November 12, 2025

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1289/2025

Hon. Major General (Rtd.) G.D. Sooriyabandara,—To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) of the total extent of land belonging to the Land Reform Commission in acres, in each of the district, separately;
 - (ii) of the laws that are applicable in transferring the lands belonging to the Commission to individuals, government entities and private institutions:
 - (iii) whether the land transfer certificates of the Commission are classified:
 - (iv) of the person who is vested with power to cancel an instrument of disposition that has already been issued; and
 - (v) whether steps will be taken to update/amend the laws relating to the lands of the Land Reform Commission?
- (b) If not, why?

1312/2025

Hon. Sudath Balagalla,—To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the
 - (i) minimum price fixed by the government for purchasing one kilogram of paddy in each year during the period from the year 2015 to 2023, separately;
 - (ii) number of lorries currently owned by the Paddy Marketing Board that are available for transporting paddy; and
 - (iii) number of rice mills currently owned by the Paddy Marketing Board?
- (b) If not, why?

1323/2025

Hon. Sugath Wasantha de Silva,—To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,—(1)

- (a) Will she inform this House
 - (i) whether there are facilities in the government university system for students with disabilities to pursue their courses;

- (ii) whether adequate steps have been taken to promote alternative means of communication including Braille system, sign language and enlarged fonts;
- (iii) if not, of the steps that are taken in that regard;
- (iv) of the facilities that have been provided to students with disabilities when appearing for examinations;
- (v) whether fair opportunities have been established for students with disabilities in relation to their respective disabilities during examinations;
- (vi) whether students with disabilities have the opportunity to answer examinations using computers in every university; and
- (vii) of the steps taken to expand the facilities required for students with disabilities to use libraries?
- (b) Will she also inform this House
 - whether adequate accessibility facilities are there for students with disabilities in government universities;
 - (ii) if not, whether steps will be taken to expand accessibility facilities;
 - (iii) whether provisions required for this purpose will be allocated in the budget for the year 2026?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Upul Kithsiri,—To ask the Minister of Buddhasasana, Religious and Cultural Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of
 - the period during which the historic Maduwanwela Walawwa was constructed;
 - (ii) its historical value;
 - (iii) the date on which the Maduwanwela Walawwa was officially taken over by the Department of Archaeology;
 - (iv) the owner of it at the time of the said takeover;
 - (v) the extent of land that was taken over; and
 - (vi) the assessed value that was paid for it?
- (b) Will he also inform this House
 - of the date and the number of the first Gazette issued regarding the takeover of Maduwanwela Walawwa by the Department of Archaeology;

- (ii) whether a second Gazette has been issued amending the aforementioned first Gazette;
- (iii) if so, of the number and date of the said Gazette;
- (iv) of the extent of land that has been taken over under the second Gazette;
- (v) of the extent of land that has been excluded under that particular Gazette; and
- (vi) whether a proper investigation is being conducted regarding this?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Dharmapriya Dissanayake,—To ask the Minister of Energy,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that
 - (i) all local authorities in Sri Lanka use street lighting lamps; and
 - (ii) the Electricity Board has not levied any charges for that so far?
- (b) Will he inform this House
 - whether the Ceylon Electricity Board has decided to impose charges on local authorities for the use of street lighting lamps;
 - (ii) if so, of the relevant billing mechanism used for that;
 - (iii) whether he agrees that the above charge will cause difficulties for low-income local authorities;
 - (iv) if so, whether a solution will be provided for that; and
 - (v) if so, of such solution?
- (c) If not, why?

Thursday, November 13, 2025

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1350/2025

Hon. Imran Maharoof,— To ask the Minister of Transport, Highways, Ports and Civil Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Will he admit that
 - the roads in the Trincomalee District, maintained by the Road Development Authority, are in such condition that they need to be widened;
 - (ii) the Kinniya-Colombo main road should be prioritized for widening due to population of the Kinniya area and the number of local and foreign tourists visiting the area; and

- (iii) there are schools located near this road, that there is heavy traffic congestion on the road, and that there are not enough facilities for pedestrians?
- (b) Will he inform this House
 - (i) of the width of the Kinniya-Colombo main road;
 - (ii) whether the said road is a one-way road;
 - (iii) if not, whether it is a two-way road;
 - (iv) whether steps have been taken to widen the said road;
 - (v) if so, of the length and width of the proposed road; and
 - (vi) of the estimated cost for the proposed road?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Mayilvaganam Jegatheeswaran,— To ask the Minister of Fisheries, Aquatic and Ocean Resources,—(1)

- (a) Will he state
 - whether he is aware that illegal fishing activities are being carried out in the Mullaitivu and Mannar districts using prohibited fishing methods and unauthorized fishing vessels;
 - (ii) if so, the measures that have been taken to curb those activities; and
 - (iii) the measures that will be taken in the future to strengthen the surveillance and the operational activities in that regard?
- (b) Will he also state
 - (i) the impact of the aforesaid illegal fishing activities on the quality of fish production in the Mullaitivu and Mannar districts;
 - (ii) whether a survey has been conducted regarding the impact of aforesaid illegal fishing activities on the economy of the fishermen in aforesaid districts;
 - (iii) the measures that have been taken to secure the livelihoods and the income of the ordinary fishermen affected by aforesaid illegal fishing activities?
 - (iv) the reasons for not adequately enforcing the law to curb these illegal fishing activities; and
 - (v) whether a proper coordination is being maintained between the Ministry of Fisheries, Aquatic and Ocean Resources, the Sri Lanka Navy and the Sri Lanka Police to combat these illegal fishing activities?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. (Prof.) Sena Nanayakkara,— To ask the Minister of Public Administration, Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the
 - (i) number of pensioners in Sri Lanka at present; and
 - (ii) amount allocated for the payment of pensions from the year 2020 to date separately for each year?
- (b) Will he also inform this House
 - (i) whether he accepts that when considered as a family unit, the pension of a pensioner is considered a shared benefit rather than an individual benefit; and
 - (ii) accordingly, of the procedure followed in relation to the pension of a pensioner after his/her death?
- (c) If not, why?

1395/2025

Hon. M.S. Abthul Wazeeth,— To ask the Minister of Urban Development, Construction and Housing,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that
 - there is a severe scarcity of drinking water in the Pottuvil and Lahugala Divisional Secretariat Divisions of the Ampara District; and
 - (ii) the then governments implemented the 'Heda Oya' Water Supply Project in 2018, 2019 and 2020, spending Rs. 150 million, Rs. 25 million and Rs. 50 million respectively, with the aim of providing a solution to the said scarcity of drinking water?
- (b) Will he inform this House
 - of the present status of the said project that was implemented as a solution to the scarcity of drinking water; and
 - (ii) whether steps will be taken to restart the said project, as its implementation would meet the drinking water demand of the residents in the Divisional Secretariat Divisions mentioned in (a) (i) above?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. (Mrs.) Oshani Umanga,— To ask the Minister of Labour,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) whether the Department of Labour has taken steps to notify employers regarding the non-payment of contributions to the Employees' Provident Fund since October 2024;
 - (ii) of the time period for which notices of surcharges for non-payment of contributions to the Employees' Provident Fund have been issued;
 - (iii) if the collection of surcharges has been delayed for an extended period, of the reasons for such delay; and
 - (iv) whether steps have been taken to provide relief to enterprises affected by the 2019 Easter attack, the COVID-19 pandemic, and the 2022 economic crisis when imposing surcharges?
- (b) If not, why?

Friday, November 14, 2025

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1451/2025

Hon. K. Ilankumaran,— To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Employment and Tourism,—(1)

- (a) Will he state
 - the reasons for the significant delay in issuing passports to Sri Lankans living abroad;
 - (ii) whether he is aware that they have been unable to fly for urgent needs due to the said delay;
 - (iii) whether compensation or priority will be given to applicants who have been aggrieved due to the said delay;
 - (iv) the measures that will be taken to expedite and facilitate the process related to the issuance of the said passports;
 - (v) whether attention will be paid to digital or biometric methods to reduce the delay;
 - (vi) the nature of the cooperation between the Department of Immigration and Emigration and Foreign Embassies in providing expedited services; and
 - (vii) whether mobile services or on-site services will be introduced in countries where large numbers of Sri Lankans live in?

- (b) Will he also state
 - (i) whether special units will be established in Sri Lankan Embassies to handle urgent legal matters; and
 - (ii) the future measures that will be taken to provide optimal services to Sri Lankans living abroad?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. (Ms.) Ambika Samivel,— To ask the Minister of Environment,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) separately, of the types of cut flowers and plants imported into Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) separately, of the number of flowers imported annually from each type of said flowers;
 - (iii) of the annual cost of importing these types of flowers;
 - (iv) whether the types of flowers that are imported can be grown in Sri Lanka; and
 - (v) if so, of the programme that has been prepared for that purpose?
- (b) If not, why?

1474/2025

Hon. Lasith Bhashana Gamage,— To ask the Minister of Health and Mass Media,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the
 - (i) total number of employees currently serving at the District General Hospital in Gampaha;
 - (ii) number of existing vacancies at that hospital, specified separately for each post; and
 - (iii) steps that have been taken to fill those vacancies;
- (b) Will he also inform this House
 - (i) whether he is aware that the said hospital does not have a standardized quality controlled drug store;
 - (ii) if so, of the measures that have been taken to establish a standardized quality controlled drug store;
 - (iii) of the average number of patients who receive treatment at the hospital daily and monthly, separately;
 - (iv) whether he is aware that a master plan has been prepared for that hospital; and
 - (v) accordingly, of the number of patients that can be treated at the hospital's maximum capacity?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. (Mrs.) Geetha Herath, Attorney at Law,— To ask the Minister of Environment,—(1)

- (a) Will he state
 - (i) the extent of land belonging to the Department of Wildlife Conservation and the Department of Forest Conservation in the Polpithigama Divisional Secretariat Division, as per Gazette Notification No. 566/5 dated 11.07.1989, separately;
 - (ii) whether the lands under possession, lands where people reside, and government lands held on grants within the relevant area were included, when the said Gazette Notification was issued;
 - (iii) whether the said lands have been surveyed and identified; and,
 - (iv) whether the Hakwatunawa Reservoir and its reserve have been surveyed and demarcated?
- (b) Will he also state
 - (i) whether roads, electricity, and water facilities have been provided to the above wildlife region even after the gazzetting;
 - (ii) the number of government schools, Grama Niladhari offices, clinic centres, and temples in the said region;
 - (iii) the steps that have been taken by the officers of the Forest Conservation Office in Herathgama, to institute legal action under the State Lands (Recovery of Possession) Act; and,
 - (iv) whether the lands currently possessed or occupied by individuals will be handed over to them?
- (c) If not, why?

1497/2025

Hon. B. Ariyawansha,— To ask the Minister of Environment,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the
 - (i) date on which the Sinharaja Forest was declared a World Heritage Site:
 - (ii) extent of land area belonging to this forest; and,
 - (iii) measures that have been currently implemented, as well as those that will be implemented in the future, separately to conserve both the internal and external ecosystems of the Sinharaja Forest, which contributes immensely to the sustainability of the ecosystem in Sri Lanka?
- (b) If not, why?

Saturday, November 15, 2025

OUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

20/2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— To ask the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) of the number of liquor shops existing in Sri Lanka, at present;
 - (ii) whether he is aware that a court decision has been issued to the effect that when liquor shops are established, they must be at least 100 meters away from places such as temples, churches, mosques, kovils and schools; and
 - (iii) of the number of liquor shops that have been established as at present in compliance with the aforesaid decision and in violation of the decision, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

119/2024

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— To ask the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the
 - (i) date on which the then government decided to reduce the tax imposed on sugar;
 - (ii) factors that influenced for such decision;
 - (iii) companies that have imported sugar into Sri Lanka after the tax that had been imposed on sugar was reduced;
 - (iv) tax revenue that was lost due to mentioned in (i) above; and
 - (v) action that has been taken so far regarding the concerned fraud on the tax imposed on sugar?
- (b) If not, why?

345/2024

Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam,— To ask the Minister of Urban Development, Construction and Housing,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that the
 - (i) drinking water facilities have not yet been provided to areas such as Panai Aruppan, Pan Senai, Vadakkal Madu, Pawatkodi Senai, Unnichchai and Nediyamadhu, in Vavunathivu Divisional Secretariat Division within the Manmunai West of the Batticaloa District; and

- (ii) residents of the Unnichchai area have not been provided with drinking water, although drinking water has been taken from Unnichchai to various areas?
- (b) Will he inform this House
 - (i) if so, whether the steps will be taken to provide drinking water facilities to the areas mentioned in (i) above; and
 - (ii) of the dates when the drinking water facilities will be made available to the aforesaid areas?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Rohana Bandara,— To ask the Minister of Transport, Highways, Ports and Civil Aviation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House—
 - of the total extent of land belonging to Department of Sri Lanka Railways;
 - (ii) whether these lands have been leased out to private institutions and individuals;
 - (iii) if so, of the extent of such land; and
 - (iv) of the amount of income earned by Department of Sri Lanka Railways from leasing out such lands in each of the years from 2020 up to now, separately?
- (b) Will he also inform this House of the
 - extent of land that has been encroached upon by unauthorized settlers out of the lands belonging to Department of Sri Lanka Railways;
 - (ii) measures that will be taken to evict the unauthorized occupants; and
 - (iii) steps that will be taken to utilize the lands owned by the Department of Sri Lanka Railways productively, under the direct ownership and supervision of that?
- (c) If not, why?

626/2025

Hon. Kins Nelson,—To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the
 - (i) date on which the Cabinet of Ministers decided to implement a concessional loan scheme for small and medium scale rice mill owners;

- (ii) objectives of implementing the said loan scheme;
- (iii) criteria that are considered in granting loans under the said loan scheme;
- (iv) names of each of the rice mill owners who have obtained loans under the said loan scheme so far and of the loan amounts obtained by them separately; and
- (v) methodology that will be adopted in monitoring whether the loans obtained by the said rice mill owners are being utilized properly?
- (b) If not, why?

Monday, November 17, 2025

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

204/2024

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,—To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Employment and Tourism,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) of the date on which airfares to Israel were reduced;
 - (ii) of the amount of the fare reduction;
 - (iii) of the number of Sri Lankans currently working in Israel;
 - (iv) whether he is aware that a major fraud has occurred in the above-mentioned reduction of airfares; and
 - (v) of the action that will be taken in this regard?
- (b) If not, why?

227/2024

Hon. Ajith P. Perera,—To ask the Minister of Justice and National Integration,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) whether the 'Public Assets Recovery Agency,' which the policy statement 'A Thriving Nation A Beautiful Life,' promised to establish has been established by now;
 - (ii) of the amount of stolen assets that have been recovered to the government by the Agency concerned;
 - (iii) of the number of employees currently working at this Agency; and
 - (iv) of the amount of money that has been allocated for the Agency from the Appropriation Bill or the Vote on Account presented for the year 2025?
- (b) If not, why?

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,—To ask the Minister of Fisheries, Aquatic and Ocean Resources,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) whether Sri Lanka has imported fish from 2021 to date;
 - (ii) if so, of type, quantity, value and country of origin in each year from 2021 to date separately; and
 - (iii) whether such imports were for local consumption or for re-export?
- (b) Will he also inform this House for each year from 2021 to date separately—
 - (i) if for local consumption, of the value of duty earned;
 - (ii) if for re-export, of the value added and foreign exchange earned;
 - (iii) of the quantity, value and countries of origin of dried fish, sprats and Maldives fish imported;
 - (iv) of the quantity of dried fish, sprats and Maldives fish produced in Sri Lanka;
 - (v) of the quantity and value of canned fish imported to Sri Lanka; and
 - (vi) of the quantity of canned fish produced in Sri Lanka?
- (c) If not, why?

662/2025

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney at Law,—To ask the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the
 - year in which the scheme was introduced for granting motor vehicle permits to high-ranking government officials on a concessional basis upon their retirement;
 - (ii) number of vehicle permits issued in each year since then, separately;
 - (iii) designations eligible for obtaining the said permits?
- (b) Will he also inform this House
 - (i) whether the permits mentioned above are still being issued;
 - (ii) if not, of the year in which the issuance of permits was suspended;
 - (iii) of the reasons for suspending the issuance of the said permits;
 - (iv) of the date on which the process of issuing the said permits will be resumed;

- (v) whether permits will be issued to pensioners who did not receive permits due to the suspension in the issuance of them; and
- (vi) if so, of the measures that will be taken in that regard?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Chamara Sampath Dasanayake,—To ask the Minister of Public Administration, Provincial Councils and Local Government,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - of the number of state-owned official residences occupied by the Ministers of the Cabinet of Ministers and State Ministers during the period of the previous government, excluding the official residences of the Members of Parliament in Madiwela Housing Complex;
 - (ii) of the present condition of the said state-owned official residences;
 - (iii) whether the said state-owned official residences have been provided to other institutions or businesses on a lease or rent basis; and
 - (iv) of the number of Ministers and Deputy Ministers of the present government to whom such official residences have been duly allocated?
- (b) If not, why?

Tuesday, November 18, 2025

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

827/2025

Hon. S.M. Marikkar,—To ask the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) of the volume of gas that was imported by Litro Gas Lanka Limited from 2022 to 2024, separately for each year;
 - (ii) whether the proper procurement procedure was followed in importing the said volume of gas;
 - (iii) if not, of the reasons for that;
 - (iv) of the volume of gas that was purchased as emergency purchases during the said period, separately for each year in metric tons; and
 - (v) of the financial difference between an emergency purchase and a purchase that is made following the normal procurement procedure?
- (b) If not, why?

Hon. (Dr.) M.L.A.M. Hizbullah,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) of the number of persons who applied for 'Urumaya' freehold deeds in the Manmunaipattu DS Division from 01.01.2019 to 31.03.2025 and their names;
 - (ii) whether 'Urumaya' freehold deeds have been granted to the persons referred to above during the above period under a special programme of the then government;
 - (iii) if so, of the number of such persons and their names;
 - (iv) whether he is aware that some of the persons who applied for 'Urumaya' freehold deeds have not been granted the deeds concerned;
 - (v) if so, of the number of such persons and their names; and
 - (vi) of the reasons for not granting 'Urumaya' freehold deeds to them?
- (b) If not, why?

1063/2025

Hon. Rohitha Abeygunawardhana,— To ask the Minister of Trade, Commerce, Food Security and Cooperative Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the
 - (i) quantity of rice imported to Sri Lanka since the present government came into power up to now;
 - (ii) varieties of rice imported;
 - (iii) amount of tax levied on a kilogram of imported rice;
 - (iv) total revenue earned from this tax; and
 - (v) price ceiling of a kilogram of imported rice?
- (b) Will he also inform this House
 - (i) whether it is expected to import rice in the future;
 - (ii) of the impact of rice imports on local paddy farmers; and
 - (iii) of the national course of action that is expected to be implemented to minimize rice importation?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Susantha Kumara Nawarathna,—To ask the Minister of Environment,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) of the wildlife zones existing in each district of Sri Lanka at present, separately;
 - (ii) of the extent of land belonging to each such zone, separately;
 - (iii) whether the tanks, reservoirs and lakes available for wildlife within the wildlife zones have been identified;
 - (iv) if so, of the number of them as per each wildlife zone, separately; and
 - (v) of the number of tanks, reservoirs and lakes that have been renovated or constructed within the said wildlife zones, separately?
- (b) Will he also inform this House
 - (i) of the elephant corridors that have been scientifically identified by the Department of Wildlife Conservation;
 - (ii) whether steps have been taken to gazette them;
 - (iii) if so, of the number of elephant corridors that have been gazetted so far; and
 - (iv) if the identified elephant corridors have not yet been gazetted, of the reasons for it?
- (c) If not, why?

1431/2025

Hon. Ajith Gihan,— To ask the Minister of Trade, Commerce, Food Security and Cooperative Development,—(1)

- (a) Is he aware that
 - (i) the same commodity is sold at different prices in the market; and
 - (ii) substandard food and consumer goods are sold in shops?
- (b) Will he inform this House
 - (i) whether there is a programme to prevent the issuance of food and goods that are unfit for consumption, to the market; and
 - (ii) if so, of the such programme?
- (c) If not, why?

Wednesday, November 19, 2025

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

819/2025

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,—To ask the Minister of Trade, Commerce, Food Security and Cooperative Development,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) whether he is aware that a large number of massive frauds have been committed in Rangiri Dambulla Multi-purpose Co-operative Society Limited;
 - (ii) of the nature of those frauds; and
 - (iii) of the actions that are being taken in relation to the frauds referred to above?
- (b) If not, why?

853/2025

Hon. (Mrs.) Chamindranee Kiriella, Attorney at Law,— To ask the Minister of Women and Child Affairs,—(1)

- (a) Will she inform this House of the
 - number of incidents of domestic violence on women that were reported in Sri Lanka in each of the years from 2015 up to the present, separately;
 - (ii) measures that are taken to prevent incidents of domestic violence on women; and
 - (iii) measures that are taken to expedite the legal action with regard to incidents of domestic violence on women?
- (b) If not, why?

1270/2025

Hon. Sujeewa Dissanayake,— To ask the Minister of Plantation and Community Infrastructure,—(2)

- (a) Will he inform this House of the
 - (i) three main export crops of Sri Lanka;
 - (ii) year in which coconut was declared one of the main export crops;
 - (iii) number of coconut trees existing in Sri Lanka and the extent of land cultivated in coconuts, separately in hectares; and
 - (iv) steps taken to increase the coconut harvest of Sri Lanka?

- (b) Will he also inform this House of the
 - (i) coconut-related industries in operation in Sri Lanka at present;
 - (ii) the annual foreign exchange earnings accrued to Sri Lanka from coconut-based products;
 - (iii) number of factories in Sri Lanka associated with coconut husks with local and foreign ownership, and their main export products and the number of direct and indirect jobs they have created, separately; and
 - (iv) key problems associated with coconut husks industry?
- (c) If not, why?

Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody,— To ask the Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— (2)

- (a) Is she aware that-
 - the 'Reggie Ranatunga Educational Scholarship Fund' was established with the aim of promoting the educational, health and social welfare of poor children under Incorporation Act, No. 28 of 2000;
 - (ii) a land of about 100 perches in extent belonging to the Pansilgoda Grama Niladhari Division, Minuwangoda, Gampaha District was donated to the Fund on 07.04.2003;
 - (iii) a building was constructed on this land in 2005 and a vocational training institute was started but the institute concerned was closed down in 2021; and
 - (iv) in 2023, the building was demolished, the land was fenced, a gate was constructed and coconut trees were planted on the said land, thereby acting illegally and fraudulently to acquire the said land for private possession?
- (b) Will she inform this House of the steps that can be taken to transfer the land to an appropriate government institution for use for public purposes?
- (c) If not, why?

1336/2025

Hon. Lal Premanath,— To ask the Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,—(1)

- (a) Will he inform this House
 - (i) whether the objectives of establishing the Land Reform Commission have been achieved by now;

- (ii) of the total extent of land owned by the said Commission;
- (iii) of the number of government institutions that own state lands;
- (iv) of the names of the aforesaid institutions; and
- (v) of the extent of lands disposed to other parties out of the lands owned by each of the aforesaid institutions, separately?
- (b) If not, why?

Friday, January 09, 2026

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

P. 3/2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— Providing opportunities for sportsmen and sportswomen who represent a national sports team or claim a national level record to read for any degree course related to the field of sports,— That this Parliament resolves that the government should prepare the necessary legal and higher educational structure for sportsmen and sportswomen who represent any national sports team in Sri Lanka or claim a national level record to pursue any degree course related to the field of sports, not based on their basic educational qualification or the Z-score.

P. 4/2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— Converting all Colleges of Education in Sri Lanka into University Faculties,— That this Parliament resolves that necessary action be taken by the Government to enforce the Cabinet decision regarding which the proposal was presented and approval obtained by the then Minister on 13th February 2020 as the then Minister of Education to convert the currently functioning nineteen Colleges of Education into University Faculties to be suitable for awarding a four-year degree course with a three-year theoretical course and one-year school-based training, whereas it is necessary to make all the teachers in the school system into trained graduate teachers in order to upgrade the education in Sri Lanka to the advanced international level, and whereas the majority of teachers are currently awarded a higher diploma at the end of a three-year theoretical and practical course.

P. 5/2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— Developing the bee honey industry,— That this Parliament resolves that an expedited programme should be implemented by the government to develop the local bee honey industry as bee honey is of very high medicinal value and in great demand in the local and international market.

P. 6/2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— Extending the Kelani Valley railway line up to Ratnapura,— That this Parliament resolves that the government should take measures to extend the Kelani Valley railway line up to Ratnapura since it

is considered as one of the railway lines that generate a higher income for the Sri Lanka Railways Department, whereas people living in a number of districts, including Ratnapura, Badulla and Hambanthota will be benefitted from extending the Kelani Valley railway line up to Ratnapura.

P. 8/2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— Combining the knowledge on Sri Lankan food culture with the teaching process,— That this Parliament resolves that an appropriate programme be implemented by the government to make the food culture of Sri Lanka known among local and foreign people and elevate the Sri Lankan identity by endowing the future generations with the Sri Lanka food culture pedagogy through pedagogical methodologies as food art of Sri Lanka is comprised of a number aspects including the art of flavors and mixation, art of cooking food, art of coloring and the art of food carving.

P. 9 /2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— Making the society aware of the value of school children,— That this Parliament resolves that a national level programme be formulated and implemented by the government in regard to the manner in which children should be protected in the face of social challenges for the future betterment of the society and the country, having explained the value of children in a simple manner through sociological and psychological methodologies to the persons such as parents, teachers, sports coaches, school van drivers that always associate with school children.

P.10/2024

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— Developing sports in estate sector,— That this Parliament resolves that a Sports development program should be launched in order to get the youth contribution of the estate sector for the sports development of the country, as they have displayed their skills locally and internationally, and they do not have any sports facilities in their estate schools as well as the estate areas where they live.

P.16/2024

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Formulating a programme to streamline the appointments made to the Sri Lanka Foreign Service,— That this Parliament resolves that the government prepare a programme to make all appointments to the foreign service, which is tasked with uplifting Sri Lanka's image before the international community, based on the results of competitive examinations and on merit in order to prevent political appointments made to the foreign service, which have led to the deterioration in the quality of the service leading to failure to achieve its desired objectives.

P.17/2024

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Formulating a proper procurement methodology for purchasing goods and services to depots of the Sri Lanka Transport Board,—This Parliament resolves that the government do formulate a proper procurement methodology for purchasing goods and services to depots of Sri Lanka Transport Board with a view to preventing corruption as the absence of such a methodology is the main cause of the corruption rampant in the Sri Lanka Transport Board.

P.18/2024

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,—Formulating a program to make school students aware of the University of Vocational Technology,— That this Parliament resolves that a program be developed by the government to make schoolchildren aware of the courses of the University of Vocational Technology, which targets at the job market and vocational technology, deviating from the traditional university framework in Sri Lanka.

P.20/2024

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Preparing the subjects falling under the provincial councils in a scientific methodology,— That this Parliament resolves that the government should prepare an appropriate programme to allocate the subjects coming under the purview of the provincial councils according to a proper methodology based on a scientific basis to avoid the situation that has arisen since the subjects coming under the purview of the provincial councils have been currently allocated in a way that has no scientific basis, and that various problems have arisen because of this.

P.21/2024

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri, — Developing a proper methodology to strengthen the Sri Lanka Transport Board, — That this Parliament resolves that the Government should develop a proper methodology to prevent fraud and corruption that occur during the procurement of goods and services by the Sri Lanka Transport Board, since strengthening the public transport service in Sri Lanka is an essential matter.

P.22/2024

Hon Chaminda Wijesiri,— Formulation of a programme to increase milk production,— That this Parliament resolves that a program to increase the milk production in Sri Lanka should be implemented by the government to avoid the substantial amount of foreign exchange outflow on the annual importation of milk.

P. 26/2024

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Making Sports Bodies in Sri Lanka free from politicization,— That this Parliament resolves that the elected politicians should be prohibited from contesting and holding leading positions in sports bodies, as it is evident that these organizations have become heavily politicised in Sri Lanka.

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Banning the naming of political parties according to ethnicities or religions,— That this Parliament resolves that naming of political parties based on ethnicities or religions be banned and such a change be effected in the names of presently functioning political parties bearing names denoting ethnicities or religions, taking into consideration the situation that has arisen in Sri Lanka at present.

P. 31/2025

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Payment of 1% return for employees in relation to inflation,— That this Parliament resolves that the Employees' Provident Fund and Employees' Trust Fund which are administered by government institutions shall ensure that the employees receive returns at least 1% higher than the annual inflation rate.

P. 32/2025

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Provision of free travelling facilities to senior citizens,— That this Parliament resolves that all senior citizens be provided with free transport facilities in public transport services.

P. 33/2025

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Setting up of a unit with legal powers to solve the problems faced by the migrant employees,— That this Parliament resolves that a unit with legal powers be set up to look into problems faced by migrant employees including assault, abduction, rape, sexual abuse, homicide, financial fraud and facilitate the safe return of affected workers to Sri Lanka and look into their safety.

P. 34/2025

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Formulation of a National Programme to introduce New Inventors to the World,— That this Parliament resolves that a national programme be formulated to introduce new inventors and citizens who are endowed with various skills to the world and to improve their skills and creations.

P. 35/2025

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Tax concession to industrialists who utilize indigenous raw materials,— That this Parliament resolves that a two year tax concession be granted to local industrialists who utilize more than 75% indigenous raw materials in the production of goods for the international market.

P. 36/2025

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Enabling the Right to Vote,— That this Parliament resolves that every individual above the age of eighteen shall be allowed to vote as there is a greater number of registered voters that have been deprived of voting and if an individual does not vote after the name appears on the register they should be fined which help to create a more participatory democratic process.

Hon. Lal Premanath,— Taking actions to prevent public dissatisfaction with all local government institutions at the grassroots level,— That this Parliament resolves that the government should take necessary steps to give more attention to all local government institutions at the grassroots level, which are the public representative bodies closest to the people, as there is often a very dissatisfied feeling among people towards these institutions.

P. 41/2025

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— Preparation of a program to amend the constitution including the composition of Sri Lanka Cricket,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take measures to amend the constitution including the composition of Sri Lanka Cricket as there has been a great deal of discussion in society regarding the Sri Lanka Cricket at present, and the Sri Lanka Cricket has become an institution where irregularities are common due to the power of a certain group of societies in its elections and such situation needs to be prevented.

P. 43/2025

Hon. Rohana Bandara,— Formulating a course of action to prevent the misuse of the positions of professors and doctors,— That this Parliament resolves that the government do take necessary action to formulate a course of action through the University Grants Commission for preventing the situation, where many persons in our society misuse the titles such as Professor and Doctor.

P. 44/2025

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Implementing the recommendations given in the Audit Report 2023 pertaining to the Sri Lanka Ports Authority,— That this Parliament resolves that a proper course of action be formulated by the government to implement the recommendations given in the National Audit Report pertaining to the Sri Lanka Ports Authority, which is like the heart of the Sri Lankan economy, as important recommendations have been given in the Report concerned.

P. 45/2025

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,—Using the money of local government institutions for public services in a proper manner,— That this Parliament resolves that a proper course of action be formulated by the government to prevent the state of affairs, whereas facts have been unveiled to the effect that many local government institutions deposit their money in fixed deposits with the objective of earning a profit instead of using such money for purposes such as providing public and health services as well as common amenities and improving public thoroughfares.

P. 48/2025

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,—Bringing Industries related to Petroleum, Fuel and Water under the regulation of the Public Utilities Commission of Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that, whereas industries related to electricity, petroleum, fuel and

water should be regulated, industries related to petroleum and water have not been subjected to regulation for more than 21 years because the Acts relevant to the supervision of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation and the National Water Supply and Drainage Board have not been amended and therefore, necessary legal procedures be implemented to change this state of affairs.

P. 49/2025

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha,— Formulation of a programme to regulate the process of issuing licenses for filling stations,— That this Parliament resolves that, as the process of issuing filling station licenses in Sri Lanka is highly irregular, a regulatory programme be formulated to streamline the process of issuing filling station licenses.

P. 50/2025

Hon. Ravindra Bandara,—Formulating a methodology to prevent the damage caused by the pinus plantations to sources of water and the environment,— That this Parliament resolves that a methodology be formulated to remove pinus plantations and to substitute useful indigenous plants considering the damage caused to sources of water and the environment by pinus plantations, which have been grown especially in mountainous areas including the Uva Province.

P. 51/2025

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Establishment of a Faculty of National Languages, — That this Parliament resolves that a Faculty of National Languages should be established in order to teach Sinhala, Tamil and English to teachers.

P. 52/2025

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,— Formulating a program to exercise justice to the individuals who have become the victims of microfinance loans,— That this Parliament resolves that a program should be formulated to ensure justice to the individuals who have obtained microfinance loans due to the fact that the majority of them have now become victims of the loans concerned.

P. 53/2025

Hon. Hesha Withanage Ankumbura Arachchi,— Formulation of a program to develop and regulate the Teledrama industry, — That this Parliament resolves that a regulatory body be established to develop and regulate the teledrama industry, which is a major industry that provides entertainment to the people of the country.

P. 54/2025

Hon. Lal Premanath,— Taking action against those who committed large-scale misappropriation of public funds in local government institutions,— That this Parliament resolves that investigations should be conducted expeditiously into the large-scale misappropriations of public funds that have taken place in all the local government institutions situated throughout Sri Lanka and action should be taken to have punishments meted out to all authorities who were involved in such acts in accordance with the existing laws.

Hon. Upul Kithsiri,—Preservation of places of historical value in Sri Lanka, including Maduwanwela Walawwa, which belongs to the Kolonna Divisional Secretariat Division of the Ratnapura District,— That this Parliament resolves that whereas there are many places of historical value in Sri Lanka including the Maduwanwela Walawwa, a historical place belonging to the Kolonna Divisional Secretariat Division of the Ratnapura district, whereas such places have attracted tourists and such places have become extremely unsafe at present, the government should formulate a course of action to save them for posterity for utilizing them for the tourism industry while preserving such places without damaging their original antiquity and promptly surveing and settling the lands belonging to such places.

P. 56/2025

Hon. Upul Kithsiri,— Designation of the Udawalawe Area as a Tourist Zone,—That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take necessary measures to declare the Udawalawe area, encompassing the Udawalawe region in the Ratnapura District and the Sevanagala region in the Monaragala District, as a designated tourist zone, in view of the inability to experience the versatility of the area in the case of both local and foreign tourists due to the absence of a proper mechanism in place, despite the presence of significant tourist attractions such as the Udawalawe National Park, Udawalawe Elephant Transit Home, Sankapala Rajamaha Viharaya, Udawalawe Reservouir, Sevanagala Sugar Factory, Sevanagala Sugarcane Research Institute, Udawalawe Freshwater Fisheries Center, and Waulpana Limestone Cave.

P. 57/2025

Hon. (Dr.) M. L. A. M. Hizbullah,— Establishment of a fund called "Sri Lanka Baithulmal Fund",— That this parliament resolves that Government should take the necessary steps to establish a fund to be called the "Sri Lanka Baithulmal Fund" under the Ministry of Muslim Religious and Cultural Affairs, whereas the Department of Muslim Religious and Cultural Affairs does not currently have a fund that is required in matters relating to education, culture, occupation and inter-ethnic cooperation and in matters related to livelihood of the Muslim community living in Sri Lanka, whereas a fund called "Baithulmal" has been established many years ago for these needs in Muslim countries of the world and countries where Muslim minorities live, and whereas the necessary financial provisions can be obtained from those living in this country and those living in foreign countries, if this fund is established in Sri Lanka.

P. 58/2025

Hon. (Mrs.) Hiruni Wijesinghe, Attorney at Law,— Appointment of a trained student counsellor to every school for the educational development, vocational development and personal social development of school children,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take necessary steps to appoint a trained student counsellor to every school for the sake of educational development, vocational development, and personal social development of school children, whereas various psychological disturbances are currently observed among many school children and these conditions indirectly affect their physical

and social well-being, and whereas teachers are appointed as student counsellors and the service expected from them has not been effectively delivered in some instances despite their being appointed as such due to their role of school teachers impinging, and whereas the necessity for a student counsellor has emerged in every school.

P. 59/2025

Hon. (Mrs.) Rohini Kumari Wijerathna,— Formulation of a pension scheme for the Sri Lankans working abroad, who are styled as "*Rata Viruwo*" (Migrant Heroes),— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should formulate a pension scheme by establishing a pension fund using a certain percentage of the money received from the Sri Lankan labour force working overseas as foreign exchange, whereas the contribution of them is very significant in revitalizing the national economy of Sri Lanka, and whereas the said employees have to undergo various difficulties by being unable to engage in a job after returning to Sri Lanka while living with their children after working abroad for many years due the economic crisis.

P. 60/2025

Hon. Lal Premanath,— Preventing suicide among young children,— That this Parliament resolves that, given the failure of existing measures to prevent young children from committing suicide, including training teachers for counselling in every school, establishing a counselling division in every divisional secretariat and a counselling unit at every district secretariat, offering diploma courses, degree courses and postgraduate courses in counselling in state and private universities, and establishing psychiatric units in every major hospital to address depression lately, it is imperative for political authorities, government officials, the electronic and print media, and the public to deeply intervene in all these measures.

P. 61/2025

Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody,—Formulation of a system to prevent the sale of unhealthy food to children in school canteens within the school system of Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that the government should introduce and implement restrictions on the types of food and beverages permitted for sale in school canteens, in order to control the diabetes condition among school children in Sri Lanka, whereas specialist doctors have pointed out that diabetes is now widely diagnosed among school children in Sri Lanka, and whereas the types of food consumed, as well as dietary habits and eating patterns, are major causes of diabetes, and whereas food items containing high amounts of sugar and flour, which contribute to diabetes, along with foods such as fried rice, *kottu*, and instant noodles, are being sold in large quantities to schoolchildren through school canteens within the Sri Lankan school system.

P. 62/2025

Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody,— Making Rail freight transport more efficient,— That this Parliament resolves that a proper methodology be formulated by the government for the

transport of goods and fuel by train whenever possible whereas the main purpose of starting the railway service in Sri Lanka had been the transport of goods, and whereas the railway service has now deviated from that objective, and whereas rail freight is a less expensive method, and whereas its benefits are directly accrued to the people of the country.

P. 63/2025

Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody, — Minimizing the injustice caused to farmers in selling their agricultural produce,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take immediate measures to change the processes in which both the farmer and the consumer suffer injustices at the same time and to serve justice to the farmer and to the consumer whereas the farmers of this country experience grave injustices in selling their agricultural produce as the wholesale dealers as well as the retail sellers set a very low price for their produce and whereas the consumers have to pay very high prices in buying the said agricultural products.

P. 64/2025

Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody,— Designing a regulatory framework for pre-school education,— That this Parliament resolves that a unified system for regulating pre-school education in Sri Lanka, should be established through a single institution, recognizing that the pre-school education is of vital importance and a crucial factor among all the educational opportunities, currently available in the country.

P. 65/2025

Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody,— Facilitating the producers of export goods,— That this Parliament resolves that the necessary steps be taken to facilitate the young entrepreneurs involved in the export sector, who play a key role in generating foreign exchange, whereas producers of agricultural and other goods targeting exports lack adequate facilities, expertise, and access pathways for export market.

P. 66/2025

Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody,— Introduction of Literature as a subject in the Advanced Level Science, Commerce and Technology streams,— That this Parliament resolves that Literature should be introduced as an additional subject in the Advanced Level Science, Commerce and Technology streams in schools in Sri Lanka in order to enhance the skill of literary appreciation of the students pursuing such streams for Advanced Level.

P. 67/2025

Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody,— Provision of care to inpatients at hospitals,—That this Parliament resolves that the Government should formulate a system whereby patients receiving inpatient treatment at hospitals are provided care by caregivers employed by the hospital, whereas nursing officers in charge of the ward inform that a custodian should accompany a patient receiving inpatient treatment at a hospital day and night, and whereas, in the absence of such a custodian, private caregivers have to be hired on a fee-paying basis, and whereas such caregivers charge approximately Rs. 3,500 per day, which is unaffordable if the patient is required to stay in the hospital for several days.

P. 68/2025

Hon. Ruwanthilaka Jayakody,— Granting permanent title deeds to permit holders of lands,— That this Parliament resolves that a proper system of granting permanent title deeds to the people of this country be developed whereas a significant number of the people only have permits or deeds such as Swarnabhoomi for their lands.

P. 69/2025

Hon. Faiszer Musthapha, PC,— Raising the retirement age of judges of the superior courts of Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government do establish necessary legal courses of action to raise the retirement age limits of the judges of the superior courts in Sri Lanka by setting the retirement age of judges of the Supreme Court of Sri Lanka at 67 years, that of judges of the Court of Appeal at 65 years, and that of the High Court judges at 63 years whereas the retirement age of judges specified in the Constitution of Sri Lanka is lower with compared to the retirement age of superior court judges in many foreign judicial systems.

P. 70/2025

Hon. Rajeevan Jeyachandramoorthy,— Promoting tourism services and economic development in Jaffna, — That this Parliament resolves that Jaffna and Northern Sri Lanka be recognized as key tourism hubs and steps should be taken to support the creation of a centralized tourism platform in Jaffna to connect travelers from across the country and abroad with local hotels, restaurants, and service providers, promoting authentic travel experiences, by encouraging and facilitating the establishment of tourism service businesses that empower local operators and promote cultural heritage, supporting policies and investments that enhance infrastructure, digital connectivity, and marketing to boost tourist arrivals and satisfaction in Northern Sri Lanka, promoting public-private partnerships to foster sustainable tourism development and economic growth in the Jaffna region, and by monitoring the impact of such initiatives on local employment and business opportunities, aiming for sustainable economic benefits within 12 to 18 months, whereas promoting tourism services and economic development could strengthen the local tourism economy, create jobs, and showcase Jaffna as a vibrant cultural destination.

P. 71/2025

Hon. Rajeevan Jeyachandramoorthy,— Establishment of a permanent Special Economic Zone in Jaffna and the Northern Province to create sustainable youth employment,— That this Parliament resolves that a permanent Special Economic Zone (SEZ) be established in Jaffna and the Northern Province, alongside other strategic locations nationwide, whereas the establishment of a permanent Special Economic Zone could stimulate economic growth, attract both local and foreign investment, and generate sustainable employment opportunities for the youth, and whereas by developing such zones, the government can promote industrial expansion, enhance skills development, and encourage entrepreneurship, thereby addressing unemployment and fostering the long-term socio-economic advancement of Jaffna and the Northern Province, and the country as a whole.

Hon. Kanthasamy Prabu,— Promoting self-sufficiency in milk production, — That this Parliament resolves that a National Dairy Development Policy be implemented by the Government to achieve self-sufficiency in milk production, by improving breed access and veterinary services, expanding fodder cultivation, strengthening farmer training and infrastructure, providing incentives to dairy farmers, promoting public-private partnerships, and encouraging research in dairy development, and a mechanism be devised for the relevant Ministries to coordinate with provincial councils and farmer groups, and the relevant Committee of Parliament to monitor implementation and recommend further action, whereas country currently relies on dairy imports, leading to significant foreign exchange loss, and farmers face issues such as limited access to good breeds, veterinary care, fodder, and infrastructure, and whereas addressing these challenges would enhance food security, create rural jobs, and reduce dependency on imports.

P. 73/2025

Hon. Ravi Karunanayake,— Sri Lankans be afforded better opportunities for health,— That this Parliament resolves that all Sri Lankans be afforded better health opportunities means of which employees of the private sector must be provided with free facilities through Employees' Provident Fund and Employees' Trust Fund and in the case of Public Servants or non-employees, by the Government through the President Fund with full cost, whereas majority of the population are subject to open heart surgeries.

P. 74/2025

Hon. Chaminda Wijesiri,—Establishment of Bus Priority Lanes Expeditiously in the Morning and Late Afternoon Hours on Working Days of the Week in Main Towns,—This Parliament resolves that a bus priority lane system be implemented in the morning and late afternoon hours as a remedy for the severe road congestion that prevails in the morning and afternoon hours in major towns.

P. 75/2025

Hon. Hector Appuhamy,— Renewal of the Bilateral Agreement of Driving Licenses between Italy and Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that steps should be taken to renew the bilateral agreement of driving licenses between Italy and Sri Lanka, as it provides great benefits to Sri Lankans.

P. 76/2025

Hon. Ravindra Bandara,— Introduction of a Smart Grid and Smart Meters,— That this Parliament resolves that measures be taken to convert the national electricity grid into a Smart Grid and to introduce Smart Meters, in view of the fact that the electricity generated, particularly through rooftop solar panels, cannot currently be distinguished at the system control center, despite the importance of promoting solar energy as a renewable energy source.

Hon. Ravindra Bandara,— Banning harmful artificial flavoring agents used to flavor food,— That this Parliament resolves that the use of harmful flavoring agents be banned after conducting a proper study through a recognized institution, since it is reported that artificial flavoring agents used in local restaurants and hotels to flavor food items such as rice, kottu and noodles contribute to various non-communicable diseases.

P. 78/2025

Hon. M.S. Uthumalebbe, — Expanding the railway line from Batticaloa to Pottuvil or the railway line from Matara to Kalmunai,— That this Parliament resolves that steps should be taken to expand the railway line from Batticaloa to Pottuvil or the railway line from Matara to Kalmunai since a large number of people in the Batticaloa, Ampara and Moneragala Districts will benefit from the expansion of the railway line from Batticaloa to Pottuvil and the expansion of the railway line from Matara to Kalmunai.

P. 79/2025

Hon. (Mrs.) Hiruni Wijesinghe, Attorney at Law,— Favourable control and suppression of the proliferation of common water hyacinth,— That this Parliament resolves that it is opportune that the government formulate relevant project proposals for a sustainable solution through the favorable control and suppression of the common water hyacinth plant, whereas it is an invasive plant known by its scientific name *Eichhornia crassipes (Mart.) Solms*, has encroached upon farmlands and wetlands exhibiting an accelerated propagation rate that displaces indigenous flora and destabilizes the ecological balance, whereas consequent sediment accumulation has impeded water transport courses and flow of water, exacerbated flood risks, degraded the quality of water needed for daily use and disrupted hydropower generation, whereas its suppression through the use of chemical herbicides poses a health risk to people using that water, and whereas the breeding of maggots and the spread of diseases such as fylaria and dengue occur in these areas.

P. 80/2025

Hon. Imran Maharoof,— Establishment of a Commission to Investigate the Unilateral and Forced Cremation of the Remains of Deceased Muslims During the COVID-19 Pandemic,— That this Parliament resolves that a Commission be established to investigate the number of bodies of Muslims that were unilaterally and forcibly cremated contrary to the guidelines of the World Health Organization during the COVID-19 Pandemic, to investigate the names and addresses of the victims who were so cremated, to inquire into the background that led to the forced cremation of the said dead bodies, to assess the mental state of the relatives of the victims who were so cremated, and to investigate steps to be taken against politicians and government officials who acted contrary to the said guidelines in support of such cremations.

P. 81/2025

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney at Law,— Formulation of a system to stop the ripening of fruits using chemicals,— That this Parliament resolves that a formal system be developed to stop the practice of ripening fruits using chemicals, which is being carried out

by unscrupulous businessmen with the aim of making profits while destroying the future of the country, whereas unripe fruits are artificially caused to ripen using chemicals and are sold in the Sri Lankan fruit market instead of naturally ripened fruits, whereas imported fruits are also sold after being artificially ripened using chemicals, and whereas these fruits are mostly consumed by children.

P.82/2025

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney at Law,— Formulation of a methodology to consider the Key Performance Indicator as a criterion for the appointment of heads of institutions,— That this Parliament resolves that a methodology be integrated to the public service to consider the Key Performance Indicator (KPI) of public sector officials as a criterion alongside their seniority when appointing heads of government ministries and departments, and that recommendations be obtained for the appointment of heads of institutions accordingly.

P. 83/2025

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney at Law,— Taking the Key Performance Indicator into consideration in assigning positions to the Members of Parliament and the Ministers,— That this Parliament resolves that the Key Performance Indicator (KPI) of the Members of Parliament and the Ministers be reviewed annually and a system for assigning positions to them be developed taking the said indicator into consideration.

P. 84/2025

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney at Law,— Safeguarding the independence of persons who have held positions commencing from the Chief Justice down to lower ranks in the judiciary when they are appointed to other positions,— That this Parliament resolves that persons who have held positions commencing from the Chief Justice down to the lower ranks in the judiciary, should not be appointed to positions in the public service, corporate boards, commissions, tribunals or the foreign service (such as ambassadors) for a period of at least three years from the date on which they ceased to hold those positions in order to protect their independence.

P. 86/2025

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney at Law,— Prohibition of political parties from crediting the salaries, allowances and vehicle permits, etc. of public representatives to their party funds,— That this Parliament resolves that the political parties shall not be permitted to credit the salaries, allowances and vehicle permits, etc. of public representatives to their party funds whereas the practice of political parties crediting the monthly salaries, allowances and vehicle permits, etc. of elected public representatives of their party, to party funds is detrimental to the independence of such representatives, and whereas such action poses a serious challenge to democracy.

P. 87/2025

Hon. Dayasiri Jayasekara, Attorney at Law,— Establishment of a Rehabilitation Centre in each District for Drug Addicts,— That this Parliament resolves that at least one rehabilitation centre be established in each district with all facilities, whereas a rapid increase

in the number of users of drugs such as heroin is observed at present, whereas the fact that addicts are not limited to one area, but are spread throughout the country and are promoting the drug use has led to this increase, and whereas the fact that rehabilitation centers for drug addicts are found only in a few locations across the country poses a serious problem in controlling the growth of the number of drug users.

P. 88/2025

Hon. Susantha Kumara Nawarathna,— Formulation of a National Policy and Methodology for the Wildlife Management in Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that a practical and modern policy and methodology be formulated and implemented, whereas Sri Lanka is internationally recognized as a country with high biodiversity, whereas due to deforestation, human encroachment, illegal wildlife trade, and escalating human-wildlife conflicts, both these wildlife as well as human lives are lost in large numbers annually, whereas the formulation of a National Wildlife Management Policy through new policies and plans is a sustainable development objective, and whereas this would result in protection of animal habitats, reduction of human-wildlife conflicts, and improvement of the economic status and social life of the farming communities.

P. 89/2025

Hon. Susantha Kumara Nawarathna,— More productive use of agricultural lands in Sri Lanka,— That this Parliament resolves that lands be used in a more productive manner to increase agricultural production by 30% over the next few years, thereby increasing farmers' incomes, expanding commercial agriculture, and establishing a baseline database containing information on land type, crop suitability, water and cultivation by exploring all agricultural lands, with the goal of ensuring national food security and improving the living standards of farmers, whereas the agricultural sector is a prominent entity in Sri Lanka's economy, whereas only about 40% of agricultural lands are used in the production process annually, and the remaining lands are not used due to improper planning, lack of water resources, lack of technical knowledge and lack of innovation, and whereas a large amount of money is spent annually on importing food due to the low level of production.

P. 90/2025

Hon. Rajeevan Jeyachandramoorthy,— Improving the sea transport facilities for residents of the offshore islands in the Jaffna District,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take immediate action to provide modern, safe, fast and reliable sea transportation for the residents of the offshore islands, particulary Neduntheevu, Nainatheevu, Eluvaithivu and Analaitivu in the Jaffna District, whereas the residents of these islands have been deprived of adequate sea transport facilities for several decades, whereas, as a result, they are compelled to spend several hours travelling by sea, whereas patients, pregnant women, the elderly, school staff and employees of non-governmental organisations face severe difficulties and risks while undertaking these journeys, and whereas it is acknowledged that "The development of villages is the development of the Nation".

Hon. Rajeevan Jeyachandramoorthy,— Commencing the Talaimannar - Rameswaram ferry service,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government should take immediate actions to commence the Talaimannar-Rameswaram ferry service, whereas it would increase tourist arrivals particularly from India, and whereas it enable the public to travel to Tamil Nadu at a lower cost and purchase essential goods at affordable prices subject to the prevailing laws and regulations, thereby improving their livelihoods.

P. 93/2025

Hon. Shanakiyan Rajaputhiran Rasamanickam,— Establishment of a special Development Fund dedicated to reduce regional disparities in development,— That this Parliament resolves that the Government of Sri Lanka should take steps to; establish a National Development Fund for lagging regions such as Northern Province, Eastern Province, Monaragala District, and Nuwara Eliya District, to mobilize contributions from government, bilateral and multilateral partners, private investors, and philanthropic donors, with a target size of USD 250 million over a 10+2 year program tenure; deploy the Fund strategically to revive rural livelihoods through agriculture, fisheries, and cottage industries, to develop infrastructure for promoting employment and women's socio-economic empowerment, to activate idle assets and support SMEs and cooperatives, to invest in renewable energy and other commercially viable ventures, to initiate capacity building and educating women and youth; facilitate the establishment of a Technical Assistance Facility (TAF) to build local capacity, close viability gaps in investments, and ensure effective and transparent utilization of funds; ensure gender inclusivity across all investment areas, with measurable targets to promote women's participation in economic activities and decisionmaking; mandate relevant Ministries, Provincial Councils, and local authorities to coordinate with the Fund to ensure equitable regional coverage, accountability, and sustainability in project implementation, by considering the establishment of the Fund an urgent national measure towards inclusive growth, reconciliation, and sustainable development of Sri Lanka, whereas these lagging regions are continuing to face severe economic deprivation due to the effects of the protracted civil conflict and historical neglect over the past decades; whereas the present economic crisis has further aggravated these disparities, placing disproportionate burdens on the livelihoods of the people in these lagging regions; and whereas it is necessary to establish a dedicated national initiative to address these concerns, with the objective of promoting equitable growth, sustainable development, and gender empowerment in economically deprived areas.

P. 94/2025

Hon. Hector Appuhamy,— Developing a programme to protect the mangrove ecosystem,— That this Parliament resolves that a programme should be developed to protect the mangrove ecosystem which is extremely important for environmental balance and the fishing industry.

Hon. Nalin Bandara Jayamaha, — Regularization of the procedure for issuing permits for private buses,— That this Parliament resolves that an appropriate programme be developed to prevent corruption in the process of issuing permits for private buses carried out by the Provincial Road Passenger Transport Authority whereas the said procedure has become extremely currupt.