

(Tenth Parliament - First Session)

No. 99.]

# ORDER PAPER OF PARLIAMENT

## **FOR**

Wednesday, November 12, 2025 at 9.30 a.m.

## QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

1.

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?

2.

1312/2025

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of the
  - 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?

3.

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; and
  - (iii) whether provisions required for this purpose will be allocated in the budget for the year 2026?
- (c) If not, why?

4.

1347/2025

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

- (a) Will he inform this House of
  - (i) 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?

5.

1477/2025

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 Ceylon 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?

#### NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

\*1.

Appropriation Bill— (Fourth Allotted Day)—Adjourned debate on question (07<sup>th</sup> November 2025) [1].

\*2.

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

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*3.

Betting and Gaming Levy (Amendment) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*4.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Regulations under the Colombo Port City Economic Commission Act,— That the Regulations made by the Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development regarding the Guidelines on the Grant of Exemptions or Incentives to Businesses of Strategic Importance under Section 71 read with Section 52 of the Colombo Port City Economic Commission Act, No. 11 of 2021 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2454/62 of 20<sup>th</sup> September 2025, which were presented on 22.10.2025, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

**\***5.

The Minister of Energy,—Regulations under the Sri Lanka Electricity Act,—That the Regulations made by the Minister of Energy regarding the Terms and Conditions of Voluntary Retirement Scheme under Section 50 read with paragraph (f) of Section 18(3) of the Sri Lanka Electricity Act, No. 36 of 2024 and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 2451/11 of 26<sup>th</sup> August 2025, which were presented on 23.10.2025, be approved.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

**\***6.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Annual Report of the University of Ruhuna (2022),— That the Annual Report of the University of Ruhuna 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 17.12.2024 under Section 110 of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education on 07.03.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 17.03.2025)

\*7.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Annual Report of the Eastern University of Sri Lanka (2022),— That the Annual Report of the Eastern University of Sri Lanka 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 07.01.2025 under Section 12 of the National Audit Act, No. 19 of 2018, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education on 07.03.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 17.03.2025)

**\***8.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Annual Report of the Rajarata University of Sri Lanka (2022),— That the Annual Report of the Rajarata University of Sri Lanka 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 18.02.2025 under Section 110 of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education on 06.08.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 09.09.2025)

**\***9.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Annual Report of the Postgraduate Institute of Agriculture of the University of Peradeniya (2023),— That the Annual Report of the Postgraduate Institute of Agriculture of the University of Peradeniya 2023 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2023 and presented on 07.01.2025 under Section 110 of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education on 07.03.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 17.03.2025)

\*10.

The Prime Minister and Minister of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education,— Annual Report of the University of Peradeniya (2023),— That the Annual Report of the University of Peradeniya 2023 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2023 and presented on 22.02.2025 under Section 110 of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978 and Section II of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education on 06.08.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 09.09.2025)

\*11.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Employment and Tourism,— Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment (2022),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 23.07.2024 under Section 19 of the Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment Act, No. 21 of 1985, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Economic Development and International Relations on 08.07.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 06.08.2025)

\*12.

The Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— Annual Report of the Paddy Marketing Board (2017),— That the Annual Report of the Paddy Marketing Board 2017 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2017 and presented on 20.01.2022 under Section 14 of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Agriculture on 22.02.2022 and presented its report to Parliament on 24.02.2022)

\*13.

The Minister of Agriculture, Livestock, Land and Irrigation,— Annual Report of the Paddy Marketing Board (2018),— That the Annual Report of the Paddy Marketing Board 2018 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2018 and presented on 20.01.2023 under Section 14 of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Agriculture on 20.06.2023 and presented its report to Parliament on 05.07.2023)

\*14.

The Minister of Plantation and Community Infrastructure,— Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Cashew Corporation (2019),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Cashew Corporation 2019 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2019 and presented on 07.01.2025 under Section 23 of the State Agricultural Corporations Act, No. 11 of 1972, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Plantation and Community Infrastructure on 05.03.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 10.03.2025)

\*15.

The Minister of Plantation and Community Infrastructure,— Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Cashew Corporation (2020),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Cashew Corporation 2020 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2020 and presented on 07.01.2025 under Section 23 of the State Agricultural Corporations Act, No. 11 of 1972, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Plantation and Community Infrastructure on 05.03.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 10.03.2025)

\*16.

The Minister of Plantation and Community Infrastructure,— Annual Report of the Kalubowitiyana Tea Factory Ltd (2022/2023),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Kalubowitiyana Tea Factory Ltd 2022/2023 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.03.2023 and presented on 20.02.2025 under Section 14 of the Finance Act, No. 38 of 1971, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Plantation and Community Infrastructure on 05.03.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 10.03.2025)

\*17.

The Minister of Trade, Commerce, Food Security and Cooperative Development,—Annual Report of the National Institute of Cooperative Development (2023),— That the Annual Report of the National Institute of Cooperative Development 2023 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2023 and presented on 09.05.2025 under Section 29 of Part VI of the National Institute of Cooperative Development (Incorporation) Act, No. 1 of 2001, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Environment, Agriculture and Resource Sustainability on 11.07.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 06.08.2025)

\*18.

The Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports,— Annual Report of the National Youth Services Council (2022),— That the Annual Report of the National Youth Services Council 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 18.12.2024 under Section 31 of the National Youth Services Act, No. 69 of 1979, be approved.

(Considered by the Ministerial Consultative Committee on Youth Affairs and Sports on 13.06.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 17.06.2025)

\*19.

The Minister of Justice and National Integration,— Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Judges' Institute (2022),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Judges' Institute 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 01.12.2023 under Section 10(8) of the Sri Lanka Judges' Institute Act, No. 46 of 1985, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Governance, Justice and Civil Protection on 20.05.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 09.07.2025)

\*20.

The Minister of Justice and National Integration,— Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Judges' Institute (2023),— That the Annual Report of the Sri Lanka Judges' Institute 2023 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2023 and presented on 05.03.2025 under Section 10(8) of the Sri Lanka Judges' Institute Act, No. 46 of 1985, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Governance, Justice and Civil Protection on 20.05.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 09.07.2025)

\*21.

The Minister of Women and Child Affairs,— Annual Report of the National Child Protection Authority (2022),— That the Annual Report of the National Child Protection Authority 2022 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2022 and presented on 23.07.2024 under Section 32 of the National Child Protection Authority Act, No. 50 of 1998, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health, Media and Women's Empowerment on 18.06.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 08.07.2025)

\*22.

The Minister of Women and Child Affairs,— Annual Report of the National Child Protection Authority (2023),— That the Annual Report of the National Child Protection Authority 2023 together with the observations of the Auditor-General for the year ended 31.12.2023 and presented on 09.04.2025 under Section 32 of the National Child Protection Authority Act, No. 50 of 1998, be approved.

(Considered by the Sectoral Oversight Committee on Health, Media and Women's Empowerment on 18.06.2025 and presented its report to Parliament on 08.07.2025)

\*23.

Mediation (Civil and Commercial Disputes) Bill — Second Reading.

(Cabinet approval signified.)

\*24.

Penal Code (Amendment) Bill — Adjourned debate on question (24<sup>th</sup> September 2025) [1].

\*25.

Report of the Commission of Inquiry into the establishment and maintenance of places of unlawful detention and torture chambers at the Batalanda Housing Scheme,—Adjourned debate on question (10<sup>th</sup> April 2025) Motion made and question proposed,—"Report of the Commission of Inquiry into the establishment and maintenance of places of unlawful detention and torture chambers at the Batalanda Housing Scheme, which was tabled in Parliament on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2025, be considered by Parliament."

## \* Indicates Government Business.

[1].

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