COUNCIL MEETING OF THE WESTERN PROVINCE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL

22nd August 2017, at 09.30 a.m.

AGENDA

I. Announcements	by	the	Chairman
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- **II. Presentation of Papers**
- III. Presentation of Committee Reports
- IV. Petitions
- V. Questions
- 01. The question asked by Hon Member Lakshman Nippuna Arachchi from the Chief Minister and Minister of Finance, Planning, Engineering, Services, Law and Order, Local Government and Provincial Administration, Economic Promotion, Electricity, Energy, Environmental Affairs, Water Supplies and Drainage and Tourism on 18.07.2017. (Q/VI(1)/17/69)
 - a) How many number of road development projects have done by Homagama Municipal Council from 2015 to June 06th 2017?
 - b) Regarding all these development projects,
 - I. Name of the project
 - II. Source of provision
 - III. Estimated amount of money
 - IV. Project is given by tender or by other method
 - V. Finalized amount of money of the contract
 - VI. Name and address of project dealers
 - VII. Work started date
 - VIII. Work completed date

IX. Payment completed date

Including all those information whether a report will be presented?

- c) Under a condition no governance of public members who decide the projects that are done by using provisions of Municipal council?
- d) Do you know that there are roads that should be developed and not being developed?
- e) Is there a program to recognize roads to develop according to priority given?
- f) Can you name the roads to be developed according to priority given?
- g) Accordingly do you present a document of roads to be developed in future?
- h) If not, why?

02. The question asked by Hon Member S.A.D Jagath Kumara from Minister of Roads, Transport, Cooperative Development and Trade, Housing and Construction, Land Infrastructure, Industries and Regional Development on 18.07.2017. (Q/VI(1)/17/74)

- a) Do you know that Battaramulla and Kaduwela Multi-Purpose cooperative societies maintain with losses?
- b) Do you mention separately details of assets and liabilities for 4 years from 2012 in these two cooperative societies?
- c) Do you know the reason for maintaining these two societies with loses continuously during past 4 years? If so what are the reasons for losses?
- d) Can you mention separately the number of employees of these societies? How many numbers of regional shops in Battaramulla and Kaduwela societies? How many has given for rent and tax basis for external parties? If so mention them separately?

03. The question asked by Hon Member S.A.D Jagath Kumara from Minister of Roads, Transport, Cooperative Development and Trade, Housing and Construction, Land Infrastructure, Industries and Regional Development on 18.07.2017. (Q/VI(1)/17/75)

- a) Does enough revenue is there to pay the salaries of Battaramulla and Kaduwela Multi-Purpose cooperative societies? If not what are the reasons?
- b) Do you know the assets and liabilities only in consumer division of these societies? Can you mention them separately?
- c) Do you know the way that debts took from the rural bank division of Battaramulla and Kaduwela cooperative societies?

- d) What are the actions taken at the moment by the boards of directors of these two societies to pay the debts?
- e) Do you know that frauds and losses done by chairman and board of directors appointed finally by the election of Battaramulla cooperative society? Do you explain them separately? What are the actions you have taken for them?
- f) Under which basis boards of directors of Battaramulla and Kaduwela cooperative societies being appointed?
- g) As the official time of these cooperative societies completed do you take action to keep the election?
- h) When will be that?
- 04. The question asked by Hon Member S.A.D Jagath Kumara from Minister of Roads, Transport, Cooperative Development and Trade, Housing and Construction, Land Infrastructure, Industries and Regional Development on 18.07.2017. (Q/VI(1)/17/76)
 - a) Under which condition the chairman being appointed who has being appointed recently in Battaramulla and Kaduwela Multi-Purpose cooperative societies?
 - b) Did he be in foreign tours? How much money spent for that?
 - c) How many foreign tours have being visited by the boards of directors in Battaramulla and Kaduwela cooperative societies during last 05 years?
 - d) D o you present separately to this Hon. Council correct details that how much money spent on that, expenditure spent on that and director who participated for that?
 - e) Do you accept that these Battaramulla and Kaduwela cooperative societies bem in this condition due to the decisions taken by board of directors who were appointed finally?
 - f) If not why?

According to provisions of Rules of Procedure No 31 (a) 1 Question taken time to answer

- 05. The question asked by Hon Member Susil Kidelpitiye from Minister of Roads, Transport, Cooperative Development and Trade, Housing and Construction, Land Infrastructure, Industries and Regional Development on 08.08.2017 at the adjournment of the Council. (Q/VI(i)/17/ADG-06)
 - a) Do you know that some appointments and promotions in Transport Authority are irregular? Will those appointments be tabled? If not, why?

- b) Have you done auditing or any other investigation about the appointments done by the present Chairman? If not, why?
- c) Do you accept that Chairman is responsible for the appointment irrelevant to the procedure? If not, why?
- d) Do you accept that the acting Deputy Directors appointed for administration and finance are not qualified? If not, why?
- e) Did you held an interview to your Public Relations Officer Jeewindra Keerthirathne to give the post of Administrative Officer (Transport)? If not, why?
- f) Do you know that a clerk and K.K.S appointed by the Chairman go to work in Chairman's Bulathsinhala Political office without reporting to the Authority?
- g) Do you accept that it has appointed a person in Bulathsinhala for the post of Internal Auditor who has only three years experience which should have five years experience and a person in Ja-ela for IT Assistant due to political relations? If not accepting, why?
- h) Do you know that the promotion of Principal in driving school and appointment of Manager in Training, Research and Planning Unit done without a regular investigation? Will you table the marks of that board? If can't why?

06. The question to be asked by Hon Member H.M Upali Kodikara from Minister of Education, Cultural and Arts, Sports and Youth Affairs and Information Technology. (Q/VI(1)/17/78)

- a) In which year did the swimming pool of Nawinna play ground relevant to Maharagama Municipal Council open?
- b) By which institutions are this swimming pool developed?
- c) How much money have you spent from your Ministry for this swimming pool during last two years?
- d) Even though it is being spent on that why does not it complete?
- e) How much money is allocated for this swimming pool in year 2017?
- f) Under which expenditure head is it allocated that money?
- 07. The question to be asked by Hon Member H.M Upali Kodikara from Minister of Education, Cultural and Arts, Sports and Youth Affairs and Information Technology. (Q/VI(1)/17/79)
 - a) How much money is allocated for Sports Ministry from the budget of Western Provincial Council for year 2016?

- b) From that money how much money is allocated for school play grounds of Western Provincial Council?
- c) How much money is allocated for sports men and women of Provincial Council?
- d) How much money is spent on sports clubs of the Western Province?
- e) For which districts are those sports clubs are attached to?
- f) How much money is remaining?
- g) Does money allocated for Provincial Council Members?
- h) For which Members is that?

08. The question to be asked by Hon Member H.M Upali Kodikara from Minister of Education, Cultural and Arts, Sports and Youth Affairs and Information Technology. (Q/VI(1)/17/80)

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- 09. The question to be asked by Hon Member Ajantha Niroshan Padukka from the Chief Minister and Minister of Finance, Planning, Engineering, Services, Law and Order, Local Government and Provincial Administration, Economic Promotion, Electricity, Energy, Environmental Affairs, Water Supplies and Drainage and Tourism. (Q/VI(1)/17/81)
 - a) What is the decision of the single person Committee appointed regarding Moratuwa Former Mayor?
 - b) Are there any offenders? What is the decision taken regarding that?
 - c) Do you table the report? If not, why?

- 10. The question to be asked by Hon Member Rajitha Rangana Hapuarachchi from the Chief Minister and Minister of Finance, Planning, Engineering, Services, Law and Order, Local Government and Provincial Administration, Economic Promotion, Electricity, Energy, Environmental Affairs, Water Supplies and Drainage and Tourism. (Q/VI(1)/17/82)
 - a) How many reservoirs are there in Katana Pradeshiya Sabha?
 - b) (i) Is it being requested to make a reservoir in a private land in Ivan De Silva Mawatha attached to administrative limits of this Pradeshiya Sabha and gift to Katana Pradeshiya Sabha?
 - (ii) Under which basis that it is being requested to make such reservoir and gift to Sabha in a area where not doing anything except coconut cultivation?
 - c) Do you accept that it is being requested to make that reservoir and gift to Sabha from the owners of the land by Former Chairman of the Katana Pradeshiya Sabha and another political leader?
 - d) Do you accept that under basis of making that reservoir using the soil of that hole it is covered a wet land?
 - e) Do you accept that the whole process of making this reservoir is a false attempt?
 - f) What are the actions do you take against the people who is attached to those discrepancies directly or indirectly?
- 11. The question to be asked by Hon Member Rajitha Rangana Hapuarachchi from the Chief Minister and Minister of Finance, Planning, Engineering, Services, Law and Order, Local Government and Provincial Administration, Economic Promotion, Electricity, Energy, Environmental Affairs, Water Supplies and Drainage and Tourism. (Q/VI(1)/17/83)
 - a) Do you accept that the reservoir made in the questionable auctioned land in Ivan De Silva Mawatha due to a request of Former Chairman of the Katana Pradeshiya Sabha and another political leader has faced many environmental problems?
 - b) (i) Is it given a request to the Katana Pradeshiya Sabha by the owners of that land who agree to make a reservoir and gift it to Sabha to cover the land using soil in the reservoir and to sell the land being divided into sections?
 - (ii) What are the actions taken by the Katana Pradeshiya Sabha regarding not meeting the conditions relevant to the plan of being divided into sections since 03.05.2012 until passing five years?
 - (iii) Do you accept that buyers have faced many problems due to not approving plan of being divided into sections until passing five years after the sale of the land?
 - (iv) What are the actions do you take to make justice to the buyers?

c) What are the actions do you take regarding discrepancies occurred from making the reservoir to selling the land dividing into sections?

12. The question to be asked by Hon Member Sarath Pathirana from Minister of Roads, Transport, Cooperative Development and Trade, Housing and Construction, Land Infrastructure, Industries and Regional Development.

(Q/VI(1)/17/84)

- a) Is there a maximum speed and weight that can be travel vehicles in roads owned by Roads Development Authority of Western Province?
- b) Do you know that in the roads that cannot travel vehicles weighs more than 05 tons are traveling heavy weighted vehicles?
- c) Do you know that because of this illegal action it is being destroyed the roads being carpeted spending a huge money?
- d) Do you know that Homagama Mullegama Oruwala road which is carpeted has destroyed due to travelling tippers a lot which are more than the maximum weight?
- e) Do you take action to change this situation? If not, why?

13. The question to be asked by Hon Member Nandana Padmakumara from Minister of Education, Cultural and Arts, Sports and Youth Affairs and Information Technology. (Q/VI(1)/17/85)

- a) (i) What is total number of schools in Mathugama Educational Region in Kalutara District?
 - (ii) How many is that as National schools?
 - (iii) How many is that as Provincial schools?
- b) (i) What is total number of students who sat for G.C.E Ordinary Level in 2016 in Mathugama Educational Region?
 - (ii) How many students are from National schools?
 - (iii) How many students are from Provincial schools?
- c) (i)What are the numbers of passed and failed students from who sat for that examination?
 - (ii) How many passed and failed from National schools?
 - (iii) How much is the passed and failed as a percentage?
 - (iii) How many students passed and failed from Provincial schools?
 - (v) How much is the passed and failed as a percentage?

- 14. The question to be asked by Hon Member Nandana Padmakumara from Minister of Education, Cultural and Arts, Sports and Youth Affairs and Information Technology. (Q/VI(1)/17/86)
 - a) (i) What is total number of schools in Horana Educational Region in Kalutara District?
 - (ii) How many is that as National schools?
 - (iii) How many is that as Provincial schools?
 - b) (i) What is total number of students who sat for G.C.E Ordinary Level in 2016 in Horana Educational Region?
 - (ii) How many students are from National schools?
 - (iii) How many students are from Provincial schools?
 - c) (i)What are the numbers of passed and failed students from who sat for that examination?
 - (ii) How many passed and failed from National schools?
 - (iii) How much is the passed and failed as a percentage?
 - (iii) How many students passed and failed from Provincial schools?
 - (v) How much is the passed and failed as a percentage?
- 12. The question to be asked by Hon Member Manjula Prasanna Sampath from the Chief Minister and Minister of Finance, Planning, Engineering, Services, Law and Order, Local Government and Provincial Administration, Economic Promotion, Electricity, Energy, Environmental Affairs, Water Supplies and Drainage and Tourism. (Q/VI(1)/17/87)
 - a) (i) How many number of play grounds attached to Biyagama Pradeshiya Sabha?(ii) What are they?
 - (iii) Are there any discrepancies?
 - (iv) What are the actions do you take to adjust those discrepancies?
 - b) (i) Does public lands in to Biyagama Pradeshiya Sabha given for private usage?
 - (ii) If so, what are they?
 - (iii) What are the actions do you take regarding that?
 - c) (i) How many lands are being auctioned in the administrative limits of Biyagama Pradeshiya Sabha since year 2015 until now?
 - (ii) What is total amount of these lands?
 - (iii) Is it over giving public facilities for all these lands?
 - (iv) Is it allocated 10% of these lands for public facilities?
 - (v) By auctioning these lands how much money is obtained by Biyagama Pradeshiya Sabha since 2015 until now?

- VI. Motions for Leave of Absence
- VII. Announcements of the Ministries/Statements of Ministers
- VIII. Personal Explanations
- IX. Council Meetings

The Motion to be presented by Hon Minister of Council Affairs:

After the adjournment of this Council on today [22.08.2017], it should be assembled on 04.09.2017 [Monday] 9.30 a.m. and it should be act considering that 05.09.2017 [Tuesday] as not a date of assembling the Council.

X. Council Affairs (I) The Motion to be presented by Hon Minister of Council Affairs:

"Today Public Affairs should be prioritized"

Council Affairs (II)

The Motion to be presented by Hon Minister of Council Affairs:

It should be act considering that the priority should be given to 02,01 in the Agenda for Public Affairs subject in the Council Meetings subsequently according to the agreement reached at the Business Advisory Committee held on 09.08.2017.

XI. Private Members' Affairs

01. Hon Member Nirosha Athukorala :

From the Sri Lankan population more than 51% is women. And also a large amount of income reach to Sri Lankan economy from the foreign workers is from the women. Further Sri Lanka is with a traditional culture which gives the priority for the women and social economic surroundings woven around the women.

Even then, at present the injustice and harassment happen to women and children is increasing rapidly. A good example for that is the murder of Kotakethana which occurred focusing women.

It is found from a research done by BBC world that 75% of women are being harassed in public transport. And also, it has being reported a large amount of situations that women being harassed at work places. There are many examples for child harassment such as murder of Seya Sewmini child.

An important fact is that even though there is a high number of situations that women and children being harassed those are reporting a very less amount as well as taking action against them rarely. Main reason for this is that the delay in taking legal action for those entries and the harassments occurred in police stations for those women. (Harassed women) it should not be mentioned specifically the harassment occurring to women from the time of writing down the entry when dealing with police officers.

The western Province Provincial Council is requesting from the government to establish police stations including female police officers in every district with the direct supervision of a Deputy Inspector General (M/VI(I)/17/04)

02. Hon Member Nimal Chandrarathne :

This Provincial Council is requesting from the government that as there are changes happen in the education sector due to changes in governments in Sri Lanka from time to time it should be prepared a National Educational policy in Sri Lanka. (M/VI(I)/17/05)

XII. Public Affairs

01. Hon Chief Minister and Minister of Finance, Planning, Engineering, Services, Law and Order, Local Government and Provincial Administration, Economic Promotion, Electricity, Energy, Environmental Affairs, Water Supplies and Drainage and Tourism (W.P):

"Statute on Execute Powers of Local Government Institutions No of 2017 of the Provincial Council of Western Province"

> [Second Reading] [First Reading of draft of the Statute is done on 23.05.2017.]

Relevant Annexure No 01: [Draft of Statue which is done first reading on 23.05.2017.] No 02: [Report of Committee on Statutes and Laws held on 19.07.2017]

02. The Statute to be presented by Hon Chief Minister and Minister of Finance, Planning, Engineering, Services, Law and Order, Local Government and Provincial Administration, Economic Promotion, Electricity, Energy, Environmental Affairs, Water Supplies and Drainage and Tourism (W.P):

"Pawn Brokers' (Amendment) Statute No of 2017 of Western Province"

[First Reading]

[This a Statute to amend the Pawn Brokers' Statute No 01 of 2015]

XIII. Adjournment of the Council

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