

**COUNCIL MEETING OF THE WESTERN PROVINCE  
PROVINCIAL COUNCIL**

On 08<sup>th</sup> October 2013, at 09.30 a.m.

**at the Council Chamber of the Provincial Council Building Complex of the Western  
Province at No. 204, Denzil Kobbekaduwa Mawatha, Sri Jayawardhanapura,  
Battaramulla**

**AGENDA**

- I. Announcements by the Chairman**
- II. Presentation of Papers**
- III. Presentation of Committee Reports**
- IV. Petitions**
- V. Questions**

**01. Question asked by Hon. Member Sarath Pathirana on 24.09.2013, from the Hon. Chief Minister and Minister of Finance and Planning, Law and Order, Land, Education, Local Government and Local Administration, Manpower and Employment, Economic Promotion and Electricity and Power. (Q/v(01)/13/14)**

- a) Are you aware that the Principal of W.P./Kel/Henegama Vidyalaya has cut 17 trees including Teak and Lunumidella, which were at the school compound, and has sent them to a timber mill?
- b) (i) Who are the officers that allowed permission to remove these trees?  
(ii) Can you present to this Council the letter by which permission was granted?
- c) (i) What is the income received in year 2011 and 2012 by “Hema Prathibha” carnival held in this school annually?  
(ii) To which account have those money been deposited?
- d) In which account has the cheque to the value of Ninety Thousand Rupees given by a Minister of the Government who participated as an invitee to the “Hema Prathibha” carnival in year 2012, been deposited?
- e) In which account have the money given by other invitees including a Chairman of a Pradeshiya Sabha participated as an invitee, been deposited?
- f) (i) Do you know that a sum of One Million Three Hundred Thousand Rupees was collected additionally from different persons for the bus provided to this school through Provincial Council members’ allocations?

- (ii) What happened to that money?
- g) (i) What is the recommendation of the Audit inquiry held against the Principal of W.P./Kel/Henegama Vidyalaya?
- (ii) Can you table that audit report?
- (iii) If not why is that?

## **VI. Motions for leave of absence**

## **VII. Announcements of the Ministries / Statements of the Ministers**

## **VIII. Personal Explanations**

## **IX. Public Affairs**

### **01. Hon. Minister of Road Development, Animal Production and Livestock Development, Housing and Construction and Fisheries and Tourism (W.P.):**

“Provincial Road Development Authority (Amendment) Statute of the Western Province, No. ... of 2013”

(Second Reading)

⌈ First Reading has been carried out on  
18.06.2013 ⌋

## **X. Private Members' Affairs**

### **1. Hon. Member Lalith Ellawala:**

“As the currently Prevailing provincial Council and Parliamentary preferential election system is an election system which is difficult and problematic both to the contestants as well to the voters, the Western Provincial Council proposes to the Government that measures shall be taken to hold all the future elections for provincial councils and parliament at divisional level and seat level respectively as it has been adopted for the new local government election system.” (M/v(01)13/04)

**2. Hon. Member Sirikamal Felician de Silva :**

“Stating that to minimize the annual loss incurred to the Sri Lanka Electricity Board, the electricity bill was increased from last April to recover the said loss by charging from the public. ‘Due to scarcity of rain-reception and resultant drying up of reservoirs, 18% of the country’s electricity demand had to be met up with hydro electricity whereas purchasing electricity at high price from private hydro-power generators as well as electricity production by other methods too was needed’; it was stated. Owing to the heavy rains experienced within the last few months, the reservoirs have brimmed up and 85% of electricity is produced by hydropower plants. Therefore, this Western Province Provincial Council proposes to the Government to immediately bring down the increased electricity bill and provide relief to the public. ”

(M/v(01)13/05)

**XI. Adjournment of the Council**

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