COUNCIL MEETING OF THE WESTERN PROVINCE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL

On 05th March 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 raised by Hon. Chief Opposition Whip U. George Perera on 19.02.2013, for a reply to be given by the Hon. Chief Minister and Minister of Finance and Planning, Law and Order, Land, Education, Local Government and Provincial Administration, Manpower and Employment, Economic Promotion and Electricity, Power and Energy and Trade Affairs:

(Q/v(01)/13/02)

- a) Do you accept that a Special Inspection Unit is in action under the Provincial Ministry of Education to inspect schools of the Western Province ?
- b) Did that inspection unit inspect the schools of the Kelaniya Education Zone in year 2012?
- c) If so, can you name those schools?
- d) Would you mention the names of those schools and the dates in which those schools were inspected?
- e) Would you mention the names and designations of the officers of those inspection teams?
- f) Would you provide a summary report regarding the progress of those inspections?

Questions raised at the time of adjournment of the Council:

- 02. Question raised at the time of Council adjournment on 19.02.2013 by Hon. Member, Sirikamal E. Felician de Silva, for a reply to be given by the Hon. Chief Minister and Minister of Finance and Planning, Law and Order, Land, Education, Local Government and Provincial Administration, Manpower and Employment, Economic Promotion and Electricity, Power and Energy and Trade Affairs: (Q/v(1)13/ADG01)
 - a) What is the total amount allocated by the Provincial Council to the Education Department of the Western Province in year 2012?
 - b) In which manner was that amount of money allocated ?
 - c) (i) What is the amount allocated for physical development?(ii) Has that amount been spent totally?
 - d) (i). Were provisions received in any other way other than the provincial council provisions?
 - (ii) If so, how much was it?
 - (iiii) From which sources?
 - e) (i) How much was the total amount allocated for the subject of education in year 2013?
 - (ii) What is the amount allocated for improvement of physical resources?
 - (iii) Was the money received in any other way other than the provincial council provisions ?
 - (iv) What are they?
- 03. Question raised at the time of Council adjournment on 19.02.2013 by Hon. Member, Sirikamal E. Felician de Silva, for a reply to be given by the Hon. Chief Minister and Minister of Finance and Planning, Law and Order, Land, Education, Local Government and Provincial Administration, Manpower and Employment, Economic Promotion and Electricity, Power and Energy and Trade Affairs: (Q/v(1)13/ADG02)
 - a) What is the amount spent to apply paint to schools of the Western Province in year 2012?
 - b) Under which programme was that money provided ?
 - c) How many schools of the province were provided with this money?
 - d) Has instructions or power been given to officers to charge money in excess due to insufficiency of the money provided?

VI. Motions for leave of absence

VII. Announcements of the Ministries / Statements of

the Ministers

VIII. Personal Explanations

IX. Private Members' Affairs

01. Hon. Member M.M.M. Amjad :

"At present, roads belonging to the Local Government Authorities are facing massive development processes. Rural roads are being developed under projects like "Maga Neguma", "Gama Neguma" and "Provincial Specific Development".

Nevertheless, today, the priority given for the repairing and maintenance activities of Local Government roads have come to a minimum level. Due to complete neglect of certain road maintenance activities, we have seen instances where those roads have faced erosion and fallen into severe dilapidated states.

Therefore, this honourable Council intends that a Supervision Unit should be established by the Ministry of Local Government of the Western Province to establish daily maintenance units for roads of all the Local Government Authorities in order to safeguard those roads at a minimum cost and to evaluate the efficiency of relevant Local Government Authorities in relation to those activities." (M/v(01)12/15)

02. Hon. Member Nalinda Jayathissa :

In the fields of education and higher education, a number of conflicts erupted in the recent past. The highest intellectual resource of the country, the lecturers and professors of universities engaged in a continual strike. The basic reason for most of these conflicts was non-allocation of sufficient funds for education. This Western Province Provincial Council hereby proposes to the Government that the proposal of allocating 6% from the Gross National Product to education, which was initially presented by the UNESCO and accepted by the Governments of Sri Lanka intermittently, should be implemented.

(M/v(01)12/16)

X. Adjournment of the Council

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