

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

21st July 2015, at 09.30 a.m.

AGENDA

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

01. Question asked by Hon. Opposition Leader Manju Sri Arangala on 07.07.2015 from the Hon. Chief Minister and Minister of Finance and Planning, Law and Order, Land, Education, Local Government and Provincial Administration, Manpower and Employment, Engineering Services and Information and Trade Affairs.

(Q/VI(1)/15/26)

- a) Are you aware that (Galvanize) G.I. Pipes had been provided to the Local Government Authorities of Western Province by the Economic Promotion Ministry of previous Government?
- b) Accordingly, how many (Galvanize) G.I. Pipes had been provided to the Homagama Pradeshiya Sabha? For what purpose?
- c) Is the Pradeshiya Sabha in possession of those (Galvanize) G.I. Pipes at present?
- d) Would you mention how many is that?
- e) If they are not in possession of Sabha, why is that?

VI. Motions for Leave of Absence

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

VIII. Personal Explanations

IX. Council Meetings

To be presented by the Hon. Minister of Council Affairs:

Motion:

"As agreed upon at the Business Advisory Committee meeting held on 08.07.2015, it shall be considered that 18.08.2015 as a date on which the Provincial Council meeting will not be held"

X. Council Affairs

To be presented by the Hon. Minister of Council Affairs:

Motion:

"Today, Public Affairs shall take precedence"

XI. Private Members' Affairs

1. Hon. Member Mahinda Jayasinghe:

"At present, within the Western Province, fees are being charged from school children and parents from time to time. Collecting money from children's parents when children are enrolled to Grade One, Grade Six and Grade Twelve as well as for other requirements in classes have put them in greater difficulties. Therefore, this Western Province Provincial Council holds the opinion that levying fees (except Facilities Fees) from school children's parents of the Western Province should be suspended."

(M/vi (01)/14/09)

2. Hon. Member Lakshman Nipuna Arachchi:

“Being a process that oppress children and parents both, there is a necessity to change the present procedure followed in enrolling students to Grade 1 in Western Provincial schools. To achieve that, this Western Province Provincial Council holds the view that filling all the vacancies prior to elapsing of one month from the date of children’s enrollment to schools, by making the Provincial Council receive the name list of children of persons employed in Security Forces prior to elapsing of 3 weeks from the date of children’s enrollment to schools, cancelling the enrollment of children according to the list presented by ruling party members, preparing a permanent register in chronological order according to the marks received by each child participating in the interview and taking measures to enroll children to schools according to the order of marks received by them should be implemented and thereby enrollments to Grade 1 in schools of Western Province should be regularized, while, ensuring at the same time for the people of the Province the human right that should be there to enroll a child to a school.” (M/vi (01)/14/10)

XII. Public Affairs

- 01. Statute presented by Hon. Chief Minister and Minister of Finance and Planning, Law and Order, Land, Education, Local Government and Provincial Administration, Manpower and Employment, Engineering Services and Information and Trade Affairs (W.P.)**

“Financial (Amendment) Statute of the Western Province, No. ... of 2015”

(First Reading)

[A statute to amend the Financial Statute of
Western Province No. 06 of 1990 amended by
Statute No. 04 of 2014]

XIII. Adjournment of the Council

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