COUNCIL MEETING OF THE WESTERN PROVINCE PROVINCIAL COUNCIL

19th November 2018 [Monday], at 09.30 a.m.

AGENDA

- I. Announcements by the Chairman
- **II.** Motion for Leave of Absence
- **III.** Presentation of Papers
- **IV.** Presentation of Committee Reports
- V. Petitions
- VI. Questions/ Interim Questions
- 01. Question asked at the time of Council Adjournment on 23.10.2018 by Hon. Member Susil Kindelpitiya from Hon. Minister of Health, Indigenous Medicine, Social Welfare, Probation and Child Care Services, Women's Affairs and Council Affairs. (Q/VI(1)/18/ADG - 07)
 - a) How many persons were recruited (by districts) by the Provincial Ministry of Health in years of 2017 and 2018 on contract basis for Dengue eradication programmes?
 - b) How many of them have obtained permanent appointments currently? How many of them have not been made permanent?
 - c) Would you table their name lists (by districts)? If not why?
 - d) How many persons have been recruited in year 2017 and up to now in year 2018 for other vacant positions in hospital staff? Could you table the names and designation lists?
 - e) Would you table the number of temporary and permanent recruitments and name lists of persons (by districts) recruited to Provincial Ayurvedic Hospitals and medical centers in year 2017 and up to now in year 2018? If not, why is that?

- 02. Question asked by Hon. Member Mahinda Jayasinghe on 05.11.2018 from Hon. Chief Minister and Minister of Finance and Planning, Engineering Services, Law and Order, Local Government and Provincial Administration, Economic Promotion, Electricity and Energy, Environmental Affairs, Water Supplies and Drainage and Tourism Affairs. (Q/VI(1)/18/70)
 - a) Are you aware that the residents of house Nos. 8, 14 and 26 located in Nittambuwa Negombo Road in Attanagalla Pradeshiya Sabha Area of Authority are scheduled to be removed in an attempt to make the city attractive?
 - b) Do you accept the fact that those persons were living in the said lands for more than 50 years?
 - c) Do you know that the person appearing as the owner of the said land, i.e., Sondal Abeysekera residing in No. 127, Batadole, Nittambuwa has been informed by way of letters by the Chairman of Attanagalla Pradeshiya to remove the above said residents?
 - d) What action would be taken by you to mete out justice to persons who were residing in the above said houses for a long time?
 - e) If not, why is that?

03. Question asked by Hon. Member Mahinda Jayasinghe on 05.11.2018 from Hon. Minister of Education, Cultural and Arts Affairs, Sports and Youth Affairs and Information Technology. (Q/ VI(1)/18/71)

- a) Would you inform to the Council whether a land called EEtigahawatte otherwise called as Kalagahawatte in No. 3 Delwala Grama Niladhari Division in Meerigama Division of Minuwangoda Education Zone is owned by the Department of Education?
- b) If so, who are the initial owners of the said land?
- c) Would you inform to the Council as to on what basis has the said land been assigned to the Department of Education and who holds the ownership of the land at present?
- d) Do you accept the fact that the said land has been let on lease either on annual rent basis or crop collection basis?
- e) Would you inform to the Council as to whom the said land has been let in that way, the last rent amount and whether a proper procedure was followed in the selection of relevant persons to rent it out?
- f) If not, why is that?

04. Question asked by Hon. Member Mahinda Jayasinghe on 05.11.2018 from Hon. Minister of Education, Cultural and Arts Affairs, Sports and Youth Affairs and Information Technology. (Q/ VI(1)/18/72)

- a) Do you know that the land called EEtigahawatte otherwise called as Kalagahawatte in No. 3 Delwala Grama Niladhari Division in Meerigama Division of Minuwangoda Education Zone is being used for external affairs other than the affairs related to its assigning?
- b) Would you inform to the Council whether a decision has been taken to assign the said land to its initial owner?
- c) Do you know that a road has been paved from the said land for private use and a permanent bridge has been constructed on private requirement in a manner damaging the reserve of the stream that flows by the boundary of this land?
- d) Would you inform to this Council as to who gave permission in that regard?
- e) If not, why is that?

05. Question to be asked by Hon. Member Lakshman Nipuna Arachchi from Hon. Minister of Education, Cultural and Arts Affairs, Sports and Youth Affairs and Information Technology. (Q/VI(1)/18/73)

- a) How much is the total value of financial assets of Western Provincial Council as at 31st December 2014 including fixed deposits, various investments and savings?
- b) Will you present a report of its bank-account-balances as at the same above said date?
- c) How much is the total value of financial assets including fixed deposits, various investments and savings as at 31st October 2018?
- d) Will you present a report relating to bank- account-balances as at the above said date?

VII.	Personal Explanations
VIII.	Statements on Breach of Privileges
IX.	Announcements of the Ministries / Statements of
	the Ministers/ Replies of Breach of Privileges

Council Meetings

X.

Council Meetings (I)

To be presented by the Hon. Minister of Council Affairs

"From this point onwards – that is from 19.11.2018 onwards- " in every occasion where 'Council Hall of Western Province Provincial Council' is mentioned, it shall mean this New Council Hall established in Level 12 [12th Floor] of the Western Provincial Council Office Complex New Building at No. 204, Denzil Kobbekaduwa Mawatha, Sri Jayawardhanapura, Battaramulla and this Western Province Provincial Council is in the opinion that it shall be the place where Western Province Provincial Council assembles with respect to a meeting convened by the Hon. Governor of Western Province and to holding the Council Meetings other than on an occasion where Council decides otherwise."

Council Meetings (II)

To be presented by the Hon. Minister of Council Affairs

Motion:

"As agreed upon at the Business Advisory Committee meetings held on 23.10.2018 and 07.11.2018, 19th of November 2018 and 04th, 05th, 06th, 07th, 10th and 11th of December 2018 shall be considered as days allocated for affairs related to the Financial Statement of 2019 and affairs related thereto until no other decision in that regard will be taken by this Provincial Council."

Council Meetings (III)

To be presented by the Hon. Minister of Council Affairs

Motion:

"Whatever decision has been taken earlier, without considering such, proceedings of shall take place considering no impediment whatsoever shall be caused by provisions of Rules of Procedure Rule No. 49(3) for the affairs in the subject of Public Affairs of today's (19.11.2018) Agenda"

Council Meetings (IV)

To be presented by the Hon. Minister of Council Affairs

Motion:

"No impediment whatsoever shall be caused by the time durations stated in Rules of Procedure Rule No. 49(5) for the Debate on Financial Statement of year 2019 and affairs connected therewith".

XI. Council Affairs (I)

To be presented by the Hon. Minister of Council Affairs

Motion:

"According to the agreement reached at the Business Advisory Committee meeting held on 07.11.2018, proceedings of the Council Meeting of today shall proceed considering that no obstruction shall be caused from the provisions stated in Rules of Procedure Rule No. 15(2)(d) and Rule No. 15(3)".

XII. Public Affairs

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

Motion:

Supplementary Estimate 03 of 2018

"In order to provide additional allocations for year 2018 for the under-mentioned requirements in the institutions of Western Province, i.e.;

<u>Department of Health Services</u>

per circulars issued by the Line Ministry.

i.	Additional provisions required for year 2018 to pay salaries and allowances for new recruitments in the health sector, promotions and transfers obtained to the department.	-	Rs.	729,247,000/-
ii.	Additional provisions required for year 2018 to pay Overtime according to rates increased by promotions and as	-	Rs.	715,145,000/-

• <u>Department of Ayurveda</u>

- *i.* Additional provisions required for year 2018 for salaries, Rs. 63,034,000/allowances for new recruitments and transfers to Ayurveda Department and telecommunication services.
- <u>Ministry of Education, Cultural and Arts Affairs, Sports and Youth Affairs and Information</u> <u>Technology</u>

i.	Additional provisions required for year 2018 on behalf of	-	Rs.	21,000,000/-
	bearing grant based expenses received from the Government			
	for the project of "Converting the School Education to be the			
	basis of Knowledge Hub"			

• Engineering Organization

i.	To allocate additional provisions to pay salaries and allowances for new recruitments and to pay due salaries.	-	Rs.	15,493,000/-
ii.	Requiring to pay additional Holiday Pay for the Divisional Engineers and Technical Officers as a large amount of additional work had to be carried out in construction affairs to be performed as per Supplementary Estimate proposals.	-	Rs.	9,855,000/-

Rs. 1,553,774,000/-

as a Supplementary Estimate needs to be presented on behalf of year 2018, the Supplementary Estimate 03of 2018, prepared for a total provision of One Billion Five Hundred Fifty Three Million and Seven Hundred Seventy Four Thousand Rupees(Rs. 1,553,774,000/-) and with the expectation of setting off the said amount as;

i.	From Provincial Council Revenue	- <i>Rs</i> .	350,000,000/-
ii.	Grants already received from the Government for the project to Convert School Education into the Basis of Knowledge Hub	- <i>Rs</i> .	21,000,000/-
iii.	Grants expected from the Government	- <i>Rs</i> .	1,182,774,000/- 1,553,774,000/-

and with the anticipation of agreement for reception of the grant stated above as grants receivable from the Government valued Rs. 1,182,774,000/-, this Supplementary Estimate is presented and the said Supplementary Estimate No. 03 of 2018, prepared according to all the above mentioned matters should be adopted. "

Copies of relevant documents have been distributed to all Hon. Members along with the Agenda of 05.11.2018

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

Motion:

Appropriation Statute relating to the Supplementary Estimate 03 of 2018

"The Appropriation Statute No of 2018 which authorizes the payment of money needed for the Supplementary Estimate 03 of year 2018, to a value of One Billion Five Hundred Fifty Three Million and Seven Hundred Seventy Four Thousand Rupees (Rs. 1,553,774,000/-)from the Western Provincial Council Fund and the acceptance of money for the said Western Provincial Fund provided by the Sri Lankan Government as grants or any other means, should be adopted"

Copies of relevant documents have been distributed along with the Agenda of 05.11.2018

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

"Waste Management Special Provisions Statute of Western Province"

(First Reading)

This statute is regarding the waste management by Western Province Waste Management Authority which is incorporated under the Waste Management Statute of the Western Province No. 01 of 2007, to empower the strategies that are being implemented by Local Government Authorities, to facilitate the regulations to the correct and suitable disposal of waste that are on the streets and in houses that are to be collected by the Local Government Authorities, to determine a price and a standard to the acceptance of waste except that are on the streets and in houses that are to be collected by the Local Government Authorities, to determine the charge for the waste management strategies that are being implemented in the Western Province by the Waste Management Authority of the Western Province. 04. To be presented by Hon. Isura Devapriya - Chief Minister and Minister of Finance and Planning, Engineering Services, Law and Order, Local Government and Provincial Administration, Economic Promotion, Electricity and Energy, Environmental Affairs, Water Supplies and Drainage and Tourism Affairs (W.P.)

"The Financial Statement on behalf of year 2019 shall be adopted"

(Presentation of the Financial Statute to the Council)

05. To be presented by Hon. Isura Devapriya - Chief Minister and Minister of Finance and Planning, Engineering Services, Law and Order, Local Government and Provincial Administration, Economic Promotion, Electricity and Energy, Environmental Affairs, Water Supplies and Drainage and Tourism Affairs (W.P.)

"The Appropriation Statute relating to the Financial Statement of year 2019 shall be adopted"

(Presentation of the Appropriation Statute to the Council)

XIII. Adjournment of the Council

K.H.D.K. Samarakoon Secretary, Western Province Provincial Council

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