

SECOND PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE

FIRST SESSION

ORDER PAPER

THURSDAY, 11TH JULY, 1968

No. 10

2.30 p.m.

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ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKER

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

- *1. **Mr. P. Selvadurai:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Minister for Labour if the Government has caused studies to be made of (a) the adequacy of the present limit of Singapore's territorial waters in the light of Singapore's vital interests in fishing, defence and the administration of revenue laws in these waters; and (b) the effect on Singapore's interest in these matters of claims to territorial waters made by neighbouring states; and if he will make a statement on these matters.
- *2. **Enche Rahmat bin Kenap:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Minister for Labour whether foreign ambassadors or envoys in Singapore are permitted to hold office in registered societies or associations in the Republic.
- *3. **Mr. Ang Nam Piau:** To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Minister for Labour, in the registration for the issue of the new laminated identity cards, (a) whether attempts were made to use the same, or an identical, birth certificate by more than one applicant for registration, and the number of such cases; (b) the number of forged old identity cards discovered; (c) the number of late applications for registration received up to 31st May, 1968; (d) what action had been taken against the applicants in (a), (b) and (c); and (e) the number of old identity card holders who have not yet applied for the new laminated identity cards.
- *4. **Mr. Ang Nam Piau:** To ask the Minister for Education if he will consider making adequate participation in the pugilistic arts, sports or in a cadet corps, or any other similar activity compulsory in secondary schools as a means of hastening the building of a rugged society.
- *5. **Mr. L. P. Rodrigo:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) whether the proposed re-organisation of the education system will result in some teachers being redundant; (b) what categories of teachers will be considered redundant in the context of the proposed re-organisation; and (c) whether such redundant teachers will continue to be employed in the Education Service; or whether plans are being made to provide alternative employment for every teacher who is found to be redundant.

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- *6. Mr. L. P. Rodrigo:** To ask the Minister for Education (a) what scholarships, fellowships, study-grants etc. offering professional (including technical training) and administrative training have been awarded to various applicants from the Ministry of Education in 1966 and 1967; (b) how many officers from the various categories of officers have received such awards; (c) how many such officers have completed their training courses; and (d) how these officers have been and are being utilised for purposes for which they have been trained since the completion of their training courses.
- *7. Mr. Ng Kah Ting:** To ask the Minister for Communications whether he will consider issuing new driver's licence books to holders of old books which bear the words "Colony of Singapore".
- *8. Enche Rahmat bin Kenap:** To ask the Minister for Defence whether there is any provision for the construction of one or more community centres in the Geylang Serai Constituency and when construction will commence.
- *9. Mr. Low Guan Onn:** To ask the Minister for Defence whether he will consider allowing Pre-University students and students in institutions of higher learning to do part of their two-year National Service training during the long holidays and to complete the remainder of their training period after graduation, so that they can be available to industries earlier, as the Republic is in need of trained men during the crucial years ahead.
- *10. Madam Chan Choy Siong:** To ask the Minister for Defence if he will make a statement regarding the agreement reached at the Five-Power Defence Talks held in Kuala Lumpur recently.
- *11. Mr. Low Guan Onn:** To ask the Minister for Culture whether the National Library plans to set up a branch library in Jurong Town for the benefit of the workers and their school-going children in the area, or, alternatively, to send the mobile library to the Town at least once a week.
- *12. Mr. P. Govindaswamy:** To ask the Minister for Culture whether he is aware that certain newspapers which are, in Singapore, regarded as local newspapers are not wholly printed in Singapore and if he will take steps to ensure that all such newspapers are wholly printed in Singapore.
- *13. Mr. L. P. Rodrigo:** To ask the Minister for Social Affairs (a) whether the Singapore Sports Council is still existent; (b) how much money it has received as general donations from the public for the promotion of sports; and (c) if it has received donations for particular sports, what these sports are and the sum donated in respect of each of them.
- *14. Madam Chan Choy Siong:** To ask the Minister for Social Affairs whether he intends to build more creches to relieve difficulties of working women, and where those proposed creches will be located.

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS
Introduction of Government Bills

- 1. Minister for Finance:**
(President's recommendation to be signified)
Arbitration (International Investment Disputes) Bill.
- 2. Minister for Finance:**
(President's recommendation to be signified)
Property Tax (Amendment) Bill.
- 3. Minister for Finance:**
(President's recommendation to be signified)
International Finance Corporation Bill.
- 4. Minister for Law and National Development:**
Holidays (Amendment) Bill.

ORDERS OF THE DAY AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS
(Those marked ● are Orders of the Day.)

- Employment Bill —
Resumption of Debate on Question (10th July, 1968), "That the Bill be now read a second time." — (Minister for Foreign Affairs and Minister for Labour).
It is intended to move the Committee Stage immediately after the Second Reading.
[For Amendments to the Bill, see Supplement No. 2 dated 11th July, 1968.]

PAPERS PRESENTED

1968					Date Presented
S.L. 31	Wharfage Charges (Tanjong Balai, Jurong)				
	Order, 1968	9th July, 1968.
S.L. 32	Customs Duties (Amendment No. 15) Order,				
	1968	10th July, 1968.