



# FIRST LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

## THIRD SESSION

SINGAPORE, WEDNESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER, 1958

No. 9

10.00 a.m.

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### QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

- \*1. Mr. LEE CHOON ENG: To ask the Minister for Labour and Welfare what are the terms of reference of the Tripartite Consultative Committee set up for the three Services Unions; whether any, and how many, meetings have been held; and what has been the outcome of such meetings.
- \*2. Mr. GOH TONG LIANG: To ask the Minister for Local Government, Lands and Housing if he will make a statement regarding the construction programme for agricultural roads in the Bukit Panjang electoral division.
- \*3. Mr. GOH TONG LIANG: To ask the Minister for Education since when has Chinese been taught as a second language in English schools; whether he is satisfied with the progress made, and what steps he has taken or proposes to take to make the pupils interested in its study.
- \*4. Mr. LEE CHOON ENG: To ask the Minister for Health if he will make a statement on the progress of the negotiations between the Ministry of Health and the Unions of the Medical and Health Department on the claims for revision of salaries and conditions of service submitted by the Unions since 1956.

### AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

#### Presentation of Government Bills

1. The Financial Secretary—  
Customs (Amendment No. 2) Bill.  
[The Member in charge proposes, on a Certificate of Urgency under Standing Order 59, to proceed with this Bill throughout all its stages until the Bill has been read the third time.]
2. The Minister for Education—  
University of Malaya (Amendment) Bill.

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**ORDERS OF THE DAY AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS**

*(Those marked ● are Orders of the Day.)*

- 1. Preservation of Public Security (Amendment) Bill—Second Reading.†
- 2. Criminal Law (Temporary Provisions) (Amendment No. 2) Bill—Second Reading.†
- 3. Income Tax (Amendment) Bill—Second Reading.† (*Governor's recommendation or consent to be signified.*)  
[For Amendment to the Bill, see Supplement No. 5].
- 4. Merchant Shipping (Amendment No. 2) Bill—Second Reading.†
- 5. Undesirable Publications (Amendment) Bill—Second Reading.†

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† The Committee Stage and Third Reading will be moved immediately after the Second Reading.

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6. The Assistant Minister to the Chief Secretary to move—

That the Report of the Select Committee on the Public Entertainments Bill, as contained in Sessional Paper No. L.A. 12 of 1958, be adopted.

7. The Minister for Labour and Welfare to move—

That the Report of the Select Committee on the Factories Bill, as contained in Sessional Paper No. L.A. 14 of 1958, be adopted.

8. The Minister for Commerce and Industry to move—

That this Assembly, in accordance with subsection (2) of section 1 of the Control of Imports and Exports Ordinance (Chapter 214), resolves that the aforesaid Ordinance shall continue in force for a further period of one year commencing on the 8th day of December, 1958.

9. The Minister for Labour and Welfare to move—

That this Assembly, pursuant to subsection (3) of section 30 of the Women and Girls Protection Ordinance (Chapter 126), resolves that the Women and Girls Protection (Amendment) Rules, 1958, made on the 4th day of September, 1958, published as *Gazette* Notification No. S 210 of the 12th September, 1958, and presented to the Assembly pursuant to statute on the 23rd September, 1958, as Sessional Paper No. S.L. 38 of 1958, be approved.

10. The Financial Secretary to move—

*(Governor's recommendation or consent to be signified.)*

That this Assembly resolves that the sum of \$1,461,162 shall be supplied to the Government under the heads of expenditure and for the

services specified in the Schedule contained in Sessional Paper No. Cmd. 31 of 1958.

**11. The Financial Secretary to move—**

*(Governor's recommendation or consent to be signified.)*

That this Assembly, pursuant to subsection (2) of section 11 of the Customs Ordinance (Chapter 160 of the Revised Edition), resolves that the Customs (Duties) (Amendment) Order, 1958, published as Notification No. S 238 in *Gazette Supplement* No. 66 of 3rd October, 1958, as contained in Sessional Paper No. S.L. 39 of 1958, be confirmed.

**12. Mr. LEE CHOON ENG (Member for Queenstown) to move—**

That this Assembly views with grave concern and is profoundly disturbed by the action of the Government of Singapore in deporting to China the following persons, namely, Fong Siew Long, Wong Yih Ching, Chong Huan Teng, Lim Inn Ping, Neo Ho Lan, Tai Chew Seng and Bok Kai Weng, although the Government has full knowledge that these persons were born, bred and educated in Malaya, which term in law means the Federation of Malaya and Singapore, thereby depriving the aforesaid natural-born persons of Malaya of their inalienable rights of citizenship, whether of Singapore or of the Federation of Malaya, and therefore this House deplors and strongly condemns the Government for its high-handed and arbitrary act of banishing these natural-born persons of Malaya to China against their will.

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**MEMORANDUM**

*Matter proposed to be raised on the Motion for the Adjournment (Standing Order 7 (9)) :—*

Mr. A. R. Lazarous (Member for  
Farrer Park)                      ...                      ... Singapore's Trade with China.

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**QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWER**

1. Mr. R. JUMABHOY: To ask the Financial Secretary how many persons had assessable incomes of (i) \$30,000 to \$40,000, and (ii) \$40,000 to \$50,000 per year in each of the years from 1955 to 1957; and whether the incomes of such persons were derived without keeping any establishment for earning them.
  2. Mr. R. JUMABHOY: To ask the Financial Secretary to state the sums of money spent on entertainments by the Government, the Chief Minister, and each of the Ministers and Assistant Ministers from 1st May, 1955, to 30th June, 1958, the dates and for whom the entertainments were provided.
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**SESSIONAL PRINTED PAPERS PRESENTED**

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*Date ordered to be printed*

L.A. 13 Sixth Report from the Committee of Selection (Third Session)                      ...                      ... 12th September, 1958.

L.A. 14 Report of the Select Committee on the Factories Bill                      ...                      ... 15th September, 1958.

*Date ordered to be printed*

- L.A. 15 Seventh Report from the Committee of  
Selection (Third Session) ... 16th September, 1958.
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*Date presented*

- Cmd. 24 Report on the Registration of Births and  
Deaths, Marriages and Persons for 1955  
and 1956 ... 11th September, 1958.
- Cmd. 29 Annual Report of the Immigration Depart-  
ment 1957 ... 23rd September, 1958.
- Cmd. 27 Annual Report of the Department of Public  
Works 1957 ... 25th September, 1958.
- Cmd. 30 Report of the Joint Committee on Finance  
for the University of Malaya, 1958 ... 27th September, 1958.
- Cmd. 31 Schedule of applications for Supplementary  
Provision for which the approval of the  
Legislative Assembly is sought ... 1st October, 1958.
- Cmd. 32 Schedule of transfers between subheads  
approved by the Financial Secretary under  
G.O. 662 (b) during the period 1st July,  
1958 to 30th September, 1958, for the  
information of the Legislative Assembly 1st October, 1958.
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- S.L. 37 The Fisheries (Amendment) Rules, 1958 ... 16th September, 1958.
- S.L. 38 The Women and Girls Protection (Amend-  
ment) Rules, 1958 ... 23rd September, 1958.
- S.L. 39 The Customs (Duties) (Amendment) Order,  
1958 ... 4th October, 1958.
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