

PARLIAMENT OF SINGAPORE

FIRST SESSION

ORDER PAPER

MONDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 1966

No. 23

2.30 p.m.

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

- *1. Mr. Ho See Beng: To ask the Minister for Foreign Affairs whether he is aware that three Singapore fishing boats and their crew are being detained by the Indian Government in the Andaman Islands and what steps are being taken by the Ministry concerned to secure the release of the detained crew and the boats.
- *2. Mr. Bernard Rodrigues: To ask the Minister for Labour if he will consider introducing amending legislation to bring within the ambit of the Labour Ordinance workers who are at present excluded from the provisions of the Ordinance.
- *3. Mr. Ho See Beng: To ask the Minister for Labour if he will consider introducing legislation to prohibit girls under the age of 21 from working as bar waitresses.
- *4. Mr. Ng Kah Ting: To ask the Minister for Labour (a) what is the total number of unemployed persons registered with the Labour Department as at 30th November, 1966; (b) since 1st January how many persons were successful in gaining employment through the assistance of the Employment Exchange of the Labour Department; and (c) what measures he will take to reduce the number of unemployed persons in the Republic.
- *5. Mr. Ho See Beng: To ask the Minister for Labour if he has information of how many bar waitresses in Singapore are Singapore Citizens, and how many are non-Singapore Citizens from West Malaysia.
- *6. Mr. Ng Yeow Chong: To ask the Minister for Labour whether persons born in Singapore, at present holding Malaysian identity cards and residing in Singapore, will be issued with new Singapore Citizen identity cards.
- *7. Mr. Teong Eng Siong: To ask the Minister for Law and National Development when will the reconstruction and metalling of Wei Hua Road in the Sembawang Constituency be carried out.
- *8. Mr. Bernard Rodrigues: To ask the Minister for Law and National Development if he will consider issuing a directive that the use of locally-manufactured materials, such as shutterboards, etc., where such materials meet the requisite standards and specifications, be stipulated

when tenders are let out for Government, Housing and Development Board and other public projects, as a measure to promote local industries.

- *9. Mr. Tang See Chim: To ask the Minister for Law and National Development what plans he has for the overall development of the Choa Chu Kang Constituency.
- *10. Mr. Tang See Chim: To ask the Minister for Law and National Development whether he is aware that the resettlement policy of the Housing and Development Board as practised in the Choa Chu Kang Constituency is leading to the fragmentation of the farm lands there and is preventing farms from achieving an economic size whereby they can take advantage of modern scientific methods of farming and reduce costs of production; and what action he proposes to take to correct the situation.
- *11. Mr. Chow Chiok Hock: To ask the Minister for Law and National Development whether he is aware that some farmers, residing at Holland Road and Ulu Pandan Road who were served with notices of removal by Government, are not satisfied with alternative accommodation of flats offered to them, and if he will consider allocating alternative farm land to them.
- *12. Mr. Ng Yeow Chong: To ask the Minister for Law and National Development if he will take steps to widen or straighten the bend at Meyer Road opposite the former Sea View Hotel, in view of the many serious accidents at that point.
- *13. Mr. P. Govindaswamy: To ask the Minister of State (Prime Minister's Department) if he will consider the establishment of zebra crossings (i) at Anson Road in front of the Gan Eng Seng School and (ii) at Tanjong Pagar Road between Wallich Street and Tapah Street.
- *14. Mr. S. V. Lingam: To ask the Minister for Law and National Development if he will suggest to the Public Utilities Board that the Board consider receiving payments of consolidated bills from residents of the Housing and Development Board MacPherson Estate at the Area Office of the Estate instead of the mobile centre as at present.

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Introduction of Government Bill

1. Minister for Finance:

(President's recommendation to be signified)

Development Loan Bill.

ORDERS OF THE DAY AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

(Those marked ● are Orders of the Day.)

- 1. Third Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for 1966 of Singapore (Paper Cmd. 28 of 1966) — Committee of Supply. (*Allotted Day*).
 [For amendments to be moved in the Committee of Supply see Supplement No. 15 dated 12th December, 1966.]
- 2. Nanyang University (Amendment) Bill —
Resumption of Debate on Question (5th December, 1966), “That the Bill be now read a second time.”. — (Minister for Education).†
- 3. Intestate Succession Bill — (Minister for Law and National Development) — Second Reading.
 [The Member in charge intends, that this Bill, after being read a second time, be committed to a Select Committee.]
- 4. Public Trustee (Amendment) Bill — (Minister for Law and National Development) — Second Reading.†

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

MEMORANDUM

Matter proposed to be raised on the Motion for the Adjournment (Standing Order I (8) (b)):—

Mr. Ho See Beng
 (Member for Bras Basah) ... Resettlement of farmers occupying State land.
