

FIRST LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
THIRD SESSION

SINGAPORE, WEDNESDAY, 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1958

No. 8

10.00 a.m.

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

- *1. Mr. WILLIAM TAN: To ask the Minister for Labour and Welfare whether he will consider increasing the monthly allowances granted to unemployed persons with large families under the Public Assistance Scheme.
 - *2. Mr. WILLIAM TAN: To ask the Minister for Labour and Welfare to state the total number of applications received since 1st January, 1958, for re-entry into Singapore from China of local-born children; the number of those applications approved, and the number still under consideration by the Immigration Department.
 - *3. Mr. LIM CHER KHENG: To ask the Chief Secretary what was the purpose of the presence of units of the United States Seventh Fleet in Singapore in August this year.
 - *4. Mr. LIM CHER KHENG: To ask the Chief Secretary to state whether there is any stockpile of atomic warheads and atomic missiles in Singapore.
 - *5. Mr. LIM CHER KHENG: To ask the Chief Secretary if he has made an assessment as to whether public opinion of Singapore is in favour or against Singapore's becoming a base of the South-East Asia Treaty Organization, and if he will make a statement on the policy of the Singapore Government with regard to that Organization.
 - *6. Mr. WILLIAM TAN: To ask the Minister for Local Government, Lands and Housing, in view of the insufficiency of houses provided by the Singapore Improvement Trust to cope with the long waiting list for Improvement Trust accommodation, what steps he proposes to take to meet the housing needs of those families on the waiting list.
 - *7. Mr. WILLIAM TAN: To ask the Minister for Commerce and Industry if he will make a statement regarding the rice stockpile.
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AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Presentation of Government Bills

- 1. The Chief Minister—
 Preservation of Public Security (Amendment) Bill.
- 2. The Chief Secretary—
 Criminal Law (Temporary Provisions) (Amendment No. 2) Bill.

3. The Financial Secretary—
Income Tax (Amendment) Bill.
4. The Minister for Commerce and Industry—
Merchant Shipping (Amendment No. 2) Bill.
5. The Chief Secretary—
Undesirable Publications (Amendment) Bill.

ORDERS OF THE DAY AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

(Those marked ● are Orders of the Day.)

- 1. Control of Manufacture Bill—Second Reading. (*Governor's recommendation or consent to be signified.*)
[For Amendments to the Bill, see Supplement No. 4].
The Committee Stage and Third Reading will be moved immediately after the Second Reading.
- 2. Housing and Development Bill—Second Reading. (*Governor's recommendation or consent to be signified.*)
[For Amendments to the Bill, see Supplement No. 4].
- 3. Planning Bill—Second Reading. (*Governor's recommendation or consent to be signified.*)
[For Amendments to the Bill, see Supplement No. 4].
- 4. Local Government (District Councils) (Consequential Provisions) Bill—
Second Reading.†
[For Amendments to the Bill, see Supplement No. 4].
- 5. Customs (Amendment) Bill—Second Reading.†
[For Amendment to the Bill, see Supplement No. 4].

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

- 6. Legislative Assembly (Presentation of Subsidiary Legislation) Bill—Committee.
[For Amendments to the Bill, see Supplement No. 4].
The Third Reading will be moved immediately after the Committee Stage.
- 7. The Chief Secretary to move—
That the Report of the Select Committee on the Police Force Bill, as contained in Sessional Paper No. L.A. 7 of 1958, be adopted.

8. The Financial Secretary to move—

That this Assembly, pursuant to subsection (1) of section 106 of the Income Tax Ordinance (Chapter 166), resolves that the Malayan Pine-apple Industry Board be added to the First Schedule to the said Ordinance.

9. The Financial Secretary to move—

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

That this Assembly resolves that the sum of \$60,847 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. 26 of 1958.

● 10. Good Shepherd Nuns Bill—Second Reading.

QUESTIONS NOT FOR ORAL ANSWER

1. Mr. R. JUMABHOY: To ask the Chief Minister to state, in respect of the absence from Singapore of the Chief Minister, each Minister (other than *ex-officio* Ministers) and each Assistant Minister from the first day of January, 1956, to the 30th day of June, 1958, the expenditure incurred by the Government.
2. Mr. SEAH PENG CHUAN: To ask the Chief Secretary to state—
 - (a) the number of persons detained under the Preservation of Public Security Ordinance, 1955, from October, 1955, up to a latest convenient date;
 - (b) how many of those detainees the Government has released and intends to release, giving their names; and
 - (c) how many of those detainees the Government has banished and intends to banish, giving their names and occupations at the time of their arrests, and the destinations of banishment.

SESSIONAL PRINTED PAPERS PRESENTED

1958	<i>Date ordered to be printed</i>
L.A. 9 Fourth Report from the Committee of Selection (Third Session)	18th August, 1958.
L.A. 10 Fifth Report from the Committee of Selection (Third Session)	25th August, 1958.
L.A. 11 Special Report from the Estimates Committee (Third Session)	2nd September, 1958.
L.A. 12 Report of the Select Committee on the Public Entertainments Bill	4th September, 1958.

		<i>Date presented</i>
Cmd. 16	Report on the Department of Chemistry and Inspectorate of Dangerous and Hazardous Materials, 1957	16th August, 1958.
Cmd. 25	Report of the Joint Committee on the Constitution of the University of Malaya, 1958	25th August, 1958.
Cmd. 20	Annual Report of the Survey Department, 1957	28th August, 1958.
Cmd. 26	Schedule of applications for Supplementary Provision for which the approval of the Legislative Assembly is sought ...	2nd September, 1958.

S.L. 35	The Botanic Gardens Rules, 1958 ...	30th August, 1958.
S.L. 36	The Road Traffic (Composition of Offences) Rules, 1958	8th September, 1958.

S. 3	Central Provident Fund Board—Chairman's Statement and Accounts of the Fund for the year ended 31st December, 1957 ...	27th August, 1958.
S. 4	The Singapore Industrial Promotion Board First Year Report	8th September, 1958.