

MALAYSIA
DEWAN NEGARA
ORDER PAPER

TRANSLATION

THURSDAY, 10TH APRIL, 1986, AT 2.30 P.M.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS

- * 1. **Tuan Bee Yang Sek:** To ask the Minister of Welfare Services to state:
- (a) the total profits obtained by the Social Welfare Lotteries Board; and
 - (b) whether the profit gained have been utilised solely for welfare purposes.
- * 2. **Tuan Mohd. Yusoff bin Kassim:** To ask the Prune Minister to state the value of investment made by Pilgrimage Fund Board (LUTH) until 31-3-1986 and whether profits gained from the investment have been utilised to provide facilities to pilgrims whilst performing the haj in the Holy Land. If so, state the total amount spent for the years 1983, 1984 and 1985.
- * 3. **Tuan Haji Shuaib bin Lazim:** To ask the Minister of Finance to state the total amount of contributions made to the KWSP in 1985 and whether he will direct the KWSP to invest the contribution made by Bumiputras into the ASN.
- * 4. **Puan Rokiah binti Zainuddin:** To ask the Minister of Welfare Services to state whether the Government intends to increase the financial aid to the poor people in view of high cost of living at present.
- * 5. **Puan Mazidah Zakaria:** To ask the Minister of Finance to state:
- (a) what is the amount of export duty and income tax provided by the tin industry over the last 10 years; and
 - (b) what is the amount of money (if any) set aside by the Treasury to help the tin industry in the current crisis.
- * 6. **Tuan Abdul Hamid bin Ibrahim:** To ask the Minister of Defence to state whether the Defence Ministry intends to reduce the manpower in the Armed Forces in view of the present economic recession
- * 7. **Tuan D. P. Vijandran:** To ask the Minister of Education to state whether loans are given to schools and Government staff to purchase micro computers, in view of the necessity to encourage computer usage at school level.
- * 8. **Toh Muda Dr Abdullah Fadzil Che Wan:** To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs to state why quite a number of journalists and certain organisation from the Western countries condemn Malaysia and her policies. Name the organisations groups concerned and the Government's reaction on the matter.

*9. **Puan Hajjah Azizah bin Haji Mohd. Said:** To ask the Minister of Education to state the steps that will be taken by the Ministry with regard to conditions of service for Teachers under the Education Service Commission especially with regard to temporary service after completion of training in the colleges and receiving salary as temporary staff; that such a provision is inappropriate compared to the provision for public service appointments wherein they receive full salary even whilst on probation.

* 10. **Puan Sri Janaki Athi Nahappan:** To ask the Minister of Housing and Local Government to state whether Government has any plans to issue pamphlets which will explain exactly the public low cost housing schemes as guidance to the public especially the low income group.

* 11. **Dato G. Pasamanickam:** To ask the Minister of Education to state whether the Government is still adopting the principle of seniority when considering promotion. What are the conditions for promotion.

* 12. **Tuan Tan Chang Soong:** To ask the Minister of Labour to state:

- (a) whether the Government will set up a Committee involving both the Public and Private sectors to review the labour structure vis-a-vis manpower training and requirement; and
- (b) whether it is time for the Government to establish a National Labour Policy on a more systematic basis.

* 13. **Tuan A. Shaik Dawood:** To ask the Minister of Finance to state whether the Inland Revenue Department will refund the excess payment within 30 days in view of the fact that a person who delays the payment of tax within 30 days will be imposed with a penalty of 10% of the chargeable tax.

* 14. **Dato Kamaruzaman bin Ahmad:** To ask the Prime Minister to state whether he will appoint an Economic and Finance Committee as has been introduced in the neighbouring country in order to overcome our economic problem in the long and short term.

* 15. **Tuan Haji Ibrahim bin Haji Ujang:** To ask the Minister of Education to state the total number of oversea student departments and what are the terms of reference assigned to the said departments.

16. **Tuan Haji Shahrom bin Haji Maasom:** To ask the Prime Minister to state the efforts by Government that have been and will be implemented in preventing Muslim disunity in this country due to some varied views amongst some groups of Muslims:

- (a) whether Government is aware that these bad incidents are prevailing and threatening the society;
- (b) if so, what are the efforts by Government to curb these bad elements from influencing the public and primary and secondary school children and also institutions of higher learning in the country; and
- (c) the Government efforts in preventing these incidents and elements from spreading amongst our students overseas.

* 17. **Dato' Dr K. S. Nijhar:** To ask the Minister of Finance to list the price assumptions adopted for our various export commodities in the 1986 Budget, the actual prices of 14-3-86, the effects of these on our revenues and on our socio-economic programmes for 1986, and to state what contingency measures have been formulated so far to overcome this problems should prices fall further in the coming months.

- * 18. **Tuan Haji Abdul Wahab bin Haji Abu Bakar:** To ask the Minister of National and Rural Development to state the total amount of money under the Cooperative Education Fund Trust Account (2%) which is the compulsory collection imposed on each cooperative society for 1984 and 1985. Is it true that each participant attending courses on behalf of his cooperative society is **required** to pay a fee. If so, why.
- *19. **Puan Hasanah binti Mohd. Kassim:** To ask the **Prime** Minister to state whether building owned by LUTH are covered by Takaful Insurance.
- *20. Tuan Haji Abd. **Hamid bin Haji Latif:** To ask the Minister of Education to state the Ministry's long term programme drawn up to instil the Islamic values via the Institution of Higher Learning throughout the country. Whether the Government intends to make Islamic Studies as a compulsory subject in all the Institution of Higher Learning in Malaysia.
- *21. Tuan Haji Abu Bakar bin Lajim: To ask the Minister of Finance to state whether Government intends to request banks to review the repayment of loan or delay legal action against contractors particularly Bumiputera contractors who are facing the problem of settling their respective loan because of lack of contract work due to the economic recession and the postponement of Government projects.
- *22. Tuan Harun bin Hassan: To ask the Minister of Labour to state the total number of foreign labourers issued with work permits in this country and under what reasons these licences were given. What are the Ministry's steps taken to reduce the total number of unemployed persons amongst the local people due to the present economic recession.
- *23. Tuan Haji Shuaib bin Lazim: To ask (he Minister of Public Enterprises to state whether he is aware that mini buses at present are crowded with passengers who had to stand. If so, whether he will issue more permits to mini buses passengers are prohibited to stand and most mini buses should be in a better condition if possible air condition system to be installed so as to provide services to the people using the mini buses.
- *24. Puan Rokiah binti Zainuddin: To ask the Minister of Education to state according to the studies conducted, what is the extent of KBSR success at present Does the Government intend to reduce the total pupil enrolment in a class to ensure the effectiveness of KBSR.
- *25. Puan Habibah binti Abdul Ghani: To ask the Minister of Education to state what action has been taken against our students overseas who obtained Government scholarships but opposed the Government and its policies. Up to date how many have been taken action against and the nature of action.
- * 26. Tuan D. P. Vijandran: To ask the Minister of Health to state the extent of the facilities if any, being provided in the estates:
- (a) rural Health Service including Clinics and Health Centres;
 - (b) the programme to improve the condition of the environment;
 - (c) applied Food and Nutrition programme; and
 - (d) Dental services.

*27. **Tuan Mohd. Noor bin Bedah:** To ask the Minister of Primary Industries to state the outcome of his mission visit to Hong Kong, Japan, South Korea and the United States recently to promote the marketing of Malaysian palm oil.

*28. **Datuk Haji Ishak bin Abdul Rahman:** To ask the Minister of Foreign Affairs to state the effectiveness of the economic sanction imposed on South Africa to wipe out the Apartheid policy as have been decided by Commonwealth leaders in Nassau, Bahamas.

*29. **Dato' Dr K. S. Nijhar:** To ask the Minister of Finance to state the names of the public listed companies on the Kuala Lumpur Stock Exchange whose market prices, on 14-3-86 fell below par and below their net tangible asset, to explain the reasons for this situation and the steps taken to revitalise the Exchange.

*30. **Tuan Chan Choong Tak:** To ask the Minister of Agriculture to state whether the Federal Government would provide sufficient funds to the Municipality of Seremban to alleviate floods occurring in Seremban every year particularly along the Seremban/Tampin Road and in parts of Rahang New Village. If so, when such funds would be available.

*31. **Puan Hajjah Azizah binti Haji Mohd. Said:** To ask the Minister of Public Enterprises to state according to a statement of Universiti Sains Malaysia to the effect that urban renewal can assist Government in the effort to eradicate poverty and further provide greater opportunity to petty traders to be active in business, the steps by the Ministry to implement the said programme in line with the statement.

*32. **Tuan Hassan bin Nam:** To ask the Minister of Home Affairs to state the total number of illegal immigrants still in the country according to their countries of origin and the extent of efforts made by Government to take action or restrict the entry of illegal immigrants so that they will not enter the country anymore.

*33. **Tuan Mohd. Yusoff bin Kassim:** To ask the Minister of Education to state whether he is aware that school buildings in the rural area are in dilapidated and unsatisfactory condition. If so, state the actions he will take so that pupils will be able to study in more comfortable environment as the pupils in the urban schools.

*34. **Tuan M. G. Pandithan:** To ask the Minister of Home Affairs to state the reasons for Government's stringent issue of KDN licences to daily and weekly newspapers as well as magazines; and whether the Ministry has ever rejected any application to publish daily, weekly or monthly newspapers in Tamil, Bahasa Malaysia, Chinese or English.

*35. **Dato G. Pasamanickam:** To ask the Minister of Education to state whether he is aware even though the Government has recently announced that students obtaining "B" Grade in the SRP examination can be promoted to Form IV, why students from Private Schools who obtained "B" Grade in the SRP examination are not allowed to do so.

*36. **Puan Sri Janaki Athi Nahappan:** To ask the Minister of Housing and Local Government to state whether District Offices and Local Councils have been instructed to announce Government's plans on low cost houses on a large scale besides taking actions to attract house buyers to their respective areas.

***37. Tuan Haji Abu Bakar bin Lajim:** To ask the Minister of Finance to state:

- (a) whether the Syarikat Takaful Islam is really in consonant with the Islamic principles;
- (b) the extent of effectiveness of this company in carrying out its operation since its inception; and
- (c) whether branches of this Company will be established throughout the country, if so, when and where.

***38. Tuan Hassan bin Nam:** To ask the Minister of Agriculture to state the Government's strategy in overcoming the problem of loss experienced by farmers and Government amounting to millions of dollars each year the main factors being improper maintenance, unsystemetic storage and attacks by insects before and after harvesting and in how many years time it is expected that the production of our rice can meet the country's consumption fully.

***39. Tuan Harun bin Hassan:** To ask the Minister of Home Affairs to state:

- (a) whether Government intends to impose heavy prison terms and fines on foreigners who come to our country illegally, especially to those who are responsible for bringing them to this country; and
- (b) what firm and effective steps taken to prevent foreign labourers from entering our country in order to lessen unemployment amongst the local people.

***40. Tuan ML G. Pandithan:** To ask the Minister of Home Affairs to state whether Government will do away with the present system of KDN Licences being issued annually to the media and instead to issue KDN licences every five or six years that will denote Government democratic stand towards freedom of the press.

***41. Tuan Fadzil bin Mahmood:** To ask the Minister of Home Affairs to state whether the activities if the communist party in the country is still a danger and what is the number of members of the party which still pose a threat to the national security.

***42. Tuan Kuan Peng Soon:** To ask the Minister of Health to state when the new Teluk Intan Hospital will commence its service to the people and whether a part of the original building will be retained as an Out Patient Department for public convenience as the new Hospital is situated 4 km. from Teluk Anson.

***43. Datuk Haji Ishak bin Abdul Rahman:** To ask the Minister of Home Affairs to state:

- (a) from which country/countries fire-arms are being smuggled into Malaysia;
- (b) the amount of arms that have been confiscated; and
- (c) the number of people that have been arrested, convicted for offences of smuggling of arms.

***44. Tuan Ng Ah Poi:** To ask the Minister of Home Affairs to state whether the Ministry considers the lion dance as one of the country's culture and does the Ministry intends to abolish the regulation of applying the lion dance permit from the police to ease the responsibility of the police.

***45. Tuan Haji Ibrahim bin Haji Ujang:** To ask the Minister of Home Affairs to state whether it is true that the increase in the number of crimes in this country is the result of the influx of illegal immigrants which cannot be restricted and if so, what is the number of criminals from this group that has been restricted.

***46. Tuan Haji Shahrom bin Haji Maasom:** To ask the Minister of Labour to state, until February 1986 how many factory workers have lost their jobs for some reasons as follows:

- (a) how many factories have closed down;
- (b) how many workers were retrenched because factories are reducing their manpower; and
- (c) how many workers have returned from Singapore; whether Government is aware that some factory owners or employers deliberately retrenched their long serving workers and a few days later began to recruit new workers who are paid low salaries.

***47. Tuan Chan Choong Tak:** To ask the Minister of Housing and Local Government to state what concrete plans have been **drawn up** to improve the conditions in all the New Villages which have been long **neglected**.

ORDER OF THE DAY AND MOTION

Motion made by Tuan Hussein bin Ahmad and Question proposed:

That an humble address be presented to His Majesty
Yang di-Pertua Agong as follows:

"Your Majesty,

We, the President and Members of the Dewan
Negara of Malaysia in Parliament assembled, beg
leave to offer Your Majesty our humble thanks for the
Gracious Speech with which the Fourth Session of the
Sixth Parliament has been opened",

Resumption of Debate on the Question (9th April, 1986)