To: The Financial Secretary

Private Notice Question

I have to inform you that the Honourable Leader of the Opposition, Mr Nandcoomar Bodha, MP, has given notice of the following Private Notice Question which he proposes to put to the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development at the sitting to be held today, Tuesday 07 November 2006 at 11.30 a.m.

To ask the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to subsidies on rice and flour, he will state –

(a) the amount disbursed for each of the last five financial years;

(b) the measures, contained in the Budget Speech 2006-2007, which have been implemented so far; and

(c) whether any compensation has been paid to the needy following the increase in the price of these two commodities, indicating (i) the criteria laid down to be eligible thereto (ii) the number of beneficiaries and (iii) the amount earmarked for the present financial year and the sum disbursed so far?

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