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The former Deputy Minister took Chairman of the Committee on Public Enterprises (COPE) D.E.W. Gunasekera to task about Cabraal and Wijewardena getting involved in the compilation of the Treasury Bond scam to implicate incumbent Governor Arjuna Mahendran which was part of the proceedings of the COPE meeting last Thursday and Friday, top sources told Ceylon FT yesterday.

Senasinghe had also mentioned that there could not have been an interim Committee appointed for same when there was a Sub Committee appointed and Senasinghe had also taken Gunasekera to task asking him not to play dirty, even politics was dirty. Senasinghe has also told Gunasekera that this was not a voyage of discovery but to study the issues and raise the questions revolving round that to which Gunasekera agreed. Senasinghe had also had discussions with the officials of the Auditor- General's Department and also the COPE Secretary. It was in that backdrop that COPE Chairman had issued the interim report on Friday and wanted the members to approve it in double quick time, sources said.

Another legal luminary had also found MPs Susil Premajayantha and Lasantha Alagiyawanna in the residence of former Governor Cabraal and they also added that former Deputy Governor Wijewardena had an axe to grind with Mahendran as he (Wijewardena) was overlooked for the position of Governor by this government.

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Senasinghe also had told Gunasekera that he would challenge Gunasekera to a public debate. Meanwhile, COPE Chairman DEW Gunasekera, when contacted, told Ceylon FT that he would be addressing a news conference at the Sri Lanka Foundation Institute on Friday at 10 a.m. where he could clarify all issues. Some said that I was preparing to submit the COPE report, while others said that I tried to suppress it prior to the dissolution of Parliament and which one is correct, as both are contradictory, he said.

Referring to Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe wanting himself to be summoned to the COPE meetings, Gunasekera asked: " Why should I summon him when there was no need?"

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