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PRESIDENT TELLS NEW ENVOYS

SRI LANKA'S FOREIGN POLICY BASED ON NEU

of strategic importance. Therefore, our country is attracted to many parties. In this context, Sri Lanka has chosen neutrality as its foreign policy. Our top most priority is mutually beneficial development

The Republic of Korea 2.Holger Lothar Seubert - Ambas-

Apostolic Nuncio-designate of the Holy See 4.Dominik Furgler - Ambassador-

Switzerland Explaining Sri Lanka's policy towards the Indian Ocean during the discussion TO PAGE **02**

Budget to be presented on November 17

The Government will present the budget for the year 2021 in Parliament on November 17, said Finance Ministry Secretary S.R. Attygalle.

Addressing a media briefing in Colombo yesterday, he said that it is a unique situation in the history of this country where the government has carried out its expenses sans a budget. However, this year's expenditure was fulfilled through a Vote on Account which was passed in Parliament.

Attygalle noted that he expects the budget deficit for this year to be 9% of the GDP, adding that however, the government expects to stabilize next year's budget deficit at around 4.5% of the GDP irrespective of the challenges they may have to face. TO PAGE 02

ASEAN Ambassadors praise Govt. for combating COVID-19

The Ambassadors from five ASEAN countries have praised the government for successfully combatting the COVID 19 threat in Sri Lanka.

The efforts of the government in combating COVID19 was commended during the meeting held with Speaker Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena at Parliament on Tuesday. TO PAGE 02

Rs.30 mn robbery at Katana businessman's house

CAMELIA NATHANIEL and M.P. KUMARA, Kotadeniyawa Group Corr.

An armed gang had robbed the residence of a businessman in the AkkaraPanaha area in Katana last morning (30),

according to the Police Media Division. Reportedly, the robbers had entered the house of the businessman at around 10.30 am yesterday and robbed over Rs.30 million worth of cash and jewellery from the businessman at gunpoint. The Police said that the gang of robbers had arrived at the businessman's home in a car and

cooperation. This country is open

Gotabaya Rajapaksa said during a brief cordial conversation with four newly appointed Ambassadors to Sri Lanka following presentation of their credentials at the President's House last morning (30).

The Ambassadors of the Republic

for foreign investments", President of Korea, Germany, Holy See and 3.Monsignor Brian Udaigwe -Switzerland presented their credentials to the President. They are: 1.Jeong Woonjin – Ambassador-

sador- The Federal Republic of

EVERY SECTOR SHOWS

REMARKABLE RECOVERY

SRI LANKA HAS NEVER **DEFAULTED DEB** REPAYMENT - CABRA

CAME THROUGH COVID-19 SPEEDILY

loan repayments and it is among the

very few countries that has been able

to recover speedily after the COVID-19

pandemic and recommence its exports to

the pre-COVID level, said State Finance

Minister Ajith Nivard Cabraal.

CAMELIA NATHANIEL and JAYASIRI MUNASINGHE the debt repayments or curtail imports. Sri Lanka has never defaulted on its "Sri Lanka has never defaulted on its

to opt for the curtailing of imports." Addressing a media briefing at the Finance Ministry yesterday, he noted that the government was compelled to impose certain import restrictions He said that the Government had to

as a measure to safeguard the foreign

debt repayments before. Hence, we had

make a choice on whether they are to skip exchange reserves. However, he said that a Committee has been appointed under the leadership of Finance Ministry Secretary, S.R. Attygalle to look into relaxing these restrictions.

The State Minister noted that except for the tourism sector, all other sectors have recorded notable development. He said although there was a slump in the economy towards the beginning of this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, every sector has shown a remarkable recovery so far.

"We are confident that by the end of the year the country would be able to achieve the same targets as last year. The foreign exchange of the migrant workers which had declined during the first two quarters of this year has now increased. TO PAGE 02

ARMY COMMANDER VISITS WOUNDED **WAR HEROES AT 'ABHIMANSALA-1'**



Army Commander Lt. Gen. Shavendra Silva sharing an emotional moment with an incapacitated War Hero during his visit to Abhimansala -1 in Anuradhapura.

CAMELIA NATHANIEL

Having concluded the Army blessing of the flags at the Sri Maha Bodhi in Anuradhapura yesterday, Army Commander Lt. Gen. Shavendra Silva visited the 'Abhimansala - 1' (Wellness Resort) at Anuradhapura where around 40 dependent War Heroes are being cared for. The customary practice coincided with the forthcoming 71st Army Day anniversary celebrations.

The Army Commander together with several senior officers visited the injured War Heroes and inquired about their wellbeing. During the interaction with the War Heroes, the Commander presented them with gift packs containing essential items for their personal use.

It was a touching moment for the Commander, who is well aware of the dangers that they had to face during the war and as a war veteran himself, is well aware of the pain and suffering these wounded war heroes are facing. Lt. Gen. Silva also found time in his busy schedule to join the inmates of Abimansala for lunch and share pleasantries.

PCol probing Easter Sunday attacks

two motorcycles. TO PAGE 02

I never saw any DMI intelligence report - Hemasiri

LAHIRU FERNANDO

Former Defence Secretary Hemasiri Fernando had not seen any intelligence report produced by the Directorate of Military Intelligence (DMI) despite they had been addressed to him, it was revealed before the Presidential Commission of Investigation (PCoI) into the Easter Sunday Attacks on Tuesday (29).

During his testimony, the Commission showed Fernando several DMI reports sent to the Ministry of Defense containing the details on the conduct of National Thowheed Jamaat leader Zaharan Hashim and his followers in the pre-Easter Attack period

and then Fernando responded that it was the first time he saw such a report.

"Although these reports had been addressed to the Defence Secretary, they are directly forwarded to the State Intelligence Service (SIS) Director. He should brief me if some extraordinary information is there," he said. After scrutinizing the reports shown to him by the PCoI, the former Defence Secretary commented that all those reports have been properly prepared by the DMI along with analysis of the details given.

"I am worried so worried as to why I was not briefed on the important details in these reports by the SIS. TO PAGE 02

Two arrested for pelting stones at Sajith's meeting

CAMELIA NATHANIEL

Two suspects who pelted stones at a meeting attended by Opposition Leader Sajith Premadasa in Ratmalana were arrested yesterday (30).

The Samagi Jana Balawegaya (SJB)

leader was addressing the public meeting on Tuesday (29) evening at the Bangalawa Road housing complex in Ratmalana when certain individuals had pelted stones at the stage. TO PAGE 02

UNP reforms report due next week

SHIROMI ABEYASINGHE

The report including recommendations regarding the UNP's future political journey formulated under the supervision of UNP Deputy Leader Ruwan Wijewardene is due to be handed over to the Party Leader and former Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe next week.

Former Minister Sagala Ratnayaka, UNP General Secretary Akila Viraj Kariyawasam, former Minister and Ambassador Karunasena Kodithuwakku and CEO of the United National Party Shamal Senarath were engaged in drafting the report.

Views and proposals of UNP National Organizer Naveen Dissanayake, former Ministers Vajira Abeywardena and Arjuna Ranatunge and former

MPs Sandith Samarasinghe and Prof. Ashu Marasinghe were also obtained for the formulation of the report on the instructions of Party Leader Ranil Wickremesinghe.

20A to Constitution: Further hearing fixed for tomorrow

The Supreme Court yesterday fixed for tomorrow (02) further hearing into 39 Special Determination petitions filed challenging the constitutionality of the proposed 20th Amendment to the Constitution.

the Supreme Court intends to conclude hearing by Friday (02) itself.

When the petitions took up for further hearing for the second consecutive day, Counsel Pulasthi Hewamanna appearing for Transparency International informed the Supreme Court The Chief Justice announced that that judicial power TOPAGE 02

Knuckles auxiliary forest expansion proposed

HP KARUNARATNE - ALUVIHARA GROUP

The Government is focusing on the further expansion of the Knuckles auxiliary forests, GAPEC Sri Lanka Direc-

He said the decision was taken due

to deforestation of thousands of acres during the construction of the Moragahakanda/Kaluganga Reservoirs and villages under these reservoirs, which has lead to loss of water resources and caused environmental problems. TO PAGE 02



Children of the "Guna Jaya Sathuta Foundation" at Seenigama, Hikkaduwa engaged in drawing pictures using computer technology to mark World Children's Day which falls today (October 1). Picture by Wimal Karunathilake



tor Gamini Jayatissa said.

Children are the future of the nation - President

nation. It is the responsibility of the entire society to create an environment for them to develop their skills while enriching them with knowledge. As much as we give importance to nurture children's physical and mental health, we must also ensure they are brought up to be virtuous adults, states President Gotabaya Rajapaksa in his World Children's Day message.

The message: "Even if a country achieves high ranking in many ment indices, I believe that a country cannot be rated as one with a righteous society unless it possesses rich fundamental qualities such as human virtues and compassion. To build that kind of a country we should equip our present and future generations with technical skills and language competencies while enhancing their moral values".

"My sole purpose is to build a country where citizens conquer both the physical and mental pov-

It is guaranteed that in such a country children will live in peace, happiness and contentment. I believe that you will prudently steer the childhood of your offspring in order to create a generation that will experience the benefits of such a nation. Then only we can make the theme of this year's World Children's Day, 'Let's build our nation' a

Children should become healthy and productive citizens - PM

I am pleased to send this message for the national observance of World Children's Day.

Children are the future of every country, and it is our responsibility to ensure that our children are guided properly to enable them to become healthy and productive citizens, states Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa in a World Children's Day mes-

The message: "Foremost among this effort was securing a safe and must now work towards ensuring that every single child in Sri Lanka has access to the basic rights.

Towards this end, the Government is committed to ensuring all children enjoy safety at home and at school, have access to proper nutrition and healthcare, and a right to free educa-

As a country, we should also be able to offer every girl and boy a hope

peaceful nation, which so many of of their futures by offering opportuour generations were denied. We nities to live fulfilling lives.

Raising a child to become a productive individual is the collective task of society that includes not only the family and the Government, but also schools, teachers, religious mentors and communities.

I believe the mutual cultural, social and moral values that all communities of Sri Lanka share will allow us to come together to build a safe and prosperous nation for our children'.



More showers expected

DINULI FRANCISCO

The Department of Meteorology states that showers are expected in the Western, Sabaragamuwa and Central Provinces and in Galle and Matara districts.Light showers are also expected in North-Western, Northern and North

Northern and North Central Provinces and Trincomalee and Hambantota districts and in the western slopes of the central hills.

Issuing the weather forecast for the sea areas, the Meteorology Department stated that Showers will occur at several places in the sea area extending from Puttalam to Hambantota via Colombo and Galle. Showers or thundershowers will occur at a few places in the other sea areas around the

island. Heavy showers may occur in the Northern and North-eastern deep

It further stated that the deep and shallow sea areas off the coasts extending from Puttalam to Trincomalee via Mannar and Kankasanturai and in the sea areas off the coasts extending from Matara to Pottuvil via Hambantota can be fairly rough at times. The other sea areas around the island can be moderately rough at times.

The migrant foreign earnings for August and September this year, is in year. This is clearly notable when comparing statistics. Accordingly, we would be able to reach the same foreign earnings targets as last year by the end of the year," State Minister

Cabraal also noted that while foreign direct investment had been down during the first part of this and by the end of the year Sri Lanka would receive a considerable number of foreign investment. He said that

new Foreign Direct Investments (FDI) are expected to flow into the country through the Colombo Port City project, adding that the government intends to present the required legal framework to parliament and have it approved in the near future in

"Even after Moody's had downgraded Sri Lanka on Tuesday, the Central Bank was able to boost its foreign exchange \$30 million," he added. According to

den had increased considerably. In

if these reports were brought to my attention," he

SDIG Nilantha Jayawardena had a phone conversation with him following the WhatsApp images last year, but did not mention that Zaharan and his supporters were responsible for the blast.

When the PCoI asked him what action he could have taken if he was provided with full information, Fernando said he could have contacted the then President Maithripala Sirisena and got

Minister, I know the answer he would have given to me. At least, I could have asked the President

to why the witness did not contact the President after receiving the April 20 intelligence information, Fernando said, he was shocked at that moment and felt that there was no sufficient time

"I asked SDIG Jayawardena what should be

I also called the Inspector General of Police and informed him," he said.

The witness also said that Zaharan and his group had arrived in Colombo about three days before the bombings and that the Security Forces had not been able to detect any of them.

The Police Media Division said that it is suspected that there were around five gang members involved in this robbery.

According to our correspondent, the gang of robbers had arrived at the house and retrained the watchman and had entered the house. They had threatened the businessman and the family members with the weapons and stolen the valuables. The car in which the robbers had arrived was recorded on the CCTV camera system, but not the

Initial investigations have revealed that two of the gang members wearing helmets had been seen walking around and the robbers are said to have been in the house for around an hour. They had ransacked the whole house in search of valuables. The number plate of the car in which the thieves had arrived had been covered, and the police suspect that the robbers had been armed with pistols.

The police were engaged in recording statements from the residents yesterday and said that until a full account of the stolen goods are verified, it is not possible to determine the actual value of

the Katana Police under the directives of the Negombo Senior DIG Saman Sigera and ASP Palitha Amaratunge.

'National Electronic Waste Management Week -2020"

The Central Environmental Authority (CEA) and the Department of Posts have jointly declared the week from October 5 to 10 as the 'National Electronic Waste Management Week -2020" to commemorate World Postal Day, which falls on October 9.

Speaking at a media conference held yesterday at the Government Information Department, Environ-

Minister Mahinda Amaraweera said that an island wide programme to collect e-wastes is to be implemented during this week under the theme of "A Breathing Country, A Sri Lanka; Free of Electronic Waste with the financial assistance of Sri Lanka Telecom/ Mobitel."

People will be able to handover e-waste in their houses to post

offices during this week from 8 am to 4 pm.

"Under this programne, all kinds of e-waste except tube lights, refrigerators, equipment that are disjoint or of which internal parts are removed, equipment which are stained with earth, sand or mud and e-wastes that are brought by industrial organizations and reading shops will be accepted," the Minis-

Sri Lanka's foreign... From page 01

the recent past President said after defeating terror-

ism in 2009 priority of the Government as well as the

"The economy was weakened due to terrorism. We

required foreign investments for speedy development.

China came forward to invest in development projects

in the country. It was only a commercial transaction

between our two countries. But some described this

as a manifestation of a pro-China policy. Sri Lanka is

President Rajapaksa pointed out that the construc-

tion of the Hambantota Port with funding from China

was a project with enormous development potential,

although some call it a 'debt trap'. He said the previ-

ous Government leased the Hambantota Port to

China but it is being used only for commercial pur-

poses. Expressing their views the Ambassadors commended both President and the people of Sri Lanka

for successfully controlling the COVID - 19 pandem-

Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany

appointed as an envoy to Sri Lanka that has overcome

"We are not here to lecture you but to offer any pos-

sible assistance. We are certain that Sri Lanka is capa-

ble of choosing what needs to be done. We are ready

aspirations of Sri Lanka", both German Ambassador

DominikFurgler echoed. Communicating congratula-

tions of Pope Francis to the President for the massive

mandate received during elections Apostolic Nuncio

of the Holy See Monsignor Brian Udaigwe said he was a member of the entourage of the Holy Father

during his visit to Sri Lanka in 2015. The Apostolic

Nuncio said the geographical location is a great gift to

Budget to be presented... From page 01

Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa will present

Finance Minister. The government will present the

budget based on President Gotabhaya Rajapaksa's

people centric development, economic development

and welfare for the people. In addition focus would

also be paid on uplifting the businesses that have

suffered setbacks and uplifting of the business sec-

'Vistas of Prosperity' Policy Statement targeting

the budget in Parliament in his capacity as the

HolgerLotharSeubert and Switzerland Ambassador

to extend our cooperation to achieve development

ic. "Sri Lanka is so safe", Ambassador of Korea Mr.

Mr. HolgerLotharSeubert said he is pleased to be

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the COVID – 19 pandemic.

a friend of all countries," President explained.

people of Sri Lanka was to achieve a rapid develop-

with the new envoys based in

Colombo President said the Indian

Ocean should be a free zone open to every country. Five decades ago,

it was Sri Lanka that proposed

Indian Ocean to be declared as a

zone of peace, President recalled.

While paying attention to the

development efforts of Sri Lanka in

ASEAN Ambassadors... From page 01

Furthermore, it was stated that Sri Lanka is one of the leading countries in the world to have overcome the COVID 19 threat through the execution of a proper plan.

The Speaker and the Diplomatic community representatives discussed the COVID situation in each country and how Parliaments conduct their activities. While appreciating the close ties the ASEAN countries have with Sri Lanka, the Speaker reiterated that Sri Lanka will continue the friendship in the future as well.

An invitation to visit Kuala Lumpur to further strengthen the bilateral ties by the Ambassador of Malaysia was also extended to the Parliamentarians from Sri Lanka. The request was welcomed in principality where the ambassador stated that a written invitation in this regard will be sent to the Sri Lankan Parliament in the future.

Tan Yang Thai, High Commissioner of Malaysia to Sri Lanka, Pham Thi Bich Ngoc, Ambassador of Vietnam, Gusti Ngurah Ardiyasa, Ambassador of Indonesia, Chulamanee Chartsuwan, Ambassador of Thailand and Han Thu, Ambassador of Myanmar represented ASEAN at the meet-

The Speaker was accompanied by the Secretary General of Parliament Dammika Dasanayake and Wasantha Yapa Abeywardane

I never saw any DMI... From page 01

I could have taken certain preventive measures,

The witness further said that then SIS Director of the motorcycle blast in Kattankudy on April 16

"Having provided bits and pieces of information to me, now they try to hold me responsible for the Easter attacks," Fernando told the Commission in an aggressive mood.

"If I asked him whether I shall inform the Prime

whether a curfew should be imposed," he added.

In response to a question by the Commission as to do anything to prevent it.

Rs.30 mn robbery at... From page 01

motorcycles.

the stolen items.

Further investigations are being carried out by

Knuckles auxiliary... From page 01

Javatissa says said that with the exposure of the Amban Ganga as the water catchment area forest of the Moragahakanda Reservoir, it has been proposed to expand the Knuckles auxiliary forest area with the aim of preventing environmental problems due to the loss of water sources and loss of forest cover.

"Due to deforestation, wildlife, including wild elephants are invading villages," he said. The closure of elephant corridors and the loss of

food sources in forests have affected wild elephants causing a major threat to villagers.

Jayatissa says that the re-creation of wildlife habitats due to the expansion of the Knuckles forest enclosure will help alleviate the wildlife menace.

Two arrested for pelting... From page 01

No one was hurt in the incident and the Mount Lavinia Police had commenced investigations into the incident. As a result, the police had arrested a suspect from the Rashtamwatte area in Mount Lavinia early last morning, while another suspect had surrendered to the Mount Lavinia Police yesterday.

The two suspects aged 21 and 40 years are both residents of Rashtamwatte. They were produced before the Mount Lavinia Magistrate's Court yester-

However, despite the stone attack, SJB Leader Sajith Premadasa refused to leave the stage, adding that he is unafraid and is prepared to face any adver-

Central Provinces. The Meteorology Department further stated that winds about 40-50kmph can be expected across the island particularly in North- western, SRI LANKA HAS NEVER DEFAULTED... From page 01

fact, higher than the same period last Cabraal said.

year, but by now it has bounced back

order to facilitate such FDI's.

now stabilized and the Central Bank has been able to boost its foreign exchange reserves through inflows

reserves by another Cabraal, during t tenure of the previous government from 2015 to 2019, the debt bur-

2015 the country's debt burden was at 71% of GDP and by the end of the Good Governance regime in 2019, it had increased to 91% of GDP. "However, the government's aim is to reduce the debt to around 70% by 2025," he said.

He also noted that the rupee has

20A to Constitution:.. From page 01

of the people could be affected with the introduction of the 20th amendment to the constitution. He said the new bill would allow the president to make appointments to the apex courts solely on the discretion of the Presi-

"Legislative power and judicial

power of the people could be curtailed

once the mechanism for urgent bills is

introduced. Currently, people can chal-

lenge the acts of the President through

Fundamental Rights petitions", Hewamanna said. "Public trust doctrine is connected with Article 1 and Article 3 of the constitution. Several clauses of the bill violate public trust doctrine since it deters the independence mechanisms monitoring public funds. The Election Commission is required to be independent. The bill takes away certain powers of the election commission which would

rights," he further added. Hewamanna further submitted to the court that most of the clauses are violating the democratic rights of the people including franchise rights and freedom of expression.

definitely affect people's franchise

Counsel Shiral Lakthilaka appearing for former Central Province Governor Keerthi Tennakoon told the Supreme Court that the 20th Amendment has been drafted with the objective of

monopolizing the executive president. He argued that the 20th amendment to the constitution violates the basic structure of the constitution and such an amendment cannot be even passed through a special amendment.

"This implies the future president would not be much concerned about checks and balances governing the system.

Popular sovereignty is explained in Article 3 of the constitution. I am not against the executive president. We are not challenging the immunity of the President. But concentration of all

powers to one entity would not be healthy for democracy," Lakthilaka said.

The executive wants the Auditor General to be subservient to the President. Removal of the national audit commission is a violation of fiscal sovereignty. This is not an ordinary constitution-

al amendment. It would change the

basic structure of the constitution and would affect the basic principles of people's sovereignty, separation of power, limited governance and judicial review, he said. Counsel Gehan Gunatilleke appearing for Samagi Tharuna Balawegaya propaganda Secretary Rasika Jayakody

cle 91(1)(d)(xiii) of the Constitution through clause 17 would affect the sovereignty of the people as it permits dual citizenship holders to enter Parliament. Gunatilleke said that holding citizenship in any other country typically

entails pledging allegiance to a sover-

eign other than the people of Sri

submitted to court that repeal of Arti-

Lanka. He further said that sovereignty in the case of Sri Lanka would be the People of Sri Lanka. Therefore, any person taking the foreign citizenship oath would be renouncing all fidelity to the People of Sri Lanka.

Gunatilleke argued that the Clause 17 would therefore require approval by the People at a Referendum in terms of Article 83 of the Constitu-

Senior Counsel Viran Corea appearing for Attorney-at-Law Lihini Fernando moved the Court not to accept or pronounce anything regarding the proposed amendments to be brought during the committee stage since it was introduced without re-gazetting.

Viran Corea stated that no government can take away constitutional provisions given that weaken effectiveness of checks and balances by a two third

of majority alone. Corea further submitted to the court that if those checks and balances are taken away, abuses will result in a weakening of the Sovereignty of the

He further stated that dual citizens entering Parliament creates divided loyalties that can prejudicially affect 'independence' of the republic which is protected by Article 1 itself, which says Sri Lanka shall be an independent republic.

Mr. Corea concluded that as this is an entrenched provision, a referendum is needed to allow dual citizens to start influencing legislative functions.

President's Counsel Farman Cassim

appearing for Samagi Jana Balawegaya

parliamentarian Mayantha Dissanayake

explained the consequences which

could arise in the absence of Audit

Commission, Bribery Commission and National Procurement Commission. Minister Nimal Siripala de Silva, Minister Prof. G.L. Peiris, Minister Gamini Lokuge, W. Dayaratne PC, Attorney Sagara Kariyawasam, Ven. Omare Kassapa Thera, W.A.D. Weeratilleke and P.G.B. Abeyratne sought court's permission to intervene into

these Special Determination petitions. The Supreme Court five-judge-bench comprised Chief Justice Jayantha Jayasuriya, Justices Buwaneka Aluwihare, Sisira de Abrew, Priyantha Jayawardena and Vijith K. Malalgoda.

President's Counsel Sanjeewa Jayawardena, Shavindra Fernando PC, Kushan de Alwis, Gamini Marapana PC, Navin Marapana PC, counsel Rajpal Abeynayake appeared for the intervenient petitioners.

Attorney General Dappula de Livera with Acting Solicitor General Sanjay Rajaratnam, Additional Solicitor General Indika Demuni de Silva, Additional Solicitor General Farzana Jameel appeared for the Attorney General.

'Bhumi Sathkaraka' project launched in North

A new project named 'Bhumi Sathkaraka' was inaugurated by Foreign Minister Dinesh Gunawardena at Settikulam, Vavuniya on September 27 especially involving widows displaced by the war and the Northern people, to restore the ecosystem destroyed by the war in the North.

Families involved in the project are encouraged to grow economic crops in their home gardens and the specialty of this project is to calculate the amount of oxygen released into the environment annually from such plants and provide a financial grant for up to four years.

According to the founder of the project Dr. Ranil Senanayake, arrangements have been made to cultivate economic crops such as Jak, Mango

and Coconut in all home gardens and public lands in the Northern Province and to pay the families who take care of these plants by calculating the amount of oxygen released by the plants annually into the environment.

Foreign Minister Dinesh Gunawardena points out that this will allow the people of the North to revive the environment destroyed by the war as well as the lives of the people in the North and to build a new life in a new environment with fresh

He also said that human rights violations were not taking place in the North as alleged by some foreign organisations and individuals and the government is committed to restore the lives of the people in the North.



Foreign Minister Dinesh Gunawardena planting a sapling with the founder of the project Dr. Ranil Senanayake and MPs Dr. Raghavan, Yadamini Gunawardena, Cader Mastan and the



High Commissioner of Pakistan Major General (Retd.) Muhammad Saad Khattak paid a courtesy call on Education Minister Prof. G.L. Peiris on Monday. During the meeting several topics of common interest came under discussion regarding mutual cooperation in the field of education. Picture by Ashraff A.Samad

Old Hardians General Meeting

The General Meeting of Old Hardians Association will be held at 10 am on November 8, at the Prof. Evan A Hardy Centre No 511/1, Ratmalana. It will be "strictly adhering to Hygiene and Preventive measures" followed by a fellowship Lunch. The General Meeting which was scheduled to be held on March 29 this year had to be postponed due to the COVID-19 threat.



A photographic exhibition under the concept of Tea Liquid arranged by the plantation youth was held in Colombo recently. This exhibition was also held in the Talawakelle, Badulla and Bandarawela areas. Sports Minister Namal Rajapaksa was the Chief Guest at the exhibition on the invitation of Ceylon Workers' Congress General Secretary and State Minister of Estate Housing and Community Infrastructure Jeevan Thondaman. Minister Rajapaksa thanked the students who participated in this exhibition and promised to look into their requirements.

Houses for 110 families under 'Lakhiru Sevana' (Phase I) programme

Under the resettlement plan for households affected by the rehabilitation of the Kelani Valley railway line, (Phase I), 110 families were given new houses at the 'Lakhiru Sevana' Housing Complex in Maligawatte, yesterday as compensation for the lands that were acquired for the project from Maradana to Avissawel-

Transport Minister Gamini Lokuge and Vehicle Regulation, Bus Transport Services and Train Compartments and Motor Car Industry State Minister Dilum Amunugama handed over deeds and keys to the families at a ceremony held at the BMICH in Colombo, yester-

"All illegal houses constructed in railway lands and reserves from Maradana to Padukka will be removed, and their families will be resettled ensuring superior post-resettlement living conditions. We have planned to free up the railway reserves which can be utilized for the sustainable development projects while providing better living standards to people in slums beside Kelani Valley Railway line," Minister Transport Minister Gamini Lokuge said.

Accordingly, 384 housing units at the



Transport Minister Gamini Lokuge and Vehicle Regulation, Bus Transport Services and Train Compartments and Motor Car Industry State Minister Dilum Amunugama at the ceremony.

"Lakhirisevana" housing scheme in Maligawatte which was constructed under the Urban Regeneration Program by the Urban Development Authority has allocated for the resettlement of families affected by the rehabilitation of the KV line. Under this project, 261 families have already been provided houses under the first place at this complex.

At present, the single track of the KV line is not functioning properly due to structural and encroachment issues. As a result, the maximum speed at which trains could go at is limited to 35Km/h, the minister said.

To address these issues, the reconstruction of the KV line has commenced, particularly to convert the existing single line to a double line and install signaling and electrification systems. Therefore, this task would necessitate the resettlement of communities occupying the land required for the expansion of the railway line.

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IT IS IMPORTANT TO

MAINTAIN GOOD NUTRITION

AND ADEQUATE HYDRATION

WOULD LIKE TO ADVISE THEM

TO CONSUME FRESH FRUITS

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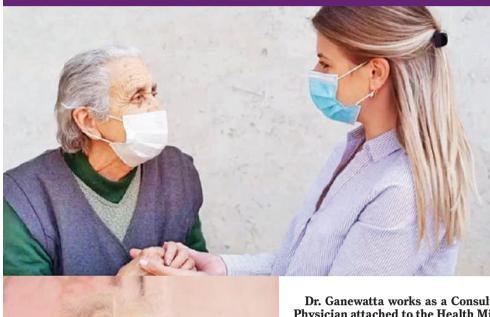
NUTRIENTS THAT ARE

UNIVERSAL ELDERS' DAY TODAY

ACCORDING TO WORLD STATISTICS, THE PERSONS WHO ARE OVER 80 YEARS HAVE A FIVE-FOLD GREATER RISK OF DEATH COMPARED TO THE AVERAGE RATE. AN ESTIMATED 66 PERCENT OF PEOPLE AGED 70 AND OVER HAVE AT LEAST ONE UNDERLYING CHRONIC MEDICAL CONDITION, PLACING THEM AT INCREASED RISK OF SEVERE ILLNESS FROM COVID-19. AVAILABLE DATA FROM CHINA SHOW THAT APPROXIMATELY 80 PERCENT OF DEATHS IN THE COUNTRY OCCUR AMONG ADULTS AGED 60 YEARS AND OVER. AND THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION HAS REPORTED THAT OVER 95 PERCENT OF FATALITIES DUE TO COVID-19 IN EUROPE HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED IN ELDERS OVER 60 YEARS



SHIELDING ELDERS from COVID-19



Dr. Ganewatta works as a Consultant Physician attached to the Health Ministry. Additionally, she obtained required qualifications in Geriatric (Elderly Care) Medicine from the Royal College of Physicians, London and comprehensive on-the-job training at the Geriatric Medical Ward in Queens University Hospital, London, UK.

In this article, she shares her expert opinion with the Daily News from her apt academic and clinical know-how regarding the subject.

■ What are the key impacts of COVID-19 pandemic on older persons?

A. All age groups are at risk due to the COVID-19 pandemic; yet, available evidence indicates that older persons and those with underlying medical conditions are at a higher risk of serious illnesses. Seri-

ous illnesses mean that persons with COVID-19 may require hospitalization, intensive care, or a ventilator to help them breathe, or they may even die. Often, chronic health conditions are more prevalent in old age, increasing the risks of said complications of COVID-19.

According to world statistics, the persons who are over 80 years have a five-fold greater risk of death compared to the average rate. An estimated 66 percent of people aged 70 and over have at least one underlying chronic medical condition, placing them at increased risk of severe illness from COVID-19. Available data from China show that approximately 80 percent of deaths in the country occur among adults aged 60 years and over. And the World Health Organization has reported that over 95 percent of fatalities due to COVID-19 in Europe have been identified in elders over 60 years.

As this can lead to a life-and-death situation, it is a must to follow the precautionary guidelines given by the Health

U■ What are underlying medical conditions that make them more vulnerable?

A. When people get older, they acquire multiple chronic



nity for any acute infection not only for COVD-19. A virulent and highly infectious disease such as COVID-19 definitely invades the elderly population and causes higher mortality and morbidity.

Based on what we know at this time, people with the following various medical conditions are at an increased risk for severe illnesses from COVID-19. Some of them are, Type 2 diabetes mellitus, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), Chronic kidney disease, Obesity with Body Mass Index of 30 or higher, immuno-compromised states like solid organ transplant and cancers, and serious heart conditions such as heart failure and coronary artery disease. Not only that, undernutrition is also a risk factor which is fairly a common problem among older people.

What are the steps that could be taken to reduce the risk of contracting COVID-19?

A. By now, almost everyone knows this. However, most of the public in Sri Lanka currently do not follow correct instructions as they are under a false sense of security, since only a low number of cases are reported. It is important to understand, in a global pandemic situation, especially when neighbouring countries are suffering heavily from this disease, we all, including older adults, should continue to take precautions to protect from contracting the disease. The best way to protect yourself and to help reduce the spread of the virus that causes COVID-19 is to limit your interactions with other people as much as possible.

Wear masks properly. Maintain social distancing as much as possible. It is paramount important to continue the correct way of handwashing frequently.

$oldsymbol{\mathsf{Q}_ullet}$ Can you explain other issues that confront elders apart from the above-said life-and-death situation?

A. Other than its immediate health impact, the pandemic is also putting older people at greater risk of poverty and unemployment; dramatic impact on their wellbeing and mental health, the trauma of stigma and discrimination lead to social isolation. Those broader effects are less visible but no less worrisome. It is also reported that there are many instances of neglect and abuse in institutions and care facilities. As a doctor who has an interest in providing special care for the elderly, I have experienced the said problems which are unrelated to COVID-19 among this vulnerable group, frequently in our setup. Listing the grievances of such elders is very pathetic. However, that is our moral responsibility to satisfy them and suggest apt solutions within our framework. In the face of life-threatening pandemics, older persons face challenges in accessing medical treatments and healthcare as well. Those who are having disabilities and chronic conditions may experience further difficulties in accessing healthcare and become more marginalised.

Mainly this will affect their social and economic wellbeing and, it not only has an impact on their health but also on their lives and safety.

Older persons may rely on multiple income sources, including paid work, savings, financial support from families and pensions, all of which may be in jeopardy because of the pandemic. Therefore, the pandemic may significantly lower

older persons' incomes and living standards. The restrictions on freedom of movement and physical distancing can lead to loneliness, disruption of essential care and support for older persons. Prolonged periods of social isolation could have a serious effect on the mental healthsuch as depression and anxiety. It also affects their social networks such as monthly gatherings in local communities, religious activities and their jobs.

■ What could be done to prevent or minimize those issues?

A. We just see the tip of the iceberg. To have a better picture of it, we need to create awareness across the community and the elderly population should be very clear about how they can seek help and support safely. During the lockdown period, we were able to provide medicine and follow-up care for the elderly who were unable to attend clinics through the creation of an effective communication and networking system.

As doctors, we need to remain alert about the signs of elderly abuse, both physical and psychological, especially in patients with dementia, stroke and people who are dependent on caregivers.

You can encourage family members, friends and neighbours to keep in touch with older people online or over the phone to reduce social isolation and to provide support safely. Finally, the community, and especially older adults, should be aware of the available facilities and resources during this difficult time.

Can you further explain how old adults could get rid of loneliness?

A. During the last few months when the country went into restrictions due to COVID-19, social interactions were minimum. However, it was also realized that the quality of interactions is not as important as you might imagine. A short text message, a wave from a neighbour or a

few words with the postman made big difference in the feeling of isolation in the elderly. Also, knowing latest technology can be an advantage. Video calls and messages via social media reassure that you are not alone.

Having a sense of purpose is also important for overall wellbeing. Maintaining personal hygiene every day, doing activities such as gardening, keeping pets, reading and writing are such enduring pastimes for many isolated older adults. Doing regular physical exercises also improves mental and physical wellbeing.

The practice of simple activities will reduce depression, cognitive decline and importantly, forgetfulness in older adults who are alone.

U■ Any advice for elders?

A. It is important to maintain good nutrition and adequate hydration to boost immunity and overall wellbeing. I would like to advise them to consume fresh fruits and vegetables, and protein-rich foods such as fish, meat, eggs, pulses and legumes. Fruits and vegetables contain a lot of micro-nutrients that are essential for the immune system, bone health and cognitive wellbeing. Proteinrich foods are important to maintain muscle strength and function. All these advantages will have a positive impact on the inbuilt physiological and biological reserve which is the mainstay of fighting against ill-

Not only that, the elderly should also attend their routine medical reviews as per the facilities available and adhere to regular medication in order to prevent acute worsening of chronic medical conditions such as high blood sugar levels in diabetes mellitus and strokes in uncontrolled high blood pressure. They will need hospital admissions for acute care and may end up in the hospital due to problems such as infections and falls.

I have already explained the additional benefits of maintaining positive thinking, social networking, new technological knowledge and regular exercises during this lockdown. Also, older people should take maximum precautions to prevent indoor accidents, especially falls and fracture, which carry higher mortality and morbidity than COVID-19. We should remember that, older persons are not just victims of this pandemic. They are also responders.

U■ What do you mean by 'responders'?

A. Older persons play multiple roles in society as caregivers, health workers, volunteers, community leaders and essential service providers.

Therefore, the voice, perspectives, and expertise of older persons in identifying problems and solutions in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic need to be addressed. Those should be sufficiently incorporated into the decision-making process. It is important to harness their knowledge and also to ensure their free, active and meaningful participation in overcoming this crisis and beyond.

$oldsymbol{\mathsf{U}}_ullet$ As a health professional, can you be happy about the current situation in the country?

A. My genuine and impartial estimation is 'yes'. Though we are a developing nation, we have a very good healthcare system that has been developing over a period of time which comprises highly knowledgeable and skilled healthcare professionals. During this period, the leadership of the country was able to gather the said health resource network together with other resources such as Security Forces under one umbrella to control this pandemic which was a successful model even much-admired by the World Health Organization.

As a person who directly involved in the crucial times, my honest opinion is all levels of healthcare workers offered their maximum unconditional support as a team while keeping their lives in the verge of ruin even when there was a lack of required ideal safety items such as personal protective equipment. We should thank our citizens for being responsible and adhering to the situation.

At last but not least, considering the present pandemic situation in the world, we should prepare to live with COVID-19 for at least another couple of years. The Government does not have any option other than opening the air and sea gateways of the country in the near future in order to maintain the economy. Therefore, we cannot either relax or neglect the guidelines introduced by health authorities.

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Lankan Ambassador Ajwad calls on new Omani Labour Minister



Sri Lankan Ambassador Ameer Ajwad with Omani Labour Minister Prof. Mahad Said bin Ali Baawain.

Sri Lankan Ambassador to Oman Ameer Ajwad paid a courtesy call onnew Omani Labour Minister Prof. Mahad Said bin Ali Baawain on September 27.

Ambassador Ameer Ajwad congratulated Prof. Ali Baawain on his appointment to the new portfolio and extended his best wishes for the Minister's successful tenure. Ambassador Ameer Ajwad also extended gratitude to the Government of Oman for the employment opportunities provided to Sri Lankan nationals to work in different sectors in the Sultanate and Minister Ali Baawain hailed the valuable contribution made by Sri Lankan migrant work-

at Elders' Homes on the rise

Elders' Homes is increasing love and affection of their chil-

talam District.

Number of people seeking shelter

gala District and 151 elders in

three Elders' Homes in the Put-

dren. There are elders from

well-to-do families, too. Some

children are in the habit of added.

"These elders have lost the

ers for the development of Oman. They had a discussion on issues related to labour, future cooperation in the field of skilled labour and training, as well as collaboration in streamlining labour

The new Ministry of Labour of Oman was recently established by Sultan Haitham bin Tarik, merging the Ministry of Manpower, Ministry of Civil Service, the National Training Fund, and the National Centre for Employment of the Sultanate of Oman. Senior Officials from the Ministry of Labour of Oman and First Secretary of the Embassy Dilini Abeysekara were also present at the

stands and other public places.

This is a very sad state of

from a very young age the value

and importance of caring for

"Children should be taught

affairs," Fernando said.

Breast cancer awareness programmes to be launched this month

ISHARA MUDUGAMUWA and SANDYA KARUNARATNE

The Breast Cancer Awareness Month, marked in countries across the world every October, helps to raise awareness about the disease, early detection and treatment, as well as palliative care of this

According to the statistics, there are about 3,500 new breast cancer cases reported each year, and there are 10 such cases reported per a day in Sri Lanka.

Therefore, Health authorities have decided to implement several programmes, including awareness campaigns during the month of October under the theme of "Early Detection May Save Your Life", aiming to improve the chances of survival for people living with cancer by ensuring that health services can focus on diagnosing and treating the disease earli-

It has been reported that the majority of people living with breast cancer are over 50 years and the number of breast cancer patients have increased during the



Rs. 74,382,610/-





Janaka Sugath Perera received his appointment letter as the new Gampaha District Scout Commissioner from Chief Scout Commissioner Major General Milinda Peiris,

Arrested with stolen jewellery

SIVAM PACKIYANATHAN, Batticaloa Special Corr.

Kattankudy OIC Duminda Nayanasiri said that three suspects alleged to have broken into 12 houses and committed theft have been arrested with 55 sovereigns worth of gold jewellery, as well as a car and a motorcycle, on Monday.

These houses had been robbed at Arayampathy and Navatkudha, in the Kattankudy Police area.

Date: 29.09.2020

Elders' Homes in the Kurune- abandoning their parents in bus

Draw No.: 3386 **Colour: LIGHT BLUE** alish Lerre **Winning Numbers**

Rs. 5,483,140/-

Total Value of Prizes

Winning tickets are valid only for six months

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Winning number for Rs. 500/- cash prizes (2809)



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Date Tuesday **Winning English Letter and Numbers**

The winning tickets will be valid for 6 months.

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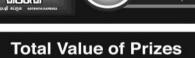
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Tel: 0112 333 546-47 Hotline: 0114 824 824, 0112 333 778 or 1919

Next Super Jackpot Rs. 84,898,465/-

Yellow, Pink and Green coloured tickets are valid on Sundays, Tuesdays and Fridays respectively. Winning tickets are valid for 6 months.



Date: 29.09.2020 Draw No.: 1056 Colour: LIGHT BLUE

Rs. 5,499,420/-

Total Value of Prizes

Winning number for Rs. 500/- cash prizes

Winning number for Rs. 100/- cash prizes 641

Winning tickets are valid only for six months

Date: 29-09-2020



Total value of prizes

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Super Jackpot Rs. 2,749,073/-SPECIAL NUMBERS For Rs.500 prizes 7579 For Rs.100 prizes 610

The winning ticket will be valid for 6 month



IN THE SUPREME COURT LIST OF CASES OCTOBER 02 JAYANTHA JAYAS-URIYA P.C. (C.J.)

B.P. ALUVIHARA (P.C.)(J)SISIRA J. DE ABREW

PRIYANTHA JAYA-WARDANE (P.C.) (J) VIJITH K. MALAL-GODA P.C. J. COURT NO. 501

AT 10.00 A.M. FOR SPECIAL **DETERMINATION** 1. SC.SD. No. 01/20

– SD No. 01/20 2. SC.SD. No. 02/20 - SD No. 01/20 3. SC.SD. No. 03/20

– SD No. 01/20 4. SC.SD. No. 04/20 - SD No. 01/20

5. SC.SD. No. 05/20 – SD No. 01/20 6. SC.SD. No. 06/20

– SD No. 01/20 7. SC.SD. No. 07/20 - SD No. 01/20 8. SC.SD. No. 08/20

- SD No. 01/20 9. SC.SD. No. 09/20 – SD No. 01/20

10. SC.SD. No. 10/20 – SD No. 01/20 11. SC.SD. No. 11/20

– SD No. 01/20 12. SC.SD. No. 12/20 – SD No. 01/20

13. SC.SD. No. 13/20 – SD No. 01/20 14. SC.SD. No. 14/20

– SD No. 01/20 15. SC.SD. No. 15/20 – SD No. 01/20

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NA J. Y. KODAGODA P.C. J. **COURT NO. 502** (FROM 10.00 A.M. <u>– 11.30 A.M.)</u> TO BE

MENTIONED

1. SC.HC.CA.LA 31/17 - HCCA 01/16 2. SC. Appeal No.

- HCCA 78/11 3. SC. (Spl.) LA 463/19 - CA 18/16

4. SC. Application FR 241/20 **FOR**

SUPPORT 1. SC. Appeal No. 113/17

- CA No. 1288/99 **FOR LEAVE** TO PROCEED 1. SC. Application

FR 72/20 2. SC. Application FR 206/20

3. SC. Application FR 277/20 4. SC. Application

FR 278/20 5. SC. Application FR 286/20

(FROM 11.30 A.M. - 12.45 P.M.) FOR GRANTING **OF LEAVE**

1. SC. HC. LA 61/19 - HC(Civil) 395/19 2. SC. HC.CA.

LA 140/19 – CA 1178/18 3. SC. HC.CA. LA 221/19 – HCCA 19/17

4. SC. HC.CA. LA 391/19 - HCCA 112/16 5. SC. (Spl.) LA 448/19 - CA 75/19 6. SC. HC.

LA 61/20 - CHC 730/19 COURT NO. 502 (FROM 11.30 A.M. <u>- 12.45 P.M.)</u> **FOR**

ARGUMENT 1. SC. Appeal No. 56/18 - CA 18/13 (Top of the list)

2. SC.HC.CA.LA 239/20 - HCCA 256/19

(FROM 01.30 P.M. <u>- 03.00 P.M.)</u> **INQUIRY** 1. SC. Rule No.

01/2007 **FOR ARGUMENT** 1. SC. Appeal No. 130/15

- HCCA 10/08 2. SC. Appeal No. 10/16 - CA 402/99 3. SC. Application FR 84/16 WITH 154/16 - 155/16

4. SC. Appeal No. 119/16 - HCCA 102/14 MURDU N.B. FER-NANDO P.C.J.

S. THURAIRAJA P.C. E.A.G.R. AMAR-ASEKERA J. **COURT NO. 403** (FROM 10.00 A.M.

FOR DELIVERY <u>OF JUDGEMENT</u> 1. SC. Appeal No.

228/17 - HC ALT 83/14 TO BE

MENTIONED 1. SC. (Spl.) LA No. 148/17 - CA 107/13 2. SC. Writ No. 12/19

3. SC. Application FR 36/20 4. SC. Application FR 287/20 FOR SUPPORT

1. SC. HC.CA. LA 47/20 - HCCA 16/16 **FOR LEAVE**

TO PROCEED 1. SC. Application FR 28/14 2. SC. Application FR 69/20

3. SC. Application FR 171/20 (FROM 11.30 A.M. <u>- 12.45 P.M.)</u>

<u>TO BE</u> **MENTIONED** 1. SC. Application FR 348/12 WITH 530/12 2. SC. Application FR 71/16

FOR LEAVE **TO PROCEED** 1. SC. Application FR 164/20

FOR GRANTING **OF LEAVE** 1. SC. (Spl.) LA 27/15 - CA 209/12 2. SC. (Spl.) LA 11/19

- CA 378/13 3. SC. (Spl.) LA 271/19 - CA 152/19 4. SC.HC.CA. LA 26/20

-HCCA 09/18 5. SC.HC.CA. LA 50/20 -HCCA 59/18 with 51/20 6. SC.HC.CA. LA 204/20

-HCCA 1853/19 **FOR ARGUMENT** 1. SC. Application (FROM 01.30 P.M. <u>- 03.00 P.M.)</u> ARGUMENT

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1.SC. Appeal No. 78/19 - HCCA 289/12 (Top of the list) 2. SC. Appeal No.

- HC 843/11 3. SC. Appeal No. 150/14 - HCCA 69/00 4. SC. Appeal No.

- HCCA 603/08 5. SC. Application IN THE COURT OF APPEAL

LIST OF CASES FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 02 A.H.M.D NAWAZ (J) (P/CA)

SOBITHA RAJA-KARUNA J. COURT NO. 301 AT 09.30A.M. **FOR SUPPORT** 1. 150/20

Writ of Cert A.H.M.D NAWAZ (J) (P/CA) SOBITHA RAJA-KARUNA J.

COURT NO. 301 AT 10.00 A.M. TO BE **MENTIONED** 1. 106/20

Writ of Cert

FOR SUPPORT 1. 33/20 Writ of Cert 2.36/20Writ of Cert 3. 43/20 Writ of Cert 4. 206/20

Writ of Cert 5. 05/19 LTA FOR ARGUMENT 1. 104/19 Writ of Cert 2. 13/13 TAX 3. 11/14 TAX 4. 20/19 TAX WITH 30/19 TAX

GHE (J.) DEVIKA ABEYRATH-COURT NO. 107 AT 10.00 A.M. **SUPPORT** 1. 109/20 PA

K.K. WICKRAMASIN-

FOR ARGUMENT 1. 123/16 PHC 2. 277/14 HC 3. 45 - 48/15 HC 4. 231 - 235/15 HC 5. 317/17 HC 6. 417/17 HC 7. 285/19 HC A. L. S. GOONER-ATNE J. DR. RUWAN FER-

NANDO (J)

COURT NO. 204

AT 10.00 A.M. TO BE MENTIONED 1. 318/96 (F) DC 2. 02/19 REV **COURT NO. 204** AT10.00 A.M.CONTD...

FOR ARGUMENT 1. 189/12 PHC ACHALA WENGAP-PULI J. K. PRIYANTHA FER-NANDO (J)

COURT NO. (110) <u>AT 10.00 A.M.</u> <u>TO BE</u> MENTIONED 1. 142/16 PHC 2. 172/16 PHC

3. 65/20 PA $4.298/19\ HC$ 5. 300/19 HC **FOR SUPPORT** 1. 32/20 BA

NOTICE RETURNABLE 1. 250/19 PHC 2. 254/19 PHC FOR INQUIRY

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EKERE J. **COURT NO. (206)** AT 10.00 A.M. FOR ARGUMENT 1. 277/15 Writ of Cert

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IN THE **PROVINCIAL HIGH COURT** OF CIVIL APPEAL <u>WESTERN</u> **PROVINCE** (COLOMBO) LIST OF CASES FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 02 LAFFAR THAHIR (H.C.J.) WICKUM KALUAR-

(AT 10.00 A.M.) <u>FOR</u> SUPPORT 15/20 (RA) HCCA/Colombo LA 79/20 HCCA/Colombo **FOR ARGUMENT**

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2020

Plans afoot to transform Sri Lanka Postal Service

President directs officials to study int'l postal services

13TH YEAR REMEMBRANCE



Tulin Seneviratne Called to Rest on 01.10.2007

Dearest Ammi, The world changes from year to year, Our

lives from day to day,

But the love and memory of you shall never pass away. Ever loving Daughter, Sons, Daughters in law and **Grand Daughters**

26, 4th Lane, Epitamulla Road, Pita Kotte.

TWELVETH DEATH ANNIVERSARY



KINGSLEY T. WICKRAMARATNE

Death : 1st October 2008 You will be in our

May you attain the supreme bliss of Nirvana!

Fondly remembered by the Board of Directors & Staff of

Media Monkey (Pvt) Ltd & Marketing (Pvt) Ltd)

PRAYER FOR PROTECTION THROUGH THE PRECIOUS **BLOOD OF JESUS**

Lord JESUS, by faith in Your merits, I now take your precious blood and sprinkle it over myself and my family right from the crown of my head to the very soles of my feet. I claim total and complete protection for my life and my family.

Lord JESUS, keep me free today from evil, sin, temptation, satan's attacks and afflictions, fear, of darkness, fear of men, sickness, diseases, doubts, anger, all calamities and from all that is not of Thy Kingdom

Fill me Lord JESUS with the gift of your Holy Spirit and grant me the gift of wisdom, knowledge, understanding and discernment so that I will live today in Your glory by doing that which is right

> I Praise You, Jesus I Thank You, Jesus I Love You, Jesus I Adore You, Jesus

Holy Spirit, you makes me see everything and shows me the way to reach my ideals. You who gives me the divine gift to forgive and forget the wrong that i done to me, and You who are in all instances of my life with me. I, in this short dialogue want to thank you for everything and affirm once more that I never want to be separated from you. no matter how great the material desire may be

I want to be with you and my loved ones in Your Perpetual Glory.

(MENTION YOUR REQUEST) Thank You, Holy Spirit, for Your love towards me and my loved ones. Amen.

This prayer should be said for 3 consecutive days.

After the 3rd day the request will be granted, no matter how difficult it may be. While making the request, one must either. 01) Promise to publish on

granting of the favour 02) Promise to circulate copies

of it to as many people as

(THIS IS TO SPREAD THE WONDER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT)

Thanksgiving

CHAMIKARA WEERASINGHE

President Gotabaya Rajapaksa has advised Sri Lanka Postal Department officials analyze progressive improvement of the international postal service and implement necessary management programmes for the expansion of Sri Lanka Postal Service.

The President said on Tuesday during a meeting held at the Presidential Secretariat to discuss the future course of action of the State Ministry of Postal Services and Professional Development that the Sri Lanka Postal Service can become a principal contributor to the country's economy when its

operations are properly developed and managed.

"In view of the rapid expansion of postal business, the Sri Lanka Postal Department must urgently identify the pressing need for improvement and provide a yardstick for future progress," President Rajapaksa pointed out.

The Postal Department is currently running at a loss of about Rs 6 billion. It generates an income of Rs 8 billion annually. The department's expenditure runs to about Rs 14 billion on account of having overtime payments, the salaries and other costs.

"With the introduction of Revival and Poverty Eradica-

services, the postal department can be transformed into a profit making institution," the President empha-

They discussed renovating the old post office buildings in an island-wide programme. The Ministry of Tourism is to assist this program I which the postal buildings will be renovated while preserving their antiq-

It was decided to renovate the old Central Postal Building in Colombo Fort under the programme.

The Chief of the Presidential Task Force on Economic

enhanced technologies and tion, Basil Rajapaksa here commended the Postal Department for its work in delivering medicine from hospitals and pharmacies to homes during the COVID 19 pandemic period.

Basil Rajapaksa said the Postal Service could attract a large number of customers to its fold by further improving its Speed Post service.

Gem exporters tend to seek the services of private companies to distribute their gems by paying higher rates; Basil Rajapaksa said that by having a door-to - door delivery system, the Sri Lanka Post would have the potential to generate higher reve-

Appointment of Apostolic Nuncio of the Holy See to Sri Lanka



The Government of the Holy See with the concurrence of the Government of Sri Lanka has appointed Monsignor Brian Udaigwe as the Apostolic Nuncio of the Holy See to Sri Lanka in succession of Monsignor Pierre Nguyên Van Tot. He presented his credentials to President Gotabaya Rajapaksa at President's House yesterday.

Government to develop 100,000 kms of road - Lansa



Rural Roads and Other Infrastructure State Minister Nimal Lanza inspecting a road development

IRANGIKA RANGE

Rural Roads and Other Infrastructure State Minister Nimal Lanza said the Government has embarked on massive infrastructure development drive which includes tres of roads belonging to the Provincial Councils and baya Rajapaksa. selected major roads belonging to the Local Government

He added that the Government has targeted to develop

100,000 kilometres of the road network within the next four years. "The development of 100,000 kilometres of road is a big project. It should be completed in the next four years. The project developing 100,000 kilome- is a promise given to the people by the President Gota-

Prior to 2005, only kilometres of roads were carpeted in a year. But, we have been able to carpet 4000 kilometres of roads after the end-

ing of the terrorist war. Now, we have a target of carperting 100,000 kilometres of road network within the next four years. In order to achieve this target, the political authority and the relevant officials including contractors have a major responsibility to work with a greater commitment.

State Minister Lanza was speaking while participating in a road development project in Negombo recently.

Indian HC Defence Advisor calls on Navy Chief of Staff

The Defence Advisor at the Indian High Commission in Sri Lanka, Captain Vikas Sood called on the Chief of Staff of the Navy, Rear Admiral Kapila Samaraweera at the Navy Headquarters on Tuesday.

The visiting Indian Defence Advisor expressed his best wishes to Rear Admiral Kapila Samaraweera, who assumed office as the new Chief of Staff of Sri Lanka Navy. The ensuing discussion focused on several matters of Indian High Commission Defence Advisor bilateral importance and the cordial meeting Captain Vikas Sood with Navy Chief of Staff concluded with an exchange of mementos.



Rear Admiral Kapila Samaraweera.

Johnston instructs RDA to finish Udahamulla - Madiwela Road renovation



Minister Johnston Fernando with RDA officials during the inspection tour of the Udahamulla -Madiwela Road reconstruction work.

Highways Minister Johnston Fernando has instructed Road Development Authority (RDA) officials to complete the reconstruction work on the Udahamulla – Madiwela Road within 15 days following the instructions of President Gotabaya Rajapaksa.

Residents using this road face severe inconveniences currently due to the delay of the construction work of the road, which stretches for 1.2 kilometres. The work has been postponed for nearly one vear.

According to the instructions of President Rajapaksa, the RDA is undertaking the construction work. This road provides an alternative access for the Nugegoda town, which will be used by motorists mostly during traffic congestion.

Meanwhile, Highways Minister Johnston Fernando has also instructed the relevant officials to develop the Hunnasgiriya – Meemure – Dandupola road without harming the natural beauty of the Meemure forest conservation. According to the

concept of Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa titled "Developing Access Roads for Tourist Destinations Across the Country", this road will be developed at an estimated cost of Rs.250 million.

The entire length of the road is 25.2 kilometres, and it will be constructed under three stages. The Minister further said that the construction of the access road to the Meemure village, which is one of the popular tourist destinations in Sri Lanka, will be greatly benefited for uplifting the livelihoods of the villagers.

Universities should produce creative individuals - Vice Chancellor Prof. Sudantha Liyanage

DINULI FRANCISCO

Well-known literary scholar Chulananda Samaranayake highlighted the importance of nurturing and producing graduates with a growth mindset and creativity rather than focusing on producing graduates as per the demands of the labour market.

He spoke of this while delivering the keynote speech at the Faculty Publications Day of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences of University of Sri Jayewardenepura yes-

"Unemployment is not a consequence of our policies but rather an issue connected with the personality of graduates. Universities should produce creative individuals that are capable of meeting the challenges of the 21st century. After the COVID-19 pandemic, the world is rotating in a different direction. There would



the literary work "Ran Rasu" to the Vice Chancellor Senior Prof. Sudantha Liyanage of USJP. Picture by Roshan Pitipana.

be more space for those who use their skills practically. Therefore, the universities should focus on producing graduates that are skilful and capable of facing challenges" he added.

He also added that Universities should turn into thinking tanks. "Universities should foster literature and encourage students to produce more and more literary pieces," he said. Two main publications were launched at the "Faculty Publications Day. "Disi Widesi," a collection of poetry done by the undergraduates of the faculty

during the COVID-19 pandemic and "Ran Rasu" literary works were launched at

Furthermore, five literary works of undergraduates and literary works of the academic staff were also launched at the event.

The Vice-Chancellor and Senior Professor of the University of Sri Jayewardenepura Sudantha Liyanage highlighted the importance of changing the Education paradigm to produce graduates with creativity and problem-solving skills.

Furthermore, Dean of the Humanities and Social Sciences Faculty Prof. Shirantha Heenkenda highlighted the fact that University students should take the initiative in creating interest within the society around literary works which could in the long term lead to a literary resurgence in arts and cul-

PCol on Easter Sunday attacks

'No one could dispute certain decisions by former President

SHAVINI MADHARA

After certain decisions by former President Maithripala Sirisena at the National Security Council (NSC) meetings, no one including former Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe could dispute or make any suggestions regarding those decisions, alleged former IGP Pujith Jayasundara testifying before the Presidential Commission of Inquiry (PCoI) in to

the Easter Sunday attacks. Testifying before the Commission, Jayasundara pointed out that all the

officers who participated at the National Security Council meetings, thought it was not good to criticise the decisions taken by the former President.

The Commissioners questioned as to why former IGP Jayasundara did not understand about Zaharan Hashim and his followers when he got to know that extremism had been spreading since 2017.

In reply, Pujith Jayasundara stated that he was well aware about the situation but the political situation at that time, the priorities of state policy and the restrictions imposed was a barrier in order to take action against extrem-

"The State Intelligence Service was responsible for investigating these matters. The State Intelligence Service should have informed this to the relevant Minister," Jayasundara added. He added that the Terrorism Investigation Division (TID) had conducted confidential inquiries regarding Islamic extremism on an order given by him.

Thirteen-year-old dies of rabies

T.L.A.P. HEMAPALA, Nagoda Group Corr.

A school student in the Mapalagama area has died due to rabies.

The deceased has been identified as G. Gavesh Netsara, a 13-year-old resident of Kum-

buruhena, Mapalagama. The student had told his parents that he had been bitten by a dog while going to the Karapitiya Teaching Hostuition classes on his bicycle. pital.

However, it is said that neither medical treatment has been obtained for this nor any dispensaries or hospitals of the area been have informed of the incident.

The postmortem was conducted by the Assistant Judicial Medical Officer Ruwan Nanayakkara at

3,600 families to be evacuated from landslide high-risk zones: Nimal **NAVARATNA BANDARA,**

Mahaweli Systems Group corr.

One of the challenges authorities concerned have to face when it comes to carrying out programmes for the resettlement of families living in places prone to natural disasters is to find lands for them.

Talking about the process of evacuating people living in areas around Badulla that are prone to natural disasters such as landslides, Minister Nimal Siripala de Silva added that there about 3,600 families to be evacuated from places currently prone to landslides and other natural dis-

The Minister of Labour said in Badulla recently that authori-

ties concerned about the issue need to find at least 36,000 perches of land, calculating that each family is given a plot of 10 perches in order for their resettlement, and therein lies the crux of the matter.

Finding land for families to be evacuated is not that easy, and the matter has a great impact on bringing the process of evacuating families living in the areas prone to natural disasters to resettle in safe places to an end, the minister said.

That prolonged delay in dealing with certain issues related to disaster relief in Badulla has occurred not for the lack of political will, but for reasons unavoidable, the minister added.

Obituaries LOKUGE - SHIRANEE AGNES GRACE,

called to rest with Jesus. Loving wife of retired Squadron Leader - Noel Harold Lokuge (SLAF/Maldives), loving mother of Romesh Lokuge, Kshama Perera, Ishantha Lokuge, and Indu Serasinha, mother-in-law of Yushani Lokuge, Nirmalal Perera, Sunita Lokuge and Chaminda Serasinha, beloved Archa of Shanik, Shenuka, Niromal, Shamal, Rohil and Zara, daughter of the late Mervyn De Silva and the late Sylvie De Silva, beloved sister of Carmen Athukorala, Lakshman De Silva, Nihal De Silva, Sharmi Basnayake, Anton De Silva and Nimal De Silva, sister-in-law of Neville Athukorala, Shirani De Silva, Priyanthie De Silva, Naomal Basnayake, Sirilin De Silva, and Sweena De Silva. There will be a funeral service for the immediate family only in the A.F. Raymond's Parlour at 3pm, on Thursday October 1st, and the cortege will leave the Parlour at 4 PM for burial at the Kanatte Cemetery Borella, Roman Catholic Section.

PERERA - PERCY (OBA & Sports Club, Nalanda College, Colombo). Beloved husband of late Sujatha Perera (nee Ranasinghe), loving father of Roshan, Harendra, Ravindra (UK), loving brother of late Harold, Violet & Lovelin, loving fatherin-law of Sushima, Mithila (UK), loving grandfather of Shenal, Raminthie, Onija & Yenuthi, passed away on 10th of August 2020. Cremated at General Cemetery, Borella on 11th August 2020 in the presence of close family relatives & friends in accordance with current health regulations. Regret our inability to thank individually. 215/1, Rajagiriya Road, Rajagiriya. Voice 0112862147.



Lady Ridgeway Hospital for Children

125th Anniversary

1896 - 2020

Congratulatory Message from Hon. Prime Minister



I am extremely happy of this opportunity to issue a congratulatory message to you at this historic moment of time the Lady Ridgeway Hospital for Children, dedicated to the health of the children who are the future of the country, is celebrating 125

Children are the future of any country. The way a country treats its children is considered a measure of its development. A country should have a healthy generation of skilled children for its future development and prosperity. We all know that the Government of Sri Lanka is working with dedication to generate such healthy children.

Being able to bestow several national requirements to you to uplift the health service with the manifesto of the present Government, 'Vistas of Prosperity and Splendour', at this moment of time the Lady Ridgeway's Hospital for Children is completing 125 years.

Here, I will be bestowing the Bone Marrow Transplanting Unit and the new Operation Theatre Complex, constructed with all modern conveniences and under Government sponsorship, on 01st of October 2020 when the World Children's Day is commemorated, with the children of the nation. Furthermore, the foundation stone will be laid for the proposed new nine-storey operating theatre, intensive care unit and surgical ward complex to be constructed with the objective of uplifting the services to the patients of the hospital. I am confident that an excellent service will be provided by this hospital once its development work is completed.

I give my heartfelt thanks to all who have worked to uplift it on its 125-year long journey from its inception to date.

Mahinda Rajapaksa

Hon. Prime Minister of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka

Message from Hon. Minister of Health



The process followed to establish a modern Bone Marrow Transplant Unit with modern facilities and a new Operation Theatre Complex at Lady Ridgeway Hospital for Children with the sponsorship of the Government of Sri Lanka according to the Policy Statement of His Excellency the President, "Vistas of Prosperity and Splendour"

in the forefront with the objective of developing the children's healthcare services displays the dedication of the Ministry to uplift the quality of children's health services. Furthermore, at this moment of time the Lady Ridgeway's Hospital for Children is completing 125 years, the foundation stone will be laid for the nine-storey operating theater complex with all modern conveniences. This is also another step we are taking as a Government to uplift the medical services of the country. I wish that the gifts bestowed on you today will be a lifeline for the good health and convenience of the children of the nation.

Pavithra Wanniarachchi

Hon. Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine, Attorney at Law

Message from Director, Lady Ridgeway Hospital for Children



As a health worker, I am extremely happy of the 125-year journey of the Lady Ridgeway's Hospital for Children, the abode of love dedicated to the good health of children. I consider getting an opportunity to celebrate the World Children's Day in parallel with the completion of 125 years of the Lady Ridgeway Hospital for Children with the participation of Hon. Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa, Madam Shiranthi Rajapaksa and Hon. Minister

of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine, Attorney at Law Pavithra Wanniarachchi my great good fortune.

At such a grand moment, the opening of the new Bone Marrow Transplant Unit and the modern fully equipped Operation Theatre Complex and laying the foundation stone for the proposes nine-storey operation theatre and ward complex and in accordance with the Policy Statement of His Excellency the President, "Vistas of Prosperity and Splendour" is an invaluable gift bestowed on the children of the nation. The staff of the Lady Ridgeway's Hospital for Children including me state that we will work with dedication in the future also, for the physical and mental health of the small children of the nation.

> Dr. G. Wijesuriya Lady Ridgeway Hospital for Children

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Lady Ridgeway Hospital for Children (LRH) Dedicated to children's health for 125 years

Sri Lankan mother or father whose children are in a serious health condition are reminded immediately of the Lady Ridgeway Hospital for Children (LRH) because of the trust this Hospital has earned over the years, the facilities available there and the well-qualified and experienced Doctors serving at the Hospital. The LRH that has saved the lives and treated various sicknesses of over millions of children completed 125 years since its inauguration. The LRH was inaugurated on 18th January 1895 through the good offices of Lady Ridgeway and Lady Havelock, consorts of Sir Ridgeway and Sir Havelock, British Governors of Sri Lanka, known as Ceylon at that time as a hospital for women and children. Later on, as the Castle Street Hospital for Women was opened as a hospital specifically for women, the LRH became a hospital specifically treating children. The LRH is the main hospital for children in Sri Lanka at present. Furthermore, the LRH is one of the major hospitals for children in Asia. Patients come to obtain services from countries such as the Maldives and Africa because of the trust this hospital has acquired over the years. During the COVID pandemic, LRH was also identified as a treatment center for suspected/ positive patients and as a part of the Sri Lankan healthcare system; we too faced the challenge successfully focusing the safety of both patients and the staff by implementing new systems. The total health staff serving the LRH, including specialist doctors and the nursing staff, is about 2400. About 1500-2000 child patients per day obtain treatment from the Out-patients Unit of the LRH. Furthermore, the number of children that attend the various clinics held at the LRH is about 3000-4000. The LRH has facilities for 1016 child

Arrangements have been made to hold several special programmes to mark the 125th anniversary of the LRH. These programmes are scheduled to be launched at the LRH parallel to the Universal Children's Day on 01st of October this year. The chief guest of the official celebrations held at the Hospital is Hon. Prime Minister of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka Mahinda Rajapaksa. Further, the Hon. Minister of Health, Pavithradevi Wanniarachchi, several Ministers and

patients.

Members of Parliament are scheduled to participate in this celebration.

Among the special programmes scheduled to be held on this date, a unique programme is the inauguration of a special unit dedicated to transplanting bone marrow in children in a Government Hospital in Sri Lanka. At present, even though children's bone marrow transplants are carried out in some private hospitals in the country, this procedure in not carried out in Government Hospitals. A special unit for bone marrow transplant has been established and work in this unit starts on the 01st of October. Also, a theatre complex dedicated for orthopaedic, orthopaedic spinal and neurosurgery will be open for the public. Furthermore, on that date, the Hon. Prime Minister will lay the foundation stone for a fully-equipped ultramodern Operating Theatre, ICU and Ward Complex required for various operations of children. This will be constructed as a 9-storey building. Out of the funds required for this project, over Rs. 42 million has been donated by a Sri Lankan Lady Doctor who lived in Australia, Dr. Merennage Susila Irangani Fonseka. The LRH had got this donation as stipulated in her Last Will and Testament. The balance monies required are to be obtained from philanthropists and the government. After the completion of the Operation Theatre Complex, the LRH will get the ability to treat a large number of children

in the Hospital's waiting list. The 'Little Heart' Building, presently under construction, is fully equipped with all facilities to treat the health issues of children who are born with defects pertaining to the heart. Donations of the government, many people in the Sri Lankan society and many institutions and organizations have been received by the 'Little Heart' Fund for the construction of the 'Little Heart' Building. Donations can be made even now for this Fund. The committed contribution of the Sri Lanka Navy to construct this complex has largely facilitated the work.

The LRH did not have a song, a flag and an emblem up to now. The launching of the newly created hospital song, hospital flag and the hospital emblem is scheduled to be carried out on 01st of October in parallel to the 125th anniversary celebrations.

scheduled to be added to the services offered to the nation's children by the LRH. On that day, for the first time in the history of Sri Lanka and the government service, 1390 toll free (all calls - free of charge) service and digital system of reserving appointments will be launched for the already registered clinic patients of Lady Ridgeway Hospital. Services such as reserving a number and a time from home to obtain medical services from home, enquiring about days the relevant clinics are held and obtaining medical advice from home in medical conditions such as COVID 19 could be obtained by dialing 1390 from home. The required technology, facilities and equipment and toll free service required for this service has been presented by the Dialog Axiata PLC Telecom Network. Furthermore, the website of the LRH will be launched on this date for the development of the hospital as well as for the public to be informed of our services and be a part of us.

Several Medical Specialists who have specialized in the brain, mind, spinal cord, heart, eye, ear, nose and throat (ENT), neurology, dental, dermatology, cardiology and cardio-thoracic surgery and many more are serving at present in the LRH.

The LRH is presently facing a severe That is the severe influx of patients. Parents, not only in Colombo and suburbs but also from far-flung areas of Sri Lanka bring their children to the LRH to obtain treatment for minor ailments such as flu, colds and coughs. They are coming to the LRH on their own decisions passing several major hospitals causing severe congestion in the LRH. The best system is that after getting basic treatment for the child from the closest hospital, if the doctors there decide that the patient needs further treatment and specialist supervision, to take the patient to the LRH on those doctors' recommendations. That will ease the congestion at the LRH. The medical staff is ready for any emergency 24 hours a day.

A clinic is being held from Monday to Saturday (except Sunday) from 8.00 am to 4.00 pm. Discussed with LRH, Director, Dr. G.

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Empowering plantation community

resident Gotabaya Rajapaksa has won for himself much public affection for personally looking into the problems and woes of the neglected and deprived communities in the far flung villages and providing instant solutions to them. Now he has taken up cudgels on behalf of the estate community in the wake of their demand for a Rs.1,000 wage hike still lying in abeyance. The President has urged the Plantation Management Companies to do their duty on behalf of the estate community complementing the Government's own contribution to uplift and upgrade the living standards of the plantation workers.

No doubt the basis for this request by the President is the much delayed Rs. 1,000 wage hike which he pledged to obtain for the estate community during his Presidential Election campaign last year. It is hoped that the President's overture in this regard would be responded to in a positive vein particularly considering the plight of the lot of this particular segment of our brethren whose contribution towards the country's economy needs no elaboration.

The Management Companies, had, prior to this, turned down the request from the late minister Arumugam Thondaman for a Rs. 1,000 wage hike. They (Management Companies) also turned down a request by the Finance Ministry to grant interest free loans to the estate workers. The President's intervention, one is inclined to expect, would elicit a favourable response. Of course, like all sectors of the economy the plantation economy too suffered a body blow from the Coronavirus. But this should not be made an excuse for stalling on the demand indefinitely.

In the past, in such instances, Savuryamoorthy Thondaman would have led a massive Satyagraha running into days to win over the demands of his community. It appears, though, the magic of the Thondaman name has lost its allure. The legendary political bargaining power of the Grand Old man of the Thottam is today conspicuous by its absence. It is yet too early to say if the latest in the line of Thondamans could restore the status quo.

There was a time when Thondaman Snr. wielded much clout with the Central Government and almost made it do his bidding towards the welfare of the plantation workers. This is why he had the pick of the Cabinet portfolios for himself under JRJ, Premadasa, D. B.

Wijetunga and the Chandrika administrations. However, President Gotabaya Rajapaksa has turned this equation on its head, obtaining his massive majority without the votes of all the minority parties put together. Hence, the plantation community, for the first time, can look forward to a leader, outside their own, who would look into their welfare.

It is only right that they (plantation community) be served well, given the contribution they make to the national economy. Let alone their wages, their living conditions are still in a primitive state, with large families huddled together in single room hovels that are called line rooms. Children in the plantations usually take after their parents and would not think of a world out of their limited existence. They hardly attend school and are struck by malnutrition.

It is therefore heartening to note the steps taken by President Rajapaksa to uplift the educational standards in the estates. At a meeting to discuss the future programmes of the Ministry of Estate Housing and Civic Infrastructure Facilities, the President disclosed that he had made arrangements to provide vocational training courses to the estate youth that would obtain for them the NVQ level certificate, valid for employment. This, hopefully, would redirect the focus of the estate youth from the drudgery of estate life to more productive pursuits that would keep them gainfully employed.

Basic infrastructure in the estates too should be improved and schools provided with facilities and the full quota of teachers.

There is no gainsaying the urgent need to deliver this community from their current existence and get them absorbed into the general society. They should be provided with the necessary facilities and the wherewithal to redeem themselves from their backwardness. The demand for a daily wage of Rs. 1,000 is not unfair by all accounts. Nay, it could be considered chickenfeed by living standards in the city. This could barely be sufficient for food alone, even in the estates, where the community is used to living a spartan existence. One must also not forget that there will be a large number of sole breadwinners with large families who will have to make do with this pittance.

Hence, the Government should intervene and strike a bargain with the management companies. The stock excuse by the Management Companies has always been that they could not afford high wages due to the slump in world tea prices. This excuse is often trotted out even when collective agreements come up for discussions. If things continue in the same vein then there will never be a wage hike in the foreseeable future which will place the estate workers in a severe plight. Hence the need for the powers that be to work out a formula where the plantation community will be able to at least secure a living wage to tide over their hardships.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Power has only one duty - to secure the social welfare of the People. - Benjamin Disraeli



Arguments for and against the 20th Amendment are being heard before the Supreme Court

Renewed focus on 20th Amendment

ational interest is now focused on the 20th Amendment to the Constitution which is being canvassed before the Supreme Court. Some 39 petitions against it are being heard while seven intervenient petitions supporting it are also being entertained in the country's apex court.

The petitions are being heard by a five-member bench of the Supreme Court comprising of Chief Justice Jayantha Jayasuriya and Supreme Court Justices Buwaneka Aluwihare, Sisira De Abrew, Priyantha Jayawardena and Vijith Malalgoda.

Among those who filed petitions against the proposed 20th Amendment are Samagi Jana Balavegaya (SJB) general secretary Ranjith Madduma Bandara, United National Party deputy leader Ruwan Wijewardene and National Elections Commission member Ratnajeevan Hoole.

Three Ministers, Prof. G. L. Peiris, Nimal Siripala de Silva and Gamini Lokuge and General Secretary of the ruling Sri Lanka Podujana Peramuna (SLPP), Sagara Kariyawasam have filed intervenient petitions supporting the proposed amendment.

Therefore, it appears that support and opposition to the proposed amendment has been clearly on party lines. It is interesting to note that Minister Nimal Siripala de Silva has filed an intervenient petition in support of the amendment.

Minister de Silva is the senior most minister in the SLFP which has, officially at least, appointed a ten-member committee to study the proposed amendment and convey its views to Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa. It is expected that the SLFP will support the 20th Amendment.

When hearing of the petitions began on Tuesday Attorney General Dappula de Livera informed court that the government hopes to move amendments to the 20th Amendment during the committee stage of Parliament. However, the exact nature of these amendments was not elaborated upon.

19th Amendment

There has been much discussion in the public domain about the 20th Amendment which seeks to repeal many of the changes brought about by the 19th Amendment. Critics have argued that the flaws in the 19th Amendment could be rectified, retaining its salutary aspects.

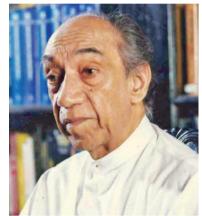
Indeed, some aspects of the 19th Amendment have been retained. They are the two-term limit imposed on an individual holding the office of President and the five-year terms of office of both the President and Parliament, instead of these being six years.

Apart from these changes introduced in the 19th Amendment which have been retained, the 20th Amendment seeks to restore most of the executive power to the elected President, rather than let some of it be under the control of Parliament and the Prime Minister.

Under the proposed 20th Amendment, the President can appoint and remove the Prime Minister, has authority to decide on the number of Cabinet ministers as well as their portfolios and can also dissolve Parliament after a period of one year following a general election.

Under the 19th Amendment, the Prime Minister, once appointed, could be removed only by Parliament. The number of Cabinet portfolios were limited and the subjects were decided by the Prime Minister. The President could not dissolve Parliament for four and a half years.

There has been speculation that the amendment regarding the President's ability to dissolve Parliament could be modified during the committee stage



Former President

J. R. Jayewardene



Minister
Nimal Siripala de Silva



Minister Prof. **G. L. Peiris**



General Secretary of the Sri Lanka Podujana Peramuna (SLPP) **Sagara Kariyawasam**

The new Constitution will require a longer period of gestation because its drafters would need to learn from the shortcomings of the 1978 Constitution that required 19 amendments in less than forty years. For now though, the focus is entirely on the proposed

20th Amendment and the Supreme Court.



of Parliament and that the period after which the President could dissolve Parliament could be extended to two and a half years.

There have been two issues within the proposed 20th Amendment which are emerging as major areas for dispute between the government and the opposition. These are the issue of dual citizens running for high office and the role of the Constitutional Council and the independent commissions.

The 19th Amendment barred dual citizens from contesting for a seat in Parliament or for President. The proposed 20th Amendment allows dual citizens to do so. It will be recalled that parliamentarian Geetha Kumarasinghe was unseated from Parliament because she was a dual citizen.

Dual citizen issue

There has been some criticism from the government's own ranks about the proposed change. Minister Vasudeva Nanayakkara spoke publicly about it and said he was encouraged by the petitions against this clause. In Cabinet he reportedly asked whether it was introduced to benefit Basil Rajapaksa.

Basil Rajapaksa, younger brother of both President Gotabaya Rajapaksa and Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa is seen as the mastermind behind the creation of a new political party, the SLPP, following the unexpected defeat of then President Mahinda Rajapaksa in January 2015. He is a dual citizen

President Gotabaya Rajapaksa was also a dual citizen, both siblings also holding citizenship of the United States. However, prior to contesting the presidential election, President Gotabaya Rajapaksa had to renounce his United States citizenship and the matter was the subject of a legal battle as well.

Critics argue that opening the Presidency and Parliament to dual citizens will pave the way for unnecessary foreign interference. They point out that Eelamist sympathisers who have obtained citizenship in other countries and are now dual citizens could make their way to Parliament.

One compromise is to retain the bar on dual citizens contesting for the Executive Presidency but allow dual citizens to run for Parliament. The government has noted that parliamentarians are already required to take an oath disavowing separatism which would limit Eelamists entering Parliament.

The other main contentious issue is the Constitutional Council and the independent commissions which have the authority to make appointments to high offices including the judiciary. Currently, these appointments are recommended by the President but confirmed by the Constitutional Council.

Under changes proposed in the 20th Amendment, the ten-member Constitutional Council which has three members from civil society will be replaced by a five-member Parliamentary Council comprising entirely of parliamentarians, where the government is likely to have a majority.

The role of this Parliamentary Council is also reversed: it can only submit observations to the President who is not bound by these observations. Therefore, the President has greater authority to decide on key appointments which the government argues will lead to greater efficiency.

A question that is being asked, both in government and opposition circles is why the 20th Amendment is being expedited when the government won a clear mandate at the August general election to enact a new Constitution and is keen to follow through with that pledge.

The government has already appointed a committee headed by senior lawyer President's Counsel Romesh de Silva to draft the proposed new Constitution. However, there are variable estimates as to how long this task would take with timeframes ranging from six months to two years.

Minister G. L. Peiris revealed that this committee has already commenced work. He is optimistic that the draft of the new Constitution will be presented to Parliament within the next six months. The 20th Amendment is necessary to get rid of the 'grave repercussions' of the 19th Amendment, he said.

"We will not bring in the new Constitution in an arbitrary manner. All opinions will be considered as a Constitution will have to last for decades. The draft will be completed in six months. The Constitution making process will then continue uninterrupted," Minister Peiris said.

New Constitution

Cabinet spokesman Minister Udaya Gammanpila was asked about the same issue at the weekly media briefing this week. Gammanpila's response was that the proposed new Constitution could take a longer time period to be finalised and therefore a 20th Amendment was necessary in the interim.

"The new Constitution is expected in a minimum of two years. Anything can happen in two years. Besides, we have a mandate not only for the new Constitution but for the 20th Amendment as well. We need it enacted as early as possible," Gammanpila said.

Clarifying the government's stance that it will not be amending the 20th Amendment when it is presented to Parliament, Minister Gammanpila explained that modifications may be made if the Supreme Court determines that certain provisions require approval at a referendum.

"We can introduce necessary changes to the Amendment during the Committee Stage in Parliament. We don't intend to include any provisions that require the approval at a referendum. It will be entirely a different scenario, if the Supreme Court rules that a referendum is necessary," the Minister said.

Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa has also been questioned by the media about his status, should the 20thAmendment be enacted. The Prime Minister, in characteristic style, laughed off speculation that his role in government would diminish or that he would retire from politics.

It is therefore clear that the government has set its sights firmly on enacting the 20th Amendment to the Constitution as soon as possible. This is because it believes the process of formulating a new Constitution could be a time-consuming process and is one that should not be attempted in a hurry.

When the UNP won a landslide victory in July 1977 under J. R. Jayewardene, the 1972 Republican Constitution was changed in September 1978, in just over one year. Jayewardene is believed to have commissioned the task of drawing up the Constitution, even before he won the election.

The new Constitution will require a longer period of gestation because its drafters would need to learn from the shortcomings of the 1978 Constitution that required 19 amendments in less than forty years. For now though, the focus is entirely on the proposed 20th Amendment and the Supreme Court.

The 19th Amendment and its implications

Guest Column

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Part I

Constitution tries to putdown all the relevant rules relating to Constitutional Law. The draftsmen of written Constitutions are faced with the problem of how much to include. The draftsmen must ensure that they include fundamental principles and place some restrictions on an amendment so that Constitution will have some degree of permanence and will not be manipulated to suit the purposes of the party in power. The Constitution should not also make amendments to it too difficult because it will not be possible to adapt and mould the Constitution to suit changing circumstances or to apply to it for circumstances not foreseen by the draftsmen.

Chapter XII of the 1978 Constitution -Amendment of the Constitution - by Articles 82, 83 and 84 makes provisions for the amendment of the Constitution. The hurriedly drafted the 19th Amendment contains many ambiguities and anomalies resulting in the President's executive powers in this regard remaining subject to restrictions. The 19th Amendment sought to reset the constitutional relationship between the President and Prime Minister and essentially vest, among others, some of the powers of the President in the Prime Minister and also curtail the powers of the President as regards the dissolution of Parliament. Although the first Draft sought to make the Prime Minister as 'Head of the Cabinet' and empower him to determine in lieu of the President, who instead had to act on the advice of the Prime Minister, the composition and appointment of the Cabinet and other Ministers and even changes thereto the Supreme Court clarified that such fundamental amendments require a two/third majority in Parliament and approval at a National Referendum.

After the Supreme Court determination, the 19th Amendment was diluted what was in fact ultimately enacted was ambiguous as regards the powers and authority of the President and the Prime Minister/ Cabinet as regards appointment and dismissal. The reference to the Prime Minister being the Head of the Cabinet was deleted and the transfer of power to the Prime Minister to determine the composition of the Cabinet which was to be appointed by the President on his advice was

The salient features of the 19th Amendment

It is also pertinent here to outline several salient provisions of the 19th Amendment as it has attracted much criticisms and generated plenty of controversy ahead of its abolition by the present Government.

• Inserting a long felt fundamental right of





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- Official Oath and Affirmation as set out in the fourth Schedule and Seventh Schedule (Article 53)
- The five year term limits on both the President (Article 30(2)) and Parliament (Article 62 (2)).
- Banning election to the office of President more than twice.

Determination of the 19th Amendment Bill

Since the 19th Amendment judgement of the Supreme Court in 2015 elaborates authoritatively, among others, the scope of executive powers of the President and the structure in which the executive power is to be distributed, a brief overview of its reasoning is presented here at the beginning.

The Supreme Court noted in that judgement that 'it has to be borne in mind that the sovereign people have chosen not to entrench Article 4. Therefore it is clear that not all violations of Article 4 will necessarily result in a violation of

The Supreme Court emphasized the first two Articles - Article 42 and 43 - in Chapter VIII of the Constitution as being of crucial importance in describing the structure in which executive power was sought to be distributed. As the Court noted, firstly, in Article 42, President's responsibility to Parliament for the exercise of executive power is established. Because the Constitution must be read as a whole, Article 4(b) must also be read in the light of Article 42. Therefore the Court argued that Constitution did not intend to the President to function as an unfettered repository of executive power unconstrained by the other organs of the gov-

Referring to Article 43 of the Constitution, the Court argues that "this important Article underscores that the Cabinet collectively is charged with the exercise of executive power of which the President is the Head". The Court adds that "it establishes conclusively that the President is not the sole repository of the executive power under the Constitution. It is the Cabinet of Ministers and not the President alone".

The Court also added that in terms of Article 30 of the Constitution, the exercise of Executive power is entrusted to the President as the Head of the Executive as the custodian of such power. Hence there Court made an important point as follows:

"There is no doubt that Executive power can be distributed to other via President. However, if there is no link between the President and person exercising the Executive power, it may amount to a violation of mandate given by the people to the President. If the inalienable sovereignty of the people which they reposed on the President in trust is exercised by any agency or instrument who do not have any authority from the President, then such exercise would necessarily affect the sovereignty of the people".

The aforesaid reasoning of the Supreme Court led to the determination that Clause 11 of the 19th Amendment Bill (Article 42 (3), 43 (1), 43 (3), 44 (2), 44(3), 44 (5)) and paragraph 104 (5) © in Clause 26 would require the approval of the people at a Referendum in terms of the provision of Article 83 of the Constitution.

The Nineteenth Amendment was placed on the Order paper March 24, 2015. The draft was challenged before the Supreme Court under sixteen grounds. Based on that determination Parliament passed the 19th Amendment into Law on May 15, 2015. The 19th Amendment amends Constitutional provisions found in several separate previous Amendments. It amends several provisions found in the 1978 Constitution and found in several Amendments to that Constitution. Additionally, it introduces a number of new constitutional provisions.

The President of the Republic

In the 1978 Constitution, three Chapters namely, Chapter VII (the President of the Republic), Chapter VIII (Cabinet of Ministers) and Chapter IX (Public Service) deal with Executive organs of Government. The 1978 Constitution in Chapter VII deals with the President, as the repository of the 'The Executive' power of the State. The person so chosen as the President, was given the same powers in Section 3 of the 19th Amendment as those that he had under Article 30(1) of the 1978 Constitution which read:

'There shall be a President of the Republic of Sri Lanka, who is the Head of the State, the Head of the Executive, and of the Government and the Commander-in-Chief of the Armed

This sub-Article (1) of Article 30 represents a part of the 'basic structure' of the 1978 Constitution. Therefore no amendments to that Article could be made by merely adopting and following the requisites for amendments mentioned in Articles 82(5) or under Article 83; the latter requiring the holding of a referendum. The provisions contained in Article 30(1) of the Constitution were re-enacted without change under the same Clause 3 of 19th Amendment due to the correct realization that the Executive Presidency formed a part of the basic structure of the 1978 Constitution and therefore could not be changed through an amendment but must wait the re-enactment of a new Constitution.

There are two provisions that, Chapter VII of the Constitution enacts, which deal with the Executive Presidency. They are found in Articles 30(2) and 31(2) of the Constitution. First, Article 30(2) in its original form states that the 'The President of the Republic shall be elected by the people, and shall hold office for a term of six years'. That provision is directly linked to Article 4(b) which deals with the exercise of the 'executive powers of the people' by the 'President of the Republic'. Article 4(b) being an application of Article 3, falls under Article 83 and is entrenched. It requires the approval of the people at a Referendum, in addition to a vote of a two-thirds majority, by Parliament for its Amendment. However, the 19th Amendment, notwithstanding those requirements has amended that provision found in Article 30(2) without holding a referendum, by reducing the period for which a President may be elected to five years. To be continued



here is the occasional letter to the editor condemning it, sometimes the issue is discussed academically, the parties regret its occurrence, but by and large, we choose to ignore the disgrace; ragging is specific to the universities, occurs outside the public view; a misfortune that happens to only a few youngsters, somebody else's children; otherwise fortunate students who have weathered our exclusionary system of examinations to now stand at the portal of higher education, the university; our temple of learning, moulder of character and the beacon of enlightenment.

Having crammed up the various curriculum subjects for 12 years, last of these years more specialized cramming, the bright-eyed adolescents are now eager to undergo graduate studies, preparing to become the leaders of the nation one day; administrators, technocrats, professionals, teachers; the world is wide open. At least, that is the concept. If you look at the state of the country, a country which has now for about half a century being governed by products of its own universities, there is cause for alarm. What are they doing, what kind of products come out of these institutions!

We are a poor country, but yet have persisted in providing a free of charge education from kindergarten to the university. In the early years, our education standards were considered on par with comparable Asian countries. Now, we are realizing that there is no free lunch where education is concerned. Extra tuition is the only way to overcome the relentless competition for the limited intake to the universities. If the child is inclined athletically, coaching and the sporting equipment will cost an arm and a leg. Besides, in substance and quality public schools appear to be in terminal decline. It is not possible to have both a weak economy and a good service standard. Sooner or later, the services will reflect the overall weakness of the country. Gradually, we have lost rank, many competing Asian countries are leading us in education, training and research. Their economies are growing, while we, with our falling educational standards, are becoming uncompetitive, the country is getting weaker, increasingly marginalized.

Centre of learning and high culture

Our aim here is not to examine the reality of our education system or the graduate programmes. That is a complex and many faceted subject, not easy to analyse and even more difficult to put right. It is the other university related activity that interests us presently, the image that comes to the minds of most when Sri Lankan universities are mentioned. The torture, the torment and the humilia-

The rag must stop



tion euphemistically called the rag, the extraordinarily perverted greeting of the new comers to the university by its senior students.

It is some welcome! A most loathsome violation of the human person cloaked by a spurious reference to academic freedom, at the country's so called temple of learning to boot. The offences are committed in the halls and the lawns of our universities. Meanwhile our universities are desperately struggling to maintain their stature as a centre of learning and high culture, vying for ranking among the respected universities of the world.

Many believe that ragging is encouraged by fringe political parties in order to infiltrate the universities. By getting the young students into unlawful activity they are subverted, easily drawn into the web of radical schemes. This is not persuasion by logic. For a true political education, there has to be a coherent philosophy, a teacher of substance and the freedom of choice for the student. Here, the attempt is to poison the mind of the student by degree, indoctrinate him and finally make a tool of him.

As a result of this subversion, our universities have

become hotbeds of politics, the callow students screaming out policies on every subject. This is a tragedy as well as a comedy, perhaps there are no other universities in the world, as politicized. There cannot be a less qualified social segment as these inexperienced, unqualified and naive students talking policy.

There is no justification for further deliberation on this infernal practice, ragging in the universities must be stopped, period.

How, it should be stopped is for the authorities to decide. It is typical of this creature called "authorities" to have not been able to stamp out ragging for nearly half a century. But then, ragging is not the only problem they have failed to address. Once being victims of the rag as university freshmen, then ferocious rag implementers as seniors, it is possible that all sense of right and wrong has been snuffed out in those who now sit as "authorities". They have become passive and awkward adults, solely concerned with protecting their jobs and other benefits; we look in vain for good administrators (authorities) in such poor human material.

May we suggest, forceful, yet legal ways to fight the

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scourge of ragging. A person accused of ragging will not be granted bail in any circumstance until the end of his trial. If convicted, there should follow a mandatory jail term. A convicted ragger should be automatically dismissed from the university with a life time ban on entering any educational institute thereafter. We must not fool ourselves, fire must be fought with fire.

Such methods may sound harsh, but until stopped, ragging will continue to undermine the wider society, a lawlessness ignored at our peril. We don't see a similar rag, this brutality, this crudity anywhere else in this whole wide world. Is there a peculiarity in the country's culture which encourages such conduct, why are our universities the exception?

Abuse and violence

We cannot forget that these students have had twelve long years of school before entering the university. What values have they learnt at school? They come from Sri Lankan families. What is the background here? They probably went to a Sunday school to learn their religion. What were they taught there?

The crudity of the rag leaves us groping for answers. Would their fathers pounce upon a wayfarer to relieve him of his possessions? Are strangers to their homes greeted with abuse and violence? Is anyone who comes into a university after you, an inferior and fair game for perverted attacks?

Questions and more questions.

Be that as it may, it certainly does the country no honour if Sri Lankan universities are the only universities in the world today unable to prevent the abuse of their students by senior students.

These marauding raggers must not be allowed to embarrass our country any longer.

Universal Children's Day

Signs of positive changes in Juvenile Justice System

differ from with the variance mostly concerning physical characteristics, of course, and their levels of understanding and matu-

In recent times, a

steep increase of children in conflict

with the law could be observed in Sri Lanka. Children have been in conflict with the criminal justice system, if they have committed or are suspected to have committed acts contrary to the law of the land.

Children in conflict with the law despite their age are nevertheless legally characterized as offenders. A child or a young person who is accused or found to have committed an offence is referred to as a juvenile offender. The Beijing Rules considers a juvenile to be a child or a young person under the respective legal system who may be dealt with differently from an adult. Such a child or young person will have proceedings instituted before him or her, to be heard before a juvenile justice system.

Juvenile justice, as a gamut, consists of legislature, norms and standard procedures, mechanisms and provisions, institutions and bodies explicitly applicable to juvenile offenders. Juvenile justice focuses on making juvenile offenders responsible and accountable for

The objective of a juvenile justice system is a healthy development of a child and a conditional decision will be reached depending on an individual's ability to understand, and the maturity of the child or the young person as the formal criminal justice system can be intimidating to children.

The Constitution recognizes special provisions for children with the provision for the administration of juvenile justice through Article 12(4) which states inter alia, that nothing in this Article shall prevent special provision being made by law, subordinate legislation or executive action for the advancement of women, children or disabled persons. This position can also be inferred from the Constitution in its Directive Principles of State Policy and Fundamental Duties. Article 27(2)(g) states that the State pledges to establish in Sri Lanka a Democratic Socialist Society, the objectives which include raising moral and cultural standards of People and ensuring the full development of the human

Sri Lanka has had recourse and reference to international guidelines and adopted the concept of juvenile justice in the country. A prominent piece of National legislation which governs this aspect is Children and Young Persons Ordinance No.48 of 1939. This Ordinance makes provision for the establishment of juvenile courts, the supervision of juvenile offenders, and the protection of children and

young persons and other connected matters. A juvenile justice system is often given life through the agency of a juvenile court. Section 2 of the Children and Young Persons Ordinance defines a juvenile court as a court of summary jurisdiction sitting for the purpose of hearing any charge against a child or a young person, or for the purpose of exercising any other jurisdiction conferred on a juvenile court by or under this ordinance, or any other written law.

It requires that although this system of justice is structured to hear charges against children and young persons, that the alleged child is above the minimum age of responsibility. Children under the minimum age of responsibility cannot be accused of an offence or be subjected to any legal proceeding concerning such infarctions.

The Penal Code of Sri Lanka defines the minimum age of responsibility in the country. It is 12 years as outlined in Section 75 of the Penal Code with the provision 'nothing is an offence which is done by a child under 12 years of age'. In addition to defining a minimum age of responsibility, Section 76 further stipulates that nothing is an offence that is done by a child above 12 years of age and below 14 years of age who has not attained sufficient maturity and understanding to judge the nature and consequences of his conduct on that occasion.

International standards which revolve around juvenile justice systems assisted Sri Lanka in establishing a superior juvenile iustice system. International standards take the shape of treaties and declarations incorporated into the National legislature. The International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, United Nations Minimum Rules of Juvenile Justice, and the United Nations Guidelines for the Prevention of Juvenile Delinquency are some such international treaties and declarations. The International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights is composed of many safeguards which can be applicable to all persons brought to trail and detained. This ensures that the death penalty is prohibited for children under 18 years of age. The Covenant also provides in Article 6(5) that 'in the case of juvenile persons the court procedure will be such as take into account his age and desirability and promoting rehabilitation'.

The Convention on the Rights of the Child is a treaty which sets out the civil, political, economic, social, health and cultural rights of children. Article 37 and Article 40 of the Convention elaborates on the administrative aspects concerning juvenile offenders. In terms of Article 37(b) 'no child shall be deprived of his or her liberty unlawfully or arbitrarily. The arrest, detention or imprisonment of the child shall be in conformity with the law and shall be used only as a measure to its last resort and for the shortest period of

Rights of all children who are alleged to have committed, or are accused of an offence or recognized as having infringed the penal law, are secured by Article 40 of the convention on the Rights of the Child. Such law documents on how children should be treated

from the moment the allegation is made, throughout the investigative process, arrest, the proffering of a charge, pretrial period, trial and sentence. The Article expects the state parties to promote a distinctive system of juvenile justice with positive aims. The Article also provides a list of minimum standards for the conviction of juvenile offenders such as a minimum age of criminal responsibility, measures provided for children who may have infringed the penal law having no recourse to judicial proceedings, and provisions for a variety of dispositions and institutional care.

The United Nations Minimum Rules for the Administration of Juvenile Justice, commonly referred to as the Beijing Rules, expects states to establish legal protections to strengthen the wellbeing of children who are in conflict with the law. The instrument includes the aspects of children's interaction with the legal system from the first contact with law enforcement up to adjudication and disposition, guiding the states to establish a juvenile justice system with legislature, policies and regulations that secures the rights of children. The juvenile justice system is expected to be flexible and discretionary, upholding the basic procedural safeguards of children. The instrument is among the first that details norms for the administration of juvenile justice along with the rights of the child and a developmental approach.

The United Nations Guidelines for the Prevention of Juvenile Delinquency, commonly referred to as Riyadh guidelines, details the standards applicable when a juvenile is confined to an institution or a faculty as a consequence of an order given by any juvenile, administrative or public authority. The rules include principles and outline specific circumstances where children can be deprived of their liberty, stressing on the notion that deprivation of liberty should be considered a last resort, and for the shortest period of time limited to exceptional instances.

These are among the few internationally accepted instruments which enunciate the detrimental aspects of deprivation of liberty to ensuring the human rights and the rights of the child upholding the dignity and welfare of juveniles held in custody.

These international instruments and local legislation have influenced Sri Lanka. The establishment of juvenile courts which was primarily located in Battaramulla and another later in Jaffna, affords a glimpse of steps taken by Sri Lanka for a juvenile justice system. A juvenile court is a special court established for children where charges shall be proffered through a comprehensive understanding of the maturity and the background of the child, unlike the standard judicial proceeding where the accused is convicted strictly on the basis of the rigorously interpreted

Despite the establishment of the juvenile court, only partial success has been achieved in the development of the local juvenile justice system. This might be due to the misleading provisions which drive practitioners of the law to treat older juvenile offenders as adults, which is contrary to the intended objectives of juvenile justice.

A slight deviation between the local legislation governing juvenile justice and the International guidelines set out in treaties and declarations, is noticeable. The legislative interpretation of the Children and Young Persons Ordinance in Section 88 defines a child to be a person under 14 years of age and a young person to be an individual that has attained the age of 14 years but is under 16 years of age. The Convention on the Rights of the Child recognizes a person under 18 years of age as a child unless a particular country's legal system defines the age of adulthood as less than this.

A person who has attained 16 years of age and who has not attained the age of 22 is defined as a youthful person in Section 16 of the Youthful Offenders Ordinance. The Youthful Offenders (Training Schools) Ordinance No.28 of 1939 is an ordinance which makes provision for the establishment of training schools for detention, training and reformation of youthful offenders intending to change the behaviour through education and training.

There is a concern about how offenders between the ages of 16 and 18 are treated. The Age of Majority Act recognizes a person attaining the full age of 18 as having attained the legal age of majority in terms of Section 2 of the Act. Therefore it is important to make sure that an offender who has not attained 18 years of age has the right to exercise their rights as a child within the respective detention, training and reformation centres. The common law indicates that judges have considered the consequences to such children before making judgement such as in Re John Mathew where the court held a young person should not be ordered to be imprisoned for any offence or sent to prison in default of payment or fine unless the court certifies that he is of unruly character and cannot be detained in a remand home or certified school, or he is so deprived of character that he is not a fit person to be detained. Although judges have considered aspects of levels of comprehension and maturity of young persons, there is an absence of a concrete law concerning such young persons.

Age is of fundamental importance within a juvenile justice system as one of the key reasons for the establishment of such a system which slightly deviates from a standard court and its proceedings, is the assumed incapability of juveniles to understand the nature and the consequence of the offence they have committed. As documented in an article in the Daily

News in 2019, according to the Department of the Prisoners Statistics, there have been 168 children under 16 years of age and 11.203 children between the ages of 16 and 22, directly admitted to prisons as un-convicted prisoners. Moreover, 1,933 young people between the ages of 16 and 22 were directly admitted to the prison system along with adults as convicted prisoners. Last week, the Cabinet addressed this issue by imposing a new age limit with offenders under 18 years of age to be tried as juvenile offenders. This

can be observed as a progression in the law provided in the Children and Young Persons Ordinance which grants jurisdiction over children and young persons, where a child is interpreted to be a person under the 14 years of age — and a young person as a person who has attained 14 years of age, but is below 16 vears of age.

The foundational principle of the criminal justice system as pertaining to adults revolves around the concept of retribution or punishment. This concept is not only disturbing juvenile offenders, but also there is a higher possibility of their record blighting their futures. Therefore, restorative justice is mostly what is imposed on juvenile offenders. The key principles of restorative justice are repairing the harm done and restoring the society, restitution of the victim, making sure that the offender understands and takes responsibility for their actions, and helping to change and improve the behaviour of the offender.

One approach taken by courts in Sri Lanka towards restorative justice is rehabilitation. The juvenile offenders will be rehabilitated in institutions such as remand homes, approved or certified schools administered by the Department of Probation, and the Department of Child Care Services.

A juvenile offender below 16 years of age will be sent to a remand home for a period not exceeding one month and an offender below 18 years of age where the prescribed punishment for the particular offence he has committed is the death sentence shall be detained at the pleasure of the President, and if the particular offence is another indictable offence, such a person shall be detained in a remand home at the pleasure of the minister.

Rehabilitation primarily concerns transforming convicted children and young persons into law-abiding and responsible citizens of the country. The male inmates in rehabilitation centres are given vocational training in various fields such as carpentry and mechanical work, while female inmates in such centres are trained in the fields of home science and handicraft. Another means of rehabilitation is proba-

tion and supervision of juvenile offenders under the care of suitable persons. The court while considering the nature of the offence along with the psychology, background and understanding of the juvenile offender, will release the child on probation under the Probation of Offenders Ordinance No.42 of 1944. This ordinance is to amend the law relating to the release of offenders on probation, and for the supervision of such offenders — and provides for the establishment and administration of a probation service. Signs of positive change in the Sri Lankan

juvenile justice system can be seen in the recent past. As children are the future custodians of the country, it is important that they are set on the correct path by turning them into responsible citizens — rather than imposing punishment without making them comprehend the nature and the consequences of their actions — while all endeavours are made towards making the wellbeing of the child a prime concern.

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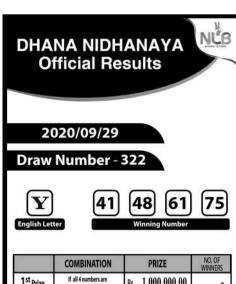
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3 rd Prize	If any 3 numbers are correct	Rs. 3,000.00	53
4 th Prize	If English Letter and 2 numbers are correct	Rs. 1,000.00	138
5 th Prize	If any 2 numbers are correct	Rs. 100.00	3,761
6 th Prize	If English Letter and 1 number is correct	Rs. 60.00	2,426
7 th Prize	If 1 number is correct	Rs. 20.00	62,758
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The Ambassadors from five ASEAN countries who paid a courtesy call on Speaker Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena at Parliament on Tuesday (29th) praised the efforts of the government in combating the COVID-19 pandemic.



Trade Minister Dr. Bandula Gunawardena made a sudden visit to the Thurstan College, Colombo yesterday (30) following the collapse of a section of a two storied building that was constructed with Mahapola Funds. The students who were studying in the damaged building are temporarily studying in tents. The Minister promised to construct a new building. Picture by Kelum Liyanage

Let's allow our children to express their ideas freely

The threat enforced by the COVID-19 pandemic is probably the biggest challenges ever faced by humanity in the recent past. This pandemic has threatened the whole world along with drastically altering the way people live their lives. Now most families, communities live in isolation and disconnected from rest of the world. The direct impacts are low in Sri Lanka

compared to rest of the other regions of the world, particularly neighboring India and western countries.

During the lockdown period from March to June this year, most people and families were confined to stay at home. School closures

presented a huge challenge to both children and their parents. The children, in particular were restricted from going to school, spending time with friends, playing outdoors, engaging in sports activities, going for movies, hugging and other normal routine activities due to home quarantine. However, like the famous saying every cloud has a silver lining the media was publishing so many fun and interesting stories of how children together with their parents were making use of this extra time on hands to creatively express through daily cooking and experimenting with other varied creative

activities as ways of keeping the family entertained. This creative response from children during lockdown should be nurtured, valued and supported, as it is likely to help develop future skills development and fire creative imagination through learning process. Motha brand provided the much needed opportunity to both parents and children during the lockdown with its easy to prepare ready mixes of jelly, pudding, faluda,

milk shake, custard and ingredients range to allow children to freely express their ideas through creative culinary

Further, as parents we need to find ways to support these good culinary skills learned and wonderful ideas to continue at home even though the schools are reopened.

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Motha wishes every child in the world a happy World Children's Day!



International

1st October 2020

"Pandemics: Do They Change How We Address Age and Ageing?"

Message from Hon. Prime Minister



I am very happy of this opportunity of issuing a message for the International Elders' Day, falling on 01st of October.

Aging is a biological process. It is an incidence compulsory and impartial to every living organism. The social attitudes displayed towards the elderly persons differ from era to era, from society to society and from culture to culture. The elderly population in Sri Lanka is increasing rapidly and is expected to increase considerably by the year 2030. Arrangements have to be made

so as the rapidly increasing elderly population will not be a challenge to the future of Sri Lanka. An environment encouraging the elderly to absorb their wealth of experiences to the development process of the country should be created while strategically facing the issues springing from the increasing elderly population. I am happy that the National Secretariat for Elders, operating under the Ministry of Health through the National Policy Framework 'Vistas of Prosperity and Splendour' is taking the necessary steps to achieve that.

I pray, from the bottom of my heart, that the National Council for Elders and the National Secretariat for Elders, continually dedicated to fulfill the Government responsibility for elders get more strength to provide their services more efficiently.

I wish the parents of the nation, who have encouraged their sons and daughters for the improvement of the Motherland and spending the evening of their lives, happiness, good health and long life.

Mahinda Rajapaksa

Hon. Prime Minister of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka



National Secretariat for Elders **Ministry of Health**



Message from Hon. Minister of Health



The International Elders' Day, with the theme "Pandemics: Do They Change How We Address Age and Ageing?" is falling on 01st of October 2020. I am very happy of the opportunity to issue a congratulatory message for the International Elders' Day celebrations of this country. The services for elders should increase in relation to the elderly population increasing day-by-day. According to statistics, it is reported that 11% out of the world population is over the age of 60 years. Here, the most number of elderly people in the South Asian Region is reported from Sri Lanka and, accordingly, a tendency towards increasing the elderly

population in this country is presently observed. So, the extremely important task of making arrangements for pre-preparedness is entrusted to the National Council for Elders and the National Secretariat for Elders and they are given very important responsibilities. The Government of Sri Lanka recognizes the National Secretariat for Elders as an institution of national importance.

Even though the life expectation of this country is at a high level during the past three decades due to the decreasing of the birth rate and the gradual advancement of health facilities and the science of medicine, the health system of the country should be developed, minimizing the health issues the older generation, which is increasing in numbers, has to face and solving their health problems. As the tendency of parts and systems of the human body to be subjected to various diseases increases with age, it is very important for elders to be healthy.

According to the policy statement 'Vistas of Prosperity and Splendour' of His Excellency the President, arrangements have been made to activate several programmes for an honoured and respected society of senior citizens

From countless eons, tending one's parents has been a special part of our culture. We should initially realize that elders are people we cannot ever be inconsiderate towards. I would like to point out that paving the way for our elders, who dedicated their knowledge, skills and labour for the country and the nation during their entire working lives, to spend the evening of their lives in rest and happiness and being productive to themselves and the country. Bestowing my best wishes on the national programme of this country organized to commemorate the International Day of Older Persons once again, I pray for that programme to be extremely successful.

Pavithra Wanniarachchi (Attorney at Law) Hon. Minister of Health

Message from the Secretary, Ministry of Health



I consider being able to issue a message of greetings for the National Commemoration Celebrations of the National Secretariat for Elders held in parallel with the International Elders' Day celebrated on 01st of October 2020 my great good

The fast-increasing elderly population in the world is a challenge for the future world. In that challenge, Sri Lanka, a fast developing country, has been identified as a country in the South Asian Zone where the elderly population is fast increasing. "Older people are people who have carried out missions for advancement of the society." Protecting them is our national responsibility. The present world we are living in has been built with

their strength. Bequeathing a better and productive lifestyle for them is a national responsibility. For that, the National Council for Elders and the National Secretariat for Elders have been established by the Protection of the Rights of Elders Act No. 09 of 2000. When the elderly population in Sri Lanka is numerically calculated, it is predicted that the elderly population, which was 14% in the year 2015, will increase to 25% of the total population by the year 2040. In such a situation, its responsibility is carried out by the National Council for Elders and the National Secretariat for Elders. Several projects and programmes have already been launched at District, Provincial and rural levels to prepare the necessary environment and give the required assistance to these elders who are spending the evening of their lives to spend their future happily and productively. The 'Wadihiti Saviya' Senior Citizen's Payment, "Wedihiti Awarana Kepakaru" Elders' Sponsorship, establishment of Senior Citizen Committees through Sri Lanka at Divisional Level, Senior Citizens' Assistance Scheme for selected elders over 60 years, giving self-employment aid for elders and payment of Rs. 5000.00 for every senior citizen over 100 years could be identified as some of them. Furthermore, several programmes necessary to turn the elderly persons to further productive resources of the country and assist them to spend their lives happily have been planned for the future.

In this moment of time when the National Elders' Day, falling on 01st of October, is being commemorated, I consider being able to grant the human and physical resources of the Health Ministry for the welfare of the elderly most fortunate and I am inviting you to join hands to make this national endeavour a success

Dr. S.H. Munasinghe Secretary, Ministry of Health

Message from Director, National Secretariat for Elders



I consider getting this opportunity of wishing you well on the occasion of the International Elders' Day-2020 my great good fortune. Arrangements have been made to hold the International Elders' Day National Ceremony, under the theme "Pandemics: Do They Change How We Address Age and Ageing?" with much pomp and glamour under the distinguished patronage of Hon. Minister of Health Pavithradevi Wanniarachchi at the Sri Lanka Foundation Institute, Colombo 07.

It is a tragedy well known to all of us that out of the millions of that contaminated, and died in, the New Corona Pandemic the majority were elderly persons. Nevertheless, the

dedication of the Government led by His Excellency the President, the health sector and the security forces to protect the whole population of Sri Lanka including you, the elderly people, is something to mention with honour when you consider the theme of this year's International Elders' Day.

The establishment of the National Council for Elders, based on protecting the rights of the elderly people and the National Secretariat for Elders to assist it in accomplishing its tasks through the Protection of the Rights of Elders Act No. 09 of 2000 and the Protection of the Rights of Elders (Amendment) Act No. 05 of 2011 are extremely productive steps with regards to the elderly persons. Recognized among the objectives of establishing these two entities are identifying the issues faced by the elderly and preparing and implementing policies to counter them while protecting and promoting the rights of older persons, developing the society utilizing their knowledge, skills and experiences, generating a healthy elderly community, providing guidance and welfare services for elderly people with low income and updating information relevant to elderly people. The Treasury and the Elderly Social Security Fund provide the required monetary contribution to carry out these tasks more productively.

'Vistas of Prosperity and Splendour', the policy statement of His Excellency the President Gotabaya Rajapaksa, has proposed a broad programme to generate a society with respected senior citizens. I see strengthening and activating proposals such as setting up a 'Voluntary Service Task Force' with the objective of engaging senior citizens for soft skills development projects and, for the sharing of their knowledge and experience with the future

generation, implementing a programme in collaboration with the private sector to train and support senior citizens who wish to improve their livelihoods and introducing them to the necessary resources and markets, introducing a new insurance scheme providing parents' protection to children, establishing and implementing of standards at homes for the elderly and aged and taking the necessary steps to increase the private sector investments for that as essential tasks that has to be activated by the National Council for Elders and the National Secretariat for Elders.

All of us must keep in our minds that, in the face of the prediction that the elderly population, 16.04% of the total population of Sri Lanka at present, will increase to 1/4 of the total population of the country in another 20 years, preparing and implementing plans to face it now itself will be of great support to achieving the production goals of a country. I wish you all good health, happiness and long life.

Chandana Ranaweera Arachchi

Director (Actg.), National Secretariat for Elders and Director, Department of Social Services.

HISTORY OF THE RAIN RETREAT

In short, the Rain Retreat can be called an "intense learning period," or in other words, it is the "Moral Training Camp" or a place to cultivate virtues. Other activity like traveling to meet supporters is temporarily halted during this period so monks can fully concentrate on studying and researching the Tipitika. When the studying is done, monks can focus on their meditation practice - a research of the internal Tipitika. The external Tipitika can be studied from the volumes of books, whereas the research of the internal Tipitika is done via meditation.

VENERABLE DATTAJEEVO THERA

he Rain Retreat had not existed yet during the initial years of Buddhism. Therefore, throughout any given year, when a monk needs to visit the people in order to teach Dhamma, the journey was made when time permitted. On the other hand, if he wasn't going to visit anyone, a pilgrimage to a tranquil place that was conducive for meditation would be made should one be discovered. In many instances, these sites were in rural areas usually found in forests or mountains and away from the city. And when they make their trip during the rainy season, they have to pass through rice paddies that villagers worked on.

Often times these fields have rice seedlings that were recently transplanted and just starting to sprout. Sometimes these seedlings look just like ordinary grass and are crushed unintentionally under the feet of monks trekking through, causing the villagers much distress.

The farmers would take their complaint to the Buddha about monks stepping on rice that they've planted. They reasoned that even birds stayed in their nests during the rainy season; why monks didn't.

Full guidance

To resolve this problem, the Buddha established the rule that during the rainy season, all the monks dwell in one place starting from the full moon day of the 8th lunar month until the full moon day of the 11th lunar month. Monks are not to travel anywhere outside their residence to give sermons or to go meditate; if someone wishes to listen to Dhamma, they're encouraged to come meet the monk at the temple instead. From a different perspective, the Buddha saw that having the monks remain at the ashram or temple as a great opportunity for the newly ordained monks to receive full guidance and mentoring from the senior monks.

The truth of the matter is the training and transferring of Dhamma knowledge and monastic discipline, when done correctly and on a daily basis, has wonderful benefits. Therefore, the Buddha made the rule that all the monks are to stay in one place during the Rain Retreat. The senior monks assumed the role of teachers in training and teaching Dhamma to the new monks. In addition, the seasoned monks can help plan where the new monks should go after the Rain Retreat was complete, and fine tune their

teaching method and techniques in delivering sermons so that they're appropriate with the audience and the changing society. Thus, the Rain Retreat is a period of time that is beneficial for both the people and the senior and junior monks.

The daily routine for monks during the Rain Retreat is similar to what they normally do during any other time of the year. However, since they're not leaving their residence, monks in the present days are afforded more time to concentrate on their meditation practice, improve their teaching method and sermons, and study the Tipitika in detail.

Long term ordination

If we visited the temples in Thailand during the Rain Retreat, we will notice that Thai men traditionally ordain during this period, no matter if it is for a short or long term ordination. For this reason, you will find senior and junior monks residing in the same place. This way, senior monks get the opportunity to be teaching monks, and teach subjects they are an expert in – monastic disciplines, Dhamma and Jataka.

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Moreover, when all the new monks reside at the temples together, their parents, relatives and friends will come to the temple to perform meritorious deeds so that they can see their ordained sons, nephews, or friends. Being recently ordained, the new monks are not prepared to give sermons yet, but when their families come to the temple, they get the opportunity to meet with the senior monks and teaching monks and a chance to listen to Dhamma discours-

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In sync with rain

SACHITRA MAHENDRA

ap is marked in the Buddhist calendar as the end of rain retreat. Modern days do not have a proper rain calendar. But we are always fond of following the traditions, hence the rainy retreat, no matter whether rains come or not.

The rain retreat, having commenced in Esala, comes to an end in Vap. It is time for Buddhists to celebrate with much grandeur – spiritual grandeur. In Pali Katina means 'unbreakable'.

The Buddha, along with his disciples, initiated the rain retreat – vassana. Monks, especially the higher ordained, are expected to follow the discipline code in a strict sense. How this ritual came to be is interesting.

Rainy kill

When the Buddha's monk disciples had made it a custom to walk even in the rainy seasons, it raised eyebrows of a certain crowd. It was a good point for the non-Buddhist sects to attack the Buddha: Gautama's followers kill thousands of living beings in the rainy season.

When monks stayed indoors and meditated, people mistook it. They thought monks suffer a lot, and reported this to King Bimbisara. The good-hearted king invited the Buddha and his followers to his city of Rajagaha.

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Three-month custom

The Buddha listened to this, surprised them by ruling that the monks should stay indoors in the rainy season and named it rain retreat. It means vas in Pali, because viseema is dwelling in English. The retreat lasts for three months. The vas actually starts in Esala, which is called pera vas, and what happens in Nikini is called pasu vas. This paved the way to a strong bond between the monks

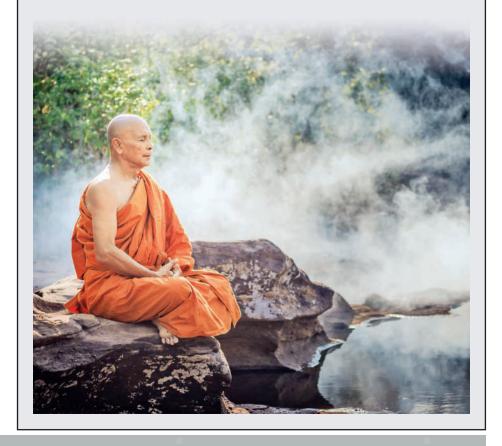
and laypeople, as they get to meet oftener. This period is considered utmost sacred. Many meritorious activities such as discussion and meditation are carried out. Whenever a layperson builds a new house, h/she invites the Buddhist monks to spend a while during this season. Offering a katina robe or being engaged in a katina activity is considered a great merit, which will yield results in this existence itself. It is considered as one of the eight great meritorious activities.

Traditions and customs aside, what is the real meaning of a rain retreat? The rain retreat is the Buddha's readymade solution to the modern world aching for a vacation. The Buddha's version of vacation has more advantages and benefits than the western standard of vacation. It keeps your money more intact. It makes you ready to face the external world, not much exhausted.

You don't have the worry of working extra to make up for the money lost. Instead, you are more energised to make more money and give the money its worth. This version of vacation is the home away from the standard sweet home. It is called inner home akin to the tortoise shell.

Ending of Ayan Vassana Kaalo

This is rather the climax of the long awaited Vassana Which culminate in the Katina Pooia in Buddha Sasana Vassana season leading to Katina Pooja is believed To be the highest merit bestowing period Katina Pooja can only be offered by the devoted laity And accepted by Sangha where Vassana observed in reality Buddhist devotees anxiously await this sacred event Because the Katina Pooja marks a milestone very important They participate in religious activities until its culmination In the Katina Cheevara Pooja with Shradda and devotion Buddha had enacted Vinaya rules for strict compliance Katina pooja is performed as a symbol of extreme obedience Katina Pooja creates a special religious awakening Making a great impact on moral lives in meaning According to Buddha, Vassana continues as a fulfilment Of a longstanding valued disciplinary requirement They look after the Sangha with loving tender care Providing Siwupasa – robes, alms, shelter and medical care Cheevaraya is now honoured in their abode with reverence Until taken to the temple in procession from the residence An illuminated vehicle vends its way through the city Parading in the close by streets in the vicinity In the procession the devotees walk, clad in white Carrying flags, lanterns and lotuses, reflecting a serene sight The procession finally reaches the temple at dawn With more observances in the temple to welcome the Cheevara An eye-catching creation gayly decorated In the name of Kapruka, a tree in Dharma Shala is erected The tree is adorned with numerous articles required For the daily life of Maha Sangha earnestly offered They enjoy contributing in whatever way they could Even a needle offered is known to bestow high merit Vassana comes to an end with Katinanusasana As the final event of great significance in Buddha Sasana Rupa Banduwardena



CONSTRUCTING THE RIGHT EFFORT

BHIKKHU BODHI

he purification of lished by the prior three factors serves as the basis for the next division of the path, the division of concentration (samadhikkhandha). This present phase of practice, which advances from moral restraint to direct mental training, comprises the three factors of right effort, right mindfulness, and right concentration. It gains its name from the goal to which it aspires, the power of sustained concentration, itself required as the support for insight-wisdom.

Wisdom is the primary tool for deliverance, but the penetrating vision it yields can only open up when the mind has been composed and collected. Right concentration brings the requisite stillness to the mind by unifying it with undistracted focus on a suitable object. To do so, however, the factor of concentration needs the aid of effort and mindfulness. Right effort provides the energy demanded by the task, right mindfulness the steadying points for awareness.

Shoulder for support

The commentators illustrate the interdependence of the three factors within the concentration group with a simple simile. Three boys go to a park to play. While walking along they see a tree with flowering tops and decide they want to gather the flowers. But the flowers are beyond the reach even of the tallest boy. Then one friend bends down and offers his back. The tall boy climbs up, but still hesitates to reach for the flowers from fear of falling. So the third boy comes over and offers his shoulder for support. The first boy, standing on the back of the second boy, then leans on the shoulder of the third boy, reaches up, and gathers the

In this simile the tall boy who picks the flowers represents concentration with its function of unifying the mind. But to unify the mind concentration needs support: the energy provided by right

who offers his back. It also requires the stabilizing awareness provided by mindfulness, which is like the boy who offers his shoulder. When right concentration receives this support, then empowered by right effort and balanced by right mindfulness it can draw in the scattered strands of thought and fix the mind firmly on its Energy (viriya), the mental

factor behind right effort, can appear in either wholesome or unwholesome forms. The same factor fuels desire, aggression, violence, and ambition on the one hand, and generosity, self-discipline, kindness, concentration, and understanding on the other. The exertion involved in right effort is a wholesome form of energy, but it is something more specific namely, the energy in imposes a double task. The unwholesome side wholesome states of conrequires that the defilements lying dormant be sciousness directed to liberation from suffering. This last qualifying phrase is especially important. For wholesome energy to become a contributor to the path it has to be guided by right view and right intention, and to work in association with the other path factors. Otherwise, as the energy in ordinary wholesome

from the round. Time and again the Buddha has stressed the need for effort, for diligence, exertion, and unflagging perseverance. The reason why effort is so crucial is that each person has to work out his or her own deliverance. The Buddha does what he can by pointing out the path to liberation; the rest involves putting the path into practice, a task that demands energy. This energy is to be applied to the cultiva-

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> tion of the mind, which forms the focus of the entire path. The starting point is the defiled mind, afflicted and deluded; the goal is the liberated mind, purified and illuminated by wisdom.

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Self-cultivation

What comes in between is the unremitting effort to transform the defiled mind into the liberated mind. The work of self-cultivation is not easy - there is no one who can do it for us but ourselves - but it is not impossible. The Buddha himself and his accomplished disciples provide the living proof that the task is not beyond our reach. They assure us, too, that anyone who follows the path can

the determination: "I shall not give up my efforts until I have attained whatever is attainable by manly perseverance, energy, and endeavor." The nature of the men-

tal process effects a division of right effort into four 'great endeavors": 1. to prevent the arising of unarisen unwholesome

2. to abandon unwholesome states that have already arisen:

3. to arouse wholesome states that have not yet aris-

4. to maintain and perfect wholesome states already arisen.

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mental states imposes a double task. The unwholesome side requires that the defilements lying dormant be prevented from erupting and that the active defilements already present be expelled. The wholesome side requires that the undeveloped liberating factors first be brought into being, then persistently developed to the point of full maturity. Now we will examine each of these four divisions of right effort, giving special attention to their most fertile field of applica-

tion, the cultivation of the

mind through meditation. The first side of right effort aims at overcoming unwholesome states, states of mind tainted by defilements. Insofar as they impede concentration the defilements are usually presented in a fivefold set called the "five hindrances" (pañcanivarana): sensual desire, ill will, dullness and drowsiness, restlessness and worry, and doubt. They receive the name "hindrances" because they block the path to liberation; they grow up and over the mind preventing calm and insight, the primary instruments for progress. The first two hindrances, sensual desire and ill will, are the strongest of the set, the most formidable barriers to meditative growth, representing, respectively, the

unwholesome roots of greed and aversion. The other three hindrances, less toxic but still obstructive, are offshoots of delusion, usually in association with other defilements.

Broader interpretation

Sensual desire is interpreted in two ways. Sometimes it is understood in a narrow sense as lust for the "five strands of sense pleasure," i.e., agreeable sights, sounds, smells, tastes, and touches; sometimes a broader interpretation is given, by which the term becomes inclusive of craving in all its modes, whether for sense pleasures, wealth, power, position, fame, or anything else it can settle upon. The second hindrance, ill

will, is a synonym for aversion. It comprises hatred, anger, resentment, repulsion of every shade, whether directed towards other people, towards oneself, towards objects, or towards situations. The third hindrance, dullness and drowsiness, is a compound of two factors linked together by their common feature of mental unwieldiness. One is dullness (thina), manifest as mental inertia; the other is drowsiness (middha), seen in mental sinking, heaviness of mind, or excessive inclination to sleep. At the opposite extreme is the fourth hindrance, restlessness and

This too is a compound with its two members linked by their common feature of disquietude. Restlessness (uddhacca) is agitation or excitement, which drives the mind from thought to thought with speed and frenzy; worry (kukkucca) is remorse over past mistakes and anxiety about their possible undesired consequences. The fifth hindrance, doubt, signifies a chronic indecisiveness and lack of resolution: not the probing of critical intelligence, an attitude encouraged by the Buddha, but a persistent inability to commit oneself to the course of spiritual training due to lingering doubts concerning the Buddha, his doctrine, and his path.

The first effort to be made

regarding the hindrances is the effort to prevent the unarisen hindrances from arising; this is also called the endeavor to restrain (samvarappadhana). The effort to hold the hindrances in check is imperative both at the start of meditative training and throughout the course of its development. For when the hindrances arise, they disperse attention and darken the quality of awareness, to the detriment of calm and clarity. The hindrances do not come from outside the mind but from within. They appear through the activation of certain tendencies constantly lying dormant in the deep recesses of the mental continuum, awaiting the opportunity to surface.

Physical organism

Generally what sparks the hindrances into activity is the input afforded by sense experience. The physical organism is equipped with five sense faculties each receptive to its own specific kind of data - the eye to forms, the ear to sounds, the nose to smells, the tongue to tastes, the body to tangibles.

Sense objects continuously impinge on the senses, which relay the information they receive to the mind, where it is processed, evaluated, and accorded an appropriate response. But the mind can deal with the impressions it receives in different ways, governed in the first place by the manner in which it attends to them. When the mind adverts to the incoming data carelessly, with unwise consideration (ayoniso manasikara), the sense objects tend to stir up unwholesome states.

They do this either directly, through their immediate impact, or else indirectly by depositing memory traces which later may swell up as the objects of defiled thoughts, images, and fantasies. As a general rule the defilement that is activated corresponds to the object: attractive objects provoke desire, disagreeable objects provoke ill will, and indeterminate objects provoke the defilements connected with delusion.

Calm in the midst of chaos

SHARON SALZBERG

ow do we navigate the overall unruliness of life, so filled as it is with urgencies-tasks left undone, friends who need help, health problems, financial pressures, family crises, community crises, world crises? How do we sustain ourselves, our sanity, our open hearts and clear vision in the face of these ongoing challenges? In Buddhist psychology, the answer is equanimity.

When I think of equanimity, I turn to the Pali word upekkha, which is most effectively translated as balance, often the balance born from wisdom. For some, the word equanimity implies coolness, indifference, or even fear masquerading as being "just fine." A teenager shrugging and saying, "Whatever," is a perfect example of that particular impression of equanimity. It feels mean, doesn't it, as you're trying to offer care or help, to be met with a "What-

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WINDS OF CHANGE

Another idea that people presume for the meaning of equanimity is passivity. In that view, if you approach bad things with equanimity, maybe you're just being a doormat or a dry leaf asking to be blown about by the winds of change.

The word balance itself can also be misunderstood. Sometimes it's dismissed as a forced or constrained state achieved through valiantly propping something up (like cheerfulness) while simultaneously pushing something else down (like sorrow). Or holding both pleasure and pain in a tight fist, hoping the pain doesn't leap out of your hand to take over. Balance is readily seen as mediocrity, something bland, a series of concessions that takes you to the lowest common denominator.

A few years ago, I was at a marketing meeting related to a program I was

involved in at the Garrison Institute. For four years, we had offered yoga and meditation as resilience skills for frontline workers in domestic violence shelters. At that point, the program was exploring expanding that skills training to international humanitarian aid workers, which required rewriting all of the material, so we gathered to talk about how to do that.

I tried to explain the changes I had seen the frontline workers go through during the program, and I found myself apologizing: "I know it's not an exciting word or a compelling word-it can easily sound kind of boring-but an enormous benefit described by them was an increase in balance."

At that point, every one of the marketing team members laughed. "You know who really likes the word balance?" one of them asked. "Anyone who feels out of balance. That's a lot of people!"

FEELING INTENSITY

The kind of balance I'm talking about is not a measurement of how much time you spend doing one thing and then another, trying to create equality between them. Instead, it has to do with having perspective on life, and the effort you're putting out, and the changes you're going through. We establish this sense of balance within. It demands of us wisdom, and it gives us a growing sense of peace.

Balance doesn't come from wiping out all feeling. We don't have many models for navigating strong emotions in a more balanced way. Many of us are conditioned toward extremes. When it comes to feeling painful emotions like anger, we may get lost in them, such that they become toxic and seemingly inescapable. We may think there's no way out, and we come to identify with our feelings completely: I'm an angry person, and I always will be.

On the other hand, we may tend to feel an impulse to turn away from tough feelings-to swallow them, deny them, distract ourselves. We don't have many models for feeling strong emotions in a more balanced way. It's an uncommon trait.

Equanimity is what frees us from these dynamics; we can learn to be present with emotions without falling into the extremes of overwhelm or denial. Equanimity is the state in which we can recognize an emotion like anger-and even feel its full intensity-but also pay attention to choosing how we will respond to a given feeling, thought, or cir-

DISPARAGING REMARK

One of my favorite illustrations of this phenomenon comes from Andrés Gonzaléz of the Holistic Life Foundation. He told me the story of eight-year-old Janaisa, one of the girls in the after-school program he helps run, who had a history of getting into fights with her peers. "Boys or girls, it didn't matter, they would make fun of her and she'd knock them out," he says. But then one day in the gym, when another girl made a disparaging remark about her, Janaisa grabbed her and slammed her against the wall. "She then silently looked at the girl," recalled Andrés, "and then dropped her, saying, 'You'd better be glad I meditate."

We can choose not to make an enemy of our feelings, as intense as they may be. Instead, we can expand our awareness and allow those feelings to come up. And we can allow them to move and shift. That space brings the wisdom that keeps us from getting lost in immediate reactivity. That freedom is the essence of equanimity.

Before I began meditating, when I thought of being out of balance, I would visualize a hand holding an old-fashioned scale, where one of the weighted brass plates was a bit lower than the other. But that image didn't quite capture the way I actually felt when what I needed was some equanimity.

As life twists and turns, often we try to



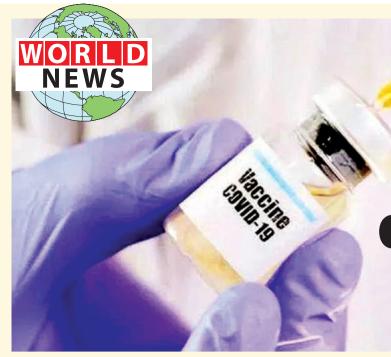
convey the impression that we've got it all together. But sometimes we maintain the appearance of steadiness only by staying in a state of tension so high that our emotional equilibrium can be blown off course by the mildest of breezes. Is it truly a life in balance if it requires so much effort? Ease is part of what we want: to feel unrestricted, peaceful, and free, to be able to respond appropriately to our world as it changes.

I've come to think that a better image for balance is a gyroscope. The gyroscope is a wonderful visual representation of equanimity: the ability to find calm and steadiness under stress. That balance is loose and limber, capable of ducking some of what's coming and getting quickly back

Watch a gyroscope in motion and you'll see the wonder of the simple way it maintains a perfect balance. The core of the gyroscope, its axis, spins with such power that it keeps the big circle around it well balanced. Although constantly in motion, the gyroscope is stable, adjusting to whatever comes its way. A gust of wind or a hard knock on the table will send a spinning top tumbling, but not a gyroscope. Try to knock it over and it gracefully and steadily rights itself.

As we navigate through circumstances, we can learn to be more agile and responsive instead of reactive. The balance of a gyroscope comes from its strong core-its central, stable energy. A sense of meaning in our lives can give us that core, lifting our aspirations, strengthening us in adversity, helping us have a sense of who we are and what we care about in spite of changing situations.

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ADDITIONAL 100 mn COVID-19 VACCINE doses for POOR countries

• 120 million rapid tests available - WHO

SWITZERLAND: Up to 100 million additional doses of any eventual COVID-19 vaccines will be secured for delivery to poorer countries in 2021, health groups announced Tuesday, as the virus showed no sign of receding after claiming more than one million lives around the world.

The announcement doubles the number of doses already secured from the Serum Institute of India by the Gavi vaccine alli-

ance and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, following an initial agreement last month.

The public-private health partnership stressed that the eventual total is "potentially several times" greater, and said the price would be capped at \$3 per dose.

"No country, rich or poor, should be left at the back of the queue when it comes to COVID-19 vaccines; this collaboration brings us another step closer to achieving this goal," Gavi chief Seth Berkley said.

As nine vaccine candidates are in laststage trials, the World Bank said Tuesday it had asked its board of directors to approve \$12 billion to help poor countries purchase and distribute vaccines.

A World Bank spokesman said that "the global economy will not recover fully until people feel they can live, socialize, work and

travel with confidence." As humanity struggles against COVID-19, the World Health Organization said this week that some 120 million rapid tests will soon be made available to low-and middle-income countries if funding can be secured.

The kits -- faster, cheaper and easier to administer than standard Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) swab tests, but also less reliable -- will be rolled out across 133 coun-

tries in the next six months. UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres on Tuesday said that "responsible leadership matters" in steering the world through the pandemic.

"Science matters. Cooperation matters -and misinformation kills," he warned, urging people to respect familiar infection control measures like hand-washing, distancing and mask-wearing.

Armenia not ready for Russia-mediated peace talks with Azerbaijan - PM

ARMENIA: Armenian Prime Minister Nikol Pashinyan on Wednesday said peace talks with Azerbaijan under Russian mediation would be inappropriate, as fighting over the breakaway Nagorny Karabakh region entered a fourth day.

Armenia and Azerbaijan have defied international calls for a ceasefire over Karabakh -- an ethnic-Armenian region that broke away from Azerbaijan in the 1990s - and are both claiming to have inflicted heavy losses on opposing

Armenia and Azerbaijan have been locked for decades in a territorial dispute over Karabakh and have blamed each other for sparking fierce clashes on Sunday.

"It isn't very appropriate to speak of a summit between Armenia, Azerbaijan and Russia at a time of intensive hostilities," Pashinyan told Russia's Interfax news agency. "A suitable atmosphere and conditions are needed for negotiations." He said Armenia "at this point" is not planning to ask for intervention in the conflict by a Russia-led military alliance, the Organisation of the Collective Security Treaty that comprises several former Soviet republics including Armenia.

There have been 98 confirmed deaths in the fighting: 81 Armenian separatists and 17 civilians on both sides, including women and chil-

Azerbaijan's defence ministry said that "intense fighting was continuing" on Wednesday, claiming that its forces have killed 2,300 separatist troops since hostilities broke out on Sunday.

The ministry said its troops had "destroyed 130 tanks, 200 artillery units, 25 anti-aircraft units, five ammunition depots, 50 anti-tank units, 55 military vehicles" as well as Armenia's Russian-produced S-300 long-range surface-to-air missile system.

It said the separatists had "shelled the city of Terter, targeting civilians and civilian infrastructure." Karabakh's defence ministry, on its part, said Azerbaijani forces "continued artillery shelling" of separatist positions along Karabakh's 180-kilometre frontline" on Wednesday morn-







Kuwait's Crown Prince Sheik Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah.

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Crown Prince becomes Kuwait's new ruling Emir

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KUWAIT: Kuwait's Crown Prince there likely will be negotiations behind Emir Tuesday night, reaching the high-prince. its security services.

Sheikh Nawaf, 83, had served as the crown prince since 2006, jumping a traditional order of alternating rule between the Al Jaber and the Al Salim branches of the country's ruling family.

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While his taking of the throne came as prescribed by Kuwait's constitution,

Sheikh Nawaf Al Ahmad Al Sabah the scenes in the weeks ahead over who became the oil-rich nation's new ruling will become the country's next crown

est post in the country after decades in Those discussions likely will take time as Kuwait mourns its late ruler, Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmad Al Sabah, who died Tuesday at the age of 91, and weighs who best represents a country that had carefully positioned itself amid regional rivalries.

Sheikh Nawaf "may provide a welcome respite of unity in transition,'

wrote Kristin Smith Diwan, a scholar at the Arab Gulf States Institute in Washington. "Yet, 83 years old and without any clear national program, his reign is unlikely to deter the sharp competition already underway to claim the title of his

successor." State television carried an address by Anas Khalid al-Saleh, Kuwait's interior minister and deputy prime minister, announcing Sheikh Nawaf had taken the position just hours after Sheikh Sabah's death.

Sheikh Nawaf, like half-brother Sheikh Sabah, was born before Kuwait discovered the oil that would make this small nation among the richest in the world. Born June 25, 1937, Sheikh Nawaf became a governor of Kuwait's Hawalli region and later the country's interior minister, a position he held for nearly a decade.

As interior minister, Sheikh Nawaf negotiated in 1980 with two Jordanians who hijacked a Boeing 727 heading from Beirut to Kuwait City. The hijackers ultimately gave up the plane without harming any passengers on board. Sheikh Nawaf negotiated in other hijackings as well.

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Health authorities give green light for Mega Show

The health authorities of the Colombo Municipal Council and National health authorities have given the necessary green light to hold the 42nd Observer-Mobitel School Cricketers of the Year contest in keeping with the Covid-19 health

Hence, the 42nd Observer-Mobitel School Cricketers of the Year will be the only school cricket awards ceremony to be held in year 2020. The Covid-19 epidemic hit the world early this year and Sri Lanka too had it from mid-March. At that time none thought that the 42nd Obsevrer-Mobitel School Cricketers of the Year would ever be a reality this year.

There were enough and more reasons to think so as everything in our day to day lives came to a complete standstill as the deadly Coronavirus spread worldwide, bringing almost all human activities to a complete standstill.

From the second weekend in March which the oldest uninterrupted inter-school cricket match - the Roval-Thomian encounter was just played, the authorities in Sri Lanka took a determined approach to face the Covid-19 epidemic.

Thanks to the determined efforts of the health authorities, security forces and Government officials, Sri Lanka implemented one of the world's most successful campaigns under President Gotabaya Rajapaksa. While citizens in the so-called big countries in the world perished in next to no time due the Covid-19, Sri Lanka set new world marks in combating the coronavirus.

Thus, Sri Lanka became one of the most least effected countries in the world from Covid-19. Though the threat posed from Covid-19 cannot be ruled out altogether, Sri Lanka is on a better

Hence, the 42nd Observer-Mobitel School Cricketer of the Year will now be held at the

Recognizing talent, inspiring greatness. BMICH on November 18, following health clearance from all Covid-19 Government agencies and

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This will be a giant leap forward for the 42nd Observer-Mobitel School Cricketer of the Year in an atmosphere unlike any of the school cricket awards shows, which mushroomed in recent times and are struggling due to lack of sponsor-

Full credit must go to the principal sponsor – Sri Lanka's national mobile partner Sri Lanka Telecom Mobitel which is honouring its commit-

The long-awaited 42nd Observer -Mobitel School Cricketers of the Year will now be held immediately after the GCE Advanced Level examination. The final Selections have now been finalized. Schoolboy and schoolgirl cricketers who will carry away the top awards were picked last week by officials of the Sri Lanka Schools Cricket Association (SLSCA) and Cricket Umpires Association at a meeting at the Galadari Hotel, Colombo. The distinguished panel was chaired by Ashantha de Mel, the chairman of the National Selection Committee.

It was special to have De Mel as chairman of the Observer-Mobitel Schoolboy and Schoolgirl Cricketers of the Year selection panel - a fitting tribute to one of Sri Lanka's top fast bowlers in the early Test era.

The SLSCA delegation at the Selection Committee meeting was led by its president Thilak Waththuhewa, Principal of Nalanda Vidyalaya. Apart from the SLSCA top officials, several umpires and batsman.lk officials also supported the panel with their statistical data in picking the

The Observer-Mobitel School Cricketer of the Year has come a long way from its humble beginnings at the Nawarangahala in 1978/79.

Returning to the BMICH as the host venue was mainly due to the fact that it has the capacity to accommodate a large gathering in keeping with the Government's Health Ministry regulations after the Covid-19 pandemic. The BMICH has a seating capacity of 1,600 and in order to adhere to the Government health regulations due to Covid-19, we are inviting only 800 guests for the Mega Show. The Observer-Mobitel Schoolboy and Schoolgirl Cricketers of the Year has improved in every aspect to become the best in rewarding the champion of champions.

A couple of competitive shows which copied the Mega Show are not rewarding cricketers this year. We have always encouraged these events as the Mother of All Shows for the benefit of the teenagers. But the rival events will not be at play this time as their sponsors seem to have ended their innings due to lack of mileage owing to the Covid-19 lockdown.



FLASHBACK: Double celebration for Royal College in 2011 as Bhanuka Rajapakse and Ramith Rambukwella emerged the Observer-Mobitel Schoolboy Cricketer of the Year and Most Popular Schoolboy Cricketer of the Year

But the sponsor of the Observer-Mobitel School Cricketers of the Year show - SLT Mobitel played a straight bat with the Sunday Observer to maintain the uninterrupted run of the event for the 42nd year. Thus, the 42nd Observer-Mobitel School Cricketer of the Year will be the only formal school cricket awards show for the

Thus, the event has turned out to become the showpiece of Sri Lanka school cricket that has given birth to legendary cricketers from Asia Cup winners to World champs, man of the series winners at ICC World Cup tournaments, highest wicket taker in Test cricket, Chief ICC Match

Referee and the best umpire in the ICC elite

These are some of the memorable happenings among many that tell how the Observer Schoolboy Cricketer of the Year contest has been asso-

ciated with Sri Lanka cricket history. It has been the feeder pool for the national team, providing an ideal opportunity for the next generation of cricketers once they graduate from the Observer Schoolboy Cricketer of the Year

'cricketing university'. Organized by the Associated Newspapers of Cevlon Limited (ANCL), the event is sponsored by the country's national mobile service provider Sri Lanka Telecom Mobitel for the 13th successive year. Chairman of Sri Lanka Telecom and SLT Mobitel Rohan Fernando and SLT Mobitel CEO Nalin Perera have given their maximum financial backing to keep the Mega Show alive.

The Sunday Observer fulfilled the need to reward the raw talent of the country's schoolboy cricketers way back in 1978-79 at a time when there had been no organized inter-school cricket tournaments, apart from the traditional first XI matches between the leading schools.

With the introduction of the Show and its expansion for a separate segment for outstation schoolboy cricketers it went a long way in inspiring players from remote areas to showcase their

The ANCL Chairman/CEO W. Davaratne, President's Counsel, has given his fullest support. Together with his Director Editorial Dharma Sri Kariyawasam, Director Legal and Administration Rakhitha Abeygunawardhana, Director Finance Janaka Ranatunga and Director Operations Canishka Witharana, the ANCL Chairman has helped the Mega Show go from strength to

CFSL election on November 6

Kandy YMCA excels in weightlifting

Text & pic. by **UPANANDA JAYASUNDERA** - 50 National team championships since

The present Kandy YMCA weightlift- meets from 1964. S.A.Wijewickrema

ing team is one of the best weightlifting brothers (Senior & Junior) trained this

teams in Sri Lanka. They have won over team to come up to this level today.

The due election of Carrom Federation of Sri Lanka (CFSL) will be held on November 6 after delayed by the Covid-19 epidemic and the objections raised by the Nationalized Services Carrom Association (NSCA) and NSCA affiliates.

The last tenure of the CFSL was ended in last May and the election had to be delayed due to Covid-19 epidemic as well as objections raised by NSCA and its affiliates who failed to continue their membership since 2017.

The Election Committee was appointed at the SGM held in 2019 comprised Dharmasena Kahandawa/ Rtd. Addl. DG of Customs (Chairman), Shelton Premaratne/ Rtd. Staff Officer of Survey Dept and DDA Senadira/ Rtd. Staff

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Officer of CMC, who rendered excellent service for the sport.

Nominations were closed on September 8 and objections will be allowed until September 21. It was reported that Gen. Secretary, Treasurer, Tournament Secretary and Asst. Treasurer posts will be uncontested and election for President, Vice Presidents, Asst. Secretary, and the 10 committee members will be contested on November 6 at the Duncan White Auditorium of the Sports Ministry, Colombo 07.

Therefore, Daya Widanagama/ present General Secretary, Sunanda Kodagoda/ Media Officer, Amitha Wickramasinghe/ Tournament Secretary and Kamala Abeyweera will retain their posts.

they started competing in the National

World Heart Day Cycle Race at Maruthamunai

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World Heart Day was celebrated on September 29. To mark the occasion a road awareness cycle race from Maruthamunai to Karaitivu was jointly conducted by the Maruthamunai Divisional Hospital and the Maruthamunai Riders Hub cycling team under the guidance of the Kalmunai Regional Health Services Director's Office.

Heart disease are leading cause of death in

the world. Healthy eating habits and good exercise are important to avoid. Exercising at least half an hour a day is important. Cycling will greatly reduce medical costs and fatalities. This street awareness cycle race was held to grow awareness among the people of the area.

Led by Medical Officer in Charge of Maruthamunai Divisional hospital Dr. ARM Azmy, the cycle race was participated by doctors, government officers, retired administrative officers, youth and many others.



Some of the participants at the World Heart Day cycle race

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Sri Lanka Football Academy Association President

Inter-academy U-19 soccer from Nov.1

The Sri Lanka Football Academy Association (SLFAA) has organized an Under 19 Academy Cup Football Tournament for the first time. The tournament will began from November 1 at the Race Course Grounds, Colombo.

The media briefing was held at the Akram Foundation Auditorium, Maradana, Colombo recently and President of the SLFAA Mohamed Akram said applications were closed on September 30. He also said this tournament will be held with the participating of 32 academies and final will be held on December 5 at the Race Course Grounds Colombo. The champion academy will receive

SLFAA Secretary Dhanisali, Treasurer Mohamed

Mohamed Akram addressing the media.

Text and Picture by: RUZAIK FAROOK

the champion trophy and sports goods.

Hamza, Assistant Treasurer Lakshman Karunapala and Members of the Association were also present.

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Kandy to popularise Women's cricket



HAFIZ MARIKAR

Over here in Kandy cricket promoters have teamed up to support women and Cricket Association, with support from the Central Province Cricket Association (CPCA), run cricket programs around Kandy city, bringing children together to unify as the next generation and build their life skills while they play.

So, the women's cricket trict coaches participated. development ber 28 at the Pallekelle international stadium was a were participants from Sixty four schools, attended

teachers in charge of the sport were present and enjoyed the programme.

The present weightlifting team of YMCA, Kandy: 1st row (kneeling) S.K.S.Pradeep, (seated) A.E.Wijewickrema (coach) (kneeling) H.L.W. Kumara. 2nd row from left:

R.S.Roslan, L.Senaratne, Srimantha Nanayakkara, M.D.M. Senaka, M.M.D. Harischan-

dra, D.B.A. Silva, M.G.R. Suranga, K.T.A. Prabath. 3rd row from left: Palitha Silva,

A.N.Weerasena, S.P. de Silva, S.A.A.K. Dissanayake, H.G.S.K. Jayatissa, G.G.J.R. Pushpa-

kumara, W.A.D. Suresh, S.Pushpakumara, A.M.D.R.Attapattu, D.B.Tennakone, D.J.Wijewickrema, A.G.R.K.W. Wickremasinghe, W.M.Y. Bandara and K.G. Jayalath.

their 2020 cricket agenda. tral Province Cricket Asso-

program which was held on Septem- to promote and support to tremendous success. There Province. Central Province the awareness program, explained the infrastructure already playing hard ball

where school coaches, A top cricket promoter

Sarath Ekanayake, Chairman of the Central Province Cricket Association, Janaka girls in cricket as a part of Pathirana - Secretary Cen-That's why Kandy District ciation, Roland Pereira -President Kandy District Cricket Association, Apsari Thilakaratna - Head of Women's Cricket at Cricket Srilanka Cricket, Malcolm Perera - the head coach of the Centrel Province, Amila Pinnaduwa - Provincial Coach along with six Dis-

> Sarath Ekanayake assured uplift the standard of women's cricket in the Central Cricket Association secretary Janaka Pathirana

development work that is in progress and informed the participants of the possibility of providing training facilities to all schools that will take up to this sport in

Opportunity was given to all participants to give their views. There was a very good response from schools who requested assistance for coaching, training facilities and Equipment. Apsari Thilakaratna the representative od SLC assured to assist the Central Province Cricket Association in all matters since they have been very cooperative in all matters. Srilanka Cricket is in line with ICC where development is concern and plans are way to organize group tournaments prior to selection process of

the women's Junior World

Cup. Schools that are

cricket will be encouraged to play big matches to popularise the game among school children.

Head coach of the Central Province Malcolm Perera briefed the participants with expected coaching and tournament structure that will be implemented in the province.

At present five women's teams from Kandy, four from Kegalle, three from Nuwara Eliya play hard ball cricket. This will be increased by 10 additional teams in each District, while Tape ball cricket will be introduced to ten schools in each District. Matches will be played Zonal level within the district and inter district matches will be played with in the province. In addition to the above inter school friendly matches will be played.

President of Kandy Dis-

trict cricket Association assured to uplift the women's cricket standard in Kandy and requested the SLC to organize club tournaments that could accommodate outstation new clubs to participate in Sri Lanka Cricket tournaments.

Now Kandy city has gained a reputation for women's cricket. And there is confidence that all participants are sure to play good cricket aiming represent the country someday.

Kandy's women cricketers want to play their best cricket and show how well they have prepared. In the past few games, they have showed a great progress. Some of the games they have played were a wake-up call to motivate. They are sure if they are given the backing they will improve their skills in all aspects of cricket.

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Super League - a helping hand for clubs

ALTHAF NAWAZ

The new Super League will be the next level of football, and initially will be limited to ten elite clubs. The general public, however, was unaware of the process of how the top ten clubs were selected, which led to a few unhappy clubs who tried to project emotional messages

through social media in the last few days.

Daily News contacted FFSL General Secretary, Jaswar Umar to clarify the selection pro-

"Equal opportunities for the top 15 DCL clubs to apply for the Super League were provided through AFC club licensing criteria. There were eighteen criteria each club had to





fulfill. All applications were carefully assessed by an independent panel named "First Instance Body". Based on a very transparent manner, ten clubs were chosen. Those who were not qualified were asked to appeal to an independent 'Appeal Body', and only one club appealed, which was also unsuccessful."

"I have been continuously stressing the point that Super League is not another competition. It's the next level of football in Sri Lanka. If any club does not meet the required criteria, then they must wait till they achieve that level. This is not the only opportunity for those clubs who have not qualified. They can always qualify for the second or third season. This is a continuous journey," Jaswar further stated.

Many players, coaches and past players have shown an incredibly positive response towards this new Professional League. A past national player who wished to remain anonymous said: "All these years' football players and coaches were treated like poor guys without any value. This Super League has created very good value for players and coaches. This is what Sri Lanka wants. There are only a few people trying to sabotage this for personal reasons, but the entire country is supporting this move. Footballers must earn a good income like in other countries.

FFSL General Secretary said clubs which were not initially selected can apply for the next season. Super League will also assist other old clubs financially and support them to improve from their present status to compete in the top level. Motive of the Super League is to assist every single footballer to grow with the game. Super League has big plans to support the football industry - from schools, clubs and academies - and must be seen as an opportunity and

LPL commencement date readjusted

that participating players have Indian Premier League (IPL) to tor, LPL. adequate time to meet 'quarantine requirements,' as per the Government's health regulations.

Accordingly, the commencement of the LPL, which was scheduled to start on November 14 will be shifted to November 21

make it to the LPL.

time for the players playing in the IPL to make it to the LPL. "Since the IPL will go until the November 10, we thought to keep some delaying by a week. Whilst creat-space for the players taking part ers. Meanwhile certain foreign

The all-important 'Player Draft' Adjusting the commencement of the LPL, which was to take date of the LPL gives adequate place on the October 1 is now shifted to October 9. The Lanka Premier League will consist of five franchises, whilst each can buy up to six international play-

Sri Lanka Cricket (SLC) deciding space for meeting quarantine in the IPL, and who wish to make media reported that some Banglaed to readjust the commencement requirements, the move is also it to the LPL to take part in the deshi players who have been date of the 'Lanka Premier aimed at giving an opportunity for tournament' said Ravin Wickra- selected have decided to keep League' (LPL) in order to ensure the players taking part in the maratne, The Tournament Direc- away from the LPL due to their domestic cricket commitment.

"We haven't got any official confirmation from these players about their non-availability. Anyway, we have a backup list of players who are willing to play in this tournament in the event any player is willing to quit." Concluded Ravin. (AN)



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PARIS, WEDNESDAY: Serena Williams untimely slip-up having made serene prowithdrew from the French Open on Wednesday ahead of her second round match with an Achilles injury, as the American's bid for a 24th Grand Slam title suffered another blow.

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The 39-year-old Williams, a three-time winner at Roland Garros, had arrived in Paris carrying an Achilles injury that prompted her to skip the Rome tune-up

"The Achilles didn't have enough time to heal after the US Open," said Williams.

"I was struggling to walk and that is a tell-tale sign that I should try to recover."

The injury likely means she will miss the rest of 2020 leaving the Australian Open in 2021 as her next chance to equal Margaret Court's all-time majors record.

"I need four to six weeks of sitting and doing nothing," she said. "It's more than likely that I won't play another tournament this year."

Her decision to pull out handed Bulgaria's Tsvetana Pironkova a walkover and left Williams searching for a first major since the last of her 23 titles at Melbourne in

Later on Wednesday, Rafael Nadal looks to build on a promising start to his quest to match Roger Federer's 20 Slam titles when he plays American outsider Mackenzie McDonald. Top seed and women's favourite Simona Halep also puts her 15-match winning streak on the line as she targets another run at a second French Open crown in three years.

Nadal needs one more major to pull level with long-time rival Federer and owns an astonishing 94-2 record in Paris going back to his triumph on debut in 2005.

The Spaniard showed little trouble in handling the heavier conditions in his opening win over Egor Gerasimov at a tournament postponed four months by the

coronavirus pandemic. However, the 34-year-old is wary of an

gress on his return to action in Rome before running aground in the quarterfinals.

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"Six months without playing a single tennis match is not easy," said 12-time French Open winner Nadal, who touched down in Paris without a clay title to his name for the first time.

"I said in Rome when I played the first two matches well, I said, 'Okay, don't believe things are going to be like this.'

"I know how difficult are the comebacks. had to stop playing tennis for more than two months, so situation is difficult. It's normal, some up and downs.'

A first-time opponent again awaits Nadal in the 236th-ranked McDonald, whose lone tour win this season came against Yusutaka Uchiyama at Delray Beach in February.

With women's defending champion Ashleigh Barty skipping the event over Covid-19 concerns, world number two Halep appears well set for a tilt at a third major.

She battles fellow Romanian Irina-Camelia Begu on Court Suzanne Lenglen, having been spared the grim weather by playing under the new retractable roof in her opener. Halep has won each of her past three tournaments, resuming the interrupted season with titles on clay in Prague and Rome following her victory at Dubai in February. US Open champion Dominic Thiem plays American qualifier Jack Sock, a former top 10 player, in the second round while 2015 French Open winner Stan Wawrinka takes on Dominik Koepfer following his mauling of Andy Murray

Third seed Elina Svitolina faces Renata Zarazua, Mexico's first representative in the main draw of a Slam in 20 years, with Victoria Azarenka meeting Anna Karolina Schmiedlova.

Alexander Zverev, the runner-up to Thiem in New York, will go up against Pierre-Hugues Herbert in the final match scheduled on Court Philippe Chatrier. AFP

Spin hero Khan pays tribute to late mother, his 'biggest fan'

Rugby Elite Referee Panel formed

DUBAI, WEDNESDAY: An emotional Rashid Khan dedicated his man-of-the-match performance to his mother, who died earlier this year, after he bowled Sunrisers Hyderabad to their first win of the Indian Premier League.

The Afghan leg-spinner took 3-14 from his four overs to restrict Delhi Capitals to 147 for seven in their chase of 163, handing Hyderabad a win by 15 runs in Abu Dhabi on Tuesday.

Khan, who tops the world Twenty20 bowling rankings, said his mother was his "biggest fan". "Tough one-and-a-half years for me, first my dad expired and then my mom three-four months ago," said the 22-year-old. "And it took a bit of time for me to come back. My mom was my biggest fan, especially in the IPL and when I was the man of the match, she would always talk to me through the night."

Khan, one of 12 siblings, made his debut for Afghanistan in 2015 and has emerged as a key figure in the war-torn nation's rise as a cricketing force.

The in-demand bowler has travelled the world to take part in leagues including Australia's Big Bash, the Caribbean Premier League and the Pakistan Super League. Hyderabad skipper David Warner was all praise for the "outstanding" spin-



ner who stood out with an economy rate

"Rash is Rash, he knows what he has to do and the way he came out and delivered tonight was exceptionally great," said Warner."He knew he had a big role tonight with young (spinner) Abhishek (Sharma) at the other end. Extra bit of pressure for Rash, (but) he held is nerve and was outstanding."

Warner contributed with a gritty 45 and a 77-run opening stand with England's Jonny Bairstow, who top-scored with 53, in Hyderabad's 162 for four after being put in to bat first.

New Zealand skipper Kane Williamson also played a key role after hitting a 26-ball 41 in his first game of the season for the 2016 IPL champions, who lost their opening two matches in the United Arab Emirates. AFP

Susanthika's 20th year of Olympic glory celebrated

DHAMMIKA RATNAWEERA

A special ceremony was held to commemorate 20th anniversary of Susanthika Jayasinghe's Olympic silver medal victory at the Susanthika's first school, Uduwaka Kanishta Vidyalaya in Warakapola Athinawala Village. Susanthika won the 200m silver medal in 2000 Sydney Olympics. Sports Minister Namal Rajapaksa and State Minister Thenuka Widhanagamage were present at this ceremony.

The Sports Minister Namal Rajapaksa said this is the best occasion to start rural school sport development and State Minister Thenuka Widhanagamage has started his duties with the construction of Udukawa Kanishta Vidyalaya ground and also promised to give functional training centre (Gymnasium) which also can use for students as well as village people. "I am very happy to start our programs at this Uduwaka school where Susanthika has started her athletic career," said Sports Minister Namal Rajapaksa. "We have already started a program to develop 25 National sports schools to give more facilities and I am very much confident we can see more Susanthikas from this college in future," said Minster Rajapaksa.

Susanthika Jayasinghe said she had a lot of difficulties those days at school. "I could not get my daily meal. My parents had a lot of difficulties and sometimes I had to borrow a t-shirt for the National events from others. However today we have a good Minister, he himself a former sportsman and know about these difficulties and I am very happy to see their contributions for my mother school," added Olympic medalist Jayasinghe. She also remembered her first coaches and requested the Minister to get their service to develop sports. "The dedication is the key factor of my success.



Olympic silver medal winner Susanthika Jayasinghe being welcomed by Uduwaka Kanishta Vidyalaya students. Sports Minister Namal Rajapaksa and State Minister Thenuka Widhanagamage are also present.

Actually I could not get good education those days with sports but today with this facilities athletes can do both studies and sport to reach top level," said Susanthika Jayasinghe. Talented athletes of Uduwaka Kanishta school were also felicitated during the ceremony.

case their talent to catch the

eyes of the National selec-

tors and also to fight for a

place in a team at the lucra-

tive LPL tournament." Said

Bandula Dissanayake, Chair-

man Tournament Commit-

Group 'A'- CCC, SSC, Moors SC, Air

Force SC, Kalutara TC, SLPA SC,

Teams and groups:

Major Tier T-20 Tourney from October 23 ty for the players to show-

ALTHAF NAWAZ

The annual Major Tier T-20 Tournament conducted by Sri Lanka Cricket(SLC) will get underway from October 23 with the participation of 26 teams.

This popular tournament among the top cricket playing clubs in the country, will create an ideal opportunity for the players to showcase their performance, which will enable the players to knock the doors at the upcoming Lanka Premier League(LPL) tournament and the National selectors to scout the players for the National pool. The 26 teams are slated in four groups and fy for the quarter finals at at P. Sara Stadium and CCC



the end of the League points table. All league stage matches are scheduled to be completed by November 3 before the commencement the respective group leader of the quarterfinal matches, and the runner-up will qualito be played on November 6

respectively. The semifinal matches will be held at NCC grounds on November 7 while the grand final is scheduled to be played on November 8 at SSC grounds. Two matches will be played

in a venue per day on the

morning and afternoon

The defending Champions are CCC while the Chilaw Marians were the runner up at the previous tournament held last year.

"This is a golden opportuni-

Group 'B'- Chilaw MCC, Army SC, BRC, Police SC, Galle CC, Nugegoda S and WC

Kurunegala YCC

tee, SLC.

Group 'C'- NCC, Colts CC, Saracens SC, Negombo CC, Bloomfield C and AC, Kandy Customs SC. Group 'D'- Ragama CC, Badureliya

CC, Lankan CC, Panadura CC, Tamil Union C and AC, Navy SC, Sebastinites

The SLR believes that with proper

Sri Lanka Rugby (SLR) joined hands with Sri Lanka Society of Rugby Football Referees (SLSRFR) launched the much awaited "Elite Referee" (ER) panel last Tuesday at the SLR Office.

The much needed and long-awaited start to formulate the "ER Structure" will give an impetus to the upcoming young referees to barge into this Elite

This structure will be governed by an independent high ranking experienced and qualified officials.

engagement, management trust and responsibility by both unions will surge them ahead to achieve their goals at the upcoming 2020/21 rugby season, which is scheduled to kick off later this

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NEWS | INTERNATIONAL | INDEPTH |

US: Frontrunner Joe Biden and a politically wounded Donald Trump took the stage in Cleveland for their first televised debate Tuesday, watched by a deeply divided nation 35 days ahead of the most tense US election in recent memory.

There was no handshake as the two men took the stage and while this was due to COVID restrictions, the absence of the traditional greeting symbolized the bitterness engulfing the country in the final countdown to November 3.

From the opening exchanges over healthcare, where Trump accused Biden of being a "socialist," the tension was palpable, interrupting each other.

But before they even appeared for the first of three 90-minute TV showdowns, barbs were flying.

Biden, seeking to eat into Trump's crucial support among blue collar voters, capitalized on bombshell revelations that the billionaire Trump managed to avoid paying almost any federal income taxes for years.

Democrat Joe Biden told a raging President Donald Trump to "shut up" in an opening debate that turned almost immediately into a shouting match 35 days ahead of the most tense US election in recent memory.

The debate in Cleveland, Ohio, was as bad-tempered as had been feared, with Trump leading the way in yelling over his challenger and the Fox News moderator Chris Wallace alike.

There was no handshake as the two men took the stage and while this was due to COVID-19 restrictions, the absence of the traditional greeting symbolized divisions through the country in the final countdown to November 3.

Trump went as hard on 77-year-old Biden as he'd threatened to do, saying the "radical left" had the centrist Democrat "wrapped around their little finger." And he got personal, seeking to rile the Democrat by accusing one of his sons of corruption, and telling Biden that "there's nothing smart" about the Democrat.

Biden, though, not only gave as good as he got - he launched the kind A deeply divided America watches as:

TRUMP, BIDEN MEET IN BITTER DEBATE

Trump accuses **Biden of** being a "socialist"

of attack on Trump that

the billionaire president

has rarely had to endure

"clown" were just some

of the missiles launched

from Biden, who also

branded Trump the

"puppy" of Russian President Vladimir

At times, neither

Biden nor Wallace could

get a word in, as Trump

loudly touted his eco-

nomic record and went

after Biden's son Hunt-

At one point an exas-

perated Biden, who

leads strongly in the

polls, turned to Trump

and said: "Will you shut

That moment sym-

bolized the strength of

Biden's performance in

an arena where Trump's

campaign had

"Liar," "racist" and

to his face.

President



US President Donald Trump and Democratic Presidential candidate and former US Vice President Joe Biden exchange arguments as moderator and Fox News anchor Chris Wallace (C) raises his hands to stop them during the first presidential debate at Case Western Reserve University and Cleveland Clinic in Cleveland, Ohio, on Tuesday. - AFP

KUWAIT: The Arab "dean of diplomacy",

for the 75-year-old's physical well-being.

grip the Gulf.

The long-time Foreign Minister thus

ascended to the Kuwaiti throne and a regional

role as mediator in some of the worst crises to

Born on June 16, 1929, he was the great-

grandson of the founder of modern Kuwait,

Mubarak Al-Sabah -- a forerunner notorious

for ordering the murder of his brothers to

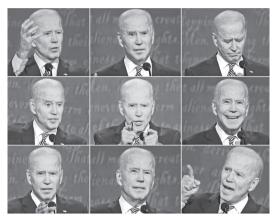
The 15th leader in a family that has ruled

for over 250 years, Sheikh Sabah helped steer

his country through invasion, the crash of the

consolidate power under one emir.

This combination of pictures created shows US President Donald Trump during the first Presidential debate with Democratic Presidential candidate former Vice President Joe Biden at Case Western Reserve University and Cleveland Clinic in Cleveland, Ohio on Tuesday.- AFP



This combination of pictures shows Democratic **Presidential candidate and former US Vice President** Joe Biden during the first Presidential debate opposite US President Donald Trump at the Case Western Reserve University and Cleveland Clinic in Cleveland, Ohio on Tuesday. -AFP

Biden calls Trump a "Liar," "racist" and "clown"

months been predicting he would crumble.

The Republican had even spread lurid conspiracy theories right up until the last minute that Biden would need drugs or an earpiece secretly providing answers to get through the night.

The anger-filled event did nothing to calm fears around the country that the presidential election, taking place in the middle of an ongoing coronavirus pandemic, could end in

Asked by Wallace whether they pledged to urge calm and refrain from declaring victory if the results are not immediately known November 3, Biden said: Yes." Trump, though, wouldn't commit, saying that if he saw "tens of

thousands of ballots being manipulated, I can't go along with that." And when asked if he condemned far-right armed militias like the Proud Boys group, Trump gave a cryptic reply: "Proud Boys -- stand back and stand

Biden sought to tie Trump squarely to the COVID-19 pandemic that has claimed more than 200,000 lives in the United States, more than in any other country.

And he came with a visible plan to dodge the Trump rhetorical storm by frequently turning to face the cameras directly and addressing the tens of millions of people watching across the country. "How many of you got up this morning and had an empty chair at the kitchen table because someone died of COVID?" Biden said, channeling his famed ability to show empathy for the suffering -something that Trump has long had difficulty in matching.

Mocking the 74-year-old Trump for one of his more notorious statements on supposed cures for coronavirus, Biden said: "Maybe you could inject bleach in your arm and that would take care of it."

Before they even appeared for the first of their scheduled three 90-minute TV showdowns, Biden was capitalizing on bombshell revelations in The New York Times that the businessman managed to avoid paying almost any federal income taxes for

Trump - who has broken longtime presidential transparency by refusing to publish his tax returns -- reportedly used loopholes to pay just \$750 in federal tax during the first year of his presidency.

Hours before the Cleveland showdown, Biden published his own tax returns -- and at the debate demanded that Trump do likewise.

Trump insisted at the debate that he has paid "millions" in taxes.

But the affair continues to threat provide Biden ammunition to try and chip away at Trump's crucial support from blue collar voters or what the Republican calls "the forgotten men and women. - AFP

What's the matter with the Universe?

up, man!"

US: A team of US astrophysicists has produced one of the most precise measurements ever made of the total amount of matter in the Universe, a longtime mystery of the cosmos.

The answer, published in The Astrophysical Journal on Monday, is that matter accounts for 31.5 percent -- give or take 1.3 percent -- of the total amount of matter and energy that make up the Universe.

The remaining 68.5 percent is dark energy, a mysterious force that is causing the expansion of the Universe to accelerate over time, and was first inferred by observations of distant supernovae in the late

Put another way, this means the total amount of matter in the observable Universe is equivalent to 66 billion trillion times the mass of our Sun, Mohamed Abdullah, a University of California, Riverside astrophysicist and the paper's lead author, told AFP.

Most of this matter - 80 percent - is called dark matter. Its nature is not yet known, but it may consist of some as-yetundiscovered subatomic particle.

The latest measurements correspond well with values previously found by other teams using different cosmological techniques, such as measuring temperature fluctuations in the low-energy radiation left over from the Big Bang.

"This has been a long process over the course of 100 years where we're gradually getting more and more precise," Gillian Wilson, the study's co-author and a professor at UCR told AFP.

"It's just kind of cool to be able to make such a fundamental measurement about the

Universe without leaving planet Earth,"

So how exactly do you weigh the Universe? The team honed a 90-year-old technique that involves observing how galaxies orbit inside galaxy clusters -- massive systems that contain thousands of galaxies.

These observations told them how strong each galaxy cluster's gravitational pull was, from which its total mass could then be calculated.

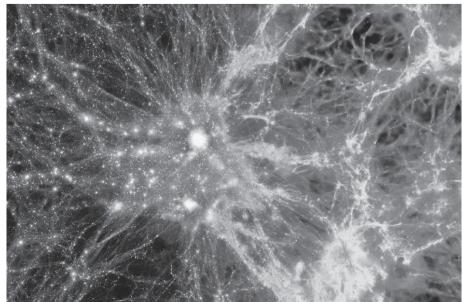
In fact, explained Wilson, their technique was originally developed by the pioneering astronomer Fritz Zwicky, who was the first person to suspect the existence of dark matter in galaxy clusters, in the 1930s.

He noticed that the combined gravitational mass of the galaxies he observed in the nearby Coma galaxy cluster was insufficient to prevent those galaxies from flying away from one another, and realized there must be some other invisible matter at play.

money from the US National Science Foundation and NASA, refined Zwicky's technique, developing a tool they called Gal-Weight that determines more accurately which galaxies belong to a given cluster

They applied their tool to the Sloan Digital Sky Survey, the most detailed threedimensional maps of the Universe currently available, measuring the mass of 1,800 galaxy clusters and creating a catalog.

clusters observed per unit volume in their catalog against a series of computer simulations, each of which was fed a different



This large-scale picture of the universe, created by Illustris, shows clouds of cold gas where stars are formed (green), warmer gas and hot regions around galaxies.

The UCR team, whose research received and which do not.

Finally, they compared the number of value for the total matter of the Universe.



Helen Reddy

Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmad Al-Sabah, who died on Tuesday aged 91, survived Kuwait's worst crises with an iron hand and a reputation as a shrewd, unshakeable monarch. Even before his appointment as emir, he pent decades manoeuvring in the shadows of his predecessors; his half-brother Jaber Al-Sabah and cousin Saad Al-Sabah. In 2006, in a move widely recognised as

engineered by Sabah al-Ahmad Al-Sabah, Par-A portrait of Kuwait's Emir Sheikh Sabah Alliament voted to dethrone Saad -- just one Ahmad Al-Sabah. - AFP week after his appointment - citing concerns

global oil market and crises in parliament, government and on the streets.

Despite his advanced years, he remained deeply involved in global affairs, and in May 2019 attended a summit of Arab leaders in Mecca where marathon sessions extended into the night.

Kuwait's Emir Sabah - the "Dean of Diplomacy"

At that summit, he argued strongly for deescalation in the Gulf as tensions between Iran and the United States surged to dangerous levels. "We must make every effort to contain the situation," he said.

In the twilight of his reign, the Emir led his

country's efforts to fight the novel coronavirus. More than 104,000 cases have been registered in Kuwait so far, including some 605 deaths. During a recent absence as he underwent medical treatment in the United States, his half-brother Crown Prince Sheikh Nawaf al-Ahmad Al-Sabah, 83, was acting ruler.

Sheikh Nawaf, an elder statesman who has held high office for decades including the defence and interior portfolios, is now expected to succeed him.

Sheikh Sabah operated as a political maverick, which helped to shield his regional reputa-

tion despite turmoil at home. He took his first government post in 1962, at

the age of 33, before being named foreign minister the following year -- a position he held for nearly 40 years, before a brief interruption to his service. He was without a cabinet portfolio between April 1991 and October 1992, against a backdrop where many felt he could have done more as foreign minister to prevent Iraq's invasion. But the break did not hinder his rise through the ranks, and in 2003 he was named prime minister, moving one step closer to the throne. - AFP

Famous Australian singer Helen Reddy dead

AUSTRALIA: Australian singer Helen Reddy, best known for her feminist anthem "I Am Woman", has died in Los Angeles aged 78, according to a statement from her children on Wednesday.

"It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of our beloved mother, Helen Reddy, on the afternoon of September 29th 2020 in Los Angeles," the statement on her official Facebook fan page said.

The trailblazing musician from Melbourne shot to global stardom with the 1971 hit "I Am Woman", which became the rallying cry of the women's liberation movement.

Born on October 25, 1941, Reddy married three times and had two children, Traci Wald Donat and Jordan Sommers.

"She was a wonderful mother, grandmother and a truly formidable woman," they

"Our hearts are broken. But we take comfort in the knowledge that her voice will live on forever." Reddy, who lived in Los Angeles, was diagnosed with dementia in 2015.

She was born to show-business parents and began performing as a small child in Australia.

Reddy later moved to the United States where she recorded a string of hits in the 1970s, including "Angie Baby" and "Delta Dawn", topping the Billboard charts three

Accepting a Grammy Award in 1973, she famously thanked God "because she makes everything possible".

An Australian biopic detailing her rise to fame premiered at the Toronto International Film Festival in 2019. - AFP

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Jaela Pradeshiya Sabha Invitation for Bids

Bids are received by me up to 10.00 a.m. on 23.10.2020 to complete the works mentioned in the schedule below.

- 1. Bid documents will be issued to bidders who are registered with CIDA in the grades or above as mentioned in the schedule below and the valid documents should be submitted at the time of receiving the procurement.
- 2. Bids should be submitted in the bid documents obtainable upon payment of bid application fee to the Jaela Pradeshiya Sabha. Bid applications will be issued up to **2.00 p.m. on 12.10.2020.**
- 3. Cash will be accepted only between **8.30 a.m. and 3.00 p.m.** on weekdays.
- 4. Receipt obtained upon payment and the bid security (Valid for + 77 days) should be submitted attached to the bid at the time of submission of bid.
- 5. All the changes in the bid should be certified by placing the initials against the changes.
- 6. Bids should be submitted in duplicate and the name of the institution and whether Original or Duplicate should be clearly mentioned on the left hand top corner of the envelope.
- 7. Bids may either be sent by registered post addressed to Chairman, Jaela Pradeshiya Sabha, Kandana or deposited in the Procurement Box kept at the Head Office to receive at or before **10.00 a.m. on 23/10/2020.**
- 8. Bids will be opened at **10.00 a.m. on 23.10.2020** by the Procurement Board of the Jaela Pradeshiya Sabha. Bidder or one representative of the bidder may present at the time of opening of bids
- 9. Decision of the Procurement Board of the Jaela Pradeshiya Sabha is final regarding accepting or rejecting the bid or part thereof.
- 10. Selected bidder should deposit an amount not less than 5% of the bid amount on the specified date after being notified of the acceptance of the bid and enter into an agreement. If the successful bidder fails to act as said above his security deposit will be forfeited and the registration would be cancelled.
- 11. If the work is not completed within the specified time limit the agreement would be cancelled and the security deposit would be forfeited. Such bidders will not be allowed to apply for any future procurements.

Further details, if required, may be obtained either from the Secretary of Works Superintendent of the Jaela Pradeshiya Sabha. **Tel. No. 0112-246051.**

Ser. No.	Work	Bid Application Fee	Bid Security Deposit	Period	Required CIDA Grade
01	Construction of the Batuwatta Sub Office and the Library	10,000.00	90,000.00	03 Months	C 5
02	Construction of the Nursery Building in Annasihena – Stage 01	5,000.00	35,000.00	03 Months	C 6

M.A. Chandrapala Madurapperuma Chairman Jaela Pradeshiya Sabha

Office of the Jaela Pradeshiya Sabha Kandana

18.09.2020

PRAYER FOR PROTECTION THROUGH THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS

Lord JESUS, by faith in Your merits, I now take your precious blood and sprinkle it over myself and my family right from the crown of my head to the very soles of my feet. I claim total and complete protection for my life and my family.

Lord JESUS, keep me free today from evil, sin, temptation, satan's attacks and afflictions, fear, doubts, anger, all calamities and from all that is not of Thy Kingdom. Fill me Lord JESUS with the gift of wisdom, so that I will live today in Your glory by doing that which is right.

I Praise You, Jesus I Thank You, Jesus I Love You, Jesus I Adore You, Jesus

Oh! Holy Spirit, Thou who makes me see everything and shows me the way to reach my ideals, Thou who gives me the divine gift to forgive and forget the wrong that is done to me, and You who are in all instances of my life with me. I, in this short dialogue want to thank Thee for everything and affirm once more that I never want to be separated from thee, no matter how great the material desire may

I want to be with Thee and my loved ones in Your Perpetual

(MENTION YOUR REQUEST)
Thank You, Holy Spirit, for
Your love towards me and my
loved ones.

This prayer should be said fo 3 consecutive days.

After the 3rd day the request will be granted, no matter how difficult it may be. While making the request, one must either

01) Promise to publish on granting of the favour

O2) Promise to circulate copies of it to as many people as possible.

(THIS IS TO SPREAD THE WONDER OF

THE HOLY SPIRIT)
Thanks giving.

PEOPLE'S BANK

AUCTION SALE OF UNREDEEMED PAWNED ARTICLES

Articles pawned up to **28.02.2019** at the undermentioned Branches and Service Centers of the Hambantota Region of People's Bank and unredeemed up to the dates indicated below will be sold by public auction at 9.00 a.m. each day at the places as stated below.

Branch / Service Centre	Articles unredeemed up to	Date of Auction	Place of Auction / Branch
Tangalle - 067 Tangalle S.C. Witharandeniya S.C. Ambalantota - 072 Hungama S.C. Walasmulla - 120 Angunakolapelessa - 205 Beliatta - 244 Middeniya - 265 Katuwana S.C.	16.10.2020	17.10.2020	Tangalle Service Centre (Urban Council Building - Tangalle)
Hambantota - 007 Weerawila S.C. Administrative Complex Sayurupaya S.C. Tissamaharama - 061 Lunugamwehera S.C. Sooriyawewa - 264 Kudawella - 288 Ranna - 345 Weeraketiya - 350	16.10.2020	18.10.2020	Tangalle Service Centre (Urban Council Building - Tangalle)

The Bank reserves the right to cancel, amalgamate, re-auction or postpone these auctions

Regional Manager, People's Bank Regional Head Office, Tangalle Branch (2nd Floor), No. 146 A, Matara Road, Tangalle.





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Jaela Pradeshiya Sabha

Notice of Calling for Tenders for Leasing of the Meat Stalls, Ragama Weekly Fair, the Ragama Toilet System and the Ragama Parking Yard of the Jaela Pradeshiya Sabha from 01.01.2021 until 31.12.2021.

Sealed tenders are received up to **10.00 a.m. on 23.10.2020** for the period from 01.01.2021 until 31.12.2021 for leasing of the Meat Stalls, Ragama Weekly Fair, Ragama Toilet System and the Ragama Parking Yard of the Pradeshiya Sabha mentioned in the Schedule below that are situated in the authority areas of the Ragama and Kandana sub offices within the authority area of this Pradeshiya Sabha.

Specified tender forms may be obtained up to **3.00 pm on 22.10.2020** from the Head Office of the Jaela Pradeshiya Sabha situated in Kandana upon payment of the tender Form Fee of Rs. 5000.00 and a Refundable Tender Deposit Rs. 10000.00.

Tenders will be closed at **10.00 am on 23.10.2020** and the perfected tenders should be inserted in separate covers as Original and Duplicate mentioning the name of the relevant tender on the left hand top corner of the envelope and may either be sent by registered post addressed to "Secretary, Jaela Pradeshiya Sabha, Kandana" or deposited in the Tender Box kept at the Head Office to receive before the specified time at **10.00 am on 23.10.2020.**

Chairman of the Jaela Pradeshiya Sabha reserves the right to reject the late and incomplete tenders.

Method of submitting tenders and all instructions are attached to the tender forms.

For further details call: 011-2239566 011-2232501

Chairman Jaela Pradeshiya Sabha Kandana

Office of the Jaela Pradeshiya Sabha

21.09.2020

Schedule

Ser. No.	Description	Tender Form Fee (Rs.)	Tender Security Deposit (Rs.)	Minimum Bid (Rs.)
01	Ragama Public Market - No. 1 - Mutton / Chicken Stall	5000.00	31,500.00	630,000.00
02	Ragama Public Market –No. 2 - Beef Stall	5000.00	47,700.00	954,000.00
03	Ragama Public Market –No. 3 – Pork Stall	5000.00	28,600.00	572,000.00
04	Kandana Public Market – No. 1 – Beef Stall	5000.00	50,000.00	1,000,000.00
05	Kandana Public Market – No. 3 - Pork Stall	5000.00	21,500.00	430,000.00
06	Ragama Public Toilet System	5000.00	46,250.00	925,000.00
07	Ragama Weekly Fair	5000.00	55,500.00	1,110,000.00
08	Ragama Parking Yard (For 07 Days)	5000.00	39,000.00	780,000.00
09	Ragama Parking Yard (For 05 days)	5000.00	18,000.00	360,000.00

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PEOPLE'S BANK- GAMPAHA REGION

AUCTION SALE OF UNREDEEMED PAWNED ARTICLES - 2020

Articles pawned up to 28.02.2019 at the undermentioned branches and services centers of the Gampaha Region of People's Bank and unredeemed up to dates indicated below will be sold by Public Auction at 9.00 a.m. each day at places as stated below.

Branch	Pawning Centre	Unredeemed Articles as at	Date of Auction and place		
Malwana Pugoda Delgoda	Dompe Weliweriya		17.10.2020 Delgoda		
Nittambuwa	Thihariya Pasyala Wathupitiwala		17.10.2020 Nittambuwa		
Veyangoda Gampaha Yakkala	Naiwala Ja-ela Road Udugampala	16.10.2020	17.10.2020		
Kirindiwela	Mudungoda Urapola		Gampaha		
Maradagahamula Mirigama	Diulapitiya Demanhandiya Pallewela Kotadeniyawa	17.10.2020 Mirigama			
Minuwangoda Katunayake Seeduwa	Andiambalama Ewariyawaththa Raddolugama		17.10.2020 Minuwangoda		
Negombo	Main Street Pitipana-Fisheries Centre Katana		18.10.2020 Negombo		
Kochchikade					
Ja-ela Waththala	Dehiyagatha Ekala - Madama Junction Weligampitiya Elakanda Welisara		18.10.2020 Ja-ela		
Pamunugama Kandana		17.10.2020			
Ragama Ganemulla Kadawatha	Mahabage Batuwaththa Welipillewa Kirillawala Kadawatha Town		18.10.2020 Ragama		
Mahara Kiribathgoda Kelaniya	Ederamulla Mawaramandiya Sinharamulla Peliyagoda		18.10.2020 Kiribathgoda		

The Bank reserves the right to cancel, amalgamate, re-auction or postpone these auctions without further notice to the public.

Regional Manager, People's Bank, Regional Head Office, Gampaha, No. 131, Kandy Road, Belummahara, Mudungoda.



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Gampola land for sale. 50 perches off P.D. Pelpola Mawatha on Pujagoda Estate owned by late R.S. Pelpola additional two 50 perch blocks will be soon available. Contact Ranjith Pelpola 0112821504 0773251404. 059465

AUCTION SALE OF GOLD ARTICLES

Kelaniya Multi Purpose Cooperation Society Ltd being the pawning agents of Sri Lanka Cooperative Rural Bank Federaton Ltd., will sell by public auction at **9.00 a.m. on 17.10.2020** the articles pawned at the following Rural Bank branches from **01.07.2018** to **30.06.2019** and yet remained unredeemed up to 17.10.2020 at the Head Office premises of Kelaniya M.P.C.S. Ltd. at Biyagama Road, Sinharamulla.

BRANCHES

Wedamulla	Peliyagoda	Kelaniya
Wanawasala	Peli/Pattiya	Himbutu- welgoda

Polhena Dippitigoda Thorana Junction

Chairman. Keleniya Multi Purpose Cooperative Society Ltd.,

Biyagama Road, Sinharamulla, Kelaniya. Telephone No: 011 2911356, 2987069

CANCELLATION OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY ME THELISINGHE MUDIYANSELAGE WASITHA RAJAH THELISINGHE OF No. 336, "Thelisinghe Nivasa", Ihala Mahawewa, Mahawewa, that I have revoked the Power of Attorney bearing No. 7353 dated 11th January 2000 attested by MANOHAR UGGATHA RAJAPAKSE Notary Public, Chilaw granted to THELISINGHE MUDIYANSELAGE THUSITHA RAJAH THELISINGHE of No. 336, "Thelisinghe Nivasa', Ihala Mahawewa, Mahawewa.

Sri Lanka Embassy in Oman, together with the Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment (SLBFE) introduces a New Procedure to curb irregular Migration of Sri Lankan **Female Domestic Workers** with effect from 01.10.2020. For more details, visit the SLBFE website.

www.slbfe.lk

Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment **Approval Division:** 011-2880500/



PEOPLE'S BANK Trincomalee Region AUCTION SALE OF PAWNED ARTICLES

Articles pawned up to 15.08.2019 for a period of one year at the undermentioned Branches and Service Centers of the People's Bank which remain unredeemed as at dates indicated against them will be sold by Public Auction on the dates given below.

Auction will commence at 9.00 a.m. on relevant dates.

Name of Branch / Service Centre	Unredeemed As At	Auction Date and the Place
Kantale Branch Mullipothana Service Centre Muttur Branch Thoppur Service Centre Serunuwara Branch Eachchilampattu Service Centre Kinniya Branch Kachchakodithivu Service Centre Pulmoddai Branch	16.10.2020	17.10.2020 Trincomalee Branch (066)
Trincomalee Branch Palaiyoothu Service Centre Uppuveli Service Centre Gomarankadawala Service Centre Kuchchaveli Service Centre Trincomalee Town Branch Central Rd Service Centre 2nd City	16.10.2020	18.10.2020 Trincomalee Branch (066)

The Bank reserves the right to cancel, hold it jointly with another Branch or postpone these auctions without further notice to the public.

E.P.A. Sisira Kumara **Regional Manager** People's Bank Regional Head Office. No. 128, Kandy Road, Trincomalee.





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AUCTION SALE OF PAWNED ARTICLES

Articles pawned up to 30.06.2019 at the undermentioned Branches, Saving & Pawning Centers attached to the People's Bank (Regional Head Office, Polonnaruwa) and not redeemed up to the dates mentioned in the schedule given below will be auctioned.

Name of Branch & Pawning Center		Articles Unredeemed Up to	Date of Auction	Auction will be held at undermentioned People's Bank Premises
Bakamuna Branch Diyabeduma S/C	-242 -563	16.10.2020	17/18.10.2020	Bakamuna Branch
Thambala Branch	-351	16.10.2020	17/18.10.2020	Thambala Branch
Welikanda Branch Sewanapitiya S/C	-254 -933	21.10.2020	22/23.10.2020	Welikanda Branch
Dehiattakandiya Branch Siripura S/C Sandunpura S/C	-330 -965 -733	23.10.2020	24/25.10.2020	Dehiattakandiya Branch
Habarana Branch	-203	23.10.2020	24/25.10.2020	Habarana Branch
Medirigiriya Branch Diyasenpura S/C	-231 -939	30.10.2020	31.10.2020 / 01.11.2020	Medirigiriya Branch
Polonnaruwa Town Branch Lankapura S/C Jayanthipura S/C	-232 -580 -734	30.10.2020	31.10.2020 / 01.11.2020	Polonnaruwa Town Branch
Hingurakgoda	-006	06.11.2020	07/08.11.2020	Hingurakgoda Branch
Polonnaruwa Branch Kaduruwela S/C	-005 -835	06.11.2020	07/08.11.2020	Kaduruwela S/C
Aralaganwila Branch	-253	06.11.2020	07/08.11.2020	Aralaganwila Branch

- 1. The Bank reserves the right to cancel, amalgamate or postpone these auctions without further notice.
- 2. Auction will start at 9 a.m. each day.

Regional Manager, People's Bank, Regional Head Office, New Town, Polonnaruwa. T.P. 027-2223900 / 2224404 / 2225760 / 2226626 / 2226625





NATIONAL HOSPITAL OF SRI LANKA COLOMBO 10

REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS YEAR 2021

Applications are hereby invited from the Government Institutions, Gramodaya mandalas, and reputed commercial establishments and individuals, including manufacturers, registered Co-operative societies, state corporations etc, who wish to register themselves with this hospital for the supply of undermentioned goods / materials and services for the year 2021.

02. All the applications for registration, addressed to the Deputy Director General of Health Services, National Hospital of Sri Lanka, Colombo 10, should be sent by registered post, with the caption to the effect "Registration of Suppliers for year 2021" marked on the top left-hand corner of the envelope.

(a) SUPPLY OF MATERIALS:

- Computers, printers, computer networking accessories, and related equipment and accessories.
- Wooden, steel and MDF products, household furniture, and equipment and office furniture Hospital equipment, including bedside lockers, overbed tables, wheel chairs, patient beds
- saline stands and all kinds of trolleys and related varieties etc.
- All kinds of mattresses including rubber mixed coir mattresses, arpifoam mattresses, trolleys
- All kinds of aluminium and metal products, including aluminium saucepans.
- Products such as garbage cards and garbage bins, and buckets, etc. made out of Iron and
- galvanized iron
- All kinds of tyres and tubes Electrical equipment including electric kettles, electric boilers, kettle elements, boiler elements, hot plates, heating coils etc
- 9. Refrigerators.
- 10. Supply and installation of gas cookers, required for the Employees' kitchen and for the main kitchen.
- 11. All the materials, required for the Orthopaedic stores.
- 12. Containers required for sharp equipment and all the plastic containers
- 13. Stationery and office equipment 14. Supply of medicinal covers / envelopes.
- 15. Preparation of official identity cards
- 16. All kinds of clothing materials mackintosh, and rexine varieties.
- 17. All kinds of ceramicware
- 18. Leather and leather related products, shoes and rubber slippers etc. 19. Chemical materials required chemical laboratories and consumables required for the X-Ray
- / Radiology Department. 20. All varities of medical equipment, surgical consumables and drugs etc.
- 21. Cleaning equipment such as brooms, ekel brooms, mats, ekels, cloth mops, nail brushes, toilet brushes etc.
- 22. All varieties of soap, and detergents, cleaning agents, etc.
- 23. Sewing thread, nylon thread, elastics, reflet tapes, linen tapes, and steel fibre, etc.
- 24. Lacquers, varnish, polish, floor polishing materials, methylated spirits and wine spirits and related products.
- 25. All kinds of dry batteries and rechargeable batteries (watts 06, 12, and 24).
- 26. Blade changeable razers, razor blades, boxes of matches, candles, rubber gloves usable for heavy duty works.
- 27. Chemicals usable for the mechanically washing of cloths, (powder and liquid) and other consumables used for machines of washing and drying clothes, (padding and wax, etc.)
- 28. Polythene products including polythene bags etc, for the disposal of garbage
- 29. All varieties of pesticides,
- 30. LP gas, gas regulators, burners, and gas pipes.
- 31. Air-conditioners, compressors and related equipment.
- 32. All varieties of electric fans, including ceiling electric fans, exhaust fans, etc.
- 33. Electric motor varieties, water pumps and related products.
- 34. All kinds of bearings and machinery and belts required for motors
- 35. Tools and equipment required for electrical works, mechanical works and carpentry works. 36. Wooden logs and planks required for carpentry industry maintenance works.
- 37. Hardware accessories and fittings, including locks, hinges, tower bolts (soiba) aluminium
- door hinges, railing nails, etc.
- 38. All kinds of water plumbing accessories and sanitary equipment. 39. All kinds of wheels required for trolleyes, including caster wheels.
- 40. Oxygen, all categories of aceyteline, welding rods, (Including electric welding rods)
- 41. All kinds of electric accessories and fittings required for electric wiring including all kinds of electric bulbs, electric plugs, electric switches and electric wires etc.
- 42. Paint varieties, used for polishing steel equipment, including walls and timber / wood.
- 43. Fire extinguishers and gas cylinders.
- (b) SERVICES TO BE SUPPLIED: 01. Repairs to all categories of sewing machines
 - 02. All kinds of printing works 03. All kinds of radiological and chemical laboratory research works.
 - 04. E.O. gas sterilization activities (ethyline oxide).
 - 05. Removal and disposal of unclaimed dead bodies
 - 06. Sewing of hospital linen (linen and clothing supplied by the hospital). 07. Repairs to all kinds of medical and surgical equipment used in the hospital including the
 - operation theatres, laboratoties radiology and physiotherapy unit of the Hospital.
 - 08. Internal telephone / telecommunication services, construction services and maintenance works 09. Gas cookers, / oxygen equipment, repairs, servicing and maintenance works.
 - 10. Repairs to computers, televisions, multi media projectors, etc.
 - 11. Servicing and maintenance of medical gas system
 - 12. Making of rubber stamps, and polymer seals. 13. Supply and fixing of plastic and cladding notice boards
 - 14. Supply, installation and repairs to of public address systems.
 - 15. Supply, installation and repairs to CCTV systems. 16. Supply, installation and repairs to counter numbering display systems.
 - 17. Repairs to and servicing of electric laundry machinery and servicing and maintenance works
- 18. Repairs to vehicles, (including repairs to electric systems and cushioning / upholstering works)
- 19. Rattaning of chairs, painting, polishing, cushioning, rexing works and formica laying works. 20. Repairs to refrigerators.
- 21. Repairs to all kinds of electric motors, transformers, electric fans, etc. 22. Repairs to and maintenance works of water pumps. 23. Repairs to and maintenance works of electric boilers of cooking rice, vegetable cleaning
- machines, large size of hot water boilers, etc. 24. Repairs to and servicing of air conditioners, of the mortuary and drawers containing corpses.
- 25. Supply of motorcars, vans, buses etc, on rental basis. 26. Supply of foods and beverages, and catering services, to the festival occasions.
- 27. Insects control service (Termites, bed bugs, etc.)
- 28. Removal, take away and disposal, and burning of rubber mixed coir mattresses, linen, clothing, slippers, shoes etc, discarded from the Hospital.
- 03. Separate applications should be submitted in respect of each item of supply or service, as per the specimen application form given below. In case of the medical suppliers, suppliers should have to indicate the classification of specific variety of the items reserved to the supplying company. (Eg.... sutures, mesh, laporascopy, instruments, orthopaedic items, urology items).

Application for the registration of Supliers:

- 01. Name and address of the Business enterprise:
- 02. Service or supply wish to be registered and the item No.
- (Separate applications should be submitted in respect of each item of supply or service). 03. Name and address of the applicant :-
- 04. Business registration No. and the Date:-
- (Copy of the registration certificate should be attached).
- 05. VAT registration No.
- 06. Telephone Nos. and Fax Nos.
- 07. Whether such kind of services have been supplied during the year 2020:-
- 08. Terms and conditions for providing credit facilities to this institute
- 09. Receipt No. and the date :-

Director / Manager

Applicants should have to pay a sum of non-refundable registration fee of Rs. 1,000/= (one thousand), separately in respect of each item of goods or services. Payment could be made at this office in cash and photostat copies of the receipts should be submitted along with the applications, cheques and money orders will not be accepted. For each registration work separate application should be forwarded and strict attention should be taken with regard to the information of this

- Even though, preference will be given to the registered suppliers, normally for the supplies, and services, when and where calling for quotations, National Hospital of Sri Lanka reserves the right to call quotations and effect supplies, and services from the non registered suppliers, too. Further the names of those suppliers, who fail to supply goods and services as per the prescribed standards and quality and according to the needed samples and who fails to submit goods and services according to the contract agreements laid down will be delisted from the registered list of suppliers
- 05. All the applications will be entertained up to 30.10.2020, and late applications received after that date will be rejected.
- Please note that the Deputy Director of Health Services of the National Hospital of Sri Lanka Colombo 10, reserves the right to accept or reject any application, without assigning any reason, whatsoever.

Dr. W.K. Wickramasinghe. **Deputy Director General of Health Services,** National Hospital of Sri Lanka,

PROCUREMENT NOTICE

SIRIMAVO BANDARANAIKE SPECIALIZED CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL - PERADENIYA

MAINTAINING AND SERVICING OF AIR-CONDITIONING SYSTEMS

Quotations are hereby invited by the Chairman, Regional Procurement Committee, Sirimavo Bandaranaike Specialized Children's Hospital, Peradeniya for the Maintenance and Servicing Works from qualified and eligible Bidders for the Year 2020/2021.

- 1. Central Air-conditioning System
- 2. Split type Air-conditioning System
- 1. Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedure.
- 2. To be eligible for the award of Contract, the successful Bidder should not have blacklisted and should have been registered with the Construction Industry Development Authority (CIDA) for Grade EM 4 or above
- Separate quotations should be submitted in respect of each Air-conditioning System and a complete set of Bidding Documents in English Language could be obtained by the interested Bidders from 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. on working days of the week from 01.10.2020 to 14.10.2020 upon payment of a non-refundable Bid Document fee of Rs. 2,000.00 per contract in cash and on submission of a written request for Bidding Documents.
- All the Bids should be accompanied by a Bid Security of Rs. 10,000.00 in respect of each contract. Duly completed Bids in duplicate marked "Quotations for Maintenance and Servicing of Air-conditioning System Year 2020/2021" as relevant on the top left-hand corner of the envelope should either be sent by Registered Post to the following address or deposited in the Tender Box kept at the Office of the Accountant of the Sirimavo Bandaranaike Specialized Children's Hospital, Peradeniya, to be received on or before 2.30 p.m. on 15.10.2020.
- Bids thus received will be opened immediately after closing in the presence of the Bidder or his authorized representative, who choose to attend. Late Bids will be rejected.
- Bidding documents could be inspected free of charge.
- 7. Pre Bid Meeting will be held at 10.30 a.m. on 07.10.2020 at the Conference Hall of the Sirimavo Bandaranaike Specialized Children's Hospital, Peradeniya.
- Regional Procurement Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid.

Regional Procurement Committee, Sirimavo Bandaranaike Specialized Children's Hospital, Peradeniya.

081-2389110 - Ext: 2621

JA-ELA PRADESHIYA SABHA **KANDANA**

PROCUREMENT BID NOTICE 2020

Bids will be received only from qualified institutions for the supply of the following goods and services required for the new two storeyed Puraneguma Building of the Ja-ela Pradeshiya Sabha.

- 1) Partitioning to sections of the office area of the building
- 2) Electrical wiring for computer systems for office sales and other requirements.
- 3) Wiring of computer internet facilities for required places in the building
- 4) Preparation of internal telephone system for required places in the building
- 5) Supply of office equipment such as tables, chairs for the building.
 - Relevant applications, specifications and bid documents will be issued from 02.10.2020 up to 08.10.2020, on weekdays, between 8.30 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. on payment of an amount of Rs. 5000.00.
 - ✓ A refundable government security deposit of **Rs. 10,000.00** should be paid per
 - ✓ A non refundable government security deposit of **Rs. 4000.00** should be paid
 - ✓ A guarantee period should be given and an annual agreement should be signed for the services.
 - Quotations should be submitted for the above items after inspecting the
 - Details of your provision of services should be annexed with the quotations.
 - The institution submitting quotations should be a firm making direct supplies. Institutions not having such services will be removed at the evaluating process.
 - The institution submitting quotations should possess fixed telephone numbers / VAT registered numbers / Email addresses / Business registrations.
 - For provision of supplies and services of item 5 above, submission of quotations in a single institution can prevent any damage and loss for the Sabha and preference would be given for the fact at the evaluation.
 - Quotations with a copy submitted by your firm, in accordance with the above facts, should be placed in sealed covers and addressed to Chairman / Secretary, Jaela Pradeshiya Sabha, Kandana and sent to be received at or before 10.00 a.m. on 23.10.2020 The cover containing the duplicate copy should be marked accordingly. Further, both copies should be marked the quotation item No. and the name.
 - Sealed bids to be delivered, should be placed in the tender box, placed with Sabha seal and kept for the purpose.
 - Tenders received will be opened at 10.00 a.m. on 23.10.2020 and bidder or one of his representatives can be present at the opening.

Chairman,

Jaela Pradeshiya Sabha, Kandana.

24.10.2020

At the Head Office of the Jaela Pradeshiya Sabha.

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APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE FROM THE **REGISTRAR GENERAL OF COMPANIES**

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that in pursuance of Section 34 of the Companies Act No. 7 of 2007, application has been made to Registrar General of Companies for a license directing that a Company about to be formed under the name and style of

"SERENDIB SCHOOLS DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION"

be registered with limited liability without the addition of the word "Limited" to its name.

The objects for which the Association is proposed to be established

"To promote and guide the holistic development of students with a focus on the knowledge, skills and competencies required to take advantage of the opportunities in a rapidly evolving global environment and thereby contribute positively to the development

The other objects of the Association are set out in extenso in the Articles of Association, a copy of which may be inspected at No. 36, myBIZ Building, Haig Road, Colombo 04 during office hours on working days.

Any person, company or corporation objecting to this application may bring such objections before the Registrar General of Companies on or before the 23rd day of October 2020 by a letter addressed to the Registrar General of Companies, No. 400, "Samagam Medura", D.R. Wijewardene Mawatha, Colombo 1.

Attorney-at-Law of the Promoter

01st day of October 2020



- CORRECTION NOTICE -

MINISTRY OF HEALTH, NUTRITION AND INDIGENOUS MEDICINE

NATIONAL MEDICINES REGULATORY AUTHORITY

This refers to the above titled advertisement published on Page No. 61 of Sunday Observer on 20 September 2020.

Please note that the Salary Steps relevant to posts are corrected as

01. Post of Director (Human Resources) (No. of Vacancies - 01)

Salary Step relevant to the post:

Salary scale as per the Management Circular No. 02/2016 for category HM 1 -1 - 2016 Rs. (81,670 x 15 x 270 - 115,720/-) and the salary entitled as at 01.01.2020 is Rs. 81,670 and approved

02. Post of Medical Officer (No. of Vacancies - 04)

- i. Medical Officer (Quality Management) 02
- ii. Medical Officer / Planning 02

Salary step relevant to the post:

Salary scale as per the Management Circular No. 02/2016 for category MM - 1 - 3 - 2016 Rs. (55,925-10x1,375 - 15x1,910 -98,325/-) and the salary entitled at 01.01.2020 is Rs. 55,925/and approved allowances.

Other information remains unchanged.

National Medicines Regulatory Authority



Lanka Sugar Company (Pvt) Limited



Pelwatte

TENDER NOTICE

Lanka Sugar Company - Pelwatte invites sealed Bids from ICTAD/CIDA registered contractors and registered societies located in Buttala area in Monaragala district for construction of Rain Water Harvesting Ponds. The duly completed bids should be deposited to the tender box by hand or by registered post to reach the Chief Operation Officer, Lanka Sugar Company - Pelwatte, Private, Mail bag Buttala during the period from 01.09.2020 at 9.00 a.m. to 15.10.2020 at 2.30 p.m.

No.	Nature of work	Non- refundable fee (LKR)	Bid Bond Value (LKR)
01	Sinha Pokuna Rain Harvesting Pond	2000	4,686.00
02	Pimburu Pokuna Rain Harvesting Pond	2000	10,703.00
03	Besam Pokuna Rain Harvesting Pond	2000	7,098.11
04	Deva Pokuna Rain Harvesting Pond	2000	16,943.72
05	Bubula Pokuna Rain Harvesting Pond	2000	6,809.44
06	Weera Pokuna Rain Harvesting Pond	2000	3,370.44
07	Pemkudawewa Rain Harvesting pond	2000	8,815.40
08	Nuge Pokuna Rain Harvesting Pond	2000	4,730.00
09	Nikakatiya Ara Rain Harvesting Pond	2000	21,558.92
10	Den Pokuna Rain water Harvesting Pond	2000	5,052.85
11	Gal Pokuna Rain Harvesting Pond	2000	3,754.91
12	Bolhida Pokuna Rain Harvesting Pond	2000	10,994.06
13	Akkara Deka Pokuna Rain Harvesting pond	2000	8,239.77
14	Rathna Pokuna Rain Harvesting pond	2000	10,229.87
15	Coot's Pokuna Rain Harvesting pond	2000	10,371.24
16	Suduwali Pokuna Rain Harvesting pond	2000	9,684.00
17	Megaha Pokuna Rain Harvesting pond	2000	6,481.75
18	Indi Pokuna Rain Harvesting pond	2000	7,660.62
19	Olu Pokuna Rain Harvesting pond	2000	10,703.00
20	Rada Pokuna Rain Harvesting pond	2000	10,279.50
21	Kuda Rada Pokuna Rain Harvesting pond	2000	10,239.90
22	Manika Wewa Rain Harvesting pond	2000	7,748.00
23	Kolaniwewa Rain Harvesting Pond	2000	12,779.03
24	Werarathana Wewa Harvesting Pond	2000	9,685.92
25	Welikatta Rain Water Harvesting Pond	2000	21,558.99
26	Wadiya Harvesting Pond	2000	7,935.64
27	Poramadulla Harvesting Pond	2000	10,343.47
28	Mattawadiya Harvesting Pond	2000	11,610.25
29	Holmangala Harvesting Pond	2000	11,908.73
30	Mankada Harvesting Pond	2000	10,507.72

The Bid application containing all information and bid conditions can be obtained from Lanka Sugar Company Pelwatte from 10.09.2020 at 9.00 a.m. to 15-10-2020 at 2.30 p.m.

Please mention the project name on the top left-hand corner of the envelope. Bids will be opened on 15-10-2020 at 3.00 p.m. at Lanka Sugar Company - Pelwatte in the presence of the bid opening committee and bidder or authorized representative may attend the bid opening.

If you need any further clarification, please do contact D.M.R.M Dissanayaka on 0717304625

The Chief Operations Officer Lanka Sugar Company (Pvt) Limited - Pelwatte



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INVITATION FOR BIDS TENDER NOTICE

CEYLON ELECTRICITY BOARD SRI LANKA

Date:	October 01, 2020
Loan No. and Title:	51122-SRI: Power System Reliability Strengthening Project
	CEB/AGM/PRO/2020/IFB/PSRSP/P2A
Contract No. and Title:	Procurement of Plant – Design, Supply and Installation
	Package 2 Lot A of PSRSP – Construction of 132kV Transmission Lines
Deadline for Submission of Bids:	December 09, 2020 at 10:00 hours (local time)

- 1. The Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka has applied for financing from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) towards the cost of Power System Reliability Strengthening Project (PSRSP). Part of this financing will be used for payments under the contract named above. Bidding is open to Bidders from eligible source countries of the ADB.
- 2. Ceylon Electricity Board (CEB), ("the Employer"), invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the,

Procurement of Plant - Design, Supply and Installation of Package 2 Lot 'A' of PSRSP Construction of 132kV **Transmission Lines**

Matara – Hambanthota (77 km), Hambanthota – Thissamaharama (23 km),

Homagama GSS to Horana – Padukka Line (8 km) Baddegama GSS to Ambalangoda – Galle Line (0.5 km)

Cable Termination Tower at Kelaniya for UG cable termination of Peliyagoda GSS

Completion period is 730 days (from the Contract Effective Date).

- International Competitive Bidding (ICB) will be conducted in accordance with ADB's Single-Stage: Two-Envelope bidding procedure and is open to all bidders from eligible source countries as described in the Bidding Document.
- 4. Only eligible Bidders with the following key qualifications should participate in this bidding:
 - Bidders are required to have satisfactory experience as contractor, JV Partner or subcontractor, in at least three (3) contracts within the last ten (10) years, each with a value of at least US\$ 18 million that have been successfully or substantially completed and that are similar to the proposed contract. The similarity shall be based on the physical size, complexity, methods, technology or other characteristics as described in Section 6 (Employer's Requirements) of the bidding document.
 - Bidder shall have minimum average annual turnover of at least US\$ 25 million, calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress or completed, within the last three (3) years.

(Note: Only important eligibility criteria are mentioned above briefly. To know the complete eligibility criteria, intending bidders are advised to inspect the Bidding Document by visiting the website of Ceylon Electricity Board, www.ceb.lk)

5. To obtain further information and inspect the bidding documents, bidder should contact;

Project Manager (PMU2), Power System Reliability Strengthening Project, Ceylon Electricity Board,

759, Thalangama South, Pelawatta, Sri Lanka.

Tel.: + 94 112 888 495 / 496, Fax: + 94 112 888497, Email:pm2psrsp.prj@ceb.lk

- 6. To purchase the Bidding Documents, eligible bidders should:
 - Visit the office of the Project Manager (PMU2) at address indicated above between 09:00 hours and 15:00 hours on working days until the bid submission deadline and pay a non-refundable fee of LKR 20,000.00 by cash or in the form of bank draft written in favor of the General Manager, Ceylon Electricity Board, Colombo, Sri Lanka.

- Request for delivery by sending a written application to the address above requesting the bidding documents for "Procurement of Plant - Design, Supply and Installation of Package 2 Lot 'A' of PSRSP, Construction of 132kV Transmission Lines". The application must include a bank draft in favor of the General Manager, Ceylon Electricity Board, for the amount of LKR 25,000.00 (domestic delivery) or US\$ 300 (Overseas delivery). The document will be sent through courier. No liability will be accepted for loss or late delivery.
- The Pre-Bid meeting will be held on 4 November 2020 at 10:00 hours in the Auditorium of Distribution Division 4 Head Office at No. 25, Council Lane, Dehiwala – Mount Lavinia, Sri Lanka. The site visit for Homagama Line will be held on the same day at 14:00 hours. Site visit for Baddegama, Matara – Hambanthota & Thissamaharama Lines will be held on 5 and 6 November 2020.
- 8. Deliver bids:
 - to the address below:
 - Additional General Manager (Projects), Ceylon Electricity Board,
 - 4th Floor, No.385, Land Mark Building, Galle Road, Colombo 03, Sri Lanka. on or before the deadline: 9 December 2020, 10:00 hours (at local time)
 - Together with a Bid Security in the amount as described in the bidding document.

Late Bids shall be rejected.

Technical bids will be opened on 9 December 2020 at 10:15 hours (local time) in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend at the Office of the AGM (Projects), Ceylon Electricity Board, 4th Floor, No.385, Land Mark Building, Galle Road, Colombo 03, Sri Lanka, whereas the Financial Bids shall remain sealed and unopened and shall be placed locked. The Financial Bids of only Technically Responsive and Qualified Bidders shall be opened after Technical Bid Evaluation, whereas, the Financial Bids of those Bidders whose Technical Bids are not responsive and qualified shall be returned unopened after the contract is awarded.

- When comparing Bids, ADB's Domestic Preference Scheme will be applied in accordance with the provisions stipulated in the Bidding Document.
- 10. The Employer will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by Bidders in connection with the preparation, attending Pre-Bid meeting, site visits and delivery of Bids.

THE CHAIRMAN

STANDING CABINET APPOINTED PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE



INVITATION FOR BIDS TENDER NOTICE

CEYLON ELECTRICITY BOARD Sri Lanka

Date:	1 October 2020
Loan No. and Title:	51122-SRI: Power System Reliability Strengthening Project
Contract No. and Title:	CEB/AGM/PRO/2019/IFB/PSRSP-P3 Procurement of Plant – Design, Supply and Install for Package 3: Construction of Grid Substations at Baddegama, Homagama, Peliyagoda, Tissamaharama
Deadline for Submission of Bids:	2 December 2020 at 10:00 hours (Local Time)

- The Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka has applied for financing from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) toward the cost of Power System Reliability Strengthening Project (PSRSP). Part of this financing will be used for payments under the contract named above. Bidding is open to Bidders from eligible source countries of the ADB.
- The Ceylon Electricity Board (CEB) ("the Employer"), invites sealed bids from eligible Bidders for the: Procurement of Plant - Design, Supply and Install for Package 3: Construction of Grid Substations at Baddegama, Homagama, Peliyagoda and Tissamaharama Completion period is 730 days (from the Contract Effective Date).
- International Competitive Bidding will be conducted in accordance with ADB's Single-Stage: Two-Envelope bidding procedure and is open to all bidders from eligible source countries as described in the Bidding Documents.
- 4. Only eligible Bidders with the following key qualifications should participate in this bidding:
 - Bidders are required to have satisfactory experience as contractor, JV Partner or subcontractor, in at least two (2) contracts within the last five (5) years, each with a value of at least US\$ 28.6 million that have been successfully or substantially completed and that are similar to the proposed plant and services. The similarity shall be based on the physical size, complexity, methods, technology or other characteristics as described in Section 6 (Employer's Requirements) of the Bidding Document.
 - Bidder shall have minimum average annual turnover of at least US\$ 35.86 million, calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress or completed, within the last three (3) years.

Note: Only important eligibility criteria are mentioned above briefly. To know the complete eligibility criteria, intending Bidders are advised to inspect the Bidding Document by visiting the website of Ceylon Electricity Board, www.ceb.lk.

5. To obtain further information and inspect the Bidding Documents, Bidder should contact:

Project Manager (PSRSP-P3), Ceylon Electricity Board, 759, Thalangama South, Pelawatta, Sri Lanka Tel.: + 94 112 888 495 / 496

Fax: +94 112 888 497 Email: pm3psrsp.prj@ceb.lk

- 6. To purchase the Bidding Documents, eligible Bidders should:
 - Visit the office of the Project Manager (PMU3) at address indicated above between 09:00 hours and 15:00 hours on working days until the bid submission deadline and pay a non-refundable fee of LKR 20,000.00 by cash or in the form of a bank draft written in favor of the General Manager, Ceylon Electricity Board, Colombo, Sri Lanka.

- Request for delivery by sending a written application to the address above requesting the Bidding Documents for "Procurement of Plant - Design, Supply and Install for Package 3: Construction Grid Substations at Baddegama, Homagama, Peliyagoda and Tissamaharama". The application must include a bank draft in favor of the General Manager, Ceylon Electricity Board, for the amount of LKR 25,000.00 (domestic delivery) or US\$ 300 (Overseas delivery). The document will be sent through courier. No liability will be accepted for loss or late delivery.
- 7. The Pre-Bid meeting will be held on 3 November 2020 at 10:00 hours in the Auditorium of Ceylon Electricity Board, Distribution Division 4 Headquarters at No. 25 Council Lane Dehiwela-Mount Lavinia, Sri Lanka, The site visit will be held on the same day at 14:00 hours at Peliyagoda and 08:00 hours at Homagama, 11:00 hours at Baddegama, 16:00 hours at Tissamaharama on the following day.
- 8. Deliver bids:
 - To the address below:
 - Additional General Manager (Projects), Ceylon Electricity Board, 4th Floor, No.385, Land Mark Building, Galle Road, Colombo 03, Sri Lanka
 - On or before the deadline: 2 December 2020 at 10:00 hours (Local Time)
 - Together with a bid security in the amount as described in the Bidding Documents.

Late bids shall be rejected.

Technical bids will be opened on 2 December 2020 at 10:15 hours (Local Time) in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend at the Office of the AGM (Projects), Ceylon Electricity Board, 4th Floor, No.385, Land Mark Building, Galle Road, Colombo 03, Sri Lanka, whereas the Financial Bids shall remain sealed and unopened and shall be placed locked. The Financial Bids of only Technically Responsive and Qualified Bidders shall be opened after Technical Bid Evaluation, whereas, the Financial Bids of those Bidders whose Technical Bids are not responsive and qualified shall be returned unopened after the contract is awarded.

- When comparing bids, ADB's Domestic Preference Scheme will be applied in accordance with the provisions stipulated in the Bidding Document.
- 10. The Employer will not be responsible for any cost or expense incurred by Bidders in connection with the preparation, attending Pre-Bid meeting, site visits and delivery of bids.

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In pursuit of our objective of improving the quality of supply and service to the consumers, Ceylon Electricity Board intends to attend to construction, rehabilitation and maintenance works in the localities listed below. As a result, the electricity supply would be interrupted to those areas on the dates/times mentioned. We regret any inconvenience caused to the consumers in these areas as a result of these interruptions to our services. Ceylon Electricity Board would take all steps to restore the electricity supplies as soon as the planned works are completed.

NORTH WESTERN PROVINCE - OCTOBER - 2020

KULIYAPITIYA AREA

Kuliyapitiya C.S.C.

2020 October 03 09.00-17.00

Koongahagedara, Koongahagedara Fiber Mill, Thummodara, Kolanka Coir Product, Lepolawa Delana, Yaya Henegedara, Kirindawa New, Kirindawa, Kirindawa 1, Kirindawa Yaya Watta, Karanthippala Godayaya, Embawa Palugashandiya, Gopallawa, Gopallawa Ginimandawa, Fiber Industries, Kanaththawa, Gaiyala Embawa, Epaladeniya, J.B. Coir, Sripali, Epaladeniya 2, Danlanda, Guruthippala Epaladeniya 1, Gomugomuwa 3, PahalaGomugomuwa, Mediwatta, Nindawela Gomugomuwa Rd, Nindawela 2, Nindawela 1, Saranatissa Mw., Sanasa Bank Bodhimulla, Karagahagedara, Deegalla Oil Mill, DeegallaSanasa, Deegalla School, Lignocel, Heylees Export (Pvt) Ltd., Bebyland, Karagahagedara Biginhil Sale, FGM Lanka, Gomugomuwa 2, Nimalsiri Oil Mill, Ihala Elathalawa, Bogoda Egoda Elathalawa, Pahala Elathalawa, Koonmendiya Elathalawa 2, Kamburapola Substation.

2020 October 12, 16, 19, 23 08.30 - 16.30

Ihala Annaruwa, Henegedara new, New Anthoni's Farm, Ravi Breeder's Farm.

2020 October 16

Kithalawa, Testy Buicuit, Cool Tec, Kumbukkotuwa Watta, Wahumuwa, Raththawa, Beminigalla - Seeyawala, Ariyarathna Rice Mill, Jayalath Rice Mill, R.P. Nisansala, Anukkane.

2020 October 17 08.00 - 17.00

Dandagamuwa, W.R.K. Oil Mill, Mahimpitiya Cerendipola New, Hapugammana, Thalahitimulla, Alaluwa, Madukuburumulla New, Madukuburumulla, Thalahitimulla Prime Lands, Walpitagama, Spear

International. 2020 October 17, 18 08.30 - 17.00

Haggamuwa, Galahitiyawa new, RathmaleWatta Auction Land, Girakethikumbura, PahalaInguruwatta New, Madara Watta, PahalaInguruwatta Diyadora.

2020 October 18 09.00 - 17.00

Udubaddawa Water Works, Kahadenigama Temple, Udubaddawa Powerloom, Udubaddawa, Dematawala, K.M.K. Animal Feeds, Kumari Oil Mill, MalpokunaWatta, GalpokunaWatta, Weerambuwa, Weerambuwa Temple, Wilapola Paranagama, Pallewela, Pallewewla fiber Mill, Ctee, Kurudelpotha, Kanadulla, Kanadulla Temple, Meegahakotuwa, Tissa Mawatha, Sirimalee, Education Office, M.A.D.S. Dilruk, City Palace, Shopping Complex, Ananda Mawatha New, Ananda Mawatha, Town, S.M. Mayadunna, People's bank, ASB, Sarath Building, Madampe Rd, CIB, Sampath Bank, G.R.N.N. Senarath, Kadurugashena.

2020 October 19 08.30 - 17.00 Weerambuwa, Weerambuwa Temple.

Panduwasnuwara C.S.C.

08.30 - 17.00 2020 October 02 Godayaya, Gurugoda, Ihala Koonwewa, Korakahapokuna

2020 October 03 08.30 - 17.00

Nithalawa Dalupotha, Welankele, Walakada Junction, lahala Koswatta, Molakade, Kekirimadiththa Junction, Tharana Udawela, Udawela School, Diulgas Anga, Madulupitiya, Wallawa, Nikawatta, Hamannapahuwa, Kurundupotha, Kadurugahamula, Koonkadawala, Uswewa, Ganegoda, Pihimbiya, Nagollagoda, Ambagahagedara, Ganegoda Rd, Habawewa, Barampola, Hanthihawa, Bulugahagara, Rathmale, Melwatta, Ehetumulla, Galkanda, Rittadeniya, Munihirigama, Girathalana, Diddeniya, Diulwewa, Hunnelembuwa, Karawilahena, Wadumunna. Korawewa, Maholawa, UdagamaVithiyagama, Pallegama, Manelembuwa, Welangolla, Kosgahagoda, Godayaya, Prasannagama, Brahmanayagama, Koshenagara, Tissogama, Siyambalawewa, Getulawa, Puwakgahakadawala, Puwakwetiya.

2020 October 04

Madihe Anukkane, Hettipola Water Supply, Hettipola Rest House, Hettipola Hospital, Police Junction, Shopping Complex, Commercial Building, Hettipola Court, Panduwasnuwara, Andoththawa, Tropicoir Lanka, Othegama Water Supply, Detiyamulla, Mandapola, Nugawela Junction Metal Crusher, Meegaspitiya, Nugawela Junction, Kandemedagama, Medagama, R.M.R. Oil Mill, Wimalodaya Pirivena, Yayegedara, Siyambalakadawara, Samsiya Estate, Kosmo Feed Mill, Universal Clothing, Dorabawila, Pahalagama Nallur, Halmillakotuwa, Global Health Coconut Product Lanka (Pvt) Ltd., Walpaluwa Mandapola, Kattapitiya, Getadiulwewa, Holambalewa Baladora, Koonwewa.

2020 October 04 09.00 - 17.00

Hettipola Bogolla Rd, Niwasa 5 - Hettipola, Malagane, Tekewa Kiriwellawa, Rittadeniya Fiber Mill, Coco Green U.K. Lanka (Pvt) Ltd., Horombuwa Dahanekgedara, Embogedara, Munamaldeniya. Godayaya, Godayaya New, Gurugoda, M.A.M. Akram, Sulanka Oil Mill, Ihala Koonkadawala, Korakahapokuna.

2020 October 06 09.00 - 17.00 Wallawa Hatharaman Handiya, Wellawa Tank Rd, Wallawa T Junction,

Katupilagedara.

2020 October 10 08.00 - 17.00

Udagama Uththiyagama, Kuratihena Akurana Karandawa, Pallegama, Poruwewa.

2020 October 16

Nandana Oil Mill, Samanala Fiber Mill Malwanegedara, Samanala Export, Dunakayawatta, Samanala (Pvt) ltd., Doratiyagedara, Embogedara Doratiyagedara, Rathmulukanda Temple, Devinda Factory, Tekewa Thengodagedara, Rambepitiya Magulagama, Shriyani Farm Thalgahamula Watta, Magulagama 2, Kapparagala Magulagama 1.

2020 October 20

08.30 - 17.00

08.30 - 17.00

Dematawa, Mayakadawara, Bogakotuwa.

2020 October 28

Sunshine, Sahabandu, Ambagahagedara, Nagollagoda, Nagollagoda New, Kurundupotha, Nikawatta 1, Nikawatta 11, Hamannapahuwa New, Hamannapahuwa, B & R Coir, Kadurugahamula, Moragolla, Arukaloka, Koonkadawala, Uswewa New, Uswewa, Uswewa Ganegoda, Ranketha, Koonkadawala 1, Wallawa Telecom, Wallawa Temple, Wallawa Cemetery, Wallawa Tank Rd, Wallawa T Junction, Katupilagara, Wellawa Hatharaman Junction.

Pannala C.S.C.

2020 October 03, 06 Thalammehera, Kohombapola.

08.30 - 16.30

09.00 - 17.00

2020 October 06 08.30 - 16.30 Galayaya Temple, Pannala Temple, Jayalatha Rice Mill, Pannala New

Dangolla, Jayasirigama, Metal Crusher, Dimuthu Metal Crusher, Thalammehera, Kohombapola, Helis Apperals, Kekillapitiya, Vergine Coconut Industry, Maholawa, Molawatta, Ihala Kotuwella.

2020 October 08, 09

Ranjith Fiber Mill, Gaiyala Junction, Kirigahapitiya Fiber Mill, Wassaulla New, Wassaulla, CIC Paultry Farm - Amunuwela, Ilukhena Beruwewa, Ilukhena Junction, Galpola Koshena.

2020 October 18

National Enterprises, Global Vinil (Pvt) Ltd., D&W Food (Pvt) Ltd., Agriculture Research Centre 11, Brandix Textile, Nestle, Sri Remco (Pvt) Ltd., Haminet (Pvt) Ltd. - Makandura, Rainbow Agro (Pvt) Ltd., Lankem Ceylon Plastic, GTB Colombo Co-operation, Kandayaya Agro Product, Bo-Sean, Latex, Akmee Packaging Solution, Diasin Lanka, East-West, Krishna Auto Engineering, True Value Builders,

2020 October 20, 31 09.00 - 17.00

Ceylon Aquatic, Jiffi Product.

CHILAW AREA

Chilaw C.S.C.

2020 October 03

Karawitagara 11.

2020 October 17

Thabagallawatta, Thabagallawatta new.

Chilaw / Madampe / Keeriyankalliya C.S.C

2020 October 02 08.00 - 17.00

Thalkatuwa, Madawa Agara, Kirimetiova, Nankadawara, Uraliya Rd. Karugas Junction, Chandradasa Oil Mill, Hettiyakotuwa, Marakkalamulla, Koulwewa, Madugasagara, Horagasagara, Kebellagara, Thorana Junction, Ihala Weerakodiyana.

Hiruwalpola, Rathmalagara, Mahagama Bakmeeruappa, Katupiladaluwa, Wellarawa, Keenagolla Colony, Puliyankara, Godellayaya, Wilaththawa, Thalgaspitiya, Pothana, Bingiriya Urapoththa Rd, Wattegama, Rathmalwala, Kaduruwewa Bingiriya, Tissogama, Wellangiriya, Oahala Galwewa, Ruwaneliya, Molaeliya Akkara 100, Bingiriya Police, Kochchikanaththa, Panawewa, Bingiriya Teaching School, Brahmanayagama, Ottupallama.

2020 October 06

Thalkatuwa, MadawaAgara, Kirimetioya, Nankadawara, Uraliya Rd, Karugas Junction, Chandradasa Oil Mill, Hettiyakotuwa, Marakkalamulla, Koulwewa, Madugasagara, Horagasagara, Kebellagara, Thorana Junction, Ihala Weerakodiyana.

Rathmalagara, Hiruwalpola, Mahagama Bakmeeruappa, Wellarawa, Keenagolla Colony, Puliyankara, Katupiladaluwa, Godellayaya, Wilaththawa, Thalgaspitiya, Pothana, BingiriyaUrapoththa Rd, Wattegama, Rathmalwala, KaduruwewaBingiriya, Tissogama, Wellangiriya, Oahala Galwewa, Ruwaneliya, Molaeliya Akkara 100, Bingiriya Police, Kochchikanaththa, Panawewa, Bingiriya Teaching School, Brahmanayagama, Ottupallama.

Madampe C.S.C

2020 October 03, 24 09.00 - 17.00

Spring Field Garden, German Estate, Chandradasa Oill Mill, Hettiyyakotuwa, Marakkalamulla, Kowulwewa, Bernad Prawn Farm, Kebellegama, Horagasagara, Horagasagara new, Madugasagara.

2020 October 11

Service Station, Mattakotuwa, Thoduwawa River Road 11, Barudelpola, North Thuduwawa Estuary, North Thoduwawa Thattawala, P.R.F Sea Food.

2020 October 13 08.30 - 16.30 Gal AmunaKadamulla, Nurani, Gal Amuna, Kudawewa New, Ihala

Kudawewa, Kudawewa. 2020 October 25 09.00 - 17.00

Thunthota, Eakmi Lanka, Ethungahakotuwa, Kekunawala, Kodayaya, Ethungahakotuwa New, Diwurumpola, Thakwa Avenue, Yagamwela Coir Mill, Mandakondana, Bulankanda Colony, Jasintha Malani, J.R Jayawardhana School, Shiromani Oil Mill.

2020 October 28 08.30 - 16.30

Thoduwawa Road, Weehena Farm, Mahawewa Weehena, Mattakotuwa, Thoduwawa Water Supply, Barudelpola, Service Station, Liver Brothers Prawn Farm, Thoduwawa River, Thoduwawa River Road 11, Baradelpola, North Thoduwawa New, Kumara Sea Food, North Thoduwawa New, P.R.F Sea Food.

Chilaw / Madampe C.S.C

2020 October 04

09.00 - 17.00

Hard Export (Private) Ltd, Hiruwalpola, Metpool (Pvt) Ltd, Shashika Poultry Farm, Coirlive Export (Pvt) Ltd, Wellawa, Bakmeeruppa, Cenro Coir Industries, Wellarawa 11, Ceylon Buddhist Congress, Katupiladaluwa, Wellarawa Near Lake, Shammi Rubber Industries, Wellarawa New - G.P.C Lanka, Mahagama, Taas Medical Suppliers (Pvt) Ltd - Bingiriya, Araliya Land (Pvt) Ltd - Bingiriya, Puliyankara, Medadabuwa - Bingiriya, Araliya Land (Pvt) Ltd, Keenagolla Colony, Brown & CN Lanka, Brown Care (Pvt) Ltd, Mahagama North.

2020 October 18 May Queen Estate. 09.00 - 17.00

Kiriyankalliya C.S.C.

2020 October 13 08.30 - 17.00

Colombo Export Prawn Farm, Konthanthiw House Project, Universal Prawn Farm, Konthanthiw 2, Mangala Eliya Junction, Bhaira Farm, Sri Lanka Aqua Culture, Konthathiw Hospital, OLL Rice Mill, Sinnapadu, Konthathiw Colony, Karuwamaduwa, Karuwamaduwa Water Supply, Silvering Estate, Palliwasalpadu Diyawaragama, Mukku Thoduwawa, Piwithurugama, Kattakaduwa, Konthanthiw Prawn Farm, Konthanthiw Watawana, Poonapitiya, Meni Ambigarajan - Udappuwa, Riksi Aqua Farm, Kattakaduwa New, K.Sathiiswaran, Udappuwa, Periyapaduwa, Periyapaduwa New, Puunapitiya Periyapaduwa, Puunapitiya Udappuwa.

WARIYAPOLA AREA

Wariyapola C.S.C.

2020 October 02, 09

08.30 - 17.00

Ranorawa, Kanaththewewa, Kudagala, Kolambagama, Highcap Fiber (Pvt) Ltd., Hydro Coir (Pvt) Ltd., Maweehena, Maweehena New, Jayantha Rice Mill, Panagama, Pubbowa, Nelumkanuwa.

2020 October 03 08.30 - 17.00

Ranorawa, Kanaththewewa, Kudagala, Kolambagama, Highcap Fiber (Pvt) Ltd., Hydro Coir (Pvt) Ltd., Maweehena, Maweehena New, Jayantha Rice Mill, Panagama, Pubbowa, Nelumkanuwa.

2020 October 06, 08, 17, 18, 26, 27 08.30 - 17.00

Ranorawa, Kanaththewewa, Kudagala, Kolambagama, Highcap Fiber (Pvt) Ltd., Hydro Coir (Pvt) Ltd., Maweehena.

Wariyapola / Nikaweratiya C.S.C.

2020 October 25 08.30 - 17.00

Herathgama, Werella, Sri Aravinda, Magulagama, Werella, Embalegoda, Minuwanpola, Digithawa, Karagaswewa, Shakthigama II, Madige Walpaluwa, Shakthigama, Nammuwawa Watta, Werellagama, Naramana, Thambarawa, Moragoda, Pothuwewa, Minuwangete, Ebalawapitiya, Muslim School, Pahala Minuwangete, Wanduressa, Deduru Oya, Weraherayagama.

Mahawa C.S.C.

2020 October03

2020 October05

09.30 - 17.00

Ruwangala

08.30 - 16.30

Wilogedara, Randenigama, Mediyawa, Helabewa.

Kondadeniya Temple, Kondadeniya.

Thumbullegama. Hithokadawala,

2020 October06

08.30 - 16.30 Kiyennem, Daladagama, Mahawa CTB, Balalla Daladagama,

Digana, Madapokuna, Digana, New Telecom, Mahawa Town, Public Market, Pradeshiya Sabha, Janajayapura, Walaswewa Rekogama, Tisnampala Walaswewa, Tisnampalagama, Thalambuwa, Wadugama, Heelogama Weheragama, Hunnasgama, Thimbiriyagedara, Kadambawa New, Debinkanda II. Heenukwewa Ambogama, Nagollagama, Nagollagama Palugaswewa, Thalagalla, Nagollagama, Karuwalagaswewa Kekunawa, Mahawa Town New I, Mahawa Town New II, Moragolla Bakmeegahawatta, Malkaduwawa, Siyadagama, Kivulwewa, Hospital, Kaikawala, Yapahuwa, Pailigama, Dalupothagama,

2020 October 07 08.30 - 16.30

Ambanpola Town 1, 11, 111, Digana Amunugama, Amunugama, Harasiyagama, Yaddessawa, Abakolawewa Meneriyaya, Abakolawewa, Abakolawewa 11, Mediyawa.

2020 October 08 08.30 - 16.30 Koonwewa Moragaswewa, Nevy Camp, Beligahayaya, Hulugallewa,

Nebadawa, Ihala Embogama, Ihala Embogama New, Karagaswewa, Kumbukwatawana, Mahakumbukkadawala, MahagallaWatta, Walattewa, Angamugama.

2020 October 09 08.30 - 16.30

Pothuwelpitiya, Dambuwa, Unagahayaya, Niyandawane, Kulasenwewa, Kadambawa, Kahathiyagama, Hathpokuna Waththa, Kahathilayagama, Galketiyagama, Rambeyaya, Meddegama, Weegedaragama, Rathmale.

2020 October 10 Ihala Embogama Sub. 09.00 - 17.00

2020 October 13

08.30 - 16.30

Getilawa, Kumbukwewa. 2020 October 14 08.30 - 16.30

Bogollayaya, Kiribamunegama 11, Waulewa, Pallekele 1, Pallekele 11, Irudeniyawa, Pothuwila, Galpothuyaya, Kottawewa, Medaulpola, Rajakandayaya, Mahadambe, Rambawewa.

2020 October 15 12.00-17.00

Balalla, Kiyannem.

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2020 October 03

Nikaweratiya C.S.C.

J.A.K. Plastic Factory, Galahitiyawa, Annarugama Hewenpelessa, Nebadawewa, Hathigammana Hewenpelessa, Unagolla. Udahenegama, Delite Agro Polimers (Pvt) Ltd., I.D.A.N. Ranaweera, Rambewa, Bairaha Farm Rasnayakapura, Thalakolawewa, Galwewa, Gurugoda, Rasnayakepura Pahala Mawatha, Ottukulama Scheme, Leekolapitiya, Sinhala Ottukulama, Nallanchiya, Rasnayakapara Gurulupitigama, Nagansole Temple, Kolambawatta, Thumbulla, Dialog Telecom, Sudeeragama, Gallewa Housing Project, Pragathi Rice Mill, Kotawehera, Kotawehera Unale, Kotawehera New, Monnekulama, Embale Project, Malpanawa, Galpanawa, Kudamithawa, Kanuketiya, Malpanawa Anatha Rd, Helambe, Koralayagama.

2020 October 03 08.30 - 17.00

Nikaweratiya Old Court

2020 October 03 09.00 - 15.00 Kolongolla, Nikagolla 1, Nikagolla 11, Kimbulwana Oya, 4th Cannel.

2020 October 04 08.30 - 16.30 Hilogama Road, G.M.

Mohomad, Nikaweratiya Fauzan Hospital, Gangoda Rd, Magallegama, Malliyagoda New, Nikaweratiya Post Office, Nikaweratiya Old Court, Pradeshiya Sabha, Water Pump, Ibbawala, Millagoda, Mahawa Nikaweratiya Water project, Tristar Apperal, Elawaka, Alfa Garment, NLBD Farm, CTB Depot, Helambewa Kubukwewa, Katagamuwa, Halmillewa, Othota Diulwewa, Randenigama, Osu Uyana, Manapaya, Diullegoda, Wanduressegama, Wannigama, Waththegedara, North Western Apperal, Galatabadiwewa, Halmillewa, Paradise Hotel, Thennakoongama II, Thennakoongama New, Mimalagara, Kelegama New, Nebadawewa, Awulegama. Balagollagama, Daduwawa, Tharanagolla, Ekamuthu Water Project, Kebellewa, Heelogama, Koongaswalayagama, Diwullewa, Ambagammana, Singandaluwa, Nammuwawa, Polonthalawa, Koralewatta, Nammuwawa New, Kuruwikulama, Kadigamuwa, Kadigamuwa I, Kadigawa, Kurawikulama New, New Lanka Metal Works, RPD Pushpakumara Metal Works, Thonigala Estate.

2020 October 04 08.30 - 16.30

Hulogedara, Wannimundalama, Bogollagama Water Project, Dalukgolla, Wambatuwewa, Dodangollegama, Dodangollegama New, Naagala, Nawaana, Nawaana Godayaya, Thibiriyawa, Thibiriyawa Swarnagala, Elagammillawa, Dalukgolla New, Balagolla, Ihalagama, Chandra Rice Mill, Samadarapitiya, Police Training Collage, Mahasen School, Cooperative.

2020 October 06, 10, 24

08.30 - 17.00

08.30 - 16.30

CTB Subfield

Hiripitiya C.S.C.

Hunupola Moragolla.

09.30 - 17.00 2020 October 02

Makulwewa, Kiralagedara, Egodawatta.

2020 October 03 09.30 - 17.00

Galuku Hydroponic, Dewedda, Galhinna, Pusella, Pabegama. 2020 October 13 08.30 - 16.30

WENNAPPUWA AREA

Wennappuwa C.S.C.

2020 October 24 09.00 - 17.00

People's BankLunuwila, Lunuwila Railway Station, Fathima Estate, Threestar Farm, Dummaladeniya Temple, Iresha Ice Factory, Thilak Oil Mill, Samaya Mw, Thaldeka Junction, Dummaladeniya Poweloom, St. Theresa Fiber Mill, St. Mariya Fiber Mill, International School, Fathima DC Mill, New Delta Fresh, Moththuwa Junction, Wellamankare, Malith Hatchery, Chamin Fiber Mill, Nainamadama Post Office, St. Anthony's Fiber Mill, St.Lucia Tile Mill, Magalla Trading, J.K.M. Perera Fiber Mill, Telecom, Canre, BorellaRoad, Borella Road New, JayanPutha, Avendra Garden, Gorokkagaha Junction, Martin de ForasMw, WaterTank, Suduwella, J.P.M. Plinto,, LunuwilaJunction, Cargills Food City, Keels food city, Kanthi Oil Mill, Union Bank, HNB Bank, Divisional Secretarial Office, Rex Dias Mw, Bus Stand, Super Market, Ranjith Koongaha, Police Station, Joshap Vass, Life Care Hospital, Educational Office, Municipal Council, Helan Mawatha 01,02, Commercial Bank, A.I.R. Building, CO-OP, H.M.N. Marketin, Jerad Mill, Rose Ice, Maxi House Garaj, Kosgas Junction, Ulhitiyawa, St-Joshep Timber Mill, Maxi House Farm, Madura Bhawan, CTB Depo, Kudamala, Pahala Peragas Junction, School Rd, School Rd New, City Palace, Barampola Tile Factory, Kamalapaththu Co-op, Shemrock Tile Factory, Pattric Till Mill, Adam Junction Road, Adam Junction New, GalmalPandura, Service Station, Metko Factory, Katuneriya Church, St-Ann's Building, Nakele, IhalaKatuneriya, Ginova Rd Mavila, Katuneriya Jansa Rd, Calton, Oruwella, Benkada Junction, Lihini Ice Factory, PulungasHandiya, Sooriyawaththa, K.S. Perera, Thiserapura, Ihala Katuneriya Land Sale, Lansigama, Prawn Ceylon, LittleRome, Mawila, Ceylon Garden Coir, Rockland Company, Italian Gate, Jayamadi, Maravila Hospital, ChutiDuwa, Mudukatuwa, Mudukatuwa Temple Junction, St-Marves Oil Mill, Wendalan Mill, Sumanakusumgama, PahalaMawila Church, Nugawaththa Mudukatuwa, Mallika Mudukatuwa, Union Apparel 01, Union Apparel 02, Garment Junction.

2020 October 25 09.00 - 17.00 Mahawatta Auction Land, Erabadugaswatta.

Bolawatta C.S.C.

2020 October 03 09.00 - 17.00

Spardo, CRI Lunuwila, Maneesha Coco, Ivan Fernando, Pearl Island, Bigberg Farm, L.C.B. Factory, Monticalo, Boralessa, A&C, Kiragara, Mirissankotuwa, Ginigalpola Junction, Sanhinda, Werellawatta, Kirimetiyana Temple, Kahatawila Junction, Dabarera Watta, VC Rd 1,11.

08.30 - 16.30 2020 October 07

Narawila Church, Muwa Tile Mill, Prashara Washing Plant, Thambarawila, Sahanagama, Union Apperal, Industrial Building, Cane Apperal, Sumagi Tile Mill, Randana Tile Mill, Smart Label, Suduwella Fiber Mill.

2020 October 15 08.30 - 16.30

Pahala Kottramulla Devalaya, Thummodara, Biraha Farm, Peramix, Thummodara Colony, Thummodara Lunuwila Rd, Mellakele, Kokkalamulla, Thummodara Rd, Siripala Farm.

Nattandiya C.S.C.

2020 October 03 08.30 - 16.30

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Keen Apperals, E.A. Fernando, Samarasinghe Brothers, Union Apparel 01, Union Apperal 02, Mallika Mudukatuwa, Nugawatta Mudukatuwa, Fathima Church, Wenderland Mill, Sumanakusumgama, Pahala Mawila Church, St. Mary's Oil Mill, Mudukatuwa Temple Junction, Chutiduwa, Marawila Hospital, Jayamadi, Sisiliyana Watta, Italian Gate, Water Board, Janadhipathi School Lane, Menara Shopping Complex, Nattandiya Bridge, People's Bank, Shopping Complex, Nattandiya Town, Dhammissara Collage, Ceylon Glass Factory 01, 02, Weerahena Fiber Mill, Maranda Meda Nattandiya, Mawila, Venis Park, Luds Mawila, Maranda Star Fiber Mill, Halpanvila New, Marandawella, Elbat F. Pieris Mawatha, Marawila Farm, Telecom, Court Complex, Jaya Farm, Marawila Super Market, M.A.D.A Athula, Vocational Training Center, Cargills Ceylon, Orit Apperal, Sampath Bank, Horagolla Fernando Mw., Marawila Co-oparative, DC Mills, Thalawila Ice Factory, Haththiniya, St. Anthony Fiber Mill, Thalawila Junction, Priyangika Timber Mill. Halpanwila. Thalawila Church, Classic Tours, Bogahard, ThalawilaElamba, Club Farm Bey Hotel, Olenka Sun Shine Beach Hotel, Deshan Milroy Association, Modarawella, Omega Line Housing Project, Thalawila Wella, Weralugaha Rd, Dr. Anton, Pettric Loch Oil Mill, Kurusa Palliya, Marawila Town.

2020 October 04 09.00 - 17.00

Alhira Mawatha, Kottramulla, Morakele School, Uwaise Rice Mill, Bairaha Farm New, Riswan Watta, Kemilco Industries, Bairaha Farm, Bothalegama Co-operative, Senanayake Fiber Mill.

08.30 - 16.30 2020 October 12 Paluwelgala, Miriswelkele, Narawila Junction, Asanka Rice Mill,

Jayasinghe Oil Mill, Meegahawela, Koswatta Temple, Koswatta Town, Morakele Rd, Morakele, Bothalegama, Koswatta Rd.

Bibiladeniya, Blue Chip, Proja Lanka, Nature's Wellness, Ammnamulla,

KURUNEGALA AREA

Kurunegala C.S.C.

Horathepola, Nawasigahawatta.

2020 October 13

2020 October 18 Jayanpathi Lanka.

09.00 - 16.00

09.30 - 17.00

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08.30 - 16.30

Gokarella C.S.C.

2020 October 04

Kumbalanga, Suramva Sevana, Salindapura Kumbalanga, Bathalagoda Farm, Thalahinna 11 Muruthawa, Mahamukalanyaya, Ihala Peddawa, Embalawa, Ibbagamuwa Town, Ibbagamuwa Town New, Rubi Plastic, Yakalla Ayesha Watta, Galeyaya Hangamuwa, Deduruoya Bridge, Udawela, Waguruwela, Pannala, Dehelgamuwa Walawwatta, Wadupola, Thalahinna.

Bathalagoda Farm, Rice Research Centre, Hangamuwa Watta, Pelma Plastic, Nippon Plastic 1, Nippon Plastic 2, Nippon Plastic 3, Bakmeegolla, Bakmeegolla Oil Mill, Water Treatment Plant, Fernimix (Pvt) Ltd. 1,11, Ibbagamuwa Pradeshiya Sabhawa, Kolongasyayawatta, Blutex (Pvt) Ltd.

2020 October 08 10.00 - 17.00

Ragedara Pathala Sub 2020 October 10

National Watta, Greenway, Ipalawa Rice Mill

2020 October 13

Melsiripura, Karandagolla, Lenawa, Godarathmale, Ganegoda Kumbukwewa, Pitapahamuwa, Food City Melsiripura, M.S.M. Oil Mill, Karandagolla.

2020 October 18 09.30 - 17.00

Madahapola Hapangamuwa, Thewella Madahapola, Dambahera, Madahapola Weherayaya, Madahapola Siyambalangamuwa, Delmo Breeders (Pvt) Ltd., Diatary (Pvt) Ltd.

2020 October 18 09.30 - 17.00 National Watta

Mallawapitiya C.S.C.

08.30 - 16.30 2020 October 16

Samanpura, Yaggapitiya, Badagamuwa CTB, Onelta Real Estate, Dimo Engineering.

2020 October 19 08.30 - 16.30

Green Mount, Udaganagama, Madawa, Udumulla 02, K.H.M.C. Oil Mill, Millawa Hewapola, Hewapola, Thempana Presure Filter Plant, Pilessa Pilikada.

2020 October 20 08.30 - 16.30 Wennoruwa Water Pump, Prime Land, Maga Redimix (Pvt) Ltd.

2020 October 22 08.30 - 16.30

ModaraWatta, Uyandana Junction, Kahandawelipotha, Uyandana Housing, W.N.G. Perera Oil Mill, CIC Fertilizer.

2020 October 22 08.30 - 16.30 Babara Watta.

Rideegama C.S.C.

09.30 - 17.00 2020 October 09

Dalukwatta, Rambukandana. Bollegala, Warakawehera. Hagurankotuwa, Morathiha, Abimansala 3.

2020 October 16 08.30 - 16.30 Ginihiriya - Pahalawela, Thalakolahena, Pallehorombuwa, Dabarayaya,

Udakahahena, Udahorombuwa.

2020 October 19 08.30 - 16.30

Meegastenna, Ambakote, Karandagolla, Kavisigamuwa, Electro Engineers, Miyandeniya, T.M.A.K. Meegastenna, Karandagolla, M.J. International.

2020 October 20

Mahawela Galmulla, Egodamulla Iriyagolla.

2020 October 21

08.30 - 16.30 Malmeewala, Kalugahatenna, Bambaragahakanda, Dunumawa 2,

Dunumawa 1, Pallekanda, Kiribathgalla, Gorakaela, Kandegama

2020 October 21

08.30 - 16.30

Batagolla Kurukepptiya, Jayakaduwa, Pussella, Pusselikanda.

2020 October 23 08.30 - 16.30

Wanduressa, Walaminikanda, Nithulpitiya 1, Kotuwahena, Kandu

Palatha, Kelemulla Junction, Leden Estate, Walaminikanda, Nithilpitiya, Maduragoda, Kahatagahapathala.

2020 October 29 08.30 - 16.30

Ilukpitiya, Ganegoda, Gonigoda, Niyangama, Niyangama Udakeppitigala, Bodhiyakotuwa, Keppitigala, Ikiriwatta Temple, Paragoda, Dadamthalawakanda, Wegama - Kanadeniyawa.

PUTTALAM AREA

Madurankuliya / Puttalam C. S. C.

2020 October 02

08.30 - 16.30

Kumbukkadawala Rd, Jinnawatta Jayagama, Keerthisinghagama, Nel Farm, Marichchikattuwa Church, Rathmalgaswewa, Maha Kumbukkadawala, Jayarajapura.

2020 October 03 08.30 - 16.30

Palawi R.E, Hijrapuram, Alkasim Mulativ Camp, Aljidda Rd, Tilladiya, Asminapura, Sadmiyapuram, Ananda Mawatha

Anamaduwa C. S. C.

2020 October 25 Buddhigama.

09.00 - 17.00

Norochchole C. S. C.

2020 October 04 08.30 - 16.30

Mohoththuwarama, Pediyakurippu, Musalpille, Wellankanni Church Road, Eththale, Thigili, Andankanni, Kaludawa, Palakuda, Kele Church, Kappaladi, Kajuwatta, Thalawila, Jubili Avenue, Erabukudella, Kandasena, Semmandaluwa, Kandakuda, Akkara 90, Mudalappali, Musalpitiya, Palliwasalthurei, Welankare, Sammattawadi, Redbana, Akkara10, Nallanchiya, Kuringhampitiya, Thaladiya, Kudawa, Pudukuduirippu, Thethupitiya, Sethuwadiya, Nachchikalliya, Kurakkanhena, U.M.U Rd, Mohamadiyakulama, Almennar, Wannimundalama, S.L.N.S Wijaya.

2020 October 20 08.30 - 16.30

Mudalappali, Akkara 90.

2020 October 24, 25

08.30 - 16.30

Mobitel Tower, Lakvijayapura Project.

2020 October 26 08.30 - 16.30 Palakuda, Kele Church, Kappaladi, Thalawila, Jubili Rd, Kajuwatta,

Erabukudella, Eththale Colony, Kandasena, Sembukulama. 2020 October 27 08.30 - 16.30

Cofa Nagar, Musalpitiya, Mudalappali, Ammatottam, Palliwasalthure, Sammattawadi, Welankare, Palliwasalthure Redbana, Akkra 10, U.M.U. Rd, Mohomadiyakulama, Araliya Resort, Almannar Kalpitiya.

NARAMMALA AREA

Narammala C.S.C.

2020 October 04

08.30 - 16.30 Kekunagolla 11, Kekunagolla

Siyambalagaskotuwa, Nithullagahapitiya, Thelwela, Alahitiyawa Gallegama, Gallegama (Alahitiyawa), Medelpola, Mavee-Ela Road, Sadaham Mawatha, Neththipolagedara Junction, Arakayala, Madalessa New, Katupota Pothuwewa Junction, Dalupothgama, Katupotha Dalupothagama, Katupotha, Katupotha Town, Trendy Ware (PVT) LTD, Weudagama Junction, Wathukana Shailagiri Temple.

2020 October 05 12.00-13.30

Kalugamuwa, Cocogreen Investment (Pvt) Ltd., Hanwella, Ginipenda.

Alawwa C.S.C.

2020 October 07 Lakshika Metal Crusher. 08.30 - 16.30

09.00 - 17.00 2020 October 08 Janaraja Rd, Hapuqedara, Idumini Rice Mill, Galatharava, Pambadeniva, Kalalpitiya, Nugawela, Hiththarapola, Diulgahakotuwa,

Kandegedara, Kosgahamada, Welikare, Galgamuwa, Damwehera,

Ihala Weeththewa, WilgamuwaWatta, Morawalapitiya, Wennaruwa New. 2020 October 08 10.00 - 14.00

Alawwa Town, Alawwa Telecom, Sampath Bank, Water Board, Janaraja Rd, Hapugedara, Idumini Rice Mill, Galatharaya, Pambadeniva. Ihala Kalalpitiya, Nugawela, Hiththarapola, Diulgahakotuwa, Kandegedara, Kosgahamada, Welikare, Galgamuwa, Damwehera, Ihala Weeththewa, Wilgamuwa Watta, Morawalapitiya, Wennaruwa New.

2020 October08,18 09.00 - 17.00 Wennaruwa, Damwehera, Ihala Weeththewa, Wilgamuwa Watta,

Morawalapitiya, Wennaruwa New. 2020 October 15 08.30 -16.30

Hathalispahuwa, Rupasinghe Rice Mill, Barahelagamuwa, Udapola

Sapumalgama, Kaikolaya.

09.00 - 17.00 2020 October 22 Othara Mawatta, International Construction Consortium.

Giriulla C.S.C.

2020 October 06

08.30 - 16.30

Labbala Wellawa, Royal City, Bopitiya New, Labbala, Pathahamulla Colony, Ihala Kotuwella, Labbala Peniweralugama, Bopitiya, Nem Construction, Othara Rd, Balawala - Katudeniya, Coconut Development Bord, JB Metal Crusher, Balawala Temple, Senarath Engineering, Elibichchiya, Elibichchiya Dewily, Weeradiyawa Watta, JB Poultry, Merama Caters, Delmo Chicken Agro (PVT) Ltd., Agro Pallegama, New Jane Lanka Health Care (Pvt) Ltd.

2020 October 06 09.00-12.00

Udawela Watta New, Sirigala, Nimal Metal Crusher, Sirigala Galkade



08.30 - 16.30

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Distribution Division 1 Colombo City	DGM(CC)/CE(C&CS)/PPC/2019/021 Supply and Delivery of Arch Flash Cloths (AFPC) to DGM (Colombo City) – 28 Nos.	21 st October 2020 10.00 hrs	Provincial Procurement Committee	Office of Deputy General Manager (Colombo City), 4th Floor, Lakshmans Building, 340, R.A. De Mel Mw, Colombo 03 until 20.10.2020	1,000.00 (By Cash)	15,000.00 (By Cash/ Bank draft / Bank guarantee)	Tender Box at the Office of Deputy General Manager (Colombo City), 4th Floor, Lakshmans Building, 340, R.A. De Mel Mw, Colombo 03	Conference Room, Deputy General Manager (Colombo City)'s Office	-	NCB
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Distribution Division 1 Colombo City	Supply & Installation of Finger Scan machines to DGM (Colombo City) - 19 Nos. The Pre-bid meeting will be held at 10:00 hrs on 13 th October 2020 at the office of Deputy General Manager (Colombo City), CEB, 04 th Floor, Lakshmans Building, 340, R.A De Mel, Mw, Colombo-03,	21 st October 2020 10.00 hrs	Provincial Procurement Committee	Office of Deputy General Manager (Colombo City), 4th Floor, Lakshmans Building, 340, R.A. De Mel Mw, Colombo 03 until 20.10.2020 011-2575923, 011-2575930	1,000.00 (By Cash)	20,000.00 (By Cash/ Bank draft / Bank guarantee)	Tender Box at the Office of Deputy General Manager (Colombo City), 4th Floor, Lakshmans Building, 340, R.A. De Mel Mw, Colombo 03	Conference Room, Deputy General Manager (Colombo City)'s Office	-	NCB
Distribution Division 1 Colombo City	DGM(CC)CE(C&CS)/PPC/2020/120 Disposal of Unserviceable OCB Related Equipment of Maintenance Unit and Disposal of Unserviceable items of Colombo City Stores	21 st October 2020 10.00 hrs	Provincial Procurement Committee	Office of Deputy General Manager (Colombo City), 4th Floor, Lakshmans Building, 340, R.A. De Mel Mw, Colombo 03 until 20.10.2020 011-2575923, 011-2575930	1,000.00 (By Cash)	Lot 01 – 10,000.00 Lot 02 – 500.00 Lot 03 – 500.00 (By Cash/ Bank draft / Bank guarantee)	Tender Box at the Office of Deputy General Manager (Colombo City), 4th Floor, Lakshmans Building, 340, R.A. De Mel Mw, Colombo 03	Conference Room, Deputy General Manager (Colombo City)'s Office	-	NCB
DD 1 (NWP)	DGM/NWP/CEECM/T/2020/268 Supply & Delivery of 6,000 pkts of printed Electricity Bill Forms (1,000 forms per packet)	21st October 2020 02.00 p.m.	Provincial Procurement Committee.	Chief Engineer (Commercial) Branch CEB Narammala Road, Kuliyapitiya. 037 - 2281892	1,000.00	100,000.00	Deputy General Manager's Office CEB Narammala Road, Kuliyapitiya	Deputy General Manager's Office CEB Narammala Road, Kuliyapitiya		NCB
DGM (NP)	Tender No : DGM/NP/CE (Com)/ STA/T/2020/156 Tender for Printing & Delivery of Continuously Confidential Pay Roll Qty - 15 Unit- Pkts	22 nd of October 2020 at 14.00 hrs	PPC (North)	Deputy General Manager (NP) office, Ceylon Electricity Board, Old Park Road, Jaffna. T.P No: 021 222 2496	1,000.00	5,000.00	Office of the DGM (NP) CEB, Old Park Road, Jaffna.	Office of the DGM (NP) CEB, Old Park Road, Jaffna	Nil	NCB
Distribution Division 03 (P & D)	DD3/P&D/ICB/2020/034/D Bid for Supply & Delivery of, • Aerial Bundled Conductor Alu. (ABC) 230/400V 3x70+54.6+16sqmm - 100,000m	11 Nov 2020 10.00 AM	Divisional Procurement Committee.	Office of the DGM (P&D - DD 3), CEB DD 3 Head Office, 3rd Floor, No. 644, Sri Jayawardanapura Mw, Ethulkotte. T.P. No. 0112880613, 01122880610	12,500.00	1,000,000.00	Office of the DGM (P&D – DD3), CEB DD 3 Head Office, 3rd Floor, No. 644, Sri Jayawardanapura Mw, Ethul kotte.	Auditorium, 3rd Floor, CEB,DD3 Head Office, No.644, Sri Jayawardenepura Road, Ethul kotte.	-	ICB
DD 3 (Uva)	DGM(UVA)/CE(COM)/C1/ICB/ 2K20/002 Supply and Delivery of 01 No of Brand New Crane Truck to Mahiyanganaya Area	11 th November 2020	PPC (Uva)	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Uva), Chief Engineer (Commercial) Unit, Ceylon Electricity Board, No 04, Spring Valley Road, Hindagoda, Badulla. Tel: 0552222474	3000.00	300,000.00	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Uva), Chief Engineer (Commercial) Unit, Ceylon Electricity Board, No 04, Spring Valley Road, Hindagoda, Badulla.	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Uva), Chief Engineer (Commercial) Unit, Ceylon Electricity Board, No 04, Spring Valley Road, Hindagoda, Badulla.	-	ICB
DD 3 (Uva)	DGM(UVA)/CE(COM)/C1/ICB/ 2K20/005 Supply and Delivery of 01 No of Brand New Three Wheeler to Mahiyanganaya Area	11 th November 2020	PPC (Uva)	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Uva), Chief Engineer (Commercial) Unit, Ceylon Electricity Board, No 04, Spring Valley Road, Hindagoda, Badulla. Tel: 0552222474	1000.00	15,000.00	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Uva), Chief Engineer (Commercial) Unit, Ceylon Electricity Board, No 04, Spring Valley Road, Hindagoda, Badulla.	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Uva), Chief Engineer (Commercial) Unit, Ceylon Electricity Board, No 04, Spring Valley Road, Hindagoda, Badulla.	-	ICB

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(Rs) Office of the Office of the Deputy General Office of the Deputy General Manager (Uva), **Deputy General** Chief Engineer DGM(UVA)/CE(COM)/C1// Manager (Uva), Manager (Uva), 2K20/077 Chief Engineer (Commercial) Chief Engineer 21th (Commercial) Unit, Ceylon (Commercial) Unit, DD 3 (Uva) Supply and Delivery of 10,000 Nos of October Electricity Board, 500.00 7,000.00 Unit, Ceylon NCB Ceylon Electricity PPC (Uva) Thimbles Galvanized 7/3.18mm and 10,000 2020 Electricity Board, No 04, Spring Board, No 04, Nos. of Thimbles Galvanized 7/4.06mm to Valley Road, No 04, Spring Spring Valley Province of Uva Valley Road, Hindagoda, Road, Hindagoda, Hindagoda, Badulla. Badulla. Badulla. Tel: 0552222474 SAB/CE(CON)/C1/Building/2020/ T/07BUILDING /- CON Embilipitiya Branch of Deputy No. I GANG. Branch of Deputy Branch of Deputy General Manager General Manager General Manager Renting a Building with a land to be used (Sabagaramuwa) (Sabagaramuwa) (Sabagaramuwa) as the stores for the construction gang Chief Engineer Chief Engineer Chief Engineer of Embilipitiya I Gang for 2 years near (Construction) (Construction) (Construction) Pallebedda & Godakawela Town area. Unit C.E.B. 2020-10-21 PPC (SAB) DD 3 (Sab) Unit C.E.B. 500.00 Unit C.E.B. NCB 2.00 p.m. No.09, No.09, New Town, No.09, New Town, 1. The building should have electricity, water New Town, Rathnapura Rathnapura & sanitary facilities. Rathnapura Tp. No. Tp. No. 2. The building should be 1000 sqft with 03 Tp. No. 045-2225891-95 045-2225891-95 rooms & should have suitable space with 045-2225891-95 parking facilities for 02 vehicles. (Crain & Lorry) Office of the DGM (Transmission Office of Construction the DGM Office of the DGM Projects), (Transmission No. 55-1/1, (Transmission Construction CEB/TCP/DGM/CFBKGS/2020/02 Provincial Construction Thalapathpitiya DGM Projects), Available in **Procurement** Road, Projects), 12/11/2020 (Transmission No. 55-1/1, Supply and Delivery of 06 nos of 36kV, Committee 1,000.00 30,750.00 No. 55-1/1, **CEB ICB** Embuldeniya, Construction 10.00 Hrs Thalapathpitiya 10kA, Station Class Surge Arresters with (Tr. Const. Thalapathpitiya web site Negogoda 10250, Projects) Road, Road, Embuldeniya, Surge Monitoring Instrument Projects) Sri Lanka. Embuldeniya, Negogoda 10250, Negogoda Tel: Sri Lanka. 10250, 011-2 836 051/2 Sri Lanka. Fax: 011-2 836 053 CONSTRUCTION Procurement Division, 4th Floor, LKR Admin Building, Office of the LV/T/2020/362 11,000.00 Deputy General Lakvijaya Power Deputy General Can be Manager Deposit to Plant, Ceylon Design and Construction of Chemical Manager obtained Lakvijaya Peoples Bank Lakvijaya Power Electricity Board, Storing Facilities for Lakvijaya Power Plant Lakvijaya Power free of Lakvijaya 04/11/2020 **Power Plant** Station Acc. No: Narakkalliya, LKR.850,000.00 NCB Station charge Power Plant 14.00 hrs 07110012 Ceylon Electricity Procurement Norochcholai C-05 or above from http:// Ceylon Electricity 3320705 Committee Board 61342 www.ceb.lk/ Board Acc. Name Narakkalliya Pre Bid Meeting will be 07/10/2020 at Narakkalliya tenders/-TP: Generation Norochcholai 10.00 hrs Norochcholai 032 226 8964/977 Division Fax: 032 226 8966 Mob 0715777171 Chief Engineer (Commercial) Deputy General DGM/NWP/CEECM/T/2020/131 Deputy General Manager's Office Branch 21st October Provincial Manager's Office CEB CEB Renovation of Washrooms in DGM Office DD1 (NWP) 2020 30,000.00 CEB NCB Procurement 1,000.00 Narammala Narammala Road, Complex (NWP), Kuliyapitiya. Narammala Road, 02.00 p.m. Committee. Kuliyapitiya. Road, Kuliyapitiya Kuliyapitiya 037 - 2281892 Office of the Office of the Deputy General Office of the Deputy Deputy General CW&B/DGM/CEB-HO-FD/06/2019 Manager General Manager Manager (Civil Works (Civil Works and Refurbishment of 1st Floor of CEB Head (Civil Works and and Buildings), Buildings), Ceylon Office Building for Setting up an Office for Buildings), Ceylon Ceylon Electricity Electricity Board, Finance Division. Electricity Board, Board, At 14.00 hrs Minor 4th Floor, 4th Floor, AM 4th Floor, **Eligibility:** G.C.S.U. Building, Procurement G.C.S.U. Building, (CW&B) 3,500/-100,000/-N/A NCB G.C.S.U. Committee October 22, No.90, No.90, CIDA Grading - SP4 or above in Building, No.90, 2020 (Finance) Sir Chittampalam A Sir Chittampalam Sir Chittampalam Gardiner Mawatha, 1. Floor, Wall and Ceiling finishes A Gardiner A Gardiner Colombo 02. Mawatha, 2. Aluminum works Mawatha, Colombo 02. 3. Carpentry and joinery 0112-447567 Colombo 02. 4. Furniture and fittings 0112-447567 0112-447568 0112-447567 0112-447568 0112-447568 **SERVICES** Procurement Division, 14.00 4th Floor, hrs on Admin Building, LKR 2,500.00 Office of the Wednesday Deputy General Lakvijaya Power LV/T/2020/0244 Deposit to Deputy General Can be Manager November Plant, Ceylon Peoples Bank Manager obtained 04, 2020. Lakvijaya Power Lakvijaya Electricity Board, INSTALLATION OF ELECTRICAL PANELS Acc. No: Lakvijaya Power free of Station Lakvijaya Power Plant Narakkalliya, charge AND CABLE LAYING WORKS OF THE CW 07110012 LKR 100,000.00 Station NCB Ceylon Electricity Power Plant Pre-bid Procurement Norochcholai PUMP EMERGENCY POWER SUPPLY 3320705 Ceylon Electricity from http:// meeting Committee Board 61342 PROJECT FOR UNIT#3 OF LAKVIJAYA Acc. Name Board www.ceb.lk/ October Narakkalliya **POWER PLANT** Generation Narakkalliya tenders/-TP: 07th 2020 at Norochcholai Division Norochcholai 032 226 8964/977 10.00 a,m Fax: at LVPP 032 226 8966 Mob 0715777171

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Lakvijaya Power Plant	LV/T/2020/0401 Providing Cleaning Services for Fly Ash, Bottom Ash and Pyrites Handling System of Lakvijaya Power Plant - One Year Period. (Pre Bid Meeting will be held on 13/10/2020 at 10.30 am)	14.00 hrs on Wednesday October 21, 2020.	Lakvijaya Power Plant Procurement Committee	Procurement Division, 4th Floor, Admin Building, Lakvijaya Power Plant, Ceylon Electricity Board, Narakkalliya, Norochcholai 61342 TP:032 226 8964/977 Fax: 032 226 8966 Mob 0715777171	LKR 3,500.00 Deposit to Peoples Bank Acc. No: 07110012 3320705 Acc. Name Generation Division	LKR 200,000.00	Deputy General Manager Lakvijaya Power Station Ceylon Electricity Board Narakkalliya Norochcholai	Office of the Deputy General Manager Lakvijaya Power Station Ceylon Electricity Board Narakkalliya Norochcholai	Can be obtained free of charge from http:// www.ceb.lk/ tenders/-	NCB
Generation (Mahaweli Complex)	MC/NIL/BIDS/2020/005 Cleaning and Maintaining of Main Canal (Water transferring to NPS) both sides of the Canal, Both sides of the Penstock entrance way of Nillamba Power Station	2210.2020 at 14.30 Hrs	Mahaweli Complex Procurement Committee	Chief Engineer, Kotmale Power Station, Ceylon Electricity Board, Mawatura. T.P.: 081-4950690 Fax: 081-7429330 Email.: cekotmc.gen@ ceb.lk	Rs. 1000.00 Should be deposited from any People's Bank Branch to CEB generation collection account at Peoples' Bank Dematagoda Branch Acc. No.: 071-1-001-2- 3320705 Deposit slip should be presented to get a bid document	Rs. 36,000.00	Chief Engineer, Kotmale Power Station, Ceylon Electricity Board, Mawatura.	Kotmale Power Station, Ceylon Electricity Board, Mawatura.	Can read free of charge at the office of Kotmale Power Station C.E.B., Mawatura.	NCB
Distribution Division 1 Colombo City	DGM(CC)/CE(C&CS)/PPC/2020/118 Bid for Hiring of a Van for DGM (Colombo City) (For 02 years)	21st October 2020 10.00 hrs	Provincial Procurement Committee	Office of Deputy General Manager (Colombo City), 4th Floor, Lakshmans Building, 340, R.A. De Mel Mw, Colombo 03 until 20.10.2020 011-2575923, 011-2575930	1,000.00 (By Cash	15,000.00 per hiring van (By Cash/ Bank draft / Bank guarantee)	Tender Box at the Office of Deputy General Manager (Colombo City), 4 th Floor, Lakshmans Building, 340, R.A. De Mel Mw, Colombo 03	Conference Room, Deputy General Manager (Colombo City)'s Office	-	NCB
Distribution Division 1 Colombo City	DGM(CC)/CE(C&CS)/PPC/2020/119 Rent/Lease of a Building for Consumer Service Center I attached to Colombo West Area Office Location – Colombo 02 or Colombo 03 Floor Area - 1500 sqft Parking Space - 03 Vehicles Width of Acc.Road-12 ft or More Required Facilities - Electricity & Water Lease Period -2 Years	21 st October 2020 10.00 hrs	Provincial Procurement Committee	No Tender Document will be issued. Owners shall forward the bid together with all necessary particulars in their own format. 011-2575923, 011-2575930	-	-	Tender Box at the Office of Deputy General Manager (Colombo City), 4 th Floor, Lakshmans Building, 340, R.A. De Mel Mw, Colombo 03	Conference Room, Deputy General Manager (Colombo City)'s Office	-	NCB
DD1 (NWP)	DGM/NWP/CEECM/T/2020/143 Rent a Building for Electrical Engineer (Narammala) office. The Building must be located in the town limit of Narammala & it should have water, electricity, telephone facilities and floor area should be in the range of 10,000 square feet & the land area should not be less than 25 perches.	21st October 2020 02.00 p.m.	Provincial Procurement Committee.	Chief Engineer (Commercial) Branch CEB Narammala Road, Kuliyapitiya. 037 - 2281892	1,000.00	50,000.00	Deputy General Manager's Office CEB Narammala Road, Kuliyapitiya	Deputy General Manager's Office CEB Narammala Road, Kuliyapitiya		NCB
DD1 (NWP)	DGM/NWP/CEECM/T/2020/144 Rent a Building for Area Maintenance Unit of Electrical Engineer (Narammala) office. The Building must be located in the town limit of Narammala & it should have water, electricity, telephone facilities and floor area should be in the range of 2,000 square feet & the land area should not be less than 80 perches.	21st October 2020 02.00 p.m.	Provincial Procurement Committee.	Same as above	1,000.00	20,000.00	Same as above	Same as above		NCB
DD1 (NWP)	DGM/NWP/CEECM/T/2020/145 Rent a land with Building for storage of essential items, Unserviceable items & use as a training center for Electrical Engineer (Narammala) office. The Building must be located in the town limit of Narammala & it should have water, electricity, telephone facilities and floor area should be in the range of 2,000 square feet & the land area should not be less than 200 perches.	21st October 2020 02.00 p.m.	Provincial Procurement Committee.	Same as above	1,000.00	35,000.00	Same as above	Same as above		NCB
DD1 (NWP)	DGM/NWP/CEECM/T/2020/162 Rent a Building for Bingiriya Linesman Depot. The Building must be located in the town limit of Bingiriya & it should have water, electricity telephone facilities and floor area should be in the range of 2,000 square feet & the land area should not be less than 80 perches.	21st October 2020 02.00 p.m.	Provincial Procurement Committee.	Same as above	1,000.00	10,000.00	Same as above	Same as above		NCB

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DD1 (NWP)	DGM/NWP/CEECM/T/2020/163 Rent a Building for Kiriyankalliya Consumer service Center. The Building must be located in the town limit of Kiriyankalliya & it should have water, electricity, telephone facilities and floor area should be in the range of 3,000 square feet & the land area should not be less than 80 perches.	21st October 2020 02.00 p.m.	Provincial Procurement Committee.	Same as above	1,000.00	10,000.00	Same as above	Same as above		NCB
DD1 (NWP)	DGM/NWP/CEECM/T/2020/209 Rent a Building for Kuliyapitiya - I Maintenance Sub Unit of Chief Electrical Engineer (Distribution Maintenance) Unit. The Building must be located in the town limit of Kuliyapitiya & it should have water, electricity, telephone facilities and floor area should be in the range of 1500 square feet & the land area should not be less than 50 perches.	21 st October 2020 02.00 p.m.	Provincial Procurement Committee.	Same as above	1,000.00	10,000.00	Same as above	Same as above		NCB
DD1 (NWP)	DGM/NWP/CEECM/T/2020/210 Rent a Building for Alawwa Consumer Service Center. The Building must be located in the town limit of Alawwa & it should have water, electricity, telephone facilities and floor area should be in the range of 2,500 square feet & the land area should not be less than 40 perches.	21 st October 2020 02.00 p.m.	Provincial Procurement Committee.	Same as above	1,000.00	10,000.00	Same as above	Same as above		NCB
DD1 (NWP)	DGM/NWP/CEECM/T/2020/215 Rent a Building for Kuliyapitiya Site office of Chief Electrical Engineer (Energy Management) Unit. The Building must be located in the town limit of Kuliyapitiya & it should have water, electricity, telephone facilities and floor area should be in the range of 3,000 square feet & the land area should not be less than 30 perches.	21st October 2020 02.00 p.m.	Provincial Procurement Committee.	Same as above	1,000.00	10,000.00	Same as above	Same as above		NCB
DD1 (NWP)	DGM/NWP/CEECM/T/2020/267 Hiring of a Crew Cab for Wariyapola Consumer Service Center.	21 st October 2020 02.00 p.m.	Provincial Procurement Committee.	Same as above	1,000.00	35,000.00	Same as above	Same as above		NCB
DGM (NP)	Tender No : DGM/NP/CE(Com)/BD/T/2020/157 Rent or lease a building for the use of Electrical Engineer (Material Management) for 2 Years Period. (with drinking water, Electricity, Sanitary, telephone facilities, parking facility for one vehicle, minimum one bed room & kitchen within Jaffna Municipal Council Area)	22 nd of October 2020 at 14.00hrs	PPC (North)	Self prepared application to be forwarded with expecting monthly rental with details of relevant Land (Copy of the deed, building plan should be attached) Tel.: 021-222-2496	-	-	Envelope should be enclosed in one securely sealed cover which should be marked "Rent or lease a building for the use of Electrical Engineer (Material Management) for 2 Years Period DGM/NP/CE(Com)/BD/T/2020/157" on the top left hand corner and shall be recived by the Chairman Tender Board, Office of the DGM (NP) CEB, Old Park Road, Jaffna	Office of the DGM (NP) CEB, Old Park Road, Jaffna	Nil	NCB
DGM (NP)	Tender No : DGM/NP/CE(Com)/BD/T/2020/158 Rent or lease a building for the use of ES, Mankulam ECSC Quarters for 2 years Period (with drinking water, Electricity, Sanitary, telephone facilities, Parking Facility for 01 vehicle within Mankulam town limit)	22 nd of October 2020 at 14.00hrs	PPC (North)	Self prepared application to be forwarded with expecting monthly rental with details of relevant Land (Copy of the deed, building plan should be attached) Tel.: 021-222-2496	-	-	Envelope should be enclosed in one securely sealed cover which should be marked "Rent or lease a building for the use of ES, Mankulam ECSC Quarters for 2 years Period DGM/NP/CE(Com)/BD/T/2020/158" on the top left hand corner and shall be recived by the Chairman Tender Board, Office of the DGM (NP) CEB, Old Park Road, Jaffna	Office of the DGM (NP) CEB, Old Park Road, Jaffna	Nil	NCB
DGM (NP)	Tender No : DGM/NP/CE (Com)/ VH/T/2020/160 Tender for Hiring of a Crew Cab 2 wheel drive for ECSC Mankulam	22 nd of October 2020 at 14.00hrs	PPC (North)	Deputy General Manager (NP) office, Ceylon Electricity Board, Old Park Road, Jaffna. T.P No: 021 222 2496	1,000.00	5,000.00	Office of the DGM (NP) CEB, Old Park Road, Jaffna	Office of the DGM (NP) CEB, Old Park Road, Jaffna	Nil	NCB
DD 2 Central	CP/CE(COM)/PPC/2020/369 Tender for Renovation Work at ECSC Eriyagama in Peradeniya Area. Eligibility ICTAD Grade C8 or above. Pre – Bid Meeting Held on 2020-10-16 at 10.00a.m. in Area Electrical Office, Peradeniya	2020-10-21 At 14.00hrs	Provincial Procurement Committee	Chief Engineer (Commercial), CEB, No. 04, Asgiriya Road, Kandy. T.P 081-2234324 081-4472724	1000/=	36,000/=	Chief Engineer (Commercial), CEB,No. 04, Asgiriya Road, Kandy.	Chief Engineer (Commercial), CEB, No. 04, Asgiriya Road, Kandy.	N/A	NCB

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DD 2 Central	CP/CE(COM)/PPC/2020/373 Tender for Land Preparation of Transformer Bay at Matale Stores ICTAD Grade C8 or above. Pre-Bid Meeting Held on 2020-10-16 at 15.00 p.m. in Provincial Stores, Ceylon Electricity Board, Kohobiliwela Rd, Matale.	2020-10-21 At 14.00hrs	Provincial Procurement Committee	Chief Engineer (Commercial), CEB, No. 04, Asgiriya Road, Kandy. T.P 081-2234324 081-4472724	1000/=	25,000/=	Chief Engineer (Commercial) , CEB, No. 04, Asgiriya Road, Kandy.	Chief Engineer (Commercial), CEB, No. 04, Asgiriya Road, Kandy.	N/A	NCB
DD 2 Central	CP/CE(COM)/PPC/2020/402 Rent / lease Building for use as ECSC Dawulagala in Peradeniya Area for a period of 02 years. 1) Building should be located in or around Dawulagala area. 2) Building area should be approx. 1800 sqft 3) Electricity, Water, Telephone and Sanitary facilities should be available. 4) Need parking facilities for vehicles. 5) Easy access to the building from the main road. 6) Need a fence with gate.	2020-10-21 at 14.00hrs	Provincial Procurement Committee	Self prepared detailed application to be forwarded with expected monthly rental. T.P. 0814949230	-	-	Chief Engineer (Commercial) CEB, No. 04, Asgiriya Road, Kandy.	Chief Engineer (Commercial) CEB, No. 04, Asgiriya Road, Kandy.	N/A	NCB
DD 2 Central	CP/CE(COM)/PPC/2020/403 Rent / lease Building for use as ECSC Wattegama in Katugastota Area for a period of 02 years. 1. Building should be located in or around Wattegama town area. 2. Building area should be approx. 2000 sqft 3. Electricity, Water, Telephone and Sanitary facilities should be available. 4. Need parking facilities for vehicles. 5. Easy access to the building from the main road.	2020-10-21 at 14.00hrs	Provincial Procurement Committee	Self prepared detailed application to be forwarded with expected monthly rental. T.P. 0812499679	-	-	Chief Engineer (Commercial) CEB, No. 04, Asgiriya Road, Kandy.	Chief Engineer (Commercial) CEB, No. 04, Asgiriya Road, Kandy.	N/A	NCB
DD 2 Central	CP/CE(COM)/PPC/2020/404 Rent/Lease land for use as pole yard to Sub Unit Galewela in Dambulla Area for a period of 02 years. 1. Land should be approx.60perch & located in and around in Galewela. 2. Crane (10 Wheel) can be entering to the land. 3. Need security fence & entrance gate around the land. 4. Land should be a flat.	2020-10-21 at 14.00hrs	Provincial Procurement Committee	Self-prepared detailed application to be forwarded with expected monthly rental. T.P. 0662283442	-	-	Chief Engineer (Commercial) , CEB, No. 04, Asgiriya Road, Kandy.	Chief Engineer (Commercial), CEB, No. 04, Asgiriya Road, Kandy.	N/A	NCB
DD 2 Central	CP/CE(COM)/PPC/2020/405 Hiring of a Three Wheeler for Commercial Sub Unit in Kundasale Area for a Period of 01 Year.	2020-10-21 At 14.00hrs	Provincial Procurement Committee	Chief Engineer (Commercial), CEB, No. 04, Asgiriya Road, Kandy. T.P 081-2234324 081-4472724	500/=	5,000/=	Chief Engineer (Commercial) , CEB, No. 04, Asgiriya Road, Kandy.	Chief Engineer (Commercial), CEB, No. 04, Asgiriya Road, Kandy.	N/A	NCB
Additional Finance Manager Distribution Division 3	AFM(DD3)/VEHICLES/2020/01 • Hiring a car (with driver) on lease basis for the AFM Branch DD3	21 Oct 2020 10.00AM	Divisional Procurement Committee (DD3)	Additional Finance Manager Branch -DD3 2nd Floor, DD 3 Head Quarters, Ceylon Electricity Board, No.644, Sri Jayewardenepura Mawatha, Ethul Kotte. 011-2880644	500.00	20,000.00	Divisional Bid Opening Committee, Planning & Development-DD3, 3rd Floor, DD 3 Head Quarters, Ceylon Electricity Board, No.644, Sri Jayewardenepura Mawatha, Ethul Kotte. 011-2880644	Divisional Bid Opening Committee, Planning & Development- DD3, 3rd Floor, DD 3 Head Quarters, Ceylon Electricity Board, No.644, Sri Jayewardenepura Mawatha, Ethul Kotte.	-	NCB
DD 3 (Uva)	DGM/Uva/CE(Com)/C4/2K20/003 Lease out a land to store Electrical Poles around Badulla, Haliela & Soranathota Divisional Secretariet	14 th October 2020	PPC (Uva)	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Uva), Chief Engineer (Commercial) Unit, Ceylon Electricity Board, No 04, Spring Valley Road, Hindagoda, Badulla.	-	-	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Uva), Chief Engineer (Commercial) Unit, Ceylon Electricity Board, No 04, Spring Valley Road, Hindagoda, Badulla.	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Uva), Chief Engineer (Commercial) Unit, Ceylon Electricity Board, No 04, Spring Valley Road, Hindagoda, Badulla.	-	NCB

Chairman of the above Procurement Committees, on behalf of the Ceylon Electricity Board, now invites sealed Bids from potential Suppliers for the above mentioned items on the basis of International / National competitive bidding. Bids should be submitted only on the bid documents purchased from the CEB.

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Bidding Documents will be issued only to the prospective Bidder or their accredited Agents. Wherever necessary they should get registered in terms of the Public Contract Act No.3 of 1987.

Bidding Documents could be purchased by any prospective bidder or their accredited Agent on submission of written request to the respective Deputy General Manager/Chief Engineer of the CEB upon payment of the amount indicated in Column 6 of the above table for each set of Bid Document, between 0900 hrs. and 1500 hrs. on any working days till the day prior to the bid closing date. Payment shall be made in cash or bank draft drawn in favour of the General Manager, CEB.

Foreign Diplomatic Missions/ Trade Commissions may obtain information copies of the Bidding Documents, free of charge on submission of written request. The Bidding Documents may be inspected by the prospective bidder or their Agents at the office of the respective DGM/CE free of charge.

Bids will be opened immediately after the closing time of the bidding, in the presence of Bidders and their authorized representatives at the locations indicated in column 9. Late Bids shall be rejected.

All clarifications shall be sought two weeks before the Bid closing date, from the respective DGM/CE of the CEB who issued the bidding Documents.

* ICB International Competitive Bidding, NCB – National Competitive Bidding.

General Manager



The Information copy of the Bid document may be downloaded from the CEB Corporate website www.ceb.lk



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