



PRESIDENT TELLS NEW ENVOYS

SRI LANKA'S FOREIGN POLICY BASED ON NEUTRALITY

Sri Lanka is located in a place 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 cooperation. This country is open

for foreign investments", President 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

of Korea, Germany, Holy See and Switzerland presented their credentials to the President. They are:
1. Jeong Woonjin - Ambassador - The Republic of Korea
2. Holger Lothar Seubert - Ambassador - The Federal Republic of Germany

3. Monsignor Brian Udaigwe - 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

CAMELIA NATHANIEL and JAYASIRI MUNASINGHE

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**

SRI LANKA HAS NEVER DEFAULTED DEBT REPAYMENT - CABRAAL



CAME THROUGH COVID-19 SPEEDILY | EVERY SECTOR SHOWS REMARKABLE RECOVERY

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Sri Lanka has never defaulted on its 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. He said that the Government had to

make a choice on whether they are to skip the debt repayments or curtail imports. "Sri Lanka has never defaulted on its debt repayments before. Hence, we had 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 as a measure to safeguard the foreign

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**

ASEAN Ambassadors praise Govt. for combating COVID-19

The Ambassadors from five ASEAN countries have praised the government for successfully combating 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 two motorcycles. **▶ 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

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 Shama 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

LAKMAL SOORIYAGODA

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 Chief Justice announced that

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 that judicial power **▶ TO PAGE 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 Director Gamini Jayatissa said. 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 led 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

'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 air.

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 local politicians.



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.

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

IRANGIKA RANGE

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 Avissawella.

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, yesterday.

"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.



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.



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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.

Q. 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. Serious 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 Ministry.

Q. What are underlying medical conditions that make them more vulnerable?

A. When people get older, they acquire multiple chronic medical illnesses and also become frail. Both lead to low immunity for any acute infection not only for COVID-19. A virulent and highly infectious disease such as COVID-19 definitely invades the elderly population and causes higher mortality and morbidity.

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 MICRONUTRIENTS THAT ARE ESSENTIAL FOR THE IMMUNE SYSTEM, BONE HEALTH AND COGNITIVE WELLBEING. PROTEIN-RICH FOODS ARE IMPORTANT TO MAINTAIN MUSCLE STRENGTH AND FUNCTION



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.

Q. 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.

Q. 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 health—such as depression and anxiety. It also affects their social networks such as monthly gatherings in local communities, religious activities and their jobs.

Q. 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.

Q. 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.

Q. 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. Protein-rich 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 illnesses.

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.

Q. 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.

Q. 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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Lady Ridgeway Hospital for Children

125th Anniversary

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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 years.

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 proposed 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

Director Lady Ridgeway Hospital for Children

Programme

- 11.00 a.m. Laying the Foundation Stone, opening of Bone Marrow Transplant Unit & Theatre Complex
Guests being seated
- 11.25 a.m. Lighting the Oil Lamp
- 11.30 a.m. Welcome Speech & clarifying the objective
Director of LRH Dr. G. Wijesuriya
- 11.40 a.m. Singing the Hospital Song & launching Hospital Flag & Hospital Emblem
- 11.45 a.m. Hon. Minister of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine, Attorney at Law Pavithra Wanniarachchi addressing the gathering
- 11.50 a.m. Establishing of Official Web Site of the Hospital & Doc990 Digital Clinical System sponsored by Dialog
- 11.55 a.m. Hon Prime Minister of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka Mahinda Rajapaksa addressing the gathering
- 12.00 noon Vote of Thanks - Specialist Doctor Nipunika Senadheera
- 12.10 p.m. Singing of National Anthem



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

A 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 patients. 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

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 is 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. On October 01st, a special service is

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 issue. 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. Wijesuriya

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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 skills.

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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International Elders' Day - 2020

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.

Ageing 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



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 fortune.

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

The 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 discourses.

Thus, the Rain Retreat is the season to study Dhamma for both the monks and lay people. This is what the Rain Retreat entails in the present day.

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In sync with rain

SACHITRA MAHENDRA

Vap 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.

It was the custom of the Buddhist monks to walk on foot for their alms. This was so even during the rainy periods. This had been, as usual, criticised by the non-Buddhist sectors especially Jains. Their complaints were that the Buddhist monks walk on the lawns and crops. Jains believe destroying

plants too is a sinful act. They also opined that during the rainy season, many insect-like creatures come to the ground, and monks' roaming affects their life. Any being, including even birds, will remain indoors during this season, while the Buddhist

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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 often.

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 Pooja 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 Chevara 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 Chevaraya 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 Chevara 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





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 alliance 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 last-stage 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. - AFP

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 Nagorno 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 forces. 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 children. Azerbaijan's defence ministry said that "intense fighting was con-

tinuing" 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 morning. - AFP



An Armenian soldier firing artillery toward Azerbaijani positions during fighting over the Nagorno-Karabakh region on Monday.

Crown Prince becomes Kuwait's new ruling Emir



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

KUWAIT: Kuwait's Crown Prince Sheikh Nawaf Al Ahmad Al Sabah became the oil-rich nation's new ruling Emir Tuesday night, reaching the highest post in the country after decades in 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. While his taking of the throne came as prescribed by Kuwait's constitution,

there likely will be negotiations behind the scenes in the weeks ahead over who will become the country's next crown prince. 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 well-

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 his 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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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.
3. 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.
4. 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.
5. 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.
6. 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.
8. Regional Procurement Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid.

Chairman,
Regional Procurement Committee,
Sirimavo Bandaranaike Specialized Children's Hospital,
Peradeniya.
081-2389110 - Ext : 2621
01.10.2020

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 are :-

"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 of Sri Lanka"

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

Employment Opportunities

- 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 follows:

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 allowances.

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.

Chairman, National Medicines Regulatory Authority

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 Pradeshia 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 item.
A non refundable government security deposit of Rs. 4000.00 should be paid per item.
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 building.
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 Pradeshia 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 Pradeshia Sabha, Kandana.

24.10.2020

At the Head Office of the Jaela Pradeshia Sabha.



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.

Table with 4 columns: No., Nature of work, Non-refundable fee (LKR), Bid Bond Value (LKR). Lists various rain harvesting ponds and their associated costs.

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 Disnayaka on 0717304625

The Chief Operations Officer
Lanka Sugar Company (Pvt) Limited - Pelwatte
Buttala

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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
Contract No. and Title:	CEB/AGM/PRO/2020/IFB/PSRSP/P2A 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)

- 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.
- 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 – Tissamaharama (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.
- 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)

- To obtain further information and inspect the bidding documents, bidder should contact:

Project Manager (PMU2), Power System Reliability Strengthening Project,
Ceylon Electricity Board,
759, Thalagama South, Pelawatta, Sri Lanka.
Tel.: + 94 112 888 495 / 496, Fax: + 94 112 888497, Email: pm2psrsp.pri@ceb.lk
- 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.

or

 - 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 & Tissamaharama Lines will be held on 5 and 6 November 2020.
- 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.
- 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



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CEYLON ELECTRICITY BOARD

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.
- 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.

- To obtain further information and inspect the Bidding Documents, Bidder should contact:

Project Manager (PSRSP-P3), Ceylon Electricity Board, 759, Thalagama South, Pelawatta, Sri Lanka
Tel.: + 94 112 888 495 / 496
Fax: + 94 112 888 497
Email: pm3psrsp.pri@ceb.lk

- 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.

OR

- 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.

- 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.

- 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.

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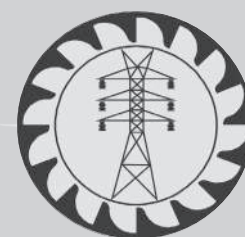


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Region / Division / Province	Bid No. / Item Description & Quantity	Bid closing date & Time	Procurement Committee	Place of Purchase of Bidding Documents TP. Nos.	Price of the Bid Document (Rs)	Value of Bid Bond (Rs)	Bids should be deposited at	Bids will be opened at	Price of the information copy (Rs)	Type of Bid ICB/ NCB
MATERIALS										
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 011-2575923, 011-2575930	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
Distribution Division 1 Colombo City	DGM(CC)/CE(C&CS)/PPC/2020/114 Supply & Installation of Finger Scan machines to DGM (Colombo City) - 19 Nos. The Pre-bid meeting will be held at 10:00 hrs on 13th October 2020 at the office of Deputy General Manager (Colombo City), CEB, 04th 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)	21 st October 2020 02.00 p.m.	Provincial Procurement Committee.	Chief Engineer (Commercial) Branch CEB Narammala Road, Kuliyaipitiya. 037 - 2281892	1,000.00	100,000.00	Deputy General Manager's Office CEB Narammala Road, Kuliyaipitiya	Deputy General Manager's Office CEB Narammala Road, Kuliyaipitiya	-	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, 0112880610	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, 3 rd 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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DD 3 (Uva)	DGM(UVA)/CE(COM)/C1// 2K20/077 Supply and Delivery of 10,000 Nos of Thimbles Galvanized 7/3.18mm and 10,000 Nos. of Thimbles Galvanized 7/4.06mm to Province of Uva	21 st 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. Tel : 0552222474	500.00	7,000.00	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.	-	NCB
DD 3 (Sab)	SAB/CE(CON)/C1/Building/2020/T/07BUILDING /- CON Embilipitiya No. I GANG. Renting a Building with a land to be used as the stores for the construction gang of Embilipitiya I Gang for 2 years near Pallededa & Godakawela Town area. 1. The building should have electricity, water & sanitary facilities. 2. The building should be 1000 sqft with 03 rooms & should have suitable space with parking facilities for 02 vehicles. (Crain & Lorry)	2020-10-21 2.00 p.m.	PPC (SAB)	Branch of Deputy General Manager (Sabagaramuwa) Chief Engineer (Construction) Unit C.E.B. No.09, New Town, Rathnapura Tp. No. 045-2225891-95	500.00	-	Branch of Deputy General Manager (Sabagaramuwa) Chief Engineer (Construction) Unit C.E.B. No.09, New Town, Rathnapura Tp. No. 045-2225891-95	Branch of Deputy General Manager (Sabagaramuwa) Chief Engineer (Construction) Unit C.E.B. No.09, New Town, Rathnapura Tp. No. 045-2225891-95	-	NCB
DGM (Transmission Construction Projects)	CEB/TCP/DGM/CFBKG/2020/02 Supply and Delivery of 06 nos of 36kV, 10kA, Station Class Surge Arresters with Surge Monitoring Instrument	12/11/ 2020 10.00 Hrs	Provincial Procurement Committee (Tr. Const. Projects)	Office of the DGM (Transmission Construction Projects), No. 55-1/1, Thalapatthipitiya Road, Embuldeniya, Negogoda 10250, Sri Lanka. Tel : 011-2 836 051/2 Fax : 011-2 836 053	1,000.00	30,750.00	Office of the DGM (Transmission Construction Projects), No. 55-1/1, Thalapatthipitiya Road, Embuldeniya, Negogoda 10250, Sri Lanka.	Office of the DGM (Transmission Construction Projects), No. 55-1/1, Thalapatthipitiya Road, Embuldeniya, Negogoda 10250, Sri Lanka.	Available in CEB web site	ICB
CONSTRUCTION										
Lakvijaya Power Plant	LV/T/2020/362 Design and Construction of Chemical Storing Facilities for Lakvijaya Power Plant C-05 or above Pre Bid Meeting will be 07/10/2020 at 10.00 hrs	04/11/2020 14.00 hrs	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 11,000.00 Deposit to Peoples Bank Acc. No: 07110012 3320705 Acc. Name Generation Division	LKR.850,000.00	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
DD1 (NWP)	DGM/NWP/CEECM/T/2020/131 Renovation of Washrooms in DGM Office Complex (NWP), Kuliyapitiya.	21 st October 2020 02.00 p.m.	Provincial Procurement Committee.	Chief Engineer (Commercial) Branch CEB Narammala Road, Kuliyapitiya. 037 - 2281892	1,000.00	30,000.00	Deputy General Manager's Office CEB Narammala Road, Kuliyapitiya	Deputy General Manager's Office CEB Narammala Road, Kuliyapitiya		NCB
AM (CW&B)	CW&B/DGM/CEB-HO-FD/06/2019 Refurbishment of 1st Floor of CEB Head Office Building for Setting up an Office for Finance Division. Eligibility: CIDA Grading – SP4 or above in 1. Floor, Wall and Ceiling finishes 2. Aluminum works 3. Carpentry and joinery 4. Furniture and fittings	At 14.00 hrs on October 22, 2020	Minor Procurement Committee (Finance)	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Civil Works and Buildings), Ceylon Electricity Board, 4th Floor, G.C.S.U. Building, No.90, Sir Chittampalam A Gardiner Mawatha, Colombo 02. 0112-447567 0112-447568	3,500/-	100,000/-	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Civil Works and Buildings), Ceylon Electricity Board, 4th Floor, G.C.S.U. Building, No.90, Sir Chittampalam A Gardiner Mawatha, Colombo 02. 0112-447567 0112-447568	Office of the Deputy General Manager (Civil Works and Buildings), Ceylon Electricity Board, 4th Floor, G.C.S.U. Building, No.90, Sir Chittampalam A Gardiner Mawatha, Colombo 02. 0112-447567 0112-447568	N/A	NCB
SERVICES										
Lakvijaya Power Plant	LV/T/2020/0244 INSTALLATION OF ELECTRICAL PANELS AND CABLE LAYING WORKS OF THE CW PUMP EMERGENCY POWER SUPPLY PROJECT FOR UNIT#3 OF LAKVIJAYA POWER PLANT	14.00 hrs on Wednesday November 04, 2020. Pre-bid meeting October 07 th 2020 at 10.00 a.m at LVPP	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 2,500.00 Deposit to Peoples Bank Acc. No: 07110012 3320705 Acc. Name Generation Division	LKR 100,000.00	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

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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, Narakkaliya, 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 Narakkaliya Norochcholai	Office of the Deputy General Manager Lakvijaya Power Station Ceylon Electricity Board Narakkaliya 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	22.10.2020 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)	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)	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.	21 st October 2020 02.00 p.m.	Provincial Procurement Committee.	Chief Engineer (Commercial) Branch CEB Narammala Road, Kuliypitiya. 037 - 2281892	1,000.00	50,000.00	Deputy General Manager's Office CEB Narammala Road, Kuliypitiya	Deputy General Manager's Office CEB Narammala Road, Kuliypitiya	-	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.	21 st 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.	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
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.	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

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DD1 (NWP)	DGM/NWP/CEECM/T/2020/163 Rent a Building for Kiriyanakaliya Consumer service Center. The Building must be located in the town limit of Kiriyanakaliya & 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.	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/2020/209 Rent a Building for Kuliyaipitiya - I Maintenance Sub Unit of Chief Electrical Engineer (Distribution Maintenance) Unit. The Building must be located in the town limit of Kuliyaipitiya & 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 Kuliyaipitiya Site office of Chief Electrical Engineer (Energy Management) Unit. The Building must be located in the town limit of Kuliyaipitiya & 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.	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/2020/267 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 received 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 received 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 Secretariat	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. Tel : 0552222474	-	-	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.

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.

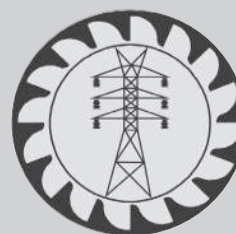
All clarifications shall be sought two weeks before the Bid closing date, from the respective DGM/CE of the CEB who issued the bidding Documents.

* ICB International Competitive Bidding, NCB – National Competitive Bidding.

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The information copy of the Bid document may be downloaded from the CEB Corporate website www.ceb.lk



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